

## Softball

### HASKELL

V Maidens vs Trent  
Fri., March 20, 5 p.m.  
at Trent

V Maidens vs Hamlin  
Tues., March 24, 5 p.m.  
at Haskell

## Baseball

### HASKELL

Indians vs Seymour  
Fri., March 20, 4 p.m.  
at Haskell

Indians vs Stamford  
Tues., March 24, 4 p.m.  
at Haskell

## Track

### HASKELL

Hamlin meet • Sat., Mar. 21  
PAINT CREEK  
Fri., March 20, TBA

## Golf

### HASKELL

Indians & Maidens  
Haskell Invitational  
Haskell Country Club  
Wed., March 25, 9 a.m.

## Calendar

### Cancelled

The Haskell Fire Dept. regrets to announce that the Kids Tractor Pull event scheduled for the car show has been cancelled.

### Bake sale

To raise money for an educational trip to Boston in May, eight Haskell students and sponsors will hold a bake sale Sat., March 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the Drug Store in Haskell. The bake sale will include homemade dinner rolls, bread, cookies, cakes, pies and burritos. An ongoing aluminum can drive is also in progress. Cheryl Hutchinson is heading up this fund-raiser. For donations or information, call Hutchinson at 940-864-2372. Students taking the trip are Paige Adams, Laura Garcia, Kimie Hutchinson, Brittney Martinez, Lauren Newton, Samantha Rodriguez, Selina Rodriguez and Shayla Session.

### Food distribution

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

### Spaghetti lunch

Paint Creek Boy Scout Troop 148 will host a spaghetti lunch Sun., March 22 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Haskell on North Avenue E and 4th Street. The menu will include spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread and dessert. Cost is \$6. Proceeds will benefit the troop's summer camp and uniform funds.

### All night party

All Haskell County high school parents are encouraged to attend the planning meeting for the annual All Night Party. The meeting will be held Wed., March 25 at 8 p.m. in the Haskell County Courthouse Courtroom on the second floor in Haskell. All parents need to attend. The All Night Party will be held Fri., May 29. If you are unable to attend, but would like to help, call Penny Anderson at 940-864-2376.

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# Welcome to the Car Show

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"The People's Choice"

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## Classic cars to be on display this Saturday

The 13th annual Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show will be held Sat., March 21 in downtown Haskell around the Haskell County Courthouse square.

With its widespread reputation for being a major show, featuring something of fun and interest for everyone in the family, the popular event is expected to again bring

numbers of entries and visitors to the city. As in previous years, entries are coming in from around the country.

Along with the ten classes of vehicles in the show, other

activities will include the Hot Wheels Races for Kids (with an entry fee of \$1 per car).

Hamburgers and french fries will be served on the southeast corner of the square during the

noon hour by members of the fire department.

Vendor spaces will be located around the square in front of business for \$15 each. Vendor information is available by contacting Lisa Shaw at 864-2686, 864-2023 or 325-721-0441.

Classes for this year's car show are:

Cars Pre-'64; Cars '65 to '75; Cars '76 and up; Antique Cars, Trucks thru '50; Street Rods Pre-'49; Older Pickups Pre-'84; Pickups '85 and up; Motorcycles; Restoration in Progress; and Antique farm equipment.

First, second and third places in each class will receive a trophy. Entries are \$20 each. Judging will be held at 12:30 p.m., with a trophy presentation at 3:30. Trophy and cash will be given for Best of Show and People's Choice, and a trophy will be given for Farthest Distance Traveled.

Registration forms for the show or vendors may be obtained from any Haskell Volunteer fireman.

For more information, call Randy Shaw at 940-864-2023, 325-721-0674 or e-mail [haskellffcarshow@hotmail.com](mailto:haskellffcarshow@hotmail.com).



**UNIQUE ENTRY—Lots of unique entries, like this truck from the Grease Worm Garage in Albany, along with many beautiful hot rods and hot rides, will be shown around the Haskell County Courthouse square during the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department's 13th annual Classic Car Show Sat., March 21. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. at**

**the fire station. Vendors will be located around the square. A Hot Wheels race and train ride for the kids will be on the schedule. Cars will be judged on presentation, cleanliness, paint quality and interior quality. A people's choice award will be decided by the public. The trophy presentation will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the gazebo.**

## Candidates listed

by Caron Yates

The City of Haskell, along with the Haskell CISD will hold an election on Sat., May 9. All voting on that day will take place at Haskell City Hall.

Because both the city and school board races in Rule are uncontested, no election will be held. Filing for places on the Rule city council are Kenny Tanner, David Parr and W.L. Wolf. Incumbents Rod Petty and Ray Don Campbell will continue to serve on the Rule school board.

In Rochester, Malinda Teague, Betty Ruth White and John Hicks have filed to serve on the city council. Mayor Marvin Stegemoeller will continue in his position as mayor. There are no contested races, so no election will be held.

On the ballot for the three at large council seats for the City of Haskell will be incumbents Chan Guess, Randy Bowers and Sue Medford. Also filing for these two-year term council seats are Mathew Cunningham, Allen Morrow and Casey Moeller. Early

voting will take place at City Hall during regular office hours. Extended hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. will be held on April 28 and 29 at City Hall.

There are three single member districts open for election on the Haskell CISD school board. Incumbent Susan Turner is unopposed for district #4. Terri Klose and Roger Roewe have filed for single member district #5 and Steve McGuire and Thomas Parks have filed to run in district #7. Early voting by personal appearance will take place at the school administration office April 27 through May 5.

To vote in the school board election, you must live in the single member district for which you are voting. Voters must present their voter certificate, driver's license, personal identification or form of ID containing one of the following: a photograph, birth certificate, a copy of a utility bill, a bank statement, a government check, paycheck or government document that shows the name and address of the voter.

## Hee Haw set

The Sagerton Community is preparing for the thirty-ninth production of the Sagerton Hee Haw to be held March 26, 27 and 28, beginning at 8 p.m. each evening. Music and singing will begin about 7 p.m. each evening.

Larry LeFevre is the director and Dickie Greenwood is in charge of the music. The whole community is involved in some capacity for the evenings' entertainment. Proceeds from the Hee Haw go for scholarships for each graduating senior on the

Sagerton mail route, upkeep of the community center and community projects.

The Hee Haw program for Thurs., March 26 is especially for groups. If a group is interested in tickets on group night, call 940-997-2688 for more information. Ticket orders may be placed by calling 940-997-2688 or at 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton. Tickets are \$5 each.

Plate lunches, sandwiches, and pies will be available in the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.



