

## Football

**HASKELL**  
JV-V Indians vs Roscoe  
Scrimmage  
Fri., Aug. 14, 6 p.m.  
at Haskell

**PAINT CREEK**  
Pirates vs Vernon-Northside  
and Forestburg Scrimmage  
Sat., Aug. 15, 10 a.m.  
at Vernon

**RULE**  
Bobcats vs ACHS  
Scrimmage  
Fri., Aug. 14, 6 p.m.  
at Rule

## Calendar

### Hamburger supper

The Haskell 4-H Club will host the annual 4-H Hamburger Fund-raiser Fri., Aug. 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Haskell vs. Roscoe football scrimmage at Indian Stadium. Please help support the Haskell 4-H Club by purchasing a \$6.00 meal deal which includes a hamburger and Eddie Klose's "Famous French Fries." The Haskell Indian Booster Club will be selling drinks and candy. Tickets will be sold by 4-H'ers and will also be available at the stadium the night of the scrimmage. If you need more information, call the Haskell County Extension office at 940-864-2658.

### Bake sale

A benefit bake sale will be held Sat., Aug. 15, beginning at 8:00 a.m., at Modern Way. Proceeds will go toward medical expenses for Janice (Isbell) Smith. If you would like to help in any way, contact Monica Langford at 940-256-0862.

### Hot dog benefit

A hot dog fund-raiser will be held Sat., Aug. 15 on the square to benefit the medical fund of Janice Smith. Donations will also be accepted.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

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The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Aug. 15 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

### Livestock show

A meeting for the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Extension office Mon., Aug. 17 at 6:00 p.m.

### Haskell Jr. High registration

Haskell Junior High students (sixth through eighth grades) will register Wed., Aug. 19 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. All new and returning students and their parents are invited and encouraged to attend.

### Music Jubilee

The Haskell Country Music Jubilee will be held the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at HTS in Haskell. Those interested in playing and listening are encouraged to come and enjoy the fun. Practice sessions are held on Thursday nights at HTS.

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## Indians scrimmage Friday night

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**2015 HASKELL INDIANS**—Members of the 2015 Haskell Indian football team include, front row, l-r, Sam Fouts, Rocky Haggard, Marc Guzman, Kadin Seeliger, Dalton Meinzer, Bryce Rodriguez and Hayden Hudson; middle row: Coach Grady Benton, Devon Barrios, Lane Burson, Pryce Stewart, Garret Tatum, Alex Alvarez, Alec Roewe, Kellen Parks, Hayden Leach, Dylan Hanson, Coach Matt Garvin; back row: Coach Chet Forehand, Coach Jeremy Kirk, Rudy Espinoza, Colton Wright, Chase Gibson, Kyle Glass, Kyler Hoover, Cody Strickland, Caden Tatum, Coach Tate Thompson and Coach Dusten Mackey. The Indians will scrimmage Roscoe Friday night at 6 p.m. at Indian Stadium.

## Hailey Hansard to produce feature-length movie

by Caron Yates

If hard work, perseverance and determination are the building stones for success, then Hailey Hansard is well on her way to achieving her goals.

Hansard, the daughter of Dr. Jim and Jill (Adkins) Hansard of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has Haskell connections. The granddaughter of the late Royce and Jimmie Lou Adkins, Hansard visited her grandparents, cousins and uncle and aunt, John and Bonnie Fouts, throughout her childhood. In fact, she still loves coming back to Texas for a visit.

Presently, however, she is very busy forging a career in the entertainment profession. Hansard began taking voice and dance lessons while in middle school. She says, "Throughout my experience at Jenks High School, I was able to be a part of some

of the best high school musicals, plays and show choir productions of any high school in Oklahoma."

She performed such roles as Frenchy in Grease, Jane in Peter Pan and Brigitta von Trapp in The Tulsa Opera's presentation of The Sound of Music. Continuing to study acting, theatre and dance at the University of Texas, she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and Dance, and a Business Foundations certificate. After graduation, Hansard packed her car, and with her mom as her road trip partner, headed west to Los Angeles.

Hansard confides, "When I first moved to Los Angeles, I imagined I would book a lead role on the hit show at the time, Glee, then become a movie star like Sandra Bullock, with a lake house in Austin and flying to L.A. for big roles in blockbuster

movies. However, reality quickly sank in. I learned that the 'overnight success story' is the exception, not the rule."

Not to be discouraged, she began taking acting classes geared towards TV and film auditions, landed a talent agent, and eventually was cast in several commercials, lots of short films and a few pilots that never aired on TV, as well as a couple of small roles in feature films. More recently, Hansard had her television debut on Investigation Discovery Channel's hit show Tabloid.

