

## Baseball games

Haskell V  
in Hamlin Tournament  
Feb. 28-March 1  
Haskell V vs Merkel  
Wed., March 5, 4 p.m.  
at Merkel

## Softball games

Haskell in Seymour  
Tournament  
Feb. 29-March 1

## Calendar

### One Act Plays

The Haskell Memorial Civic Center will host a night of One Act Plays Mon., March 3 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center. Students from Paint Creek will perform at 6 p.m., Rule at 7 p.m. and Haskell at 8 p.m. Admission is \$3. A concession stand will be available during intermission.

### FOS drive

A Friends of Scouting fundraising drive will be held during a free breakfast Wed., March 5 beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the basement of the First Christian Church in Haskell. The drive is an annual event of the Texas Trails Council.

### 100th anniversary

First Baptist Church of Weinert will celebrate its 100th anniversary April 5-6. Those with addresses of non-residents, former members or others who might be interested may contact Wanda Hester, anniversary chairman at 940-673-8262 or Mary Murphy at 940-673-8269.

### Chamber banquet

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce banquet is set for Thurs., Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Political candidates will be introduced. Haskell's Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year will be recognized. Tickets are available at the chamber.

### Garage sale

Taylor's Team will host a community wide garage sale Sat., March 1 at the old Sport Aboutlet on the east side of the square. Call Melissa Burson at 256-2509 to donate your treasures or bring your items to the sale location on Fri., Feb. 29. The sale will benefit Autism Speaks.

### Spaghetti lunch

A spaghetti lunch will be held Sun., March 2 from noon to 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church's Activity Center. Plates of spaghetti, brad, salad, dessert and a drink will be served for \$7 per plate. Take outs are available. Tickets are available from Melissa Burson at 864-8161, the FBC office, or at the door. Proceeds benefit Autism Speaks Research Foundation.

### Flag programs

The Haskell Rotary Club provides the placement of the American flag in residential yards on five recognized holidays. For information, call Nelda Lane at 864-2597. The Haskell Fire Department provides the placement of flags on commercial property during the year. Call Randy Shaw at 325-721-0674 for details.

### Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., March 2 at the Pit & Grill restaurant. Dominoes begin at 2 p.m. followed by a meeting at 3 p.m. The meal will be barbecue sandwiches.

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# Vote Tues., March 4

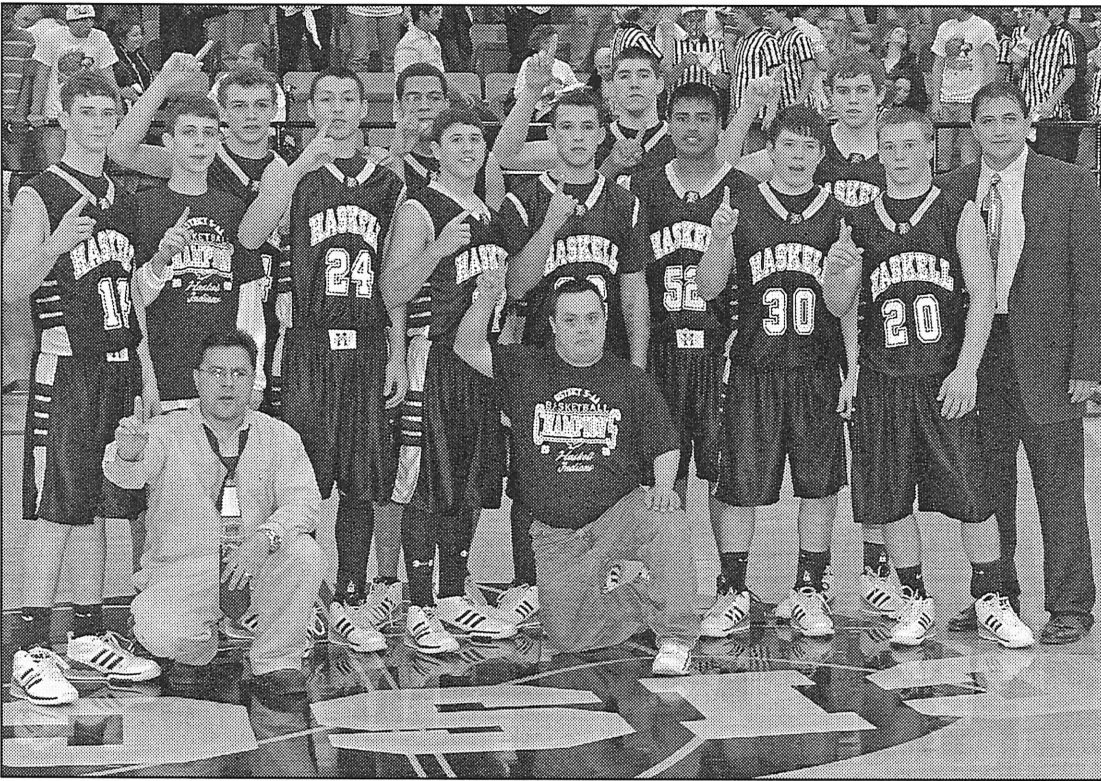
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"The People's Choice"

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## Indians win Area Champion title



**AREA CHAMPS**—The Haskell Indians were declared area champions after defeating Brady 56 to 48 in Cisco last Friday. The Indians were to play Jim Ned Tues., Feb. 26 at ACU in Abilene for the Regional Quarterfinal title. If they were winners in that game, Haskell will play at Midland College Chaparral Center Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. Indian team

members are front row, l-r, Coach Toby Villa and Joseph Rodriguez; back row, Weston Rutkowski, John English, Aaron Rodriguez, A.J. Alvarez, D.J. McCulloch, Austin Marshall, Stephen Guevara, Derek Agraz, Simon Rodriguez, Greg Guzman, Samuel Bitner, Travis Adams and Coach Lolo Martinez

Photo by Bill Blankenship

The Haskell Indians took the Area title by defeating Brady by a 56-48 score last Friday night in Cisco.

The Tribe faced Jim Ned Tuesday night at ACU's Moody Coliseum in the Regional Quarterfinal contest.

Missing their starting point guard, John English, Coach Toby Villa expects English to return to play on Tuesday.

D.J. McCulloch led the shooting with 26 points, shooting three of five from the three point line. He had seven rebounds.

Weston Rutkowski took over the position played by English.

## Round Robin revival set

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance will sponsor its Round Robin Revival March 2-6. Each evening the services will take place at 7 p.m. with different pastors of the community preaching from different churches. This year's theme is "Shadow of the Cross" and each evening an offering will be taken for the ministerial alliance fund.

Dates, places and speakers for the Round Robin Revival include:

Sun., March 2: First Baptist Church, Rev. J.C. Amburn

Mon., March 3: First United Methodist Church, Rev. Ron Rennegarbe

Tues., March 4: Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church, Rev. Larry White

Wed., March 5: Trinity Lutheran Church, Rev. Tom Long

Thurs., March 6: Assembly of God, Rev. Richard Barr

We hope that you will plan to attend each of these nights of worship. If you have any questions about the revival, call First Baptist Church at 864-2581.

## Primary elections, conventions set

The Haskell County Democratic Party will hold an election March 4 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. followed by a precinct convention at each precinct polling place at 7 p.m. listed below:

Box 1: St. George Catholic Church, 901 N. 16th, Haskell

Box 2: Assembly of God Church, 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Box 3: Extension Building, 101 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Box 4: Experienced Citizens Center, 1404 S. 1st St., Haskell

Box 5: Rule High School Library, 1105 Union Avenue, Rule

Box 6: Rochester Fire Department, 214 Carothers Avenue, Rochester

Box 7: O'Brien City Hall, 1002 Grand Central Avenue, O'Brien

Box 8: Weinert School Building, 202 S. Hilmer, Weinert

Box 9: Paint Creek School Library, 4396 FM 600, Paint Creek

Box 10: Sagerton Community Center, 103 Grant Avenue, Sagerton

Republican Party will hold an election March 4 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. followed by a precinct convention. The election and convention will be held in the kitchen on the third floor of the Haskell County Courthouse.

Early voting will continue through Feb. 29 and may be done in person at the Haskell County Clerk's office in the courthouse.

County Clerk Rhonda Moeller reminds voters that in order to vote, everyone must bring their voter registration card or the required identification with them.

## Fannins honored

Melvin and Margie Fannin were selected as Man and Women of the Year during the annual Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet held Tues., Feb. 19.

Lifetime residents of Haskell County, their families were farmers and neighbors when they were growing up in the Jud and New Cook communities.

Margie is a graduate of Rochester High School and worked at the drug store in Rochester. Melvin was a graduate of Rule High School and served in the Army Air Corps, where he was an airplane mechanic in England.

The couple married in

February 1947 after Melvin returned to Rule from the war.

Margie was active in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, church and school activities, bridge clubs and the breakfast club. She retired from the Rule ISD after 20 years of service. She enjoys sewing and quilting.

Melvin is active in church and school activities and service organizations. He retired from Cities Service Oil Co. after 30 years.

The couple are active members of the First Baptist Church in Rule. They take care of the mini-park in downtown Rule.

## City and school elections

The City of Haskell and Haskell CISD will conduct elections on Sat., May 10.

