

Go Indians

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"The People's Choice"

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Basketball

HASKELL

The Indians played Archer City Tues., Feb. 18 to determine the Bi-District winner. They will face San Saba for the Area title if they defeat Archer City.

Softball

Maidens

Burkburnett Tournament Thurs.-Sat., Feb. 20-22 Maidens vs Merkel Tues., Feb. 25, 4:30 p.m. at Haskell

Track

Haskell

JH Boys-Girls at Haskell Mon., Feb. 24

Calendar

Men's breakfast

A men's free breakfast will be held Sun., Feb. 23 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria. All men in the community are invited to this special time of fellowship.

Fish fry

A benefit fish fry will be held Sun., Feb. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Plates are \$8 each. The meal will be fish, hush puppies, french fries, coleslaw, drink and dessert. The praise and worship service will start at 10:30 a.m. held by Trinity Lutheran Church. Proceeds benefit the youth attending church camp.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Tues., Feb. 25 from 1 to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the courthouse square. Call 325-670-2880 for more information or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group will meet Tues., Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m. at the meeting room of Majestic Senior Living Haskell. For more information, call 325-864-4466.

Community Dinner

Citizens of Rule are invited to attend the Rule Community Dinner Tues., Feb. 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the Rule ISD cafeteria with a program to be held in the auditorium following the meal. Members of Rule Volunteer Fire Department will be recognized.

Cantata practice

Easter Cantata practice will be held on Sundays at 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

Democratic Convention

The Haskell County Democratic Convention will be held March 22 at 2 p.m. in the Haskell County Courthouse, District Court Room on the second floor. Attendees at the County Convention must have voted in the March 4 Democratic Primary. Precinct meetings will now be held just prior to county conventions. If you have precinct business those meetings will be held as above but at 1:30. For questions, contact Pam Norton at 940-207-0248.

Medical fund

A fund has been established at Haskell National Bank for Faith Jordan's medical expenses.

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WEATHER STATION INSTALLED—The weather station in Haskell was moved to a new location Thurs., Feb. 20. Jason Johnson, left, Hydrologist and Eva Mullen, center, Observation Program Leader from the National Weather Service's Abilene/San Angelo Weather Forecast Office installed new observation equipment including a temperature sensor and standard rain gauge at the home of Volunteer Co-op Observer, Kim Hutto, right. Local observers help the weather service record maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall totals for a 24 hour period. These continuous records help in predicting weather and help meteorologists verify computer and radar models and temperature extremes.

Early voting underway for Texas primary

Although there are no contested county races in the upcoming Texas Primary, there are many on the state and federal level.

Voters are reminded that early voting has begun and continues through Friday, Feb. 28. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Friday, Feb. 21 and the last day to receive a ballot by mail is Tuesday, March 4.

Some very important leadership offices will be up for election in Texas, including governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, U.S. senator and U.S. representative, as well as our state representative.

Texans must be informed and then go vote.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

Feb. 17, 2014

Haskell

Haskell Co. Gin.....	5,526
Haskell Co-op Gin.....	10,022
O'Brien	
O'Brien Co-op.....	11,101
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin.....	17,410
Weinert	
Griff's Gin.....	1,561
Weinert Gin.....	5,878
Total bales (Final)	51,498

Celebrate Texas event to include more events

by Caron Yates

There are many things that can be said about Texas. It is certainly big, with an expanse of varying landforms, climate and culture. However, the one thing that seems to ring true for every part of Texas, is the pride Texans have in their state.

Haskell County, like the rest of the state, is very proud of its state and its heritage. A very important part of Texas' colorful history is Mar. 2, 1836, better known as Texas Independence Day.

The Committee to Help Haskell County has planned this year's Celebrate Texas

Independence Day, Haskell County Style for Sat., Mar. 1.

Activities for the day begin at 10 a.m. with a flag raising ceremony conducted by the American Legion. Kristi Gibson will sing "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Texas Our Texas."

Events throughout the day will include re-enactors from Ft. Griffin Cannon Infantry, Tipi Talkers Story Telling, Coppers Break Park Ranger David Turner with Native American games for kids, Native American Flint Knapper with Teepee and Buffalo Soldiers.

Also around the square

will be Little Drummer Boy Ice Cream, Ray Clark and his guitar, antique tractors, cowboy & cowgirl cutouts for picture taking, games and a roping dummy for kids, Darlene Walton-Texas' answer to Paula Dean, and Dig N for Gold sponsored by Haskell National Bank.

New this year will be a quilting demonstration, located inside the court house. Delight Jones and Pat Shaw will be selling Texas Independence t-shirts to mark this special event. The Committee to Help Haskell County will sponsor Cow Patty Bingo, with money going toward scholarships at

county schools.

They are hoping for many participating vendors with arts and crafts, as well as food vendors. For more information on being a vendor, contact Jennabeth Kimbrough.

Area businesses will again sponsor drawings for Haskell Dollars throughout the day. The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking their famous hamburgers and fries.

In conjunction with the Independence Day celebration, local fourth graders may enter the "My Favorite Texas Symbol" art contest, while seventh grade students are

eligible for the "Why I'm Proud to be a Texan" essay contest. "The Texan I Most Admire and Why," is the topic for the tenth grade essay contest. Winners for each contest will be announced at the event.

The committee and its volunteers are working on scheduling other attractions in addition to those already confirmed. For more information or to contribute to the cause, contact Susan Cockerell at 864-2851.

Mark your calendars and come on out, all you proud Texans, and help us Celebrate Texas Independence Day, Haskell County Style.

Five Maidens selected for All-District honors

Several Haskell Maidens were selected for All-District honors by the coaches in District 9 1A.

Named to the All-District First Team were junior forward Reagan Hadaway and junior

guard Jacie Klose. Juniors Crissy Bassett and Kenzie Shelton, along with sophomore Destiny Pierce were selected for the All-District Second Team.

Hadaway, Klose and

Shelton were recognized on many occasions throughout the season as Abilene Reporter-News Big Country Players of the Week or Top 10 List.

The Maidens finished the season with an 18-9 overall

record and a 5-5 district record, after some very close district losses.

Maiden coach Blake Eddleman said, "We have everyone returning next year and I think we have the

potential to do great things moving forward."

Congratulations to all the Maidens for their hard work on the season, and to these young ladies on the recognition received for their efforts.



REAGAN HADAWAY



JACIE KLOSE



CRISSY BASSETT



DESTINY PIERCE



KENZIE SHELTON

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Obituaries

Sue Morris

Services for Sue Morris, 73, of San Angelo were held Sat., Feb. 8 at Hillcrest Baptist Church in San Angelo. Burial was in Lawnhaven Cemetery.

