Calendar

TCROT meeting

A general membership meeting of the Texas Cowboy Reunion Oldtimers Association (TCROT) will be held Tues., June 3 at 5 p.m. at the Bunkhouse on the TCR grounds in Stamford. Members are encouraged to come prepare and plan for the annual TCR celebration.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Tues., June 3 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the Haskell National Bank. The drive is sponsored by the Rotary Club.

Retiree brunch

A brunch for Haskell Elementary School retirees Martha Jarred, Phyllis Coleman, Mylta Kimbler, Jerry Bowers, JoNell Roberts, Melodee Christian and Caron Yates will be held Sat., May 31 from 10:30 a.m. until noon at Ruby Turner's Bever's House.

Memorial cutting

The Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Cutting will be held Fri., June 6 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell Rodeo area. Admission is free

WHPD trade show

A craft and merchant show will be held at the Haskell Civic Center Fri., June 6 and Sat., June 7 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

WHPD parade

The Wild Horse Prairie Days parade will be held Fri., June 6 at 5 p.m. with Dr. Kenneth Wyatt serving as grand marshal. To enter, call or drop by the Chamber of Commerce office for an entry

Open house

The Haskell County Library will host an open house Sun., June 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. VBS

The Haskell Church of Christ will host 2008 VBS "Power Lab...Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power!' June 1-4 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each evening at the church. Classes are for children ages pre-K through sixth grade. Pre-register by calling the church office at 864-3101 by Thurs., May 29 or stop by the office and pick up a form. If you do not preregister, arrive by 6 p.m. on June 1. If you need a ride, call the church office.

Storm sirens

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

Church anniversary

First Presbyterian Church of Seymour will celebrate its 125th anniversary June 8 with morning worship at 10:30 a.m. A catered lunch will be served at the Portwood Pavilion. Cost is \$11 per plate. If you or your families have had any connection with this church in the past, send a letter telling how you were associated with the church and about yourself now. Send it and your name and address to: seymour. presbyterian.@gmail.com or mail to the First Presbyterian Church, Box 766, Seymour, Texas 76380. If you plan to attend please RSVP to seymour.presbyterian@gmail.com or call 940-888-3643.

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Congratulations Graduates

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'9 graduate from Haskell County schools

seniors will receive diplomas in graduation ceremonies this month from the three Haskell County schools.

In Haskell, 52 seniors will graduate during the school's commencement exercises at the Indian Stadium, Fri., May 30 at 8

Those graduating are Travis Adams, Derek Agraz, A.J. Alvarez, Justin Amaro, Larry Arebalos, Megan Bailey, Maegan Baugh, Edward Benavides, Samuel Bitner, Shannon Boyd, Chelsea Bullard, John Calvillo, Samantha Cedillo, Alexis Chavez.

Destini Cooke, Justin Cox, Andrew Crail, Sarah Dunbar, Clyde Frierson, Jackie Gadry, Vanessa Glass, Laura Gonzalez, Michael Gordy, Stephen Guevara, Gregory Guzman, Meredith Harvey.

Brittney Hertel, Chris Jones, Jodi Langford, Thomas Liles, Crystal Mark, D.J. McCulloch, Allison Mitchell ,Shelby Morrow, Moses Munoz, Tara Myers, Randall Pace, Zachary Peace, Lacey Peiser.

John Pierce, Amanda Reynolds, Aaron Rodriquez, D.J

Veronica Session, Erika Solano, Monica Soto, Mali Torres, Christina Villa, Raul Villarreal, Paige Wheatley, Colton Young.

Valedictorian is Lacey Peiser. Salutatorian is Meredith Harvey.

At Paint Creek eleven seniors will receive diplomas during commencement exercises at the Paint Creek High School Auditorium, Fri., May 30 at 8

Graduates are Jessica Blackburn, Alice Blair, Brooke Hall, Justin Henderson, Chandra Ingram, Charlie Myers.

Miranda Powell, Rusty Rogers. Matthew Ruiz, LaShell Walker and Hali Wolsch

Valedictorian is Rusty Rogers. Salutatorian is Charlie Myers.

Sixteen seniors received their diplomas Fri., May 23 at Rule High School commencement exercises.

Graduates are Dario Aguilar, Chad Burcham, R.J. Cooper, Tara Johnson, Jessie Magallon, Lauren Messenger, Stephen Pace, Callie Papasan.

Jonathan Rincon, Kiel Rowan, C.J. Saucedo, Kyna Scheets, Kyle Simpson, Jay T. Spitzer, Adam Vasquez and James Wolfe. Valedictorian is Kiel Rowan. Rodriguez, Weston Rutkowski, Salutatorian is Callie Papasan.

Grad section inside

the Haskell Free Press is our annual graduation section.

Our thanks to all who helped provide senior's pictures for use complete and this edition

County graduates.

Appearing in this edition of featuring photos of Haskell A special thanks to all our

advertisers who make this section

in this traditional edition **Night Party planned**

host the All Night Party Fri., May 30 from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. The alcohol free and drug free activity will provide a safe environment for students on graduation night. A dance, inflatable outdoor games and table games are planned. Generous businesses, individuals and clubs in Haskell and Jones students is \$5

Haskell County parents will counties and around the Abilene area make the event possible.

> All students who attended high school during 2007-08 and college students are invited. Dress code will be enforced according to school guidelines. Admission for senior students is free. Admission for all other

Grand marshal Wyatt to lead WHPD parade

Parade Marshal for the annual Wild Horse Prairie Days parade Fri., June 6 is Texas artist Kenneth Wyatt of Tulia.

Dr. Wyatt explains his talent with brush and paint as a 'gift from God.' He sees paintings in his soul and pushes the paint around until it looks like what he sees inside.

A Texan by birth, he grew up in the chalk hill country of Central Texas. He maintains his base studio and home in Tulia with additional studios in Red River, New Mexico and Naples,

Before stepping before his easel and picking up his brush, he already knows what his masterpiece will be. He paints cowboys, cattle stampedes with streak of lightening, chuck broncobusters, wagons, windmills, bluebonnets, snowcapped mountains or whatever

pleases his art collector. He also enjoys sculpture and poetry.

His roles in life include author,



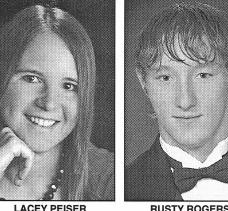
KENNETH WYATT

lecturer, magician, poet and the cowboys say he is the best painter of the horse that every was.

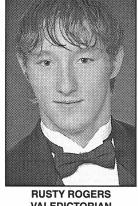
His art graces the walls and home of presidents and queens, Hollywood and television personalities and stars of the music world. Cowboys and waitresses save their tips to buy

From giant murals to mini sculptures, Kenneth Wyatt is an

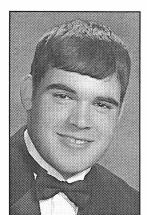
Wyatt will lead the downtown parade in Haskell at 5 p.m.



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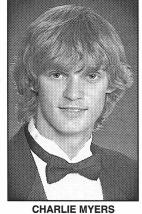
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Wild Horse Prairie Days rides into town June 6-7

The annual Wild Horse Prairie Days are set June 6-7 in Haskell. Events begin Sun., June 1 with

the annual John Wallace Memorial calf roping to be held beginning at 3 p.m. at the Haskell

Fri., June 6 begins with the Snakey Graves Memorial Cutting at the Haskell Arena at 8 a.m. The third annual Wild Horse Knob Trail Ride gets underway at 10

Inside the Civic Center, on Friday and Saturday, a Vendor's Show will be held, open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Art Contest will conduct check in from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday. The art show will have items on display Friday and Saturday. Many divisions span three categories of entries. No admission is charged to view the

The Lone Star Barbecue Society will hold a barbeque cook off in conjunction with Wild Horse Prairie Days. Check in

is sponsored by Bailey Toliver Chevrolet and Maine Street Antiques. Judging for the event

begins Saturday at 10 a.m. The WHPD parade will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday in downtown Haskell. Entries must register at the Chamber of Commerce office. Texas artist Kenneth Wyatt will serve as grand marshal. The Hardin-Simmons University Six White Horses are to make an appearance. Entries will line up at the post office with all

paperwork in order. Chuck wagon meals will be served on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for a child's

The Wild Horse Prairie Days WRCA Ranch Rodeo will be held Friday and Saturday evenings from beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

Friday evening's dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. through 12:30 a.m. with Landon Dodd and the Alverson. Cost is \$10.

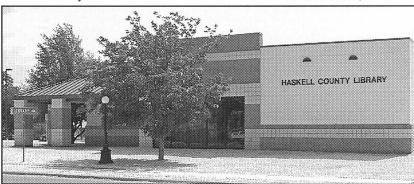
begins Friday at 4 p.m. The event Dancehall Drifters. The group of five young musicians is a traditional country music band, featuring a vintage country sound with fiddle, steel guitar and vocal harmonies. Admission is \$10.

> Saturday's events begin with a ranch horse competition at 8

The Junior Ranch Rodeo, hosted by Pokey the Clown, begins at 10 a.m. in the grassy area near the Civic Center. The event is mirrored after the adult ranch rodeo but geared to involve young people ages four through sixteen. Young cowboys will participate in a Pony Express Race, Steer Doctoring, Wild Cow Milking and Calf Branding. Winners advance to the National WRCA Junior Rodeo in Amarillo in November.

A horse sale will begin at 1

p.m. on Saturday. Saturday evening's activities will conclude with a dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with Tommy



OPEH HOUSE-The Friends of Haskell County Library will host an open house Sun., June 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the new library, located at 300 N. Ave. E in Haskell.

