

Football

HASKELL

7th vs Albany

Thurs., Sept. 19, 4 p.m.
at Albany

8th-JV vs Electra

Thurs., Sept. 19, 5 p.m.
at Electra

V Indians vs Electra

Fri., Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m.
at Haskell

PAINT CREEK

Jr. High vs Aspermont

Thurs., Sept. 19, 5:30 p.m.
at Aspermont

Pirates vs Aspermont

Thurs., Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m.
at Aspermont

RULE

Jr. High vs Woodson

Thurs., Sept. 19, 5 p.m.
at Woodson

Bobcats vs Woodson

Fri., Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m.
at Rule

Calendar

Chili supper

The American Legion will host a chili, beans, all the fixins' and dessert meal Fri., Sept. 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria. Tickets for adults are \$8.00 and for children under 12 \$4.00. Take outs will be available. Proceeds benefit the American Legion. For tickets or information, call 864-2851 or 864-2363.

Park cleanup

Helping Hands will be cleaning up the city park Sat., Sept. 21 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Sept. 21 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Men's breakfast

A free men's breakfast will be held Sun., Sept. 22 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria.

Bake/burrito sale

A benefit bake sale and burrito sale will be held Sat., Sept. 28 beginning at 7 a.m. in Rule at the old Lions Club building by the Rule City Park to benefit Danny Langford of Rule. For more information, contact Rule Banking Center at 940-997-2216.

Warpath run/walk

The Warpath Run/Walk 5K, hosted by the Haskell Lions Club, will be held Sat., Sept. 28 beginning at 8 a.m. The event starts and finishes at the Haskell County Courthouse. For more information, email haskellionsclub@yahoo.com or on the events page on Facebook.

Taste of Country

The Noah Project-North will host a fund-raiser, the "Taste of Country," Tues., Oct. 8 at the Haskell Civic Center from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Area restaurants will provide their specialties. Tickets are \$12.50 until Oct. 3. Tickets at the door will be \$15.00. Tickets can be bought from any advisory member or by calling the Noah office at 940-864-2551 or 325-280-1641. All proceeds benefit the Noah Project-North to help victims of family violence.

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City Park cleanup Sat. 8:30 a.m. ~ Come join us!

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Indians defeat Baird 26-25 in hard fought game

The Haskell Indians pulled out a win Friday night over the Baird Bears 26-25.

The night's game was one of turnovers, seven in fact. The Bears tried to overcome the Indians' one point lead with a two point attempt stopped by Haskell that gave the home team a hard-fought

win.

Two scores in the fourth quarter helped Haskell come from behind. They trailed 19-12 at the half.

Indian Henry Smith scored in the first quarter on a 22 yard pass from Dylan Hanson. The PAT failed.

Indian Dylan Hanson

scored on an eleven yard run in the second quarter. The PAT failed.

Indian Brad Winterstein scored on a 51 yard run in the fourth quarter. A PAT pass from Matthew Martinez was scored by Dakota Silvas. Indian Matthew Martinez scored on a 27 yard run. The

PAT run failed.

Coach Grady Benton said about the game:

"I want to congratulate my kids for finding a way to win. I also want to mention that Baird is a much improved football team and credit Coach Barrow and his staff at Baird for getting that done in

such a short amount of time.

Our goal as a football team is to get better every time out. I believe we did that in many areas this week in our win over Baird. Offensively we had to overcome the element at times, and a few costly mistakes on our part. I am very proud of our kids on offense. They kept grinding and overcoming adverse situations. We were a much more balanced offense, and being able to run the football opened up our passing game.

Defensively we still have a great deal to improve on. The good thing about the areas we need to improve on are in our control. We continue to misalign and not give ourselves a very good chance from the get go. We must become more disciplined as a team. We must improve on stopping the run. That has and will continue to be an area of emphasis. Running the football and stopping the run is an attitude. If we want to win big games my kids must adopt that attitude.

Again, I am very proud of how hard my kids play, they found a way to overcome adversity and win a ball game."

The JV beat Roscoe, 34-6. The eighth grade team tied Seymour 22-22 and the seventh graders lost to Baird 44-22.

The Indians face Electra Fri., Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. at Indian Field.



STOPS A BEAR—Haskell Indian #33 Garrett Tatum brings down a Baird Bear with assistance from fellow Indian #66 Max Weise. The Indians defeated Baird 26-25 in a hard fought battle. The Indians will face Electra Friday night at 7:30 p.m. on Indian Field.

Store front program to help downtown area

by Caron Yates

It was about six months ago, when the Development Corporation of Haskell began looking at ways "they could help Haskell as a whole."

Recently a committee, known as the Downtown Revitalization Committee, was appointed in an effort to find ways to improve and coordinate the aesthetics of this specific area of town. Research has shown that the outward appearance of the downtown area, can have a significant impact on the interest of drive-through traffic to stop and shop.

Working together the two groups are offering the "Store Front Development Program." The purpose of

this program is to promote economic vitality of the Haskell downtown district, help building owners invest in the facades of their buildings, coordinate their efforts to encourage the success of the program and encourage restoration and continued maintenance of existing buildings and property in the downtown district.

At a recent meeting held at Occasions, all downtown business owners and building owners were invited to learn first hand about the SFD and the possibilities it affords.

As part of the coordinated historic preservation plan, Rick Weatherl of Weatherl & Associates, LLC in Abilene,

was on hand to discuss the architectural renderings he made for the project. He has created master plans for projects including the Grace Cultural Center, Abilene Historic District and the Buffalo Gap Historic Village. Weatherl emphasized that the renderings and ideas he presented were just a guideline. He offered suggestions on improvements such as color schemes, signage, windows and transom windows that would give a more harmonizing historic appearance.

The long term plan is to be able to offer this program for several years, providing an opportunity for all businesses to benefit. However, this

first year the program will give primary preference to buildings located in Phase One of the Haskell downtown district. This would include businesses located around the courthouse square and its approaches. Buildings located outside this area are eligible to apply for the program, with some restrictions, and are a part of Phase Two of the program.

The program, funded by the DCOH, seeks to award \$25,000 in matching grants. They will match 50% of the renovation expense up to a maximum of \$2500 to individual businesses. Eligible repairs include awning replacement/repair, doors, labor, lighting, paint,

signage, windows, transom windows and other items approved by DRC and agreed to by the DCOH board.

To participate in the program, building and business owners must submit an application to the DCOH office no later than Tuesday, October 1 at noon. Applications will be reviewed initially by the DRC and then submitted to the DCOH for funding.

A list of the program guidelines, area general contractors, the application process, as well as the renderings by Weatherl, are available at the DCOH office in Haskell. Any questions may also be directed to the DCOH office at 864-3424.

Park clean up set Sat.

Haskell Helping Hands will complete their first job Sat., Sept. 21 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the city park.

Anyone is welcome to come help the group with the project.

Haskell Helping Hands plans to host several projects throughout the year and your help would be appreciated.

As a way to show community pride, the Betterment Committee is organizing a way for community members to give back and improve the spirit and look of Haskell at the same time.

If you or someone you

know is in need of a service project to be performed at their home or place of business, contact the Betterment Committee at 864-4555 to be considered as a project for the Helping Hands.

Jobs could include window washing, yard maintenance, interior/exterior painting, fence building/repair and much more.

Visit www.haskell-texasonline.com for more information and to learn how you can help or how you can apply to have a project completed by the Helping Hands Team.



REVITALIZATION PLAN—Tell Stevens looks over the revitalization plans for the downtown square during a meeting of Haskell building and business owners Tues., Sept. 10 to discuss the plan for buildings on the square and on the approaches to the square. The program has been named the Store Front Development Program and seeks to award \$25,000 in grants to selected grant recipients before September 2014.

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Most Haskell Co. towns see increase in sales tax receipts

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced that state sales tax revenue in August was \$2.39 billion, up 2.1 percent compared to August 2012.

"The latest monthly gains were led by sectors such as construction and the restaurant industry," Combs said. "For the recently ended fiscal year, state sales tax revenue totaled \$25.8 billion, an increase of 7.2 percent from fiscal 2012. Both business and consumer spending contributed to the gains for the year."

Combs sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their September local sales tax allocations totaling \$575 million, up 2.8 percent compared to September 2012.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in July.

Haskell County had a 19.15 percent increase for September 2013 of \$46,078.11 in comparison to \$38,671.93 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$411,743.72 reflect a 6.23 percent increase over 2012 payments to date of \$387,576.63.

The City of Haskell had a 19.01 percent increase for September 2013 of \$42,883.19 in comparison to \$36,032.09 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$384,668.50 reflect a 6.56 percent increase over 2012 payments to date of \$360,961.32.

The City of O'Brien had

a 15.83 percent increase for September 2013 of \$203.69 in comparison to \$175.85 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$2,530.47 reflect a 28.49 percent increase over 2012 payments to date of \$1,969.32.

The City of Rochester had a 26.44 percent increase for September 2013 of \$596.70 in comparison to \$471.89 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$3,986.80 reflect a 9.34 percent decrease over 2012 payments to date of \$4,397.87.

The City of Rule had a 23.06 percent increase for September 2013 of \$2,228.33 in comparison to \$1,810.67 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$18,381.06 reflect a .75 percent increase over 2012 payments to date of \$18,242.94.