**STUDENTS EARN LIBRARY BOOKS—Paint Creek School third grade class of Tammi Hawkins unpack the 500 books to be donated to the school's library. The students earned the prize in a reading sweepstakes sponsored by Scholastic Book Clubs. Holding the new books, front row, l-r, Clayton Richardson, Katelyn Jenkins, Cheyenne Ellis, Audrey Cochran and Abby Blair; back row, Caleb White, Amber Conn, Devery Reed, Heaven Rojas, Bayden Graham, Felicity Gentry and Hawkins.**

## PC students win library books

Tammi Hawkins and her third grade class at Paint Creek School has won the "Care Where You Are" Sweepstakes, a national sweepstakes sponsored by Scholastic Book Clubs, and will soon be donating their prize—500 books from Scholastic—to needy families and area children, as well as the Paint Creek School library, which is in great need of books. The prize winners were participants in Scholastic Book Clubs' ClassroomsCare program—a philanthropic literacy initiative that encourages reading by asking classrooms across the country to read 100 books, and in turn, Scholastic Book Clubs will donate up to 1 million books to kids in need. Paint Creek third grade chose to donate to a parish in Louisiana.

Hawkins' class was one of only 200 across the nation to win the prize out of almost 16,000 classes that entered the sweepstakes.

ClassroomsCare is designed to empower students around the country to make a difference in the world. The program distributes more than 1 million books each year. This year, with the addition of 100,000 books being donated to countless organizations through the winners of the Care Where you Are Sweepstakes, ClassroomsCare is extending its reach even further.

"My students and I were so excited when we found out we won this sweepstakes!" said Hawkins. "We love ClassroomsCare and it's even better that we were able to donate the books we won. My

students have been reading a lot this year, and now they're learning how special it is to be part of giving and donating where it is needed."

The ClassroomsCare initiative is open to all classrooms nationwide through Scholastic Book Club catalogues and the Scholastic Web site.

Teachers along with their students can log onto [www.scholastic.com/ClassroomsCare](http://www.scholastic.com/ClassroomsCare) to track their reading progress online and choose charities where they would like books donated.

Teachers can also download lesson plans and activities to help craft a character education curriculum aimed at empowering students to make a difference in their communities.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

On March 6, 2009, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Energy" or "the Company"), filed a Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM") filing to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders. This filing is applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division, with the exception of the City of Dallas. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is July 20, 2009. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,186,634 residential, 97,855 commercial, and 790 industrial and transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the affected incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$9,735,814, or 0.67% percent, including gas costs, or 3.40 percent, excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code.

Based on the proposed rate design, the typical monthly bill for each customer class within the affected incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percentage shown in the table below:

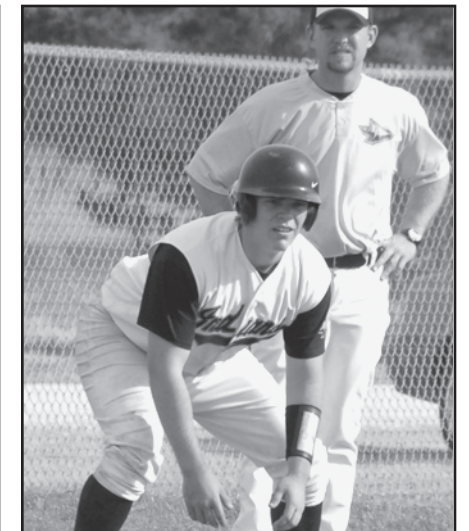
Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$85.97*	\$86.51*	\$0.54	0.63%	2.49%
Commercial	\$363.79*	\$364.88*	\$1.09	0.30%	2.39%
Industrial	\$3,724.55*	\$3,738.82*	\$14.27	0.38%	2.65%
Transportation	\$631.86	\$646.13	\$14.27	2.26%	2.65%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.  
\* Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$9.48 per Mcf.  
\*\*The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial and 300 MMBtu for industrial and transportation customers.

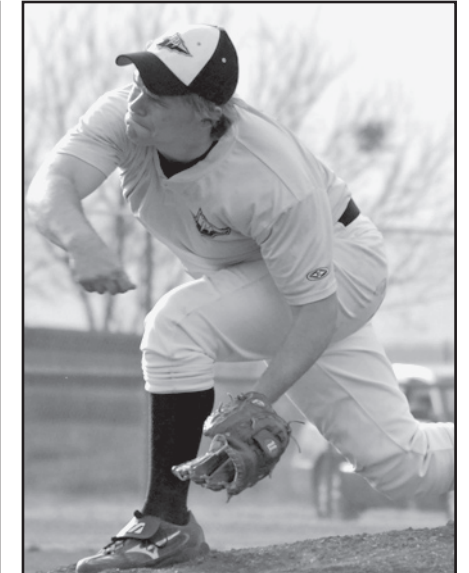
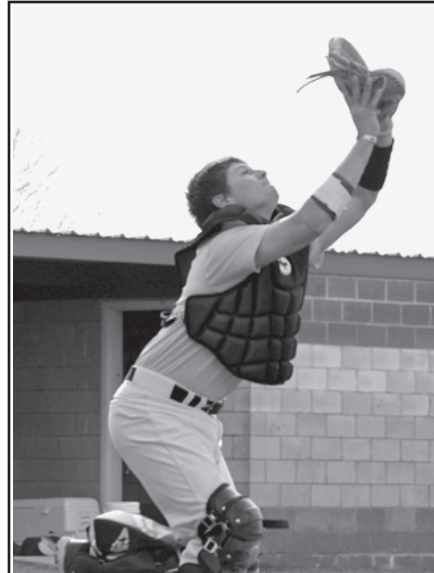
In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, other proposed tariff changes include updates to factors included in Rider WNA and revisions to the Rider GCR to allow the recovery of gains and losses, as well as transaction costs associated with financial hedging transactions.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Rate Review Mechanism, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos Energy's offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240 or on our Web site at [www.atmosenergy.com/RRM](http://www.atmosenergy.com/RRM). In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Este es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex Division de Atmos Energy Corporation (la Compañía) que la Compañía está solicitando un aumento en la tarifa del gas. Este aumento afecta a todos los clientes en las áreas incorporadas y servidas por Mid-Tex Division excepto la Ciudad de Dallas. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.



**INDIAN BASEBALL**—The Haskell Indians played a game against Hamlin March 10. Christian Myers is at bat, left. Steven Fillmon throws a pitch, center; and A.J. Benton is waiting to run, right. Photos by Bill Blankenship



**WINS SECOND PLACE**—The Haskell Indians took the second place win at the Merkel tournament held March 5-7. They defeated Ballinger 15-8, Merkel 10-4, Junction 10-6 and lost in an extra inning to Tom Bean 6-7. Catching is James Williams, left. Center is John English, shortstop. A.J. Benton is pitching, right.

