

## Texas Chiefs to hold open house June 25

The Texas Chiefs Model Airplane Club announces their 2016 open house will be held June 25 at the Haskell Model Airport. The field is located 3 miles east of Haskell off of 380. The field will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A variety of models, including drones, will be on hand. Flying will include aerobatics, sailplanes, large scale and drones. Flying will be under the rules of the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

## Weather

by Kim Hutto  
National Weather Service  
Volunteer Co-op Observer  
Temperature

Mon., June 6 ..... 62°/89°  
Tues., June 7 ..... 67°/88°  
Wed., June 8 ..... 70°/92°  
Thurs., June 9 ..... 70°/96°  
Fri., June 10 ..... 73°/88°  
Sat., June 11 ..... 70°/88°  
Sun., June 12 ..... 74°/86°

## Calendar

### Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the July 7 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., June 30 at 4:30 p.m. The Haskell Free Press office will be closed Mon., July 4.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., June 18 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., June 18 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

### Summer reading

The Haskell County Library will sponsor a Summer Reading Program to run through July 28. Tuesdays, from 10 to 10:30 a.m., programs for readers ages infant to 4 years old will be held. On Thursdays, from 10 to 11 a.m., a program will be held for readers ages Kindergarten through fifth grade.

### 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.

### Storm sirens

The Haskell Fire Department will conduct storm siren tests on Monday nights from 6-6:30 p.m. Siren tests will not be conducted on days that have a chance of severe weather.

### Deadlines

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



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## Happy Father's Day

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## Eight Indians named to All-District baseball teams



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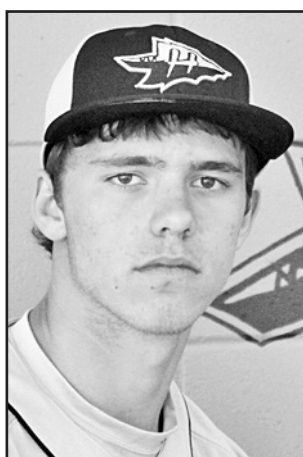
AARON SKILES



REED ROEWE



KADIN SEELINGER



ROCKY HAGGARD



EVAN GREEN

The District 8-2A All-District picks have been made and the Haskell Indians had eight players recognized for their efforts on the field. The coaches' choices are later this year, because the Stamford Bulldogs, representing 8-2A, advanced all the way to the state tournament.

Named to the All-District First Team Utility was senior Garret Tatum. Selected for the All-

District Second Team were junior DH Alec Roewe, sophomore pitcher Kyler Hoover, freshman infielder Aaron Skiles and freshman infielder Reed Roewe.

Recognized for All-District Honorable Mention were senior Kadin Seeliger, sophomore Rocky Haggard and freshman Evan Green.

Congratulations to these Indians on their post-season awards.

## 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days Project Fair results

by Jason Westbrook  
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Project Fair coordinated in part by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-Haskell County, held in conjunction with Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo was held June 2-4 at the Haskell Civic Center. The project fair was open to all Haskell County residents and/or school students and the employee/family members of participating ranch teams in the ranch rodeo.

The fair boasted seventy-four entries with over four hundred spectators during its three day run.

The WHPD Project Fair Best of Show winners were as follows:

Best of Show Adult Division: Mary Rike with her painted saddle entry.

Best of Show Youth Division: Shalee Dunnam with her canned/preserved pickles entry.

Best of Show trophy belt buckles were sponsored by Haskell Healthcare Center, Steve King administrator.

Results of the 2016 WHPD Project Fair are as follows:

### TEXTILE CATEGORY Machine Division

Youth Clothing: Madilyn Moore, first place.

Youth Baby Items: Shalee Dunnam, first place and blue rosette division winner.

Youth Pillow: Shalee Dunnam, first place.

### Handwork Division

Youth Decorated T-shirt: Colton Hopkins, first place.

Youth Fashion Storyboard: Madilyn Moore, first place and blue rosette division winner; Colton Hopkins, second place.

### FOOD CATEGORY Baked Goods

Youth Cookies: Shalee Dunnam, first place; Colt Moore, second place; Codie Salinas, third place.

Youth Cakes: Evan Enriquez, first place and blue

rosette division winner; Sidney Campbell, second place.

Youth Candy: Madyson Salinas, first place

Adult Yeast Bread: Katherine Medford, first place and blue rosette division winner.

Youth Quick Breads: Caroline McCartney, first place.

Youth Other: Shalee Dunnam, first place.

### Canned, Preserved and Novelty Goods

Youth Pickles: Shalee Dunnam, first place, blue rosette division winner and Youth Best of Show.

Youth Jellies: Madilyn Moore, first place.

Adult Jellies: Steffi Overton, first place; Oleta Cornelius, second place.

Adult Jams/Preserves: Steffi Overton, first place; Franciene Johnson, second place; Oleta Cornelius, third place.

Youth Salsa/Relishes: Shalee Dunnam, first place.

Adult Salsa/Relishes: Janet Moeller, first place.

Youth Dehydrated: Colton Hopkins, first place.

Adult Other: Janet Moeller, first place.

### HOBBIES, ARTS AND CRAFTS CATEGORY Crafts Division

Adult Woodwork/Large: Cliff Morris, first place and blue rosette division winner.

Youth Ceramics: Caroline McCartney, first place; Shalee Dunnam, second place.

Youth Braiding: Ben McCartney, first place.

Youth Holiday Deco: Caroline McCartney, first place.

Youth Leatherwork: Ben McCartney, first place.

Youth Metalwork: Harrison Jarred, first place and blue rosette division winner.

Youth Paper Picture Art: Colton Hopkins, first place.

Adult Home Accessory: Marilyn Griffith, first place.

Youth Duct Tape: Evan

Enriquez, first place; Zoe Shiplett, second place.

Youth Science Projects: Madilyn Moore, first place; Lillea Olsen, second place.

Youth Mosaics: Caroline McCartney, first place.

Youth Other: Madilyn Moore, first place; Ben McCartney, second place.

### PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

Youth Nature/Landscape: Bailey Hawkins, first place.

Youth People: Bailey Hawkins, first place.

Youth Domestic Animals: Shalee Dunnam, first place.

Youth Architecture: Shalee Dunnam, first place.

Youth Wildlife: Colton Hopkins, first place; Bailey Hawkins, second place.

Youth Plant/Flora: Colton Hopkins, first place; Shalee Dunnam, second place.

Youth Still Life: Bailey Hawkins, first place; Colton Hopkins, second place.

Youth Sports/Rodeo/Fair: Colton Hopkins, first place and blue rosette division winner.

Youth Other: Bailey Hawkins, first place.

### ART DIVISION

Youth Water Color: Carolyn McCartney, first place.

Youth Acrylic: Carolyn McCartney, first place; Sarah Campbell, second place; Madilyn Moore, third place; Zoe Shiplett and Colton Hopkins participating.

Youth Pencil: Addyson Decker, first place.

Youth Crayon: Madilyn Moore, first place.

Youth Marker: Claire McCartney, first place; Caroline McCartney, second place.

Youth Mixed Medium: Caroline McCartney, first place.

Youth Educational Exhibit/Poster Display: Shalee Dunnam, first place; Colton Hopkins, second place.

Youth Preprinted Coloring

Page: Claire McCartney, first place; Caroline McCartney, second place.