The City of Weinert had an 8.39 percent decrease for September 2013 of \$166.20 in comparison to \$181.43 for September 2012. 2013 payments to date of \$2,176.89 reflect an 8.56 percent increase over 2012 payments to date of \$2,005.18.

Garage sale set Oct. 5

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold a community-wide garage sale Sat., Oct. 5. For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 510 S. 2nd St., by calling 864-2477 or email haskellcc@srcaccess.net.

Christmas Cantata

Rehearsals for the Community Christmas Cantata in Haskell are held Sundays at 4 p.m. in the chapel of the First Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to come take part in preparing for the Cantata to be presented on Sun., Dec. 15.

Band fund-raiser

Support your Haskell Indian Band by purchasing window decals \$5, spearhead caps \$15, snug bugs \$35 and rally rags \$2 from the Haskell Indian Band Boosters.



SENIOR OFFICERS—The Haskell County 4-H club had its first meeting Sun., Sept. 15. Senior officers elected during the meeting for the 2013-2014 year include, l-r, Riley Sloan, president; Lori Beth Rodgers, secretary/reporter; and Cody Dutton, vice president.



JUNIOR OFFICERS—Junior 4-H Club officers elected for the 2013-2014 year are, l-r, Brison Tullios, vice president; Hadley Sloan, secretary; Bailey Hawkins, president; and Garret Dutton, reporter.

Obituaries

Edith Merle Dilbeck Livengood Sloan

Graveside services for Edith Merle Dilbeck Livengood Sloan will be held Fri., Sept. 27 at 2 p.m. at Willow Cemetery in Haskell.

Mrs. Sloan passed away March 23, 2013. PD. NOTICE

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Top picks for wheat grain varieties listed for Texas

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

While some wheat variety trials were successful across Texas in 2012-2013, the detrimental impact of multiple freezes has prompted wheat officials statewide to advise producers to base planting decisions on previous variety trial results and to diversify selections.

Repeated freezes in late March to early May affected both producers and wheat variety trials, alike, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialists.

"No single issue or time in my career as an agronomist taught me so much so fast or made me feel like I had so much more to learn," said Dr. Calvin Trostle, AgriLife Extension agronomist in Lubbock. "Yet in spite of the freezes, there were individual producers who pulled out a fair crop on some acres."

Similarly, the wheat variety trials were a mixed bag, said Dr. Clark Neely, AgriLife Extension statewide small grains specialist in College Station. Many of the variety trials were affected by freeze and drought in 2012-2013, yet the results varied from location to location.

"We are advising producers to pick multiple varieties to spread out their risk, especially when it comes to maturity groups," Neely said. "That will spread out the harvest window and help to offset potential injury from late freezes or heat and drought later in the growing season."

He said the damages that occurred due to freeze and drought affected the ranking

of some of the wheat varieties that generally appear higher among the wheat team's top picks.

"Some of the early maturing varieties were bumped way down the list because they were hit with the freeze, while later varieties were virtually untouched. This single year of data would have had a significant effect on the overall ranking," Neely said. "We didn't want to mislead producers by showing them data that didn't represent the average."

Dr. Jackie Rudd, Texas A&M AgriLife Research wheat breeder in Amarillo, said while the limited data from the High Plains results will be published, "producers should keep previous results at hand for variety selection decisions for 2013."

Neely said the 2013 data will be used to support their suggestion that producers use multiple varieties, because the data clearly shows how some early varieties can be affected by late freeze. However, without late freezes, early varieties may excel over later maturities due to heat and drought during grain fill.

The AgriLife wheat team, using wheat breeding and testing program results, released their annual "Picks List" of wheat varieties across the state.

Trostle said for a wheat variety to be selected for the "Picks" list, data from multiple locations and at least three years are used. Yield alone is not necessarily the exclusive factor in designating a Picks variety, as factors such as leaf or stripe rust tolerance, greenbug tolerance or drought tolerance can also factor into picking a particular wheat.

"Consistency of production over several years and locations is important," he said. The 2013-2014 picks are unchanged from 2012-2013 due to the unreliable results from freeze-damaged trials this spring, according to the team. They recognize that individual wheat varieties may perform differently based on irrigated or dryland conditions and Picks are divided into three groups.

TAM 111, TAM 113, Hatcher, Duster and Winterhawk are Picks for all production conditions in the Texas High Plains, Trostle said. In addition, TAM 304 performs well in high-input

production, whereas TAM 112 often chosen for its tolerance to both greenbugs and wheat streak mosaic virus is a good choice for limited irrigation and dryland, though sometimes lodging is a concern with high irrigation.

Endurance has been a long-time Pick as a dryland choice, especially in dual-purpose grazing and grain production.

"What is the general advantage of Pick varieties?" Trostle questioned. "Over four years, irrigated Picks averaged 11 percent better than the yield of all other tested varieties as a group. In dryland, the Picks advantage was 12 percent."

For a full report of the High Plains annual Picks discussion, producers may review the report at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu>.

Using Rolling Plains AgriLife Research wheat variety trial results, Trostle said he and Neely developed a similar Picks list for that region.

"Dual purpose wheat grazing and then grain as well as disease tolerance have added importance in the Rolling Plains," he said.

Based on yields alone, where no grazing has been allowed, grain yields for wheat in the Abilene area up to Chillicothe have been highest for Duster, Greer, Jackpot, Ruby Lee and TAMs 112 and 304, Trostle said.

Neely said the Picks in the Blacklands region for hard red winter wheat includes Armour, Iba, Shocker and TAM 304. "Cedar and Gallaher are new varieties with less years of data but have performed quite well thus far, and producers should continue to monitor their progress in our variety trials," he said.

For the Blacklands soft red winter wheat variety Picks, Neely said, TV8861, USDG 3555, USG 3409, Coker 9700, Pioneer 25R40 would be at the top of the list, but TV 8535 and Pioneer 25R30 have done reasonably well also.

In South Texas, the Picks would include Armour, TAM 304, Shocker, Billings, Santa Fe and Duster, he said.

Neely said a couple side notes are: TAM 401, an awnless wheat, and Fannin should be considered also if grazing is implemented. And while yielding well, some producers have reported the Billings variety has issues with sprouting in the head.

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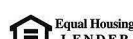
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Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester homecoming will be held Sept. 27-28.

Rochester homecoming

Rochester homecoming will be held Oct. 11-12.

PC homecoming

Paint Creek High School's homecoming will be held Sept. 28.

AWANA to meet

The AWANA Club (Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed) will meet at the Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church, 1600 N. 1st St., Haskell on Mondays, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Children must be age 5 by Sept. 1 through sixth grade. For more information call 940-864-5557.

Trimming trees can be shocking experience

It's shocking how many homeowners are injured trying to trim trees near overhead electrical wires.

Do-it-yourself satisfaction! Successfully tackling a project on your own that may otherwise cost a lot certainly can be gratifying. But do-it-yourselfers who attempt to work with trees near overhead electrical wires often underestimate the danger potential. Terrible accidents can happen when a homeowner uses pole-mounted cutting tools and/or metal ladders to trim backyard trees and shrubs. Too often, an energized overhead wire is not noticed and is touched by pruning tools, causing injury or death. Two recent examples include:

- A Florida resident was hospitalized after attempting to cut palm branches while standing on a ladder. One of the branches made contact with a power line and severely shocked the man. The local fire department had responded to four similar incidents during the previous year.
- A homeowner climbed a ladder to trim a tree branch

that was dropping leaves into his above-ground swimming pool and causing a nuisance. A branch came in contact with the power line, shocking the man with a jolt of electricity and sending him into cardiac arrest. He fell 20 feet to the ground, but was revived by medics at the scene.

These are not freak accidents, they are preventable.

Tree limbs can conduct electricity. When trees grow near overhead electrical wires, they can contact the wires and become energized. Trees and wires are dangerous, full of electrical power that can injure or kill humans.

There are several things that can go wrong for do-it-yourselfers trying to trim tree branches. For example, if proper tree cutting techniques are not understood, the cut branch can swing in unpredictable directions as it falls and could easily land on an energized wire.

Don't be fooled by the voltage of the lines. You may think that working on the trees or shrubs near

your home's service line is safer than working near the high voltage secondary distribution lines on the pole by the street, but that's simply not true.

There are three-wire (called "triplex") lines connecting the power lines on the pole to your house (meter). Service wires leading from the pole to the house can pack a punch. The type of shock you might have received (and survived) when changing a household light switch is not the same type of shock you will receive if you contact a low-voltage utility wire.

A common house switch carries 120 volts but the electric flow is usually limited to 10, 15 or 20 amps. A common "house drop" (service wire) contains 240 volts and up to 20 amps or more. Given the right set of circumstances, even the shock a person gets from a common light switch can kill, but at the same time, it is easier to break electrical contact while standing inside a house. If a person is climbing a ladder or is in the tree, it may be more difficult to break contact with the energized wire. This means that the service line over a typical yard could easily kill a person.

Here are a few tips to avoid trees in wires:

- Look for power lines before pruning trees and large shrubs. If lines are anywhere near the tree, don't attempt any tree work. Professional tree climbers have the training and equipment needed to perform these tasks safely.
- Never climb a tree in order to prune it. Even if the wires aren't currently touching the tree, remember that the trees branches will shift once you begin climbing or removing limbs.
- Wearing rubber-soled shoes or rubber gloves while tree pruning will not protect from a fatal shock.
- Never extend long-handled saws or pruners into a tree without checking for power lines. Electricity is always trying to go somewhere, and it will easily travel through metal, water, trees, and/or the ground.
- Don't move ladders or long-handled pruning tools around the yard without first looking up. Always read and heed ladder-use safety labels.