Filing deadline for both elections ends March 10.

Those wishing to file with the city may do so at City Hall. The school trustee candidates may file at the school's administration office.

Positions up for election for the City include the Mayor's term, currently held by Ken Lane; and two places for councilman at large. Jason Hall and Bob Smith currently hold those positions.

School board positions up for election include two single

member district, 3 year term positions. Single member district #2 is currently held by Donnie Rieger; single member district #3 is held by Mynea Short.

Early voting begins April 28 and ends May 6.

For voting to be counted, a voter must present their voter certificate; or drivers license or personal identification; or a form of identification containing a photograph; or a birth certificate; or a copy of an utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter.

The Haskell County



**MOVING ON**—Haskell veterinarian, Dr. Tom Hairgrove, left, received a plaque of appreciation from the Haskell community. Dennis Braden made the presentation during an appreciation banquet held in honor of Dr. Tom and Peggy Hairgrove last Thursday. The couple is moving to Bryan where Tom will work for Texas AgriLife Research as an Extension Food Animal Livestock Disease Coordinator in the field of applied clinical research in the diseases of cattle, sheep and goats.

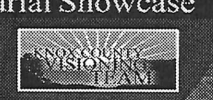
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## USDA sets Farm Survey

How many acres of cotton, corn or sorghum do farmers intend to plant this growing season? Will intended acreage be above or below last year? These are just a couple of the critical questions the Texas Field Office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will be asking more than 5,900 producers statewide as part of the March Agricultural Survey.

"The March Agricultural Survey, also known as the Crops/Stocks Survey, is one of the most important surveys conducted each year by NASS," explained David Abbe, Director of the NASS Texas Field Office. This survey will provide the first official estimates of U.S. farmers' planting intentions for 2008, giving a glimpse at the upcoming growing season.

"Data from the March Agricultural Survey benefit farmers and ranchers by providing timely and accurate information to help them make critical decisions for their operation. When finalizing cropping and marketing plans, this survey will be one of the most important sources of information for producers," added Abbe.

Beginning the end of February, selected Texas producers will be contacted by mail, telephone or personal interview and asked to provide information on the crop acreage they intend to plant for the 2008 crop year. NASS will also collect data on quantities of grains and oilseeds stored on-farm. The information will be compiled and analyzed then published in a series of USDA reports, including the Prospective Plantings report and quarterly Grain Stocks report, both to be released on March 31.

As with all NASS surveys, information provided by respondents is confidential by law. "NASS safeguards the confidentiality of all responses and publishes only state- and national-level data, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified," stated Abbe. All reports are available on the NASS web site: [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov). For more information on NASS surveys and reports, call the NASS Texas Field Office at 1-800-626-3142.

## Obituaries

### Frances MaryAnn Moeller



FRANCES MOELLER

### A.B. Arnett Jr., Commander, USNR (Retired)



A.B. ARNETT JR.

Memorial services for A.B. Arnett, Jr., Commander, USNR (Retired), 84, will be held at 12 noon Sat., March 1 at the Rule Community Center. Services are under the direction of North's

Funeral services for Frances MaryAnn Moeller, 82, of Weinert were held Wed., Feb. 27 at First Baptist Church in Weinert with Bro. Dan Bullock officiating, assisted by Rob Harrison. Burial was in Weinert Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Moeller died Feb. 24. Born Dec. 27, 1925 in Throckmorton County, she was the daughter of the late Frank Moeller and Mary Kretschmer Moeller. She was a lifelong resident of Weinert and a member of First Baptist Church of Weinert.

She was preceded in death by

her parents; brothers, Willie Carl Moeller and Edwin Richard 'Tuffy' Moeller; and sister-in-law, Doris Letz Moeller.

Survivors include her brother, Ernest Moeller and wife, Zella of Haskell; sisters, Dora Mae Brueggeman of Weinert and Erna Brueggeman of Fort Worth; nieces Mary Elizabeth Stephens, JoAnn Greenwood, Joy Fay Burton, Johnnie Bernice McCrory; nephews, Donnie Moeller, Frankie Moeller, Ricky Moeller, Melvin Brueggeman, Larry Brueggeman, John Brueggeman, Richard Tom Brueggeman; and several great nieces and nephews.

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Funeral Home of Abilene.

Mr. Arnett died Thurs., Feb. 21.

Born June 6, 1923 in Rule, he was the son of A.B. and Mamie Robertson Arnett. He graduated from Rule High School, Class of 1941. He entered the Navy in 1942 and spent sixteen years on active duty and seven years in the Naval Reserve. In 1945 he was commissioned as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy. His Navy duties took him to Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Panama, Chile, Antarctica, Argentina, Brazil, Morocco, Italy, Greece, Spain, Lebanon, Germany, France and England. He was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War.

He married Carol Gray in the Chapel at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, in Monterey, California in 1953.

In 1954 he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Meteorology from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. He worked for the U.S. Civil Service Commission from 1959 to 1970 as a Research Meteorologist.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carol; his parents; and a brother, John H. Arnett.

Survivors include four daughter, Debra Rhine of San Diego, California, Dr. Donna Baller of Dallas, Diana Arnett of Irving, and Daphne Van Hoe of Oceanside, California; one brother, Norman Arnett of Hamlin; one sister, Martha Roe of Fort Worth; two grandsons and three granddaughters.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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### General Vernon Wofford

Funeral services for General Vernon Wofford, 96, of Stamford were held Thurs., Feb. 21 at First Baptist church with Rev. James Brigham and Rev. Calvin Gray officiating. Burial was in Capron Cemetery under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mr. Wofford died Mon., Feb. 18 at his residence.

Born Dec. 6, 1911 in Haskell County, he was the son of the late James Jeffery and Artie Missia Gowens Wofford. He married Hazel Anne Wilkins Jan. 11, 1934 in Stamford. She preceded him in death June 24, 2005. He was a lifetime resident of Haskell County where he farmed and ranched. He lived his entire life within three miles of where he was born. An active member of the First Baptist

Church for over 59 years, he was recognized for having taught the Men's Sunday School Class for over 40 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; two sisters, Gladys Gibson and Arbella Wofford; and four brothers, Ollie Wofford, Curtis Wofford, James Wofford and Lowell Wofford.

Survivors include his daughter, Kathleen Wofford of Stamford; two sons, Jeffrey Wofford of Batesville, Arkansas and Garry Wofford of Vones; five grandchildren, Tempa Sherill, Jodie Wofford, Toby Howard, James Wofford and Wade Wofford; 15 great grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### Wanda 'Mommom' Vojkufka

Funeral services for Wanda Vojkufka, 73, of Weinert were held Sat., Feb. 9 at the Weinert Foursquare Church in Weinert with Pastor Robert Harrison and Pastor Paul Chambers officiating. Burial was in Weinert Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

Mrs. Vojkufka died Thurs., Feb. 7 in Haskell. Born April 3, 1934 in Weinert, she graduated Valedictorian of Weinert High School in 1952. She married Melvin Vojkufka Sept. 27, 1953 in Weinert. She was a volunteer for the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association. She was an avid collector of Precious Moments. She was a member of the Weinert Foursquare Church for over 50 years. She was Sunday School Coordinator of the South Central District of the Foursquare Churches. A loan clerk for Production Credit Association for 27 years, she retired in 1999.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Nova Owens Driggers; and sister, Loree Flanagan.

Survivors include her husband, Melvin Vojkufka of Weinert; two daughters, Melanie Wood of Abilene and Dorethy Harrison and husband, Robert of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Ikie Earp of Pampa and Tiny Vaughn of Anson; five grandchildren, Cory Wood and wife, Naomi of Abilene, Zachry Wood of North Richland Hills, Whitney Wood of Abilene, Jennifer DeVill and husband, Kent of Knox City, and Ashley Coleman and husband, Walt of Wichita Falls; three great grandchildren, Keelie and Kylie DeVill of Knox City, and Taylor Wood, whose anticipated arrival is June 2, 2008 of Abilene; numerous nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and a host of dear friends.

Pallbearers were Cory Wood, Zachry Wood, Kent DeVill, Walt Coleman, Hal Guess, Jay Flanagan, Bobby Sosolik and Clifford Byrd.

Memorials may be made to the Weinert Foursquare Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 56, Weinert, Texas 76388.

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### Lora Nell Hartley Adams

Memorial services for Lora Nell Hartley Adams, 79, of Tyler were held Tues., Feb. 26 at Lloyd James Funeral Chapel with Mike Warner and Mark Edge officiating. Services were under the direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home of Tyler.

Mrs. Adams died Sun., Feb. 24 in Tyler.

Born Sept. 2, 1928 in Dumas, she was the daughter of the late Clell Andrew and Ruth Marie Woolen Hartley. She was a homemaker and had lived in the Tyler area since 1987. She was a member of Shiloh Road Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Wilfred Adams Sr. of Bullard; sons, Charles Wilfred Adams Jr. of Big Spring and James 'Derrick' Adams of Kermit; daughter, Lora Denise Adams Sorrells of Bullard; three grandsons, three granddaughters, and six great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to East Texas Christian Academy, 1801 Shiloh Road, Tyler, Texas 75703 or Mother Frances Foundation for Level 3 Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit, 800 E. Dawson, Tyler Texas 75701.