Currently she and long term boyfriend Jeremy Cohen are working on their first feature-length movie together. Yinz, is an independent fiction film that takes place in Cohen's hometown of New Castle, Pennsylvania, near Pittsburgh. Written and directed by Cohen, the movie is a unique take on the classic teen coming-of-age story set in the heart of the Rust Belt. It deals with loyalty to and betrayal of family, friends and ethnic identity in the boiler pot of a small town where everyone knows

everyone else. Hansard is helping produce the movie, as well as playing one of the lead characters. The movie is scheduled for shooting in early 2016.

One of the early steps in making an independent film is a Kickstarter campaign. The campaign is to raise \$30,000, which will be a fifth of the total budget of the film. To be a part of this campaign, individuals or businesses can pledge any amount from \$5 to \$10,000 towards the project. The campaign has a hard deadline, and must reach its goal by Wed., Sept. 2. In return for your support, the filmmakers are offering several items. For more information on the film or how you can help, go to [www.kickstarter.com/projects/jeremymcohen/yinz-a-rust-belt-movie](http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/jeremymcohen/yinz-a-rust-belt-movie).

Hansard says that as she has struggled to "get her foot in the door" in the entertainment industry, she has learned loud and clear that no form of success will come without hard work and determination. Earlier this year she had the opportunity



HAILEY HANSARD

to study with the legendary acting teacher, Larry Moss, who gave her tremendous inspiration to not only study great actors, but to also study great writers.

"My goal for the future," remarks Hansard, "is to sustain a career as an actress. I hope to continue to produce and act in feature films, specifically, films that showcase unique, truthful female characters." When she reaches that goal, it will be exciting to say, "That young actress has roots that grow all the way down to Haskell, Texas."

## Haskell Elementary sets BTS night, registration

Registration and Back to School Night for all Haskell Elementary students will be held on the following days and times.

**Tues., Aug. 18:** Kindergarten and first grade at 5:30 p.m.; second and third grades, 6:30 p.m.; and fourth and fifth grades, 7:30 p.m.

**Thurs., Aug. 20:** Head Start, PPCD, Prekindergarten-3 year olds and Prekindergarten-4 year

olds at 5:30 p.m.

It is important for parents/guardians to attend registration with their child/children so they can meet the teachers and fill out necessary paperwork. Homeroom lists will be posted at the time of registration.

School begins Mon., Aug. 24. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. Kindergarten through fifth grade will dismiss at 3:15 p.m.

## Paint Creek students to register

Paint Creek ISD will hold registration for all students for the 2015-2016 school year Thurs., Aug. 13. Please come by the school office between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to complete needed paperwork. Schedules for high school students will be given at this time.

To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2015. To attend

Pre-K, a child must be 4 on or before Sept. 1, 2015.

For all new incoming students, parents should bring their driver's license, their child's immunization record, birth certificate, and social security card to registration.

The first day of school will be Aug. 24.

If you have any questions, please call the school at 940-864-2868.

## Rule students to register Aug. 18

Rule ISD will hold registration for elementary, junior high and high school students Tues., Aug. 18.

Elementary registration will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Junior high and high school registration will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please enter the building at the east entrance by the superintendent's office for further instructions.

Parents or legal guardians of students in grades pre-K through eighth grade, as well as parents of all students new to the district for the upcoming school year, are required to attend. Parents of high school age students are also encouraged to attend.

Transfer students will be considered from surrounding areas.

Parents of students who

are new to the district should bring the following items with them to registration:

- A copy of the child's Social Security card.
- A copy of the child's birth certificate.
- Current immunization records.
- Any records from the child's previous school district.
- A copy of the parent or guardian's driver's license.

For more information about registration, call Rule ISD at 940-997-2246 or 940-997-2521.

Rule ISD will host their annual Title I meeting and "Meet the Teachers and Meet the Bobcats" night for all students and their parents Thurs., Aug. 20 from 6 to 7 p.m. At 6:00 p.m., an assembly will be

held in the auditorium to address the required Title I information and to present the Parent Involvement Policy for the 2015-16 school year. At the conclusion of the Title I meeting, parents and students will have the opportunity to enjoy ice cream and meet the 2015-2016 Bobcats, returning teachers and new teachers at Rule ISD.

Elementary students will also be able to visit their classrooms and drop off their supplies to be ready for the first day of school. Teachers and staff members will be on hand to meet and greet parents and answer questions regarding the upcoming school year.

Come enjoy this event in preparation for an exciting 2015-2016 school year.

FOR NEWS ITEMS OR TO SUBSCRIBE, CALL 940-864-2686

## Homecoming

Haskell-Mattson-Rochester-Weinert homecoming will be held Sept. 25-26.

## Al-Anon

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

## ECC Menu

**Mon., Aug. 17**

Porkie meatballs, creamed potatoes, blackeyed peas, hot rolls, misc. dessert, tea or coffee

**Wed., Aug. 19**

Taco salad and corn chips, seasoned corn, garlic toast, misc. dessert, tea or coffee

**Fri., Aug. 21**

Ham slice, creamy potatoes, ranch beans, hot rolls, brownies, jello, tea or coffee  
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.