NCCIL VISIT-Haskell Elementary students in fourth through sixth grades visited in Abilene Fri., May 2 as a reward for their overall performance on Accelerated Reading during the 2007-08 school year. The top AR readers from each of these grades were treated to this fun and educational outing. Thirty-three students and four teachers made a stop at the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature to view the current exhibit featuring the latest book of well-known author David Macaulay, entitled 'The Way We Work.' After a brief introduction to the NCCIL and to Macaulay's book, students took a self-guided tour around the museum and enjoyed seeing the development of this book from start to finish. The group later enjoyed an afternoon of pizza and games. Students making the tour were, front row, I-r, Joshua Frame, Bryan Evans, Austin Curran, Zierra Alexander, Maegan Hearn, Gloria De Los Santos, Hannah Foster, Reagan Hadaway, Crissy Bassett, Jonathan Schmegner and Nate Dever; middle row, Jonathan Pedroza, Shady Dunlap, Krista Rodriquez, Jamaica Castorena, Emmett Benton, Zachary Tatum, Meghan Glover, Emily Fouts, Lucy Carmichael, Garret Tatum and Dylan Hanson; back row, Sherry Adams, April Brown, Cheyanne Hill, Braeden Alves, Reed Lee, Pryce Stewart, Daniel Contreras, Kade Colley, Jarred Escobedo, Aaron Waggoner, Max Weise, Seth Rock, Betsy McManamon, Tonya Cypert and JoNell Roberts.



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Obituaries

Forest Bradley 'Brad' Buford

Funeral services for Forest Bradley 'Brad' Buford, 84, of Weatherford were held Tues., May 20 at White's Chapel of Memories, 130 Houston Avenue in Weatherford. Burial was Wed., May 21 in Garden of Memories Cemetery in Sweetwater.

Mr. Buford died Fri., May 16 at a Weatherford hospital.

Born in Haskell July 6, 1923, he was the son of the late Samuel T. and Edith Ethel Lackey Buford. He honorably served his country in the United States Army Air Corps 8th Air Force 306th Bomb Group during World War II and received his discharge in 1946. He was stationed in Thurleigh, England and was a gunner on a B-17. He was a graduate of Haskell High School and Texas A&M University, where he majored in civil engineering. He made

his career with the Texas Highway Department for 20 years and was a supervising resident engineer, retiring as consulting engineer in 1985. He was an avid reader and enjoyed golf. He married the former Jean Conner in Haskell on May 22, 1949. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Weatherford for many years.

He was preceded in death by his son, Forest Buford Jr; his parents; one brother, Ray; and three sisters, Mauvoreen, Madeline and Clara

Survivors include his wife, Jean Buford of Weatherford; one daughter, Ann Buford Stephenson and husband J.D. of Houston; many nieces and nephews; and a host of loving family and friends.

Elder abuse prevention is everyone's business

May is Elder Abuse Prevention Month. Adult Protective Services has implemented a public awareness campaign entitled "It's Everyone's Business." The campaign is designed to make people aware of the needs of the elderly and disabled and encourage citizens to report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

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genes in breast tissue that

development. When estrogen

silences these so-called tumor-

suppressor genes by a process

called methylation, which is

reversible, the risk for breast

"So many of the risk factors

for breast cancer cannot be

modified, such as being a

woman, getting older or

having a family history," says

Dr. Yvonne Coyle, a physician

epidemiology of cancer.

"However, physical activity

may be a modifiable risk

factor allowing for breast

cancer risk reduction."

researches

breast-cancer

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Researchers at UT

Adult Protective Services (APS) investigates allegations of abuse, neglect and exploitation of the elderly or adults with disabilities. When maltreatment is confirmed, APS provides or arranges services in an attempt to alleviate the problem. APS is dedicated to ensuring the health and safety of vulnerable adults in Texas.

Many people who are elderly or have disabilities live alone or are dependent on others for their care. Isolation is a factor that places vulnerable adults at risk for abuse, neglect, or exploitation. Make it your mission to remember the elderly and adults with disabilities in your community.

Report abuse, neglect or exploitation by calling 1-800-252-5400.

As the public becomes more aware of vulnerable adults and their needs, APS will continue to see an increase in the number of reports. In the last decade, the number of in-home cases investigated by Adult Protective Services has more than doubled.

There are indicators of abuse, neglect, or exploitation. The

presence of these signs does not always mean something is wrong, but they may be clues that a problem exists, and that a report needs to be made to law enforcement or Adult Protective Services.

Physical signs may include an injury that has not been cared for properly, or that is inconsistent with explanation for its cause, pain from touching, or cuts and bruises. Other signs might be dehydration or malnutrition without illness-related cause, inappropriate administration of medication, and lack of necessities such as food, water or utilities.

Some behaviors may indicate maltreatment-such as fear. anxiety, contradictory statements, implausible stories or confusion.

Sometimes the caregiver may demonstrate signs that something is wrong such as preventing the elder from speaking to or seeing visitors or anger, indifference, or aggressive behavior toward elder.

Signs of financial abuse may

belongings, papers, credit cards missing, numerous unpaid bills, or frequent checks made out to "cash."

APS investigates allegations that occur in a person's home or in state schools, hospitals and community MHMR centers. Adult Protective Services will investigate exploitation allegations involving nursing home residents if the alleged perpetrator is not an employee of the facility and is someone who has an ongoing relationship with the resident.

'You don't have to be certain that a situation is abusive or neglectful. We'll look into it and find out," states local supervisor Will McFarland. "Good faith reports are exempt from personal liability and are kept confidential."

It's everyone's business to report the potential abuse, neglect or exploitation. Reports may be made by calling the statewide hotline number 1-800-252-5400 or by reporting online through the include elder's personal website txabusehotline.org.

Driving sleepy or driving drunkboth are very dangerous

Driving drowsy can be as dangerous as drinking and driving. Sleepiness slows reaction time, decreases awareness and impairs judgment-all of which can make an accident more likely to happen.

Studies have shown that being awake for 24 hours straight is the equivalent of being legally intoxicated. And mixing lack of sleep and alcohol worsens the situation exponentially.

"Even a small amount of alcohol when a person is already sleepy can affect his or her ability to stay awake while driving," says Dr. Nilesh B. Dave, medical director of the Sleep and Breathing Disorders Center at UT Southwestern Medical Center. "Ingesting one alcoholic drink midnight and 6 a.m.

while sleepy is like having several drinks at once."

Drowsy drivers often have "microsleeps," in which their eyes are open but they are not really aware of their surroundings, making them less likely to attempt to avoid a crash. The easiest way to combat drowsiness while driving is to drink caffeine equal to two cups of coffee and pull over to take a short nap.

"A 15- or 20-minute nap when a driver is drowsy might just save his or her life," Dr. Dave says.

To lessen the need for caffeine and naps while driving, Dr. Dave says drivers should plan ahead to get at least seven hours of sleep and limit driving between

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STORYTIME ACTIVITIES-Enjoying storytime activities at the Haskell County Library Wed., May 21 were, I-r, Elise Townsend, Jon Townsend, Paula Rennegarbe, storyteller; and Justin Townsend. Storytime will take a short vacation so that children may participate in the summer reading program activities to be held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. beginning June 18 through July 23. The theme of the Texas summer reading program is "Texas Reading Club Jubilee, 1958-2008. Texas celebrates 50 years of reading." Readers are encouraged to visit the library and register.

Melanoma prevention and early detection is important

by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell County

With the hot summer months quickly approaching, May is designated as the national melanoma and skin cancer prevention and detection month.

Melanoma is the most serious form of skin cancer, and the number of new cases diagnosed each year is quickly on the rise in the United States.

The good news is that melanoma can be prevented. Too much exposure to ultraviolet light from the sun is the most preventable cause of melanoma and all other types of skin cancers.

Do you know anyone who has had melanoma? The National Cancer Institute estimates that in 2008, there will be a total of 62,480 new cases of melanoma in the United States. Also, 8,420 people are estimated to die from it. Don't let yourself or your family members be a part of these numbers. Learning a few things about melanoma can help you prevent it or find it when it is most easily treated.

Anyone can get melanoma, including people with dark skin. However, people with lighter skin are more likely to develop melanoma than those with dark skin. Also, people who have had severe, blistering sunburns as a child or teenager are more likely to develop melanoma than those who have not had a history of sunburn.

These are just a few risk factors, or things that make you more likely to develop melanoma

than someone who doesn't have the risk factors. Several other risk factors for melanoma are: having lots of large, irregular moles or freckles; having fair skin that burns easily (typically people with blonde or red hair and blue eyes); or having a family or personal history of melanoma or other types of skin cancer.

We have little control over most of these risk factors, except for excessive exposure to the sun. Sun damage that places you at a higher risk for getting melanoma can be prevented by following a few sun-safety tips.

You should avoid too much sun exposure, and try to stay inside between the hours of 10 am and 4 pm when the sun's rays are the most intense. If you have to be outside in the sun, protect your skin with sunglasses, long pants and sleeves, and a sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher.

Always protect children from the sun. Children's skin tends to burn more easily than adults, so it is important to keep their skin protected as you teach them lifelong sun-safety habits.

Stay out of tanning beds. More and more evidence is beginning to show that the use of tanning beds can cause melanoma, along with other forms of skin cancer and premature skin aging.

Finally, it is important to be aware of what your skin looks like so you can observe changes to help detect melanoma early.

If you notice a changing mole, a new mole, or a mole that is different, see your doctor as soon as possible. Examine your moles

Most popular baby names listed

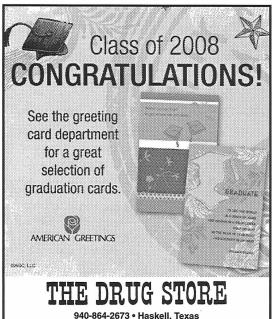
Ramona Schuenemeyer, Social Security Regional Commissioner, has revealed the most popular baby names in Texas for 2007.

How does Texas compare to the rest of the country? Jose and Emily topped the list. Nationally, Emily and Jacob were the most popular baby names.

The top five boys names for 2007 in Texas were Jose, Jacob, Daniel, Christopher and Angel.

The top five girls names for 2007 in Texas were Emily, Mia, Isabella, Madison and Abigail.

The top 100 names for twins rn in 2007 were. Jacob and Joshua.



Letz family reunion

The 18th annual Letz family reunion will be held Sat., June 14 beginning at 2 p.m. at the Sons of Hermann Hall lodge in Old Glory. Many family members have lived in the area since 1904.

Family and friends are invited to join group for dominoes, pie contest, artifacts exhibit, family meeting and a buffet dinner.

A dance will begin at 7 p.m. For more information, visit

Managing blood pressure medications

Of the more than 32 million adults in America taking medication for high blood pressure, only half successfully keep up with the sometimes complex regimens. Dr. Joseph Ravenell, an internist at UT Southwestern Medical Center, has some tips for keeping hypertension regimes manageable and more costeffective.