Mrs. Morris saw her Lord and Saviour face to face Thurs., Feb. 6.

Sue was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. She was a talented seamstress and cook. She loved flowers and kept a beautiful garden.

Her greatest love was her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She became a Christian in 2001 and her life changed. Her love for The Lord, His Word, her family, and others was evident in her speech and actions. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Born Dec. 29, 1940 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Walter and Birdie Fischer. She married Douglas Morris June 9, 1961 in

Haskell. They were married for 52 years and had three sons.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband; her sons, Terry Morris and wife, Tina of McKinney, Jeff Morris and wife, Sharie of San Angelo, Alan Morris and wife, Suzanne of Belton; five grandchildren, Jordan Morris, Trevor Morris and wife, Ashley, Sydney Morris and fiancée, Brad Holcomb, Lindsey Morris and Cassidy Morris; brother, Gene Fischer and wife, Jo, sister, Sharon Lusk and husband, B.J., all of Haskell. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2600 Chestnut, San Angelo, Texas 76901.

Online condolences may be made at shafferpioneer.com. PD. NOTICE

FSA loan lender approved

USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Judith A. Canales, announced that Texas Rural Communities, Inc. has recently been approved as a nontraditional FSA Guaranteed Loan lender in

Texas. A recently revised policy allows FSA to issue farm loan guarantees to nontraditional lenders. Nontraditional lenders can originate, hold and service guaranteed loans.

The goal of Texas Rural Communities, Inc. is to improve and maintain the quality of rural communities. This goal is accomplished by assisting rural communities, individuals, groups and support organizations with viable rural development enterprises.

FSA has worked with traditional lenders in the past, but is now expanding to work with both traditional and nontraditional lenders. A nontraditional lender is one that does not typically hold deposit accounts and is not subject to oversight and supervision. The most common nontraditional lenders are those who are funded under the U.S. Department of Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI).

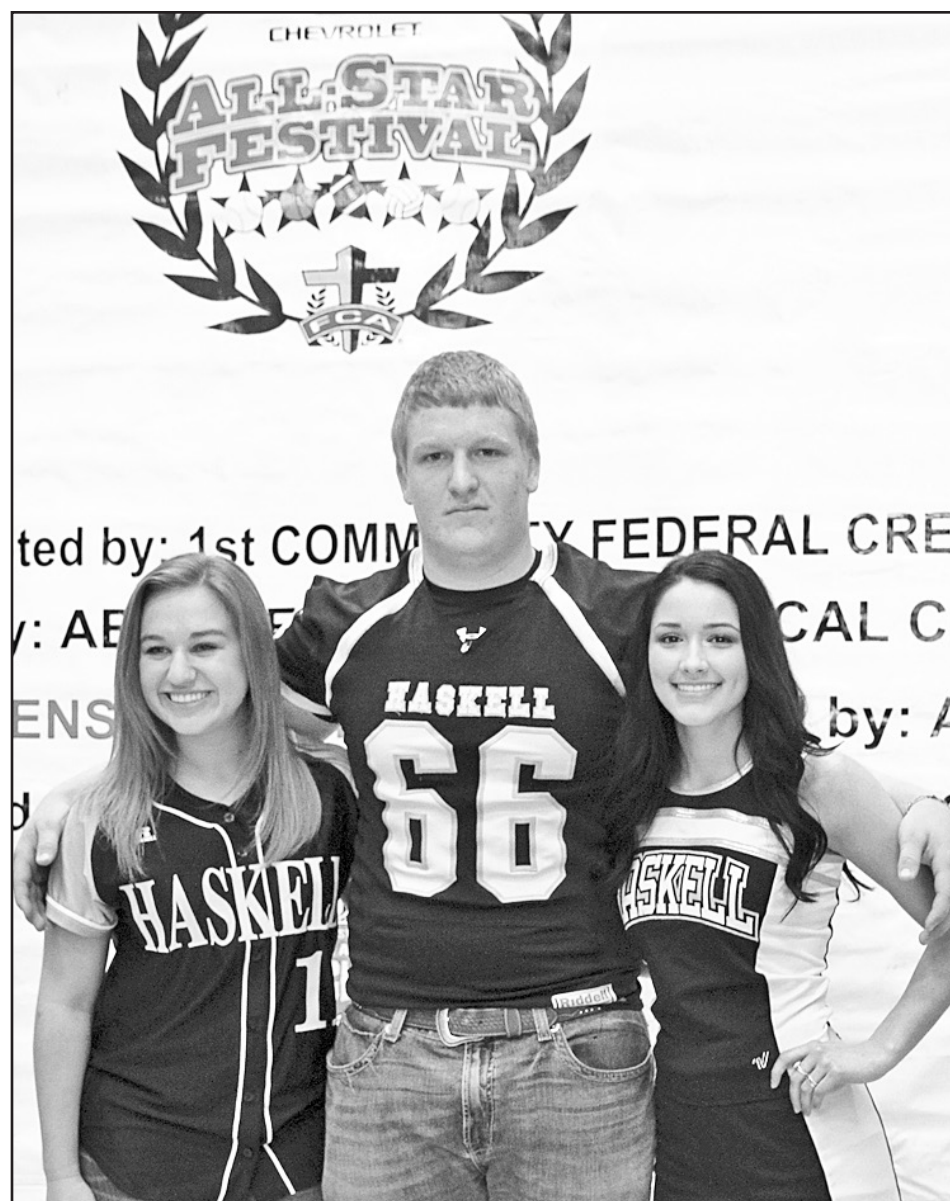
FSA guaranteed loans allow lenders to provide agricultural credit to farmers who do not meet the lender's normal underwriting criteria. Farmers and ranchers apply for a guaranteed loan through a lender, and the lender arranges for the guarantee. FSA can guarantee up to 95 percent of the loss of principal and interest on a loan. Guaranteed loans can be used for both farm ownership and operating purposes.

"The Agency has expanded its authority to extend guarantees to nontraditional lenders like Texas Rural Communities, Inc. in order to provide credit to producers who operate in underserved locations," said Canales.

For questions regarding the FSA Guaranteed Loan program, please contact your lender or your local FSA Office.

Nominees sought

Citizens are asked to nominate candidates to be named The Business of the Year and Volunteer of the Year for 2013. To make a nomination, call the Chamber office at 940-864-2477 or mail to P.O. Box 316, Haskell, Texas 79521. The winners will be revealed during the banquet Mon., March 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.



