

Football

HASKELL
7 & 8 Warriors vs Holliday
 Thurs., Oct. 2, 5 p.m.
 at Rochester
JV Indians vs Holliday
 Thurs., Oct. 2, 5 p.m.
 at Holliday
Indians OPEN
 Fri., Oct. 3

PAINT CREEK
JH Pirates vs Rule
 Fri., Oct. 2, 5:30 p.m.
 at Rule
Pirates vs Jayton Jaybirds
 Fri., Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.
 at Jayton

RULE
JH Bobcats vs Paint Creek
 Thurs., Oct. 2, 5:30 p.m.
 at Rule
JV Bobcats vs Aspermont
 Thurs., Oct. 2, 7 p.m.
 at Aspermont
Bobcats vs Aspermont
 Fri., Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.
 at Rule

Calendar

Weinert homecoming

Weinert will host homecoming Oct. 3-5 with registration beginning Sat. at 8 a.m. A parade will be held beginning Sat. at 10 a.m. To enter, contact Mary Murphy.

Quilt show

The second annual "Stitches in Time" quilt show will be held Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Weinert School building in Weinert sponsored by the Committee to Help Haskell County. Vendors, a noon meal and demonstrations as well as many beautiful quilts will be on display. For more information, call Susan Cockerell at 864-2851.

Soil testing

Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a soil testing campaign through Oct. 3. All basic soil analysis samples can be tested at a reduced rate for producers in Baylor, Haskell, Knox and Throckmorton counties. Routine analysis will be \$6 per sample. Sampling for micronutrients will cost \$10. You must have a different soil sampling form along with the sampling bags which are available from your County Extension Agent. For more information, contact Wes Utley at 940-864-2658.

Service projects

During the First Baptist Church Disciple Now weekend, Oct. 3-5, the youth help with several service projects. Sat. afternoon, Oct. 4, the group will be at Modern Way and Walmart collecting non-perishable food items for the Ministerial Alliance food pantry and toiletry items for hygiene kits to be distributed through the Ministerial Alliance, Noah Project, and for hurricane relief. Items or cash donations may be brought to First Baptist Church anytime during office hours through Fri., Oct. 3.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Oct. 5 at the Pit & Grill restaurant. Dominoes begin at 2 p.m. followed by a meeting and meal.

Breakfast burritos

The Paint Creek senior class will have breakfast burritos and a bake sale Sat., Oct. 4 on the square from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds benefit the senior class trip.

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Weinert homecoming this weekend

The Haskell Free Press

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"The People's Choice"

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Dudensing named Rule homecoming queen

Superintendent David Parr welcomed exes back and gave five good reasons for students and Exes to be proud of Rule ISD

including:

•Since the last homecoming the Rule football team played for the six-man state championship for

two consecutive years drawing the largest crowds to ever watch a six-man state football game.

•Rule's basketball team played

in the state basketball tournament last year with Ryan Bleiker, Rule's coach, setting the record for being the youngest coach ever to take a boys' team to state.

•Rule's boys' track team won back to back Class A State Track Championships.

•Despite the ups and downs of student enrollment, Rule ISD has maintained a fund balance of 1.5 million dollars.

•Enrollment is at 149 students and in 1999, had an enrollment of 199.

In closing, Superintendent Parr remarked that despite higher education standards being set at the state and federal levels, Rule ISD continues to meet state standards and exceeds the federal standards, one which Rule ISD is most proud of and will continue to do well in both these areas.

2008-09 cheerleaders recognized were Tiffany Rios, Kate Rowan, Allison Petty, Shalisse Vanderbilt, Brittany Roberts and Samantha Benevides. They led the group in the singing of the school song.

Classes and former faculty were recognized. Oldest person attending was Vivian Roberson of Haskell who is 99 years young. The oldest man attending was Toad Leon of Abilene, 98 years young. Linda Higgs of Los Angeles, California, was the longest distance traveled. Class

of 1957 had most attending with fourteen.

In halftime ceremonies of the football game in the afternoon, Molly Dudensing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Dale Dudensing of Sagerton, was crowned Homecoming Queen. Other nominees were Lorena Diza, Allison Petty and Dennise Salas.

Approximately 200 registered for Rule ISD Homecoming with states Ohio, Iowa, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Florida, Missouri, Texas and California represented. Classes of 1957, 58 and 59 were recognized for 50 years as homecoming is held just every two years.

Winners in the mini parade held in the gym for the Friday afternoon pep rally were: first place, second grade; second place, fifth grade; third place, fourth grade and the senior class received honorable mention.

Officers elected for the 2010 homecoming were W.L. Wolfe, president; Jason Tanner, vice president; and Laurie Fouts McBroom, secretary-treasurer.

Outgoing officers were Bobby Don Smith, president; and Gail Logan, secretary-treasurer. Persons attending were asked to send any change of address to the Homecoming Committee in care of Lisa Smith Miller, 608 Sunny Ave. Rule, Texas 79547.



MOLLY DUDENSING
 Rule Homecoming Queen

Indians lose heartbreaker to Quanah

The code of the west says that when two Indian tribes met for battle, the event would be wild and ferocious. That held true Friday night as the Haskell Indians and the Quanah Indians battled to a one point ending in with Quanah on top 27 to 26.

Quanah would draw first blood at the 6:47 mark in the first quarter. Haskell roared back when Tyler Rodriguez scampered some 75 yards on the ensuing kick-off. The PAT kick was blocked. The score was all even at the end of the quarter, 6 to 6.

The Indians of Quanah would score on their second possession of the evening moving the pigskin 82 yards in 16 plays to go up by 7 points. The Indians of Haskell

would answer the call and moved the pigskin 56 yards on 7 plays. Running back James Williams scored on a 13 yard run and kicker A.J. Benton tallied the extra point to knot the score, 13 to 13.

Quanah moved ahead with 2:06 left in the second quarter scoring on a three yard run and added the one point PAT kick. The score stood Haskell 13, Quanah 20 at intermission.

Neither team could cross the goal line during the third quarter.

Haskell would score on the opening play of the fourth quarter with quarterback Christian Myers getting the one yard TD run. Benton would again add the

PAT kick to put the score at 20 all. With 6:11 to go in the game, Quanah would score on a 20 yard run and also add the PAT kick to take a 27 to 20 lead. Two tribes, a ferocious battle would take place. Haskell mounted up a 67 yard drive in seven plays and running back Jonathan Martinez would get the call to carry the mail to the end zone. Martinez scored on a six yard run. The try for the extra point by the kick failed as the ball was a little wide of the goal post.

The contest, battle, had only 2:48 left on the clock. Haskell would stop Quanah and take over the possession of the football

on their own 37 yard line only to throw a pass interception. However, Quanah fumbled and the Haskell Indians got the ball back. Moving quickly, Haskell got the football to the six yard line. There this contest would play out. With 4 seconds remaining, the Haskell Indians tried for a game winning field goal, a 23 yarder. Heartache, heartbreak, the try failed narrowly. The Indians won—Quanah 27, Haskell 26.

Haskell had 41 rushes for 292 yards. Quarterback Myers had 42 yards on nine carries and one touchdown. Quarterback Rodriguez got 99 yards on eight

carries, one touchdown on a 75 yard kick off return. Running back Williams got 68 yards on ten carries, one TD. Running back Martinez got 71 yards on twelve rushes and one TD. Tony Trevino got 12 yards on two carries. Haskell was 3 of 5 with one interception for 43 yards via the airways.

The varsity Indians will have an open date this week before they begin district when they host the Bulldogs of Stamford. The 7th and 8th Warriors play Holliday in Rochester Thursday. Games start at 5 p.m. The JV plays at 5 p.m. in Holliday.

Weinert sets homecoming

You don't want to miss it! The old west will be coming alive again! Plans are in the works for the Weinert Homecoming which will be held Oct. 3-5. Friday evening is reserved for class parties and float construction. Saturday activities will kick off with registration from 8:00 to 9:45 a.m. Donuts and coffee will be provided during this time by the Weinert Gin.

The theme for this year's homecoming parade is "The Old West." It will begin at 10:00 a.m. and make the rounds through Weinert. Here is your chance to be a part of the fun. All entries are welcomed and encouraged. Bands from Munday High School and Haskell High School, a variety of floats, old cars, farm equipment and even a re-enactment are just some of the things lined up.