**Obituaries**

**Joyce Nell Wood**



**JOYCE WOOD**  
Funeral services for Joyce Nell Wood, 87, of Lubbock were held Mon., March 16 in the Abbey Chapel at Resthaven with Richard White officiating. Interment followed in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home of

Lubbock. Mrs. Wood died Thurs., March 12.

Born Nov. 13, 1921, she was the daughter of Nell "Sookie" and Haynes Hambleton. She graduated from Haskell High School in 1939 and remained friends with her classmates for the rest of her life. She married her true love Clifford Eugene "Tex" Wood Jan. 25, 1942 shortly before he deployed for World War II. They were married for over 60 years. She had a fulfilling career as a nurse. She was a devoted sister, wife, "Aunt Joy," "Mom," mother-in-law, "Gran," and "Great Gran." She was a beloved friend to all who knew her. She was renowned for her sparkling personality, her distinctive

laugh, her Sunday dinners, and her incredible sense of humor.

She was preceded in death by her husband, C.E. "Tex" Wood, and daughter, Lou Ann Hicks.

Survivors include her son, Gene Wood and wife Judy Wood; grandchildren, Melissa Wood, Laura Kay Sokora, Amy Wood Hayes, Matt Wood Hayes, Russell Wood and Mandy Wood; and great grandchildren, Christopher James Wood and Kathryn Joyce Wood.

Memorials may be made to the Mr. and Mrs. Tex Wood memorial fund at Children's Hope, a home for severely abused children at 1313 W. Washington, Levelland, Texas 79336. PD. NOTICE

**Helen Opal Phemister Boykin**

Funeral services for Helen Opal Phemister Boykin, 93, of Haskell were held Wed., March 18 at the Church of Christ in Haskell. Burial was in Weinert Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Boykin passed away Mon., March 16 in Haskell.

Born Oct. 11, 1915 in Cooke County, she was the daughter of the late Virgil Franklin and Ida Keene Phemister. She married Mac Roy Boykin Sept. 29, 1934 in Haskell. They settled in Weinert in 1945. She worked for Mayfield Grocery and traveled extensively. She moved

to Haskell in July of 2008. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mac Boykin; son, Doyle Boykin; four sisters and three brothers.

Survivors include her son, Raymon Boykin and wife Janie of Vernon; daughter-in-law, Rita Boykin of Texas City; brother, Hugh Phemister and wife Norma of Montague; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Church of Christ, 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell, Texas 79521 or to the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

**Book fair set**

Haskell Elementary School is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in the library beginning Mon., March 30 through Fri., April 3. The book fair will be open each day from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and until noon on Friday. Elementary and junior high students will visit the book fair with their classes and have an opportunity to purchase books. This year's theme is "Lights! Camera! Book Fair! Reading Makes You a Star" and families, teachers and the community are all invited to attend.

A special "Family Event" will be held in the library Thurs., April 2 from 4:30 until 6 p.m. Families will have the opportunity to shop together in a fun environment, enjoy refreshments, and let students register for book fair door prizes.

Join the reading celebration at "Lights! Camera! Book Fair!" and help promote literacy and learning. For more information, call 864-2654, ext. 309.

**Law enforcement report**

The Haskell County Sheriff's Office reports the following number of offenses and arrests made in the county during the month of February.

- Theft: 3 cases.
- Driving while intoxicated: 1 case.
- Driving while license invalid: 3 cases.
- Traffic warrants: 2 cases.
- Public intoxication: 1 case.
- Debit or credit card abuse: 2 cases.
- Possession of marijuana: 1 case.
- Possession of a controlled substance: 1 case.
- Fraud: 5 cases.
- Out of county warrants: 4 cases.
- Stolen vehicle: 1 case.
- Burglary: 1 case.

**Births**

Mike and Corie Bishop of Wichita, Kansas announce the birth of their son, Maddox Cramer Bishop, born March 10 at 3:07 a.m. weighing 8 lbs. 11 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches long.

He was welcomed home by big brother, Jaxson.

Grandparents are Glenn and Janis Brzozowski of Haskell and Russell C. and Virginia Bishop of Yates Center, Kansas.

Great grandparents are the late Elvira Brzozowski of Gonzales and Russell J. and Betty Bishop of Yates Center, Kansas.

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# Calendar

## Burn ban issued

A burn ban is in effect for Haskell County. The use of combustible materials in an outdoor environment by any person is prohibited. Combustible materials specifically include, but are not limited to, fireworks, camp fires, welding and any other pyrotechnic material, which in the manner or means of its use could result in a wildfire. The ban will continue until conditions warrant otherwise, stated Haskell County Judge David C. Davis. A person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

## Noah Project

"Elvis," also known as Rick Campbell, will be singing live from the Haskell Civic Center for the Noah Project-North's fund-raiser Sat. April 4. The Noah Project-North's annual Dinner/Silent Auction will start at 6 p.m. when the doors open. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by "A Tribute To Elvis." Mike Fouts will be the emcee for the night. Many great auction items will be available this year, including motel stays, gift certificates, and items that have been donated by the public. Tickets are available from any advisory committee member, the Stamford Star, or by calling 940-864-2551 or at the door. Tickets are \$12.50 each. The funds raised will be used to help victims of family violence in the five county area including Haskell County.

## Book fair

Rule ISD will host an open house Tues., March 24 from 5 to 6 p.m. with an opportunity for those attending to visit with teachers and other staff members about student progress and scheduled activities. The Scholastic Book Fair will be held March 23-27 in the library. A Book Fair Family Event will be held during open house when refreshments will be served.

## Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group meets every other Tuesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the First Assembly of God Church. The next meeting is Tues., March 24. For more information, call 940-864-5964.

## Car Show

The 13th annual Haskell Fire Department's Car Show will be held Sat., March 21 around the courthouse square in Haskell. Entries are \$20. Registration will be held from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Judging will be at 12:30 p.m. followed by a 3:30 trophy presentation. Hot Wheel races will be held for the kids. For more information call Randy Shaw at 325-721-0674 or 864-2023.

## Josset reunion

The descendants of Victor and Catherine Josset will gather Sat., April 11 in Haskell at the Civic Center for fellowship, fun and food. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Bring salads, vegetables or desserts to share. An Easter egg hunt will be held for the children and the famous auction for the adults. A large group picture is planned. To add changes or additions to the family, contact Julia Harrell at juwlstex@netscape.net or call 940-864-8017 by March 25. Send the number attending the reunion and the number of children hunting eggs.

## Walkathon

A walkathon benefitting medical expenses for Dora and Ralph Torres will be held Fri., March 27 at the Haskell Track by Haskell CISD students. Teams of six will gather pledges and walk all day to raise money for the couple. Contact Emily Fouts at Rochester Junior High for more information.