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### Former Congressman Charlie Stenholm Endorses Hillary Clinton

Austin, TX – Former Texas Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced his endorsement of Hillary Clinton for President today.

"Hillary has the type of pragmatic leadership we need to get our country back on track," said Stenholm, according to a press release. "Hillary's always been a 'doer,' and she has the experience we need to lead our country on Day One. My wife Cindy and I are proud to support Hillary and look forward to campaigning for her throughout Texas."

"I am honored to have Charlie's support," said Hillary. "Charlie has spent a lifetime fighting for our Farm Families and is one of our nation's most respected and voices on the importance of balancing our nation's budget.. I look forward to having his help spreading my message throughout the state of Texas."

Congressman Stenholm, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 13 terms, was born in Stamford, Texas and graduated from Texas Tech University. Congressman Stenholm was elected in 1978 to serve the 32-county, 17th District of Texas in Congress.

Mr. Stenholm is a strong advocate for agriculture and budget matters, serving on the House Agriculture Committee for his 26-year career and as the Committee's ranking Democrat for his last eight years in Congress. While in Congress, he earned a reputation for building bipartisan alliances in agriculture, resource conservation, food safety, Social Security, energy, health care, and budget. Stenholm is also one of the founding members or the fiscally conservative Blue Dog Caucus.

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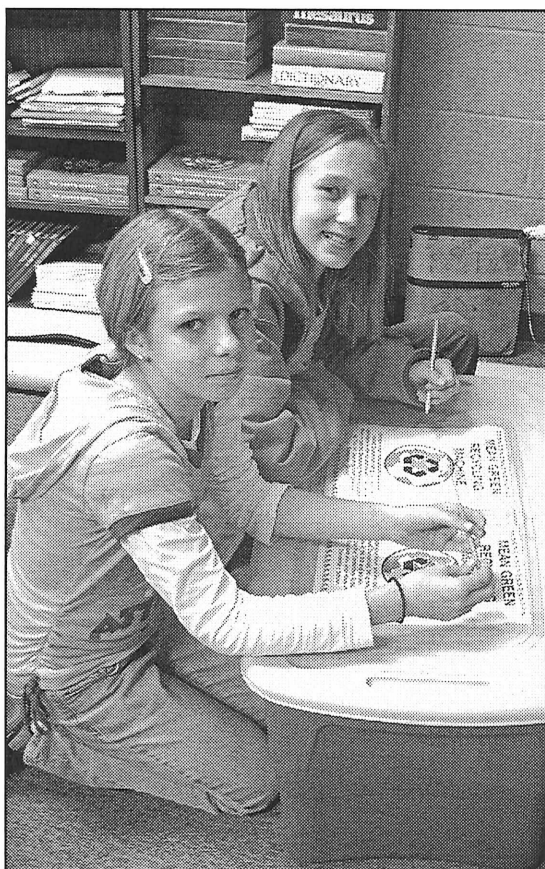
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**RECYCLING CONTEST**—The Mean Green Recycling Team of Haskell fifth graders are collecting toner cartridges to recycle and help keep our community clean. The boys are competing against the girls to see which group can collect the most cartridges. To donate a cartridge, contact any fifth grader for pick up, or drop off cartridges at the Haskell Elementary School office, or call 864-2654 ext. 313. Jacie Klose, left, and Reagan Hadaway are shown decorating a collection container for the recycling project. This is a Shared Services Agreement grant program in conjunction with Region XIV Educational Service Center and Learn & Serve America. The grant provides money and opportunities for student leadership and academic excellence.



**CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY**—Otis and Sue Wright of Haskell celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a come and go reception Jan. 5. They have three daughters, Molly Friske and husband Bill who are both deceased, Shirley Hargus and husband Rob of Merkel, and Becky Wright of Abilene. They have nine grandchildren, Cyndy Primm and husband Jarmin of Hamlin, Bill Friske and wife Tracy of Merkel, Elizabeth Howard and husband Leonard of Haskell, Melissa Espinosa and husband Teddy of Knox City, Richard Howeth and wife Tina of Hawley, Jason Howeth of Haskell, Anne Krebs and husband Nick of Japan, Nathan Rocha and Joey Rocha, both of Abilene. They have nineteen great grandchildren and one great great grandchild, with more on the way.

**Beta Chi Chapter tours Gass home**

The Beta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma will hold a meeting March 2 at the Knox city High School Library beginning at 2:30 p.m. Kathy Latham, speaker, will discuss how art can improve small communities.

The Christmas program was held Dec. 1 at the home of Shirley and Byron Gass. Members brought covered dishes for a luncheon. A silent auction for Christmas decorations was held.

A short history of the house, designed by a protege of Frank Lloyd Wright, was given by Marsha McGaughey followed by a tour.

Quilts by artist in the spotlight, Mary Cartwright of Munday were displayed.

The Chapter's Red Rose Salute was given to Shirley Gass for sharing her home with the chapter.

**Test brings art club demonstration**

Ginger Test of Novice was the guest artist for the Brazos West Art Association's regular monthly meeting Feb. 11. Working in watercolor, Test demonstrated the use of masking material, salt and paint to create a beautiful painting.

Attending were Martha Spitzer, Nelwyn Beakley, Donna Clayton, Ann Strand, Marsha Whittemore, Betty Hook, Betty Berry, Bobbie Harrison, Gary Conn and guest, Terry Test. Spitzer and Beakley served as hostesses.

**Ice cream honors 4-H 100th birthday with special flavor**

by Jane Rowan  
 CEA/FCS, Haskell County  
 In honor of the Texas 4-H organization's 100th birthday, Blue Bell Creameries is introducing Centennial Cupcake Ice Cream. To sweeten the deal, the Little Creamery is donating a portion of the sales to promote 4-H educational programs.

Centennial Cupcake Ice Cream is a delicious cake batter ice cream with pieces of yellow cake, a chocolate icing swirl and four-leaf clover sprinkles.

"We just finished celebrating our 100th birthday so we understand just how special this is," said Paul Kruse, Blue Bell CEO and president. "Centennial Cupcake is the perfect ice cream to help commemorate this momentous occasion. It has all the ingredients for a celebration, cake and ice cream. The four-leaf clover sprinkles give it that special touch."

4-H is a national organization which prides itself on teaching young people across America leadership, citizenship and life skills. There are more than 7

million members from eight to 18 years of age involved in 4-H.

Centennial Cupcake Ice Cream will be sold in Texas and across the company's 17-state distribution area. "4-H is a national organization that benefits so many young people," Kruse said.

"Our inspiration for the flavor came from the Texas organization's 100th birthday, but we felt it was important to recognize all 4-H groups."

Blue Bell has also created a unique carton for this new flavor. It features four children in 4-H T-shirts and the organization's widely recognized four-leaf emblem. "We worked with 4-H to create something that symbolizes what they are all about," Kruse said. "The organization is for the kids. I think the smiling faces capture the spirit of this organization just perfectly."

Centennial Cupcake Ice Cream is now available at Modern Way Food Store of Haskell.

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For the past 25 years, it has been an honor to serve the people of Haskell and call it home. From working at Owens TV to F & D Electronics and now Haskell Tire & Appliance, Gina and I have encountered many people who will be lifelong friends. We have had the pleasure of working with many employees who have influenced and touched our lives. As Gina and I start a new chapter in our lives, we would like to sincerely thank all of the people of our community for letting us serve you and for the many memories. I hope you will give the new owners, Jeremy and Vicki Wilson, the same opportunity to serve you.

Thanks,  
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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

### Democratic candidates debate in capital city

AUSTIN—Barack Obama of Illinois and Hillary Clinton of New York met at the University of Texas to debate in a nationally televised forum on Feb. 21.

The two United States senators, vying to be the Democratic Party's presidential nominee, answered questions posed by Jorge Ramos, a reporter for Univision, the Spanish-language television network, and CNN reporter John King.

Among many topics were:

- universal health care
- economy/trade/jobs
- immigration policy
- federal taxation
- Iraq strategy
- care for wounded veterans
- care for military families

Clinton suggested her experience should make her the clear choice for Democratic voters. Obama asked for voters' help in his effort to change the nation's capital from a place "where good ideas go to die" and work with him to help America "live up to its promise" of liberty and justice for all.

Forty-thousand people applied to attend the debate in the UT recreation center, but admittance was limited to 1,000. Pro-Hillary and Pro-Barack crowds gathered outside the building and engaged in loud but peaceful volleys of chants.

Thousands more attended political rallies and debate watches were held at Sholz Garten, the Austin Music Hall and the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

To cap the debate, an Obama rally the following evening in downtown Austin drew a crowd estimated at 30,000. The city of Austin closed off streets near the rally to vehicular traffic.

Meanwhile, Republican candidates U.S. Sen. John McCain of Arizona, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, and U.S. Rep. Ron Paul of Clute scheduled appearances in various cities in advance of the Texas GOP primary.

Party primaries are set for March 4, and early voting ends Feb. 29.

### SMU chosen as Bush library site

The future site of the George W. Bush Presidential Library will be Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

The SMU board of trustees announced Feb. 22 it had reached an agreement with the George W. Bush Presidential Library

Foundation.