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If you have a mole or freckle

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www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/

wyntk/melanoma and http://

www.skincancer.org/melanoma/

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Council encourage you and your

family to practice sun-safe habits

this summer and throughout the

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•D is for Diameter-the mole

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•B is for Border irregularity-

•C is for Color–the color of the

warning signs of melanoma.

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notched, or blurred.

white or blue.

"Never hesitate to ask your doctor," he says. "If cost or side effects is the reason for not taking your medications, let your doctor know. There are more than 100 medications to treat hypertension. By working together, you and your doctor can find something that is both tolerable and affordable."

Other tips include:

•Take medication at the same time each day;

•Keep medications visible, on the kitchen table or on the nightstand next to the bed. Hiding them away in the medicine cabinet makes them easy to forget;

•Use a daily pill organizer. These small plastic organizers are provided by many pharmacies for

•Ask your doctor if your pill count can be reduced by combining medicines. There are many single pills that combine two different antihypertensive medicines:

•Enlist the support of your family: tell your spouse or significant other your medication schedule so he/she can help you remember; and

•Add your medication schedule to your PDA calendar or set an alarm for when your medication is due to be taken.





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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Appeals court rules YFZ raid unwarranted

AUSTIN-The Third Court of Appeals in Austin ruled May 22 that evidence was not strong enough to warrant a lower court's decision ordering the emergency removal of children from the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-days Saints' Yearning for Zion Ranch near Eldorado in early April.

The ruling leaves the Texas Health and Human Services Commission and its subagencies, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services and Child Protective Services to review the ruling and ponder the next move.

Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid, which brought the appeal on behalf of dozens of mothers of YFZ children, hailed the ruling.

The San Angelo-based court of original jurisdiction ordered the state to take the children into custody because of suspected child abuse and forced marriages of minor girls. More than 400 of the children now reside in foster

Senate panel eyes YFZ costs

Costs related to the state's multiagency raid of the YFZ Ranch were the subject of a hearing by the state Senate Committee on Finance.

Committee chair Sen. Steve Ogden, R-College Station, called for a detailed accounting of the costs at the May 20 hearing.

Albert Hawkins, chief of the Health and Human Services Commission, estimated the cost of the multi-agency response at \$5.26 million.

Thomas Suehs, the agency's deputy executive commissioner, reported details such as \$2.4 million for goods and services, \$1.7 million for overtime costs, \$1.1 million for travel and \$1 million for buses.

As the specter of costs continued to rise during the hearing, Sen. Bob Deuell, R-Greenville, suggested that the state pursue the assets of the fathers of YFZ children.

Judge Ben Woodward, 119th state district court, said Schleicher County and Tom Green County do not have the money to fund the multitude of YFZ cases pending.

Woodward, who also serves as a local administrative judge for Tom Green County, told the committee he suspects a \$2.25 million estimate for legal costs is low and that it does not include hourly attorneys' fees. Some 300 lawyers presently involved will expect to be paid, he said.

Scott McCown, director of the Center for Public Policy Priorities in Austin, expressed concern holiday.

about adding to Child Protective Services' caseload. The agency is presently handling 30,000 clients, McCown said.

The Dallas Morning News reported May 19 the Health and Human Services Commission estimated it would cost Texas taxpayers \$21 million to care for the children over the next year.

Child custody status hearings began May 19 in the Tom Green County courthouse in San Angelo for families of children removed from the ranch.

The hearings are scheduled through June 5, with parents of the children, their attorneys and caseworkers with Child Protective Services present.

Meanwhile, on May 21, YFZ ranch gate guards turned away CPS workers who asked to search the facility after receiving notice that more children still may be living there.

Nuclear waste application is OK'd

On May 21, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality voted 2-1 to approve Dallas-based Waste Control Specialists LLC's application for a license to dispose low-level radioactive waste at an underground site in West Texas.

The disposal facility is to be located near the New Mexico border along Highway 176, about 30 miles west of the city of Andrews.

AG settles in Vioxx class action

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on May 20 reached a \$58 million settlement with Merck & Co. Inc. over the marketing of the prescription drug Vioxx.

Merck pulled the drug from the market in 2004.

The settlement resolves a three-vear investigation by 30 states that joined in a lawsuit against Merck for not adequately warning consumers of the health risks of the drug marketed as a painkiller and anti-inflammatory.

Texas' portion of the global agreed judgment will exceed \$4 million, Abbott's office said.

New sales tax holiday debuts

Texas held its first-ever sales tax holiday for energy-efficient products on Memorial Day weekend, May 24-26.

The "Energy Star Sales Tax Holiday" applied to the purchase of air conditioners, ceiling fans, dishwashers, light bulbs, refrigerators, clothes washers, and other appliances.

Texas shoppers will get another break from state and local sales taxes Aug. 15-17 in the state's annual clothing sales tax

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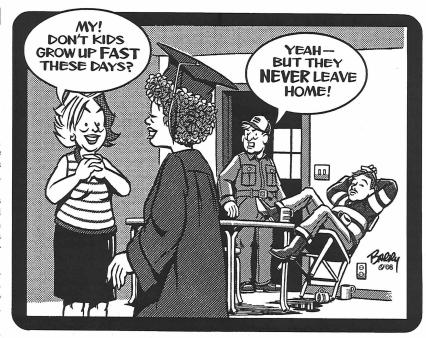
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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago May 28, 1998

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Isbell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Chris McSmith pitched 13 strike outs in the game with Valley View when the Indians became bi-district champs of District 9-2A.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Williams celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Valedictorians of the local high schools were Philip Huff, Haskell; Johnny Martinez, Paint Creek; Shelly Hester, Rochester; and Maria Martinez, Rule. Salutatorians were Marci McSmith, Haskell; Jason Shackelford, Paint Creek; Charli McGhee, Rochester; and Jennifer Lehrmann, Rule.

20 Years Ago June 2, 1988

Weinert held their last graduation of nine students and a held a farewell to their school.

Laura Mae Whitaker was honored with a birthday reception at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

Visiting in the home of Lena Kubena were Edward and Melba Moeller of San Angelo, George Moeller, Walter and Helen Moeller, Edna Thompson and Lydia Klose of Haskell. Edward and Melba Moeller visited Mr. Moeller's sister, Ella Peiser.

30 Years Ago June 1, 1978

The Senior Class of Rule High School was entertained with a fish fry at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fouts.

The Haskell Band Booster Club has been working for two years in order to be able to buy the new heating and cooling systems for the band hall.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Owens of Hornbeck Tennessee visited in the home her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnston, Jimmy and Jamie.

Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Hillard spent the weekend in Brownfield visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hilliard and their new granddaughter, Jennifer Nicole.

40 Years Ago May 30, 1968

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Quisenberry of Burkburnett have leased the Texas Theatre from Ray Townsend. A wheat field six miles north

of Haskell was destroyed by fire. A spokesman of the fire department said the blaze originated from burning trash.

Weinert eighth grade graduation exercises were held with Joan Caddell giving the salutatory address and Linda Owens giving the valedictory address. Graduates included Brenda Boone, Dorothy Freeby, Rodney Dutton, Rueben Jiminez, Walene Bredthauer, Joan Caddell, Jerry Sanders, Linda Owens, Sue Hager and Nan

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Tarkington, of Tulsa, Oklahoma visited her mother, Mrs. R.H. Darnell and visited her sister, Mrs. Willard Mitchell of Rochester.

50 Years Ago May 29, 1958

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sellers of Graham visited in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Curd and Lura Sellers.

The new manager of the M-System Supermarket is H.E. Stephens, formerly of Graham. He succeeds Robert Nix as manager of the Haskell store.

Rebuilding of the Kimbell Mill's grain elevator, which burned last summer, has been completed and the elevator is now is operation.

100 Years Ago May 30, 1908

spent several days with their grandparents, Capt. and Mrs. W.M. Wood near Weinert.

Mrs. L.C. Eastham of Huntsville attended our district court this week.

picnic at the mouth of Spring Ranch on Mule Creek, about four miles from town.

B. Duff of Madill, Oklahoma Haskell and is spending a few family of John Mauldin.

Annie Lida and Mary Hughes

The Weaver school had a big

who has been touring Old Mexico for the past year, arrived in days with his old friends, the

Letters to the Editor

Dear editor:

I am hoping that you will assist me in recognizing the outstanding performance made by one of your officers, Jeff Caparoon, Monday

What could have been a night of sheer terror became a night of blessings founded on the contributions of your officer. My hope is that this letter will recognize his assistance in helping total strangers. To some, it may seem that he was just doing his job. But to me, it was priceless.

You see-my son has recently been diagnosed with post traumatic stress disorder from his service in Iraq and our family was in the process of helping him relocate closer to family. While on his way to New Mexico, he became disorientated and unable to continue. So begins the terror.

Like many families, we try to stay in touch via cell phones when loved ones travel. I had contacted my son at 2:30 p.m. Monday afternoon and he was a couple hours to the east of Wichita Falls. I had expected him to be in Amarillo early in the evening. When I contacted him again about 8 p.m., he was unaware of where he was at and completely lost. He had been driving around trying to find his way for over six hours and was mentally exhausted. I have never felt so completely helpless in my life.

Here was my precious child; lost and confused and I had no one in the area that I knew. I was at least 15 hours away and not able to get there fast enough to help him. I felt completely useless and absolutely frantic. What to do, who to ask? Then, came the blessings.

What a blessing occurred

when the dispatcher from the Wichita Falls DPS branch office made contact with Donna Clayton. She sent out an alert. Being in the medical field, I have a true appreciation of the position that law enforcement officers have when involved in cases like this. They put their lives on the line because a person in an unstable mental condition can react violently if approached the wrong way. I was terrified of alerting the local law enforcement-what if he became violent? Had I made the situation worse? But, I could not live with myself if my son caused an accident and hurt either himself or someone else on the road. I prayed with all my heart that I was making the right decision. My prayers for a safe ending to this madness were answered when Officer Caparoon responded to the call and located

His training and more importantly his compassion were

my son.

evident as he spent the time to convince my son that he really need help immediately. Not only that, but, he followed up with me to assure me that my son was okay, contacted the Mental Health Department in Wichita Falls for assistance, and arranged for a safe place for my son to stay overnight. I am humbled by the depth of this man's compassion and understanding.

