

Softball

Maidens
Maidens vs Colorado City
Fri., April 5, 5:00 p.m.
at Haskell
Maidens vs Eula
Tues., April 9, 5:00 p.m.
at Haskell

Baseball

Indians
V Indians vs Roby
Fri., April 5, 5:00 p.m.
at Haskell
V-JV Indians vs Anson
Tues., April 9, 5/7:30 p.m.
at Anson

Track

Maidens and Indians
Mon., April 8
Munday

Golf

Maidens and Indians
Mon., April 8
District-River Creek
Burkburnett
Wed., April 10
District-Shady Oaks
Baird

Calendar

Memory loss?

"Am I Losing My Mind?" is the topic of the program which will be presented by County Extension Agent/FCS, Jane Rowan Thurs., April 4 at 5 p.m. at the Haskell Memorial Hospital Education Building. Many people have trouble with memory—this does not mean they have Alzheimer's. There are many different causes of memory loss. Rowan will discuss some of these causes of memory loss, how memory works, ways to improve memory, and things in everyday life that may affect memory. The public is invited to attend.

Car Show

The Haskell Wild Horse Prairie Car Show will be held Sat., April 6 around the courthouse square. Entry fee is \$20. Registration will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Awards will be presented at 3 p.m. For more information, contact Ben McGee at 940-864-4555 or Wes at 940-256-1940. The event is sponsored by the Betterment Association and the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Mom Prom

The Camo Chicks third annual Mom Prom fund-raiser benefitting the American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be held at Macias Ballroom April 6 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$20. Ladies, pull out your old prom dresses and come join in the fun! For more information contact Bette Enriquez at 864-2391 or Stacia Leach at 864-8138, after 5:00 p.m. No one under the age of 18 permitted.

Benefit dance

The TCR Old Timers Association will host a dance open to the public Sat., April 6 from 8 to 11 p.m. featuring Muddy Creek. Cost is \$10 per person. Proceeds will help buy tables and chairs for the TCR buildings. The Round Up hall is located next to the rodeo grounds in Stamford.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., April 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church of Christ annex. Mary Murphy of Weinert will bring the program on photography. Come as you are and have fun.

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Car Show Sat., April 6 on the square

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"The People's Choice"

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Luminaria donations sought for Relay for Life

by Caron Yates

As the sun sets, luminaria lining the track light up the night, while a hush falls over the crowd. Each luminaria represents a mother, father, sister, brother, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, friend, or co-worker.

One of the most impressive aspects of the Relay for Life event is the

Luminaria Ceremony. It is the time when participants, survivors and caregivers pause to remember loved ones lost to cancer and to honor those whose fight continues.

Each luminaria is a lighted classic white bag, personalized with the name of a friend or loved one. They will be placed around the

walking area at the Haskell/Knox Relay for Life which will be held Friday, April 26, beginning at 7 p.m. at Indian Stadium.

This year Citibank is sponsoring the Luminaria Ceremony. Approximately \$5400 has been donated by many generous businesses in Haskell and Knox Counties to help sponsor the event.

Haskell hosted Relay for Life two years ago, with 900 luminaria bags lighting the sky.

Luminarias, with the name of your loved one, may be purchased in honor of a cancer survivor or caregiver, or in memory of those who have lost their battle. If you would like to honor or remember someone, you

can purchase a luminaria for a minimum donation of \$5. An acknowledgement will be sent to the person or family you wish to honor or remember. During the ceremony, every name will be read aloud as the crowd pauses to reflect on the life it represents.

You may use the form published in the Haskell Free Press, and send it and your donation to Delight Jones or Jennabeth Kimbrough, both of Haskell. The mailing address is found on the form. Luminarias can also be purchased by contacting any of the teams raising money for the event. They will also be available for purchase during the Relay for Life event. For more information on how you can help the Relay for Life, contact Luis Olivarez at 940-864-8577.

Remarkable advancements are being made in cancer research and treatment. The American Cancer Society has had a hand in nearly every major cancer breakthrough of the last century. Until their vision of "A World Free of Cancer" is realized, work must continue. It can only be done through continued support from communities, businesses and individuals.

The funds we raise truly make a difference in the fight against cancer—just ask one of the nearly 14 million cancer survivors who will celebrate another birthday this year.



FLAMINGOS—Luis Olivarez, representing the Relay for Life team, Sal's Pals, stands amidst a flock of flamingos which have taken flight to various yards in town. For a donation to the Relay for Life, the flamingos can be "shooed" on to another yard.

Haskell UIL academic teams compete in spring meets

Haskell High School UIL Academic teams have been competing and winning several honors this Spring at UIL Invitational Meets. Individual results from each meet are as follows:

Haskell Pow Wow meet was held at Haskell High School on Jan. 19. Seventeen area 1A and 2A schools competed in this invitational UIL meet. Several past state qualifiers and winners were competing at the contest.

Jim Ned High School won

1st place overall, with Haskell High School and Archer City High School tying for 2nd place overall. The Haskell UIL Program uses all profits raised at this function to award scholarships to graduating seniors who have excelled in UIL Academics throughout their high school career.

Informative Speaking: Crissy Bassett, 5th; Shady Dunlap, 6th
Persuasive Speaking: Makenzie Gass, 3rd
Feature Writing: Ashley

Adams, 2nd

Headline Writing: Morgan Frierson, 2nd
News Writing: Ashley Adams, 2nd

Journalism Team, 3rd overall

Ready Writing: Ashley Adams, 4th

Computer Applications: Carson Hadaway, 4th; Cailey Foster, 5th

Accounting: Doug King, 6th
Accounting Team of King, Madison Mayfield and Dakota

Baumbach, 2nd

Calculator: Madison Homeyer, 2nd; Cailey Foster, 3rd; Maci Colley, 4th

Calculator Team of Homeyer, Foster, & Colley, 1st

Current Events: Emily Fouts, 1st
Current Events Team of Fouts, Gass and Pryce Stewart, 2nd

Mathematics: Kalyn Wheatley, 4th; Madison Mayfield, 5th; Maci Colley, 6th
Mathematics Team of Wheatley, Mayfield and Colley, 2nd

Number Sense: Payton Thomas, 3rd; Madison Homeyer, 4th

Number Sense Team of Thomas, Homeyer, and Colley, 1st

Spelling: Team of C. Hadaway, Zachary Tatum, and April Brown, 3rd

Social Studies: Team of Fouts, Tatum, Reagan Hadaway, and Tyeler Holley, 3rd.

Wylie Valentine Classic was held at Wylie HS on Feb. 16. Haskell competed against over forty 1A-3A schools. Placing in the top 6 individuals or top 3 teams at this meet is extremely difficult due to the number of entries and the levels of classification.

Calculator Applications: Cailey Foster, 3rd

Team of Foster, Maci Colley, Madison Homeyer, 2nd

Feature Writing: Ashley Adams, 2nd; Morgan Frierson, 4th

Headline Writing: Ashley

Adams, 2nd

Mathematics: Madison Mayfield, 4th

Team of Mayfield, Maci Colley, and Kalyn Wheatley, 2nd
Cityview UIL Meet was held at Wichita Falls Cityview on March 2. Haskell High School competed against approximately ten 1A classification schools.

Accounting: Madison Mayfield, 2nd; Doug King, 3rd
Team of Mayfield, King and Dakota Baumbach, 2nd

Calculator: Maci Colley, 1st; Madison Homeyer, 2nd; Cailey Foster, 4th

Team of Colley, Homeyer, and Foster, 1st

Computer Applications: Cailey Foster, 1st

Editorial Writing: Breezy Gibbs, 6th

Feature Writing: Ashley Adams, 1st; Emily Fouts, 4th

Headline Writing: Ashley Adams, 1st; Morgan Frierson, 3rd; Emily Fouts, 6th

News Writing: Ashley Adams, 1st; Emily Fouts, 2nd; Morgan Frierson, 3rd

Journalism Team, 1st
Mathematics: Madison Mayfield, 2nd; Kalyn Wheatley, 4th; Maci Colley, 6th

Team of Mayfield, Wheatley, and Colley, 2nd

Social Studies: Zachary Tatum, 5th

Team of Tatum, Emily Fouts, and Tyeler Holley, 2nd

Spelling: Zachary Tatum, 2nd; Carson Hadaway, 4th
Team of Tatum, Hadaway, and April Brown, 1st

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FFA teams compete at Windthorst and Lingleville

Two teams from the Haskell FFA Chapter competed last week at the Windthorst and Lingleville Invitational Judging Contests.