Adult Oil Painting: Mary Rike, first place.

Youth Other: Sarah Campbell, first place; Madilyn Moore, second place.

Adult Other: Mary Rike, first place, blue rosette division winner and Adult Best of Show.

Superintendents for this year's WHPD Project Fair were Michelle Thane and Darlene Hopkins.



MARY RIKE  
WHPD Project Fair Best of Show, Adult Division



SHALEE DUNNAM  
WHPD Project Fair Best of Show, Youth Division

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# Regional Jail's contract extended through the end of the year

by Caron Yates  
Although all details have not yet been worked out, there appears to be hope for the continuation of the regional jail, located in Haskell County.

In early April, when employees of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail received letters stating that Emerald Correction Management LLC would be closing its entire operation as of June 9, the future looked rather bleak. Emerald has lost its lease for the facility. The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement or ICE plan to move the detainees to a new facility in Alvarado, near Dallas, in order to have them within forty-five minutes of the federal court.

Recently, employees received word that they would be keeping their jobs at least

through the end of December. When word of the impending closure was first received, Judge David Davis said that the county and Economic Development Corporation officials began working fervently to find a solution that would keep the facility open, at least on some level.

Judge Davis has confirmed that a contract has been extended through the end of 2016. He continues, "A contract between the owners of the facility and Emerald has been extended through the first of the year. This extension, which has been approved by both parties, allows Emerald to seek other populations, while still operating the facility."

He did state however that the ICE contract has been pulled from Haskell.

With one hundred thirty plus employees, the regional jail offers one of the biggest employment opportunities in Haskell County and its closing would have a major impact on, not only the employees, but the county.

The 500 bed jail, which opened in March 2002, houses county inmates, as well as immigration prisoners. They also have contracts with Throckmorton and Baylor Counties.

Judge Davis stated, "We are looking forward to getting another population, and we are doing all we can to assist Emerald. Another ICE contract is also being sought, in addition to recruiting populations from other states."

It is hoped that with the extension, a permanent solution can be found to ensure the future of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail.

## Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of June 6-12: Kathereen Michelle Hunt, motion to revoke possession of methamphetamine.

Hector Garcia, failure to appear motion for enforcement.

Wendy Aaron Bivins, evading with a motor vehicle, shoplifting under \$100, driving while license invalid, possession of controlled substance under one gram.

Bobbi Lynn Herricks, evading with a motor vehicle, shoplifting under \$100, possession of controlled substance under one gram.

Holli Aaron Miller, possession of methamphetamine with prior conviction, Throckmorton County warrant.

Zachary Dalvon Southwood, warrant one, motion to revoke burglary of building, warrant two, motion to revoke burglary of building.

Jerry Don Mann, parole warrant.

Forty-one calls were made to 911.

# Obituaries

## Charles W. Bates



CHARLES BATES

Graveside services for Charles W. Bates, 82, of Stanton, were held Wed., June 15 at Howard Cemetery in Paint Creek under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes. Rev. Tony Grand officiated.

Mr. Bates passed away at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Fri., June 10.

Born Nov. 11, 1933 in Shallowater, he was the son of Glenn Bates and Johnnie Mae (Mullins) Bates. Charles married Flossie Lavern (Medford) May 31, 1952

in Haskell. Charles served in the U.S. Marine Corp. After the Marines, he went to work for Lone Star Boat in Grand Prairie. He was an owner of Joe's TV repair in Baird. He moved to Haskell in 1998 then later moved to Stanton in 2011. He was a member of the East Side Baptist Church in Haskell. He enjoyed collecting books, knives and going to garage sales.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Glenn Bates and Johnnie Mae (Mullins)

Bates; step-dad, Leo Mullin, granddaughter, Cristi Bates; two sisters; one niece; and one nephew.

Survivors include his wife Flossie Bates of Stanton; two sons, Charles Randall Bates and wife Kathy of Elk City, Oklahoma and Terry Guinn Bates and wife Pam of Jacksonville; two daughters, Cynthia Lavern O'Donnell and husband Rusty of Stanton and Michelle Lanette Ray and husband Stan of Georgetown; brother-in-law, Bobby Medford and wife Kathryn of Haskell; twelve grandchildren; twenty-four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

If desired, memorials may be given in Charles' name to the West Texas Rehab, 4601 Hartford Street, Abilene, Texas, 79605 or to 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, Tennessee, 38105.

Online condolences may be shared with Charles' family at [www.smithfamilyfh.com](http://www.smithfamilyfh.com). PD. NOTICE

## Joy Davis Jones



JOY JONES

Funeral services for Joy Davis Jones, 96, of Rule were held Wed., June 15 at First Baptist Church in Rule with Scott Hensley officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mrs. Jones died Sun., June 12 after a lengthy illness.

Born Dec. 15, 1919 in Rule, she was the daughter of Charles O. and Jessie Haralson Davis. She graduated from Rule High

School in 1937. Following graduation, she attended Baylor University. She married Lennis W. "Doc" Jones June 25, 1939 in Rule. She was a homemaker who loved her family, loved to play bridge and loved to sew.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, her parents and two brothers, Don W. Davis and Dick Davis.

Survivors include two daughters, Judy New and husband, Jimmy of Sagerton, and Nan Sublett of Rule; one son, Bill Jones and wife, Jolanda of Rule; five grandsons, Charles New and wife, Ronnye Gay of East Bernard; Craig New and friend, Ember of Portland, Oregon; Jeff Sublett and wife, Carla of Austin; Phillip Sublett and wife, Susie of Austin; and Andy Martinez and wife, MacKenzie of El

Paso; three granddaughters, Bobbie Ordenez and husband, Shawn of Lubbock; Megan Kindle and husband, Kyle of Lubbock, and Kristen Rohrer and husband, Jacob of Havre, Montana; 13 great grandchildren, Kayla, Zack, Reagan, Maxwell, Scarlett, Quentin, Amelia, Sarah, Kyndall, Karli, Mia, Audrey and Taryn.

The family would like to say a special thanks to Encompass Home Health especially Julie and D'Linn and to the nurses at Hendrick Hospice and Haskell Healthcare Center for their loving care.

Donations may be made to First Baptist Church in Rule or the charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be shared with Joy's family at [www.smithfamilyfh.com](http://www.smithfamilyfh.com). PD. NOTICE

## Alfred Eugene 'Gene' Lee



GENE LEE

Graveside services for Alfred Eugene 'Gene' Lee will be held Thurs., June 23 at Rule Cemetery in Rule. The family will accept guests and visitation at the family home located at 403 Cardiff in Rule Wed., June 22.

On November 20, 1952, a fiery red-headed boy, Alfred Eugene (Gene) Lee was born to Donald and Laverne Lee of Rule. He was the bouncing brother to older sister, Karen, and was there to welcome

three more siblings in the coming years. Gene two-stopped his way back to our Lord Wed., June 11, after living a life which can be commemorated with his fighting spirit, his infectious laughter, his love of family, his eye twinkle during many, many games of 42, and miles of dance floor trampled down by his dancing shoes.

Gene's legacy is left on the hearts of many and his inspiration lives on. He celebrated more than one "birthday" the last years of his life, after he was renewed in spirit with a newfound sobriety. Gene shared his 14 years of sobriety in the meeting halls of Alcoholics Anonymous, speaking at conferences and even acted as a sponsor to several individuals.