The Weinert Fire Department will be serving a meal of chicken enchiladas, rice and beans from

11:00 until 1:30 p.m. Registration will continue until the program begins at 2:30 p.m. During the program, recognitions and parade awards will be made, as well as the conducting of necessary business. Immediately following the program, refreshments provided by Jacky Sanders, will be served.

The afternoon and early evening is reserved for lots of visiting. The evening meal of brisket, sausage and the trimmings will begin at 5:00 p.m. Tickets for the meal may be purchased any time during the day on Saturday. A dance will be held at the high school gym beginning at 9:00 p.m.

For sale will be T-shirts and Weinert cookbooks. The weekend of fun will conclude with Weinert Exes speaking during the worship service Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Weinert Baptist Church.



FIGHTING FOR YARDAGE—Haskell Indian #30 James Williams fights for yardage behind a wall of white jerseys during the battle of Indians last Friday night. Williams had 68 yards on ten carries and one touchdown for the night. Haskell was defeated by Quanah by a 27-26 score.
 Photo by Bill Blankenship

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FBC sets revival

First Baptist Church, Haskell will hold revival services, Sun., Oct. 19 through Wed., Oct. 22.

Rick Holeman will preach and Paul and Christy Newberry will lead the worship.

Sunday services begin at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, the evening services

will begin at 7 p.m. A nursery will be provided for children from birth to 3 years of age. Lunch time services will be Monday through Wednesday, in the Family Activities Center. Lunch will be served beginning at 11:45 a.m. (cost \$3.00) followed by a time of worship and Bible

study. Tuesday night at 6 p.m., supper and fun activities will be held for children in grades 1-6 in the Family Activities Center. Wednesday night at 6 p.m., a pizza supper for students in grades 7-12 will be held in the Cabana.

Rick Holeman received his Bachelor's degree from University of Texas of the Permian Basin in 1991 and then received his Master of Arts in Religious Education from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1999. Holeman has served several churches throughout Texas in his ministry, primarily as a Minister to Students, until he was called into the pastorate, and now serves as Senior Pastor at Cotton Flat Baptist Church in Midland, where he has served for five years. He has been married to Cylene for 16 years, and they have a daughter, McCartney.

The Newberrys have been in full time music evangelism since 1981. Since that time, Paul and Christy Newberry have ministered in over 1000 churches throughout the United States, singing together in revivals, concerts, conferences and camps. They have participated in pioneer mission work in Canada, Ohio, Montana, New York, Wisconsin and Massachusetts, as well as an evangelistic crusade to Brazil. Following high school, Christy toured with the Continental Singers for two summers throughout Europe and South Africa. They both play guitar and Paul also plays the 5-string banjo. Paul and Christy have made five gospel recordings.

The Newberrys were married in 1978 while students at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, where Paul received his Bachelor of Music degree. While in college at Wayland, they were members of the International Choir and the Spirit of America Singers. Paul and Christy are both graduates of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, where Christy received a Bachelor of Arts degree and Paul obtained a Masters Degree in music. During college, Paul also served as minister of music for six years in Texas Baptist churches.

Since entering music evangelism, the Newberrys have been members of the conference of Texas Baptist Evangelists, where Paul served as Music Director from 1989-91 and Christy served as secretary-treasurer from 1996-2000. Paul also served as Music Director of the Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists from 1997-98. Paul and Christy have been featured on WTKK television in Washington, D.C., KRPV television in Roswell, New Mexico and a number of local radio programs.

The public is invited to attend all services. For more information, call First Baptist Church at 940-864-2581.



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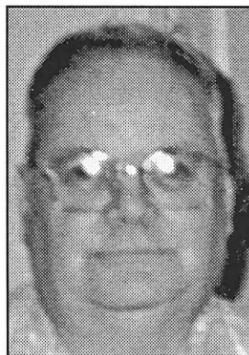
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PIRATE PEP SQUAD—Members of the Paint Creek 2008 Pep Squad include, front row, l-r, Shana Armstrong and Rosa Nieto; middle row, Sina Lefere, Shasta Dockins, Amy Cobb; and back row, Ariel Blair, Danielle Oliver, Charitie Winterstein, Haley Myers, Katie Bosnjak, Shalon Heidenheimer. Not pictured is Victoria Reid. Their sponsor is Barbara Utley. This is the first year in a decade or so that Paint Creek has had a pep squad. Members travel with the varsity team to help cheer on the football team and promote school spirit.

Obituaries

Fred Lynn Draper



FRED DRAPER

Graveside services for Fred Draper, 76, of Clyde, formerly

of Haskell, were held Mon., Sept. 29 in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Hamil Family Funeral Home of Abilene.

Mr. Draper died Thurs., Sept. 25.

Born Nov. 21, 1931 in Haskell, he was the son of Frank and Ruth Draper. He attended school in Walters, Oklahoma and worked as a farmer. He was also a night-watcher for 23 years in Haskell. He married Frances Louise Stone in Haskell. He has been a member of the First United Methodist Church in Haskell since 1947. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Frances L. Draper in 1999; three daughters, Glenda Storm, Kim Livingston and Karen Livingston; and one brother, Lee Abbey.

Survivors include four sons, David Livingston of Abilene, Harvey Livingston and his wife Carol of Caldwell, Randy Livingston of Haskell and Steve Livingston of Clyde; one daughter, Kathy Gosdin and her husband Tom of Bernalillo, New Mexico; his twin sister, Dorothy Stricklin of Duncan, Oklahoma; 18 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

PD. NOTICE

Students visit Rotary Club



JOHN ENGLISH

John English is the son of Tommy and Jana English of Rochester.

He attends FCS and First United Methodist Church.

At Haskell High School, he is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council and



TOMMY RODRIQUEZ

plays basketball and baseball.

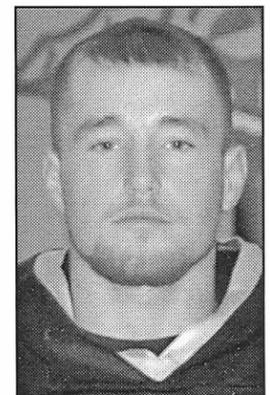
His honors include being named to the first team All-District during his sophomore and junior years; participating in UIL prose at district and regional; being in the one act play and named best actor as a sophomore and on the All-Star cast as a junior.

He enjoys basketball, Texas Tech games, hunting and being with his friends.

He plans to attend Howard Payne University or Texas Tech University.

Tommy Rodriguez is the son of Thomas and Mary Rodriguez of Haskell.

He is a member of the Catholic Church.



CODY WYRICK

He enjoys making movies, playing video games, working and playing chess.

He plans to attend South Plains Junior College in Levelland.

Cody Wyrick is the son of Katie Wyrick and William Wyrick of Haskell.

At Haskell High School, Wyrick is involved in football, basketball and ag.

His awards include being named All-District Center, having perfect attendance and being listed on the A-B honor roll.

He enjoys playing football, watching movies and playing basketball.

He plans to attend Angelo State University in San Angelo.

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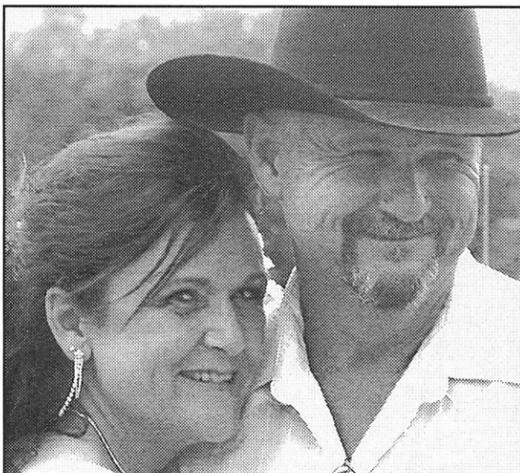
by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County
 A two-day Food Protection Management training for food service managers in the Big Country area will be held Oct. 20 and Oct. 27 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Taylor County Extension Office in Abilene.

The training will allow food establishments permitted by Texas Department of Health to meet their certification requirements if they pass the state exam. Food service establishments permitted by Environmental Health Section of the City of Abilene are also invited to attend.