On March 27, the Dairy Cattle Judging Team consisting of Maci Colley, Ashley Adams, Morgan Frierson, Caitlan Johnson and Taylor Burson competed at the Windthorst Invitational Dairy Cattle Contest. The Dairy team finished in fourth place out of 41 teams present. Morgan Frierson was also recognized for tying for 11th High Individual in the contest.

On Fri., March 29, the Range Judging Team, consisting of Madison Mayfield, Shelby Dunnam, Carson Hadaway, Maddison Davis and Emily Fouts competed at the Lingleville Invitational Contest. The Range Team finished in third place with Madison Mayfield taking home second High Individual honors.

The Dairy Cattle team will be competing at their area contest April 13 at Texas Tech while the range team will compete April 5 at Cross Plains and at the area contest in Stephenville April 10.

Haskell County Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of March 25-31:

Charles Monroe Thomas, motion to revoke driving while intoxicated 3 or more.

Willie Dean McDearmon, aggravated assault.

Larry Lynn Blackwell, DWI 1st.

Tommy Wolverton, DWI 1st.

Forty-seven calls were made to 911.



ONE-ACT PLAY- The Paint Creek One-Act Play participated in their UIL Zone competition Sat., March 23, presenting "Anyone for Tea" written by C.B. Gilford. Those selected to the All-Star Cast are, l-r, Stormy Darnell, Honorable Mention All-Star Cast; Ben Steele, All-Star Cast; and Charitie Winterstein, All-Star Cast.



ONE ACT PLAY-Members of the Paint Creek OAP include, front row, l-r, Kellie Jenkins, Stormy Darnell, Ben Steele, Charitie Winterstein and Paige Ramirez; back row, Haley Jackson, Bryant Booe, Brian Burgess (director), Matt Booe, Cody Mayfield, Ashley Crossley and Syble Dilli.

Obituaries

Curtis E. Matthews

Funeral services for Curtis E. Matthews, a 50 year Mason and member of the Knox Sr., 83, of Granbury were held Wed., April 3 at Acton Baptist Church. Burial was at Holly Hills Memorial Park under the direction of Wiley Funeral Home of Granbury.

Mr. Matthews passed away Sun., March 31 in Granbury.

Born Apr. 14, 1929, in Haskell County, he was the son of Otis Millard Matthews and Ruby E. Weaver Matthews. He married Evelyn Joyce Melton, Apr. 4, 1953, in Munday. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. He worked as a welder and mechanic for Bell Helicopter for 27 years. He was a member of the Acton Baptist Church, was

and enjoyed metal craft. Curtis loved being with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Johnny Matthews.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Joyce Matthews; children, Vicki Matthews and Steve Holbrook, Curtis Matthews, Jr. and wife, Christi, Tommy Matthews and wife, Bridgette; nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren; sisters, Vernie Holman, Joyce Miller and husband, Durwood; brother, Jerry Matthews and wife, Myrna; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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5 p.m. Cook off arrival and set up
5 p.m. Rock'n Rib Fest Opening Ceremonies and parade of lawn mowers to kick off the Lawn Mower Olympics
7 p.m. Texas Impact Wrestling
9 p.m. Live Band and Dancing at the Rodeo Arena w/Frank & The James Boys

~ Saturday, April 20 ~
9 a.m. Vending Booths will open at the Rodeo Arena
10 a.m. Go-Cart Racing continues to noon
Noon Lawn Mower Olympics kick off with the Lawn Mower/Tractor Pulls that continue until 3 p.m.
3 p.m. Lawn Mower Flag Racing continues until 6 p.m.
6 p.m. Pre-Concert show w/Aspermont's own Chase Martin Band
8 p.m. Tracy Lawrence Live Concert

~ Sunday, April 21 ~
10 a.m. Cowboy Church w/Heaven Bound Cowboy Band
Noon BBQ Lunch w/Cook off Teams
2 p.m. Lawn Mower Racing
4 p.m. Award Ceremony for the Lawn Mower Olympics and Closing Ceremony for the 1st Rock'n Rib Fest

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Johnson to hold book signing



TOM JOHNSON

Seymour author, Tom Johnson will be signing his latest books, "Cold War Heroes" and "Three Go Back" at Henderson Book Store in Haskell Sat., April 6, from 2 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. "Cold War Heroes" is

about a unit of misfit military police in France during the 1960s, at the height of the Cold War. The novel is a satire in the tradition of M*A*S*H, with both humor and drama.

"Three Go Back" is a young adult science fiction novel about three young girls who accidentally go back in time to the different epochs of our past, observing animal life from the Ice Age through the great dinosaurs and beyond, coming away with the joy of knowledge and adventure.

The author has over fifty novels in print, and will have a variety of books on hand for signing. He is anxious to meet you, and share the joy of reading with other fans. Please stop by his table.

Alzheimer's workshop set April 16 in Abilene

The Alzheimer's Association-North Central Texas Chapter will present a free educational program entitled "Creative Solutions: Tips to Manage Challenging Behaviors" on Tues., April 16 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the Abilene Regional Office, located at 301 S. Pioneer Drive, Suite 105, in Abilene.

In addition to its impact on memory and other thought processes, Alzheimer's disease can affect the way a person feels and acts. For many of the 5.4 million diagnosed individuals in the United States and their families, these symptoms are the most challenging and distressing effects of the disease. This program will discuss triggers for difficult behaviors and offer family members and other caregivers strategies and techniques for coping.

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's research, care and support. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of

Quilting class held in Haskell

Quilting classes will be offered the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Church of God, 714 N. 1st East in Haskell. For more information, call Cathy at 864-3982.

dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Seating is limited. For more information or to register, contact Mindy Bannister at 325-672-2907 or 1-800-272-3900 or mbannister@alz.org.



JASON EUGENE MARSHALL-JULIE ANN SAFFEL

Saffel, Marshall plan June wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Saffel of Rule announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann Saffel, to Jason Eugene Marshall of Denton. Marshall is the son of Steven and Tammy Marshall of Mesquite.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Rule High School, 2000 graduate of Texas A&M University (BA), and 2008 graduate of Texas Tech University (MA). She is teaching English at the University of North Texas

while finishing her last year of PhD work in Literature.

The prospective bridegroom is a veteran of the U.S. Army and is finishing his degree in Criminal Justice & Criminalistics at the University of North Texas. He is employed by WP Operations as the security manager.

The couple plans to marry Sat., June 15 at the Grand Pineapple Beach Resort in Antigua.

Woman's Club of Rochester

The Woman's Club of Rochester met Wed., March 6 for a regular meeting. Club members met at the bank building. Attending were Jane Short, Betty Ruth White, Mary Johnston, Verlene Stegemoeller, Linda Parsons, Elaine Glover, Regina O'Neal and Ada Pope. The club is pleased to have a new member, Mary Hollingsworth.

After roll call was completed, the members traveled to the home of Karen and Clifford Byrd for a tour of their newly refurbished home.

About a year ago, the Byrd's home was heavily damaged by smoke. A fire broke out in their basement in between the walls causing the smoke damage. The Byrds were very lucky that their home did not burn down. We are all very grateful. The smoke damage was so intense, that it took the better part of a year to complete the refurbishing job. All of their belongings had to be cleaned and freed of smoke damage. Karen gave a very informative talk on how we should check our electrical outlets and not overload

them. Check your electrical cords for any fraying. When purchasing electrical cords, be sure to buy a good quality and one that is approved. Everyone should have a plan as to how to get out of their home in the event of a fire. More than one plan should be adopted and all members of the household aware of the plans. The members of the club are grateful to Karen for showing us her home and giving some pointers on how to prevent something from happening to one of our homes.

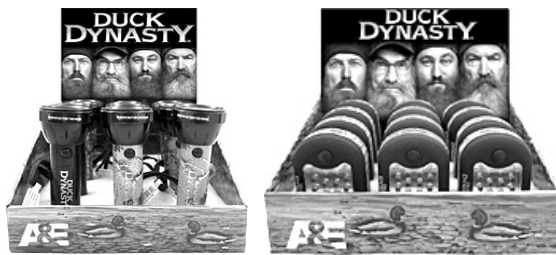
After the meeting, Karen furnished refreshments.

The next meeting will be held April 4 at the bank building.

TeamKid

TeamKid "Character Challenge" is held Wednesdays from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Activity Center for children 4 year old Pre-K through sixth grade. If your child needs a ride, call the church office at 864-2581.