Gene was a baptized member of the First Baptist Church in Rule, Texas.

Gene was preceded in death by both of his parents; Donald and Laverne (Allison) Lee.

Survivors include his loving and faithful siblings; sister, Karen Smart and husband, Sid Smart of Rochester; sister, Valerie Minefee and husband, Joe, of Midland; brother, Terry Lee and wife, Judy, of Austin; and sister, Julie Petty and husband, Rod, of Rule; his four beloved nephews, two nieces, four great-nephews; five great-nieces; his Uncle Benny and Aunt Wilma Allison of Canyon; Aunt Joan Brock of Clyde; Uncle Willie Lehrmann of Fort Worth; Aunt Aletha Lee of Camden, Arkansas and many cousins.

The family asks that rather than sending flowers, please send donations to Hospice Midland, 911 West Texas, Midland, Texas 79701.

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## Robert W. 'Bobby' Raynes, Jr.

Funeral services for Robert W. Raynes, Jr., 75 of Weinert were held Mon., June 13 at the First Baptist Church in Weinert. Graveside services followed in Weinert Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

Mr. Raynes went home to be with his Savior Fri., June 10.

Born March 30, 1941 in Seagraves, he was the son of Robert W. Raynes Sr. and Crystella Wiggins Raynes. He lived in Weinert most of his life. He graduated from Weinert High School in 1959. On Aug. 5, 1962, he married Betty Williams Raynes in Haskell. To this marriage was born three children: Michelle Raynes Johnson, Wade Raynes and Robin Raynes. He farmed for over 50 years in the Weinert area. He was a member of Weinert Baptist Church, Weinert Lion's Club, Volunteer Fire Department and the Jaycees. He also served several years on the Weinert School Board.

He was preceded in death by his father, R.W. Raynes Sr. and one grandson, Christopher Johnson.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Raynes of Weinert; daughter, Michelle Johnson and Richard Wendland of Abilene; sons, Wade and Charlotte Raynes of Weinert, and Robin and Sandy Raynes of Haviland, Kansas; ten grandchildren, Tyler and Megan Raynes, Rechele Raynes, Miranda Johnson, Destini Raynes, Rebecca and Taylor Coleman, Faith Raynes, Rowdy Raynes, Brittany and Alex Solano, Angel and Chance Agraz and Jolene Navarrette; seven great grandchildren and one on the way; his mother, Crystella Raynes; five sisters, Roberta and Frankie Jenkins, Mary Nell and Don Coltharp, Patsy Lee and Steve Siegfried, Dorthy Jetton and Delores and Ronnie Stewart; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pallbearers were Jerry Walker, Jerry King, Wayne Proctor, Marty Earle, Billy Joe Robertson, Ed Murphy and Tiffen Mayfield.

In lieu of flowers, Bobby would love donations to be sent to the First Baptist Church of Weinert, P.O. Box 98, Weinert, TX 76388 or Weinert Cemetery. PD. NOTICE

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# Child care training set July 9 in Abilene

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.  
Professional child care training will be offered July 9 during "Inclusive Child Care for Preschool and School-Aged Children," a collaborative effort among the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services and Child Care Licensing, and Region 14 Education Service Center.

The workshop will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Region 14 Education Service Center-NOLAN Room, located at 1850 Highway 351 in Abilene, said Jane Rowan, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent in Taylor County.

"This course offers six hours of continuing education units for early childhood educators and is designed for child care providers and directors," Rowan said. "Our speakers will be Dr. Jean Paulsel, AgriLife Extension family life and child development specialist, and Rebecca Dunn, AgriLife Extension child development specialist, both from College Station."

The course is being offered free of charge. Rowan advised registering early as seating is limited. The schedule includes a one hour lunch break which participants are responsible for their own lunch.

Pre-registration is required by going to the Region 14 Education Service Center website [www.esc14.net](http://www.esc14.net). Once on the site participants will use the PitStop tab and register for session #101734. If you need to set up a Pit Stop account, follow the links at [www.esc14.net](http://www.esc14.net).

Topics for the workshop will include:

- An Introduction to Inclusive Child Care for Preschool and School-Age Children;
- Supporting Strong Peer and Adult-Child Relationships in the Inclusive Child Care Environment.
- Strategies for Caring for Children with Sensory Integration Issues.
- Activity-Based Support in Inclusive Preschool and School-Age Child Care;
- Establishing a Healthy and Safe Environment for

Preschool and School-Age Children with Special Needs.

•Strategies for Caring for Preschool and School-Age Children with Challenging Behaviors.

•Strategies for Helping Preschool and School-Age Children Develop Self-Help Skills in the Inclusive Child Care Setting.

•Strategies for Partnering with Families of Children with Special Needs.

For more information about the workshop, you may contact the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048.

# Natural disaster preparedness and insurance

Texans live in a state with the potential for many types of natural disasters—flash floods, hurricanes, windstorms, tornadoes and wildfires, to name the most common. While we may never know for certain when a natural disaster will strike, you can minimize damage and risk of harm by being prepared. The following tips discuss preparedness for any natural disaster and explore insurance coverage in this unfortunate situation.

**Disaster Supply Kit**  
Every household should have an emergency supply kit ready and easily accessible in case of a disaster. This kit should include a flashlight with extra batteries, a first aid kit, a crank or battery operated radio with NOAA weather radio capabilities, necessary prescription medications, an emergency whistle to signal for help, a gallon of water per person and pet for at least three days, and several days' worth of nonperishable food. Other items to consider including are pet food, a list of emergency phone numbers and a cell phone with a battery powered charger. If possible, it's also helpful to include three to five days' worth of cash in the instance that ATMs are either unavailable or damaged.

**Family Emergency Plan**  
Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, and this can cause increased panic if you haven't prepared for this situation. A family disaster plan that includes how you will contact each other, where you will meet and identifies a safe place to gather as an alternative to your home is extremely important. This plan will ensure your children know what to do, where they

# EEA Club news

The Haskell County EEA Club met Thurs., June 9, at the Haskell County Extension kitchen. Kathryn Schonerstedt called the meeting to order and roll call was answered to "What do you do when you're depressed?"

Upcoming events include the annual state convention, which will be held Sept. 12-14 in Plano. "Spread Your Wings and Fly" is this year's theme and the convention will include informative workshops, a cultural arts competition, great food and many fun activities.

The program was a group brainstorming session on

ideas for the coming year's programs and suggestions to increase membership. Many creative ideas and suggestions were provided, which will be discussed further and implemented during the near future.

Members are excited to welcome the new Haskell County FCS agent, Darlene Hopkins, who will begin employment July 1.

Refreshments were provided by Phoi McGuire and Dolores Medford.

Since July is vacation month, the next meeting will be Aug. 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the Haskell County Extension kitchen. Anyone is welcome to attend.

can go and who they can stay with in the event of an emergency.

The FEMA website includes a family emergency plan that can be printed to help assist families with developing their individual plans. Experts agree that developing a disaster plan ahead of time reduces fear and anxiety in children, which means they have a better chance of staying safe until help arrives.

**Safeguard Documents**  
Prepare a vital records kit with copies of important documents to store in a waterproof and fireproof container in a safe place in your home. Another option is to scan and store these documents in a cloud-based application so that it will be protected even if your home is destroyed. Yet another good option is a safe deposit box at your local community bank. Documents and items for this kit include copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records, proof of vaccinations for pets, mortgages, birth and marriage certificates, and irreplaceable photos.