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## Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Aug. 3-9: Jennifer Ellen Whitehead, possession of controlled substance, Jones Co. warrant probation violation warrant out of Oklahoma. Fifty calls were made to 911.

## Weather

by Kim Hutto  
National Weather Service  
Volunteer Co-op Observer  
Temperature  
Mon., Aug. 3.....75°/98°  
Tues., Aug. 4.....73°/98°  
Wed., Aug. 5.....75°/98°  
Thurs., Aug. 6.....78°/105°  
Fri., Aug. 7.....78°/106°  
Sat., Aug. 8.....78°/105°  
Sun., Aug. 9.....78°/105°  
Clear Fork  
Crime Stoppers  
1-800-222-TIPS

# Obituaries

## Sue McMeans



**SUE McMEANS**

Funeral services for Sue McMeans, 91, longtime resident of Haskell, were held Mon., Aug. 10 at First Baptist Church in Rule. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes. Mrs. McMeans passed away Wed., Aug. 5 at Mesa Springs in Abilene.

Born Feb. 4, 1924 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Charlie and Beulah Quattlebaum. She graduated from Haskell High School and worked for Perkins-Timberlake. Sue was a retired bookkeeper and served briefly as County Tax Assessor-Collector in the late 1960's. Sue married T.B. (Buddy) McMeans, Jr. March 11, 1944 and they had three children, Janis Lowack, Max McMeans and Thomas McMeans. She was a member at the First Baptist Church in Rule. She loved working in the yard.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Beulah (Hayes) Quattlebaum; her husband, T.B. "Buddy" McMeans, Jr.; sister, Maxine Quattlebaum Caperton; and a grandson, Heath McMeans.

Survivors include her

daughter, Janis Lowack and husband, Alden of Old Glory; two sons, Tom McMeans and wife, Judy of Fort Worth, Max McMeans and wife, Doris Jean of Haskell; grandchildren, Bobby Lowack and wife Kim, Ricky Lowack, Kent Leatherwood and wife Tracey, Todd Leatherwood and wife Dana, Misty Gibson and husband Paul, Melissa Bull and husband Clay, Randy Phemister and wife Lori and Rick Phemister; great-grandchildren; great-great-children; and nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be given in Sue's name to the First Baptist Church, 1001 Union Ave, Rule, Texas 79547, 940-997-2321.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.smithfamilyfh.com](http://www.smithfamilyfh.com).

PD. NOTICE

# City of Rule sets clean up date

The City of Rule will have a city wide clean up Sept. 14-18. Dumpsters will be located at the Rule Fire Department. One dumpster will be designated for tires only—no rims or wheels allowed. One dumpster will be designated for scrap metal and iron only. Two dumpsters will be designated for all other garbage and debris. This is

for city of Rule residents only. A current city of Rule water bill stub is required for proof of residency before using dumpsters. Unauthorized persons caught using dumpsters will be subject to a fine and/or jail time. Security cameras will be in place. All A/C's, refrigerators, freezers, or any unit containing Freon must be tagged by a licensed

technician that the Freon has been removed. Please do not leave or throw garbage, appliances, tires, furniture, etc., on the ground outside these dumpsters. The City asks that anyone witnessing such action to please report it to City Hall or the Rule Police Chief immediately. Rule City Hall phone number is 940-996-2214.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Haskell Consolidated School District will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., August 25, 2015, in Haskell CISD Administration Office. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	1.170000/\$100
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	0.486000/\$100

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0.900% Increase	0.000% Decrease
Debt service	0.010% Increase	0.000% Decrease
Total expenditures	0.000% Increase	0.000% Decrease

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04 Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value of all property	203,802,288	178,244,241
Total appraised value of new property	251,470	508,400
Total taxable value of all property	2,203,917	2,085,457
Total taxable value of new property	250,090	5,948

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$558,728.00
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### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	1.081400	0.041800	1.123200	\$4,051.00	\$6,968.00
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	1.384740	0.048620	1.433360	\$4,455.00	\$6,911.00
Proposed Rate	1.170000	0.048600	1.218600	\$3,788.00	\$6,911.00

\*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	49,639.00	37,223.00
Average Taxable Value of Residences	35,600.00	20,393.00
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	1.123170	1.170000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	388.01	238.60
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		-149.41

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.170000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.170000.