SMU is first lady Laura Bush's alma mater. Yale University, President Bush's alma mater, was in the running among eight potential sites.

A "Presidential Center," to be built on SMU's main campus, will consist of the presidential library containing Bush administration documents and artifacts, a museum with permanent and traveling exhibits and an independent public policy institute.

The library and museum will be operated by the National Archives and Records Administration.

Bush was elected to two consecutive terms as governor of Texas and served from 1995 until 2000, when he resigned to run for president.

### City considers owning wind farm

The City of Austin's utility company, Austin Energy, is looking into renewable or "greener" energy solutions for the future.

Michael McCluskey, deputy general manager of Austin Energy, said the utility company might consider buying West Texas land on which to build its own wind farm.

Owning wind turbines instead of contracting for power would guarantee a supply of wind power into the future and give the utility more cost control, McCluskey said.

Currently, much of Austin's energy supply comes from coal-burning power plants.

### 'Own Your Own Future' launched

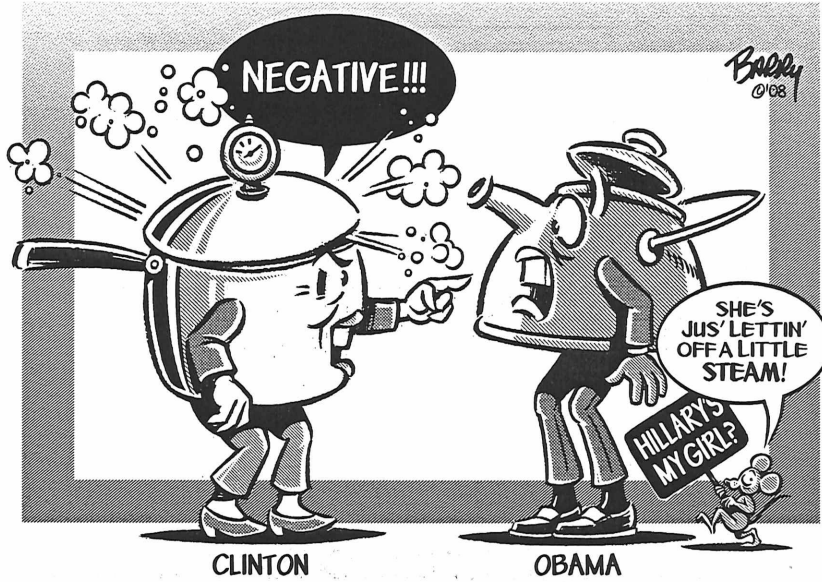
The Texas Education Agency on Feb. 22 launched a program to encourage youth to stay in school, graduate and pursue a career.

The program, "Own Your Own Future," comes through a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Education Commissioner Robert Scott said the program "provides at-risk youth with career options tied to their passions and desires, all while reiterating the need to finish high school to make these achievements a reality."

The program is accessed via [www.ownyourfuture.com](http://www.ownyourfuture.com), a Web site that moves the user through a series of question-and-answer sections that help the student chart a clear path to goals and objectives and participate in the decisionmaking process.

## WHEN THE POT CALLS THE KETTLE ...



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago February 26, 1998

Samuel Bitner placed first in the nine and under class competition at the Bow Hunters Cabela's Circuit Tournament in Abilene.

Nate Webb and Charlie Smith received the Arrow of Light award at the Blue and Gold Banquet.

Anita Denise Rapp and Jonathan Kirk Lammert of Sagerton were on the Dean's Honor Roll for the 1997 fall semester at Texas A&M University.

Visiting in the home of Mae Lou Yeldell were Angela Jordan, granddaughter, Angela's mother, Pat Jordan of Stamford, her brother-in-law, Bill Yeldell of Stamford and his wife Mary, of Shamrock.

### 20 Years Ago March 3, 1988

Five Haskell Maiden's receive all-district honors in basketball including Missy Davis second team all-district, Sheree Dumas honorable mention, Joy McKeever first team all-district, Robyn Weaver second team all-district, and Tiffany Moeller honorable mention.

Brooke Baker and Deanna Scheets, Haskell students took first and second place in writing competition at the Big Country Writing contest. Nichole Cothron was recognized for "Excellence in Creativity."

J.W. Alexander of McKinney visited with his parents, J.T. and Florence Alexander.

Couilla and George Cunningham of Ransom Springs, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mayfield and her son, Jeff Teague.

### 30 Years Ago March 2, 1978

Ken Lane, Rick Perry, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. McBroom and Donald Griffiths, of Haskell County were five of 210 Farmers Union members who recently lobbied

members of Congress and key officials of the Carter Administration in Washington for better farm prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grover of Amarillo visited his mother, Minnie Holt.

The Tower Drive-In theater in Rule was showing The Deep at \$3.00 per carload.

J.D. Kupatt of Rule was elected to serve as vice president of the Texas Cooperative Ginners Association.

Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Rice and family of Carrollton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boedecker.

Dr. A.L. King of St. Louis, Missouri visited his mother, Jewell Horner.

Mr. and Mrs. David Letz had their grandson, Tony Peterson of Waco visiting them.

Sherrie Everett was named to the girls all-district basketball team. Everett made second team guard.

### 40 Years Ago February 29, 1968

In recognition of their outstanding community service, Dr. T.W. Williams, Mrs. Luther Burkett, Mrs. Opal Adkins and Mayor H.V. Woodard were presented special awards at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet. presented by newly-elected president Abe Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff LeFevre visited with Mrs. Cora Davis in Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray Baitz of Sweetwater visited with Mr. and Mrs. Zenor Summers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Manske and children of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. Cliff LeFevre.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Lemley visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown in Goree.

### 50 Years Ago February 27, 1958

Public school week commenced. The community was invited to participate in various activities and tour elementary,

junior high, and high school facilities.

Biard's Cleaners on North Avenue E has installed a new automatic cleaner and extractor and a much larger filter tank. This equipment was to insure the policy of keeping the plant modern.

The Bowling Alley is now in operation at the Bynum's building. Jerry Larned is the owner.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles Kemp and Carrie McAnulty were in Houston visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kemp's son, Giles Marion and McAnulty's father, A.P. Kinnison.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. E.M. Frierson over the weekend were her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A.V. Cox of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. H.D. Bland visited with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Pennington of Buchanan.

James Fowler spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Flowler.

H.K. Henry spent several days in Denison on business and visited his mother, Margaret Henry.

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Odis Taylor and children are home from Germany to visit his mother, Ann Taylor.

### 100 Years Ago February 29, 1908

Jessie Wright returned home from Abilene, where she has been attending Simmons College.

M.E. Park announces for the nomination and re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Haskell County.

J.H. Hicks and B.M. Hicks and family have returned from Oroville, California to which they moved from this county last year, to again make their home in Haskell County, near Rochester. They were also accompanied by Walter Hicks who went out to California a few months since.

## Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade settled at a four-year high Thursday on a flood of technical buying by speculators and funds. The December cotton contract gained 2.26 cents to close at 80.94. Likewise, the spot market seemed to take its cue from the futures market as producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas sold 37,805 bales online that day at an average price of 65.13 cents per pound.

Analysts said cotton's next move will depend greatly on what happens in other commodity markets, but the industry also will take its cue from any new news that might spring from USDA's annual Outlook Forum at the end of the week. Market observers were looking closely for presentations concerning crop prospects in the upcoming 2008-09 marketing year, especially those regarding prospective plantings and production in the United States.

One of those reports, released early Friday morning, pegged planted acres for U.S. cotton in 2008-09 at 9.5 million and production at 15 million bales. Last year's U.S. cotton acreage totaled 10.8 million, and production has been estimated at 19.03 million bales.

"We'll take any numbers that come out of the outlook meeting and look for clues as to what the government's potential plantings report might contain when it's released on March 31," an analyst explained.

The National Cotton Council's survey of U.S. farmers' intentions released on Feb. 8 showed plantings of 9.55 million acres and anticipated production of 15.38 million bales. The cotton crops in the Delta and in California are expected to shrink well below 2007-08 levels while crops in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas should be close to the same size, the Council said.

"If as much cotton is planted in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas as we now are expecting, the three states could produce roughly 52 percent of the U.S. crop in the upcoming year," an analyst said. In global news, the world's fifth largest cotton exporter raised its forecast for production by 13 percent. Australian cotton output may be 532,788 bales in 2007-08, the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics said in a report released this week. That compared with its December estimate of 473,079 bales and last year's crop of 1.2 million bales.

Rain in many areas of Australia encouraged farmers to plant cotton in a larger area than forecast, the bureau said. Total output still will fall to a 25-year low after dry weather earlier in the growing season limited the amount of irrigation water available.

Meanwhile, USDA reported net export sales of U.S. cotton in the week ended Feb. 14 totaled 483,800 bales, up 225 percent from the previous week and the four-week average. China was the featured buyer at 276,600 bales. Export shipments for the week totaled 207,300 bales, an increase of 2 percent from the previous week and 15 percent better than the four-week average. China, Mexico and Turkey were the primary destinations.

On the spot cotton scene, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas totaled 67,852 bales in the week ended Feb. 21 compared to 38,764 bales the previous week. Average daily prices received by producers ranged from 49.39 to 65.13 cents per pound versus 55.00 to 62.89 cents per pound one week earlier.