**Homeowners Insurance**  
While it's difficult to think about losing your home due to a natural disaster, it's important to understand what your homeowners insurance policy does and does not cover. Since policies vary by insurance company, you shouldn't make any assumptions as to what may or may not be covered. Most basic homeowners policies cover fire and lightning, explosion, smoke, and damage caused by the weight of ice, snow or sleet. Perils of hail, windstorm, vandalism, theft and water damage may be restricted or even excluded

by many policies. In coastal regions or in areas prone to windstorm or hail, it's likely that your policy will have specific conditions, restrictions or full exclusions regarding coverage. Flood is always excluded and must be purchased through the Federal Flood Insurance Program. Other perils that are likely excluded include earthquake, water damage if related to flood or an otherwise excluded peril, sewer back-up and nuclear accidents.

All policies have exclusions, even if you have an "all risk" policy. If your policy contains an exclusion of coverage, ask your insurance agent to provide an option for the coverage through another carrier or specialty policy. Often windstorm coverage for Texas coastal locations must be obtained through TWIA—the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association.

While putting together your disaster kit, family plan and other preparations, it's helpful to know the available resources. The FEMA website ([www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)) and the American Red Cross website ([www.redcross.org/prepare](http://www.redcross.org/prepare)) are good resources. Being prepared will help you and your family remain calm and rational when a disaster strikes, which can also save lives. Being educated about your specific homeowners insurance, what is covered and what isn't will help you make an informed decision about any additional coverage to purchase before a disaster hits. The bottom line is that being prepared for a natural disaster, on several fronts, will help ensure your family recovers and gets back to normal life as quickly as possible.

# Food certification course

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in six Americans will become sick. 128,000 will become hospitalized, and 3,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

Texas Food Establishment Rules state that each food establishment is required to have one certified food manager on site.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension service in Taylor, Jones and Nolan Counties, is offering a professional food manager certification training course. This two day program will be offered for \$125 on Aug. 15 and Aug. 16 at the Taylor County Extension Office. Cost includes training, materials and the ServCafe food manager certification examination. The food manager's certification will be valid for five years. Registration deadline is July 25.


This program is designed to not only prepare

foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential.

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Professional Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, called "Food Safety: It's Our Business," call Jane Rowan at 325-672-6048. You may also access a downloadable registration form at <http://taylor.agrilife.org>.

*Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
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## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago June 15, 2006

Pat McCrory, a freshman at Navarro Junior College and son of Pat and Johnnie Brueggeman McCrory of Kilgore, was named the first Team NJCAA All American, as well as being named Freshman of the Year. He is the grandson of Dora Brueggeman of Weinert.

Members of the Haskell TEEA club enjoyed a day trip to Dillion's Nursery in Knox City, where Jim Dillion gave an informative tour. Melba Lowrance, owner of Busy Hands and Feet, presented a program on caring for hands and cuticles.

Crews and machinery from County Precincts 2,3 and 4 worked to clear debris from the site of the library building, in preparation for the construction of the new Haskell County Library.

### 20 Years Ago June 13, 1996

Robert Ace and Tom Turner won first place in the brisket cook-off held in conjunction with Wild Horse Prairie Days. There were twenty-six entries judged.

Representing Haskell County 4-H at the Rolling Plains District Horse Show in Vernon will be Morgan Cox, Mik Everett, Cassie Lamb, Hegan Lamb, Heath McCulloch and Laci Townsend.

Haskell High School graduate Jennifer Comedy has been named to the All-American Team in Intercollegiate archery. The daughter of Don and Nene Comedy of Haskell, she attends Texas A&M University.

### 30 Years Ago June 12, 1986

D.E. Livengood assumed duties as Haskell County Veterans Service officer. He was appointed by the Commissioners' Court to succeed Bud Herren.

According to Sesquicentennial chairman Jerrene Couch, some

seventeen hundred people were fed hamburgers, fries and Texas sugar cookies as the wagon train of 61 wagons and 150 riders, as well as a large crowd of townspeople, gathered at the fairgrounds.

Eric Turnbow, son of Woody and Georgia Turnbow, has been selected for the Robert D. Gunn scholar award by the Department of Geology at Midwestern State University.

### 40 Years Ago June 10, 1976

Haskell High School graduate Billy C. Matthews has been promoted to the rank of captain in the U.S. Navy and named prospective commanding officer for the Naval Reserve Support Command. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie B. Matthews.

Attending cheerleading camp at Tarleton State University were Rule High School cheerleaders Joanne Cloud, Linda Rhoads, Wynette Williams, Colleen Townsend, Jill LeFevre and Lisa Buhrkuhl.

Ellen Walling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Walling, Jr. of Haskell, graduated from West Texas State University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, with a minor in music.

### 50 Years Ago

The cowboys of old took pride in seeing who had the fastest horse in the west, and now today's cowboys will have the same chance.

The Texas Cowboy Reunion is continuing its tradition of bringing the Old West to the present by adding a new event, Matched Horse Races, to the 2016 TCR lineup. "The TCR is known for unique and exciting events that reflect the life of cowboys in the Old West," says James Decker, the race chairman. "We wanted to provide an opportunity for horsemen and horsewomen to show off their horses like they have been doing since those

### June 16, 1966

Diana Hester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hester of Haskell, is among 35 high school students from seventeen Texas cities participating in a four-week speech workshop at the University of Texas.

Haskell County 4-Hers selected to attend the District 4-H Leadership Camp are Mary Lynn Adkins, O'Brien; Lorenia Caddell, Weinert; Sue Hager, Mattson; Wanda Griffith, Paint Creek; Cindy Pittcock, Rule; and Dorcas Tanner, Rochester.

### 100 Years Ago June 10, 1916

A cyclone which swept through the north part of town last Sunday night, killed a fourteen year old girl and seriously injured Preacher Washington's wife. Several homes and barns were damaged or destroyed by the cloud which was indeed a bad looker. It was accompanied by a severe and very brilliant electrical display.

E. Myers of Weinert Mercantile Co. of Weinert, was here Tuesday on business and made this office a pleasant call.

Rev. F.P. Morgan and wife, traveling evangelists, spoke on the streets of Haskell to a large crowd of hearers.

## TCR adds event

days."

The new event will join the lineup of Saturday afternoon events on July 2, with the books for the race opening at 2 p.m. The races will begin at 3 p.m. at the racetrack at the southwest corner of the TCR grounds.

Those interested in participating in the event can register early for only \$10 until June 20, or for \$15 up to the day of the race. The race has a \$1,000 purse, as well as a commemorative buckle for the champion. The event will be limited to the first 40 paid entries, so riders who are interested should sign up soon.

Want to cheer on your favorite horseman or horsewoman in the race? The TCR is also selling reserved trailer viewing spots for attendees to park flatbed trailers along the race track for viewers to watch the races with their friends and family. These reserved spots are available for \$200. Attendees can also reserve a parking spot for a pickup for \$25, with a limited number of VIP pickup spots available for \$50. All reserved spots are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and must be paid to be reserved. General admission tickets for those watching from a pickup or trailer or those who want to watch the race picnic style with chairs or blankets will cost \$5 per person.

To sign up for the race or for more information, contact James Decker at 325-668-4878 or jamesdecker2006@hotmail.com. Entry forms and fees can also be mailed to James at P.O. Box 106, Stamford, TX 79553, or be mailed or delivered to 127 E. McHarg St., Stamford, TX 79553.