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	1,400,000.00
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	0.00

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Paint Creek ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m., August 27, 2015, in Paint Creek Board Room, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	1.170000/\$100
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	0.000000/\$100

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0.130% Increase	0.000% Decrease
Debt service	0.000% Increase	0.000% Decrease
Total expenditures	0.000% Increase	0.000% Decrease

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04 Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value of all property	103,881,370	140,560,160
Total appraised value of new property	73,660	4,817,640
Total taxable value of all property	101,994,890	138,099,680
Total taxable value of new property	73,660	4,786,070

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$0.00
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### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	1.040000	0	1.040000	\$7,976.00	\$7,465.00
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	1.162320	0	1.162320	\$12,193.00	\$3,697.00
Proposed Rate	1.170000	0	1.170000	\$12,077.00	\$3,893.00

\*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	41,894.00	14,976.00
Average Taxable Value of Residences	24,758.00	12,292.00
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	1.040000	1.170000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	257.48	122.92
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		-134.56

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

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### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	863,108.00
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	0.00

# Hope for Stamford Memorial Hospital

Employees at Stamford Memorial Hospital received hopeful news Wed., Aug. 5 during a called staff meeting. CEO Rick DeFoore announced to employees that though the hospital is facing financial difficulties, the doors will not be closing any time soon. The announcement came after a meeting with a group of consultants who are working with the hospital to develop a plan to help continue healthcare services for Stamford and surrounding areas.

DeFoore also announced that Dr. Doug Kruckner, M.D., has signed a contract and will begin practicing family medicine at Stamford Health Clinic in late October. Kruckner will be moving to Stamford from Julesburg, Colorado with his wife, Krystal, and sons, Simon and Javan. DeFoore also noted that Nurse Practitioner Jamie Benham is working with Dr. Leon Joplin and is accepting new patients.

"I'm much more optimistic today than I've

been in the past few months," said DeFoore. "We have every reason to believe today, that with consulting help, Dr. Kruckner's arrival soon and the support of the entire community, we can continue to have a full service, high quality hospital in Stamford."

DeFoore went on to say, "We are not out of the woods yet. Every time a person from this area goes out of town for healthcare services which we could provide, the hospital and entire community of Stamford are weakened. It takes more than just community support, but without that support, no other efforts will be successful in the long run."

DeFoore closed his remarks by saying, "In the last week, the community support for this hospital has been extremely positive and helpful. We are truly grateful for that support. I am thankful for this community and all of you. It is still a privilege to serve and I am optimistic about what the future holds for our hospital."

# Leadership program accepting applications

The Knox-Haskell Rural Leadership Program is gearing up for round two. This eight-month leadership series will be packed with outstanding speakers, tours, workshops, networking and much more. The Knox County Visioning Group (KCVG) and the Development Corporation of Haskell (DCOH) are sponsoring the Knox-Haskell Rural Leadership Program.

Each class will include curriculum elements such as communication, conflict management, dealing with difficult people/situations, diversity, leadership styles, customer service and team building to name just a few. In addition, there will be local tours of businesses, museums, and other places that make each county unique. These tours will help participants learn more about their community and the region.

The leadership series will be open to 20 people. Those participating will attend an orientation Sept. 18. Monthly sessions will be held on the first Friday of

each month from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., starting October and going through May 2016 in Knox and Haskell County. The group will take a trip to Austin in February 2016. And, each group will launch a community project upon completion of the training in May.

The program costs \$275 and may be paid by the employer or by individuals. Each participant will receive 4.8 CEUs from Vernon College. This fee includes all travel, food, a t-shirt, the overnight trip to Austin and all supplies. Applications are available to Knox County residents at the Knox County Visioning Group office in Benjamin, TX, or downloaded at <http://www.thescoopofknoxprairie.blogspot.com>. For Haskell County residents, applications can be picked up at City Hall or downloaded at [www.haskelltx.us](http://www.haskelltx.us). Application deadline is Sept. 1, but sooner is better because space is limited.

For more information call the KCVG at 940-459-4121 or the DCOH at 940-864-3424.

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## BACK TO SCHOOL SAVINGS!

Donate school supplies for SRTC to distribute to area children in need, and SRTC will reward your generosity with -

- Waived installation on Telephone, TV or Internet service
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Bring your donation of school supplies (or a backpack) to one of the SRTC office locations, experience, receive your waived installation charge(s), and benefit area kids. It's a win-win opportunity.

### Examples of needed supplies -

- Notebooks
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- Packages of facial tissues



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Offer good August 1-31, 2015. Some restrictions may apply. Services where available. Up to three connections waived, after three connections price is \$20 each.

# Cason's Crew fund-raiser to benefit CCF

by Caron Yates

While it began as a tribute and celebration of what would have been Casen Riley's first birthday, the annual event has evolved into a major fund-raiser for Pediatric Cardiomyopathy.

In memory of Casen Riley and in support of all families affected by Cardiomyopathy, the 6th Annual Casen's Crew for Children's Cardiomyopathy is scheduled for Sat., August 22, at the Maxwell Golf Course in Abilene.