The class covers twelve food

safety concepts related to personal hygiene, cross contamination, time and temperature, sanitation, pest management, foodborne illness and related areas. The course is sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension in Taylor, Nolan, and Jones Counties; Environmental Section of the City of Abilene and Texas Department of Health.

Registration deadline is Oct. 6. Registration information is available by calling the Taylor County Office at 325-672-6048, the Jones County Extension Office at 325-823-2432 or the Nolan County Extension Office at 325-236-6912.



DANA MCGUIRE - TIM SHELTON

McGuire, Shelton to marry Dec. 20

Dana McGuire and Tim Shelton, both of Haskell, are announcing their engagement and approaching marriage.

McGuire is the daughter of Jesse and Dee McGuire of Plainview. Shelton is the son of Bennie Shelton of Haskell.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plainview High School and is employed by Richardson's. The prospective bridegroom is self-employed in Haskell.

The couple plans to marry Dec. 20 in Haskell.

4-H Clubs meet

The Haskell Jr./Sr. 4-H Clubs met Sept. 21 for the first meeting of the new 4-H year. Eighteen members, three guests and four club managers were present.

The activities of the meeting included a power point presentation by Sr. 4-H'er Brooke Bullinger about the "Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference" she attended this summer, election of 2008-09 4-H Club officers and an outdoor game.

The 2008-09 Jr. 4-H Club officers are Reagan Hadaway, president; Crissy Bassett, vice president; Victoria Hertel, reporter and Jacie Klose, secretary.

The 2008-09 Sr. 4-H Club officers are Brooke Bullinger, president; Laycee Tullis, vice president; Carson Hadaway,

reporter and Payne Utley, secretary.

The Jr./Sr. 4-H Club managers are Gina Buerger, Valiene Bullinger, Terri Klose, Leiza Morales, Tammy Parham and Tina Tullis.

The meeting ended with refreshments.

The next meeting will be held Sun., Oct. 26 at 2:30 p.m. The 4-H'ers are asked to come in costume and the leaders will drive them around town to go "Trick-Or-Treating" for non-perishable items. The non-perishable items will be boxed at the November meeting and delivered to families in need.

For more information, contact the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658.

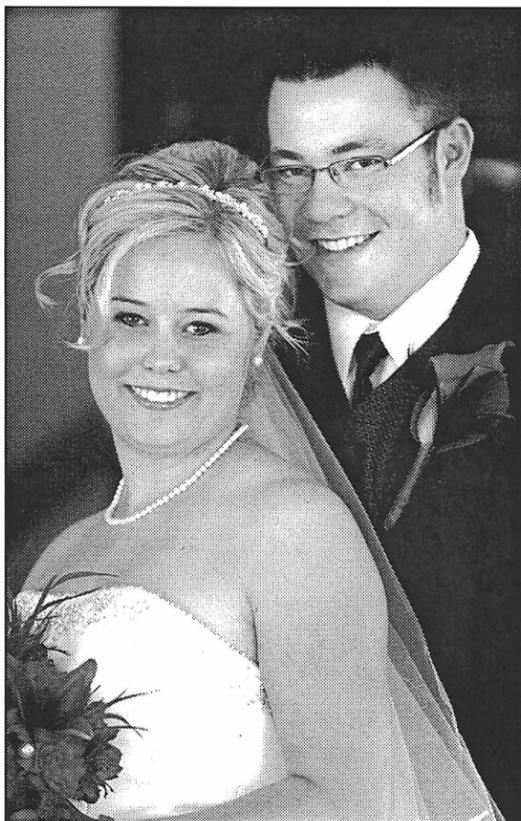
Child screening set

Haskell-Knox Shared Service Arrangement (HKSSA) in cooperation with Benjamin ISD, Knox City-O'Brien CISD, Munday CISD, Paint Creek ISD and Rule ISD are holding screenings in the towns of Munday and Knox City for children ages 3-5 years of age whose parents have concerns of the developmental level(s) where their child functions. These screenings will be Oct. 7-8 and 13-15.

In the Spirit of the Individuals with Disabilities Improvement ACT (IDEA 2004) and No Child Left Behind (NCLB) focus will be on keeping children in their most natural instructional settings whenever possible, while focusing on supports for areas of delays.

If you have concerns with your child who is 3 or older and not yet in kindergarten; in the area of mental, learning, speech, motor and/or emotional skills, call HKSSA to set up an appointment at 658-3587. Once an appointment time is set, bring your child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record and the child on the day of the appointment.

If you have a child turning three years old later on in the 2008-09 school year, and have any concerns with their development; contact your local school's principal's office or HKSSA 940-658-3587 to obtain more information about Preschool Programs for Children with disabilities (PPCD).



MR. AND MRS. JONATHAN HISEY

Overman, Hisey wed in Lubbock

Morgan Elizabeth Overman and Jonathan Dean Hisey were married Aug. 1 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Lubbock with John Greeson officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Rick and Sandra Overman of Lubbock. The groom's parents are Danny and Melinda Hisey of Rule.

Grandmother of the bride is Gerry Overman of Mena, Arkansas and the late Elsie and Jim Smith and G.L. Overman. Grandparents of the groom are John Hisey of Rule and Faye Webb of Haskell and the late Lou Hisey and Ennis Webb.

Matron of honor was Julie Irvin of College Station. Bridesmaids were Lindsey Jones and Laci

Townsend of Lubbock. Taylor Conaway of Allen and Brooke Teichelman of Anson, nieces of the groom were flowergirls.

Best man was Trey Kittley. Groomsman were Matt Stolz and Coty Isbell, all of Lubbock. Kolby Conaway of Allen, nephew of the groom, was ringbearer. Ushers were Rhett Overman, brother of the bride, Jason Cruz and Joe Jett of Lubbock.

The bride is a 2005 graduate of Texas Tech University. The groom is a 2008 graduate of Texas Tech University.

After their honeymoon in Jamacia, the couple will reside in San Angelo, where the bride is employed with the San Angelo ISD and the groom is employed with Wall ISD.

Calendar

Adult education

Enrollment for Stamford adult education programs will be held Mon., Oct. 6 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Wetherbee School campus, 301 S. Wetherbee in Stamford. For more information, call Gwen Baker at 325-370-3549.

Pancake supper

The Haskell Lions Club will host their annual all you can eat pancake supper Fri., Oct. 10 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell High School cafeteria before the

Haskell Stamford football game. Plates are \$6 each.

Friends of Faith

The Friends of Faith 'Faith Fall Fellowship' is set Sat., Nov. 1 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Area ladies are asked to bring a covered dish finger food for brunch and join for a morning of worship, praise and fellowship. Guest speaker is Melissa J. Hohnstreiter. Singing praises will be led by Judy Underwood, guest musician.

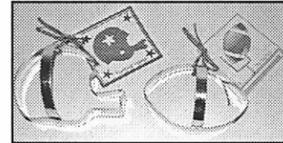
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Texas-based banks stand strong as turmoil hits Wall Street

AUSTIN—With the U.S. Congress on the verge of passing a Wall Street bailout bill, what repercussions lie in store for America remain to be seen.

Reports of troubled financial markets cause uneasiness or cast gloom. Here in Texas, however, there appears to be a bright spot despite the financial turmoil.

The outlook for Texas-based banks is strong, members of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas reported during the group's 34th annual convention Sept. 20-23.

Surveys conducted among the membership of the nation's largest state community banking organization showed that member banks are well capitalized and in good financial shape.

"Texas community banks did not participate in the exotic mortgage frenzy that created so much havoc across the nation," IBAT chairman Cliff McCauley said. "They stayed pretty much with the types of lending they have done for years, to local consumers and small businesses."

A small percentage of Texas-based banks will experience some losses related to the financial crisis, but the survey showed that none will be damaged significantly.

McCauley said the Texas economy is still strong and people still want to live in the Lone Star State. "Job growth, tax revenues, new construction, home sales—while no doubt impacted by the overall slowdown in the national economy—are still the envy of the rest of the nation."

"Many of our members see an increase in business opportunities as consumers seek stability and the comfort of doing business with someone who knows them and actually cares about their financial well-being," McCauley said.

The Independent Bankers Association of Texas represents some 2,000 Texas domiciled banks and branches. McCauley is executive vice president of San Antonio-based Frost Bank, with 91 branches throughout the state.