## Skywarn class

The National Weather Service will present a Skywarn class Mon., April 6 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Fire Station.

## Baseball

Haskell Youth Baseball will hold sign-ups for spring baseball until Fri., April 3. Fee is \$20. Age divisions are 6-7 years old, 8-9 years old, 10 years old, 11-12 year old. Forms are available at Sport-About or at Haskell Elementary.

## Talent show

The talent show to benefit Haskell Heroes and Autism Speaks will be held Mon., March 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell High School Auditorium. Contact Melissa Burson at 256-2509 for information or to register. Registration forms are available at the Elementary, Junior High and High School offices.



CANDICE HASS - JEREMY HAGER

## Hass, Hager to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Glenn Hass of Seymour and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hager of Weinert announce the engagement of their children, Candice Elizabeth Hass to Jeremy Kyle Hager.

Hass is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Hass of Terrell, and Mrs. Neva Bartley and the late James Bartley of Garland.

The couple plans to marry in Vera April 18.

## Study Club meets

Sandi Conway, 2nd Vice President of Texas Federation of Womens Clubs, was guest speaker for the Progressive Study Club of Haskell Thurs., March 12, in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Haskell.

Topic of Conway's talk was the Heifer Program supported by TFWC and General Federation of Women. Heifer international is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization working to end world hunger by giving cows, goats and other food and income producing livestock to impoverished families around the world. Recipients are trained in animal care and environmentally sound agricultural practices so they can lift themselves out of poverty and become self-reliant. Milk, eggs, wool, meat, draft power and other benefits of animals provide nutrition and money for education, housing, health care and small business enterprises.

Heifer partners with community groups to form a development plan with specific goals. Partners learn how to care for animals and grow crops in ways that can be sustained for future generations. Heifer provides expertise in animal health, water quality, gender equity, the environment and community development.

Recipients agree to share offspring of their animals with others in need through a requirement Heifer calls "passing on the gift." It multiplies the benefits of every donated animal while making recipients equal partners with Heifer in the work to end hunger and poverty.

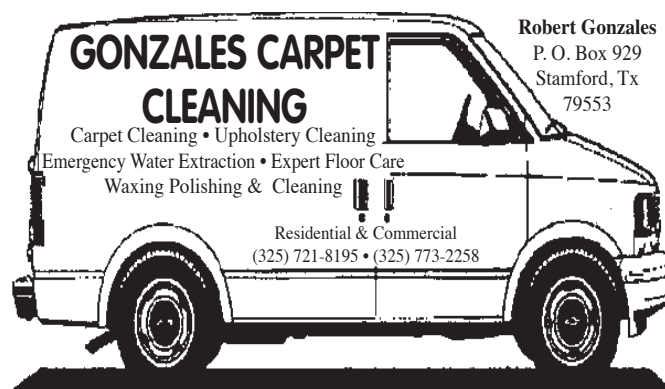
Heifer International provided 29 different kinds of livestock, plants and trees to families in 57 countries, including the United States.

At the conclusion of Conway's talk, she was presented a gift of appreciation from the club by Nancy Toliver.

In the business meeting, president Dorothy Hartsfield reminded members of the District Convention to be held in Hamlin, Sat., March 14. Kathryn Schonerstedt was elected by club members as a delegate to the convention. Thank you cards from the Haskell County Library, Noah Project North and family of Helen Fouts were read by Tinka Nelson. Federation report was given by Janoma Stephens. Lee Sims and Donna Davis were elected to the club as new members.

The serving table was decorated in St. Patrick's theme and members and guests were served key lime pie. Hostesses were Schonerstedt, Evelyn Cobb and Bettie Wainscott.

## Welcome to the Car Show!



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## TAX PLANNING

Written By  
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



### SHOULD YOU CONVERT TO A ROTH IRA?

For many individuals, a Roth IRA is preferable to a traditional IRA, especially as retirement nears. But you may have built up a nest egg in a traditional IRA, or several IRAs, over the years. Should you convert your traditional IRA to a Roth? It's a simple question, but the answer can be complicated.

Here are the basic rules. With a traditional IRA, your contributions may be wholly or partially tax-deductible. (If your income exceeds a specified annual threshold and you or your spouse have a retirement plan at work, your contributions may not be deductible.) However, distributions representing the portion of your account that was tax-deductible and all of the earnings are taxed at ordinary income rates.

In contrast, contributions to a Roth IRA are never tax-deductible, but qualified distributions are completely exempt from tax. Generally, a "qualified distribution" is one made from a Roth IRA that has been in existence at least five years and made after you've reached age 59½.

If you want to convert a traditional IRA to a Roth, there's a price to pay. Amounts attributable to tax-deductible contributions, plus all of the earnings, are subject to tax. To further complicate matters, conversions to a Roth IRA are permitted only in a year in which your adjusted gross income is \$100,000 or less.

There is a tax change coming that you need to consider. The \$100,000 income limit will be removed starting in 2010. In addition, for a conversion in 2010, you can elect to pay the tax bill ratably over the following two years—2011 and 2012. So you may want to wait to convert.

Note that another tax law change allows one-step conversions from a 401(k) plan to a Roth. Contact our office for more details and guidance in deciding whether a Roth conversion makes sense for you.

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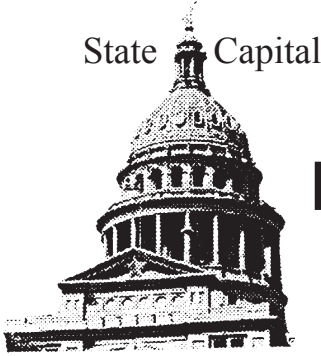
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### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

#### Sen. Shapiro, Rep. Pitts offer plans for state's next two year budget

AUSTIN—Our Legislature is two steps closer to building a state budget for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, on March 13 filed Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 1, the general appropriations bills.

SB 1 is scheduled for daily public hearings, March 16-21. HB 1 is scheduled for a hearing in the House Appropriations Committee, chaired by Pitts, on March 17. At these hearings, both versions of the budget will be marked up, voted out of their respective committees and sent to the full Senate and full House for approval.

The usual path to approval includes a stop in a conference committee of House and Senate members, who must reconcile any differences that emerge in the two bills.

The budget would total around \$170 billion, if it runs in parallel with projected needs expressed by the Legislative Budget Board. The current two-year budget, which ends Aug. 31, totaled out at \$168 billion.

The state revenue estimate provided by State Comptroller Susan Combs shows that for 2010-11, the state can expect to have \$77.1 billion in funds available for general-purpose spending. This represents a 10.5 percent decrease from the corresponding amount of funds available for 2008-09.