The six month old son of Casey and Heather (Steele) Riley, both graduates of Haskell High School, passed away in March 2010, after being diagnosed with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

Cardiomyopathy, is a chronic disease of the heart muscle that can present in four forms. In children, the disease can be either acquired or inherited. It is estimated that 30,000 children have this disease. This "silent disease" is the leading cause of sudden deaths and heart transplants in children under the age of 18. Because the disease may present itself without obvious symptoms, it often goes undiagnosed. Unlike other congenital heart conditions, there is no surgical treatment or cure that can repair the damaged heart or stop the progression of the disease. More research is essential.

All proceeds go to the Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation and families affected by the disease. Since its beginning in 2002, the CCF, a non-profit organization, has grown into a global community of families, physicians

and scientists focused on improving diagnosis, treatment and quality of life for children with cardiomyopathy. CCF is involved in all aspects of the disease from research and education to patient support, awareness and advocacy. Every dollar counts and every dollar makes a difference. This disease remains severely underfunded by federal sources and pharmaceutical companies, given its severity. However, with CCF-funded research, progress is being made in understanding and improving survival rates for children with Cardiomyopathy.

Searching for a way to honor and remember their precious son, the Rileys in 2010 organized a fund-raiser to help raise awareness of this disease.

This year Casen's Crew is holding a 4 Man Scramble Golf Tournament. It will be held at the Maxwell Golf Course, located at 1002 S. 32nd in Abilene. The desk opens and cart pick up begins at 7 a.m. The Shotgun Start is at 8 a.m. The entry fee of \$75 per individual or \$300 per foursome will include green fee, cart, range balls and a hamburger meal. Cash awards for first, second, third, closest to #9 and longest drive on #10, will be presented after the meal.

The fourth annual 5K Run/Walk will begin with registration and check-in from 6:00-6:45 a.m. The event will kick off at 7 a.m. at the Maxwell Golf Course. Awards for overall winner in the male and female divisions, as well as first, second and third places in eight different age divisions will be presented. Entry fee is \$20 before Aug. 15 and \$25

thereafter. You may register online at [www.casenscrew.com](http://www.casenscrew.com).

Events such as this are only successful with the help of individual and corporate sponsors, the many participants and, of course, the wonderful volunteers. The Rileys are very appreciative of the past support they have received

and look forward to another successful fund-raiser for a very important cause.

For registration forms, more information on the event, information on the Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation, Casen's Story or how you can help support this cause, visit [www.casenscrew.com](http://www.casenscrew.com) or call Heather Riley at 325-370-6379.

**This Is It!**  
SALE Begins Thurs., Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>  
Our Final Reductions  
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# From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
**August 18, 2005**  
Melody Kennedy and Justin Teague, both HHS graduates, were listed on the Distinguished Students List for the Spring 2005 semester at Tarleton State University.

Winners in the Junior Golf Tournament, 14-15 year age category, were Callen Pittman, first; John English, second; and Jacob Rodriguez, third. The tournament was held at the Haskell Country Club.

Haskell County was hit with heavy showers and thunderstorms this week. County Sheriff David Halliburton said residents were evacuated from all camps around Lake Stamford. Rule reported over 23 inches of rain, while other areas of the county received 10-15 inches.

**20 Years Ago**  
**August 17, 1995**  
Don and Patsy Bivins of Valley View, were honored on their 30th anniversary with a surprise party in the home of Joe and Dorothy Clark. It was hosted by their children, Emmalee Bivins of Rule and Tom Bivins of Valley View.

Pam Reeves Tipton, a 1968 HHS graduate, has been awarded the M. Margaret Stron scholarship by the International Scholarship Committee. She will complete a Doctorate in Education Administration degree at the University of New Mexico in December.

Mindy Howard, the daughter of Bobby and Kim Howard of Haskell, was elected to the Junior Board of Directors of the Texas Club Calf Association. She will represent Region 3, consisting of twenty-five counties. She is the granddaughter of W.R. and Joyce Hager of Weinert and Bobby and Melba Howard of Haskell.

## 4-H awards banquet, dance set

The Haskell County 4-H Awards Banquet will be held Aug. 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Activity Building. All 4-H members and their families are encouraged to attend.

A 4-H Back to School Dance will be held after the banquet from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds Pavilion. Admission for the dance will be \$5.00. Drinks and candy will be available for purchase.

4-H members should bring a six pack of water. The 4-H dress code will be enforced for all that attend.



## Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

### Cotton Disease Update by Jason Woodward, Extension Plant Pathologist

Cotton around the state is at various growth stages ranging from cutout in the south to pinhead square in parts of the High Plains. Furthermore, a high degree of variability can be seen across an area or within a county. Unseasonably wet conditions in addition to relatively cool temperatures experienced early in the growing season are responsible for some of the variability being exhibited by the crop. While temperatures in the High Plains have increased, remnants of monsoonal moisture are evident with relative humidity levels being well above average. Such conditions are conducive for the development of both foliar and soilborne diseases. Observations of leaf spots caused by *Alternaria* spp., *Cercospora gossypina* or *Stemphylium solani* have been reported from southern areas of the state. Warmer temperatures should temper further development of leaf spot and limit any yield loss. Numerous samples of Bacterial blight, caused by *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *malvacearum*, have been received from around the state. Cotton plants are susceptible to infection by the bacterium during all stages of development. Stand losses and reduced vigor can be

experienced when infections occur during the seedling stage. More characteristic symptoms include small, dark green, water-soaked spots that are first visible on the underside of leaves. These lesions, which have an angular appearance and are delimited by the veins, later become present on the upper leaf surface.