Words cannot express my profound gratitude! I firmly believe that without the divine intervention represented by your office, my son would have been lost forever that night. Instead, I had the joy of wrapping my arms around him today and getting him the help he so desperately needs.

Thank you. Sherry Ann Hair, B.S., C.V.T. New Mexico

Dear editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who placed comments on the request made by the Juvenile Probation Department for a grant for a summer youth program. We did not recieve the grant; but, I want each of you to know how much I appreciate your support.

Lonnie Rolls Director of Probation Haskell County

Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

May 22, 2008

The entire agricultural industry waited on pins and needles this week as they expected Congress to overturn President George W. Bush's veto of the farm bill on Wednesday. The House overwhelmingly rejected the veto, but when it was discovered the vetoed bill was missing 34 pages due to a "clerical error," it set the entire process up for a repeat on Thursday.

The blunder meant that Bush vetoed a different bill from the one Congress passed, raising questions that the eventual law would be unconstitutional. In order to avoid potential problems, the House created a new bill that was identical to the previously passed farm bill plus some technical correction language.

The language will allow the new bill to eventually supersede the previously passed farm bill which may become law following the successful Senate override vote of the President's veto. As of this writing, it was not yet known when the Senate would take action in considering the new bill. Once Congress has passed the farm bill again, the correct version will be sent to Bush for another expected veto.

"We're trying to understand the ramifications of this congressional farm bill foul-up,' a White House spokesman said. 'We haven't found a precedent for a congressional fumble of this magnitude. It looks like we're going back to square one."

In other news, the National Cotton Council (NCC) reported U.S. textile mills used cotton on a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 4.70 million bales in April, down from 4.9 million at the same time one year ago. April consumption was up from the March figure of 4.2 million

Meanwhile, there was little reaction to USDA's weekly export sales report as the figures were well within market expectations. In the week ended May 15, the department said net export sales amounted to 149.900 bales, down 35 percent from the previous week, and 63 percent lower than the four-week average. China was the largest buyer of the week with smaller amounts to Thailand, Mexico and Bangladesh.

U.S. cotton shipments continued to lag behind the level necessary to hit USDA's 14.2 million-bale target. Export shipments stood at 257,000 bales, unchanged from the previous week, but up nine percent from the four-year average. Primary destinations included China. Turkey, Mexico and Indonesia. Brokers said U.S. export shipments need to average over 300,000 bales each week to reach USDA's projection.

In the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas increased slightly from the previous week as 2.421 bales were sold in the week ended May 15 compared to 2.281 bales. According to USDA's drought

monitor data for the week ended May 20, soil conditions were categorized as moderate to severe drought in South Texas. Daytime weather there climbed into the 90s this week with heat index readings reaching 115 degrees. The combination of hot, windy weather increased soil moisture evaporation and made drought conditions worse.

Squaring is increasing in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and Coastal Bend districts, and some blooms have been reported on some of the older stands. Therefore, water demands are rising as fruiting increases. Slowsoaking rains would be welcome in the region.

FFA OFFICERS-Haskell FFA officer team members for 2008-09 are, I-r, front row, Ethan Frierson, Cody McLemore and Tyler Reese; back row, Kimie Hutchinson, Paige Adams, Lauren Newton, Miranda Johnson, Cheslee Hearn, Pamela Walker and Sara Weise.

Haskell FFA presents awards

The Haskell FFA annual awards program was held Tues., May 20 in the High School Auditorium with ninetymembers, parents, school board members and guests in attendance.

A slide show presentation of highlighted the past year's activities. Greenhand and chapter members received their respective pins. Three state leadership teams were honored along with four state judging teams. Members of non-state teams were recognized for their

achievements.

Livestock exhibitors and members of the Ag Mechanics team received awards for their accomplishments for the year. Two appreciation awards were presented to Jill Druesedow and Matt and Nancy Sanders for their hard work and support of the Haskell FFA this year.

The James Bevel Service Award was presented to Wilton and Terry Weise for going above and beyond in supporting the Haskell FFA program.

attending the Area II Leadership Camp at Howard College in Big

truck to apply for a new title and

register the vehicle in his or her

By law, buyers must re-title a

vehicle within 20 days of

purchase. Recurring penalties

apply to procrastinators,

beginning with an initial \$25 fine

and \$25 for every month that the

buyer fails to turn in an

buyers and sellers who aren't sure

what to do and what forms to fill

out is to go together to their local

county tax office to complete the

sale," said Davio. "If that isn't

possible, everything they need to

know and all the necessary forms

title application and transfer

Tips for buyers and sellers,

are on our Web site."

"The best advice I can give to

application for a new title.



Soaring gas prices are prompting many energyconscious motorists to consider replacing what they're currently driving with more fuel-efficient models. With millions of cars and trucks expected to change hands in the upcoming months, the Texas Department of Transportation launched its Protect Your Title, Texas public awareness outreach campaign to remind consumers not to overlook the paperwork side of buying or selling a vehicle.

State law requires buyers and sellers to provide specific information to TxDOT to keep vehicle ownership records correct and up to date. When a vehicle is sold, traded in or given away, the vehicle's title must be reassigned to its new owner.

According to state officials. this is where things often go wrong.

"A vehicle's title lists who officially owns it," said Rebecca Davio, director of TxDOT's Vehicle Titles and Registration Division. "If the seller doesn't let us know when a vehicle is sold or traded, he or she will continue to show up in our records as the owner, which means the individual can be held responsible if the new owner racks up parking tickets, toll violations or even

more serious infractions."

Speaking at TxDOT's press event to announce the agency's new outreach effort, Tom Frost III, senior executive vice president of Frost Bank, warned motorists not to make the same mistake he did when he traded in his car two years ago.

"I assumed the dealership was taking care of the paperwork," Frost said. "I didn't know it was my responsibility to file a simple one-page piece of paper that could have saved me two years of stress and aggravation because of things the new owner did in a vehicle that was still titled in my name."

That one-page piece of paper, the Vehicle Transfer Notification, is now as simple as a few computer clicks. You can file the transfer notification for free online at www.txdot.gov. When you submit the notification within 30 days of selling your vehicle, you are protecting yourself from actions the new owner may commit with the vehicle.

As an additional precaution, sellers also should take advantage of a new state law that allows them to transfer the license plates to another vehicle they own. When the plates and windshield registration sticker are removed, it forces the buyer of your car or

Children's feet grow fast, so check them often to head off problems

It's no secret that children's feet grow rapidly. Parents should check their youngster's shoes every few weeks to ensure there is adequate space to expand.

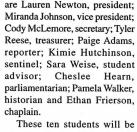
"The wrong shoe size can cause foot problems," says Dr. Philip Wilson, an orthopaedic surgeon at UT Southwestern Medical Center. "Parents should check the fit of a child's shoe when the child is standing and pay particular attention to the front of shoes. There should be one-half the length of an adult's thumbnail between the tips of the

toes and the front of the shoes."

Dr. Wilson also recommends that shoes be wide enough so they don't cramp the child's toes from side to side. Shoes are unnecessary for infants except in cold weather or if the child has started walking and is on a hazardous surface.

"When shoes become necessary, parents should purchase inexpensive, wellventilated soft shoes with flexible, soft soles," Dr. Wilson suggests.

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Spring on June 23-25.



Haskell Elementary students receive Bluebonnet awards

was held Wed., May 14 at the Haskell Elementary Library for fifty third through sixth grade students. The breakfast, held each in May, recognized students who have read the current year's Bluebonnet Award books and passed the required amount of Accelerated Reading tests on these books.

The Bluebonnet Award program is a state children's choice reading award program for Texas students in grades three through six. Students in participating schools throughout Texas are encouraged to read at least five ("Read Five Then Decide") of the twenty nominated books each year to be able to vote for their favorite book in the statewide election held in January. This past January, 151,000 Texas students voted for 'Down Girl and Sit: On the Road' by Lucy Nolan, making the selection the winner for the 2007-08 year.

Students were treated to a breakfast of blueberry pancake sausage-on-a-stick, blueberry muffins, assorted fresh fruits, and The fifteen sixth graders in attendance hosted a 'Jeopardy' game with questions based on the 2007-08 Texas Bluebonnet books. Table teams of third through fifth graders enjoyed competing against each other and the team with the most correct answers were treated with ice

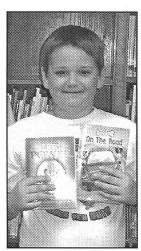
Five Bluebonnet books were awarded and top readers for each grade were recognized and presented a Bluebonnet book.

The top Bluebonnet/AR reader for each grade were Victoria Hertel, third grade; Hannah Foster, fourth grade; Reagan Hadaway, fifth grade; and Zachary Tatum, sixth grade. Tatum was the overall top reader, having read all twenty Bluebonnet books and passing all twenty AR quizzes. He was presented an autographed copy of this year's state winning book.

All students eligible to attend the breakfast were congratulated for their good reading and hard work throughout the year. Sixth grade students helped set up the breakfast, plan the entertaining program and helped with clean

teachers supported the Texas Bluebonnet program and encouraged students to read these

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OVERALL TOP READER-Zachary Tatum was the top overall Bluebonnet reader at Haskell Elementary School this year. He read all twenty Bluebonnet books and passed all twenty AR



EQUIPMENT:
John Deere 484 Cotton Stripper 4 roll
Farmall Model 460 Tractor with Forklift
American motor grader, model 8m
Brush hog 4 row shredder, 3 point
John Deere Model 400 rotery hoe
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Johnson Stack fold tool bar w/8 JD 11 Planters
John Deere model 520 Grain Drill
Water tank on tandem trailer, "gas engine"
3 point lift w/o hyd cyc.
One way disc plow - 3 point
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2 Wheel Spray Cart

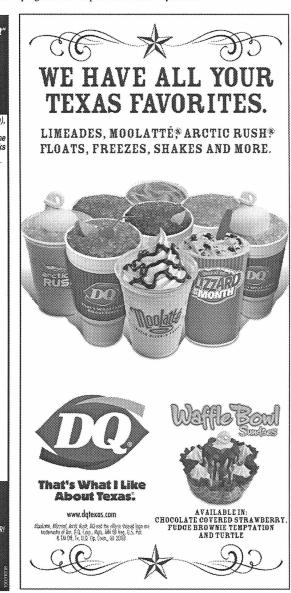
TOOLS & MISC:

Hand tools, air tools, sockets, wrenches, nuts, bolts, screws

5.5 hp, 8 gal air compressor,
Drill Press, 6" Bench grinder,
Vise on stand, grinder on stand
Lincoln electric ac/dc arc welder
2 wheel bottle cart
Hyd jack, 2 ton floor jack
Monarch BSGF - 8 water pump
Fuel tanks, 2 pick up bed trailers
1-4 wheel trailer frame
"Lots" of Scrap Iron
Lots of misc small items Lots of misc small items



WE DO AUCTIONS RIGHT!