ALL-STAR CLASS—Haskell athletes, l-r, Madison Homeyer—softball, Max Weise—football and Meghan Glover—cheerleader, joined the All-Star Roster of the 2014 Big Country Chevy Dealers FCA North teams. They were announced at the All-Star Festival held Sun., Feb. 16 in Abilene. They will participate in their respective events during the FCA Myrtle Greathouse All-Star Classic to be held June 12-14.

Homeyer, Weise, Glover named to FCA teams

by Caron Yates

The 250 athletes and cheerleaders who make up the all-star class for the Big Country Chevy Dealers FCA All-Star Festival featuring the 15th Annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrtle Greathouse All-Star Classic, the 6th Annual Ladies' Basketball Game, the 2nd Annual Men's Basketball Game, the 2nd Annual Ladies' Volleyball Game and the 1st Annual Baseball and Softball Games have been announced.

The 2014 Big Country Chevy Dealers FCA All-Star Festival, includes ladies' and men's basketball in the Brownwood Coliseum on June 12, which will tip off at 6 and 8 p.m. respectively. The June 13 softball game will be at the Angelo State University field at 4:30 p.m. and the baseball game will begin at 7 p.m. at Foster Field, home of the San Angelo Colts. A volleyball-football doubleheader, is scheduled for Sat., June 14 in Abilene. The All-Star volleyball game will begin at noon at the Wylie High School gym, followed by the football game at 7 p.m. at Shotwell Stadium.

All proceeds benefit the Big Country Chapter of FCA. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes organization, since

1954, has been challenging coaches and athletes on the professional, college, high school, junior high and youth levels to use the powerful medium of athletics to impact the world for Jesus Christ. It is the largest Christian sports organization in America.

All participants will be honored at the All-Star Festival Induction Banquet on April 27, at the Abilene Civic Center.

The young All-Stars were nominated by their coaches, and represent approximately 50 area schools, covering 36 counties. Teams, cheerleaders and coaches report for two-day practices in Brownwood on June 10 and in Abilene and San Angelo on June 11.

Three Haskell High School students will be a part of the North teams. Max Weise, son of Wilton and Terry Weise, was chosen to participate on the football team. At Haskell High School, he participates in football, baseball, track and field and debate. He served as captain of the football team, is on the A-B honor roll and was named All-District in football. Weise will also soon earn his Eagle Scout rank. He plans to attend West Texas A&M, studying to become a game warden.

Meghan Glover, daughter of Chad and Melissa Glover of Rochester, will be on the cheer team for the North. She is a varsity cheerleader at Haskell High School, is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, band and FFA.

She was chosen class favorite, FFA president, a member of the sweepstakes band all four years, and a state qualifier for CDEs in FFA. Her goal is to earn a degree in retail management from Texas Tech University, pursuing a career in fashion retail.

The daughter of Carl and Sheila Homeyer, Madison Homeyer will suit up for the North softball team, in its inaugural appearance at the Festival. At Haskell High she participates in softball, UIL Math, Calculator and Number Sense, band and is on the War Whoop staff. She was a state qualifier in UIL academics, was a member of the regional quarter-final championship softball team, and a member of the Sweepstakes winning band. Homeyer will attend Texas A&M University majoring in nuclear engineering.

Information about the Big Country Chapter of FCA can be found at www.bigcountryfca.org.

Sales tax receipts reported

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said that state sales tax revenue in January was \$2.3 billion, up 8.3 percent compared to January 2013.

"Increases were seen across all major sectors of the Texas economy," Combs said. "This indicates continued expansion in both consumer and business spending, and brings the growth in fiscal year-to-date collections to 4.6 percent compared with the previous year. Sales tax revenue has increased for 46 consecutive months."

Combs sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their February local sales tax allocations totaling \$802.1 million, up 8.2 percent compared to February 2013.

The sales tax figures represent December sales reported by monthly tax filers as well as October, November and December sales by

businesses that report tax quarterly.

Haskell County had a 20.02 percent increase for February 2014 of \$58,907.07 in comparison to \$49,077.50 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$96,119.27 reflect a 7.43 percent increase over 2013 payments to date of \$89,463.96.

The City of Haskell had a 19.68 percent increase for February 2014 of \$54,096.28 in comparison to \$45,198.50 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$88,800.10 reflect a 6.36 percent increase over 2013 payments to date of \$83,489.27.

The City of O'Brien had a 1.78 percent increase for February 2014 of \$459.91 in comparison to \$451.86 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$592.46 reflect a 20.13 percent

decrease over 2013 payments to date of \$741.86.

The City of Rochester had a 5.59 percent increase for February 2014 of \$755.44 in comparison to \$715.38 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$1,098.37 reflect a 4.90 percent increase over 2013 payments to date of \$1,046.99.

The City of Rule had a 25.10 percent increase for February 2014 of \$3,040.14 in comparison to \$2,430.08 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$4,928.91 reflect a 29.88 percent increase over 2013 payments to date of \$3,794.83.

The City of Weinert had a 97.13 percent increase for February 2014 of \$555.30 in comparison to \$281.68 for February 2013. 2014 payments to date of \$699.43 reflect a 78.87 percent increase over 2013 payments to date of \$391.01.



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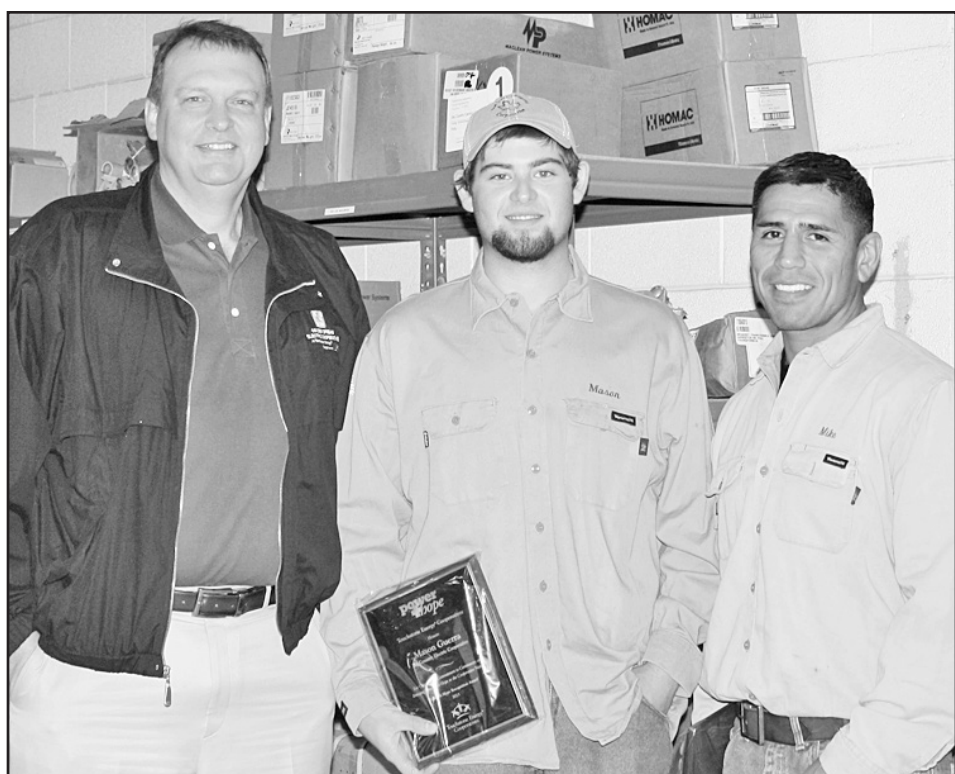
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Haskell Memorial Hospital Outpatient Clinic Patients