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Kristin Hertel and Adam Rosenbaum
Tandi Townsend and Payden Stewart
Shannon Sanford & Heath Livingston
Cortney Vaughn and Kyle Kittley

Baby Shower Registry

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Spring Fling to be held April 20

Noah Project North will hold their annual Spring Fling Sat., April 20 at 6 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Entertainment will include duos, solos and groups. A live auction will also be held. The meal will be ham with all the trimmings. Tickets are \$12.50 each and are available from any advisor member or by calling 940-864-2551. Tickets will also be available at the door.

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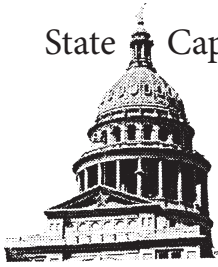
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Book Signing with Tom Johnson
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OPINION

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

Water, school-testing bills advance

AUSTIN—House Bill 5, legislation proposing to change public school testing requirements, and House Bill 4, proposing to fund water infrastructure, drew spotlights at the state Capitol last week.

On March 27, the 150-member Texas House debated and approved the bills, which now move on to the Senate for consideration. Conference committees will be called on to work out any differences that emerge in House and Senate versions of the bills.

HB 4 creates a "State Water Implementation Fund" for water conservation and development projects across Texas under the State Water Plan, a sprawling-in-scope program managed primarily by the Texas Water Development Board.

Water planners predict that over the next 50 years, the state's water supply will decrease by nearly 20 percent while water needs will increase by about 30 percent. Using money from the state's so-called rainy day fund, HB 4 would provide local water districts with state-subsidized funding for eligible projects. Primary author of the bill is Rep. Allan Ritter, R-Nederland, chair of the House Natural Resources Committee.

HB 5, for Texas schoolchildren and their teachers, reduces the number of end-of-course "high-stakes" tests from 15 to five. The purpose is to let classroom teachers expand the amount of time devoted to gains in student learning as opposed to drilling children with a focus on test performance. HB 5 also modernizes the school ratings system and high school graduation requirements. Primary author of the bill is Jimmie Don Aycok, R-Killeen, chair of the House Public Education Committee.

In floor debate, questions arose over adequate funding of public education, given the Legislature's decision in 2011 to reduce state dollars in support of secondary and primary schools by \$5.4 billion. It was the chair's decision that funding is a separate issue not within the scope of HB 5 and therefore would have to be introduced as separate legislation that could not be brought up without the approval by the full House.

Drug screening bill moves

Applicants for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program would have to submit to a drug screening under SB 11, a bill passed out of the Health and Human Services Committee on March 27.

SB 11, authored by Senate Health and Human Services Committee Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, does what federal law allows—the drug screening of applicants and the sanctioning of those who fail. Currently, adult recipients must sign a personal responsibility agreement not to use or sell illegal drugs.

According to the Senate news service, "the first time an applicant fails a test, he or she loses personal benefits for six months, but family-related benefits will continue. The second failure results in a loss of benefits for 12 months with an option to reapply after six months if the person enters or completes a drug rehab program. If a person fails a third test, they are out of the program permanently. The bill was amended to add a protective payee provision to make sure that children don't lose money because of a parent's drug abuse."

Education chief is confirmed

The Texas Senate on March 27 unanimously confirmed the nomination of Michael L. Williams as commissioner of education and head of the Texas Education Agency.

A former member of the Texas Railroad Commission, Williams, who grew up in Midland, was appointed to the post by Gov. Rick Perry in September.

State to pay air controllers

The Texas Department of Transportation on March 28 announced its intention to fund continued service of air traffic controllers who work at 13 municipal airports in Texas.

Loss of funding as a result of federal budget sequestration that recently took effect was given as the cause.

Affected municipal airports on the list include New Braunfels, Brownsville, Easterwood Field at College Station, TSTC Waco, Lone Star Executive Houston, Georgetown Muni, San Marcos Muni, Dallas Executive, Sugarland Regional, Stinson Muni San Antonio, Collin County Regional, Tyler Pounds Regional and Victoria Regional.

Info site gets No. 1 rank

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs' "Texas Transparency" website and other measures earned top national recognition, Combs' office announced March 26.

The U.S. Public Interest Research Group ranked Texas number one in its fourth annual "Follow the Money" report on government spending. The group called attention to the Texas comptroller's www.texastransparency.org and its multiple levels of spending and financial information.

10 Years Ago April 3, 2003

The Haskell High School debate team of Drew Garison and Caleb Hudgens advanced to state competition, after winning first at the district level. They were among sixteen of sixty-two teams that survived the first day of competition.

Haskell High School athletes Leon Goudeau and Ryan Burgess were recently named to the second team All-Region by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

Haskell High School student Ross Hairgrove, has been awarded Honorable Mention for his sports photo, "Eddie Loyd Pauses," in the Texas Professional Communicator's High School Journalism Contest. There were 237 entries in the contest.

20 Years Ago April 8, 1993

Haskell seventh-grade girls won the first annual Haskell Junior High Relays.

First place winners were Stephanie Alsbrook, high jump; Ebony McCulloch, long jump; Wendy Cadenhead, shot put; Sherita Tidrow, 800 and 1600; Brooke McGuire, 100 hurdles; and Laura Ortiz, 400.

The fountain being constructed at Rice Springs Park is rapidly nearing completion. It is being erected in honor of the Boneheads, an early Haskell civic group which founded the park.

Five Haskell High School students will advance to regional UIL competition. Seniors Brooke Baker and Cindy Henry and junior Cynthia Halliburton will compete in journalism events, while sophomore Amy Cunningham and freshman Tonya Burson will go in math events.

30 Years Ago April 7, 1983

Bill Pringle, former Haskell High School coach, has been named head track coach and assistant football

coach at Tarleton State University in Stephenville. He coached in Haskell from 1968 to 1971.

Lisa Baird was top scorer as Rule High School piled up an impressive 232 points, to take first place in the District 10A UIL competition. Baird placed in Ready Writing, Feature Writing, Editorial Writing, Shorthand, Newswriting and Spelling.

Mary Lou Gonzales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Gonzales of Haskell, was presented an award from the Stephenville Music Club. She is a junior music major at Tarleton State University, and is a member of the TSU Texan Band and Jazz/Rock Ensemble.

40 Years Ago April 5, 1973

Paint Creek residents Mr. and Mrs. Louie Kuenstler were honored with a 50th wedding anniversary celebration, hosted by their children.

Brooks Early of Abilene, a prominent Haskell County

rancher, has been selected as State Champion for the Absentee Conservation Farmer/Rancher Award for 1972. He was nominated by the Board of Directors of the California Creek Soil & Water Conservation District.

Alfred Turnbow, administrator of Haskell Memorial Hospital, will be on hand to welcome the public to view the newly completed addition at the hospital. The hospital is staffed with 34 full-time and 10 part-time employees.

50 Years Ago April 4, 1963

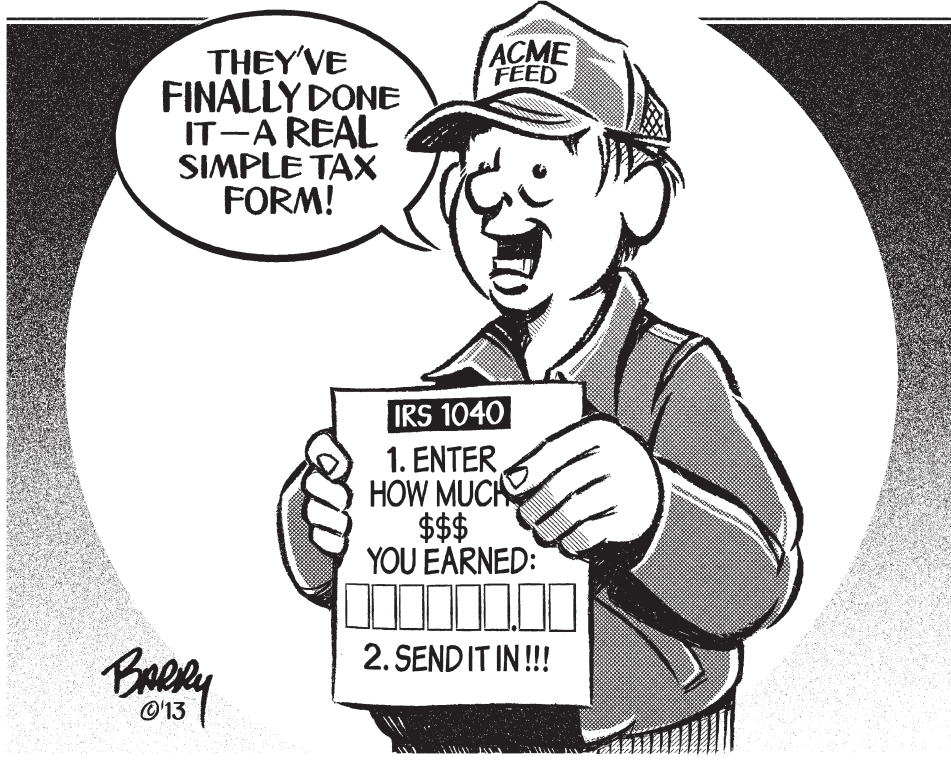
"The Lopers," a teen hot-rod organization, elected as officers: James Davis, president; Weldon Scheets, vice president; Lewis Taylor, sec./treas.; and Billy Mac Carrigan, reporter. Organizer Jesse Priest, a state highway patrolman, feels such an organization can do more than anything else to eliminate the hazards of the highway through supervised drag racing and hot-rod activity.