More importantly, hire an insured, tree care professional with the experience, expertise and equipment to safely take down or prune trees in wires. Require proof of liability insurance, and check to see if the cost of the work is covered by your insurance company.

McMillen to sign books at local book store Sept. 26

Henderson Book Store has scheduled an author signing of Haskell-raised Jim McMillen's two novels, "The Yardman" and "Phantom Mesa." McMillen will be at Henderson's Thurs., Sept. 26 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Both West Texas-setting suspense-thrillers were recently released by Telemachus Press in quality soft-cover paperback. McMillen's main characters portray ordinary people who must fight for survival when falling into situations beyond their control. Fast-paced, the stories are written to keep readers highly involved.

The Yardman is about a quirky small-of-stature man, Little Jesse, who lives in quiet anonymity after drifting into the fictional small West Texas town of Hawthorne in 1938. Self-employed in the pay-by-cash yard service business, Jesse has no bank account, no driver's license or any other acceptable identification. With local authorities seemingly indifferent, alias Jesse Phillips does not exist. He lives in a ramshackle shanty located in a mesquite pasture on the edge of town. Tight-fisted with a buck, Jesse rolls his cigarettes, returning un-smoked tobacco to his Bull Durham pouch for reuse.

Unknown to him, he is hunted by police and coldblooded killers because of an unsolved Indiana murder that is linked to him. His past begins to catch up when a brutal 1942 Erie, Pennsylvania, murder occurs, revealing information of his whereabouts. Police and revenge-stricken killers race to hunt him down.

History-woven, bone-chilling episodes cross Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and other parts of Texas.

In Phantom Mesa, ageing Southwest Texas rancher Clovis Carlisle meets unexpected resistance when news spreads that he is considering a lease contract that would place up to 80 wind turbines atop a haunted mesa on his ranch. Carlisle is confronted by environmental and other issue-driven protesters, a pot-smoking, meth-making ex-college professor, and a revenge-seeking Mexican drug lord. When a coldblooded former Soviet KGB hit man is hired to kill Clovis, trouble mounts up.

Ancient Comanche burial

Indian tickets

Football reserved seats for the Haskell Indians are on sale at the Haskell High School Office.

grounds atop the mesa are believed to be haunted by ghosts. Experiencing unusual occurrences there, early Spanish explorers named it La Mesa Fantasma, a name later changed to Phantom Mesa by Angelo settlers. From his boyhood days to the present, Clovis experiences several haunting occurrences there.

In the novel, Clovis relates to having a Bill Middlebrook knife.

McMillen's website, www.jimmcmillenbooks.com, contains synopses and sample chapters of both books, along with blogs.

An Oklahoma native, Jim McMillen moved to Haskell with his parents, in 1938. He graduated from Haskell High School in 1955, and attended The University of Texas at Austin. After college, he began a 41-year newspaper career that took him to dailies in Texas, Indiana and Florida, the last 25 as a Freedom

Communications publisher. Upon retirement, he and his wife, Delorise (Mullins), a 1957 HHS graduate, moved to Gainesville, Florida in 2000. He began writing novels in 2005, publishing them this year.

Among numerous church, civic and professional positions, McMillen is a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow and was president of the Hoosier State Press Association. He and Delorise have three children and three grandchildren.



JIM McMILLEN

Photos sought for homecoming display

A planned homecoming display will feature a teepee covered with pictures of graduates who have elected to retire in Haskell as well as those who have continually lived here.

At least one member of the couple should have graduated from Haskell High School. Each couple should send a 4x6 color (if possible) picture. On the back of the picture, please print in this order: man's

name and year of graduation ('59) and spouse's maiden name and year of graduation ('61) and then surname. This information will be added to the photo and then placed on the teepee. This is an effort to encourage exes to come back to Haskell for their retirement and shows them all of their friends who currently live in the city.

Send your photos to Jan Gannaway, 706 N. Ave. L, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Births

Allison and Cody Stone of Glen Rose are announcing the birth of their daughter, Olivia Rae, born Sept. 9, 2013, at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth weighing 9 pounds, 3 ounces. She was 21 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Susan and Pat Bruce of Glen Rose. Great

grandparents are Maude and the late Ray Sartor and Norene and the late James Bruce of Fort Worth.

Paternal grandparents are Janie and Randy Stone of Cleburne. Great grandparents are Evelyn and the late Arthur Henderson and the late Geneva and Marion Stone, all of Haskell.

Student in the News

The McMurry University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has won a 2013 Delta Silver award for a 33% increase in membership from 2011-12 to 2012-2013. Membership in McMurry's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is open to students who earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher during the first semester of the freshman year.

Shana Armstrong, a sophomore Pre-Nursing major from Haskell is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta at McMurry University.

Al-Anon

Al-Anon meets Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. at the AA building across from the RV park in Haskell.

Daniel Riley presents the

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at

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Sat., Sept. 28

The dog barks at 8 p.m. til

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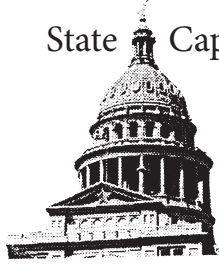
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HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

Governor goes on business-luring trip

AUSTIN—Maryland is the next state in Gov. Rick Perry's sights. He's already been to California, Connecticut, Missouri and New York to court businesses, hoping they will pull up stakes and head to the Lone Star State.

Perry announced on Sept. 12 that he would be in Maryland on Sept. 18 to make his pitch. To prepare Maryland for his arrival, a 60-second radio ad and 30-second TV ad are running in several markets. "The ads showcase the opportunities and freedom available to families and businesses thanks to Texas' smart fiscal policies," the governor's office stated, adding, the nearly \$500,000 television and radio ad buys and the governor's trip are paid for by "TexasOne" and "no state tax dollars were to be used for his travel and accommodations, or for the ad buy."

TexasOne, according to information at texasone.com, raises money to fund "special events, outreach programs, and other exciting and highly visible marketing and communications programs. These programs are directed at a targeted audience of corporate decision makers and site selectors."

An excerpt of what Perry says in one advertisement is this: "Unfortunately, your governor has made Maryland the tax and fee state, where businesses and families are paying some of the highest taxes in America. Since taking office in 2007, he's approved 40 new taxes and fees, projected to cost you \$9.5 billion more through 2014. That's a job killer. ..."

The Baltimore Sun, in a Sept. 12 news article about Perry's planned visit, quoted a spokeswoman for Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley. She referred to the visit as a "job-poaching expedition."

Justice Hecht gets promoted

Gov. Perry on Sept. 10 announced the appointment of Justice Nathan L. Hecht of Austin as chief justice of the Supreme Court of Texas, effective Oct. 1.

Hecht, set to serve as the court's 27th chief justice, succeeds Wallace B. Jefferson, who announced his resignation earlier this month.

Hecht was first elected to the Supreme Court of Texas in 1988 and is the senior justice on the court. He has won re-election four times. He previously served as a justice of the Texas 5th Court of Appeals and as judge of the 95th Judicial District Court in

Dallas County.

Tax revenue trend continues

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on Sept. 11 announced the state sales tax revenue in August was \$2.39 billion, up 2.1 percent compared to August 2012.

"The latest monthly gains were led by sectors such as construction and the restaurant industry," Combs said. "For the recently ended fiscal year, state sales tax revenue totaled \$25.8 billion, an increase of 7.2 percent from fiscal 2012. Both business and consumer spending contributed to the gains for the year."

Combs said she would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their September local sales tax allocations totaling \$575 million, up 2.8 percent compared to September 2012.

Election ID obtainable

Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 5, and election identification certificates are now available, only for voters who do not already have a required form of photo identification. There is no fee for the certificate.

On Sept. 13, opportunities to obtain a certificate were expanded when the Texas Department of Public Safety announced that a select group of 50 Texas Department of Public Safety offices will be open to accept applications for an election ID certificate from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays until Nov. 2. For more information, go to dps.texas.gov or call (512) 424-2600.

Robotic tuna checks hull

A six-foot-long robotic fish designed to detect contraband hidden on a ship's hull is being tested on the hull of the Battleship Texas, the museum ship docked at the San Jacinto State Historic site in La Porte.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on Sept. 11 reported that the fish, going by the name of BIOSwimmer, "is a highly maneuverable, unmanned underwater vehicle that is equipped with a sophisticated suite of sensors and embodies the natural shape of a tuna."

A test team, the agency said, planted packages "of mock contraband of varying sizes in tight, hard-to-reach spaces on the battleship's hull and putting the BIOSwimmer through the paces to see if it can successfully detect them."

A heavy-gunned dreadnought class vessel that served in World War I and World War II, the Battleship Texas "is showing us that you're never too old to be of service to your country," said Andy Smith, the ship manager for Texas Parks & Wildlife.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago September 18, 2003

Mary Moeller of Haskell, celebrated her 90th birthday with a come and go reception, hosted by her family.

Serving as officers for the Paint Creek eighth grade class will be Jerrick Acosta, president; Annissa Luna, reporter; Lashell Walker, sec./treas.; and Matt Ruiz, student council representative.