Patients seeing **Dr. Vega** and **Dr. Varghese** will now be seen at the Hospital Clinic (Dr. McSmith's office) at 1400 South 1st. If you have questions concerning this change, please call the hospital at **940-864-2621**.





RECOGNIZED FOR ACTIONS—Big Country Electric Cooperative (BCEC) linemen Mason Guerra, center, and Mike Martinez, right, were awarded the Touchstone Energy Power and Hope Award by BCEC General Manager Mark McClain, left, Feb. 11 at the cooperative's monthly safety meeting. The Touchstone Energy Power & Hope Employee Recognition Program honors co-op employees who have gone the extra mile to help those in need. On a very icy Dec. 7, 2013, Guerra and Martinez stopped to aid an injured motorist whose truck had flipped on the ice—countless other vehicles drove past as if nothing was wrong, but they stopped and helped, keeping the man calm and safe until paramedics arrived. "For that," McClain commented, "We are incredibly proud of their actions." Humble heroes, both insist their actions were just "what anyone would do" but these two are more than just "anyones." No cape or special powers, just a couple of ordinary men who happen to be heroes and exemplify cooperative values.

Haskell 4-H Clubs to meet

The Haskell County 4-H Clubs will hold their February 4-H club meeting Sunday afternoon, Feb. 23, at the Haskell County Extension Office from 4:00

to 5:00 p.m. Any youth 8 years old and in the third grade through the twelfth grade is welcome to come and join.

The group will have a

"4-H Craft Party." Also, upcoming 4-H events and contests will be discussed, followed by refreshments.

Any 4-Hers are welcome to contribute to a fund that has been set up at Haskell National Bank for 12 year-old Faith Jordan, who is currently at Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth. She is the daughter of Angela Jordan, who is also one of the 4-H Leaders. There will be a collection made at the 4-H meeting that will be deposited as a group from "4-H Members."

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

Youth Tour Speech contest set Feb. 24

Mark your calendars for the Big Country Electric Cooperative (BCEC) Government-in-Action Youth Tour speech contest. The contest will be held Monday, Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Roby High School Auditorium. Originally scheduled for Feb. 10, the event was postponed due to icy roads and dangerous driving conditions. Area high school students will be competing in a speech contest that will give up to

three winners an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. to see our "government in action" this June and \$1,500 scholarships each.

This year's topic is "How could energy legislation affect electric cooperatives?" For more information, visit our website at www.bigcountry.coop or contact your local BCEC office. Attendance is open to the public, so please join us for a fun and informative contest.

Calendar

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.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society will begin having quarterly meetings in 2014. The meetings will be on the first Monday of March, June, September and December at 6:00 p.m. in the Haskell County Library.

Car Show set in Haskell

The Haskell Wild Horse Prairie Car Show will be held Sat., April 5 around the courthouse square. For more information, contact Ben McGee at 940-864-4555.

Vet office open

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.



HOUSE FIRE—Haskell Volunteer Fire Department members were called to this home at 909 N. Ave. H about 7:30 p.m. on Fri., Feb. 14. The home suffered extensive damage to the kitchen and smoke damage throughout the house. The Rule Volunteer Fire Department also answered the call and assisted.

4-H Photography Workshop set Sun., Feb. 23 in Haskell

4-Hers that are interested in the 4-H Photography Project will be given the chance to increase their knowledge by attending the 4-H Photography Workshop. The workshop will be held at the Haskell County Extension Office Sun., Feb. 23 at 3:00 p.m.

Terry Weise will be the guest speaker and judge this year. She will discuss several things about taking pictures. Also, we will be covering the 4-H Photography Rules and Guidelines, Tips for Mounting Photos for Competition, and Photography Contest Opportunities.

If planning on participating in the 4-H Photography Contest, all pictures must be turned in to the County Extension Office by closing on Feb. 27. Both a 5x7 of each picture entered in the contest and sending a copy by e-mail to the office, to be forwarded on to the District office in Vernon.

For more information,

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2014 INDIAN-MAIDEN TRACK SCHEDULES

Date	Location
Thurs., March 6	Stamford
Sat., March 15	Hamlin
Thurs., March 20	Snyder
Thurs., March 27	Merkel
Thurs, April 3	Munday
Thurs., April 10	Albany (District)
Wed., April 16	Munday (Area)
Fri.-Sat., April 25-26	ACU (Regional)
Fri.-Sat., May 9-10	UT Austin (State)

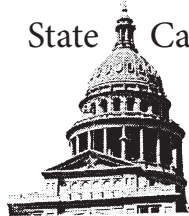
JUNIOR HIGH TRACK SCHEDULE

Date	Location
Mon., Feb. 24	Haskell
Mon., March 3	Munday
Mon., March 17	Hamlin
Mon., March 24	Albany
Mon., April 7	Stamford (District)

OPINION

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Candidates show differences as primaries approach

AUSTIN—Counting down to Primary Election Day on March 4, Republican Greg Abbott and Democrat Wendy Davis remain the presumptive frontrunners for governor in their respective party races.

For lieutenant governor, state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio stands alone as the Democrat vying for that powerful office, while Republican primary voters will have a field of four candidates to choose from in that race: incumbent Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst; Jerry Patterson, land commissioner; Todd Staples, agriculture commissioner; or Dan Patrick, chair of the state Senate Committee on Education. While agreeing on most issues, one popular way those four Republican candidates seek to differentiate themselves is by publicizing lists of endorsements by various political action committees and other special interest groups.