A.R. (Pete) Eaton of Rule, was presented an award as Outstanding Soil Conservationist in the Wichita-Brazos District, in ceremonies at a joint meeting of the Lions and Rotary Clubs.

100 Years Ago April 5, 1913

In the city election, with two aldermen to be elected, N. McNeil received 128 votes, H.M. Rike had 123 votes and S.W. Scott had 64 votes.

A record breaker for Haskell County took place when 20 cultivators were used on one farm, planting 640 acres of maize in just four days. The farm belongs to J.H. Shipman, and the feat was recorded in photos by E.L. Adams of Haskell.



Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

In answer to the question, "What do you love to hate?" that I posed a few weeks ago, I got two responses: one, which Jan read as I refuse to read unsigned ones, apparently hates me; Mrs. Clark hated what everyone in town hates and talks of constantly, but don't write about. What happened to the days when people wrote Letters to the Editor in praise of or railing against some stance. Guess people are just "too busy" these days. I rather think they just don't care enough to type in a praise or a complaint or lift a pen...maybe they're just too lazy. But it's these very people who are first to cast a stone when someone is trying to do something positive. One thing I have learned while being in public office is to do my best to dodge the stones, maintain a positive attitude and keep moving forward and doing the best things possible for the people of Haskell. Almost all of you, our citizens, have been very supportive of our efforts to improve our town and I appreciate your support. And for you folks who are members of the Cave society, you might be surprised what good things could be accomplished if you chose to join us.

Hope your Easter Sunday was everything you hoped for. I remember all the times our parents were still living, we busted our you-know-whats to get back home for the holidays because we didn't want to disappoint them. Time changes everything...although we were Easter Treed and candied and gifted, at the last minute No

One Can Come. I think this is the time the phrase, "Pull up your big girl (boy) panties and get over it" comes into play. We understand, but we don't have to like it. As a matter of fact, this is the first year in 60, yes 60, years that an Easter egg hunt has not occurred at 706 N. Ave. L. I have heard lots of stories about how my late mother-in-law would have an Easter egg hunt for all of the neighborhood kids—it was quite an event. The young ones would hunt eggs, always in search of the gold or silver egg that promised a special prize, then have a donut and a cup of orange juice while the adults drank coffee and discussed I would guess either politics or the weather.

As time progressed and all of the neighborhood young folks were 'too big' to participate in an Easter egg hunt, the grandkids were the ones who thoroughly enjoyed the hunt and now Teta and Bob-Bob's great grandkids do the "hunt." The neighborhood hunt was always held outside but for years the eggs have been hidden indoors. I have heard stories about finding some of those well-hidden eggs all during the year. I think the Easter Bunny sometimes got over zealous in his hiding of the eggs. All of this to say that our Easter morning was much quieter than ever before this year but next year...

Saturday morning I went to the rodeo grounds and watched some outstanding horses and riders participate in some ranch type work competition. The folks participating in this event are all members of the

Ranch Horse Association of America. They are the ones who make a living spending every day working on ranches, in other words these are the 'real' cowhands. This is a year long competition in which the cowhands and their horses vie for cash awards and points. The event is composed of reining, livestock handling and roping. Each of the entrants pays an entry fee to be included. Local sponsors such as Lonnie Meredith and The Drug Store also helped with the event. Haskell is included on the circuit due to the efforts of Billy and Tina Lamb. I was really impressed with the display of talent exhibited by these cowboys and cowgirls and their horses.

Checked my rain gauge Saturday morning and had 0.45 inches in it—at least that's a start. Decision time is rapidly approaching for the farmers in our area. Decisions concerning whether or not to purchase any of that high dollar cottonseed, how much fuel to order, how much money to spend on making some much needed repairs on equipment that may or may not be used. I grew up on a farm and worked in the agricultural industry for 42 years. I've seen farmers all over this state spend untold hours worrying about the decisions they were about to make. The risks they take each year are mind boggling. I have the utmost respect and admiration for them, but I don't have what it takes to be one of them. My worrier would be completely worn out before I could get

through one crop year much less a lifetime of being a producer of food and fiber.

The two stores on the south-eastern part of the square are rapidly being renovated. Can hardly wait to see what goes in there. We have a couple of places on the west side of the square to attend to and then we'll be in the best shape I've seen our square in 20 years. Am just chuckling to myself thinking what will the homecoming clan think when they see their old square? Last Homecoming a project was started to try to list all the names of the stores around the square, print it on a handout sheet and let the crowd take a Walking Tour of the Square and let the memories flow. Maybe with a volunteer or two to man the project we can make it a reality. If you can spare the time, the Homecoming Committee could use some help. It is quite a job to get out the information, plan the program, get the entertainment, etc., and it comes every two years. This year it is Sept. 27 and 28.

I'm thinking they've taken the last freeze off the table so now it's time to turn our attentions to the yards, plants. Water is still our main priority so if you're concerned that you may be forced in the future to use that well water for drinking, plan to attend the program offered by AgriLife Extension at Occasions on Wed., April 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Don't forget the Wild Horse Prairie Car Show this Sat., April 6, on the square. Go meet these people and show some Haskell hospitality!

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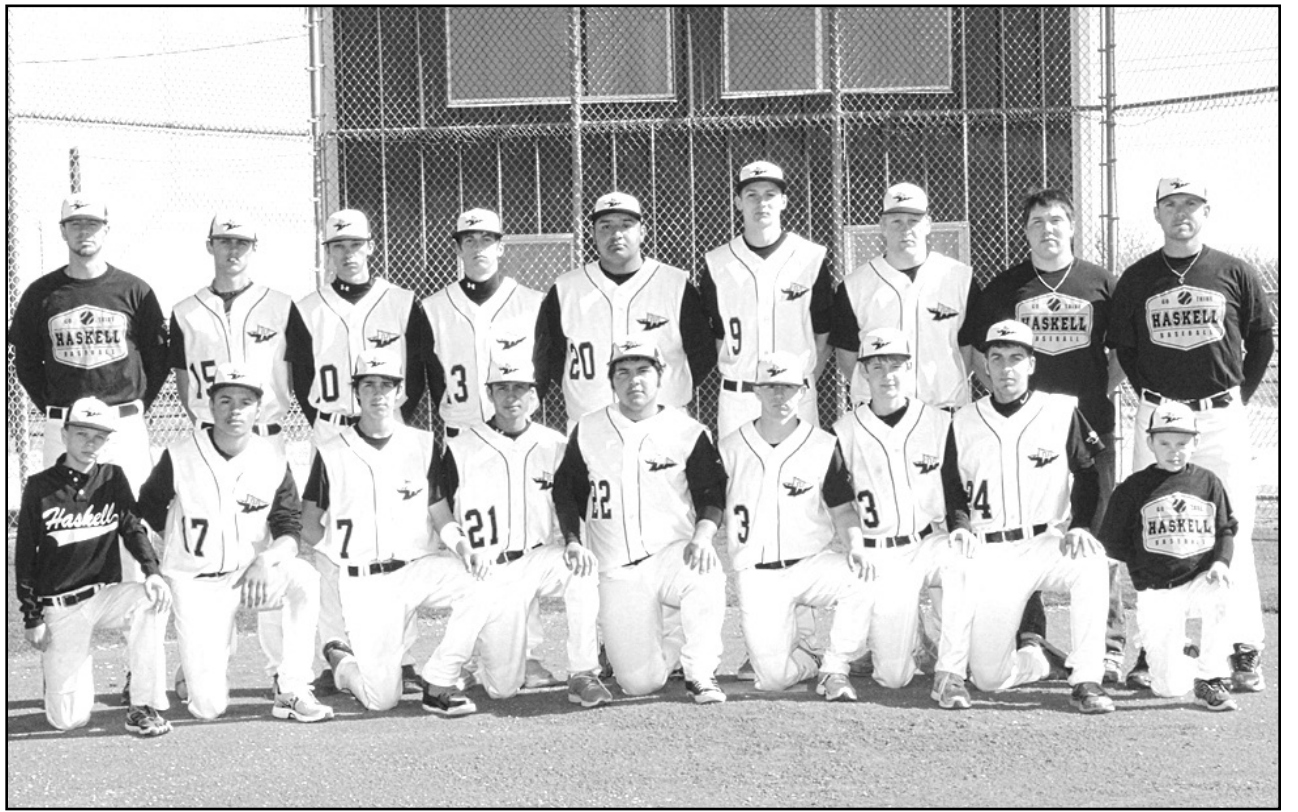
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HASKELL INDIANS