COMPETES IN TOURNAMENT-The 14U Haskell girl's softball team, "N'Force," won third place in the ASA 14U District Tournament May 16-18 in Abilene. On Saturday, the girls won their first game against Albany, lost the second game to Breckenridge and won the third game against an Abilene North team. On Sunday, the girls played back-to-back games until finally losing to Wylie in extra innings in their fourth game of the day. The team is sponsored by the DPS Haskell Highway Patrol and will compete in the ASA 14U State Tournament in Abilene June 20-22. Team members include, front row, Jasmine Klose, catcher. Second row, I-r, Laycee Tullos, center field and Kalyn Wheatley, designated runner. Third row, Cailey Foster, pitcher; Paige Glover, third base; Claire Carmichael, second base; Taylor Burson, right field; Carson Hadaway, designated hitter and Caitlyn Johnson, left field. Back row, Coach Cindy Foster, Macy Colley, short stop; Meghan Gonzales, left field sub; Sidney Cassidy, first base and Coach April Colley.

In the Service



First Lt. Casey Lusk has been recalled to active duty. He served with the 4th Infantry Division in Iraq for a year. He will join the 4th Infantry Division in August in Fort Hood.

Lusk is the son of Terri and Jim Lusk of York Valley, Arizona. He is the grandson of Dona and Vernay Lusk of York Valley, formerly of Haskell.

Student visits Rotary Club

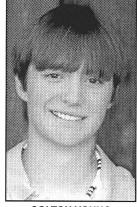
Colton Young is the son of Penny and Brandon Anderson of Haskell.

He attends First United Methodist Church.

At Haskell High School, he is involved in UIL Newswriting, is co-editor of the school newspaper and is active in stock shows. He was named Most Dependable during his senior year, received the President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence during his junior year and was named to the A honor roll all four years of his high school career.

He enjoys helping coach Little League baseball and paintball tournaments.

He plans to attend South Levelland.



COLTON YOUNG

Plains Community College in

Pool satet

Summer is here, and it's time to head for the pool again. There's nothing like playing in cool water on a hot day.

"Or you may have all the ingredients for a tragedy," said Kathleen Moore at the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). "Each year, people have to deal with the unintended tragedy of a friend or family member who is injured or

Swimming and playing near water are favorite summer activities of children everywhere. To keep kids safe, parents and guardians need to pay extra attention and make sure they protect little ones from the dangers that water presents. By keeping these simple things in mind, you can make your experience in the water much

•Never swim alone. This goes for adults as well as children.

•Never take your eyes off children, not for a second, even if there is a lifeguard on duty. Anyone can drown in less than a minute.

•Don't depend on inflatable arm bands or rings to keep children safe in water. Small airfilled swimming aids may slip off children's arms or over their heads and are not intended to be used to prevent drowning.

•Take cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first-aid training.

•If you don't know how to swim, take swimming lessons with your children. Continue to watch children closely, even if they have had swimming lessons.

•Don't use a swimming pool as a babysitter. Be sure your children understand that they are not allowed in or near a pool without a responsible adult

•Obey lifeguards. They are there to prevent a drowning.

•Have someone be the "designated kid watcher" when swimming in large groups. Otherwise, everyone may assume that someone else is watching the children.

Many severe injuries result from falling on slippery walkways and decks and falling from diving boards and ladders. Diving and jumping into shallow water are major causes of serious injuries. Although many pool accidents are related to running and roughhousing, numerous injuries also are attributed to the pool, its accessories and general environment.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission encourages pool owners to have "layers" of protection, including at a minimum a barrier completely surrounding the pool, such as a fence with self-closing and selflatching gates. Additional layers include door alarms, pool safety covers and pool alarms. Constant supervision of young children also is extremely important.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has these additional suggestions:

.If a child is missing, always look first in the pool.

•Knowing how to swim doesn't make a child drownproof. Never use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision.

•Always have a first-aid kit and a telephone next to the pool with emergency numbers posted nearby.

•Keep rescue equipment by the pool.

'Safety equipment at public pools is required for a reason,' Moore said. "The ring buoy and the shepherd's crook are to be used only as rescue devices. Be sure no one plays with the ring buoys in the pool or removes them from the pool area. These devices can save lives."

DSHS establishes rules covering minimum standards for public swimming pools and spas including those in public recreation areas as well as at hotels, motels, apartments, condominiums, mobile home parks, clubs, schools and those operated by property owners

This Week's Devotional Message:



It's almost graduation time. Whether you are a young adult just starting out in life or a more mature person who returned to the halls of learning either for pleasure or to acquire new skills, the joy of accomplishment is the same. However, it should be remembered that graduation is not the end of something, but the beginning. Every day of our lives is spent in learning something new, wherever we are, and

we are constantly adding to our store of knowledge; if only by observing the world around us with an open mind during our daily travels. We also learn about life and the Creator who gave us this world in which to live, by our regular attendance at our house of worship. There is no graduation from this kind of learning, and that is the way it should be, for as long as we live.

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, Haskel 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, Haske 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. Hask 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. Haske

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.
Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.
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. 1600 N. First St., Haskell

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

-ROCHESTER-Church of Christ Steve Wilis, 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

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Faith Chapel of Rochester Randy Hollingsworth, minister Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m. Hwy 6, Rochester

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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

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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.

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by Jane Rowan

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE

The Haskell County Appraisal District will be accepting sealed bids on tax properties at the June 12, 2008 Board of Directors meeting at 7:30 a.m. at the Appraisal District. Bids need to be in before 4:00 p.m. on June 11, 2008. Bid packets may be picked up at the Haskell Appraisal District. There are eight properties in the City of O'Brien, one in the City of Rochester, and one in the City of Haskell. The Haskell County Appraisal District Board of Directors have the right to accept and/or reject any/or all sealed bids.

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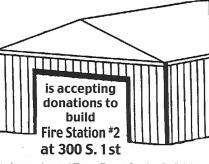
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605 S. AVE. G NEWLY REMODELED, 3/2 frame home. Living room open to dining area. Cozy kitchen, bathroom have been completely renovated. Utility closet, central heat and air. New plumbing. Large back yard with storage and carport.

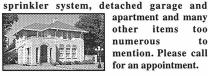
1101 N. AVE. I. CLEAN AND COZY. 2/2 frame home. Living room, kitchen with eat in dining area. Utility room, central heat and air. Corner lot. All appliances stay.

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901 N. AVE. F. This property is a "must see" and is one of Haskell's finest! The two-story beautiful vintage home is located on "Brick Street" with many desirable qualities and amenities. The downstairs floor has an entry accessing the stairway to the upstairs, a half bath, the formal living and dining rooms, kitchen and breakfast area and the family den. These areas have 10 ft. ceilings with beautiful crown molding, wood floors, a fireplace and French doors. Upstairs there is a landing at the top of the stairway, three large bedrooms, two baths and a sleeping porch. There is a basement, well and



apartment and many other items too numerous mention. Please call for an appointment.

807 N. AVE. F. Beautiful home surrounded by large trees with a corner lot three-bedroom, two bath has ame built builting a living-dining room, lar with built-ins, utility room, kitchen with built-ins, some hardwood



floors and much more. There is a large storage/workshop in the rear, well house and extra large carport.

1007 N. 8TH. DECORATOR'S DREAM. This property is a beautiful, picture perfect three or four bedroom brick story and one-half home on a tree lined lot. The downstairs has two bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths. Amenities in the kitchenbreakfast room include new appliances and quartz countertops and a center island, new wood floors throughout and on the stairway. The upstairs is very large with room for two beds, one full bath, an office area, play area and a dormer window overlooking the front yard. A



new music studio or workshop, storage building and carport are accessed through the backyard or on the

Come by Rike Real Estate for a complete list.



MEXICO BOUND-Members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Haskell will serve on a mission trip to Mexico in July. Funds are needed to help with expenses for those going on the mission. They leave July 12. Among those helping to raise money with the sales of Krispy Kreme donuts on the square last Saturday were, I-r, Lonnie Alvarez, Julie Alvarez, A.J. Alvarez and Bette Enriquez.

Pokey to host Jr. Rodeo

Pokey the Clown will be on hand to host the Wild Horse Prairie Days Junior Ranch Rodeo June 7 in Haskell.

The Junior Ranch Rodeo is the creation of Doug 'Pokey the Clown' Smith of Panhandle. This ranch rodeo, but geared to involve young people ages four through sixteen.

Under the National WRCA circuit, with which the Haskell Wild Horse Prairie Days Rodeo is affiliated, the Junior Ranch Rodeo is designed for the entertainment of children and to enable them to experience some of the skills used by real working ranch cowboys. The activities encourage the youngsters to work together in teams to accomplish competitive goals.

Rodeo will include a Pony Express Race, Steer Doctoring, Wild Cow Milking and Calf Branding. All events will involve the use of custom made wooden 'livestock.' The three age divisions will be Pee Wee (4-7), event is mirrored after the adult Junior (8-11), and Senior (12-16). The young cowboys will compete on beautiful, handmade stick horses.

> Entry fees is \$20.00 per team with four people on each team.

Medals will be awarded to the winning team in each age division, along with an invitation to compete in the National WRCA Junior Rodeo in Amarillo close proximity to the in November.

The event will be held on the grassy area by the Haskell Rodeo Arena at 10 a.m., Sat., June 7. Fans will be able to cheer on their Team events for the Junior teams from the comfort of their 864-2477.