Still to be worked out is potential relief through a \$16 billion federal stimulus package, which the Legislative Budget Board said can be spent on:

The Medicaid match rate, transportation infrastructure, public school facilities, water and energy finance programs, and existing education, health and human services programs, and the Community Development Block Grant.

Also, home energy and weatherization assistance, affordable housing, criminal justice assistance grants, unemployment compensation, food stamps.

Gov. Rick Perry on March 12 rejected the \$555 million chunk of the federal stimulus meant to shore up state unemployment funding. He said the money has strings attached, and accepting it would mean Texas businesses would have to make higher unemployment payments.

All that, on top of continued uncertainties in the current economy that point to less revenue for the state to work with will make for lively debate

over the next few weeks.

**Dunnam files transparency measure**  
State Rep. Jim Dunnam, D-Waco, chair of the House Select Committee on Federal Economic Stabilization Funding, on March 10 filed HB 2942, the Texas Government Accountability and Transparency Act of 2009. The bill is intended to strengthen legislators' ability to track and audit the use of stimulus money by state agencies and private entities.

#### Committee passes Voter ID bill

The state Committee of the Whole Senate on March 11 passed SB 362, a "voter I.D." bill with all 19 Republicans and the lieutenant governor voting in favor and all 12 Democrats voting in opposition.

The bill's author, Sen. Troy Fraser, R-Horseshoe Bay, said the intent of his bill is to prevent unscrupulous individuals who would submit falsified voter registration applications and receive voter registration certificates.

Under SB 362, before casting a ballot, each voter would have to present an election clerk working at the poll with an acceptable government-issued identification card and their voter registration certificate. A list of acceptable forms of official identification would be posted at each poll.

Floor debate on March 10-11 took 23 hours, with Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock as chair. Democrats challenged the bill on parliamentary and constitutional grounds to no avail.

Some Republican members who spoke in favor asserted that evidence of widespread voter fraud exists in Texas and in other states.

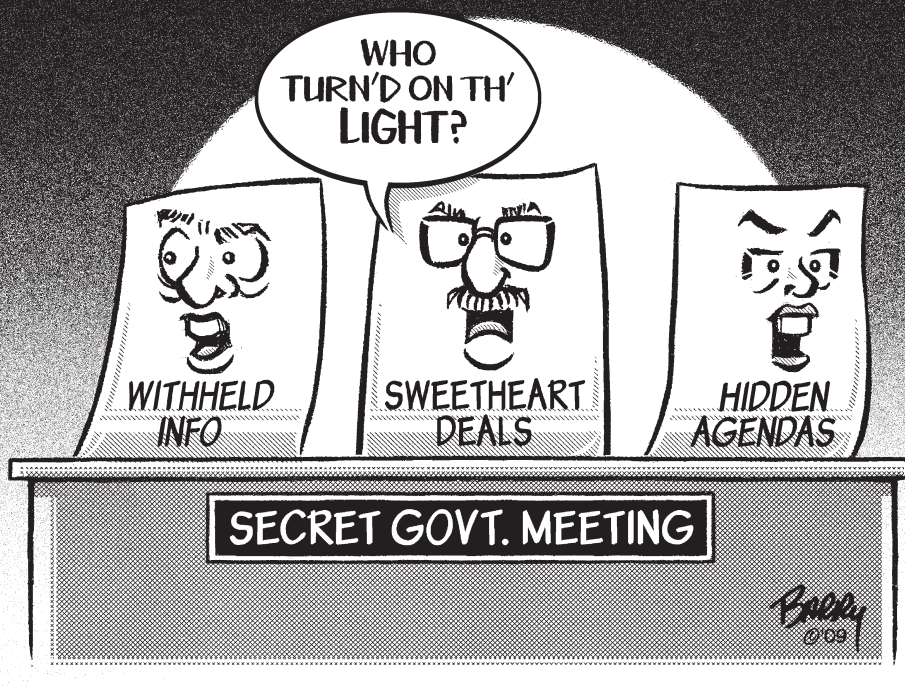
Democrats said there was no proof of widespread voter fraud. They alleged the bill was part of a nationwide voter suppression effort and that if passed SB 362 would discriminate against older Texans, the poor, Hispanics and African-Americans, and in general, against Texans who do not have a driver's license.

An estimated 100 witnesses testified, some in favor, some against, and some neutral, as resource witnesses.

Current law only requires a citizen to present their voter registration certificate to vote.

SB 362 is certain to pass the full Senate and then will move to the House, where voter ID bills passed in 2005 and 2007, when Republicans enjoyed more of a majority. But the House is now composed of 76 Republicans and 74 Democrats, leaving the outcome subject to conjecture.

## IT'S SUNSHINE WEEK! KEEPING "PUBLIC" IN THE PUBLIC'S BUSINESS...



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago March 25, 1999

Top jumpers raising the most funds for the American Heart Association were fourth grader, Brittany Jordan; third grader, Shelby Morrow and second grader, Brittney Martinez.

Dr. Tom Harigrove participated in the Beef Cattle Production Management Series seminar held in Nebraska.

District Judge Charles Chapman was recognized as a member by the College of the State Bar of Texas during an awards luncheon in Austin.

Joyce Hawkins celebrated her 77th birthday.

Marcia Talkmitt, daughter of Howard and Bobbie Brass of Rule, was selected the 1998-99 Computer Teacher of the Year.

Abe Turner of Haskell was elected as secretary of the new Board of Directors of Council Finance, Inc.

Haskell volunteer firemen served hundreds during their annual classic car show.

#### 20 Years Ago March 23, 1989

Conrad Roewe was named Outstanding Citizen of the Year.

Bob Baker planted 950 grape vines on a one-acre plot of ground.

Bill Perry of Haskell was awarded the Silver Beaver Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a leader, by the Chisholm Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Members of the Haskell FFA judging teams included Craig Hanson, Rod Jeter, Rusty Stocks, Jason Hall, Cole Calloway and Jason Davis, range and pasture judging team; Shane Buchanan, Chris Howeth, Mary Howeth and Dalyn Gilly, land judging team

and Penny Peden, Brad Bevel and Chad Gibson, livestock judging team.

Haskell Elementary UIL winners were Christy Cadenhead, Angela Pittman, Bree Burgess, Amy Cunningham, Brady Adams, Tonya Burson, Sarah Cothron, Charissa Huff, Debbie Watson, Melanie Michaels and Veronica Gonzales.

James Griggs, son-in-law of Helen and Wallace Allison of Rule, was recognized for his academic achievements at Texas Tech University.

Sue Hagadone, daughter of Mrs. H.E. Wilkinson, was promoted to administrative assistant to Troy H. LaGrone, president of Ben E. Keith Beers in Dallas.

#### 30 Years Ago March 22, 1979

Aubrey Carrol, supervisor at the Paint Creek Power Plant, accepted a Safety Achievement Award for over sixteen years without a lost time accident.