# USDA to assist producers in 2016 ginning season costs

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) will provide an estimated \$300 million in cost-share assistance payments to cotton producers through the new Cotton Ginning Cost-Share program, in order to expand and maintain the domestic marketing of cotton.

"This announcement shows USDA continues to stand with America's cotton producers and our rural communities," said Vilsack. "The Cotton Ginning Cost Share program will offer meaningful, timely and targeted assistance to cotton growers to help with their anticipated ginning costs and to facilitate marketing. The program will provide, on average, approximately 60 percent more assistance per farm and per producer than the 2014 program that provided cotton transition assistance."

Through the Cotton Ginning Cost-Share program, eligible producers can receive a one-time cost share payment, which is based on a producer's 2015 cotton acres reported to FSA, multiplied by 40 percent of the average ginning cost for each production region. With the pressing need to provide assistance ahead of the 2016 ginning season this fall, USDA will ensure the application process is straight-forward and efficient. The program estimates the costs based on planting of cotton in 2015, and therefore the local

FSA offices already have this information for the vast majority of eligible producers and the applications will be pre-populated with existing data. Sign-up for the program will begin June 20 and run through Aug. 5, 2016 at the producer's local FSA office. Payments will be processed as applications are received, and are expected to begin in July.

Since 2011, cotton fiber markets have experienced dramatic changes. As a result of low cotton prices and global oversupply, cotton producers are facing economic uncertainty that has led to many producers having lost equity and having been forced to liquidate equipment and land to satisfy loans. The ginning of cotton is necessary prior to marketing the lint for fiber, or the seed for oil or feed. While the Cotton Ginning Cost-Share program makes payments to cotton producers for cotton ginning costs, the benefits of the program will be felt by the broader marketing chain associated with cotton and cottonseed, including cotton gins, cooperatives, marketers and cottonseed crushers and the rural communities that depend on them.

The program has the same eligibility requirements as were used for the 2014 Cotton Transition Assistance Program, including a \$40,000 per producer payment limit, requirement to be actively engaged in farming, meet conservation compliance and a \$900,000 adjusted gross income limit.

To learn more about the

Cotton Ginning Cost-Share program, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/cgcs](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/cgcs) or contact a local FSA county office. To find your local FSA county office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has also provided \$5.6 billion in disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; expanded risk management tools with products like Whole Farm Revenue Protection; and helped farm businesses grow with \$36 billion in farm credit. The Department has engaged its resources to support a strong next generation of farmers and ranchers by improving access to land and capital; building new markets and market opportunities; and extending new conservation opportunities. USDA has developed new markets for rural-made products, including more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and invested \$64 billion in infrastructure and community facilities to help improve the quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/results](http://www.usda.gov/results).

## USDA offers targeted farm loan funding for underserved groups and beginning farmers

USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Judith A. Canales, reminds producers that FSA offers targeted farm ownership and farm operating loans to assist underserved applicants as well as beginning farmers and ranchers.

"Each year, a portion of FSA's loan funds are set aside to lend to targeted underserved and beginning farmers and ranchers," said Canales. "Farming and livestock production are capital intensive business ventures and FSA is committed to helping producers start, expand and maintain their agricultural operations."

USDA defines underserved applicants as a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. For farm loan program purposes, targeted underserved groups are women, African Americans, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, and Asians and Pacific Islanders.

Underserved or beginning farmers and ranchers who cannot obtain commercial credit from a bank can apply for either FSA direct loans or guaranteed loans. Direct loans are made to applicants by FSA. Guaranteed loans are made by lending institutions who arrange for FSA to guarantee the loan. FSA can guarantee up to 95 percent of the loss of principal and interest on a loan. The FSA guarantee allows lenders to make agricultural credit available to producers who do not meet the lender's normal underwriting criteria.

"During fiscal year 2015, Texas FSA obligated \$157.6 million in loans and guarantees to assist 1,592 targeted underserved and beginning producers," said Canales.

The direct and guaranteed loan program provides for two types of loans: farm ownership loans and farm operating loans.

Farm ownership loan funds may be used to purchase or enlarge a farm or ranch, purchase easements or rights of way needed in the farm's operation, build or improve buildings such as a dwelling or barn, promote soil and water conservation and development and pay closing costs.

Farm operating loan funds may be used to purchase livestock, poultry, farm equipment, fertilizer, and other materials necessary to operate a successful farm. Operating loan funds can also be used for family living expenses, refinancing debts under certain conditions, paying salaries for hired farm laborers, installing or improving water systems for home, livestock, or irrigation use and other similar improvements.

In addition to customary farm operating and ownership loans, FSA now offers Microloans through the direct loan program. The focus of Microloans is on the financing needs of small, beginning farmer, niche and non-traditional farm operations, such as truck farms, farms participating in direct marketing and sales such as farmers' markets, CSAs (Community Supported Agriculture), restaurants and grocery stores, or those using hydroponic, aquaponic, organic and vertical growing methods. Microloans are

available for both ownership and operating finance needs. To learn more about microloans, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/microloans](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/microloans).

Repayment terms for direct operating loans depend on the collateral securing the loan and usually run from one to seven years. Financing for direct farm ownership loans cannot exceed 40 years. Interest rates for direct loans are set periodically according to the Government's cost of borrowing. Guaranteed loan terms and interest rates are set by the lender.

To qualify as a beginning producer, the individual or entity must meet the eligibility requirements outlined for direct or guaranteed loans. Additionally, individuals and all entity members must have operated a farm for less than 10 years. Applicants must materially or substantially participate in the operation.

For farm ownership purposes, the applicant must not own a farm greater than 30 percent of the average size farm in the county at the time of application. All direct farm ownership applicants must have participated in the business operations of a farm for at least three years out of the last 10 years prior to the date the application is submitted. If the applicant is an entity, all members must be related by blood or marriage and all entity members must be eligible beginning farmers.

For more information on FSA's farm loan programs and targeted underserved and beginning farmer guidelines, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/farmloans](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/farmloans) or contact your local FSA Office. To find your local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

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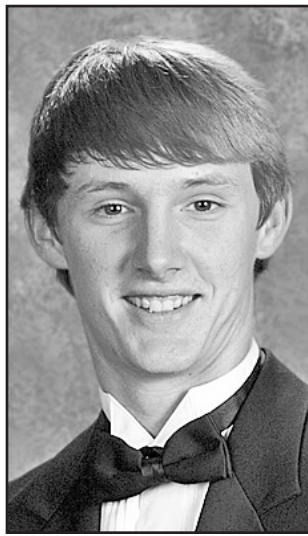
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ATPE, \$250; Austin Wallace Coker Memorial-For Books Only, \$250; Haskell Soil & Water Conservation District Essay, \$500; Matthew Williamson Beecher McCord Memorial, \$500; UIL-Haskell High School, \$750; Angelo State University-Dr. Robert and Jean Ann LeGrand, LeGrand, \$1,000; Kay Mills Memorial Endowment, \$1,100; Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc., \$1,500; Angelo State University-Valedictorian, \$6,000; Angelo State University Honors, \$3,000 per year renewable for 4 years up to \$12,000; Angelo State University Carr, \$15,000 per year renewable for 4 years up to \$60,000