Scoring in the last play of the game, Newcastle defeated Rule 46-40. Rule's Kolt Kittley had 23 carries for 169 yards rushing and five touchdowns. Emery Dudensing had 13 carries for 418 yards rushing and one touchdown.

20 Years Ago September 23, 1993

Julie Roewe, Haskell High School graduate and daughter of Conrad and Betty Roewe of Haskell, has been named women's basketball coach at Hardin-

Simmons University in Abilene.

Haskell County Extension Homemakers' clubs were represented at the annual TEHA State Convention in Waco by Estalynn Liles, county TEHA chairman; Joetta Burnett, county TEHA vice chairman; and Mildred Robertson, member of the Josselet Homemakers' Club.

Cheering for the Rule Bobcats this year are Amy Tibbets, Julie Saffel, Lisa Macias, Christy Mathis, Jane Saffel and Laura Tibbets.

30 Years Ago September 22, 1983

Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department and Ladies' Auxiliary racing teams captured two first place trophies at the West Texas Fair pumper races. The men's team included Phillip Cockerell, Randy Shaw, Charles Harvey, Kenny Watson, Sam Watson and John Andrada. Members of the women's team were

Nancy Trussell, Floradean Cockerell, Betty Stocks, Nene Comedy, Lisa Shaw and Jo Ann Watson.

Josie Ontiveros was crowned queen during a special Jamaica Fiesta held at St. George Catholic Church. She was sponsored by Andy and Janie Lopez.

Linda Fischer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Fischer of Paint Creek, graduated from Western Texas Cosmetology School in Snyder. Continuing her schooling, she has enrolled in Computer Programming and the Student Instructor Program at WTC.

40 Years Ago September 20, 1973

Glen Sammons has been promoted to Assistant to the Postmaster in the Haskell Post Office. He has worked at the local post office for 23 years.

Haskell Boy Scout Troop 41 presented an Eagle Court of Honor. Receiving Eagle

Scout Awards were Jackie McAdoo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAdoo and Danny Hartsfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hess Hartsfield.

Gerald Clyde Saffel, a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, has completed graduation requirements at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and has been awarded a Master of Divinity degree. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Saffel of Rule.

50 Years Ago September 19, 1963

Haskell National Bank Vice President W. Roy Johnson has announced that Charles Swinson, who has been a cashier at the bank since 1954, is leaving to enter the cotton buying business. Abe Turner will succeed Swinson as cashier.

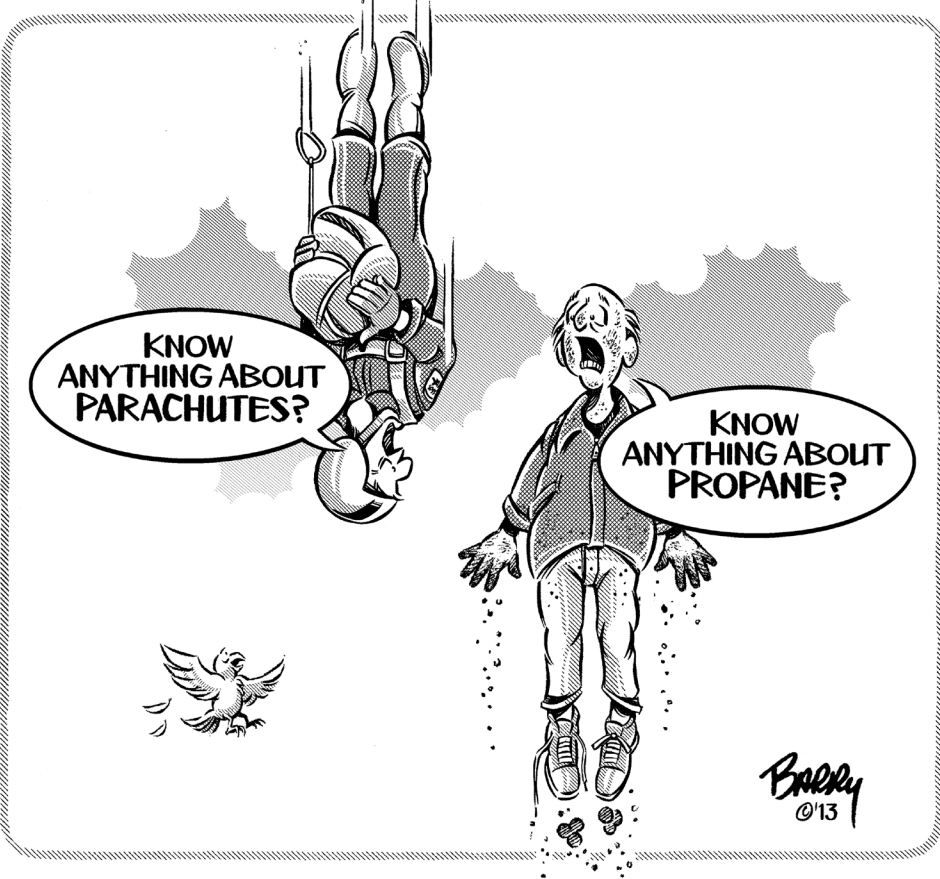
The Paint Creek senior class elected members to the annual staff. Edwin Livengood was named editor of the "Pirate" yearbook. Others elected were Carolyn Carlton, Margaret Medford and Rita Wood, business managers; Margie Sheets, classes editor; Marjorie Earles and Eddie McKeever, sports editors; Billie Cockerell and Vern Howard, favorites editors; and Butch Kohout, organizations editor.

100 Years Ago September 20, 1913

Misses Fannie Baldwin, Laura and Gladys Huckabee of this city, left Sunday for Fort Worth to attend TCU.

J.W. Collins went to Weinert Saturday to get his car, which he left there on account of the rain the other day.

Tom Pinkerton, crop reporter for Haskell County, reports that Haskell had received 133 bales of cotton up to September 1, and on the same date last year the receipts were 607 bales.



Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

Sociologists are big on "life reviews" which is a fact when people are facing the end of their lives. Although I'm not planning on dying any time soon, I have been doing some "reviewing" of my administration these past 3 1/2 years. I think it bears reiterating that the three things I would like my administration to be remembered for or to stand for are #1 Water for our town, #2 Removal of blight, and #3 Accountability for everyone who serves the City of Haskell.

Water

I don't have to impress upon you the importance of water to our city and state. The recent drought that has depleted our water supply at Miller Creek Reservoir and the implementation of our drought contingency plan are our daily reminders. If the Lord chooses to send us a flood like in '78 that filled the lake we'll be grateful and thankful for it. However, we must be prepared to fight back in this drought, which we are doing by applying for a Texas Department of Agriculture Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program funds for Disaster Relief. Our City Administrator, Brandon Anderson, conceived of a plan that calls for the City of Haskell and the other member cities (Goree, Munday and Knox City) to submit grant proposals for \$350,000 each. These, if approved, would then be passed on to North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority for the development of a well field to be used as an alternate

water source should beneficial rains continue to elude us. I've applied for a grant or two in my tenure in the cotton industry and I can tell you, it is a laborious, time-consuming job. I'm extremely grateful that our City Administrator is handling this and that he is capable of not only coming up with a solution but of managing to dodge the mine fields of grants.

Removal of Blight

Haskell has been very receptive to the idea of "cleaning up the community." One doesn't have to look far in small communities who have lost a majority of their citizens to realize the blight that occurs either by just not caring enough to "pick up after oneself" or denying the pride we should feel in our city. We began by working on junked vehicles that littered our yards and were havens for rats and snakes and all sorts of vermin. We have disposed of approximately 150 of such vehicles and probably are about halfway through with this task. Already though, people have seen the difference and have responded favorably. We began with asking businesses on the square to clean their windows, spruce up a bit. We still have some who are dragging their feet, but I believe this positive attitude is contagious. As a result we have had new businesses locate here in Haskell. This wouldn't be happening if people didn't feel like we were moving in a positive direction. I invite you to look all over the city, drive the streets and see if you don't get the feel that

Haskell is not one of those little towns that's "going down the drain." We're here to fight the drought and the blight. I count 12 new businesses and many more improvements. It makes me proud although I don't consider this my accomplishment, but perhaps I filled a catalyst role.

The fine citizens serving with The Betterment Committee have long discussed the initiatives to assist in removing the blight and to clean up our city. Then the seventh graders last year who were in the Leadership Haskell class were given the opportunity to come up with three ideas that would make Haskell a better place to live. One of them was to 'Clean up the Creek and Clean up the Park.' Then with the help of Jackie Lackey and the folks at Encore-Vision a name for a program of this type has been developed—Helping Hands. The plan is coming together and here is how you can help. Everyone who can is going to meet at the gazebo at the park at 8:30 on Saturday morning, Sept. 21. The goal will be to clean the debris out of the creek, pick up any trash that is in the park area, put mulch around the crape myrtles and pick up trash by the overpass. This date was picked because there will be lots of former students returning the next weekend for Homecoming. Also, stay tuned, because the Helping Hands program may have a cleanup activity at least quarterly or maybe even monthly.