**U-Indians
vs Roby
Fri., April 5
5 p.m., at Haskell**

**Indians vs Anson
Tues., April 9
U-5 p.m.,
JV-7:30 p.m.
at Anson**



HASKELL INDIANS—Team members of the 2013 Haskell Indians baseball team are, front row, l-r, Tye Coleman, Warren Flye, Dakota Silvas, Gus Estrada, Jarred Escobedo, Matthew Martinez, Dylan Hanson, Aaron Waggoner and Waylan Damron; back row, Coach Tate Thompson, Kade Colley, Cannon Edwards, Kyle Kimbrough, Daniel Contreras, Henry Smith, Max Weise, Drake Everett and Coach Josh Damron.

HASKELL MAIDENS



HASKELL MAIDENS—Team members of the 2013 Haskell Maidens softball team are, l-r, front row, #6 Reagan Hadaway, #12 Morgan Garcia, #1 Hannah Foster, #20 Breezy Gibbs, #5 Jacie Klose and #14 Destiny Pierce; back row, Asst. Coach Rick Gammon, #21 Camden Smith, #13 Morgan Frierson, #2 Maci Colley, #3 Cailey Foster, #33 Maegan Gonzales, #0 Delecia Garcia, #10 Caitlan Johnson, #11 Madison Homeyer and Coach John Foster.

**Maidens vs
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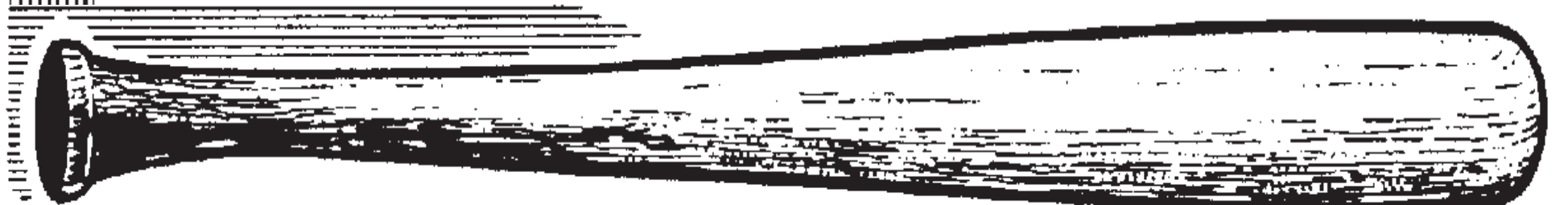
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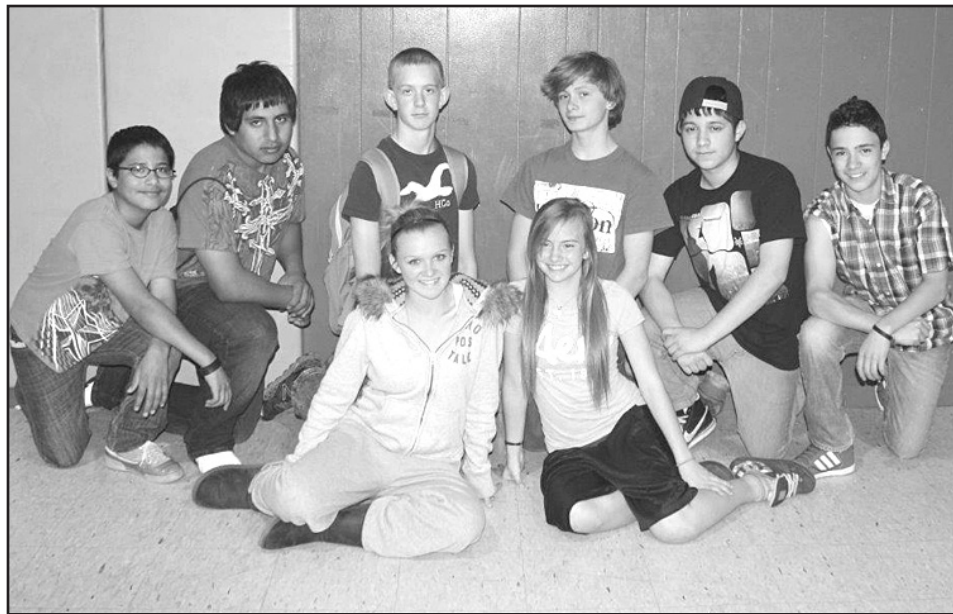
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PIRATE TRACK TEAM—Members of the Paint Creek Junior High track team include, front row, l-r, Ariel Wolf, Marina Salinas, Catherine Lemond, Gabby Mendoza, Zhenia McTasney and Sara Edwards; back row, Aaron Wolf, Corey Mengwasser, Brandon Dawson, Frankie Masias, Jr Moreno, Dakota Dawson and Buddy Trotter. Not pictured is Katelyn Jenkins.



RULE TRACK—Members of the Rule Junior High track team include, front row, Taylor Kimbro and Alysia Hollabaugh; back row, Pablo Sandoval, Abel Sandoval, Seattle Jackson, Ron Mitchell, Devin Martinez and Adolfo Gonzales.



RULE TRACK—Members of the Rule High School track team include, l-r, Coach Jackson, Brandon Cooper, Jonah Caddell, Colton Rogers, Jessica Gutierrez, Gabriel Baiza, Darryl Williams, Jeremy Hardamon, Coach Conner in front Luis Diaz and Michael Perez.

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Pirate Jr. High track

The Paint Creek Junior High track team participated in the Trent Junior High Track meet recently. Results include:

Girls

Sara Edwards: 3. 400m Relay, 6. 200m, 6. Discus.
 Katelyn Jenkins: 1. 1600m Relay, 3. 200m, 4. 400m.
 Catherine Lemond: 5. 100m, 6. 200m.
 Gabby Mendoza: 1. 100m, 1. Long Jump, 1. 1600m, 3. 400m Relay.

Zhenia McTasney: 1. Mile Relay, 3. 400m Relay, 4. 400m
 Marina Salinas: 1. Mile Relay, 2. 2400m, 3. 400m Relay.

Boys

Ariel Wolf: 4. 400m.
 Brandon Dawson: 2. 400m, 2. 800m, 3. 400m Relay, 4. Discus.
 Dakota Dawson: 3. 400m Relay.
 Corey Mengwasser: 4. 800m Relay.
 Jr. Moreno: 3. 400m Relay, 4. 100m.
 Buddy Trotter: 2. 400m Relay, 4. 800m Relay, 6. Hurdles.
 Aaron Wolf: 4. 800m Relay.