Last week Abbott, the current state attorney general, said corruption and gangs are a threat to security along the border with Mexico. His likening the border region to a third world country, however, drew a blistering response from South Texas residents.

Davis, a state senator from Fort Worth, focused on public school funding. She pointed to a pending state district court case dealing with fairness in the education finance system and called on Abbott to stop defending the state law that sparked the case. Davis suggested that the state Legislature be called into special session to revise the law. Abbott has said that as attorney general, it's his job to defend state laws against court challenges.

Davis also spoke in favor of gay marriage and "open carry" by local option. An open carry law would allow Texans who have the appropriate state permit to wear a firearm in plain view in public. Abbott previously has made his opposition to gay marriage known and he labeled Davis's open carry statement as political opportunism.

Early voting began Feb. 18 and will end on Feb. 28.

Business filings increase

Texas Secretary of State Nandita Berry on Feb. 10 reported that in calendar year 2013, some 150,979 certificates of formation creating new limited liability companies, corporations, and limited partnerships were filed with her office.

The number of filings, she said, represents a 5.6 percent

increase from 2012, when the office received 142,872 filings.

"We've cut red tape and made it possible in many cases to start a new business in Texas virtually overnight. Texas is wide open for business. Welcome to the land of opportunity," said Berry, who was appointed by Gov. Perry and sworn in on Jan. 7.

Sales tax revenue is up

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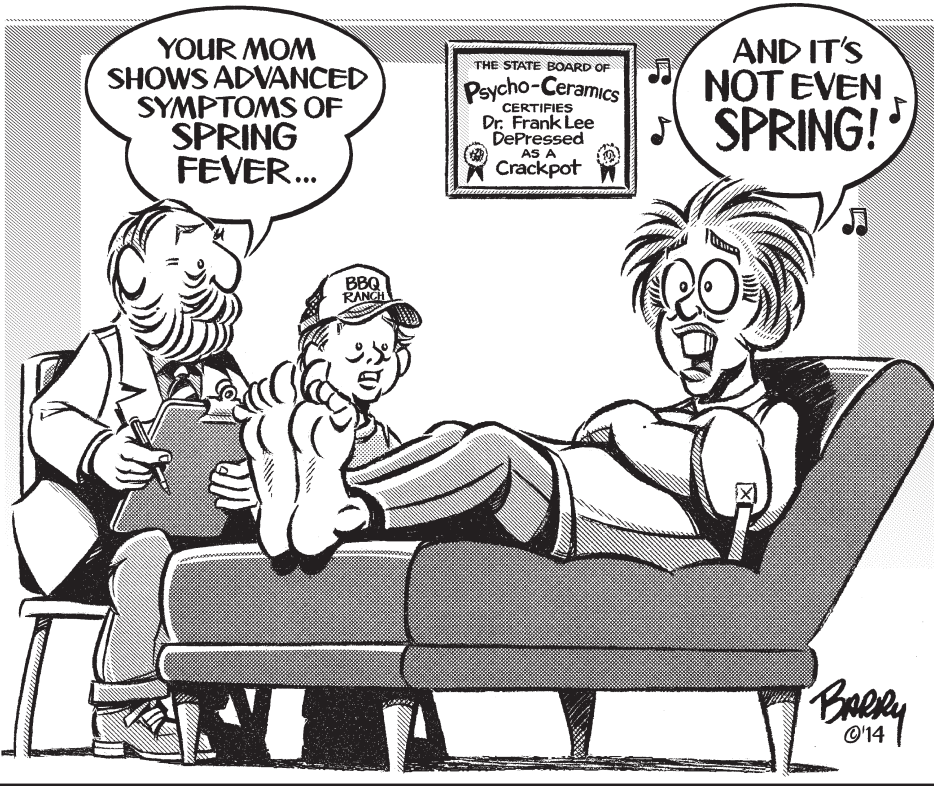
UT chancellor steps down

After a five-year tenure, Chancellor Francisco G. Cigarroa announced Feb. 10 that he would step down as head of The University of Texas System but will serve until a successor is named. Cigarroa will become the head of pediatric transplant surgery at the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio while also serving as a special liaison to the board of regents to advise on the development of the new University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and medical school.

Cigarroa served as president of the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio from 2000 to 2008 before being named the first Hispanic chancellor of the UT System in late 2008.

Seat belt campaign begins

Texas Department of Transportation announced Feb. 14 the launch of its annual "Teen Click It or Ticket" campaign to address the leading cause of death among teens ages 15 to 20: motor vehicle crashes. The campaign features videos and a wrecked truck exhibit "to highlight the consequences of not wearing a seat belt, such as costly tickets, lost driving privileges, injuries or even death," TxDOT said. Educational toolkits available to campus classrooms include posters, banners, parking lot signage, morning announcements, a school newspaper article, a parent brochure and more.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago February 19, 2004

Haskell High School students recently chose Consuelo Gonzalez and Ross Hairgrove as Haskell Basketball Sweetheart and Beau.

Billie McKeever was named 2003 Citizen of the Year at the Haskell Chamber of Commerce banquet. In presenting the award, Ruby Turner noted McKeever's many accomplishments, as well as service to the community. Volunteer of the Year awards went to Frances and Jimmy Bowen and Bob Smith, for their contribution of many hours of effort to improve the community.

Wallace Emerson, president of First National Bank in Haskell, announced that Bailey Toliver was recently elected to the Board of Directors of First National Bank Munday, Haskell, Rochester and Stamford.

20 Years Ago February 24, 1994

Winners in the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District's annual poster contest were fifth grader Jimmy Huff, grand champion; third grader Whitney Hise, second; and fourth grader Zac McGuire, third.

Haskell High School broadcast journalism students Blake Henshaw, Janeen Jordan and Trece Burson, with the help of journalism teacher Jill Druessedow, presented a workshop on Haskell's broadcast technology to the Texas Computer Educators Association state convention

in Austin.

Emily Cox, daughter of Jo and Wallace Cox, Jr. of Haskell, will spend a year studying at the university in Kensington, New South Wales, Australia. She will soon complete a PhD in Pharmacy Administration in the area of Health Economics.

30 Years Ago February 23, 1984

New officers elected to lead the Haskell High School National Honor Society are David Adams, president; Jennifer Davis, vice-president; Denise Burris, secretary/treasurer; and Holly McBroom, reporter.