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competition. For more information, entry blank and a copy of the rules for each event, call the Haskell Chamber of Commerce at 940-

Rochester Jr. High to hold graduation

Rochester Junior High will conduct eighth graduation and award ceremonies Thurs., May 29 at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Graduates include Sarah Aguilar, Nicholas Arreola, Ryan Baumbach, Sterling Bird, Lynna Billington, Garrett Brueggeman, Claire Carmichael, Dylan Cooke, Jose DeLeon, Lucinda Diaz, Sara Duncan, Jamie Flye.

Koby Foster, John Gardner, Shelby Glover, Valerie Gonzalez, Lisa Hibbitts, Adrian Hernandez. Clinton Howard, Colton Kimmel, Jasmine Klose, Kymbre Kupatt, Brady Leach, Stacy Lowe.

Krista McLemore, Kelli Ozuna, Aaron Pierce, Kathleen Rivera, Andrew Rodriguez, Sonya Rodriquez, Mackenzie Thomas, Layce Tullos, Stewart Urich, Samantha Wade, Sasha Walker, Zachary Wyrick and Jimmy Young.

Paint Creek eighth grade to graduate

Paint Creek School will conduct eighth graduation and award ceremonies Thurs., May 29 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Graduates include Dustin Barnes, Dalton Barnett, Katherine Bosnjak, Katrina Buerger, Dylan Cooper, Georgina Ipina Aleman, Daren Johnson, Andrew Matthies, Caleb McCord, Haley Myers, Victoria Reid, Kelsey Smith, Payne Utley, Felysha Walker and Damien Winterstein.



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For more information, please call 940-692-1700 http://www.house.gov/thornberry

Letter carriers collect food for local food bank

Across the nation letter commitment of these and other carriers represented by NALC (National Association of Letter Carriers), and rural carriers in many areas, worked long and Meador and Dina Hays; rural hard on May 10, delivering the mail and collecting food Norva Smith; and HCR carrier, donations. Millions of American Teresa Briles collected 802 families, who are caught in an pounds of donated food for the

postal employees across the nation

In Haskell, letter carriers Tina carriers, Deward Gordy and

respective routes Sat., May 10.

A big thank you to the whole community for their support of the food drive.

The food items were donated to the Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center. Roy Wright and Ben McGee came to the Post Office

economic squeeze, will be able to annual NALC food drive while to accept the items for the get sufficient nutrition due to the delivering mail on their distribution center. Art contest to be held during WHPD event

Art entries are being sought carving. for the Wild Horse Prairie Days Art Show to be held Friday and Saturday, June 6-7 at the Haskell

Categories include:

Category 1: Art and hotography. Division 1. Youth 18 years and under; Division 2. Landscapes; Division 3. Portraits; Division 4. Still life; Division 5. Photography; Division 6. Class work; Division 7. Miniatures (unframed max. 5"x7").

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Call the Haskell Chamber of Commerce at 940-864-2477 for more information.



Wild Horse Prairie Days June 2008

Schedule of Events



Sunday, June 1

♣ Annual John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping, 3 p.m.* Friday, June 6

❖ Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Cutting, 8 a.m.*

❖ 3rd annual Wild Horse Knob Trail Ride, 10 a.m.*

* WHPD Vendor Show, Haskell Civic Center, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.*

❖ WHPD Art Competition, Check in from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.* ❖ WHPD LSBS Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Check-in starts at 4 p.m.

♣ Wild Horse Prairie Days Parade 5 p.m.*

❖ Chuck Wagon Meal 5 to 7 p.m., \$8 adults, \$6 child

❖ Wild Horse Prairie Days 'WRCA' Ranch Rodeo, 7 p.m.

\$8 adults, \$4 child Dance under the Stars with Landon Dodd

and the Dancehall Drifters, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., \$10

Saturday, June 7

- * WHPD Vendor Show, Haskell Civic Center, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.*
- ♣ Ranch Horse Competition, 8 a.m.*
- ♣ Jr. Ranch Rodeo with 'Pokey' the Clown, 10 a.m.* ♦ WHPD LSBS Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Judging starts at 10 a.m.*
- ♣ Horse Sale, 1 p.m.*
- ❖ Chuck Wagon Meal 5 to 7 p.m., \$8 adults, \$6 child
- * Wild Horse Prairie Days 'WRCA' Ranch Rodeo, 7 p.m. \$8 adults, \$4 child
- ♣ Dance under the Stars with Tommy Alverson, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$10

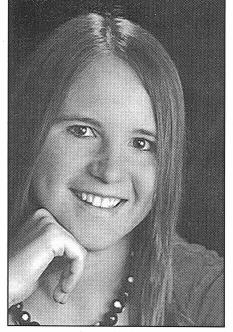
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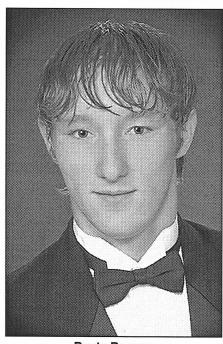
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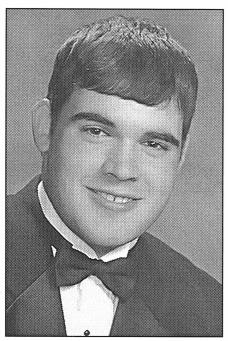
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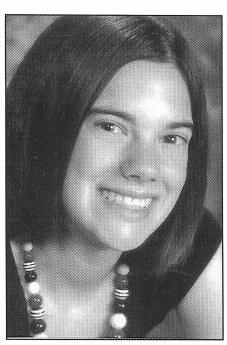


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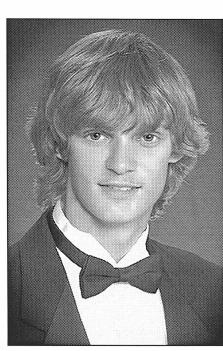


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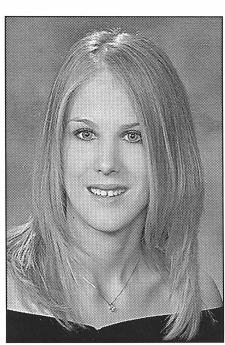
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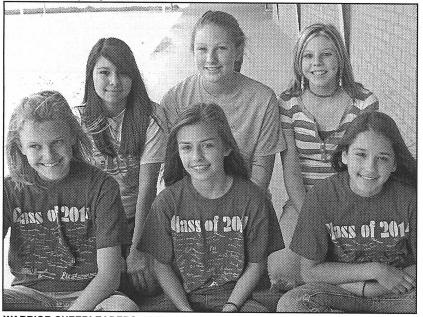
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WARRIOR CHEERLEADERS-2008-09 Rochester Junior High dheerleaders are, I-r, front row, seventh graders, Kaley Mathis, Lucy Carmichael and Meg Glover; back row, eighth graders, Delecia Garcia, Carson Hadaway and Shelby Dunnam.



NEW SIGN-Rochester Junior High seventh grade girls are involved in a Learn & Serve America beautification project on their campus. The project is under the direction of Sandra Fry and Tara Olson. Showing off the new campus sign are, front row, I-r, Morgan Frierson, Madison Mayfield, Kalyn Wheatley and Ashley Adams; back row, Edie Strickland, who designed the sign; Taylor Burson, Maci Colley, Tillie McGuire, Cailey Foster, Carson Hadaway and Stony Trussell who made the sign.

Credit card companies hook students early

College students are a prominent target for banks that market credit cards. Visit any college campus and you are likely to pass a credit card representative manning a table covered with applications and free T-shirts or other giveaways.

Students are good credit risks for banks, despite the fact that they have student loans and often do not have jobs. Research shows that students stay loyal to their first credit card and continue to make purchases with it far into

amount of credit card debt among students more than doubled between the mid-1990s and 2004 as a result of a massive marketing campaign by credit card companies aimed at college students

A recent study released by the U.S. Public Interest Research Group (U.S. PIRG) shows that 76 percent of students say credit cards have been marketed to them through tables set up on or near college campuses, and nearly a third of these students have been offered a free gift ranging from tshirts to blankets to iPodsTM.

The report criticizes credit card companies' practice of "renting" tables from campus organizations to reach students. Students are given credit card applications and free gifts while According to Forbes, the they learn about different activities and clubs on their

> Typically, the student club gets flat fee or a commission for every application completed. Club members may also be

offered a commission to get friends, roommates and neighbors to apply for credit

College students also receive an average of five mailings and four phone calls each month urging them to apply for credit cards. U.S. PIRG's findings are based on a nationwide survey of more than 1,500 college students at 40 colleges in 14 states.

Dr. Dorothy Bagwell Durband, the director of the nationally-acclaimed Red to Black financial and budget counseling program at Texas Tech University, says college students need to understand what is at stake when applying for credit cards. The Red to Black program provides peer-to-peer counseling for students that

includes personal instruction on establishing credit and responsible credit card use.

'The allure of credit cards is very strong, so as educators we need to make sure students know that credit cards come with certain conditions and obligations," Durband says.

Although it did not reveal how common the practice is, the U.S. PIRG report also condemns agreements that some credit card companies have with alumni associations through which the card issuers gain access to students' names and addresses. USA Today reported that by 2006, each of the largest 10 colleges and universities-through their alumni or athletic associations-had partnered with a bank to issue co-branded credit cards to alumni and students, earning the colleges millions in annual fees.

When asked how credit cards are used, more than half (55 percent) of students reported that they use them for "day-to-dayexpenses." The same number (55 percent) reported using credit cards for books. The next highest categories reported were "weekends and pizza" (40 percent) and "emergencies," but very few consumers limited their response to the latter category. Nearly one-quarter (24 percent) reported using credit cards to pay for college tuition.

Durband and other financial literacy professionals realize it is unreasonable to expect students not to use credit cards, which is why it is vital to educate them about credit cards and budgeting.

"It's crucial to understand the implications of every detail,' Durband says. "Not only do students need to know their card's APR (annual percentage rate), but they must also be familiar with all the terms and conditions that determine how fees are calculated on their account."

The U.S. PIRG report has drawn the attention of a powerful member of Congress, Rep. George Miller (D-CA), chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee.

"This report shows the extent to which credit card companies are using aggressive marketing tactics to take advantage of college students faced with increasing prices for tuition, textbooks and other collegerelated expenses," Miller said.

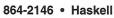
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Don't miss the Haskell County Alcohol/Drug Free All Night Party.