Area track results

The Haskell Indians and Maidens competed at the Throckmorton Relays recently. Indian results include:

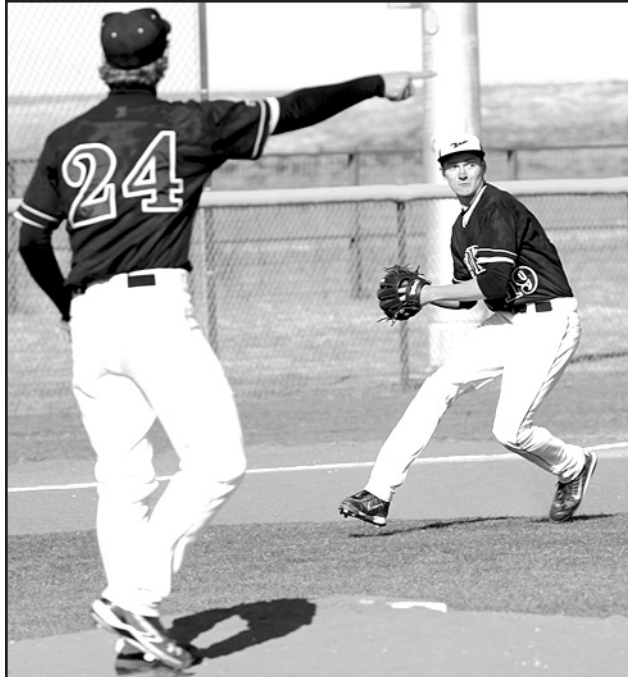
Team: 1. Haskell team score 172.
 Long jump: 1. Flye, 20-2.5.
 Discus: 2. Markey, 118-8.
 Shot put: 1. Contreras, 41-4.5.
 3,200: 1. Pena, 11:31; 2. Estrada, 12:16.58.
 400 relay: 2. Haskell 44.3.
 800: 1. Smith, 2:12.1; 2. Bell, 2:27.56.
 110 hurdles: 2. Flye, 16.23.
 800 relay: 3. Haskell, 1:36.64.
 400: 1. Markey, 53.42.
 300 hurdles: 3. Dever, 45.46.
 1,600: 1. Estrada 5:24.78; 2. Pena, 5:26.36.
 1,600 relay: 2. Haskell, 3:47.3.
 Maiden results include:
 Team: 2. Haskell team, 136.
 Long jump: 1. Klose, 15-3.5; 2. Amos, 14-5.
 3,200: 1. Hill, 14:32.25; 2. Robledo, 14:56.41.
 400 relay: 2. Haskell 54.9.
 100 hurdles: 2. Hadaway, 18.06. 3. Amos, 18.4.
 800 relay: 2. Haskell 2:01.62.
 400: 2. Klose, 66.45.
 300 hurdles: 2. Hadaway, 55.79; 3. Bassett, 62.52.
 200: 2. Rodriguez, 29.2.
 1,600: 1. Hill, 6:41.07; Robledo, 7:03.73.

The Rule Bobcats and Paint Creek Pirates competed at the Trent Gorilla relays recently.

Boys results include:
 Team: 2. Rule team score, 110; 9. Paint Creek team score, 6.
 Pole vault: 3. Jeremy Hardemon, Rule, 8-6.
 Shot put: 3. Colton Rogers, Rule 34-3.75.
 3,200: 1. Michael Perez, Rule, 10:49.44.
 400 relay: 1. Rule 47.5.
 100: 1. Darrell Williams, Rule, 10.9.
 400: 1. Jonah Caddell, Rule, 58.87.
 200: 1. Darrell Williams, Rule, 23.24.
 1,600: Michael Perez, Rule, 5:11.
 1,600 relay: 3. Rule, 4:15.
 Girls results include:
 Team: 8. Rule team score 12; 9. Paint Creek team score 7.
 Pole vault: 1. Jessica Gutierrez, Rule, 5-6.



WAITING TO ADVANCE—Haskell Indian Dakota Silvas looks to advance to third base on a fly ball to left field.



THROW FOR THE OUT—Haskell Indian third baseman Henry Smith looks to throw out an advancing Seymour runner at second base while Haskell pitcher Aaron Waggoner looks on.



AT BAT—Haskell Indian Jarred Escobedo looks for a hit.



INDIAN SLIDE—Haskell Indian Aaron Waggoner slides back to first base during the Haskell matchup at Seymour.

Track results

The Rule Bobcats participated in the Aspermont Double Mountain Relays recently. Results include:

6. Rule team 39 (tie).
 3,200: 1. Michael Perez, 10:53.79.
 100: 1. Darrell Williams, 11.1.
 200: 3. Williams, 23.4.
 1,600: 1. Perez, 5:03.58.
 The Haskell Indians and Maidens participated in the Merkel Badger Relays recently. Results include:
 Indians
 Long jump: 3. Warren Flye, 20-9.25.
 3,200: 2. Angelo Pena, 11:07.22.
 800: 1. Kelby Bell, 2:04.52; 2. Henry Smith, 2:04.95.
 400: 1. Ryan Markey, 51.66.
 1,600: 3. Pena, 5:03.8.
 Maidens
 100: 3. Jacie Klose, 13.35.

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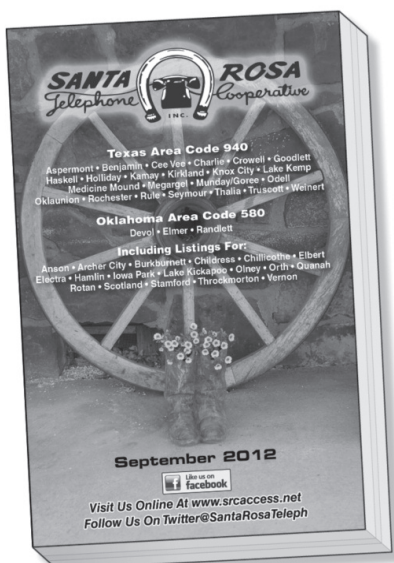
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Patience is the watch word to evaluating freeze damage in wheat

Temperatures the mornings of March 25 and 26 reached lows that are unsettling to many area wheat producers. The question for producers is, "How bad is the damage?" And, once again, the immediate answer has to be, "It's impossible to tell." Spring freeze injury is virtually impossible to quantify until the injuries that may have occurred to the plant's tissues become evident. Only the very worst injuries are immediately visible. In the most extreme cases, wheat foliage that has been severely frozen turns dark green. The plant immediately wilts and, after several days, leaves dry and wither. The damage seen most frequently in North Texas and Southwest Oklahoma is rarely this dramatic and the extent of damage is dependent on several factors.

While varietal choice is critical in minimizing risks to winter damage during wheat's vegetative stage, it has little to do with the plant's ability to withstand freezing temperatures after jointing. All wheat varieties are susceptible and the amount of damage is simply a function of the stage of maturity when the freeze occurs. In the case of spring freeze injury, environment is much more important than genetics.

An excellent publication to read is "Spring Freeze Injury to Kansas Wheat" published by Kansas State University and available on the web. Table 1 in that publication indicates that two hours of temperatures at or below 24 degrees when wheat has jointed can cause moderate to severe yield loss. Caution should be exercised however when generalizing

about degree of damage from spring freeze. Environmental factors that can alter the extent of damage include wind velocity, humidity and field topography. Light winds tend to mix the air and mitigate the effects of low temperature. Low temperatures with little or no breeze force cold air to blanket wheat and exaggerate the freeze effect. On the other hand, low temperatures with high winds can cause a "wind chill" effect and aggravate the damage. Higher humidity is better than very low humidity in minimizing damage. Cold air tends to "pool" in low areas of fields, in pot holes and in valleys. This pooling effect increases the risk of damage.

General plant health is the best protection against most of the stresses that affect wheat including late season freeze. Wheat that is in poor condition is susceptible to all stresses in much of the same way that cattle in poor health are less able to withstand cold, wet weather. Also, wheat that has recently been fertilized and watered and is growing rapidly is more susceptible to freeze injury.

So where are we now? On March 16 temperatures in many parts of North Texas and Southwest Oklahoma reached 90 degrees or more. In the days immediately following, much of the dryland wheat showed signs of severe moisture stress. The extended drought has fully depleted surface and subsurface moisture and there is nothing left to sustain the wheat. In the coming days, the damage from drought and high temperature will be easily confused with damage from late season freeze and may, in fact, be more severe in the

long term than any damage we may have sustained in the past couple of days.

Damage from late season freeze is only visible several days after the freeze event. Waiting 10 days to two weeks prior to evaluating damage is prudent unless the plants have been killed outright. After waiting, if producers use a sharp knife and carefully split the wheat stem to expose the emerging wheat head (spike), they should be able to determine whether or not there is significant damage. If the head is turgid and of a healthy color, there probably is little if any damage. If the head is yellow or brown and appears to be dried, then it will likely not develop further and has no chance to make grain. Additional information about less severe damage can be garnered by examining the elongating stems. If there are obvious areas of the stem that have discolored lesions, these may be indicative of frozen tissue. Fully girdled stems will eventually die. Stems with partial damage can break or become deformed as they grow.