The Haskell Maidens track team returns nine lettermen from last year's District 4-AA championship team. They are Susie Blankenship, Lorry Geilhausen, Holli High, Kathy Kemp, Tina Lacey, DeShawn Lewis, Holly McBroom, Lori McGee and Tamala Randle. They are coached by Jim Bob Mickler.

At the UIL Vocal Solo and Ensemble contest held in Abilene, Diana Jarred, a sophomore at Haskell High School, received a Superior rating on a Class I soprano solo. She will advance to the state level of competition in Austin.

40 Years Ago February 21, 1974

Haskell Volunteer Firemen receiving service pins were R.A. (Shady) Lane, 40 years; Jack Speer, J.B. Gipson, Raymond Davis, Belton Duncan, Ray Lusk, Floyd Lusk, Alvis Bird and Dugan Starr, 30 years; Dent Atkinson and Dude Mercer,

25 years; Olen Bartley, Chester Hodges, Sonny Reynolds and Olen King, 20 years; and Jack Medford and Jim Alvis, 15 years.

Lee Ann Toliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Toliver, has been named Haskell High School's 1974 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow. She won the honor by scoring high on a written knowledge and attitude examination administered to high school seniors throughout the country.

50 Years Ago February 20, 1964

Two Haskell Jaycees, Bill Tomlinson and James Franklin, have been honored by the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce for their achievement in helping establish a new Jaycee organization at Bronte, Haskell Jaycee president Bud Lane announced.

A.R. (Pete) Eaton, prominent Rule citizen and recipient of the Fort Worth Press' award in 1963 for outstanding soil conservation practices in this area, was named secretary of the Texas Cooperative Ginners' Association at their annual convention.

100 Years Ago February 21, 1914

Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Wisdom left the first of the week for Gainesville, where they will visit with relatives.

A quote from the Harvard Lampoon—"There are two good reasons why some people don't mind their own business. One is they haven't any mind, and the other is they haven't any business."

Saving Our Trees seminar set March 1

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

A "Saving Our Trees" seminar will be hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Wichita Falls March 1 at the River Bend Nature Center, 2200 3rd St. in Wichita Falls.

"The drought continues to negatively impact our trees, and the AgriLife Horticulture Committee felt some education was essential to help people learn what they can do to save our trees," said David Graf, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Wichita County. "It takes years to replace trees, and anything we can do to save them is a huge benefit."

Registration is free and will begin at 8:30 a.m.; the program will start at 9 a.m.

"We have two of the best arborists in the region and a renowned low water use expert offering free advice," Graf said. "We hope the public takes advantage of the opportunity and follows through on some simple but effective methods."

Gregory David, a certified arborist from Muenster, will present Evaluating Trees and Tips to Save Them. He will be followed by Charlie Carr, certified arborist in Wichita Falls, Dealing with Day-to-Day Issues—Insects, Disease, Pruning; and Paul Dowlearn, professional nurseryman in Wichita Falls, Stretching Soil Moisture to the Max.

Following a question and answer panel with the morning speakers at 11:30 a.m., the audience will be invited to take a River Bend Nature Center tree tour, Graf said.

For more information or to register, contact the AgriLife Extension office at 940-716-8610.

Water conservation

The City of Haskell has implemented stage three of the Drought Contingency Plan of the City of Haskell Water Conservation Plan. Stage three calls for a mandatory 25% reduction in water use by all City of Haskell water customers. Please make every effort to conserve and help secure our water supply as long as possible. For more information or a copy of the water conservation plan, contact Haskell City Hall.

Strikeforce to address rural poverty

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack joined Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear and Congressman Hal Rogers to announce the expansion of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's StrikeForce Initiative into four additional states: Kentucky, Louisiana, Tennessee and West Virginia.

"The StrikeForce strategy of partnering public resources with local expertise is helping to grow rural economies and create jobs in persistent poverty communities," said Vilsack. "This is a strategy that is working in rural America and I am pleased that we continue to build on these efforts to bring assistance to areas that need it the most."

Vilsack also noted that the StrikeForce strategy is having concrete results in communities across the country.

Since 2010, through StrikeForce, USDA has partnered with over 400 community organizations, businesses, foundations, universities and other groups

to support 80,300 projects and ushered more than \$9.7 billion in investments into rural America, including:

- The Farm Service Agency saw a 14 percent increase in the total direct farm loan applications received in StrikeForce areas since the beginning of the initiative.
- In fiscal year (FY) 2013, the Farm Service Agency provided nearly \$9.3 million to fund microloans in StrikeForce areas. Approximately 84 percent of the loans were provided to socially disadvantaged and beginning farmers.
- Last year, the number of landowners applying for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) programs in StrikeForce areas increased by 82 percent over the previous year.
- In FY 2013, the Rural Housing Community Facilities Program obligated a total of \$68 million to fund hospitals, libraries and other projects in StrikeForce areas—a 4.5 percent increase over 2012.

•Between 2012 and 2013, the Food and Nutrition Service doubled the redemption of SNAP benefits at farmers markets from \$2 million to over \$4 million in StrikeForce states—a more than 100 percent increase.

•In 2012, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service increased the number of children in StrikeForce states receiving free or reduced price school breakfasts by 7.4 percent.

"Through StrikeForce, we are able to reach people in new ways and bring resources to them directly," said Vilsack. "We are learning better ways to help communities leverage their assets and bring opportunity to their residents."

Today's expansion brings StrikeForce attention to more than 700 rural counties, parishes, boroughs, tribal reservations, and Colonias in 20 states, including Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, North

Carolina, North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia and West Virginia.

USDA identifies census tracts with over 20 percent poverty (according to American Community Survey data) to identify sub-county pockets of poverty. As areas of persistent poverty are identified, USDA staff work with state, local and community officials to increase awareness of USDA programs and help build program participation through intensive community outreach.

StrikeForce is part of the Administration's commitment to addressing persistent poverty across America. Last week, President Obama announced the first five of twenty Promise Zones, including one in southeastern Kentucky, that target federal resources to cities, rural areas and Tribal communities suffering the worst poverty.

Visit www.fsa.usda.gov/ StrikeForce to learn more.

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BASKETBALL' 14

Indians *////////////////////* 2014 District Runnerup



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, #10 Dakota Silvas, #12 #24 Dylan Hanson; Coach Tate Thompson, #30 Riley Meinzer, Kelby Bell, #14 Matthew Martinez, #20 Brad Winterstein and #40 Henry Smith, #34 Sean Weiser and #22 Cade Colley.

Haskell Indians

The Indians played Archer City Tues., Feb. 18 for the Bi-District title. They will face San Saba for the Area title if they defeat Archer City.

Go Indians!