All county 2007-08 high school and college students are invited to join the fun at the Haskell Civic Center after graduation Friday, May 30 from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m.

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Finding money for college

education escalating rapidly, it is important for students to research and apply for millions of dollars in scholarships and grants that are available each year.

Scholarships and grants, or gift aid, are the ideal form of financial aid for students since, unlike loans, they do not have to be repaid. Unfortunately, many students do not bother applying for scholarships because they don't know where to search, they do not believe their grades are good enough, or because the process seems daunting.

In reality, there are many unique scholarships offered by many sources targeting a variety of achievements, interests, and affiliations. Aside from the financial aid office and high school guidance office, the Internet has become a powerful tool in helping students find college scholarships. It should be

With the cost of a higher one of the first places students and parents turn to when searching for scholarships

Dan Miller, financial aid director at the Mississippi University for Women in Columbus, Miss., said he encourages students to search for scholarships online and the school provides a link to a scholarship search site on its Web

"Sometimes students don't want to take the time to search for scholarships, because they don't know where to start," Miller said. "The Internet is a good starting place, and it may get students to think about looking locallywhere their parents work or went to school-for employee or alumni awards."

When using the Internet to find scholarships, students must be careful, especially if they are considering using a search company to find scholarships.

pay application fees or processing fees and to be alert to possible scams," Miller said.

Scholarship search companies often charge a fee to locate scholarships for which students are eligible, not to actually apply for them. It is wise to remember that students can perform their own research for free. Also, most reputable foundations and other organizations that award scholarships will not charge an application fee.

Experts also warn to never pay a company that advertises it will find students or parents 'guaranteed" scholarship money. No search service can control the decision of a scholarship sponsor. It may be prudent to try to find scholarships on your own first.

For example, Web sites like Fast Web (www.fastweb.com), FinAid (www.finaid.com), and Adventures In Education (www.

scholarship searches. Using search engines such as these, students can look for scholarships based on a number of criteria, including academic and athletic achievements, field of study, ethnic background, religious affiliation, and special interests.

Students using Internet-based scholarship search services are usually asked to complete an online form that asks several questions to determine for which scholarships a student might

While Miller and his staff encourage students to use the Internet and apply for any number of scholarships for which they qualify, he also offers a little

"We encourage them to look, but not to get too excited until they have submitted all the required essays, applications, and other materials," he said. "There is a lot of effort required to win a scholarship, and the competition

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Tips for teens planning to work this summer

Thousands of jobs soon will become available for teenagers hoping to gain valuable work experience as employers begin hiring for the busy summer months. The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) reminds employers, workers and parents to familiarize themselves with state and federal laws, as well as safety regulations that address child labor issues.

"Seasonal summer jobs offer young Texans an opportunity to earn income and gain valuable work experience," said TWC Chairman Tom Pauken. "WorkInTexas.com and workforce center staffs are valuable resources as teens start their job searches."

From April to June 2007, approximately 68,000 Texans found jobs, including teenagers eager to gain valuable vocational experience or earn their first

paycheck. "Texas employers rely on teen workers each summer and recognize youth as integral to their success," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "It is imperative that employers understand the types of work activities young workers can perform safely and legally, so they may benefit the most from the experience."

Any person under the age of 18 is considered a child when employed. Federal and state child labor laws protect youth against potentially detrimental occupational settings or working conditions that could interfere with their safety, health or wellbeing.

Different child labor laws apply to different age groups. For example, teens who are age 16 or 17 can perform work for any number of hours, as long as it is not deemed hazardous by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). Children 14 or 15 may perform a

hours in some nonmanufacturing, nonmining and nonhazardous jobs, but only under certain conditions. Because operating power-driven lawnmowers is considered dangerous, 14- and 15-year-olds are prohibited from that activity, but children ages 16

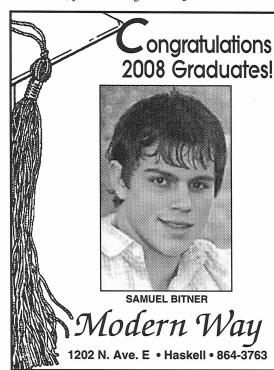
and 17 are permitted to do so. "Youth learn discipline while gaining valuable workforce experience in any number of long-term career prospects," said Commissioner

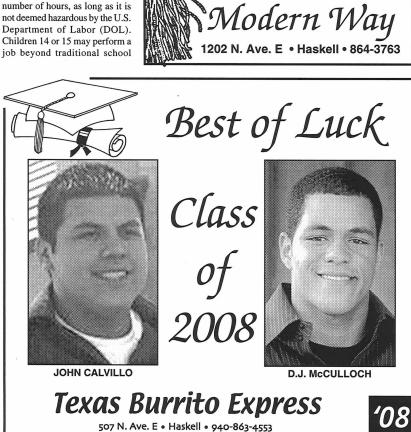
Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "Earning extra money may be a primary goal, but working provides a great opportunity to execute the skills they learn in school and establish a strong work ethic."

Job-related prohibited by law and considered inappropriate or unsafe for teens include any operations on or about a roof, jobs involving power-driven woodworking machines, employment involving manufacturing or storing explosives, and logging and sawmilling.

Teens seeking job-search assistance can visit their local workforce centers, a list of which can be found at http:// www.twc.state.tx.us/dirs/wdas/ wdamap.html.

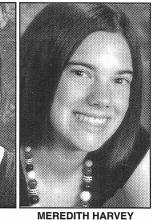
For other information on prohibited jobs or those with restrictions, employers or prospective summer youth workers can visit http:// youthrules.dol.gov/jobs.htm. To learn more about child labor laws, call TWC's Labor Law Section at 800-832-9243 or 512-837-9559, or visit online at http:// www. twc.state.tx.us/ui/lablaw/ lablaw.html. More employer or workers services are available online at www.texaswork



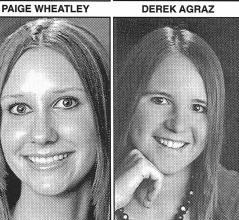


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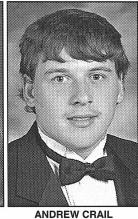
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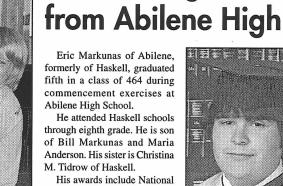
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RECYCLING CELLPHONES-Hannah Foster, left, and Andrea Aguilar look at cellphones collected for recycling at Haskell Elementary. Students, along with their teachers, Stacie Everett and JoNell Roberts, has collected cellphones, DVDs and ink cartridges as a small way of keeping landfills from filling up.



RECYCLING BIN-Pryce Stewart, left, and Garret Tatum have been busy carrying boxes full of ink cartridges for recycling. Haskell Elementary fourth grade students have been collecting the cartridges for recycling all year. Learn & Serve grants provide funding for projects like this one at Haskell CISD. Program coordinators are Debbie Miller and Paula Everett.



commencement exercises at Abilene High School. He attended Haskell schools through eighth grade. He is son of Bill Markunas and Maria Anderson. His sister is Christina M. Tidrow of Haskell. His awards include National Merit Commended Scholar, National Hispanic Scholar, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Who's Who Among American High School Science Students, Top AP Physics Student at Abilene

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High, and placed first in Science UIL Regional first year participating 2007-08.

He is involved in National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, National Society for High School Scholars, Astronomy Club, Engineering/ Robotics Club (competed in BEST Robotics Competition four years in a row), Calculus Club, English Club, Marching Band (four year participant, held a leadership role), Abilene High Jazz Band (two years), Student Council, fully active in academics and taking multiple AP classes over his high school career earning the title AP Scholar with honor last summer.

He was awarded the Kiwanis Career and Technology award, Abilene Education Foundation At-Large award, Massachusetts Institute of Technology University award.

He plans to attend Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston. Admission to MIT is based on academic potential, strong personal qualifications, and outstanding interests, activities and achievements in 2007. Only 12.5 applicants are accepted to the Institute.



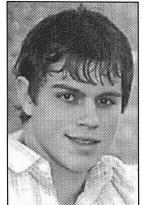


COLLECTS ADMISSION-Students of Haskell High School and Rochester Junior High have been involved in recycling projects all year long in an effort to make a difference in keeping the earth green. Collecting DVDs, ink cartridges and cell phone as admission to a basketball game last fall are, I-r, JoLene Navarrette, Mykal Abila and Abby Masias. The students practice the three R's of recycling: Recycle, reuse and renew

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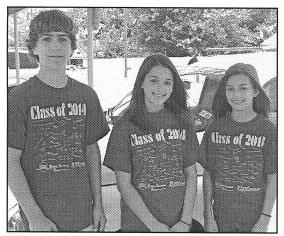




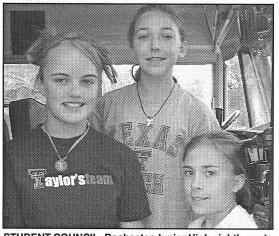
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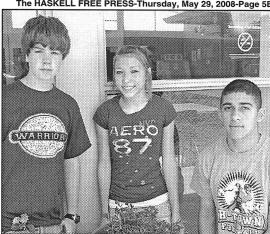
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STUDENT COUNCIL-Rochester Junior High seventh grade student council members are, I-r, Aaron Waggoner, Meg Glover and Lucy Carmichael.



STUDENT COUNCIL-Rochester Junior High eighth grade student council members are, I-r, Maci Colley, Madison Mayfield and Ashley Adams.



STUDENT COUNCIL-Haskell High School freshmen student council members are, I-r, Garrett Brueggeman, Sasha Walker and Adrian Hernandez.