Accountability

Thirdly, I have striven for accountability at every level of

the city government. We are stewards of the public's funds, we have taken oaths to uphold the ordinances of the city; our actions and demeanor must be above reproach. This duty flows from the Mayor, to each Alderman, to our City Administrator, and to each employee of Haskell. We owe it to our citizens to lead; we must be the example and we most definitely cannot lead from "behind." It behooves each of us to serve as the example: we must keep our property clean, follow the watering rules, and should support this city in every endeavor. Yet another, perhaps more important purpose of accountability is this: fairness. We must be fair to our people. If or when complaints surface, they must be supported with signatures and brought before the entire Council. If a "complaint" is actually a grumble or verbal dislike, then every person deserves their "day in court." That is, they must be given the opportunity to "tell their side of the story." If, however, the complaint is unsigned and not supported then it is like the unsigned letter, and should not be considered. Personal dislikes or preferences should not be a reason for dismissal.

The consensus of "my life review" of my administration is pretty good. I feel good about it, but there is always room for improvement. I think the majority of the citizenry believes that it is better to be part of the solution than part of the problem. Let's aim high, move forward, and be "the best we can be."

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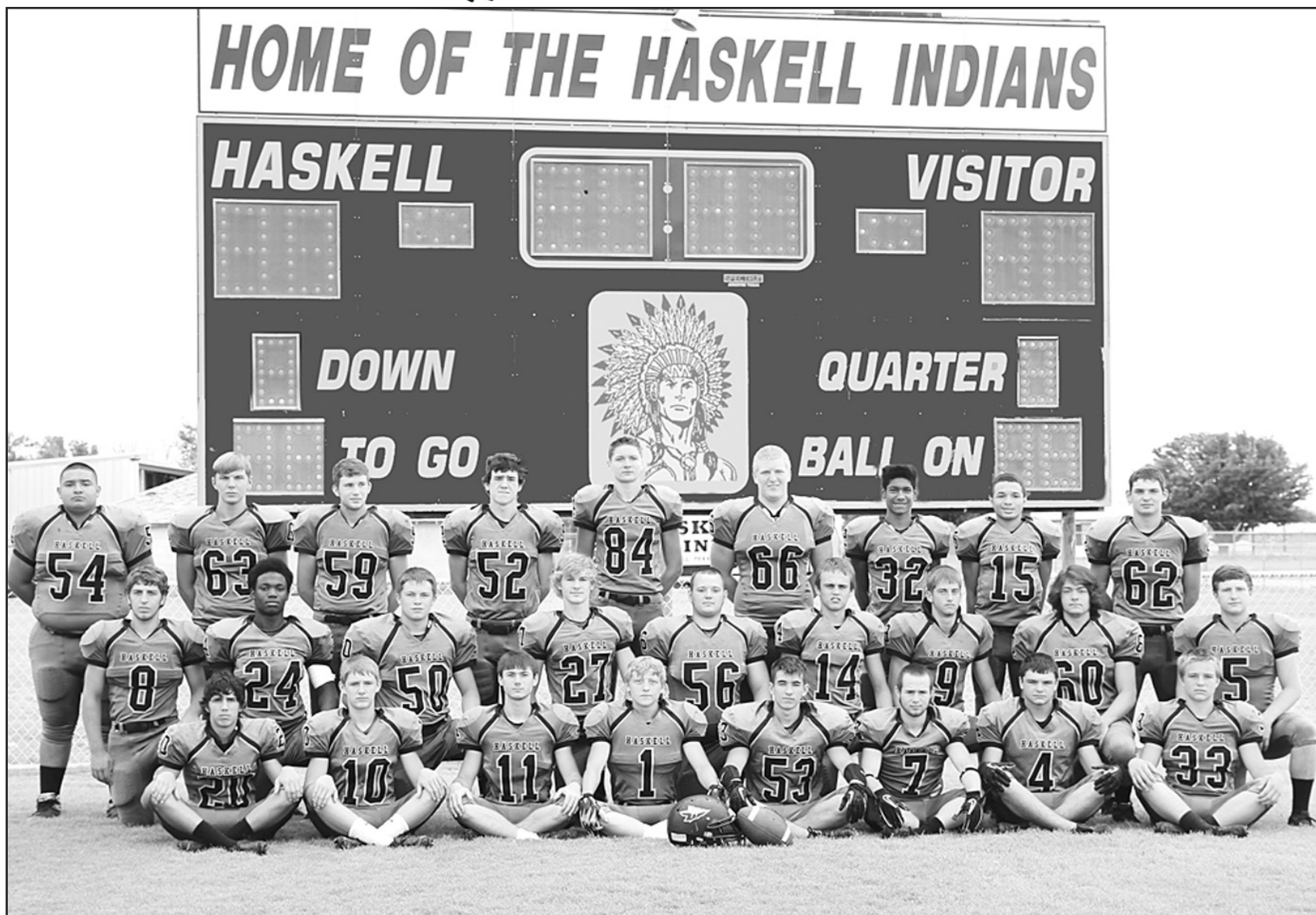
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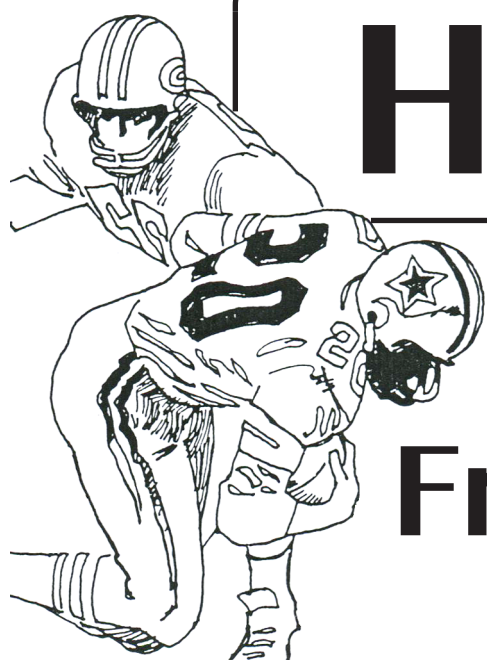
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Colley, #9 Kyle Kimbrough, #60 Dakota Baumbach, #5 Pryce Stewart; back row, #54 Daniel Contreras, #63 Cody Strickland, #59 Riley Meinzer, #52 Reed Lee, #84 Henry Smith, #66 Max Weise, #32 Justice Dever, #15 Warren Flye, and #62 Aaron Urich.



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Haskell County 4-H awards program held



SILVER STAR—Felicity Hannsz of Haskell, daughter of Keith and Derinda Hannsz, was the recipient of the 4-H Silver Star Award at the Haskell County 2013 Awards Banquet held Sept. 7.



ROOKIE—Blessing Jordan of Haskell, daughter of Angela Jordan, was the recipient of the 4-H Rookie of the Year Award at the Haskell County 2013 Awards Banquet held Sept. 7.



4-H LEADER—Tammi Hawkins of Haskell received the Outstanding 4-H Leader of the Year at the Haskell County 2013 Awards Banquet held Sept. 7.

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.
The Haskell County 2012-2013 4-H Awards Banquet was held in Haskell Sat., Sept. 7. The program was hosted by the Haskell 4-H Clubs and was held at the First Baptist Church Activity Center in Haskell. Co-sponsors for the event were Central Texas Farm Credit of Haskell, Capitol Farm Credit of Stamford, Haskell National Bank of Haskell, First Bank Texas of Haskell and Rule Banking Center of Rule.

Jason Westbrook, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag, served as Master of Ceremonies. Other Haskell County 4-Hers having parts on the program included Cody Dutton, Garret Dutton, Felicity Hannsz, Bailey Hawkins, Blessing Jordan, Faith Jordan, Eddie McBroom, Hadley Sloan, Riley Sloan and Brison Tullos.

Bailey Hawkins recognized 28 Haskell County 4-Hers with project pins for projects they completed during this year's 4-H club year. These 4-Hers and their award categories are as follows:

Clothing & Textiles: Bailey Hawkins, Blessing Jordan and Lori Beth Rodgers.

Community Service: Jacie Klose and Crow Parham.

Food & Nutrition: Abby Andress, Allie Andress, Sidney Campbell, Leann Manske and Lenzi Manske.

Horse: Kaley Mathis, Kameryn Mathis, River McTasney and Zhenia McTasney.

Leadership: Emily Fouts and Adaline Utley.

Photography: Kylie Adams.

Public Speaking: Cody Dutton.

Rabbit: Hannah Stout.

Shooting Sports: Felicity Hannsz, Faith Jordan and Brison Tullos.

Swine: Garret Dutton, Hadley Sloan, Riley Sloan and Aaron Urich.

Three of these 4-Hers were recognized for completing a 4-H Record Book. They received a record book trophy and a certificate, along with a 'year' recognition pin. These 4-Hers are Emily Fouts, Leadership, 9 years; Felicity Hannsz, Shooting Sports, 2 years; Bailey Hawkins, Food & Nutrition, 4 years. Faith Jordan also made the announcement that one of these record books were Senior division books which recently competed on the State level. The record book that went on to State competition was Emily Fouts. She received a second place.

Garret Dutton announced the 4-Hers that volunteered their time during the holidays to work the Salvation Army Bell/Kettle. They included Cade Anderson, Cash Bassett, Ashlyn Bevel, Braelyn Bevel, Kaelyn Bevel, Cody Dutton, Garret Dutton,

Bailey Hawkins, Abby Homeyer, Ernie Homeyer, Madison Homeyer, Tess Homeyer, Blessing Jordan, Faith Jordan, Jacie Klose, Eddie McBroom, Hadley Sloan, Riley Sloan, Brody Stanfield, Shane Stanfield, Brison Tullos, Adaline Utley and Corbin Waggoner. Non 4-Hers that participated was Evan Wheatley.