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*Go Indians!***



SCOUT SUNDAY—Members of Boy Scout Troop 136 in Haskell attended services at their sponsor church, First United Methodist Church in Haskell, in celebration of Scout Sunday. Scouts attending included, l-r, Zachary Tatum, Garret Tatum, Aaron Waggoner, Max Weise, Ryan Pace, Patrick Pace—Scoutmaster and Reed Lee. The Scouts brought in the flags and read two passages of scripture as part of the Worship Liturgy. Pastor Dustin Wilhite presented the Scouts to the church. The church provides the scouts with a nice air-conditioned meeting room in the basement of the church.

Haskell School Menu

Feb. 24-28
Breakfast

Milk variety and 100% fruit juice is available at every meal.

Monday: Sausage kolache, oven roasted potatoes or cereal variety and Texas toast

Tuesday: Cheddar cheese omelette or cereal variety and Texas toast

Wednesday: Breakfast pizza or cereal variety and Texas toast

Thursday: Waffles and sausage or cereal variety and Texas toast

Friday: Cinnamon roll, bacon or cereal variety and Texas toast

Lunch

Milk variety is available at every meal.

Monday: Chicken quesadilla, salsa, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, savory green beans, roll, fruit cup

Wednesday: Chicken fajita with peppers and onion, charro beans, seasoned corn, salsa, orange smiles

Thursday: Popcorn chicken, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick

Friday: Cheeseburger with hamburger garnish, sweet potato fries, coleslaw, sliced peaches



BALEIGH LOPEZ



TARAH TROTTER

Students visit Rotary Club

Baleigh Lopez is the daughter of Cynthia Ellison and Rufus Lopez.

At Paint Creek High School, she played varsity basketball, ran cross country track, and ran spring track and field.

After high school, she plans to attend college with hopes of becoming a pediatrician.

Tarah Trotter is the daughter of Crystal Newman and Kelly Trotter.

At Paint Creek High School, she played varsity basketball, ran cross country track, is a member of National Honor Society, Yearbook staff, and served as a class officer and favorite.

She plans to attend a two year college.

Students in the News

Amber Allen, a junior Psychology major from Haskell, has been named to the Fall 2013 Dean's List at McMurry University in Abilene.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours.

Dana Alvarez, a PG Mathematics major from Haskell, has been named to the Fall 2013 Dean's Honor Roll at McMurry University in Abilene.

To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete 6-11 hours with at least a 3.5 grade point average.

2014 RULE TRACK SCHEDULES

Date	Teams	Place
Thurs., March 6	RHS	Hermleigh
Fri., March 21	RHS-RJH	Trent
Mon., March 24	RJH	Aspermont
Fri., March 28	RHS	Aspermont
Thurs., April 3	RJH	Knox City (Zone)
Fri., April 4	RHS	Knox City
Thurs., April 10	RHS	Aspermont (Area)
Fri.-Sat., April 25-26	RHS	San Angelo (Reg.)
Fri.-Sat., May 9-10	RHS	Austin (State)

ECC Menu

Mon., Feb. 24

Tacos and all the trimmings, choco cake, tea or coffee

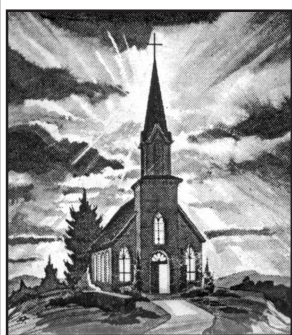
Wed., Feb. 26

Veggie beef soup, tuna and pimento cheese sandwiches, pickles, onions, strawberry cake, tea or coffee

Fri., Feb. 28

Chili, wieners, pickles, onions, cornbread, misc. dessert, tea or coffee

This Week's Devotional Message:



For a real education, take time to read your Bible

In that busy life of yours, so rigidly apportioned among work, home maintenance, TV, PTO meetings or whatever, try to find time to read your Bible; even if it's only one chapter at a time. It contains a great many elements for our education and well-being. It's history, with the story of the earliest days of the world, faithfully handed down through the generations. It's geography, inviting the fascinating comparison between the Middle East and Mediterranean lands, then and now. It's a prescription for better living, with its rules for behavior toward our fellow human beings. It's a great comfort, bringing us guidance and solace in times of trouble or sorrow. All in all, it's the world's most perfect collection of writings, and if we know how interesting and helpful it can be, we will somehow manage to find the time for it.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

East Side Baptist Church
Shawn Smith
Youth & Worship pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell

Christian Church
Sun. 10:45 a.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

Church of God
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell

Trinity Lutheran Church
Rev. David White, pastor
Sunday 9:30 a., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
607 S. 7th, Haskell

First United Methodist Church
Rev. Dustin Wilhite, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:50 a., 6 p.; Wed. 6 p.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell

First Assembly of God
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

St. George Catholic Church
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell

Church of Christ
Philip Sims, minister
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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.; Wed. 6:30 p.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a.; Wed. 7 p.
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
940-863-4405

New Covenant Foursquare
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; 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.m., 10:55 a.m., 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., 10:45 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
1600 N. First St., Haskell

God Loves You Ministries
Mark Wallace, pastor
Church Service 10 a.m.
West side of square, Haskell

First Baptist Church
Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
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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.; Wed. 7 p.
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
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 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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.; Wed. 7 p.
811 Union, Rule

Primera Iglesia Bautista
Alfa y Omegs
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.; Wed. 6 p.
500 Elm Street, Rule

Sweet Home Baptist Church
Russell Stanley, pastor
Sunday 10 a.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
940-997-2296

West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.; Wed. 7:30 p.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

—PAINT CREEK—
Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11 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.
O'Brien

City of Rochester receives \$350,000 grant from TDA

The City of Rochester is pleased to announce that the Texas Department of Agriculture has notified city officials that distribution of their relief fund award in the amount of \$350,000 has

been approved. The funds are to be used in support of water system improvement. According to City Secretary Trish McAdoo, city administration determined

after months of study that construction of a reverse osmosis system would be the most beneficial water system improvement for the city to pursue at this time, and this is how the funds will be applied.

“What this means for citizens of Rochester is no more worries of chemical or bacterial contamination in our water supply—no more nitrate problems,” McAdoo says. “This system gives Rochester a ‘squeaky clean’ water supply.”

The contract for the system is being drafted. It is approximately a year-long process, but the reverse osmosis system is planned to be up and running in early 2015.

In an additional project, the City of Rochester is having work done on its waste water plant with separate grant funds. The available funds in this grant are \$236,250.