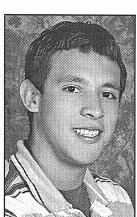
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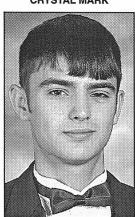
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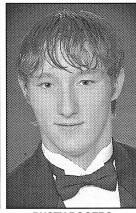




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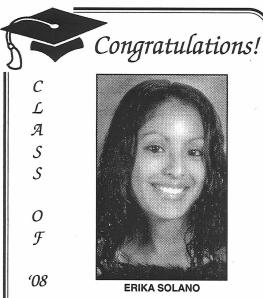
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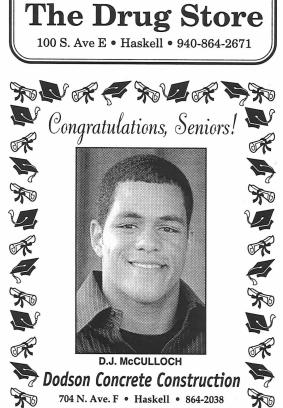


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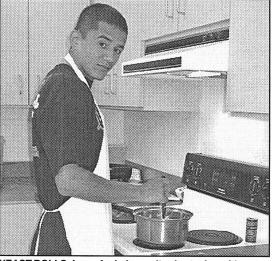
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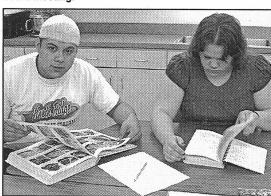


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YEAST ROLLS-Larry Arebalos melts shortening with water and sugar for yeast rolls. Wanda Thompson's personal and family development and food science and nutrition classes planned a meal for the Haskell School Board. Students selected recipes, made a grocery list, did the grocery shopping, prepared and presented the meal at a



GROCERY LIST-John Calvillo, left, and Amanda Reynolds search for recipes suitable for a meal to serve to the Haskell School Board members, a service learning project. Calvillo is making the grocery list for chicken tetrazzini. The students are members of Wanda Thompson's personal and family development and food science and nutrition

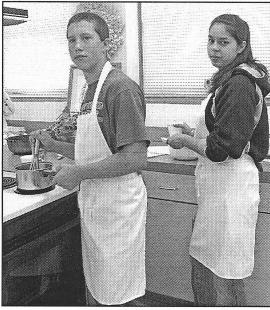
Students in the News

Angelo State University in San Angelo has announced the Dean's List for the 2008 spring

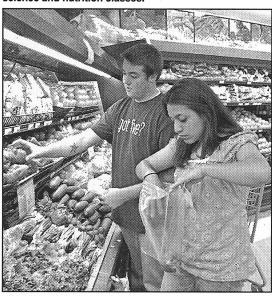
To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25

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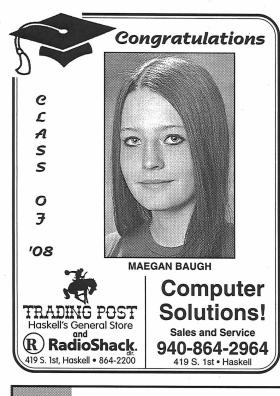
Honorees from Haskell County include Jerrica Escobedo, Paula Isbell, Breanna Marquis and Diana Mauricio.

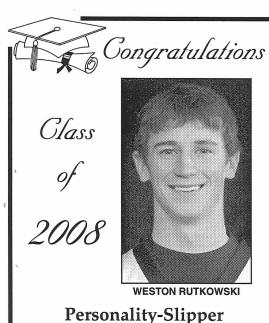


PASTRY CHEFS-Christian Myers, left, makes strawberry glaze while Nickie Galvan makes pastry for a meal to be served to the Haskell School Board members. The service learning project was conducted by students of Wanda Thompson's personal and family development and food science and nutrition classes.



CHOOSING THE RIGHT ONE-Zach Peace, left, and Samantha Cedillo shop for fresh produce for recipes for a dinner that their class prepared for the Haskell School Board. While shopping they learned that a chili pepper is not a bell pepper. The service learning project was conducted by Wanda Thompson's personal and family development class and food science and nutrition classes.

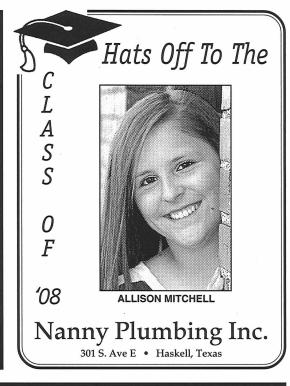




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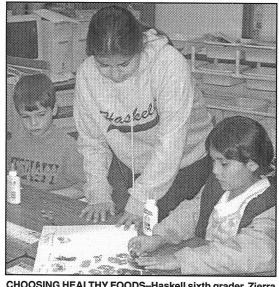
The Texas Forts Trail, a regional heritage tourism organization, is introducing a free travel map of the 29-county Texas Forts Trail Region. The map features a poster-sized road map of Central West Texas on the front and a profile and photo of eighteen communities and six attractions from across the region on the back.

Margaret Hoogstra, regional coordinator of the Texas Forts Trail said, "This map is another tool to help people travel and explore this particular region of Texas. The traveler may choose to follow the Forts Trail route or chart their own course to explore the region. Either way, we hope that the traveler will become better acquainted with what the region has to offer and will decide to stop and look around."

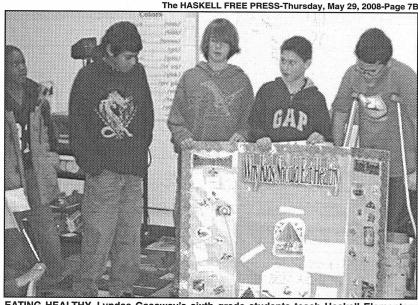
Communities featured on the map include: Abilene, Albany, Ballinger, Brady, Brownwood, Coleman, Comanche, Dublin, Eden, Eldorado, Haskell, Jacksboro, Mason, Menard, Mineral Wells, San Angelo, Stephenville and Sweetwater. Featured attractions include Fort Chadbourne, Fort Griffin Historic Site, Fort McKavett State Historic Site, Frontier Texas!, the Old Post Office Museum and Art Center and Possum Kingdom Lake.

The Official Roadmap of the Texas Forts Trail Region can be ordered free by visiting the region's website at www.Texas FortsTrail.com, or by visiting any of the chambers of commerce or visitor centers of the featured communities or attractions included on the map, and at the Texas Travel Information Centers.

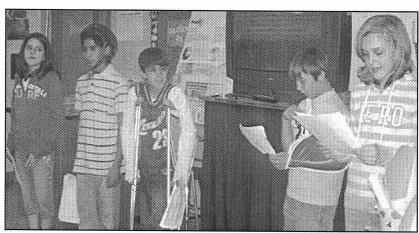
The following 29 counties comprise the Texas Forts Trail Region: Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Haskell, Irion, Jack, Jones, McCulloch, Mason, Menard, Mills, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor, Tom Green. Throckmorton and Young.



CHOOSING HEALTHY FOODS—Haskell sixth grader, Zierra Alexander, center, teaches students, Casey Arendall, left, and Kristen Guzman, right, the difference between healthy and unhealthy foods. The sixth grade students of Lyndee Gasaway researched information and planned activities to teach to Haskell first and second graders about the importance of nutrition and physical fitness. The project was part of the Learn & Serve America grant program.



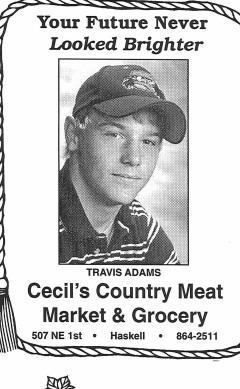
EATING HEALTHY-Lyndee Gasaway's sixth grade students teach Haskell Elementary first and second graders, "Why Kids Should Eat Healthy." Students making the presentation are, I-r, Nate Dever, Jared Masias, Matthew Martinez, Kelby Bell and Andrew Hearn. Texas is stressing the importance of starting out young lives as healthy and fit children. These students are helping accomplish these goals. Sixth grade health classes researched information, made presentation boards, wrote the information they were going to teach and planned activities for the younger students.

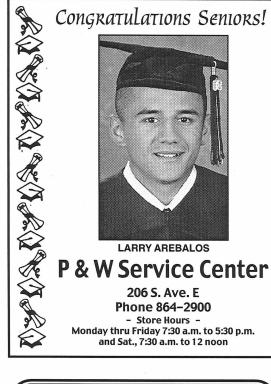


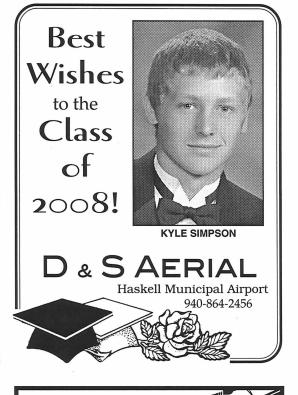
PHYSICAL FITNESS—Haskell sixth graders, I-r, Nikki Ortiz, Gus Estrada, Dakota Silvas, Emmett Benton and Kaley Mathis teach Haskell first and second graders the importance of physical fitness. Sarah Fouts and Ross Gilcrease won bicycles and helmets during the presentation. The project was part of the Learn & Serve America grant Haskell CISD received last year. The program is coordinated by Debbie Miller and Paula Everett.

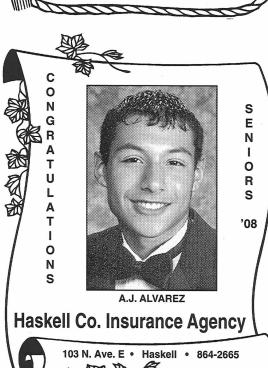
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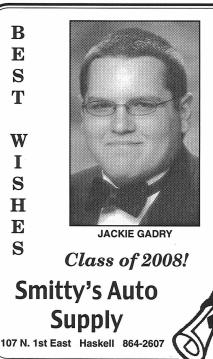
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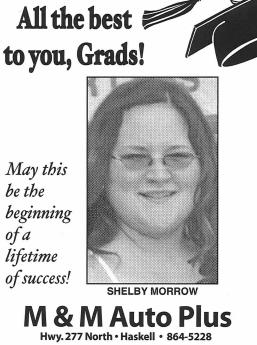












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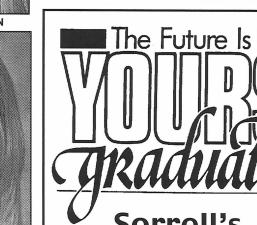
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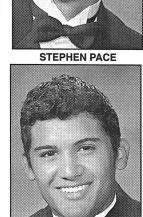
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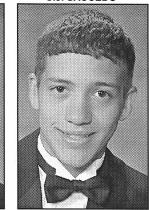
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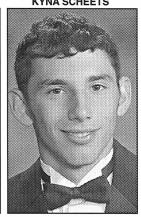
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