Cody Dutton recognized the volunteer leaders with a special certificate signifying their years of service to 4-H. Adult leaders and their years of service are:

Patrick Pace, 31 years; Dale Bullinger and Joey Kimbrough, 22 years; Tammy Parham, 19 years; Gina Buerger and Kenneth Buerger, 14 years; Leiza Morales, 11 years; Melissa Glover and Tina Tullos, 10 years;

Terri Klose, 9 years; Tina Adams, 8 years; Sherri Campbell, 7 years; Kris Fouts, 6 years; Cherie Dutton, Darrel Dutton and Jodie Tullos, 5 years; Angie Gass, Amy Sloan, Lance Sloan and Barbara Utley, 4 years; Tammi Hawkins, 3 years; Laurie McBroom and Shane Stout, 2 years; Deborah Oliver, 1 year.

Special presentations for the 2012-2013 4-H year were made by Jason Westbrook. Steve Alsbrook of Haskell was revealed as the "Friend of 4-H," Tammi Hawkins of Haskell was recognized as the "Outstanding 4-H Leader" and the Lance Sloan family of Rochester was honored as the "Outstanding 4-H Family."

The following 4-Hers received special recognition for outstanding 4-H accomplishments:

Blessing Jordan, Rookie of the Year Award and Felicity Hannsz, Silver Star Award.

Prior to the program everyone enjoyed a chicken and spaghetti meal prepared by the Haskell County Club leaders. The evening concluded with the annual 4-H Back-To-School Dance at the Haskell County Fairground Pavilion.

For more information



4-H FAMILY—At the Haskell County 2013 Awards Banquet held Sept. 7 the Lance Sloan Family of Rochester was recognized as the Outstanding 4-H Family of the Year. Receiving the award are, l-r, Hadley, Riley, Amy and Lance Sloan.

about the Haskell County 4-H organization, contact the Haskell County Office

of Texas A & M AgriLife Extension located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell,

Jason Westbrook, County Extension Agent-Ag, 940-864-2658.

4-H Clubs spearheading book drive

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Haskell County 4-Hers will be conducting a book drive over the next couple of weeks for the "Little Free Library" located in Rochester. The Haskell County Extension Office will be the location to drop off any new or used books. The office has a table set up to accept your books from Sept. 9-23.

The "Little Free Library" is the brainchild of Carol Trueblood, a former Rochester School librarian. It was built and installed by Keith Fry, former Rochester math and science teacher. The library is dedicated to the memory of Rochester teachers, Maxine Hamilton and Violet Hamilton. Sandra Fry, former Rochester computer and yearbook teacher and Trueblood are busy collecting books and promoting the idea in their community.

Henderson's Book Store of Haskell has been

donating books and support since day one and Haskell Hospital Auxiliary has also been donating to the LFL. Many donations of books have been coming in from interested supporters and former Rochester students from all over Texas.

You can view their website and map at: <http://www.littlefreelibrary.org/index/html>. The LFL has been placed near the bank museum and in front of a cafe which will open

soon. In order to get to a public library, residents of Rochester now have to drive to Haskell.

Goals for the LFL are to always have an assortment of books for all ages and to get all the residents in Rochester and surrounding areas involved.

The LFL works on an honor system. Take a book, read it and return it or bring a book, take a book.

Got Books? Get Some, Give Some!

Year-round child safety seat inspections offered

In an effort to help Texas drivers keep their child passengers properly secured, the Texas Department of Transportation announced it is offering free, year-round child safety seat inspections conducted by certified technicians. The inspections are available by appointment at each of TxDOT's 25 district offices. The announcement coincides with National Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 15-21.

"Buckling young children into safety seats is the law, so TxDOT is pleased to offer this service in an effort to help keep them safe," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT executive director. "To ensure optimal safety, it's important those seats are properly secured and that parents are using the right seat based on their child's age, height and weight."

Texas law states: children younger than 8 years of age, unless taller than 4 feet 9 inches, must ride in safety seats. Nationally, three out of four safety seats are used incorrectly, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. A new study by the Texas Transportation

Institute (TTI) found nearly nine out of 10 Texas children were riding in safety seats, but many were not properly buckled. The new study also revealed 37 percent of infants and toddlers in Texas were secured incorrectly—or not at all—when riding in a vehicle.

The TTI study also reported the Texas cities with the highest rates of correct child safety seat use are Austin (83 percent), Tyler (78 percent), Fort Worth (77 percent), Bryan/College Station (75 percent) and Waco (73 percent).

Cities with the lowest rates of correct child safety seat use are Brownsville (26 percent), Amarillo (37 percent), El Paso (37 percent), Lubbock (44 percent) and Houston (59 percent).

TxDOT's new interactive seat finder at TexasClickforTicket.com can help drivers find the proper safety seats for their children. Visit the site and click on "Child Safety" to begin the search for an appropriate safety seat. To schedule a safety seat inspection, call a TxDOT district office or find your local contact at TexasClickforTicket.com.

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Your city wants you to know about...

By Brandon Anderson, Haskell City Administrator

Over the last couple of years, as the price of gas has gone up, more and more golf carts and other smaller vehicles have been seen around town. I often have people ask if the City of Haskell has an ordinance that addresses this and the answer to this is no, the City of Haskell does not, however, the City of Haskell is a General Law City and this means that if our city does not have an ordinance addressing an issue then it will fall back on state statute. The following is an excerpt of questions and answers taken from the Texas Municipal Leagues website addressing golf carts, neighborhood electric vehicles and all-terrain vehicles.

May a golf cart be driven on a city street?

Yes, if allowed by city ordinance and in other, very limited circumstances. Three sections of two Texas Transportation Code provisions govern whether a golf cart may be driven on a city street:

- a golf cart may be driven on a street if the street is: (1) in a master planned community that meets certain conditions; (2) on a golf course; or (3) on a public or private beach. TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 551.403(a); Because state law provides no definition of "master planned community," and the Attorney General declined to define the term in Texas Attorney General Opinion GA-0966, each city will likely have to look at its own definition of master planned community within its subdivision and zoning regulations;

- a golf cart may also be driven on a city street that has a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less if the golf cart is operated to and from a golf course during the daytime and no more than two miles from the place where the golf cart is usually parked. Id.; the Attorney General also added that the purpose of driving the golf cart on public streets under this subsection must be to transport a person to and from the golf course under GA-0966; and/or

- a city council may, by ordinance, authorize a golf cart to be operated on any street in the city that has a posted speed limit of not more than 35 miles per hour, so long as the golf cart has special safety equipment, including headlamps, tail lamps, reflectors, parking brakes, and mirrors. Id. § 551.404.

In addition, a golf cart may be driven across an intersection of any street if the cart is being lawfully operated under one of the provisions above. Id. § 551.405. Under a provision adopted in 2013, the Texas Department of Transportation can now offer license plates to golf carts that are driven on public streets as described above. Id. § 551.402.

May a city completely prohibit the use of golf carts on its streets?

Yes, if the city council determines that the prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety. Id. 551.403.

Must an owner have liability insurance to drive a golf cart on city streets?

An owner must have liability insurance, the same as for a car, if his cart is driven on a city street pursuant to a city ordinance that authorizes the cart to be operated on any street in the city that has a posted speed limit of not more than 35 miles per hour under Transportation Code Section 551.404. Insurance is not required if the cart is driven pursuant to the state law exceptions allowing its use: (1) in a master planned community that meets certain conditions; (2) on a golf course; (3) on a public or private beach; or (4) on a city street that has a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less if the golf cart is operated to and from a golf course during the daytime and no more than two miles from the place where the golf cart is usually parked. ((1) - (4) are the limited uses allowed by Section 551.403.) TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 601.052.

Should a golf cart have a license plate?

While it is not required, the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles issues license plates to golf carts under a bill passed in 2013. TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 551.402.

Must a golf cart have certain equipment if it is driven on city streets?

Yes. A golf cart must have headlamps, tail lamps, reflectors, a parking brake, mirrors, and a slow-moving vehicle emblem to drive on any city street. Id. §§ 547.703; 551.404.

How is a "golf cart" defined?

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles defines a golf cart as a vehicle that has no less than three wheels, has a normal maximum speed of between 15-25 mph, and is manufactured primarily for operation on golf courses.

http://www.txdmv.gov/vehicles/drivers/golf_carts.htm.

Must a golf cart follow the rules of the road under the Transportation Code?

Yes. The Transportation Code, Chapters 541-600 outlines the rules of the road for all "self-propelled" vehicles. TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 541.201; ch. 545. A golf cart is a self-propelled vehicle and must follow the rules of the road except for those where for specific exceptions have been made. For example, golf carts operating under Section 551.403 do not have to follow the equipment requirements if they are driven only as allowed under that section (the statute allowing driving in master planned communities and on beaches). Id. § 547.002.

What is a "Neighborhood Electric Vehicle" and can one be driven on city streets?