Hurricane recovery forges ahead

Now, more than two weeks since Hurricane Ike tore through Texas Sept. 13-14, we're still in the early stages of recovery. Ike claimed 27 lives in Texas and damages may reach \$35 billion.

Repair, debris removal and

salvage crews are hard at work. Aerial spraying for mosquitos is under way. But in hard-hit Galveston, water and electrical services are not fully restored.

FEMA and HUD are helping displaced Texans find temporary housing and the Department of Labor approved a \$16 million federal grant to fund 600 temporary positions to assist in clean-up and recovery efforts.

On Sept. 23 in Washington, D.C., Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst testified before a U.S. Senate subcommittee on disaster recovery.

After acknowledging that Texas was granted 100 percent federal cost share for evacuees for 30 days, Dewhurst said, "Senators, 30 days is a real hardship. The city of Galveston with 57,000 inhabitants, the city of Orange with more than 18,500 inhabitants, plus other heavy impact areas, are wiped out."

"Most homes and businesses have been damaged. Most electricity remains out. Most water and treatment facilities are damaged. Most sewage service and treatment facilities are down."

"It is estimated to take up to six months to make Galveston, Orange and other heavy-impact areas totally habitable."

"Texas respectfully asks that Individual Assistance be extended until the heavy impact areas are rebuilt and totally habitable. Again, treat us as Louisiana was afforded after Katrina."

Insurers win in Sunset vote

At a Sept. 24 meeting of the Texas Sunset Commission, lawmakers deadlocked on a proposal to require the state's five largest insurance companies to wait at least 30 days before raising rates on homeowners' insurance.

The deadlock translates to a win for insurance companies, so they will be able to increase rates without approval from the state of Texas.

The proposal requiring a waiting period to raise rates was made by Sen. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, who noted that Texans pay the nation's highest rates.

Evidence preservation is topic

The collection, storage and preservation of evidence were discussed at a Sept. 25 meeting of the Texas Criminal Justice Integrity Unit. State Rep. Jim McReynolds, D-Lufkin, said he is concerned about wrongful convictions and the need for proper storage of biological evidence.

LET ME TRY TO GET THIS STRAIGHT... ..WHEN I NEED A LOAN I GO TO THE BANK, AND IT ASKS FOR GOOD CREDIT AND COLLATERAL... ..IF I HAVE THEM—I GET THE LOAN!



WHEN THE BANK NEEDS A LOAN, IT GOES TO THE TAXPAYER, WITH NO CREDIT AND CRAP FOR COLLATERAL...

..AND IT STILL GETS THE LOAN?!!

I'LL NEVER FIGURE OUT THE FINANCE GAME!



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago October 1, 1998

Wayne and Bettie Wainscott celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Kristen Hertel, Matthew Hensley, Jonathan Hisey and M'Lynn Lehmann, seventh graders at Rule Jr. High, qualified to participate in the Scholastic Talent Search Program sponsored by the Duke University.

Haskell High School students, Amanda Crawford and J.J. Comedy, visited the Rotary Club.

Patrons of Haskell CISD can now stay up-dated on school and community events, courtesy of a new electronic marque, donated by Pepsi Cola/Dr. Pepper and First National Bank. It is located on the corner by the administration building.

Joetta Burnett of Haskell has been recognized as the 1997-98 Club Woman of the Year for her eighteen years of outstanding leadership in the Haskell County Family and Community Education Organization.

20 Years Ago October 6, 1988

Den 2 scouts had a camp-out on the Henry Harris farm east of Haskell.

Kenneth Rogers killed a 58 inch rattlesnake two miles south of town on the Paint Creek highway.

Rochester High School Senior class elected officers including Wayne Hester, president; Craig Rogers, vice president; Morgan Walker, secretary-treasurer; Denny Tibbets, reporter; Robert Ortiz and Maxine Martin, class favorites and Rod Townsend, sponsor.

30 Years Ago October 5, 1978

Peggy Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris, is the drum major for the Haskell Indian Band.

Bobby Simpson made the honor roll at TSTI in Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baitz visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Letz of Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Owens and Emily SoRelle spent the weekend in Henderson, visiting with Mrs. Owens father, Curtis Bassett and other relatives.

The Haskell County Farm Bureau held a barbecue and convention at the elementary school.

Joyce Hager of Weinert won the Best of Show in the adult baked foods category at the Haskell County Fair.

40 Years Ago October 3, 1968

Max Stapleton began his duties as new Haskell County Agricultural Agent.

Bonnie Adkins, Karen Felker, Susie McAdoo and Linda Hartsfield have been selected as Junior High Twirlers.

Wayne Alan Blankenship of Plainview, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Rhoads.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Archibald of Fort Belvoir, Virginia visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Herren.

The Nine-Teens elected officers including Sheila Gilleland, president; Debbie Darnell, vice president; Sara Yeary, secretary and Judy Therwhanger, reporter.

Sammy Lynn, Emery Glen and Thelma Gwenn, the first triplets born in the history of Haskell,

celebrated their first birthday, Sept. 28. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Baker.

Brenda Casey of Haskell is the head leader of the Pom Pom girls at Panhandle State College in Goodwell, Oklahoma.

50 Years Ago October 2, 1958

Pat LaDuke, a senior in O'Brien High School, was selected "Oil Progress Week Queen" of Haskell County.

The Haskell Band received a first place rating and second in concert to tie Iowa Park for sweepstakes at the Texas-Oklahoma Fair at Iowa Park.

According to the survey made by the Chamber of Commerce and Progressive Study Group, the new residents of Haskell are John McCloskey, H.A. Boswell, Bob Bettis and H.E. Alexander.

Janet Hannsz of Rule is representing Haskell County in the State 4-H Girls Club dress review at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hannsz.

100 Years Ago October 3, 1908

J.J. Stein purchased 160 acres of land from Mr. Kirtz, seven miles west of town on the Rayner road.

High Meadors is now the office deputy, succeeding Mr. Lee.

R.C. Montgomery, W.N. Huckabee, Willis Buchanan, J.L. Odell and H.M. Rike went to the Abilene Fair.

Commissioner Gilleland has been busy this week starting the grading on the Throckmorton road.

J.L. Jones of Rule took the south bound train for Stamford.

Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

U.S. cotton posted losses earlier in the week, but taking clues from nervous outside markets awaiting resolution on the U.S. financial bailout plan, cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade settled higher Thursday.

General commodities sentiment was expectant this week as Congress debated the \$700 billion U.S. bailout plan. A resolution to what some cotton analysts have termed the "financial fiasco" is expected on Fri., Sept. 26. Many in the industry expect the plan to be passed, which some say would add underlying stability to equities and bolster sentiment in domestic and world economies.

"I think passage of the plan would be bullish for commodities, reigniting inflationary buying, but probably not to the price levels seen earlier in the year," a market observer said.

Meanwhile, the government released its consumption figures for August. U.S. cotton consumption for the month was calculated at an annualized rate of 4.62 million-bales, slightly higher than USDA's 4.4 million-bale forecast. The latest stocks data for the end of July supports the 9.9 million-bale figure released by USDA several weeks ago.

Other data released this week by USDA showed net export sales of U.S. cotton totaled 251,100 bales in the week ended Sept. 18. The figure was down 46 percent from the previous week, but 13 percent higher than the four-week average. Major buyers included China, Turkey, Thailand and Mexico. Net sales of 7,700 bales for delivery in 2009-10 were for Mexico, and Peru.

Export shipments of 221,300 bales were down 23 percent from the previous week and 13 percent from the four-week average. Primary destinations were China, Mexico, Thailand and Vietnam.

"This week's export sales report was one of the best in recent memory," a trader commented. "And, perhaps more importantly, it offered evidence that China may have finally found its way back to the buying table. The sales upswing may be more proof of the Chinese government's ongoing efforts to support and stimulate the country's economy."

Unfortunately, spot cotton sales remained slow in the week ended Sept. 25 as 131 bales were traded online by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. The figure was a significant increase from the three bales sold the previous week.

In other news, it seems that Hurricane Ike left a massive path of destruction, but had little effect on the U.S. cotton crop. However, a cool front moved across portions of the Cotton Belt lowering temperatures significantly and not allowing for the plants in the fields to dry out properly. A prolonged period of warm, dry weather is needed for plants to mature without complication.