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## Severe weather safety tips

The National Weather Service offers the following tips to help keep you safe during severe weather.

- Stay informed with NOAA All Hazards Radio, local radio, TV or internet. Always have more than one way to receive weather information in case you lose power. NOAA All Hazards Radio functions like a smoke detector and warns you anywhere and anytime automatically alerting you of tornadoes, flash floods or severe thunderstorms.

- Know the difference between a watch and a warning. A watch means conditions are favorable for severe weather. A warning means that severe weather such as a tornado, hail or damaging wind storm is very likely or imminent, and has been detected on radar, has been reported by the public, and/or has been identified by National Weather Service

trained SKYWARN storm spotters.

- Know the name of your county and those around you. Have a road map nearby your TV remote control or radio receiver.
- Know what to do ahead of time.

- Tornado and high wind safety: Know the safe places from tornadoes and high winds, and be sure your family knows, too. An underground shelter or above ground shelter is the safest place. However, the next safest place is an innermost windowless room or hallway on the lowest floor of your home, school or business away from outside walls and windows. Get down low and cover your head with blankets, pillows or mattresses.

- Abandon mobile homes for a safer place from both tornadoes and straight line winds, and know where to go when a Watch or

Warning is issued for your area. Recent statistics prove that people in manufactured homes are at more risk from tornadoes.

- Flash flood safety: Always turn around—don't drown when you encounter a flooded low water crossing, whether on foot or in a vehicle. Many people drown at night when it is very difficult to see a flooded low water crossing. Flash flood related deaths are the number one storm related killer.

- Lightning safety: Watch the clouds and be prepared to take shelter before you hear thunder or see lightning. If you're caught outside in lightning, your home and your car offers a safer refuge. Stay out of the bathtub. Stay away from windows and electrical appliances. Turn off all appliances prior to the storm. Don't use the telephone.

# AREA CHAMPS



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, Andrew Sammons, A.J. Alvarez, John English, Travis Adams, Greg Guzman, Austin Marshall and Luke Terry; back row, Coach Lolo Martinez, Stephen Guevara, Aaron Rodriguez, Samuel Bitner, D.J. McCulloch, Derek Agraz, Weston Rutkowski and Coach Toby Villa.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



## Haskell INDIANS

The Indians played Jim Ned  
for the Regional Quarterfinal title  
Tues., Feb. 26



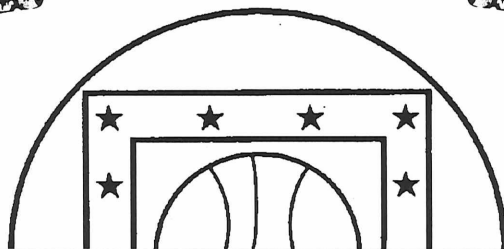
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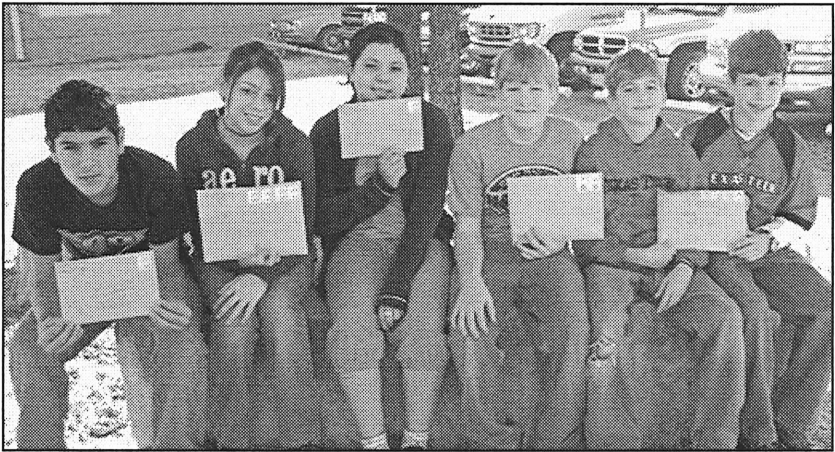
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**FOUR GENERATIONS**—Four generations of the Wright family gathered for a family photo recently. From left are, great grandson Daniel Masias, holding his daughter Harmony Masias, both of Abilene; granddaughter, Cyndy Primm of Hamlin, holding a picture of her mother, Molly Friske, daughter of Sue and Otis, who is deceased; and Sue and Otis Wright, both of Haskell.



**VALENTINE'S DAY PROJECT**—Valentine's Day cards were mailed to present-day military heroes Mon., Jan. 21, Martin Luther King Day. King was an advocate for community service while working with youth and adults in the 60s. Learn & Serve America celebrates MLK Day each year by performing service learning projects throughout communities. The sixth grade class participated in this project. Shown here are, l-r, Jarred Escobedo, Marlee Andrada, Selena Rojas, Max Weise, Kyle Kimbrough and Colton English. Tonya Cypert is their Social Studies teacher.

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## Size of farms increase, numbers dwindle

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.  
The number of farms in the United States continues to fall, while the average size of farms continues to grow, according to a report by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The February reports estimated 2.08 million farms operating in the United States in 2007, 0.6 percent fewer than in 2006. Total land in farms, at 930.9 million acres, decreased 1.5 million acres, or 0.16 percent, from 2006. The average farm size was 449 acres during 2007, an increase of 3 acres from the previous year. The decline in the number of farms and land in farms reflects a continuing consolidation in farming operations and diversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses.

According to NASS, farm numbers declined in the \$1,000-\$9,999 and \$10,000-\$99,999 sales classes. The classes represent a sum of agricultural sales and farm program payments. Farm numbers rose slightly in the three largest sales classes, which topped at \$100,000, \$250,000 and \$500,000.

The changes within the sales classes were a result of operations moving to larger sales classes by consolidation or expansion and rising incomes as result of strong commodity prices. Because of rising incomes, many farms and ranches near the top of their sales class in 2006 moved into the next higher sales class in 2007 without adding land or otherwise expanding their operations, according to NASS.

The largest percentage changes from 2006 occurred in

the smallest and largest sales classes. Farm numbers declined 1.5 percent, to 1.14 million farms, in the \$1,000-\$9,999 sales class. Meanwhile, farm numbers increased 4.4 percent, to 84,970 farms, in the \$500,000 and over sales class. The number of farms with less than \$100,000 in sales fell 1.2 percent from 2006 while the number of farms with \$100,000 or more in sales rose 2.2 percent.

Land in farms also shifted from lower sales classes to higher sales classes. In the \$1,000-\$9,999 sales class, land in farms dropped 1.6 percent, to 112.8 million acres, while land operated by farms in the largest sales class, \$500,000 and over in sales, increased 1.8 percent, to 217.3

million acres.

Overall, the average farm size increased 3 acres in 2007. However, average farm sizes declined in some of the sales classes due to smaller farms moving up to higher sales classes.

The number of farms with sales of \$1,000 or more in Puerto Rico was 13,500 in 2007, down 100 farms from 2006. Land in farms, at 600,000 acres, is down 10,000 acres from the previous year. The average farm size in Puerto Rico in 2007 was estimated at 44 acres.

NASS says there were 967,440 cattle operations in 2007, down slightly from 2006 and 2 percent below 2005. Beef cow operations were down 1 percent from 2006 and 2 percent below

2005. Milk cow operations were 5 percent below last year and 9 percent below two years ago.

The number of hog operations, 65,640, is down slightly from 2006 and down 2 percent from 2005. Operations with 2,000 or more head accounted for 82 percent of the inventory.

There were 70,590 sheep farms in 2007, up 2 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent from 2005. The number of operations with goats totaled 108,130 during 2007, up 4 percent from 2006.

Angora goat operations totaled 4,550, down 4 percent from 2006. Milk goat operations totaled 19,930, up slightly from 2006. Meat goat operations totaled 90,270, up 4 percent from 2006.

## Gov. Perry urges Texans to be prepared for severe weather

Gov. Rick Perry has urged Texans to prepare for severe storms which historically impact our state in the spring by designating March 3-9 as Severe Weather Awareness Week.

"Severe Weather Awareness Week reminds Texans that dangerous climate conditions can develop quickly, so it's vital that we plan ahead for such threatening situations," Perry said. "By building a culture of preparedness, we can take steps to reduce risk, ensure safety and ultimately save lives."

During Severe Weather Awareness Week Texans are advised to assemble a "readiness kit" of important emergency supplies including a first aid kit,

bottled water and non-perishable food; and are encouraged to keep a battery-operated radio or television set to receive important information during storms, designate a place to go in case of evacuation, and develop an emergency plan for communicating with relatives and friends.

While dangerous storms can strike at any time of year, March, April and May bring the greatest potential for violent weather events in Texas, including damaging thunderstorms, hail storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding. According to the National Weather Service, Texas leads the

nation with an average of 139 tornado strikes per year and often suffers the highest resulting death toll of any other state.

Additionally, Texas endures the second-highest level of lightning fatalities and often leads in the number of flash flood deaths per year. A majority of these victims suffer due to failure to take proper precautions in such emergencies.