Golf carts should not be confused with Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEVs). The Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard requires that NEVs be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, tail lamps, reflex reflectors, parking brakes, rear view mirrors, windshields, seat belts, and vehicle identification numbers. Based on a bill passed in 2013, section 551.304 of the Texas Transportation Code allows NEVs to drive in similar areas to where golf carts may drive. This includes in master planned

communities, on public and private beaches, and on a public highway where the speed limit is 35 mph or less and within two miles of a golf course. An NEV must have liability insurance if it is driven on public streets. TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 601.052. NEVs are larger than golf carts, but smaller than most passenger vehicles. In any case, the law governing NEVs is separate from the law governing golf carts.

What is an "all-terrain vehicle" and can one be driven on city streets?

An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) is a motor vehicle with a seat or seats, three or more tires, not designed by the manufacturer primarily for farming or lawn care; and that is not more than 50 inches wide. TEX. TRANSP. CODE § 502.001. An ATV generally can only be driven on a public street if:

- (1) the street is not an interstate or limited-access highway;
- (2) the transportation is associated with an agricultural or utility use;
- (3) the vehicle has a triangular orange flag;
- (4) the vehicle has headlights and taillights;
- (5) the driver has a driver's license;
- (6) the vehicle is operated during the day; and
- (7) the driving does not exceed a total distance of 25 miles from beginning to end.

Id. § 663.037. An ATV may also be driven on some beaches that are open to the

public so long as the driver has a driver's license. Id. § 663.0371.

For more information on the statutes and rules regarding golf carts and neighborhood electric vehicles, visit the Texas Department of Motor Vehicle's Web site at http://www.txdmv.gov/vehicles/drivers/golf_carts.htm.

The above information does not constitute legal advice and is posted for

informational purposes only. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at City Hall at 940-864-2333. The number one concern should be the safety of all citizens and when I am asked if we have an ordinance addressing this it is usually by someone who has had a close encounter with one of these vehicles and hopefully by addressing this we may be able to avoid a possible accident in the future.

Order 4-H rabbit tags

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

The time has come to make arrangements for the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show. If you will be purchasing rabbits, then you need to call the breeders you have dealt with and be sure to speak for a pen(s).

The Haskell County Extension Office will need to know by Sept. 20 to be able to get pens of rabbits reserved for

the 4-H rabbit feeders. The Haskell County Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 9-11. Pens will be validated sometime in mid-December.

If you have any further questions or would like to have this office reserve a pen of rabbits for your 4-H project, contact Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag at the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.



MOVING THE BALL—Haskell Indian #4 Brad Winterstein on the carry against Baird.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed
Constitutional Amendments
Special Election November 5, 2013

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 proposes a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide by statute for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the United States armed services who is killed in action, as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried. An eligible spouse who later qualifies a different property as the surviving spouse's residence homestead could be authorized by statute to receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation in the same amount received for the first qualifying homestead during the last year in which the surviving spouse received the exemption.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action."

Proposition Number 2 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the constitutional provision requiring the creation of a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is in operation. No new loans have been made from the fund by the board in more than 25 years, and the board currently has no appointees and receives no program funding.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment eliminating an obsolete requirement for a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is operational."

Proposition Number 3 (HJR 133)

HJR 133 would authorize local political subdivisions to extend the length of time that aircraft

parts could remain temporarily in this state before being subject to ad valorem taxation. Under current law, merchandise, wares, and goods (including aircraft parts) may remain in this state temporarily for up to 175 days before being subject to ad valorem taxation; the proposed amendment would permit taxing entities to extend the exemption up to 730 days after the date that a person acquired or imported aircraft parts in the state.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize a political subdivision of this state to extend the number of days that aircraft parts that are exempt from ad valorem taxation due to their location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for purposes of qualifying for the tax exemption."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 24)

HJR 24 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran at no cost to the veteran by a charitable organization.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization."

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 18)

SJR 18 would amend the definition of "reverse mortgage" to authorize the making of reverse mortgage loans for the purchase of homestead property in addition to the current

legal uses of those loans, and would give lenders recourse against borrowers who fail to timely occupy the homestead properties purchased with such loans. SJR 18 would also add to the definition of "reverse mortgage" an extension of credit that is not closed before the 12th day after the lender provides to the prospective borrower a written notice summarizing risks and conditions of a reverse mortgage. The language of the required notice is prescribed in the resolution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the making of a reverse mortgage loan for the purchase of homestead property and to amend lender disclosures and other requirements in connection with a reverse mortgage loan."

Proposition Number 6 (SJR 1)

SJR 1 would create the State Water Implementation Fund as a special fund inside the state treasury and outside the General Revenue Fund. Money in the fund would be administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) and would be used to implement the state water plan, as adopted by general law, by TWDB.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan to ensure the availability of adequate water resources."

Proposition Number 7 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow home-rule municipalities to adopt charter provisions authorizing the filling of vacancies in the governing body by appointment, but only when the remainder of the vacant term is less than 12 months. Under current law, municipal voters may adopt terms of office for municipal officers longer than two years, but upon approving longer terms of office, any resulting vacancies in office must be filled by special election. The proposed amendment would provide an option

for home-rule municipalities to fill short-term vacancies through appointment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home-rule municipality to provide in its charter the procedure to fill a vacancy on its governing body for which the unexpired term is 12 months or less."

Proposition Number 8 (HJR 147 and SJR 54)

HJR 147 would repeal the Texas Constitution's maximum tax rate for a Hidalgo County hospital district; the maximum rate is currently set at 10 cents per \$100 valuation. This rate is lower than the maximum tax rate allowable for hospital districts in all other counties in the State (75 cents per \$100 valuation). The repeal of the constitutional cap would authorize hospital district tax rates in Hidalgo County equal to the hospital district tax rate laws applicable to all other Texas counties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment repealing Section 7, Article IX, Texas Constitution, which relates to the creation of a hospital district in Hidalgo County."

Proposition Number 9 (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would expand the potential sanctions that the State Commission on Judicial Conduct can issue following a formal proceeding. This constitutional amendment would allow the Commission to issue an order of public admonition, warning, reprimand, or a requirement to obtain additional training or education in addition to the Commission's current authority to issue a public censure or recommend removal or retirement of a judge.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge or justice following a formal proceeding instituted by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

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VISITS CAREER FAIR—Paint Creek student, Bryant Booe, left, visits with the representative from Western Texas College during the Career Fair held in Goree. Area students were given the opportunity to explore careers and learn about college and job opportunities. The fair was sponsored by Knox County Visioning Group, Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Knox City High School.

Rule School Menu

Sept. 23-27
Breakfast
 Fresh fruit, juice or milk is offered daily.
Monday: Oatmeal, blueberry muffin or cereal and toast
Tuesday: Chicken biscuit or cereal and toast
Wednesday: Pancakes on a stick, syrup or cereal and toast
Thursday: Sunrise sandwich or cereal and toast
Friday: Breakfast tacos or cereal and toast.
Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: Pizza dippers with spaghetti sauce, salad, baby carrots, apple slices, vanilla pudding
Tuesday: Taco salad in a tortilla bowl, Spanish rice, corn, snowball salad
Wednesday: Steak fingers, green beans, mashed potatoes with gravy, apple-pineapple d'lite
Thursday: BBQ on bun, beans, baby carrots, orange
Friday: Pizza (pepperoni or cheese), fresh veggies cup, mixed fruit

Paint Creek School Menu

Sept. 23-27
Breakfast
 Milk and juice are served daily.
Monday: Waffles, sausage
Tuesday: Breakfast quiche
Wednesday: French toast
Thursday: Banana bread, oatmeal
Friday: Breakfast bake
Lunch
 Milk is served daily.
Monday: Chicken

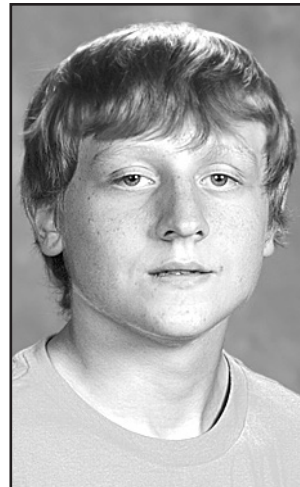
spaghetti, baby carrots, salad, breadsticks, apples, chips, snowball salad
Tuesday: Taco salad, corn, chips, snowball salad
Wednesday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite
Thursday: Chicken quesadilla, beans, baby carrots, oranges
Friday: Pizza, salad, veggie cup, mixed fruit

ECC Menu

Mon., Sept. 23 dessert, tea or coffee
 Chicken patty, gravy, scalloped potatoes, hot rolls, choco chip cookies, tea or coffee
Wed., Sept. 25
 Ham, butter beans, onions, pickles, cornbread, misc.
Fri., Sept. 27
 Sloppy Joe on bun, onions, pickles, pinto beans, chips, misc. dessert, tea or coffee
 Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.



SCOTTY REID



J.T. SCHMEGNER

Students visit Rotary Club

Scotty Reid is the son of Jim Reid of Knox City. He attends First Baptist Church in Rotan.

He participated in football, one act play and golf at Rotan. He enjoys gaming, listening to music and reading.

After graduating Haskell High School, he plans to pursue a field of engineering.

J.T. Schmegner is the son of Roxana and Kenneth Rogers of Rochester. He attends First Baptist Church in Rochester.

At Haskell High School, he participates in football, track, band and yearbook. He has earned the Quill and Scroll award, the perfect attendance award, the Presidential Award of Academic Achievement and for five years has maintained an A average all year long.