Harvest activities are advancing at a rapid pace in the Memphis Territory under fair conditions. Above-average temperatures for this time of year persist, with daytime highs in the mid to upper 80s. Thus, bolls are popping open and defoliants are being applied this week. Good weather remains in the near-term forecast for the region. However, a slight chance of showers is possible early next week and farmers are rushing to get as much of the cotton off the stalk as possible before inclement weather arrives. Small-scale picking, therefore, is expanding, and widespread fieldwork is expected around the first part of October if dry conditions hold.

City Council report

The Haskell City Council met in a regular meeting Sept. 22 with Mayor Bob Smith, Mayor Pro Tem Sue Medford, and Councilmen Chan Guess, Randy Bowers, Robert Tribbey and Jason Hall attending.

Lonnie Meredith was appointed to the Rolling Plains Assisted Living Board of Directors.

A resolution supporting the Haskell Chamber of Commerce and its efforts to secure funding and work with TxDOT in securing permission to put welcome signs along the Haskell entrances was approved.

The sale of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center in Haskell by and between the City of Haskell and County of Haskell to Inland PPD, Haskell Associated Limited Partnership, an Illinois Limited Partnership subject to a minimum standards agreement and to authorize the mayor to take action and approve minor revisions and to execute any agreements necessary for closing, i.e. deed, purchase agreement, housing agreement,

minimum standard agreement, mutual release, or other related documents, that have been approved by the attorney for the city, and to approve the defeasance of any bonded indebtedness related to the property or assets being sold was approved.

The council approved a resolution delegating and authorizing the mayor to take action, including the approval of minor revisions, and to execute any agreements necessary from closing, including without limitation any deeds, purchase agreements, housing agreements, minimum standard agreements, mutual releases or other related documents that have been approved by the attorney for the city regarding the sale of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center, located in Haskell County to Inland PPD Haskell Associated Limited Partnership, an Illinois Limited Partnership and further to approve the defeasance of any bonded indebtedness related to the property or assets being

sold. No public comments were made during the public hearing on the proposed 2008-09 city budget. The budget was approved with a delay for employee raises until such time as the prison is sold.

The proposed tax rate of \$.50 per \$100 valuation for the 2008-09 fiscal year was approved.

The utility changes for 2008-09 were approved.

In the City Administrator's Report, Brandon Anderson said: •Three applicants for the Chief of Police position have been received. The council will conduct interviews.

•Energy Systems Associates, Inc. of Round Rock will conduct an energy audit for the city.

•One to three candidates are needed for nomination to the Appraisal District Board. Anderson is seeking nomination suggestions.

•Quick progress on the sale of the prison facility should follow the action taken by the council at this meeting.

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New Early Learning Facility opened by Haskell CISD

by Caron Yates

While driving around the square in many rural West Texas towns, it's not unusual to see empty buildings of businesses long ago closed. Haskell is no exception. Three such abandoned buildings, however, are now being put to good use.

The former C&B Department Store, The Slipper Shoppe and Lyles Jewelry have now been transformed into the Haskell CISD Early Learning Center. The result is a beautiful, clean and safe

environment for the youngest children of our community.

The Learning Center currently has about fifty children, but will be able to accommodate up to ninety. Laura Andress, director of the facility, said the center will be open from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. They are licensed to care for children from infant to five years of age.

The facility is divided into several individual areas. Patti Raynes and Erica Chavez will be

tending to the infants up to twelve months. This area is equipped with new baby beds, play area with toys, swings/bouncers for each child and rocking chairs.

Children twelve to eighteen months are cared for by Misti Isbell, while Rosemary Rodriguez, assistant director, and Tiffany Lindsey are in charge of the children eighteen months to two years old. Jennifer Bridges will be working with those children three years and older.

Each area is filled with many educational toys, learning centers and equipment. Because it is an early learning center, each group will receive more structured teaching at various times throughout the day. Vickie Josselet will teach each group a specified curriculum, appropriate for the age level, while the individual group leaders will supplement with extra teaching.

While the meals are still prepared by the school cafeteria, Johnna Messenger is in charge of the day to day routine of serving the children's meals.

To every extent possible, local services and businesses were used in the building process. This included plumbing services by Rodela Plumbing, electrical work by Fostech and flooring by Carpet Express. Fixtures, lumber, and such were ordered through TrueValue, while supplies, storage bins, etc. were purchased from Dollar General. Charles McCutchen, who has recently moved to Haskell, restored the

original wood floors in the area that was the C&B store.

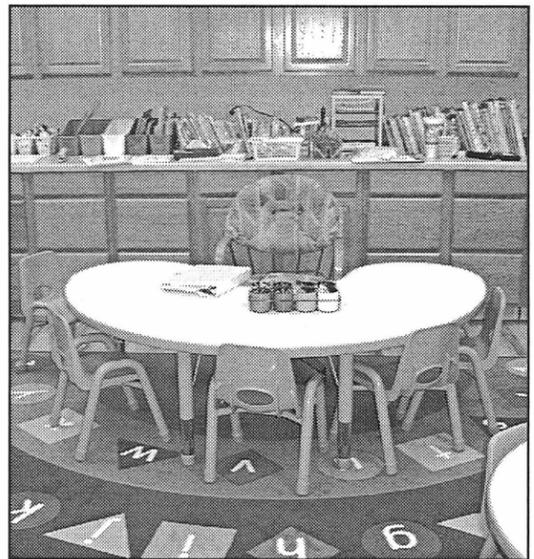
The outdoor playground area is still under construction. When finished, it will have a protective screen overhead, safety bars across the front, a storage building for toys, a metal fence across the back and new playground equipment. They are looking into grants, donations and other sources of funding for the playground.

Safety, of course, is of utmost importance. There is only one entrance, and visitors will sign in and out at the front office. All other doors open only from the inside. Special evacuation ropes and evacuation cribs are in place in the event the children need to be moved from the building quickly.

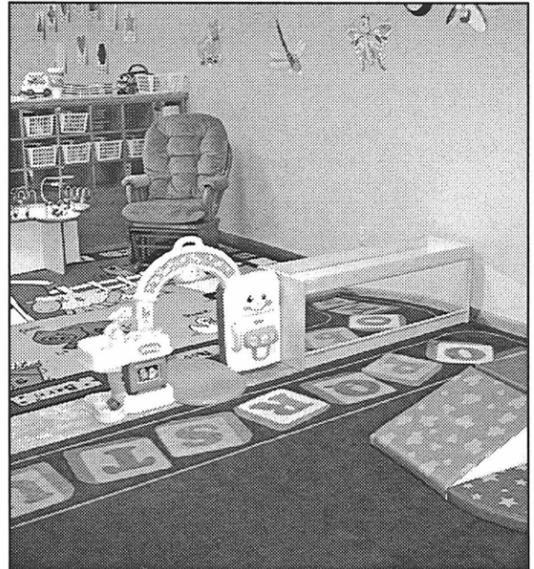
The Early Learning Facility was constructed by the Haskell CISD at a cost of approximately \$450,000. Funds were available from the Designated Fund Balance-Construction, so no bonds or loans were needed. Cost is twenty dollars per child per day. Andress said, "Help with funding for child care is available for those who qualify through CCPO."

Finishing touches will be applied soon and an "open house" celebration is planned for October.

How good it is for our community to see the once empty buildings bustling with the laughter and play of children.



CLASSROOM AREA



PLAYROOM

Commissioners' Court report

The Commissioner's Court of Haskell County met in a regular meeting Sept. 8 with all commissioners and the county judge present.

All bills presented to the court along with a bill from Kris Fouts and a bill from the fire department were paid.

The County Treasurer was authorized to pay a bill from Nick Meindl and a bill from Bob Bass upon receipt of the engagement contract concerning the sale of the prison.

The County Treasurer's report, senior citizens report and a corrected July monthly report were approved.

The court recessed to hold a public hearing on the budget. No members of the public were present.

After reconvening, the court approved the budget for 2008-09.

The effective tax rate for 2008-09; General Fund .5182; FML .1324; Road and Bridge, .1040 were approved.

Waller Overton, Betty Raynes and Ed Murray were reappointed to the Haskell County Appraisal Board.

A bill of \$817.50 from Texas Communications was paid for communications equipment. The communications equipment will now belong to Haskell County.

A special meeting of the Commissioner's Court of Haskell was held Sept. 2 with all commissioners and the county judge present.