For more information about Severe Weather Awareness Week, please visit the Governor's Division of Emergency Management Web site: [www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem) and the National Weather Service Southern Region Headquarters Web site: [www.srh.noaa.gov](http://www.srh.noaa.gov).

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Helpful Hints for the Family of a Person  
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The following suggestions are addressed to caregivers of people with dementia:

- The secret of success in handling the person with dementia can be stated in one word: consistency. Whatever you do, always do it the same way and, if possible, at the same time.

- Any change in the person's performance should be noted. It may be just a bad day; however, if the behavior change persists for three or more days in a row, the person needs to be evaluated.

- Sainthood is not a requirement. When things do not go well, anger and distress on the part of the person with Alzheimer's disease and yourself are normal and acceptable.

- If the person wears dentures, be certain to check their fit. He or she may not be able to let you know if they are loose or rubbing.

- A person with Alzheimer's disease may not be able to wait to find a rest room once he or she has left home. The following steps can ease this problem:

- \*Do not leave home without having the person use the bathroom.

- \*When you arrive at your destination, locate the nearest bathroom.

- \*If it has been more than two hours since the person has used the bathroom, ask if he or she needs to do so. If the person's responses are not reliable, do not ask but take the person to the bathroom and say "I think it would be a good idea if you used the bathroom now." Do not wait for the person to ask to use the bathroom.

- \*It is a good idea to carry a plastic bag with a change of clothing. If the person is occasionally incontinent, it is better to be prepared than to worry about what to do later.

- \*Panty hose are difficult for women with dementia to handle. Try ladies' knee-highs or socks.

- \*Low-heeled or flat crepe-soled shoes help the unsteady person with Alzheimer's disease.

More hints will follow in a later column.

What questions regarding home care do you have for the nurse? Send your questions to Haskell Home Health Agency, 417 S. First, Haskell, TX 79521 or call 940-864-5074 or 1-877-



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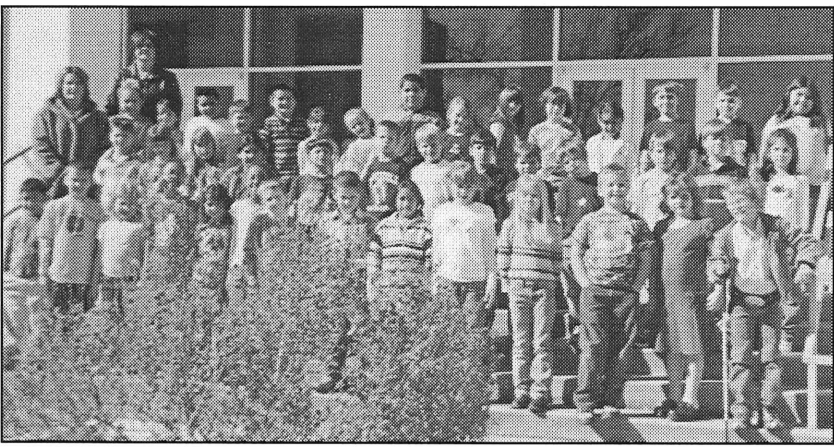
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**ATTEND CONCERT**—Haskell Elementary first graders have been busy with their music endeavors. They attended a Stephen Fite music concert Feb. 7 in Abilene. They sang Valentine songs to residents of Haskell Healthcare Center and seniors at the Experienced Citizens Center on Feb. 11. On Feb. 12, the students entertained students while they ate lunch in the cafeteria. First grade teachers are April Colley, Marijane Cunningham and Susan LeFevre. Their music teacher is Pam Gibson. First graders are front row, l-r, Nick Lopez, Brison Tullios, Tristen Swinney, Danay Dever, Vanessa Trussell, Janay Dever, Braden Payne, Dakota Sanders, Harley Valverde, Katelyn Hudson, Allie Andress, Gabe Todd, K'Lee Lampe and Wyatt Hertel; middle row, April Colley, teacher; Zander Garcia, Angelle Maynard, Hannah Stout, Kristen Guzman, Matthew Barrera, Ty Coleman, Reed Roewe, Michael Benavides, Laken Olson, Taylor Tatum, Justin Williams, Evan Green and Shelby Stiewert; back row, Marijane Cunningham, teacher; C'era Taylor, Ryanna Rodriguez, Abraham Gonzales, Hayden Guzman, James Pierce, Larissa Villarreal, Kelsea Tidrow, David Torres, Kaelyn Bevel, Grace Colley, Meagan Nava, Areli Torres, Aaron Skiles, Casey Arendall and Georgia Benavidez.



**PORK LIFT**—The Paint Creek Ag Mechanics class designed and built a pork lift for the San Angelo competition held Wed., Feb. 27. Ag Mechanics students are, front row, l-r, Cidney Jordan, Chandra Ingram, Ariel Blair and Amber Gilbreath; back row, Hali Wolsch, Jessica Pendergraft, James Groves, Jeremy McDonald, Charlie Myers, Brennan Medford, Rusty Rogers, Josh Ramirez, Cody Bailey and Caleb Whitfield. Team members not pictured include Brett Siegfried and Matt Ruiz. Their advisor is Darren Carson. The group held a practice demonstration at the Ag building in Paint Creek Sunday afternoon.

## Calendar

### Burn ban issued

A burn ban is in effect for Haskell County. The use of combustible materials in an outdoor environment by any person is prohibited. Combustible materials specifically include, but are not limited to, fireworks, camp fires, welding and any other pyrotechnic material, which in the manner or means of its use could result in a wildfire. The ban will continue until conditions warrant otherwise, stated Haskell County Judge David C. Davis. A person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

### Vendors needed

Vendors are being sought for the 12th Annual Haskell Volunteer Fire Department Car Show set Sat., March 15 in downtown Haskell. Cost of vendor spaces is \$15. Call Randy or Lisa Shaw at 864-2023 evenings or Randy at 325-721-0674 or Lisa at 325-721-0441 anytime.

### Will's Walkers

Will Swinney of Haskell will have a team participating in the West Texas Walk Now for Autism April 5 at the Abilene Zoo beginning at 10 a.m. The walk benefits Autism Speaks, an organization that raises money and awareness for autism research. Will will host a barbeque lunch Sun., Feb. 24 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Haskell Church of Christ. Plates of brisket, sausage, potato salad, beans and a dessert will be served for \$8 each. Tickets are available by contacting Joey or Tamara Swinney at 940-864-2359 or 940-256-3584. To join Will's Walkers, t-shirts are available for a \$20 donation.

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Mon., March 3 at the Stamford DSHS Office in the north wing of the Stamford Hospital. Clinic times are from 10 to 12 noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

### Storytime

Storytime at Haskell County Library is held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Stories, crafts and snacks are offered. Paula Rennegarbe is the storyteller.

### Taylor's Team

Taylor's Team will walk April 5 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Abilene Zoo in the fourth annual West Texas Walk benefitting Autism Speaks. To join, register at www.autismwalk.org, click on join a team and select Taylor's Team to register. Donations or information may be handled by Melissa Burson by calling 864-8161 or 256-2509.

### Silent auction

Taylor's Team will host a silent auction in March. If you would like to donate items for the auction, contact Melissa Burson at 256-2509. The auction will benefit Autism Speaks.

### TCR Old Timers

A general business meeting will be held Mon., March 10 at 5 p.m. at the TCR Bunkhouse in Stamford. All members of the TCR Old Timers Association should attend.

### Seed meeting

A seed meeting will be held March 7 at the Bobcat Den in Rule, located at the Rule City Park beginning at noon with lunch followed by the program. The meeting is hosted by Extension and All-Tex Seed. RSVP to the Haskell County Extension Office by March 3 by calling 940-864-2658.

### Cowboy breakfast

First United Methodist Church of Haskell will host their annual Cowboy Breakfast on Palm Sunday, March 16 from 7 to 8 a.m. Donations will be accepted. Special guest, Cody Cochran of Anson will present the message at 8 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

### 'Changing' lives!

Jugs to collect change are located on the Haskell Elementary, Haskell Jr. High and Haskell High campuses and around town. Help 'Taylor's Team' and 'Will's Walkers' collect coins to benefit Autism Speaks. They will be walking to raise money April 5 at the Abilene Zoo during the 4th annual West Texas Walk for Autism.

### Storm sirens

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

## Rule ISD announces honor rolls

Rule School has announced the honor rolls for the third six weeks.

**First grade:** A honor roll, Kourtney Hertel and Avery Tanner; A-B honor roll, Brittany Macias, Leann Manske and Melana Quiroga.

**Second grade:** A honor roll, Alexandra Martinez, Christina Moore, Alexzandra Cooper and Thomas Short; A-B honor roll, Breanna Bruce and Pablo Sandoval.

**Third grade:** A-B honor roll, America Shelton.

**Fourth grade:** A honor roll, Haley Macias; A-B honor roll, Gabriel Baiza, Sarah Campbell, Kylie DeVille, Samantha Lewis, Kade Lowack, Cody Percell, Braden Tanner and Shanisha

## Rains improve aquifer levels

Many questions are being asked about this summer's rainfall and its effect on the water table levels. Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District measures water levels in February to determine the effects from the previous years pumping and the recharge from the season's precipitation.