As the disease progresses, a second leaf symptom, referred to as Black arm, can be observed along main veins extending towards petioles and vegetative branches. As individual lesions coalesce and become necrotic, infected leaves will defoliate prematurely. Water-soaked lesions can develop on infected bolls. These infections often result in a boll rot, which may affect color grades. There are no chemical management options available for Bacterial blight. The disease can currently be managed through the use of resistant varieties.

As a result of good soil moisture conditions, the damage potential for root-knot (*Meloidogyne incognita*) and reniform (*Rotylenchulus reniformis*) nematodes is rather high this year. Symptoms associated with nematodes include stunting, poor vigor, yellowing of leaves, and wilting. Such symptoms may be confused with nutrient deficiencies. Root-

knot nematode problems can be diagnosed by the characteristic galls that form on the root of infected plants. Diagnosis of the reniform nematode is more difficult, often requiring field sampling and laboratory confirmation. The amount of yield loss experienced is strongly correlated with nematode populations in the soil. Nematode damage is often enhanced when plants are experiencing other stress conditions.

Symptoms of Verticillium wilt and Fusarium wilt have also been observed over the past several weeks. Similarities between these two diseases often complicate diagnosis; however, subtle differences in the appearance of symptoms can be used to distinguish the two. Expression of Verticillium wilt, caused by *Verticillium dahliae*, is a result of systemic infections that lead to the vascular system of the plant becoming obstructed by the fungus. This is characterized by dark, necrotic flecks in the vascular tissue. More pronounced wilt symptoms are observed during boll fill, as the plant cannot adequately transport water and nutrients from the roots. Plants will have a mosaic appearance, and premature defoliation may occur. Significant reductions in lint yield and fiber quality can result from severe infections. Disease severity is closely

connected to the population density of the fungus in the soil. Assays can also be conducted to determine populations of the fungus in the soil.

Fusarium wilt is caused by the soilborne fungus, *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *vasinfectum*. This disease is becoming increasingly important throughout cotton production regions of the Southern High Plains. Typical symptoms of Fusarium wilt include chlorosis (or yellowing) on the margin of leaves. Inspection of the vascular system will reveal in discoloration of infected plants. If plants are infected early in the season, and adverse conditions are experienced, seedling mortality can occur. This may potentially be confused with seedling disease. In general, fields with a history of Fusarium wilt are also infested with the root-knot nematode. Attention should be paid to these fields, as Fusarium wilt could develop more rapidly as nematode populations increase. Occasionally, these diseases can occur in the same field, and may complicate which variety(ies) should be planted in subsequent years. If you have any questions regarding these or any other cotton diseases contact Jason Woodward, Extension Plant Pathologist located in Lubbock, at [jewoodward@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jewoodward@ag.tamu.edu) or 806-632-0762.



## Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

### Rolling Plains Weed Management in Cotton

by Emi Kimura and Gaylon Morgan

Cotton is a slow growing plant and is typically grown on wide row spacing. Because of these reasons and others, cotton requires well planned weed control program, including cultivation, pre-plant (burndown and incorporated), pre-emergence, and post-

emergence (directed and over-the-top) herbicide applications. Lint yield can be lost by 13-54% when 1 to 10 Palmer amaranth plants are present at every 30 ft of row, respectively (Morgan et al., 2001). The length of pre-emergence herbicide activity varies by herbicide, rate, soil moisture, soil texture, soil organic matter, and pH. Even when the pre-emergence herbicides are applied, scouting for weed

emergence to determine the need for post-emergence control, especially if glyphosate resistant pigweeds are expected. Glyphosate resistant pigweeds and other problematic weeds are most effectively controlled as small seedlings.

Mid-season weed pressure is high this year due to the good rainfall this spring and summer and high weed seed density in the soil. Mid-season weed control is important to preserve yields, but also to avoid further accumulation in the soil weed seed bank. There are two major weed management practices recommended for mid-season weed control.

**Cultivation:** Cultivation is an effective method to control small annual weeds and reduce competition from John Deer hooded sprayerperennial weeds for a limited time. Shallow cultivation is recommended to minimize the damage on cotton roots. When plowing perennial weeds, equipment should be cleaned thoroughly to avoid spreading weeds to

other areas of the field by weed rhizomes, roots, or seeds.