All bills were paid including additional bills from Arco Mobile Fire Extinguisher, Jane Rowan for travel expense and a registration fee for a seminar in Abilene attended by Commissioner Tiffen Mayfield.

The use of the old library building by Officer Groves was tabled.

The court approved the sale of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center located in Haskell County by and between the City of Haskell and the County of Haskell to Inland PPD Haskell Associated Limited Partnership, an Illinois Limited Partnership subject to a minimum standards agreement and authorized the county judge to take action and approve minor revisions and to execute any agreements necessary for closing, i.e. deed, purchase agreement, housing agreement, minimum standard agreement, mutual release, or other related documents, that have been approved by attorneys for the county, and to approve the defeasance of any bonded indebtedness related to the property or assets being sold.

The court approved the

Bazaar set Nov. 1

The Sagerton Hobby Club's twenty-sixth annual bazaar will be held Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. Proceeds from the bazaar will be used for the academic award fund and community projects.

Arts, crafts, baked goods, candies and Thanksgiving and Christmas items will be available for sale. Lunch will be available.

Booths are available. For more information call 940-997-2103, 325-773-3832 or 940-989-2966. Admission is free.

resolution and order delegating and authorizing the county judge of Haskell County to take action, including the approval of minor revisions, and to execute any agreements necessary for closing, including without limitation any deeds, purchase agreements, housing agreements, minimum standard agreements, mutual releases, or other related documents that have been approved by attorneys for the county regarding the sale of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center, located in Haskell County, to Inland PPD Haskell Associated Limited Partnership, an Illinois Limited Partnership and further to approve the defeasance of any bonded indebtedness related to the property or assets being sold.

A motion to approve a grant for the Experienced Citizens Center with the West Central Texas Council of Governments was approved.

The matter of allowing campers on the James Arnold property at the Anchor was tabled.

A contract with KVRP to move a repeater and antenna to their tower was approved.

A motion to award the administration of the contract for grant funds for ORCA-FEMA grant from 2005 to Tim F. Glendening & Associated, Inc. was approved.

A motion to award the administration of the contract for grant funds for ORCA-NRCS grant from 2005 to Tim F. Glendening & Associated, Inc. was approved.

A motion to reinstate County Road 154 as a County Road was approved.

A resolution on the Indigent Defense Grant Program was approved.

A motion to award the grant to Jacobs Martin for the material for the Sagerton Water Project was approved.

Holidays for the 2008-09 year were approved.

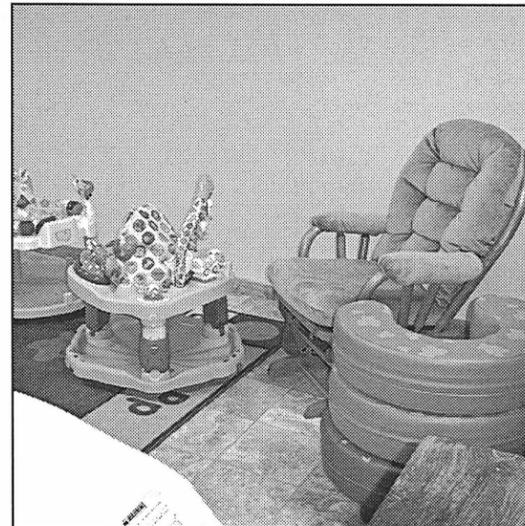
The burn ban was lifted.

The Commissioner's Court of Haskell met in a special called meeting Sept. 29 with all members of the court except Commissioner Bobby Smith present.

A motion to allow Ray Clark of Tru-Sound Studio of Stamford to install a sound/recording system in the Commissioners' Courtroom with the total price for the equipment and installation being \$2,040.00 was approved.

The Memorandum of Understanding between Haskell County and the Supreme Court of Texas for Support of Continuity of Court Operations in the Event of an Emergency was approved.

The court approved the sale of The Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center located in Haskell County, by and between the City of Haskell and the County of Haskell to Inland PPD Haskell Associated Limited Partnership, an Illinois Limited Partnership subject to a Minimum Standards Agreement and authorized the County Judge to take action and approve minor revisions and to execute any agreements necessary for closing, i.e. deed, purchase agreement, housing agreement, minimum standard agreement, mutual release, or other related documents, that have been approved by attorneys for the county, and to approve the defeasance of any bonded indebtedness related to the property or assets being sold.



INFANT ROOM

TAX PLANNING

Written By
James E. Rodgers, CPA



HOMEOWNERS: CHECK THE NEW HOUSING LAW FOR BENEFITS

The new housing law contains a wide range of benefits for homeowners. Here's a summary of four key provisions.

- Homebuyer's credit.** The new law provides a tax credit for "first-time homebuyers" who have not owned a principal residence three years prior to purchasing a home. The credit is equal to 10% of the purchase price up to a maximum of \$7,500. It's available for homes purchased after April 8, 2008, and before July 1, 2009. However, the credit is phased out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income between \$75,000 and \$95,000 (\$150,000 and \$170,000 for joint filers). Also, you're required to repay the credit on your tax returns over a 15-year period.
- Property tax deduction for non-itemizers.** For 2008—and 2008 only—non-itemizers may deduct property taxes in addition to claiming the standard deduction. The new deduction is equal to the lesser of the property taxes actually paid or \$500 (\$1,000 for joint filers).
- Renegotiated mortgages.** Under the new law, you may be able to cancel a mortgage originating before 2008 and replace it with a fixed-rate loan lasting at least 30 years. But the new mortgage amount can't exceed 90% of the current value of the home. To qualify, your monthly housing payment (as of March 1, 2008) must be at least 31% of your monthly household income. This program will end on September 30, 2011.
- Loan limits.** The new law increases the limit for loans purchased by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. Previously, the limit was \$417,000. Now Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac can buy loans of up to \$625,000. Caveat: The loan can't be more than 15% higher than the median price for homes in the area.

On the downside, the new law also includes a provision that will reduce the home sale gain exclusion for some individuals. Effective for home sales after 2008, gain attributable to the time when a principal residence was used as a rental property or second home doesn't qualify for the exclusion. Saving grace: The tax only applies to nonqualified use after 2008.

For more information on this new law, give us a call.

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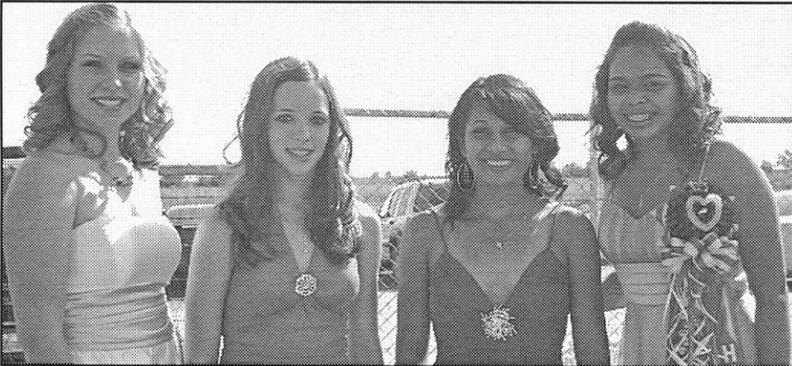
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HOMECOMING QUEEN CANDIDATES—Candidates for homecoming queen at Rule High School were, l-r, Molly Dudensing, senior; Allison Petty, sophomore; Lorena Diaz, junior; and Dennise Salas, freshman.



COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP—Local churches sponsored a city wide fellowship Sat., Sept. 27 at the courthouse gazebo. Citizens joined together in a fellowship time of good music and prayer.



DEDICATED FLOWER BED—Rule 4-H members met with the family of Jean Meier to present the completed flower bed which was dedicated to Meier's memory. 4-H members standing, l-r, are Shelby Starr, membership chairman; Allison Petty, secretary; Kate Rowan, treasurer; Molly Dudensing, vice-president; kneeling, Samantha Lewis, refreshment chairman and Jenny Dudensing, president. Meier's family members standing on the right include her son, Kevin Meier; her niece, Lynette Tribbey; her husband, Allen Meier; her niece, Melissa Roberson; her sister, Frankie Simpkins; and kneeling, grandsons Will and Jess Meier; and great niece, Robbyn Tribbey.