Water conservation

The City of Rule has implemented Stage Four of its Drought Contingency Plan Emergency Water Shortage/Water Allocations. Please contact Rule City Hall or call 940-996-2214 for more information.

Paint Creek School Menu

Feb. 24-28
Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily.

Monday: Pancakes, bacon
Tuesday: Sunrise sandwich
Wednesday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy

Thursday: Oatmeal, toast
Friday: Breakfast burrito

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: Burritos, corn, baby carrots, peaches

Tuesday: BBQ rib sandwich, chips, salad, hot apples
Wednesday: Toasted ham and cheese, veggie soup, baby carrots, fruit

Thursday: Stromboli, fries, salad, pears
Friday: Meatball sub, salad, baked beans, Rice Crispy treat

Rule School Menu

Feb. 24-28
Breakfast

Fresh fruit, juice or milk are offered daily.

Monday: French toast sticks
Tuesday: Scrambled eggs, biscuit with gravy
Wednesday: Cereal, Texas toast

Thursday: Chicken and waffles
Friday: Oatmeal round, yogurt

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: No school

Tuesday: Two crispy tacos, Spanish rice, garden salad, charro beans, salsa, cinnamon applesauce

Wednesday: Salisbury steak with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, strawberry/banana, roll

Thursday: Spaghetti with meatballs, garden salad, green beans, peaches, pudding, breadsticks

Friday: Hot dogs, sweet potato fries, cucumber dippers, seasoned fruit, chocolate chip cookies

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Public Notices

NOTICE
The City of Rule will be accepting sealed bids for contracted cemetery maintenance work at the Rule Cemetery. The contract runs from 04/01/2014 thru 03/31/2015. Bids must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. March 05, 2014. For more info, please call or go by Rule City Hall, 701 Union Ave, 940-996-2214. The City of Rule reserves the right to refuse or accept any bid. 7-9c

NOTICE
The City of Haskell will be accepting bids for a 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe 2WD PPV with locking differential, dual batteries and driver side spotlight. We are requesting that the bid be for a fully

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equipped police unit with the following options:
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•Window tint-all windows, medium size SUV (Tahoe)
•2 Whelan LINZ6 super LED lights mounted behind grill-1 red and 1 blue + brackets
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•Havis laptop stand-Tahoe -with locking swing arm
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•Stalker dual SL radar system
•All misc., parts, shipping and installation included

The City of Haskell realizes that we are brand specific on this bid. If you have a comparable product that you feel is comparable to our request, you are welcome to add this to your bid in replacement of specified equipment.

If you have questions during your bidding procedure, please direct them to the City of Haskell Police Chief, Scott Kennedy at 940-256-1589. If you cannot reach Chief Kennedy feel free to contact City Administrator, Brandon Anderson at 940-256-0777.

Please have bids to the

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Haskell City Hall, P.O. Box 1003, Haskell TX, 79521 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 5, 2014. You may e-mail or fax your bid as well, Fax 940-864-3053 and e-mail of citymanager@wtconnect.com. You can drop the bids by our physical location at 301 S. 1st Street, Haskell, TX 79521.

After review of the bids, they will be presented to the Haskell City Council for action on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. at Haskell City Hall.

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Filing for city, school positions ends Feb. 28

by Caron Yates

If serving in public office is on your bucket list, then here is your opportunity.

The date for city elections, as well as school board elections has been set for May 10, 2014.

Filing for a place on the ballot continues through Fri., Feb. 28 at 5 p.m.

In the city of Haskell, voters will elect a mayor and two aldermen. Council seats held by Jill Druesedow and Dan Hoover, along with the mayor's position will be up for election.

On the Haskell CISD school board, place #2 and #3, currently held by Debbie Earles and Joey Thomas, will be on the ballot. Both are three year terms.

The city of Rule will vote on a mayor and two councilmen, now being served by Jerry Cannon, Patrick Pace and Bobby Robinson.

The Rule ISD school board has two positions up for election. Incumbents are Sam Grindstaff and Shane LeFevre.

In the Weinert city government, places held by Mayor Donald Griffis, and councilmen Angie Kirkland and Bill Walker will be on the ballot.

Rochester has two council seats to be voted. The positions held by Darryl McGhee and John Hicks, will be on the ballot.

If you have not registered to vote, you may want to do so as soon as possible. More information on early voting, ballot by mail and polling places will be published at a later date.

Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Feb. 10-16:

Amber Stine, engaging in organized criminal activity state jail felony.

Rena Jessica Jackson, deliver/manufacture controlled substance more than 1 gram less than 4 grams felony 2.

Destiny Shantell Hartwick, deliver/manufacture controlled

substance more than 1 gram less than 4 grams.

Demarias Treshad Delce, possession of a controlled substance methamphetamine.

Justin Brewshunn Johnson, controlled substance violation.

Gilbert Castornea, manufacture/deliver controlled substance more than 1 gram less than 4 grams felony 2, also prohibited substance in a correctional facility felony 3.

Brian Corey Cordona, possession controlled substance more than 1 gram, Throckmorton charge.

Josh Hampton, possession marijuana more than 2 oz., Throckmorton charge.

Gloria DeLosSantos Morelos, theft of service \$50 to \$500 warrant out of Bee County.

Raymond Printice Pate, theft of service, Taylor County warrant.

Twenty-eight calls were made to 911.

Sagerton Hee Haw set March 27-29

The annual Sagerton Hee Haw will be on March 27, 28, and 29, beginning at 8:00 p.m. each evening. Music and singing will be held an hour before the Hee Haw program begins.

The program for Thurs., March 27, is especially for groups. Reservations for group tickets may be made beginning Mon., March 10, by calling 940-997-2688.

Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances will go on sale Thurs., March 13, at 8:00 a.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. After the completion of tickets sales at the Community Center on March 13, orders may be placed by calling

940-997-2688 or by coming to 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton, for tickets. A limit of 10 tickets per person will be sold March 13. If more tickets are needed, you may enter the line again.

Plate lunches, sandwiches

and pies will be on sale in the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Only sandwiches and pies will be sold on Thursday night.

The price of the tickets is \$5.00 each.

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14.5 Oz. Oatmeal Squares

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Selected Varieties

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Selected Varieties

6 Pk. Bottles

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Selected Varieties

32 Oz. Box

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Aunt Jemima Syrup

Selected Varieties

24 Oz. Bottle

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Yoplait Yogurt

Selected Varieties

4-6 Oz. Cup

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Tropicana Orange Juice

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59 Oz. Bottle

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Selected Varieties

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Selected Flavors

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