**Herbicides:** Post-directed herbicide application should be made in timely manner to control small weed seedlings with using hooded/shielded or direct sprayer. Weed seedlings should be smaller than the cotton height to avoid herbicide injury. Many post-direct Wylie shielded sprayerherbicides are burndown type herbicides although there are some with soil residual activity. Approximate timings of the post-directed herbicide applications are cotton seedlings at 3 to 8-in height and at 8 to 14-in height. All products differ for their timing of applications, targeted weeds, and rate of application. In many cases, a combination of herbicides should be considered to provide post-emergence activity, but also some soil residual activity.

Excessive rainfall observed this year has caused reduced efficacy from pre-emergence herbicide controls in cotton, which minimizes the cotton to weed height differential. Without the enough height differential between cotton and weed, over-the-top herbicide application is the appropriate weed control measure and application efficiency. Depending on the herbicide, over-the-top application will control or injure weeds and will create the height differential for effective post-directed herbicide applications. For the detailed information on target weeds, rates, and application timing of these products, please refer to *Weed Management in Texas Cotton*.

## Goat, sheep tag orders due

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Orders for sheep and goat tags for the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show and the Texas major shows for the 2015/2016 year are now being accepted.

4-H or FFA members planning to show a sheep or goat project will need to order a tag. Haskell County uses a state validation tag as identification for show

animals. The state tag will allow the showing of the animal in the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show or a major Texas show.

Market lambs, market goats, wether dams and wether does will cost \$10.00 per tag. Registered sheep and registered boer goats will be \$7.50 per tag.

The deadline for tag orders is Aug. 20. For more information, contact your County Agent or FFA advisor.



### 2015 BOBCAT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

#### VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 14	ACHS (Scrimmage)	Rule	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 21	Spur (Scrimmage)	Spur	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 28	Trent	Trent	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 4	Paducah	Paducah	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	Woodson	Rule	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Aspermont	Aspermont	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	Moran	Moran	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Benjamin	Rule	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 9	Vernon Northside	Rule	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	Open		
Oct. 23	Jayton*	Rule	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	Paint Creek*	Paint Creek	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	Lueders-Avoca*	Rule	7:30 p.m.

#### JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 10	Woodson	Woodson	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Aspermont	Rule	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Moran	Rule	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Benjamin	Benjamin	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Vernon Northside	Vernon	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	OPEN		
Oct. 22	Jayton*	Jayton	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	Paint Creek*	Rule	5:30 p.m.
Nov. 5	Lueders-Avoca*	Lueders-Avoca	5:30 p.m.

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### Water conservation

The City of Rule has lifted water restrictions for water customers. However, the council urges citizens to voluntarily conserve water when possible.



**PIRATE FOOTBALL**—The Paint Creek Pirates are excited and working hard to prepare for the upcoming season. They will scrimmage Vernon Northside and Forestburg Sat., Aug. 15 at 10 a.m. in Vernon. The Pirates are coached by Greg Priddy.

## Whitehead arrested in Rule

Rule Chief of Police David Wright, along with his wife Detective Ashley Wright, made a felony drug arrest in Rule this past week.

Jennifer Whitehead was arrested in Rule on possession of a controlled substance, penalty group 1. A warrant for her arrest had been issued out of Jones County, in addition to a warrant issued out of Oklahoma on a probation violation.

She is being held at the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center, on a \$20,000 bond.

Chief Wright said of the arrest, "The good Lord put us in the right place at the right time."

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## Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell Co. Commissioners' Court met at the regular meeting place with David C. Davis, county judge and commissioners Billy Wayne Hester, Tiffen Mayfield, Kenny Thompson and Neal Kreger attending.

Sheriff Winston Stephens reported having problems with one of the vehicles in his department and is having another motor

installed. Judge Davis commented that he received a preliminary evaluation from the Haskell County Appraisal Office.

The ice maker at the ECC has been fixed and is in working condition according to Commissioner Hester.

A motion to leave the Sheriff's and Constable fees as is for 2016 passed.

A motion to approve the proposed bid for security in all county offices from Secure Tech was approved.

A motion to reject the all quotes from VGI Technology regarding the addition of five cameras and control for courthouse passed.

A motion to continue the optional fees from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles passed.

## DPS 'Drink, Drive, Go to Jail' campaign runs Aug. 21-Sept. 7

As summer celebrations enter their final weeks, the Texas Department of Transportation is taking its "DWI Not So Fun House" to community events across the state as part of its "Drink, Drive, Go to Jail" campaign. The vintage-style interactive carnival trailer allows the public to experience the dangerous and potentially deadly effects of impaired driving.

"Don't turn your summer fun into a life-changing tragedy by being irresponsible when it comes to drinking and driving," said TxDOT Deputy Executive Director John Barton. "A safe and sober ride should be at the top of your list when making plans with family and friends. If not, you run the serious risk of being pulled over by law enforcement, being killed or killing someone else. It's just

not worth it." The "DWI Not So Fun House" allows visitors to see and experience the simulated effects of alcohol on motor skills and driving. Participants wear vision-blurring "drunk goggles" and try to complete simple, eye-hand coordination tasks while being "impaired." The slowed reaction times and distorted perception are designed to remind Texans about the deadly risks of drinking and driving, and encourage them to always plan for a sober ride.