The Haskell High School girls of the class of '79 were surprised with a "come as you are breakfast" hosted by Pam Gibson, Pat Mickler and Pansy Harris.

Guy Kennedy became stuck in a hole on Avenue D near N. 11th St., due to the heavy rainfall, and had to be pulled out.

#### 40 Years Ago March 20, 1969

Haskell received six inches of snow.

Jack Gholson, formerly of Haskell, was named president of finance for Pioneer Natural Gas Co.

Mrs. Kenneth Lane of Haskell was one of the winners in the "Cookbook Contest", sponsored by Wichita Falls Times.

Rule service station owner,

Derrell Sorrells, was honored as Rule's Outstanding Citizen of the Year.

Haskell Junior High school band, under the direction of Wendell Gideon, participated in the annual Cisco Band Festival at Cisco Junior College.

#### 50 Years Ago March 19, 1959

Haskell High School students, Leah Ratliff, Gail Ratliff and Valerie Jane Darrell, were award winners in the letter writing contest sponsored in connection with Youth Center Project.

Robert R. King, superintendent of Haskell schools, was presented as incoming District Governor at the annual conference of 579th District of Rotary International.

Justin Pueschel of Haskell, breeder of registered Brangus cattle, gained recognition for the quality and type of animals he has built up in his herd.

The Haskell Harmony Club celebrated its 50th anniversary.

Ruth Ann Klose joined the staff of Kirkpatrick's Beauty Shop.

#### 100 Years Ago March 20, 1909

A.P. Long left for South Dakota after visiting his brother, C.D. Long.

The Haskell Telephone Company put in a new switchboard with 500 drops.

Among those attending the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth were W.T. Hudson and Virgil Hudson.

Mr. Patterson received a dislocated arm after jumping from a wagon while trying to stop T.C. Patterson's team.

Earl Cogdell moved his family back to Granbury.

## City clean up week set

### Apr. 25-May 2

The City of Haskell is starting to clean up a few of the properties that were on the list to be torn down and removed.

A couple of years ago the City Council, at the time, decided to be part of the solution to Haskell's ever growing blight. They offered their help in tearing down old houses with the owner's permission.

The city has torn down numerous old houses and currently has 10 on the list that will be torn down in the next couple of weeks. The owners are responsible for signing a release of liability and also ensuring that all services have been shut off and disconnected from the building.

In the future, the city will hire an outside representative to assist with condemning some eyesores that the City has had trouble either locating the owners or getting the owners to respond to attempts to contact them. These houses will be properly condemned and then disposed of at the owner's expense either by placing a lien on the property or sending a bill for services and receiving proper payment. The costs will not be substantial; however, it is very costly and time consuming for the city to do these tasks.

Citizens are fortunate in Haskell to have a City Council who is willing to offer such assistance to residents; this is not common in most small cities. The City has their own landfill and this affords the city the luxury of tearing down structures as well as offering citizens a free clean up week.

On that last note, the City's annual clean up week will be held April 25 to May 2.

Keep an eye out for more information in the Haskell Free Press.

## Commissioner's Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in a regular meeting March 9 with all members present.

A motion to pay the bills presented to the Court was approved.

A motion to approve the Electronic Juror Selection plan passed.

The County Treasurers' monthly report was approved.

No action was taken regarding the juror fund being used for juror summons, postage and supplies.

The proposal for telephone service from Santa Rosa Telephone was accepted.

The bid of \$11,000 from Joe Williams to purchase the old library building was accepted.

No action was taken on the delinquent lease contracts and collection of past due moneys at The Anchor.

The resolution on the Sagerton Water Supply Grant Boring Project was approved.

Upon the recommendation of Jacob & Martin, Ltd., Consulting Engineers, a motion to accept the low bid of \$24,150 from Stark's Construction for the project of boring underneath the highway to place a water supply line for the water supply corporation was approved.

No action was taken on insurance requirements for part time employees.

A budget amendment in the amount of \$7,900 in Road and Bridge 2 with \$4,704.40 going into Equipment Warranty and \$3,195.60 into Miscellaneous Expense was approved.

## Texas hit hard by drought

Recent rains across the state have provided some relief for all Texans, but for farmers and ranchers, the effects of the lingering drought continue to escalate. A report released March 13 by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service estimates the current drought, which started in 2008 and continues today, is costing Texas agriculture nearly \$1 billion.

"Texas farmers and ranchers are the most resilient bunch I have ever seen," Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said. "And while we are all grateful for this week's much-needed rain, the fact remains—Texas producers have been hit hard with a triple threat starting with Hurricane Ike last fall, then with our nation's current economic calamity, and now, with one of the worst droughts our state has seen in years. God has blessed us with this moisture and we hope that it will relieve some of the

pressure facing our producers. Most areas of the state will need some consistent rains to officially end the drought."

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 100 percent of Texas counties are suffering from drought conditions. Forty percent of the state is classified as extreme or exceptional—the two worst categories. According to AgriLife's report, the current drought has already cost segments of the Texas agriculture industry \$829 million.

Cattle producers are spending substantial amounts on hay and supplemental feed, and because of a lack of forage, their cattle are experiencing lower rates of conception and are being sold at lower weights than usual. The drought has also made it difficult for Texas farmers to plant crops. More than half of the wheat crop is rated as being in poor to very poor condition, but there is still time for potential recovery. If

Texas receives substantial precipitation, the growing season could be saved.

Producers are encouraged to take advantage of the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay Hotline at 1-877-429-1998. This is a great resource for those who have extra hay to sell or a pasture to lease, and for those who need hay. A Disaster Resource Information Packet is also available and provides pertinent contact information for state, federal and private agricultural disaster assistance programs. Information on both resources can be found at [www.TexasAgriculture.gov](http://www.TexasAgriculture.gov).

## Vets to meet

The Third Marine Division Association will hold a 55th annual reunion in San Antonio Aug. 24-30.

For more information, call Mike Sohn at 210-654-3310, or e-mail [jumient2@hotmail.com](mailto:jumient2@hotmail.com).