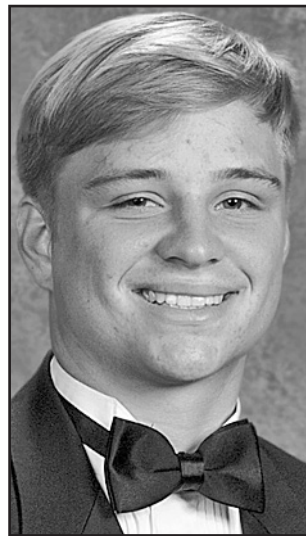
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**KOURTNEY HOWARD**  
Haskell Student Council, \$200; Lon Pate Memorial/Quill & Scroll, \$200; George Mullino Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$250; First Bank Texas, \$400; Haskell County Jr. Livestock Association-Sponsored by Big Country Electric Co-op, \$500; James Bevel Memorial, \$500; Rotary Club, \$500; Smith Family Funeral Homes, \$500; Haskell County Farm Bureau, \$750; Haskell-Mattson-Weinert Exes, \$750; Young Homemakers, \$375 per semester renewable for 2 semesters for a total of \$750; Masonic Orient Lodge #905, \$1,000



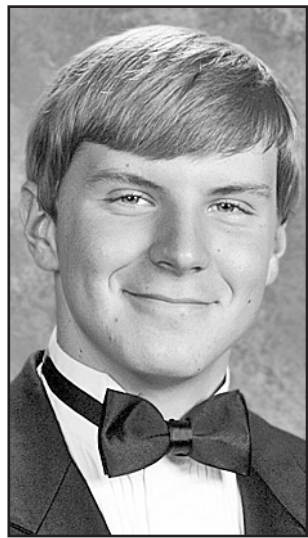
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Haskell Student Council, \$200; ATPE, \$250; Haskell Country Club, \$250; UIL-Haskell High School, \$250; Rotary Club, \$500; Haskell County Farm Bureau, \$750; Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame, \$1,000; Dr. H.R. and Louise Crawford Endowed, \$1,000; Modern Way Food Store/Sam and Gayle Bitner, \$1,000; Rolling Plains Texas Tech University Exes, \$1,000; Young Homemakers, \$500 per semester renewable for 2 semesters for a total of \$1,000; Abilene Christian University-John C. Stevens, \$56,000



**GARRET TATUM**  
ATPE, \$250; Haskell CISD Memorial, \$250; UIL-Haskell High School, \$250; Colby Cook "Take Flight" Memorial, \$500; Hazel and Robert Reynolds Memorial (FBC), \$250 per semester renewable for 2 semesters for a total of \$500; Rotary Club, \$500; Haskell County Farm Bureau, \$750; Haskell-Mattson-Weinert Exes, \$750; Dr. Joe Thigpen and son Joseph Thigpen Memorial, \$1,000



**MORGAN NAVA-MUNOZ**  
Coach David Middleton Outreach-First United Methodist Church, \$250; McKenney Trust, \$456.44; Haskell CISD Educational Foundation, in honor of Doyle High, \$500; Haskell Soil & Water Conservation District Essay, \$500; Haskell CISD Memorial, \$750



**CODY STRICKLAND**  
George Mullino Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$250; Short Farms-Spring Semester Only, \$250; Minnie Piper Stevens, \$12,000-first and second years \$2,000 per year, third and fourth year, \$4,000 per year



**SARAH CAMPBELL**  
Austin Wallace Coker Memorial-For Books Only, \$250; First Bank Texas, \$400; Haskell County Jr. Livestock Association, \$500; Rotary Club, \$500; Banner Well Service, \$2,000



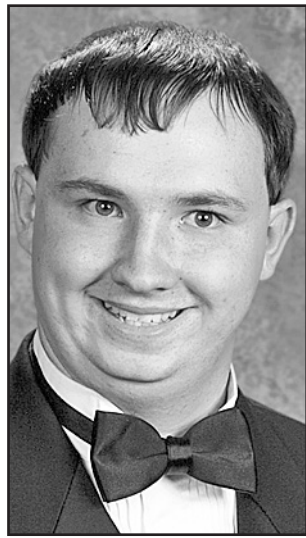
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**KACIE SHAW**  
George Mullino Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$250; Short Farms-Spring Semester Only, \$250; United States Army, \$81,000



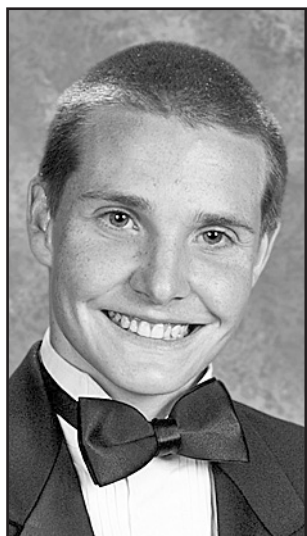
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FCCLA, \$200; George Mullino Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$250; Clark Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$300



**HARRISON JARRED**  
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**KAYLEE WALKER**  
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**ADAM ADDRESS**  
George Mullino Memorial-Spring Semester Only, \$250; Haskell Heroes, \$500



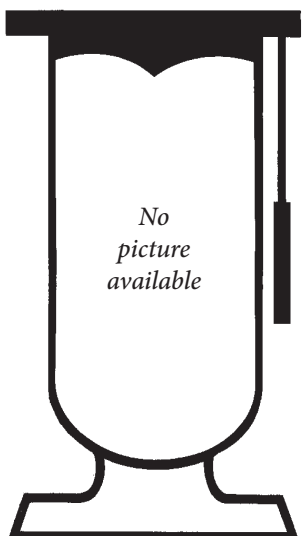
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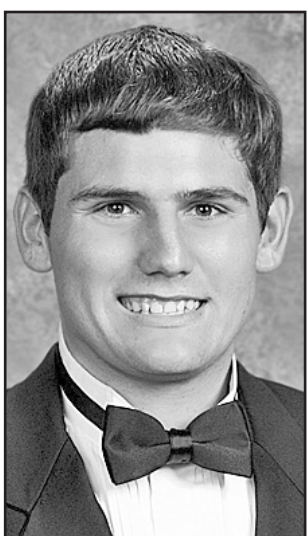
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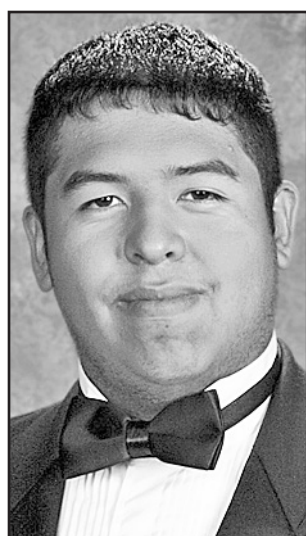
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**DAVIS BENAVIDES**  
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Haskell Heroes, \$500



**TOBY SALAZAR**  
Haskell National Bank, \$500



**AUBRIE TATUM**  
First Bank Texas, \$400

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# Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

## Honey Bee Swarms and their Control

Honey bees are fascinating social insects with a complex set of behaviors. One of the most interesting honey bee colony behaviors is known as "swarming." Swarming is

the method used by honey bees to start a new colony.