Historically, damage to wheat from spring freeze has been localized and rarely as severe as many have predicted. The best advice anyone can give is to be patient and methodically evaluate individual fields as they continue to develop over the next two weeks. Before making any management decisions, a producer should contact their insurance company. Before turning cows or stockers out to graze the wheat out, be sure the insurance company approves it.

The best thing we can do is pray for rain.



PAINT CREEK CHEERLEADERS—The Paint Creek Pirate High School cheerleaders for 2013-2014 are, l-r, Sara Edwards, Gabby Mendoza, Kadie McCord, Stormy Darnell, Catherine Lemond and Abby Masias.



PAINT CREEK CHEERLEADERS—The Paint Creek Pirate Junior High cheerleaders for 2013-2014 are, l-r, Cheyenne Elias, Felicity Hannsz, Katelyn Jenkins and Brittany Yanez.

Haskell Maiden softball

Third-inning rally sparks blowout win for Maidens, 10-0

The Haskell Maidens shut the door early on Anson, capturing a 10-0 victory on Tues., March 26 at Haskell. With ten runs in the first three innings, Maidens left no doubt about the eventual outcome.

A wild pitch during the first inning and an RBI double by Jacie Klose, an RBI double by Maci Colley, and a sacrifice fly by Cailey Foster in the second inning helped the Maidens put some runs on the board early.

Colley racked up four RBIs on two hits for the Maidens. Senior Maegan Gonzales was 3 for 3, and leads the Maidens thus far in the season with 28 RBIs and a .474 batting average.

Maidens' Foster kept Anson off the scoreboard for all five innings she was in the circle. She pitched a shutout, allowing no opposing players to cross the plate on six hits while ringing up eight.

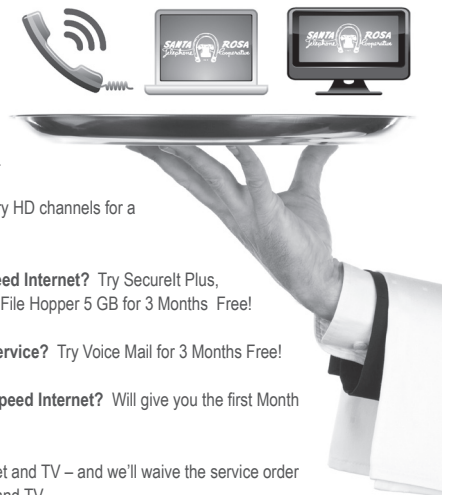
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Calendar

Study Club

"Airstream Birdhouses," A Vintage American Icon Takes Flight will be the topic presented by entrepreneur Chris Cummings at the Progressive Study Club meeting Thurs., April 11, when members meet at the Haskell County Library meeting room at 7 p.m. Arbor Day, April 26, will be observed and all members are asked to bring \$2 for purchase of a tree to plant at the LaBriere House on Federation Day, April 24. Business will be conducted by Susan Cockerell, club president. Federation news presented by Dorothy Hartsfield and report on the Spring Convention hosted by the club Sat., March 23, will be given. Guests are always welcome.

Bunco

Bunco will be held Sun., April 28 from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

at DixieBz on the southside of the square to benefit the Backpack for Kids program of the Haskell Elementary School. All skill levels are welcome, including beginners. The Backpack for Kids program is sponsored by the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) of the school. Tickets are \$10 in advance available at the Haskell Vet Clinic or see the Facebook page. Tickets will be \$15 at the door. No child care will be available. For more information, call Frieda at 972-742-4244.

Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at the Pit & Grill in Haskell, Wed., April 17 at 11:30 a.m. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will

distribute food Sat., April 20 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., April 20 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group meets the last Tuesday of the month from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell Memorial Hospital Educational Building. For more information, call 325-864-4466.

Al-Anon

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XERISCAPING—Haskell 4-H'ers did some community service work at the Haskell County Library garden Sun., March 24. River McTasney led the 4-H'ers in a program about Xeriscaping. Attending were, l-r, Bailey Hawkins, Hadley Sloan, Kobie Walker, Adaline Utley, Lori Rodgers, Sarah Fouts, Emily Fouts, River McTasney, Barbara Utley and Riley Sloan.

4-H Club members learn Xeriscaping

The Haskell County Jr./Sr. 4-H Clubs held their monthly meeting Sunday afternoon, March 24 at the Haskell County Library. Fifteen 4-H'ers and leaders attended the meeting which was led by Barbara Utley.

The 4-H Clubs had a short business meeting. Past events covered were the Houston and Star of Texas Stock Shows and the Clothing & Photography Awards program that took place March 3 at Paint Creek School cafeteria.

New business discussed was a Consumer Judging Orientation meeting that will be held at the Haskell County Extension Office April 3, the District Fashion Show set for April 6 at Bryson ISD and the Horse Validation deadlines set April 12 and May 1. Sign up deadlines for District Round-Up (Share-The-Fun, Educational Presentations, Public Speaking and Consumer Judging), and District Livestock Judging Contest are set for April 17.

River McTasney led the rest of the meeting on

"Xeriscaping" when the 4-H'ers went outside to the Library garden.

Door prize winners were Emily Fouts and Lori Beth Rodgers.

The 4-H'ers enjoyed some

refreshments furnished by Kris Fouts.

The next meeting is set April 21.

For more information, contact the Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.

Steer tags due

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

All county steer projects, whether 4-H or FFA, must be validated for the 2013-2014 stock show season. Official validation tags are required for each steer to be exhibited. 4-H members planning to have a steer project should contact the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or come by the Extension Office at 101 S. Ave. D. FFA members

need to submit their orders to Kenny Cockerell, Ag. Science Instructor at Haskell High School.

Cost of each tag is \$8.00 and must be paid for at the time of ordering. Deadline to order steer validation tags is Thurs., April 18 at 5:00 p.m.

For more information, contact the Haskell County Extension Office or Haskell CISD Ag. Science Department.

Sheep tags due

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

Time is fast approaching to order sheep validation tags for the upcoming 2013 State Fair of Texas Livestock Show. If you plan to show at the State Fair of Texas, sheep must have an official Texas State Validation Ear Tag.

The deadline to order

validation tags for sheep is Mon., April 15 by 5:00 p.m. Orders should be submitted to the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell.

If you have any questions about State Fair Sheep Validation, contact the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658.

Scholarship deadline

The Haskell County 4-H program would like to announce that there is a scholarship available for Junior and Senior high school student 4-H members, sponsored by (TEEA) Texas Extension Education

Association—Haskell County. The scholarship application will be due Fri., April 26, 2013.

To receive a copy, contact Tammy at the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658.

Haskell School Menu

April 8-12
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1% white milk and fat-free flavored milk always available at every meal.

Monday: Pancakes, syrup, apple juice

Tuesday: Breakfast on a stick, orange juice

Wednesday: Biscuit, sausage, gravy, fruit punch juice

Thursday: Pigs in a blanket, mac and cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple juice

Friday: Cheese omelet, wheat toast, orange juice

Lunch

1% white milk and fat-free flavored milk always

available at every meal.

Monday: Cheese enchiladas, salsa, garden salad, refried beans, cinnamon apples

Tuesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, baby carrots, fruit cup

Wednesday: Hot dog, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fresh strawberries

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple slices, crispy cereal treat

Friday: Hamburger, baked chips, baby carrots, broccoli bites, peach cup

Rule School Menu

April 8-12
Breakfast

Milk, juice and fruit are served daily.

Monday: Pancakes, syrup

Tuesday: Cereal bowl, toast and jelly

Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy

Thursday: Muffins

Friday: Toast and jelly, sausage

Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: C h e e s e

enchiladas, refried beans, salsa, salad, hot cinnamon apples

Tuesday: Hot dog, potato rounds, veggie cup, grapes

Wednesday: Toasted ham and cheese sandwich, veggie soup, baby carrots, fruit cup

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, salad, green beans, apple slices, crispy cereal treats

Friday: Hamburger, corn on the cob, baby carrots, sliced peaches

Paint Creek School Menu

April 8-12
Breakfast

Milk, juice and fruit are served daily.