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## HASKELL INDIANS

**Indians vs Seymour**  
**Fri., March 20, 4 p.m**  
**at Haskell**

**Indians vs Stamford**  
**Tues., Mar. 24, 4 p.m.**  
**at Haskell**



HASKELL INDIANS—Members of the Haskell Indians varsity baseball team are, front row, l-r, Tyler Rodriguez, Christian Myers, John English, Steven Fillmon and Jonathan Martinez; back row, Ethan Frierson, Scottie Rodriguez, James Williams, A.J. Benton, Garrett Miller and Simon Rodriguez.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



HASKELL MAIDENS—Team members of the Haskell Maidens varsity softball team are, front row, l-r, Codi Foster, Shelbey Hagle, Haley Chavez, Brooke Bullinger, Sara Weise and Claire Isbell; back row, Kimie Hutchinson, Aubrey Bassett, Ashton Rutkowski, Lynette Ortiz, Brittney Martinez and Claire Carmichael.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

## HASKELL MAIDENS

**U Maidens vs Trent**  
**Fri., March 20, 5 p.m**  
**at Trent**

**U Maidens vs Hamlin**  
**Tues., Mar. 24, 5 p.m.**  
**at Haskell**

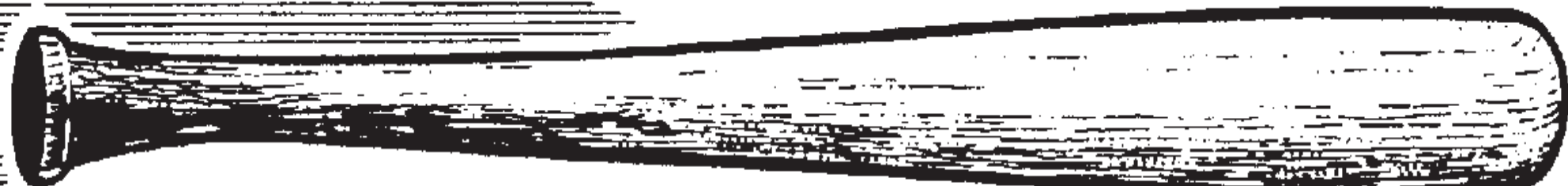
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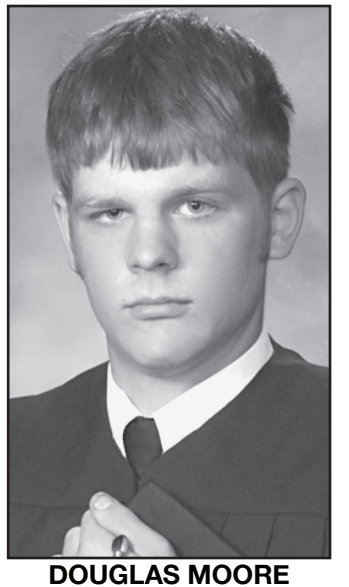
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MAIDENS SOFTBALL-The Haskell Maidens faced and throwing the pitch is Haley Chavez, center. Codi Anson on March 10. Catching is Sara Weise, left, Foster is pictured, right. Photo by Bill Blankenship



ROCIO REYES

DOUGLAS MOORE

## Students visit Rotary Club

Rocio Reyes is an exchange student living with Adam and Paula Garcia of Haskell.

in Madrid Spain.

She attends the El Cavarrio Baptist Church.

\*\*\* Douglas Moore is the son of Michael Moore of Munday.

She attends Haskell High School. She enjoys shopping, photography, travel and dancing.

At Haskell High School, he participated in UIL and one act play.

She plans to attend either the Columbia College in Chicago, Illinois or the Universidad Rey Juan Carbs,

He enjoys watching TV, playing video games and hanging out with his friends.

He has joined the Navy and wants to be a Master-at-Arms.



CISCO TRACK MEET-The Haskell Maidens and I-r, Kelson Aguero and Tyler Rodriguez run in the 800 Indians participated in the Cisco track meet March meter run. Right, Jonathan Martinez hands off the 7. Aubrey Bassett, left, ran the 400 meter run. Center, baton to Steven Fillmon in the mile relay.

## Haskell School Menu

### March 23-27 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

**Monday:** Breakfast bagel

**Tuesday:** Pig in a blanket

**Wednesday:** Cereal, animal crackers

**Thursday:** Pretzel roll with egg and cheese

**Friday:** Smucker's PB&J

### Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: choice of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.

**Monday:** Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, breadstick, sliced peaches

**Tuesday:** Jose Ole' bean and beef burrito, nacho chips, queso, salsa, garden salad, grapes

**Wednesday:** Corndogs, macaroni and cheese, baby carrots with ranch dressing, pears

**Thursday:** Crunchy tacos with salsa, corn, garden salad, peach cobbler

**Friday:** Choice: Tuna sandwich or hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, french fries, oranges slices

## This Week's Devotional Message:



When winter snows have left the earth  
And warmer breezes start to blow,  
Behold the annual rebirth,  
When grass will soon begin to grow  
And tiny buds of leaves will sprout  
On limbs of trees in forest glades  
Then flowers soon will blossom out,  
Exquisite in their pastel shades.

The air is filled with songs of birds,  
And humming insects will abound,  
A scene of beauty, where no words  
Do justice to each sight and sound  
Incorporated in the plan,  
Or could describe each living thing  
That signifies God's love for man,  
When nature comes alive in spring.

## ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—  
**East Side Baptist Church**  
 Ronnie Gibson, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**  
 Richard Barr, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.  
 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**  
 Bruce Ray, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
 714 North First East, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**  
 Ron Pennegar, pastor  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
 Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
 Art Flores, Interim pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**  
 Rev. Tom Long, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.  
 Wed. 6 p.m.  
 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Assembly of God**  
 Rev. J.C. Amburn  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- St. George Catholic Church**  
 Father George Roney  
 Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.  
 901 N. 16th, Haskell
- Church of Christ**  
 Philip Sims, minister  
 Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.;  
 Wed. 7 p.m.  
 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- First Presbyterian Church**  
 Kelly Pigott, interim pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Trinity Baptist Church**  
 Larry White, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6 :30 p.  
 114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**  
 Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

- Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
 Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
- New Covenant Foursquare**  
 Bill and Renee Glass, pastors  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.  
 Wed. 7 p.  
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- Mission Revival Center**  
 Rev. William Hodge  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**  
 Greg Gasaway, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Church in the Wind**  
 C.C. Curran, pastor  
 Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.  
 Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.  
 203 S. 1st East, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**  
 Morris R. Johnson, pastor  
 Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1600 N. First St., Haskell
- WEINERT—  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Dan Bullock, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**  
 Rev. Robert Harrison  
 Sunday 11 a.m  
 Weinert
- ROCHESTER—  
**Church of Christ**  
 Steve Willis, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**  
 Joseph Barrett, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.;  
 Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;  
 Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.  
 500 Main, Rochester
- Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
 Clovis Dever  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Rochester

- Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
 Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
 Hwy 6, Rochester
- SAGERTON—  
**Sagerton Methodist Church**  
 Stephanie Gilkey, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.  
 Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**  
 Rev. Dr. Keith Palmquist, pastor  
 Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
 Sagerton
- RULE—  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Russell Stanley, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**  
 Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.  
 Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**  
 John Greeson, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**  
 Tom Long, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.  
 1000 Union Ave., Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
 Alfa y Omegas  
 Manuel Marin, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
 Larry Neal, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m.;  
 Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Clovis Dever  
 Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule
- PAINT CREEK—  
**Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
 Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Paint Creek
- O'BRIEN—  
**O'Brien Baptist Church**  
 Jim Reid, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.  
 O'Brien