A swarm is merely a honey bee colony in search of a nesting site. A swarm generally consists of a mated queen bee along with hundreds or thousands

of accompanying worker bees. Swarming bees are not normally aggressive and can, in most cases, be approached safely. Unless you are an experienced beekeeper, however, it is best to avoid getting too

close to swarming bees. Bees in swarms may, on occasion, sting intruders who venture too close.

Although bee swarms generally pose little threat to people, and provide a unique chance to observe honey bee behavior, they can cause problems. When swarms come too close to areas of human activity, or frighten people with a fear of bees, they may need to be controlled. Also, in areas where Africanized honey bees are established, it may become necessary to control wild bee swarms.

### Using soapy water to control bees

Soapy water is a safe and effective way to control undesired honey bee swarms. Soapy water applied in this manner is an effective tactic in "drowning" honey bees only if they are clustered in an exposed swarm. It is less effective and is not recommended for controlling undesired, established colonies in areas like hollow trees, wall voids, or underground nests. Neither would it be recommended for killing managed colonies where bees are "on the comb".

Mix 3/4-1 cup of ordinary liquid dishwashing detergents in 1 gallon of water. Add the mixture to a regular hand-held, pump-up type garden sprayer. Wet

the surface of the swarm with the soapy water and continue wetting as the outer layer of soaked bees fall from the swarm. Continue wetting the newly, exposed, dry bees until all have been thoroughly covered and drowned. You may want to place a garbage can or similar receptacle beneath the swarm to catch the soaked bees as they fall from the swarm (enhances "drowning" and simplifies removal). You may need to use the sprayer wand to hasten the "release" of "wetted" bees from the swarm surface and the exposure of the remaining, dry bees in the center of the swarm.

Dawn liquid dishwashing detergent has been most extensively evaluated; however, other dishwashing detergents should be just as effective. Commercial insecticidal soaps do not seem to work as effectively as ordinary dishwashing detergents. Powdered (dry) dishwashing and laundry detergents have been used by APHIS/USDA in Mexico and South Texas with equally satisfactory results, however they have not been tested as thoroughly as the liquid detergents. Dry formulations are mixed at 3/4-1 cup per gallon of water, also. Warm water, though not necessary, helps the soap disperse

quicker.

Soapy water has been approved for use to control Africanized honey bees (AHB) by the Environmental Protection Agency provided that: 1) the detergent used for AHB cannot be sold as a pesticide; and 2) the treatment mixture of detergent and water cannot be used on edible food and feed commodities.

Bee swarms should not be killed indiscriminately. Bees are beneficial insects, helping pollinate flowers and vegetables. Unless a swarm is causing a distinct problem and cannot be tolerated, it should be left alone. Most honey bee swarms will leave a resting site within a few hours. Eliminating possible points of entry by bees into buildings and removing other potential nest sites is the best way to prevent serious problems with bees around structures.

### For more information

More information about bees and beekeeping is available through the Internet or from your county Extension agent. For further information about honey bees, see publication E-346, Honey Bees in and Around Buildings. Information is also available on Africanized Honey Bees and their current range in Texas at <http://honeybee.tamu.edu/africanized/quarantine.html>.

## Haskell Summer Menu

Haskell CISD announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service program.

Meals will be provided at Haskell Elementary School cafeteria, 306 S. Ave. G, and will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning

June 8 and ending July 1.

Anyone ages 1 year through 18 years of age is invited to come eat free. Adults are also invited to come and eat for the price of \$3.50 per plate.

### June 6-July 1

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes,

gravy, whole grain breadstick, green beans, fruit

**Tuesday:** Texas combo basket (steak or chicken fingers), oven fries, gravy, Texas toast, garden salad, fruit

**Wednesday:** Whole grain cheese burger, potato rounds, western beans, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit

**Thursday:** Whole grain beefy spaghetti, carrot coins, salad with ranch dressing, whole grain breadstick, chocolate or vanilla pudding, fruit

**Friday:** Whole grain pizza dippers, spaghetti sauce, baby carrots, salad with ranch dressing, whole grain cookie, fruit

## ECC Menu

### Mon., June 20

Hamburgers on a bun and all the trimmings, banana pudding, tea or coffee

### Wed., June 22

Chili wieners, pork n beans, cornbread, onions, pickles,

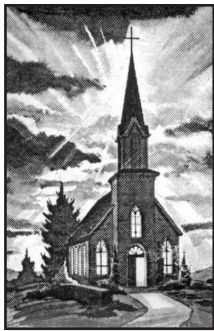
tea or coffee

### Fri., June 24

Pulled pork on a bun, ranch beans, golden corn, jello/cookies, tea or coffee

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

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### Faith helps us appreciate a father's wisdom

Despite a variety of unflattering images depicting a father as either too stern or too spineless, the true picture is more likely that of a kindly, hard-working provider and protective shield for his family; the wise arbiter of right and wrong; the author of firm but loving discipline; and a tower of strength at all times. A father tries to conceal his anxieties while

setting the example of character and courage for his children, and must provide the answer to any physical or moral crisis that may arise. The Bible is filled with passages in praise of a father's wisdom and guidance, and you should learn to honor and respect your father at the church of your choice; not merely on special occasions, but every day of the year.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

#### —HASKELL—

#### East Side Baptist Church

Terry Bunch, 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

Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
607 S. 7th, Haskell

#### First United

#### Methodist Church

Rev. David Johnson, 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 Angelo Consemينو  
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

Ollie Johnson, 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

Ollie Pierson, pastor  
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

#### —WEINERT—

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Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.  
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#### Foursquare Church

Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m.  
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#### —ROCHESTER—

#### Church of Christ

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

#### First Baptist Church

Jim McCurley, 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.  
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#### 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.  
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#### Faith Lutheran Church

Anna Robbins, pastor  
Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
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#### —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

Paul Leonard, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
811 Union, Rule

#### Primera Iglesia Bautista

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Gladstone Ave., Rule  
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#### 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

## USDA to improve reporting for common acreage info

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that farmers and ranchers filing crop acreage reports with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and participating insurance providers approved by the Risk Management Agency (RMA) now can provide the common information from their acreage reports at one office and the information will be electronically shared with the other location.

This new process is part of the USDA Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI). This interagency collaboration also includes participating private crop insurance agents and insurance companies, all working to streamline the information collected from farmers and ranchers who participate in USDA programs.

"If you file your report at one location, the data that's important to both FSA and RMA will be securely and electronically shared with the other location," said FSA Administrator Val Dolcini. "This will avoid redundant and duplicative reporting, and we expect this to save farmers and ranchers time."

"Accuracy in crop reporting is a key component for crop insurance, because an error in this information can affect premiums or claims. This is going to greatly improve efficiencies

and reduce mistakes," said RMA Administrator Brandon Willis.

Since 2009, USDA has been working to streamline the crop reporting process for agricultural producers, who have expressed concerns with providing the same basic common information for multiple locations. In 2013, USDA consolidated the deadlines to 15 dates for submitting these reports, down from the previous 54 dates at RMA and 17 dates for FSA. USDA representatives believe farmers and ranchers will experience a notable improvement in the coming weeks as they approach the peak season for crop reporting later this summer.

More than 93 percent of all annual reported acres to FSA and RMA now are eligible for the common data reporting, and USDA is exploring adding more crops. Producers must still visit both locations to validate and sign acreage reports, complete maps or provide program-specific information. The common data from the first-filed acreage report will now be available to pre-populate and accelerate completion of the second report. Plans are underway at USDA to continue building upon the framework with additional efficiencies at a future date.