Last summer in Texas, 336 people were killed and 680 were seriously injured in alcohol-related crashes. Texas drivers convicted of DWI face up to \$17,000 in costs, possible jail time, limited career prospects and loss of driver license. In an effort to curb impaired driving, TxDOT's "Drink,

Drive, Go to Jail" campaign is supported by increased law enforcement efforts between Aug. 21 and Sept. 7.

TxDOT strongly encourages everyone to plan for a sober ride before going out. Visit SoberRides.org to find alternatives to drinking and driving, such as:

- Calling a taxi or using a transportation app on your smartphone.
- Using mass transit.
- Asking a sober friend or family member for a ride home.
- Staying put.

### Water conservation

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**SCRIMMAGE**—Haskell Indian Lane Burson cuts through the defense during the inter-squad scrimmage Saturday.



**INTER-SQUAD SCRIMMAGE**—Haskell Indian Dylan Hanson takes the snap in the inter-squad scrimmage.



**BEGINNING DRILLS**—Haskell Indian Alex Alvarez, left, catches the pass in drills on the first day of pads. Indian Dalton Meinzer, right, runs patterns on the first day with pads.

# Rule garage sales slated Sept. 5

The city of Rule will have a community wide garage sale Sat., Sept. 5, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Persons wishing to add their sale to the map or to reserve a booth may go by Rule City Hall, 701 Union Ave., or call 940-996-2214. Deadline is Aug. 28. Booths are available inside old Lions Club building at no charge on a first come, first serve basis. Maps will be available at the old Lions Club Building, west end of Rule city park, the day of the event. For more information, call Teresa at 940-996-2214.

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## 2015 INDIAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

### VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 14	Roscoe (Scrimmage)	Haskell	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 20	Merkel (Scrimmage)	Merkel	TBD
Aug. 27	Grape Creek	Sweetwater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 4	Ranger	Ranger	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	Baird	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Stamford	Stamford	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	Olney (Homecoming)	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Open		
Oct. 9	*Electra	Haskell	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 16	*Seymour	Seymour	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 23	*Hamlin	Haskell	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 30	*Petrolia	Petrolia	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 6	*Munday	Haskell	7:00 p.m.

### JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

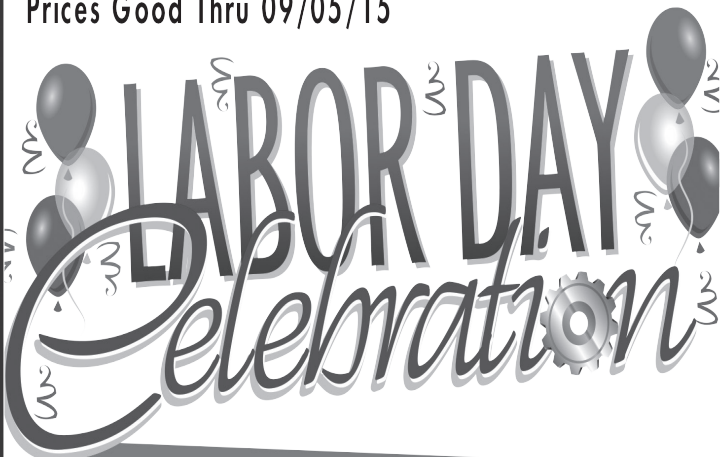
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 14	Roscoe (Scrimmage)	Haskell	TBD
Aug. 20	Merkel (Scrimmage)	Merkel	TBD
Aug. 28	Grape Creek	Haskell	5 p.m.
Sept. 3	Ranger	Haskell	6 p.m.
Sept. 10	Baird	Baird	Follows 8th grade
Sept. 17	Stamford	Haskell	Follows 8th grade
Sept. 24	Olney	Olney	Follows 8th grade
Oct. 1	Open		
Oct. 8	Electra	Electra	Follows 8th grade
Oct. 15	Seymour	Haskell	Follows 8th grade
Oct. 22	Hamlin	Hamlin	Follows 8th grade
Oct. 29	Petrolia	Haskell	Follows 8th grade
Nov. 5	Munday	Munday	Follows 8th grade

### JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 10	Baird	Baird	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Sept. 17	Stamford	Haskell	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Sept. 24	Olney	Olney	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Oct. 1	Open		
Oct. 8	Electra	Electra	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Oct. 15	Seymour	Haskell	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Oct. 22	Hamlin	Hamlin	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Oct. 29	Petrolia	Haskell	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game
Nov. 5	Munday	Munday	4 p.m., 8th follows 7th grade game

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