## Paint Creek School Menu

### March 23-27 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Waffles

**Tuesday:** Biscuits, gravy

**Wednesday:** French toast

**Thursday:** Pig in blanket

**Friday:** Toast or cereal

### Lunch

Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Chicken fajitas,

rice, corn, fruit

**Tuesday:** Hot dogs, chili, cheese, chips, cookies

**Wednesday:** Enchilada casserole, beans, salad, brownies

**Thursday:** Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, peas, bread, rice krispies

**Friday:** Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, pickles, fries, rice krispies

## ECC Menu

### Mon., March 23

Lunch-Salmon patties, cream potatoes, green beans, blackeyed peas, yeast rolls, strawberry cake, tea or coffee

tea or coffee

### Fri., March 27

Lunch-Beef-a-roni, new potatoes, pinto beans, yeast rolls, banana pudding, tea or coffee

### Wed., March 25

Lunch-Pork tips, Texas potatoes, club spinach, English peas, garlic toast, white cake,

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

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VISCO MEMORY FOAM mattress and box. Sealed in plastic with manufacturer's warranty. Must move. \$350. 325-428-9172. 10-13c

FOR SALE: Couch with sleeper bed. Like new. 864-3290. 12p

### Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE: Sat., March 21, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. 1003 North 3rd Street East. Couch, washer/dryer, clothes, lots of misc. 12c

BACKYARD SALE: 1408 N. Ave. K. Sat. 8 til ? Furniture, home decor, clothes, baby items. 12p

### Real Estate

\$250 MOVE-IN! Onemonth free rent! 3 bedroom. Lease purchase. 607 N. 11th. 940-642-6599. 12c

HOUSE FOR SALE: Reduced Price. 1005 N. Ave. D. 4 bedroom, extra large master, 2 bath, kitchen, living room, utility. Double car garage. New plumbing, plus sewer. Water well, covered breezeway, plus cellar. H/AC, hardwood floors. 1-1/2 lots with pecan/fruit trees. Brick with fenced backyard. 864-2426. 12-15c

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### For Rent

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### Help Wanted

LICENSED Vocational Nurse, EMT or Paramedic: Rolling Plains is currently accepting applications for LVN, EMT or Paramedic to work night shift. Must be up to date on their certifications. Benefits include medical at no cost to the employee, PTO, 401K and optional benefits. Please contact Kimberly Hammes at 940-864-5694 for additional information. EOE. 12-14c

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS: Rolling Plains Correctional Facility is accepting applications for officers. Please come by the facility between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to fill out an application. You must have a H.S. Diploma or GED, valid driver's license and clear criminal history. Benefits include medical at no cost to the employee, PTO, 401K and optional benefits. Please contact Kimberly Hammes at 940-864-5694 for additional information. EOE. 12-14c

A CARING PERSON to be a Foster Care Provider. The provider must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED. Have a good driving record and be able to provide 3 references, pass a background check and complete training provided by the center. Your home would need to pass a safety inspection. Compensation is \$43.54 to \$87.36 per day depending on the level of need of the individual plus up to \$450.00 a month room and board. Call 940-397-3321 for further details. 12-14c

### Public Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
The City of Haskell is accepting bids on approximately 45 blocks to be seal coated. Bids are to be opened April 10, 2009 at 12:00 noon. Bid specifications and further information may be obtained by contacting the Haskell City Hall.

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### SEAL COAT SPECIFICATIONS APPROXIMATELY 45 CITY BLOCKS

Before application of seal coat, the surface shall be broomed by contractor to remove all excess dirt and aggregate. The course shall consist of AC-5 asphaltic material evenly applied at a rate of approximately 0.30 to 0.35 gallon per square yard, completely free of streaks and Class B PB grade 4 aggregate in an amount of approximately 22 pounds per square yard of surface area. All intersections will have radius corners seal coated at the same rate. All seal coating will be done when temperature is above 75 degrees. The contractor shall notify the City of Haskell 5 working days in advance before beginning seal coat operation.

Payment shall be made at the unit price bid prices per square yard for seal coated asphaltic surface. Payment shall be reimbursement in full for materials, labor, equipment, supervision, and incidentals and for applying the asphaltic seal coat surface treatment in accordance with the specifications and to the satisfaction of the City of Haskell.

The City Administrator must approve any changes or alterations to the above specifications before the work is done.

Sealed bids will be opened on Friday, April 10 after receiving. Deadline is 12:00 noon on April 10. The Haskell City Council will review and award bid at their regular monthly meeting to be held April 13th 2009 at 7:00 a.m.

The City of Haskell reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Call City Administrator, Brandon Anderson, with any questions at 940-864-2355. 11-12c

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### THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HASKELL §

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County on the 5th day of March, 2009, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:  
Cause No. 11,381. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. H & J Mechanical Inc. Legal description: 1. Lots 10-13, and South 75' of Lot 8, Lot 9, Block 29, Original Town Addition to the City of Rule, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,390. Styling: Knox County Appraisal District, et al v. W.E. Smith. Legal description: 2. 100 acres more or less out of the H&TC RR Co. Survey #20, Block 14, Abstract 1092, Haskell County Texas.

Cause No. 11,424. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Petra Villarreal. Legal description: 3. Lot 2, Block 26, Brown and Roberts Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,457. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Gloria Martinez Sosa. Legal description: 4. Lot 1, Block 22, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,460. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. George Overcash. Legal description: 5. Lot 11, and West Half of Lot 10, Block 16, Highland Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 2:00 o'clock p.m. on the 7th day of April, 2009, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas. Levied on the 5th day of March, 2009, as the property

of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

"All bidders must now display proof of compliance with 34.015 of Texas Tax Code."

Given under my hand this 5th day of March, 2009.

David Halliburton  
Sheriff  
Haskell County, Texas  
By: Winston Stephens  
Deputy. 11-13c

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Kendrick Oil and Gas Company, P.O. Box 5529, Abilene, Texas 79608, has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Flippen Sand, Hendrick 13 Lease, Well Number 7013. The proposed injection well is located 18 miles ENE from Stamford, in the Haskell County Regular Field in Haskell County,

Texas. Fluid will be injection into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1562 to 1574 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone (512) 463-6792). 12p

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**200 S. FIRST ST.** (Located one block south of Hwy. 380 E off Jim Strain Rd.) Very neat, clean brick three bedroom (could be four bedroom), two bath home on a large corner lot with outside storage. Property is being sold with furniture and contents.

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Sat., March 21

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