Flower bed dedicated to Meier

The Rule school grounds are prettier now thanks to efforts of the Rule 4-H Club. Rule 4-H members voted in April to

landscape the flower beds along the school auditorium using roses and crape myrtles. The project was completed just in time for Rule's homecoming on Sept. 27.

Additionally, Rule 4-H members voted to dedicate the completed project to the memory of long time Rule resident Jean Meier. Meier supported the 4-H program giving her time teaching members to sew, providing opportunities to model in fashion shows at Wal-Mart, and contributing when able to fund raising efforts. She supported the Rule school and other groups

as well. She was always ready with a friendly smile and sincere interest in student's activities. The flower bed project will serve as a reminder of the positive influence that is her legacy.

Special thanks to the following that helped Rule 4-H members make this happen: Stamford Wal-Mart, Gail Morgan of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday, Jones Monument Company of Vernon, Jim Berry of JBerry Nursery of Grand Saline, Jill Brown of Sagerton, and Colby Christie of Rule Co-op Gin and Elevator.

This Week's Devotional Message:



MAKE YOUR LIFE COUNT WITH A MESSAGE

Since very few of us ever manage to achieve great fame or wealth, we sometimes wonder what our lives have really amounted to. Even those who are blessed with good children to follow them may still feel a compulsion to do something of lasting value which will be of help to others after they're gone. The answer is simple: write something! You don't have to be a literary genius in order to do

this, for that would eliminate most of us. All you need is the ability to put a few words of advice together, such as 'help somebody' or 'love your neighbor.' For inspiration, at your house of worship, you will receive many worthwhile messages to pass along. Then, the next time you long to accomplish some good in this world, you can remember that you have already done so.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—**
- East Side Baptist Church**
Dr. Jim Heflin, interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
 - Christian Church**
Richard Barr, minister
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
 - Church of God**
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell
 - Trinity Lutheran Church**
Ron Rennegebarbe, 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.m., 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.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - St. George Catholic Church**
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
 - Church of Christ**
Philip Sims, minister
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - First Presbyterian Church**
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - Trinity Baptist Church**
Larry White, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6 :30 p.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
 - Hopewell Baptist Church**
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
- New Covenant Foursquare**
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- Mission Revival Center**
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Greg Gasaway, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Church in the Wind**
C.C. Curran, pastor
Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.
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

- WEINERT—**
- First Baptist Church**
Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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 - Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sunday 11 a.m
Weinert
- ROCHESTER—**
- Church of Christ**
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
 - First Baptist Church**
Joseph Barrett, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Prayer Time/
Team Kids 5 p.m.; Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
 - Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Clovie Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
 - Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester

- SAGERTON—**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Stephanie Gilkey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton
 - Faith Lutheran Church**
Curtis Baker, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- RULE—**
- First Baptist Church**
Russell Stanley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule
 - Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
 - Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
 - First United Methodist Church**
Tom Long, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
 - Primera Iglesia Bautista**
Alfa y Omegs
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule
 - Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Larry Neal, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m.;
Gladstone Ave., Rule
 - West Bethal Baptist Church**
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

- PAINT CREEK—**
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek
- O'BRIEN—**
- O'Brien Baptist Church**
Jim Reid, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien

Haskell School Menu

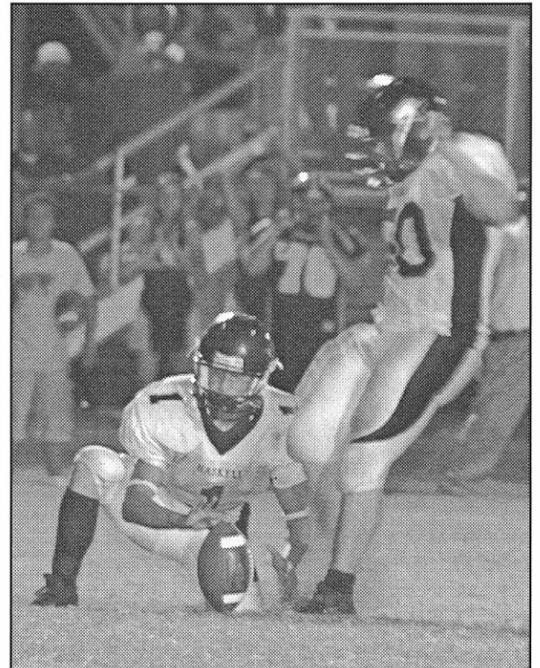
- October 6-10**
Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Breakfast pizza
Tuesday: Breakfast on a stick
Wednesday: Cereal, animal crackers
Thursday: Chocolate muffin, chex-mix packet
Friday: Pig in a blanket
- Lunch**
Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: choice of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.

- Monday:** Chicken spaghetti, Italian green beans, garden salad, breadstick, pineapple tidbits
Tuesday: Beefy nachos with salsa, garden salad, pinto beans, sliced peaches
Wednesday: Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, assorted chips, orange slices
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, baby carrots with ranch dressing, banana pudding
Friday: Chicken on a bun, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, french fries, strawberry or raspberry yogurt

Paint Creek School Menu

- Oct. 6-10**
Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Biscuits, gravy
Tuesday: Pancakes
Wednesday: Toast or cereal
Thursday: French toast
Friday: Eggs, toast
- Lunch**
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, pease, gravy, rolls,

- strawberry shortcake
Tuesday: Pigs in blanket, green beans, potato wedges, pineapple orange salad
Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, pinto beans, corn, pudding
Thursday: Meat and bean chalupas, Spanish rice, salad, rosy applesauce
Friday: Ham sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, cheese, chips, brownies



FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT—Haskell Indian #50 A.J. Benton attempts a field goal during the Indians' fray with Quannah last Friday night. Indian Christian Myers holds for ball for Benton. The Indians lost to Quannah by a score of 27-26.

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Garage Sale

HASKELL CHAMBER of Commerce community wide garage sale to be held Sat., Oct. 4, at numerous participating homes and businesses. Free maps available at the gazebo on the square at 7:30 a.m. Call 940-864-2477 for more information. 39-40c

SIDEWALK SALE: Sat., Oct. 4 at Movie Gallery. 8 a.m. to 12 noon. New shipment previously played movies now available. Lots of great old titles. Titles start at \$3 for 10. Previous played games 3 for \$20. Come early for best selection. 40c

2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Sat. 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. 506 S. Ave. K. East (FM600). Refrigerator, Christmas items, books, clothes, tools, camping gear, misc. 40p

GARAGE SALE: Fri. and Sat. 706N. Ave. F. Sofa, 2 recliners, vacuum, TV, comforter, antique cow yolk and cream can, electric blanket, boys clothes and a lot of misc. 40p

YARD SALE: Haskell County Gin, 810 N. Ave. B (behind football field). Sat., Oct. 4. 8 a.m. til ? Lots of girls clothes size 10/12 and 14, great condition; boys' clothes, ladies' clothes, men's clothes, houseware, bedding, unique skateboarding chest of drawers, books and lots of other misc. items. 40c

Estate Sale

ESTATE SALE: Fri., Oct. 3. O'Brien, Texas. Across the street from the Baptist church in Vernice's house. 3 bedroom suites, one dining set with six chairs-maple, piano, TVs, three couches, recliners and etc. Early sales. VP Girls. 940-256-2888, 940-996-2428, 940-996-2324. 39-40p

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Real Estate

PROPERTY FOR SALE: 4 lots on Union Avenue in Rule. \$400. 806-744-4127 or 806-549-4805. 29-43p

Public Notices

Texas Community Development Block Grant Program
Date of Publication: October 2, 2008

The City of Haskell is giving notice of the intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program. The grant application request is for \$250,000 for the following activities:
WWTP improvements, including center pivot, irrigation system, effluent piping and valves, irrigation pumping facility, flow meter, and pump control. The project will be located at the WWTP, south of town.
The application is available

Public Notices

for review at City Hall during regular business hours. 40c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT
S.B. Street Operating, Inc. is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Cross Cut Formation, Edwards Lease, Well Number 2. The proposed injection well is located 11 miles NE of Haskell, in the Haskell (Cross Cut) Field, in Haskell County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3844 to 3852 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792). 40c