He enjoys riding bikes, driving go-karts, playing guitar and studying hand to hand combat.

After graduation he plans to move to Wichita Falls and attend Midwestern State University.

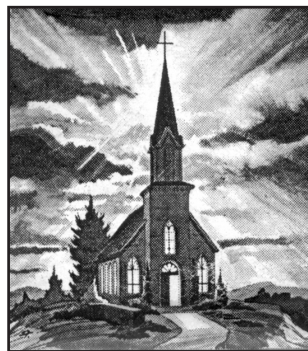
Haskell School Menu

Sept. 23-27
Breakfast
 1% white milk, fat-free flavored milk and juice is available at every meal.
Monday: Oatmeal, blueberry muffin or cereal variety and Texas Toast
Tuesday: Chicken-n-biscuit with syrup or animal crackers and string cheese
Wednesday: Pancake/sausage on a stick, oven roasted potatoes or cereal variety and Texas toast
Thursday: Sunrise sandwich or animal crackers and string cheese
Friday: Breakfast taco or cereal variety and Texas toast
Lunch
 1% white milk and fat-free flavored milk is available at

every meal.
Monday: Pizza dippers with spaghetti sauce, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick
Tuesday: Baked potato with ham and cheese, breadstick, garden salad, seasoned corn, snowball salad
Wednesday: Steak fingers, mashed potato with gravy, savory green beans, apple-pineapple d-lite
Thursday: BBQ on bun, pinto beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles
Friday: Cheeseburger, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit

This Week's Devotional Message:

Faith declares the best 'homework' done by the parents



As every parent and child knows by this time, the new school year has just begun. The preparations are underway: the new clothes, the health check-ups, etc., and a refresher course in discipline and respect for authority; plus the appropriate safety reminders. It is also time to enroll in the Sunday school, where the lessons combine with the daily 3 R's to provide a truly well-rounded education. However, religious

training is of little avail if the parents fail to do their own 'homework.' This means maintaining a home atmosphere and a lifestyle that will reflect the teachings in the Sunday school. If the children are to develop good, honest attitudes and living habits, the parents must set the example and uphold it at all times. The schools can do only so much; in the final analysis, the best training for life must begin and end in the home.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—
East Side Baptist Church
 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
 Phillip 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.
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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.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
 Rev. Robert Harrison
 Sunday 11 a.m
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- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
 Randy Hollingsworth, minister
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
 Hwy 6, Rochester
 —SAGERTON—
Sagerton Methodist Church
 Cory Graham, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
 Sagerton
Faith Lutheran Church
 Anna Robbins, 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.
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 Alfa y Omegas
 Manuel Marin, pastor
 Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
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Sweet Home Baptist Church
 Russell Stanley, pastor
 Sunday 10 a.m.
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 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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Six-man scores

The Paint Creek Pirates were defeated by Lueders-Avoca 68-6. Pirate Ryan Reid scored in the first quarter on a 38 yard pass from Dylan Webb. The PAT run failed.

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

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the contract.

Copies of the Contract Documents and half size (11 X 17) plans may be obtained from Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 (325-695-1070), upon payment of \$40.00 (non-refundable) for each set.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the CITY OF ROCHESTER negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid.

Bidder's attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion,

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Rike Real Estate LLC has been appointed by the sellers as the listing agent of three (3) farms by sealed bid sale, surface estate only. Farm one consists of 160 acres (+ or -) and is located 3.0 miles NW of downtown Haskell on FM Rd 2163. Farm two consists of 93.5 acres (+ or -) and is located 1.9 miles NW of downtown Haskell on FM Rd 2163, then .9 miles W. on CR 104. Farm three consists of 682 acres (+ or -) and is located 10.2 miles S. of downtown Haskell on U.S. Highway 277. The headquarters gate is on the W. side of the highway. The three farms will be bid on by sealed bid and sold separately. Each party to the transaction will pay the normal buyer-seller closing costs. The farms will be sold based on the number of acres in the deed records of Haskell County, Texas. If a survey is required by the selected bidder(s), the survey costs will be at buyer's expense. THE SELLERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS. BIDDING WILL BEGIN MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2013 AND END FRIDAY OCTOBER 4, 2013, AT 5 P.M. CONTACT RIKE REAL ESTATE LLC, 415 S. FIRST STREET, HASKELL, TX 79521, TELEPHONE NUMBER 940-864-2411, FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR A SEALED BID PACKET.

Public Notices

sex, or national origin. Adherence to the grant recipient's Section 3 Policy is required for contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$100,000.00. All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

CITY OF ROCHESTER, TEXAS By: Marvin Stegemoeller, Mayor Date: September 12, 2013 37-38c

PUBLIC NOTICE The Haskell County Commissioners' Court will conduct a public hearing to consider a plan for the District Clerk's Records Archive Fees and

Public Notices

Records Management and Preservation Fees to be increased from \$5.00 not to exceed \$10.00 as authorized by HB 1513 that Amends GC, §51.305(b) & GC, §51.317(b), & GC 101.0611.

The fees for court records archiving and preservation and restoration services performed in connection with maintaining a district court records archive. The meeting will be held on September 24, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Courtroom at 1 Ave. D, 2nd Floor, Courthouse, Haskell, Texas.

Penny Anderson, Haskell County District Clerk 37-38c

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The Family of Imogene Freshour

The family of Lidia S. Lopez wish to express our sincere appreciation to everyone who helped in the time of the loss of our wife, mother and grandmother. To our family and friends, a special thanks for the flowers, food, prayers and support during our grieving. Our loved one will be greatly missed.

Margarito Lopez, Sr. Elizabeth, Marisol, Margarito Jr., Randy, Cie, Rick

E-mail your news, photos and ads to The Haskell Free Press at hfpnews@lycos.com or hfp@valornet.com

We would like to thank everyone for the visits, cards, phone calls, providing food, the beautiful flowers, and attending the service for our loved one, Ruth Williams. She loved her family and friends. She told us frequently how she felt about them.

Special thanks for Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Joe Yates, Dr. Bill McSmith, Haskell Home Health nurses, Haskell Healthcare Center nurses and workers, and Haskell Memorial Hospital nurses and workers. They provided very good care for our loved one, always going a little further to help.

The family of Ruth Williams
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9/11 SERVICE—The Haskell Chamber of Commerce and Haskell County sponsored a 9/11 memorial Wed., Sept. 11 on the square. Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department raised the flag, the Haskell Indian Band provided music selections, brief words were spoken by Rev. Jim McCurley and veterans fired a 21-gun salute.

Prepaid tuition enrollment now open

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs is reminding parents they can begin enrolling in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund,* the state's prepaid college tuition program. Open enrollment began this month and runs through Feb. 28, 2014.

"Saving for college is a very important part of family budgets," Combs said. "The Texas Tuition Promise Fund offers parents the chance to prepay for their child's education at Texas public colleges and universities at today's prices. The fund has flexible options that families can utilize to fit their budgets."

Families in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund purchase prepaid "tuition units" that can later be used toward undergraduate tuition and required fees at schools ranging from Texas public community colleges to four-year, in-state

universities. Prices are based on 2013-14 academic year costs for the state's public colleges.

Type I units, priced for tuition and required fees for the most expensive public four-year school in Texas, cost \$118.06 per unit.

Type II units, based on the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public four-year schools, cost \$85.10 per unit.

Type III units, priced at the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public two-year schools, cost \$21.71 each.

Under the plan, 100 units equal roughly one academic year consisting of 30 semester hours of tuition and required fees at the Texas public school that most closely matches the pricing base. Families can prepay for up to six

years (600 Type I units or the equivalent amount of Type II and III units) of undergraduate tuition and required fees.

The plan's payment options include lump sum payments, installment payments that include 8 percent interest or a pay-as-you-go plan that allows parents to gradually add more units when the family budget allows. Payments can be as low as \$15 after an account is established by paying a one-time fee of \$25 and purchasing at least one unit.

The Texas Tuition Promise Fund is entering its sixth year. For more information about enrolling in the prepaid college tuition program, including a college cost calculator, go to www.TexasTuitionPromiseFund.com or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723), option 5.

Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Sept. 5-15:

Gina Lorraine Rushford, motion to revoke forgery.

Wesley Gene Carlise, motion to revoke driving while intoxicated.

Julian Sanchez, aggravated assault with deadly weapon, 2nd degree felony.

Jessica Renae Jackson, theft more than 500 less than 1500, Class A misdemeanor.

James Paul Barnes Jr., theft more than 500 less than 1500, Class A misdemeanor.

Conrad Angel Silvas, aggravated assault with deadly weapon, 2nd degree felony.

Laura M. Charo, motion to revoke theft by check also theft of property Knox Co. and theft by check Baylor Co.

Stephanie R. Johnson, judgment NISI theft by check.

Cody Joshua Wyrick, assault causes injury family member, Class A misdemeanor.

Sixty-four calls were made to 911.

Deadlines

All deadlines for issues of the Haskell Free Press are at noon on Mondays.

Hanson named to AR-N list

Haskell Indian Dylan Hanson was named to the Abilene-Reporter News Big Country Player of the Week Top Performers list Tues., Sept. 17.

The sophomore Indian quarterback had 133 yards passing, 87 yards rushing and scored twice in the game against Baird.

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