Monday: French toast

Tuesday: Pancakes

Wednesday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy

Thursday: Muffins

Friday: Toast or cereal

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: Taco salad, corn, refried beans, apples

Tuesday: Roasted chicken, broccoli, roll, salad, pears

Wednesday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, green beans, pineapples

Thursday: Chicken quesadilla, beans, baby carrots, oranges

Friday: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit

ECC Menu

Mon., April 8

Beef stroganoff, new potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, Coke cake, tea or coffee

Wed., April 10

Veggie beef stew, tuna/PG sandwich, pickles, onions, peach cobbler, tea or coffee

Fri., April 12

Sloppy Joe's, potato salad,

pinto beans, pickles, onions, tea or coffee

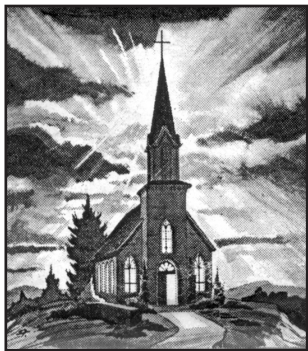
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester homecoming will be held

Sept. 27-28.

This Week's Devotional Message:



Don't just own a Bible; start reading it

The finest decorations that a Bible can have are the marks of continual use. Assuming that there is one at your house, is it a well-worn, dog-eared, perhaps cloth-bound edition? Or is it instead a brand new, leather-bound, gold-embossed version that merely looks impressive on your shelf? Remember that the Bible cannot help you unless it gets opened, so resolve now to

begin reading it; a little at a time. You'll marvel at the wisdom and insight of the prophets and other great leaders of ancient times, and realize how much their advice is needed today. Then go to the church of your choice, armed with a greater appreciation of the lessons you will receive there, which had their origin in the inspired and fascinating pages of the Scriptures.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

East Side Baptist Church

Jay Beerley, Senior pastor
Shawn Smith, Youth Worship pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell

Christian Church

Sun. 10:45 a.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

Rev. David White, 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., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell

First United Methodist Church

Rev. Dustin Wilhite, 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., 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

Rev. Earnest Flanders, Jr., pastor

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

First Baptist Church

Rev. Jim McCurley
Jason Daniels, minister of Youth and Music
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.

301 N. Ave. E, 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

God Loves You Ministries

Mark Wallace, pastor
Church Service 10 a.m.
West side of square, Haskell

—WEINERT—

First Baptist Church

Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert

Weinert Foursquare Church

Rev. Robert Harrison
Sunday 11 a.m
Weinert

—ROCHESTER—

Church of Christ

Mitchell Greer, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church

Bishop Helsley, 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

Clovis Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester

Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

Hwy 6, Rochester

—SAGERTON—

Sagerton Methodist Church

Stephania Gilkey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton

Faith Lutheran Church

Rev. Dr. Keith Palmquist, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton

—RULE—

First Baptist Church

Scott Hensley, 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

Primera Iglesia Bautista

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

Sweet Home Baptist Church

Russell Stanley, interim pastor
Sunday 9 a.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

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Miscellaneous

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For Rent

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Wanted

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Public Notices

NOTICE
Haskell County Commissioners Court will accept bids to purchase a used Excavator 2004 or newer, 44,000 to 50,000 lb. range. Deadline for bids is April 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., when they will be opened. They will be presented to Commissioners' Court on April 8, 2013. For more information call Commissioner Bill Hester at 940-207-1336.

Haskell County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 13-14c

Public Notices

NOTICE
Haskell County Commissioners' Court has decided not to sell the 140H CAT Motor Grader as previously advertised. 14c

Haskell County APPLICATION NOTICE HOME-HOMEOWNER REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO RECONSTRUCT HOME FOR LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS

The County of Haskell has received funds through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to administer a HOME Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance Program within Haskell County. This program is designed to reconstruct homes for eligible low-income homeowners who occupy their homes.

The application period will be open from March 21, 2013 to May 1, 2013. The 20 households to (1) complete and return the application information, (2) provide all requested information to verify eligibility, (3) meet all eligibility requirements and (4) agree to participate in the program will be served.

The County will host an Application Workshop to provide program information and to assist homeowners with the completion of application materials. Applicants are encouraged to attend this workshop but are not required to participate in this workshop as an eligibility requirement.

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Special advance arrangements can be made for persons with special needs, language interpretation needs or for persons needing alternative times or locations by calling Judge David C. Davis County Judge 940-864-2851.

Application packets will be available for pick up at Haskell County Court House 2nd floor Susan Cockerell office starting on March 21, 2013.

Haskell County is an Equal Housing Opportunity entity. 14c

Public Notices

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 and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Upper Strawn Sand Formation, Jimmie Lou Adkins Lease, Well Number 1.

The proposed injection well is located 4 miles SE of Rule, TX, in the Overby (Strawn, Upper) Field, in Haskell County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4778 to 4784 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

Public Notices

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

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RECEIVES DONATION—The Rule Volunteer Fire Department received an America's Farmers Grow Communities Award donation from Monsanto from the award recipient, Ruth Williams, left. Don Roberts, center, Monsanto District Sales Manager, helped present the award to Neal Kreger, right, who received the \$2,500 donation on behalf of the Rule Volunteer Fire Department.



RECEIVES DONATION—Haskell 4-H received an America's Farmers Grow Communities Award donation from Monsanto from the award recipient, Ruth Williams, left. Don Roberts, center, Monsanto District Sales Manager, helped present the award to Jane Rowan, right, Haskell County Extension Agent/FCS, who received the \$2,500 donation on behalf of Haskell 4-H.

Awards presented to local groups

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

The Rule Volunteer Fire Department and Haskell County 4-H were recently recipients of donations to support their community efforts thanks to the support of area agriculture producer, Ruth Williams, and "America's Farmers Grow Communities."

Sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of Monsanto Company, Grow Communities provided farmers in eligible counties the chance to win a \$2,500

donation for a local non-profit organization of their choice. To further support counties declared natural disaster areas by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) due to drought this year, winning farmers in these counties were able to direct double donations, a total of \$5,000.

Haskell County was declared a disaster area by the USDA, giving Williams the opportunity to choose two organizations to receive \$2,500 donations. Williams selected the Rule Volunteer Fire Department and Haskell

County 4-H.

The Rule Volunteer Fire Department will use the funds to supplement their department in an effort to continue providing the Rule community with their volunteer services.

Haskell County 4-H will utilize their donation to provide opportunities for Haskell County youth to participate in various 4-H project activities. These activities will develop life skills as well as social and reasoning abilities in the youth involved. A portion of the funds will be applied to

promotion and marketing of the 4-H program. This will result in opportunities to touch the lives of additional youth in the county.

This year, Monsanto Fund will invest nearly \$6 million in rural America through Grow Communities, which includes double donations for counties impacted by the historic drought. In Texas, \$395,000 is being given across 79 counties.

America's Farmers Grow Communities is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund to partner with farmers in helping them positively impact their communities. This program is part of the Monsanto Fund's overall effort to strengthen rural America.

For a complete list of Grow Communities winners and more program information, visit growcommunities.com.

CTFC customers receive patronage

Central Texas Farm Credit, a rural financing cooperative, recently shared a record \$4.6 million in patronage with its customers, based on its earnings in 2012. Checks were mailed to customers in late March.

"Patronage is a cornerstone of our cooperative business model," Chambers said. "It reduces our customers' cost of borrowing, and is one of the key benefits of doing business with a co-op. We are thrilled that we are once again able to share our success with the people who own and borrow from Central Texas," said Chambers.

"Central Texas has

distributed more than \$49 million in capital to our borrowers over the last 20 years," said Boyd Chambers, Central Texas chief executive officer. "This year's record patronage reduces each borrower's effective interest rate by an average of 1.48 percent."

Central Texas finances farm and ranch land, agribusiness, rural land and homes, and recreational property. The Coleman-headquartered cooperative has branch offices in Brady, Brownwood, Coleman, Comanche, Haskell and San Angelo. It is part of the nationwide Farm Credit

System.

For more information, visit www.centraltexasaca.com.

Vet office open in Haskell

The Veterans Service office in Haskell is now open. The office, located on the first floor of the west wing of the courthouse, will be open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call 940-256-1125 any time or email Haskell vaso@yahoo.com.

Water conservation

The City of Rule has implemented Stage Three of its Drought Contingency Plan. Stage Three calls for a mandatory 25% reduction in water use by all City of Rule water customers. For information on specified restrictions, contact or go by

Rule City Hall or call 940-996-2214.

Concert

Jack and Deb Stone, Christian musicians, will be in concert at the Haskell/Knox Relay for Life event Fri., April 26 at 7 p.m. at Indian Field in Haskell.

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