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TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
NOTICE OF PROCEEDING TO CONSIDER PURPA EISA 2007 STANDARDS AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS IN PROJECT NO. 2008-TX101-0001
On Sept. 16, 2008, Tri-County Electric Cooperative (co-op) adopted a resolution initiating a rulemaking project to consider and determine whether to implement federal ratemaking standards under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), as amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), Public Law No. 110-140, 121 Stat. 1492 (2007) to: 1) integrate energy efficiency into the co-op's integrated resource plans and establish cost-effective energy efficiency as a priority resource; 2) establish electric rates to align utility incentives with the delivery of cost effective energy efficiency and to promote energy efficiency investments; 3) consider smart grid investments; and 4) give co-op members direct written or electronic access and other interested persons limited access to information on time-based electricity prices at wholesale and retail, prices and usage on at least a daily basis, and sources of power provided by the co-op. The proceeding has been designated Project No. 2008-TX101-0001, *Proceeding to Consider and Determining Whether to Implement the Federal Ratemaking Standards for Integrated Resource Planning, Rate Design Modifications to Promote Energy Efficiency Investments, Consideration of Smart Grid Investments, and Smart Grid Information pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(16), (17), (16) and (17) as amended by Pub. L. No. 110-140, 121 Stat. 1492 (2007)*. Persons interested in the proceeding are invited to notify the co-op of their intent to participate in the project and to submit comments, data, views, arguments, and other evidence on the standards being considered. Responses and any comments, data, views, arguments, and other evidence must include the person's name, contact information, and relationship to the co-op, reference Project No. 2008-TX101-0001 and be submitted in writing to the cooperative at 600 N.W. Parkway, Azle, TX 76020 or by e-mail to eisa_standards_comment@tccetexas.com no later than December 5, 2008. A public hearing on this project will be convened to give interested participants an opportunity to comment and ask questions about whether the co-op should implement the PURPA EISA Standards. Questions about this notice of project may be directed to David Moore, System Engineer, at (817) 444-3201 or by e-mail at dmoore@tccetexas.com. All further information about this project, including the resolution, all comments received, and the date, time, and location of the hearing will be posted on the co-op's web site at www.tccetexas.com.

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SCORES RECOGNIZED—Haskell CISD principals, from l-r, Larry Howe, high school; Reida Penman, junior high; and Jimmy Lisle, elementary, proudly display 2007-08 plaques that each campus received for their outstanding TAKS scores. The high school campus students earned an Exemplary Rating, junior high students earned a Recognized Rating and the elementary students also earned an Exemplary Rating. A TAKS hamburger cookout and swim party was held for the community at the city park in August to celebrate the students' achievements.

Drill tests preparedness

You may not have heard or felt the explosion, but it did occur Tues., Sept. 23 in Haskell.

All on a tabletop that is. A disaster scenario played out in a room full of disaster and government first responders at the Haskell Memorial Hospital Education Building.

On a Friday afternoon at about 5:15 p.m., a tanker truck filled with chlorine gas hit the bypass bridge at 380 in Haskell. The gas was exploded by a bystander calling for help on a cellphone, bringing down the bridge and causing concern for the public's safety from a gas cloud filling the northwest part of our community. The bridge collapse closed off access to the area by those responding because of the dangerous gas plume. Many citizens left the safety of their homes to go outside and see what caused the tremendous blast, putting them in deadly contact with the chlorine gas.

Area first responders and government officials embarked on a discussion on the 'what ifs,' helping all involved to understand just what each person, department and citizen would bring to the disaster in the way of help, transportation, communication, clean up and public safety. And, bringing to light areas of concern in the ability of all involved to manage such a large disaster.

The forum was conducted by Texas Engineering Extension Service and funded by FEMA.

Facilitators were David Sahm, Mike Dodd and Lori Weatherford.

Attending were Bob Smith, Haskell City Mayor; Brandon Anderson, Haskell City Administrator; Randy Bowers, Haskell City Councilman; Donald Ballard, Paint Creek School Superintendent; Travis Floyd, Knox County Judge; Dwayne Bearden, City Administrator of Munday; Roddy Adkins, director of Helen Farabee MHMR Centers;

Jeff Dresbach, Coordinator Disaster Response Helen Farabee MHMR Centers; David Hutton, Interim Superintendent, Haskell CISD; Reida Penman, Principal, Haskell CISD Jr. High; Jimmy Lisle, Elementary Principal, Haskell CISD;

Randy Shaw, Haskell Fire Chief, Haskell EMS, Haskell Memorial Hospital, Haskell Ham Operators; Kathy Garison and Jud Beall, 211 A Call for Help, United Way; Trey Carrington, Throckmorton County Judge; Jennabeth Kimbrough, Experienced Citizens Center; Teresa Styrker, City of Rule; Denise White, Public Health Nurse, DSHS; Pat Grand, secretary and Greg Gasaway, pastor, First Baptist Church and Haskell Ministerial Alliance; Jane Rowan, Haskell County Extension Agent; Susan Cockerell, Haskell County Judge's Administrative Assistant; David C. Davis, Haskell

County Judge; Lynn Dodson, Haskell County Justice of the Peace; Bill Nemir, Haskell Memorial Hospital; Lynn D. Hartje, MHMR Director; Sally Rueffer, Haskell Chamber of Commerce; Steven Grand, Haskell Police Department and JoDee Stout, DSHS.

The afternoon drill left all involved with a greater appreciation for the skills and resources others bring to the scene when responding to a disaster. County Judge David Davis said that these training sessions allow for discussion and advanced planning in the event of a local disaster, and gives everyone an opportunity to work on areas that arise in the drill that reveal the need to be addressed.

Davis said that every citizen needs to be aware that these drills show just how lacking local officials and responders are in response capabilities in catastrophic events.

He also emphasized the fact that citizens should not be quick to try to find the source of an explosion, but rather to stay inside the safety of their homes until more is known about a situation. That action alone could save an individual's life. Many times citizens put themselves in harm's way just by going outside and being exposed to a toxic substance such as a gas plume.

The group holds similar planning drills throughout the year.

In the Service



KIMBERLY MEDFORD

Air Force Airman Kimberly C. Medford has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Jesse and Martina Medford of Haskell.

Medford is a 2007 graduate of Haskell High School.

Crime of the Week

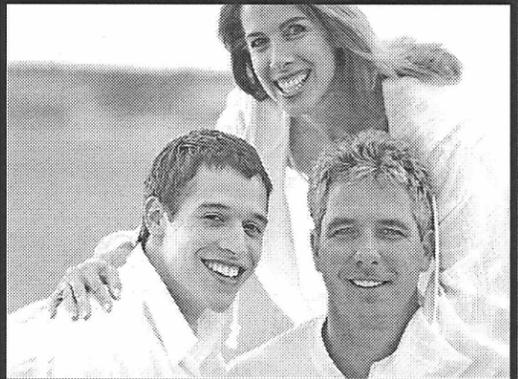
Clear Fork Crime Stoppers, in cooperation with the Rule Police Department and Haskell Co. Sheriff's office, is offering a reward of up to \$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for the numerous acts of vandalism committed at

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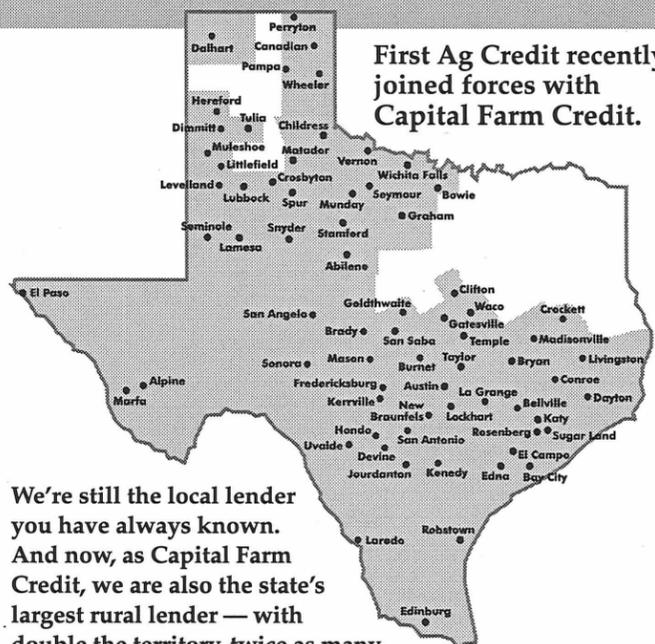
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