Due to the summer rains and the imminent starting of wheat irrigation, the District gauged its list of monitor wells during the first week in February to determine the status of the Seymour Aquifer in Baylor, Haskell and Knox counties.

Well levels in Baylor County had risen one foot or 12 inches.

Well levels in some areas of Haskell County had risen from 12 inches to 2.75 feet, with an average of 22.08 inches.

Wells levels in some areas of Knox County had risen 2.83 feet or 33.96 inches.

Due to the extreme variability of the Seymour Aquifer, varying rainfall, variations in recharge areas and pumping rates, water levels may vary in the three counties.

One word of caution, the District encountered bees in wells in all three counties. If you are going to be working around a well that hasn't been disturbed in a while, please exercise caution. There is a good probability that bees could be in the well.

Vanderbilt.

**Fifth grade:** A honor roll, Christina Herrera and Ryan Pace; A-B honor roll, Jonah Caddell, Daniel Compos, Keelie DeVille, Luis Diaz, Taylor Flanary, Stormie Hollabaugh and Shady Blue Dunlap.

**Sixth grade:** A honor roll, Steven LeFevre; A-B honor roll, Charlie Thomison.

**Seventh grade:** A honor roll, Josh Quintero; A-B honor roll, Isaac Banks, Celeste Caddell, Travis Cox, Daniel Turner and Daryl Williams.

**Eighth grade:** A honor roll, Dennise Salas; A-B honor roll, Evelyn Campos and James Shelton.

**Ninth grade:** A honor roll, Jenny Dudensing; A-B honor roll, Grace Burgess, Allison Petty,

Brittany Roberts and Shelby Starr.

**Tenth grade:** A honor roll, Sonya Camacho and Joseph Turner; A-B honor roll, Vicky Benavides and Lorena Diaz.


**Eleventh grade:** A honor roll, Molly Dudensing, Andrew Hertel and Kelsie Miller; A-B honor roll, Tate Clark, Marty Hall, Adam

Hollingsworth, Tiffany Rios and Rance Sorley.

**Twelfth grade:** A honor roll, Jessie Magallon, Lauren Messenger, Stephen Pace, Callie Papanas, Kiel Rowan, Jay T. Spitzer and Adam Vasquez; A-B honor roll, Chad Burcham, Tara

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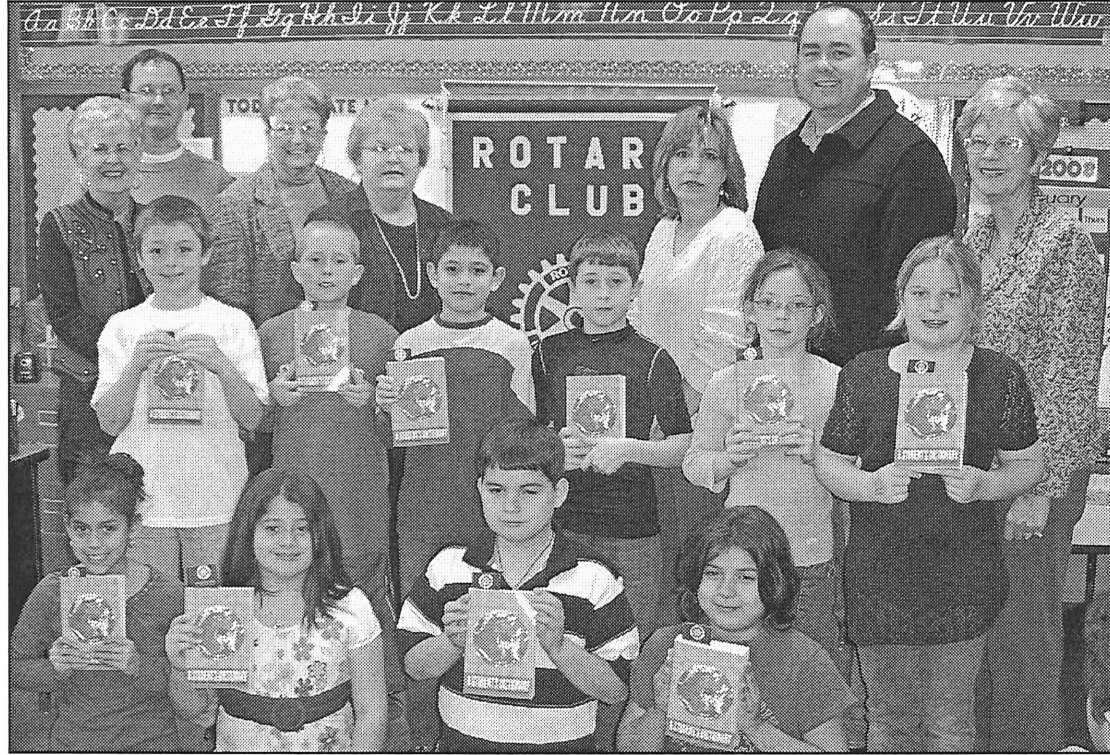
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words make themselves a little smarter. Third graders showing off their new dictionaries and book marks are front row, l-r, Gabby Mendoza, Madaline Williams, Chase Helms and Amber Alexander; middle row, Dylan Brunson, Garrett Campbell, Alex Alvarez, Austin Alsabrook, Kaylee Hardin and Katie Newberry. Rotarians on the back row are Ruby Turner, Tom Long, Darlene Smith, Pam Norton, Haskell Rotary president Penny Anderson, Shane Hadaway and Nelda Lane.



ERIKA SOLANO



VERONICA SESSIONS

## Students visit Rotary Club

Erika Solano is the daughter of Julio and Lucia Solano of Haskell.

She attends St. George Catholic Church.

At Haskell High School, she is a member of Student Council, a three year Journalism student and Yearbook editor.

She has been named Junior Class favorite, Senior Class Favorite and was 2007-08 Homecoming Queen senior candidate.

She works at The Drug Store, likes to talk and text on the phone and attends DEP once a month. She is currently enlisted in the

U.S. Marines and will leave July 7 for basic training on Parris Island, South Carolina.

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Veronica Sessions is the daughter of Vernon and Ruby Sessions of Haskell.

At Haskell High School, she participated in UIL and is a cheerleader. She is on the A honor roll and was voted as having the Best Car.

She enjoys singing, reading and text messaging. She works at Sonic.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University and pursue a career in criminal justice.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



One of the principal differences between a free society and a totalitarian one is that we elect our governing officials, who win by a complicated process based on receiving a majority of the votes. This means that there are also those of us who would have preferred another candidate or slate of officers, and who received the news of this defeat with not only disappointment but also great apprehension about the fate of

our country. Nonetheless, when the majority speak, the remainder must accept the verdict with good grace; and we must all pray at our house of worship for the Lord to guide the chosen leaders in the right direction. Also, we should let them know of our concerns and recommendations. If we all do this, it might enable them to do a better job; and prove our fears about the future to be completely unfounded.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

#### HASKELL

- East Side Baptist Church**  
Dr. Jim Heflin, interim pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**  
Richard Barr, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 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. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**  
Rev. Tom Long, pastor  
Sun. 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. 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**  
Philip Sims, minister  
Sun. 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**  
Larry White, pastor  
Sun. 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. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

#### Greater Independent Baptist Church

- Sun. 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. 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. 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. 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.  
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203 S. 1st East, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**  
Morris R. Johnson, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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#### WEINERT

- First Baptist Church**  
Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- ROCHESTER**
- Church of Christ**  
Steve Willis, minister  
Sun. 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. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester

#### SAGERTON

- Sagerton Methodist Church**  
Stephania Gilkey, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.  
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**  
Curtis Baker, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
Sagerton
- RULE**
- First Baptist Church**  
Russell Stanley, pastor  
Sun. 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. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**  
Tom Long, pastor  
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.  
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Alfa y Omegs  
Manuel Marin, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
Larry Neal, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m.;  
Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**  
Rev. Clovis Dever  
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

#### PAINT CREEK

- Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
Sun. 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.  
O'Brien

## Haskell School Menu

### March 3-7 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Breakfast bagel  
**Tuesday:** Pig in a blanket  
**Wednesday:** Cereal, cheez-its  
**Thursday:** Breakfast burrito  
**Friday:** Breakfast on a stick

### 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 and cheese, hot roll, pineapple tidbits  
**Tuesday:** Chicken quesadillas, pinto beans, garden salad, chips, queso, cherry gelatin  
**Wednesday:** Elementary and JH: Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomato, baby carrots, ranch dressing, assorted chips, cookie; HS: ELA TAKS sack lunch  
**Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, Italian green beans, breadstick, garden salad, peaches  
**Friday:** Hamburger or tuna sandwich, french fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles, ice cream

## Paint Creek School Menu

### March 3-7 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Toast or cereal  
**Tuesday:** Pancakes  
**Wednesday:** Pancakes  
**Thursday:** Donuts  
**Friday:** Toast and cereal

### Lunch

Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Chicken fajitas, beans,

corn, salad, fruit  
**Tuesday:** Spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, salad, chocolate cake  
**Wednesday:** Hamburgers, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, apple crisp  
**Thursday:** Pizza, corn, salad, fruit  
**Friday:** Tacos, refried beans, corn, salad, rice krispie bars

## ECC Calendar and Menu

### Mon., March 3

Lunch—Meatloaf, green beans, cream potatoes, yeast rolls, turnip greens, lemon cake, milk, tea, or coffee

### Wed., March 5

Lunch—Beef spaghetti, black eyed peas, pickles, onions, garlic

toast, buttered corn, pears, cookies, milk, tea, or coffee  
**Fri., March 7**  
Lunch—Sloppy joes on bun, pinto beans, onions, pickles, coleslaw, jello, cookie, milk, tea, or coffee  
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

## Students in the News

Melody Kennedy of Haskell, an art major; Tye Clark of Rule, an undecided major; and Tara Lisle of Rule, an Exercise and Sport Studies major were listed on the A Honor Roll at Tarleton State University in Stephenville for the fall 2007 semester. To be

included on the list, students must have a 4.0 GPR while taking a minimum of 12 credit hours.