Dolcini also reminded farmers and ranchers that

they can now access their FSA farm information from the convenience of their home computer. "You can see your field boundaries, images of your farm, conservation status, operator and owner information and much more," said Dolcini.

The new customer self-service portal, known as FSA Farm+, gives farmers and ranchers online access to securely view, print or export their personal farm data. To enroll in the online service, producers are encouraged to contact their local FSA office for details. To find a local FSA office in your area, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has also provided \$5.6 billion of disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; expanded risk management tools with products like to Whole Farm Revenue Protection; and helped farm businesses grow with \$36 billion in farm credit. The Department has engaged its resources to support a strong next generation of farmers and ranchers by improving access to land and capital; building new markets and market opportunities; extending new conservation opportunities. USDA has developed new markets for rural-made products, including more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and invested \$64 billion in infrastructure and community facilities to help improve the quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/results](http://www.usda.gov/results).

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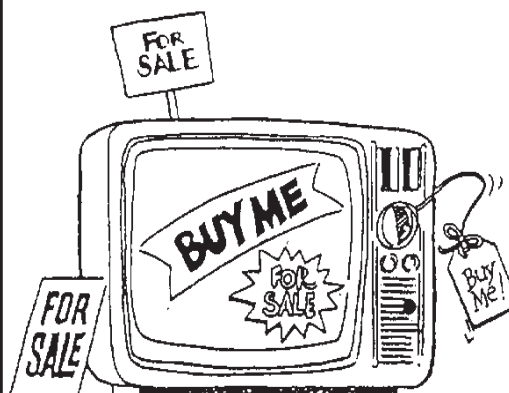
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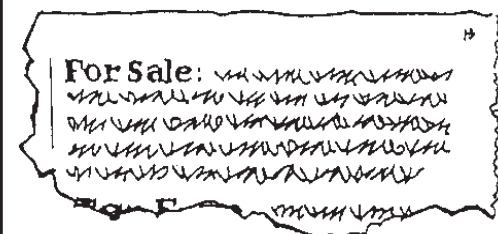
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# June sales tax receipts reported *Nutritional trade-offs for grilling*

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced he sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$618 million in local sales tax allocations for June, 1.8 percent less than in June 2015. These allocations are based on sales made in April by businesses that report tax monthly.

"Energy-centric cities such as Midland, Odessa and Corpus Christi continued to see decreases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said. "Meanwhile, other areas of the state helped offset those losses as Austin, El Paso and Irving saw moderate increases in allocations."

Haskell County had a 7.85 percent decrease for June 2016 of \$39,327.22 in comparison to \$42,678.75 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$285,179.72 reflect a 1.49 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$280,985.90.

The City of Haskell had a 7.79 percent decrease for June 2016 of \$36,473.49 in comparison to \$39,554.82 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$264,102.80 reflect a 2.41 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$257,873.25.

The City of O'Brien had a 1.97 percent increase for June 2016 of \$185.62 in comparison to \$182.02 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$1,599.08 reflect a 28.24 percent decrease over 2015 payments to date of \$2,228.53.

The City of Rochester had a 1.19 percent increase for June 2016 of \$512.91 in comparison to \$506.83 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$3,986.67 reflect an 11.29 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of

\$3,582.07. The City of Rule had a 12.94 percent decrease for June 2016 of \$1,948.26 in comparison to \$2,238.02 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$13,769.32 reflect a 12.04 percent decrease over 2015 payments to date of

\$13,769.32. The City of Weinert had a 5.01 percent increase for June 2016 of \$206.94 in comparison to \$197.06 for June 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$1,721.85 reflect a 4.50 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$1,647.55.



## Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

### Cover crops fight herbicide-resistant weeds

Cover crop plots treated with fluometuron or acetochlor provided greater control of Palmer amaranth, with the two herbicides performing similarly. At no point in the study, though, did cover crops used in conjunction with preemergence herbicides provide complete control. (United Soybean Board, Flickr/Creative Commons)

A new study featured in the most recent issue of the journal Weed Technology shows that cover crops can help to fight glyphosate-resistant Palmer amaranth—the most difficult of the glyphosate-resistant weeds to manage and a significant problem for U.S. cotton growers.

Cover crop residues create an unfavorable environment for weeds by reducing the light and moisture available to germinating weed seeds. Preemergence herbicides are typically used in combination with cover

crops, though, to achieve adequate weed control.

Researchers at the University of Tennessee set out to identify which integrated herbicide and cover crop system offers cotton growers the greatest early-season Palmer amaranth control. The cover crops in the study included cereal rye, crimson clover, hairy vetch, winter wheat, and a combination of grass and legume. A residual preemergence herbicide—either fluometuron or acetochlor—was applied to test plots once the cover crops were desiccated and cotton crops were planted.

In the first two weeks of the study, researchers found that the grass and legume combination produced the most biomass and reduced emergence of glyphosate-resistant Palmer amaranth by half compared to test plots with no cover crop. The least impactful cover crops were crimson clover and hairy vetch.

Cover crop plots treated with fluometuron

or acetochlor provided greater control of Palmer amaranth, with the two herbicides performing similarly. At no point in the study, though, did cover crops used in conjunction with preemergence herbicides provide complete control.

"While there is no single solution for season-long control of glyphosate-resistant Palmer amaranth, cover crops used early in the growing season in conjunction with preemergence herbicides can help growers diversify their weed management practices to improve sustainability," says Lawrence Steckel, Ph.D., associate professor at the University of Tennessee.

Full text of the article, "Evaluating Cover Crops and Herbicides for Glyphosate-Resistant Palmer Amaranth (*Amaranthus palmeri*) Control in Cotton," is now available in Weed Technology Vol. 30, Issue 2, April-June 2016.

—Weed Science Society of America

your favorites with some lower-calorie options and alternatives," says Lona Sandon, Assistant Professor of Clinical Nutrition at UT Southwestern.

Be realistic, she added. Fat free does not necessarily equate to lower calorie intake and the lack of flavor of some substitutes might actually lead people to want to eat more.

Offer taco salad bowls instead of burgers, substitute lean ground turkey and beans for beef or cold cuts, offer subs with lots of salad-style fixings and use less cold cuts, or grill some vegetables to help fill the plate. In addition, pay attention to how much and how many portions you're taking.

Below are some nutritional alternatives:

**Wings:** For chicken wings, take the skin off, bake or grill instead of deep frying. Consider grilling chicken pieces instead of traditional wings. Make your own hot sauce without the butter and use low-fat versions of

cream cheese, sour cream, and blue cheese, or substitute plain Greek yogurt.

**BBQ:** Try vinegar-based sauces instead of those with high brown-sugar content. Mix chicken and beef on your plate to help lower overall calories. Offer kebabs mixed with vegetables instead of traditional steak.

**Ribs:** Try leaner beef ribs instead of pork ribs, which are usually fatter. Try baby back instead of normal ribs. Consider brisket instead because you're likely to eat less.

**Burgers:** Try using your favorite spices and rubs on veggie, turkey, or soy burgers to create a similar flavor with fewer calories, or blend hamburger with ground turkey or ground soy. Try beef jerky to get the beef flavor.

**Bratwurst/hot dogs:** Bratwurst usually has more calories than lean hotdogs. Look for 100 percent beef franks. Also try turkey or soy franks. Use wheat buns or tortillas.

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