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Tye Clark of Rule was listed as a Distinguished Student at Tarleton State University in Stephenville for the fall 2007 semester. To be included on the list, freshman and sophomore students must have a minimum 3.25 GPR and no grade lower than a C; junior and senior students must have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a C.

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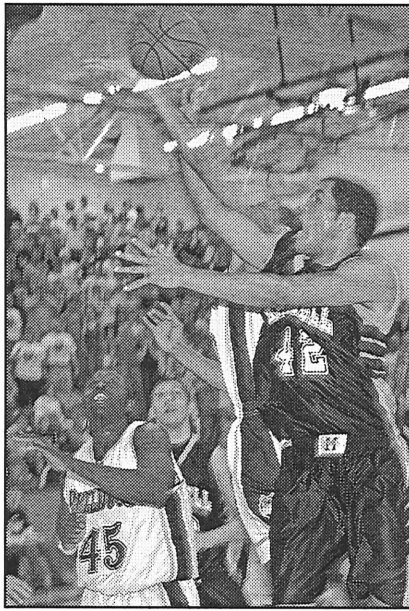
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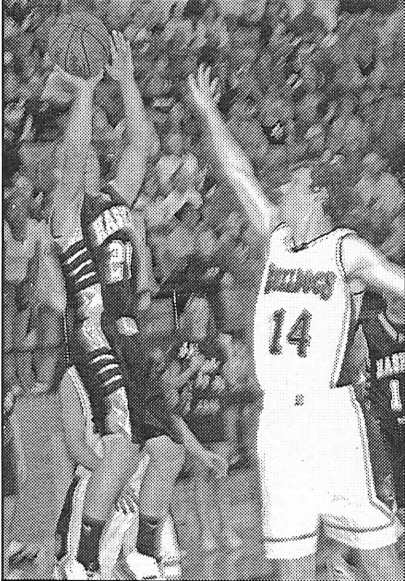
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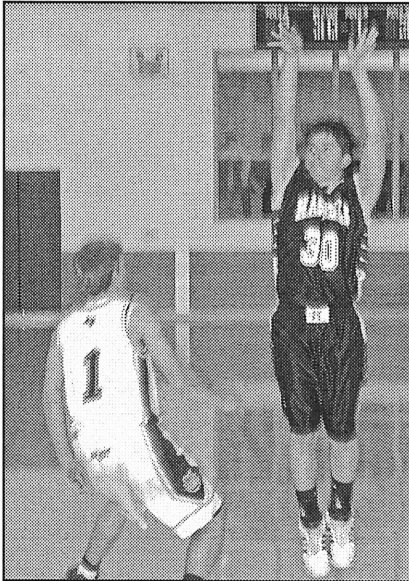
**PLAYING POINT GUARD**—Haskell Indian #14 Weston Rutkowski stepped in as point guard for the Indians. The regular starter for the position, John English, was expected to play Tuesday night, Feb. 26.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship



**LEADING SHOOTER**—Haskell Indian #42 D.J. McCulloch led the Indians in points with 26 points in their game against Brady. McCulloch landed seven rebounds. The Indians won the area round title by a 56-48 score.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship



**JUMP SHOT**—Haskell Indian #20 Travis Adams tries to add points to the Indians' score during the Haskell-Brady game played Fri., Feb. 22 in Cisco.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship



**LONG SHOT**—Haskell Indian #30 Greg Guzman tries a long shot during the Indians' win against Brady. The win boosted the Indians to the Area Championship title.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Haskell Elementary report card pickup night

Report card pickup is scheduled at Haskell Elementary School Thurs., Feb. 28 from 5 to 6 p.m. Parents should go to their children's classroom to pick up their student's report card.

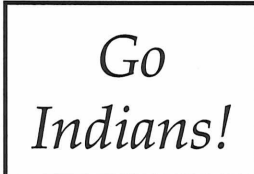
Report card pickup night is hosted each year offering parents the opportunity to be a partner in their child's education. One element of this partnership is communication. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and see their classroom. Conferences may also be scheduled with teachers if parents have concerns or questions about their child's progress.

Report cards will not be sent home this six weeks. Parents who cannot attend the Thursday evening event, should make arrangements with their child's teacher to pick up the report card.

## McCulloch named to player's honors list

Haskell Indian senior D.J. McCulloch was named honorable mention player of the week by the Abilene Reporter-News on Feb. 18.

McCulloch, post, combined for 45 points in the Stanton and Peaster games.



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### UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Haskell Tire & Appliance  
is under new ownership

Jeremy and Vicki Wilson of Munday will assume ownership on March 1 and re-open under the new name of

## P & W Service Center

Located at 206 S. Ave. E • Phone 864-2900

— Store Hours —

Monday thru Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
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Free pick-up and delivery are available.

**We will be CLOSED Sat., March 1  
and be ready to serve our  
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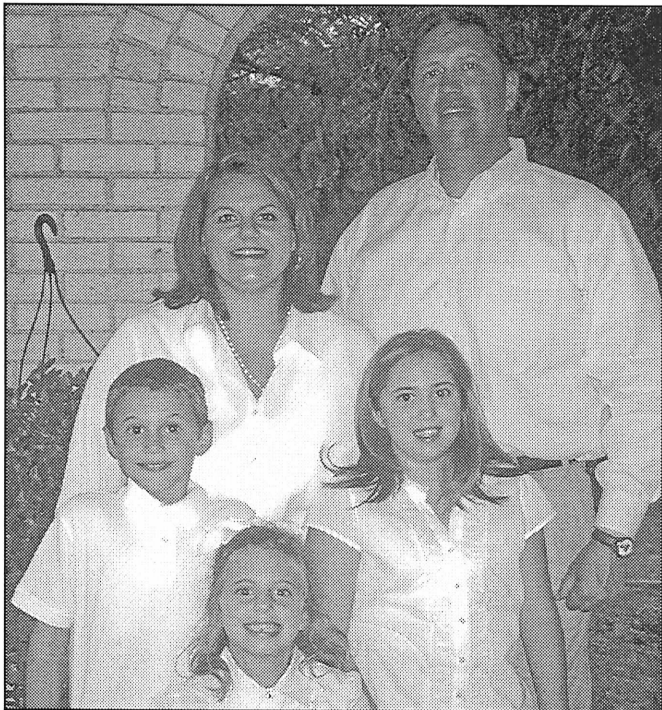
The Wilsons have owned and operated P&W Service Center in Munday since 2000 and invite you to come in and do business with them. Jeremy is a lifelong resident of Munday. His wife, Vicki, grew up in Seymour. They have three children, Raleigh of Lubbock and Taylor and Chase of Munday. Jeremy has family ties to the Haskell area. He is the great grandson of the Colen Hammers and the Shorty Josselets. His sister, Lanesa Hall, is a Haskell resident.

**Come by and meet Jeremy and Terry.**  
We look forward to serving the residents of  
Haskell and surrounding counties.

# MIKE FOUTS

## FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF 39<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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# MIKE FOUTS

**WILL BE A DISTRICT ATTORNEY WHO IS:**

- **EXPERIENCED.** Successfully prosecuted over 500 criminal cases. Tried 29 felony jury trials with an 80% conviction rate. As a private attorney, prior to serving you as District Attorney, personally tried more than 20 felony jury trials, including 3 capital murder trials and numerous other murder trials.
- **COMMITTED TO OUR FAMILIES.** Born and raised in this District, married to Kris, and father of three children, Emily, Sam and Sarah. Mike believes that proactive law enforcement and prosecution make a difference in the safety of our communities.
- **EFFECTIVE.** A proved record of results. Mike has disposed of over 500 felony cases. He has collected over \$200,000.00 in fines from criminals and seized from Defendants more than \$1,000,000.00 in cash and property used in the commission of drug crimes. Met with legislators and testified before legislative committees to help pass laws dealing with the manufacture of methamphetamine.
- **RESPECTED.** He has been selected by fellow prosecutors to serve on the Board of Directors of the Texas District and County Attorney's Association and serve as its representative on the Board of Directors of the Texas Association of Counties, and to serve on the Texas Association of Counties Board of Directors Executive Committee.
- **SUPPORTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.** He is proud to have the support of the law enforcement officers that fight crime in our communities. His candidacy is endorsed by Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton, Kent County Sheriff Billy Scogin, Stonewall County Sheriff Bill Mullen, Throckmorton County Sheriff John Riley, and Haskell Chief of Police Tom Bassett.

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