

## Football

**HASKELL**  
7, 8, JV Indians vs Albany  
Thurs., Sept. 10, 4 p.m.  
at Albany  
Indians vs Albany  
Fri., Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.  
at Haskell  
**PAINT CREEK**  
JH Pirates vs Benjamin  
Thurs., Sept. 10, 6 p.m.  
at Paint Creek  
Pirates vs Benjamin  
Fri., Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.  
at Benjamin

## Calendar

### Bible study

A Bible study entitled "Deeper Still" will be held Sept. 13-Oct. 18 from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. on Sunday afternoons at the First Baptist Church Education Building in the regular classroom. A nursery will be provided by calling the church office each week at 864-2581. Registration may be made by calling the church office. Earlene Griffith will be the facilitator.

### Jamaica

The St. George Catholic Church of Haskell will host Jamaica Sept. 12-13. On Saturday at the Haskell Civic Center, Mexican food will be available beginning at 11 a.m. A dance will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight. On Sunday at the church grounds beginning at 11 a.m. through 4 p.m., Jamaica festivities including games, food, funnel cakes, cake walk and homemade Christmas decorations will be available.

### Volleyball

A benefit volleyball tournament will be held Sun., Sept. 13 beginning at 10 a.m. at the St. George Catholic Church. For more information contact Sammy Rodriguez or call Joe Martinez at 940-256-1675.

### Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at the Red Rooster restaurant, 1006 S. Ave. E in Haskell, Wed., Sept. 16 at 11:30 a.m. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

### Enchilada supper

Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136 will host an enchilada supper Fri., Sept. 11 from 5 to 7 p.m., prior to Haskell vs. Albany football game. The meal includes enchiladas, beans, rice, salad, dessert and tea. Tickets are \$8. Carry-outs are available.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., Sept. 11 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell County Courthouse. New officers will take office. Committee members from Jones County are sought for the advisory committee. To volunteer, call 940-864-2551.

### Cantata rehearsals

Rehearsals for the county wide Christmas cantata "On This Very Night" will begin Sun., Sept. 13 at 4 p.m. in the chapel of First Baptist Church in Haskell. Everyone in the area is invited to join together for this special time of sharing the gospel. The cantata will be performed Sun., Dec. 13 at 7 p.m.

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## Go Indians

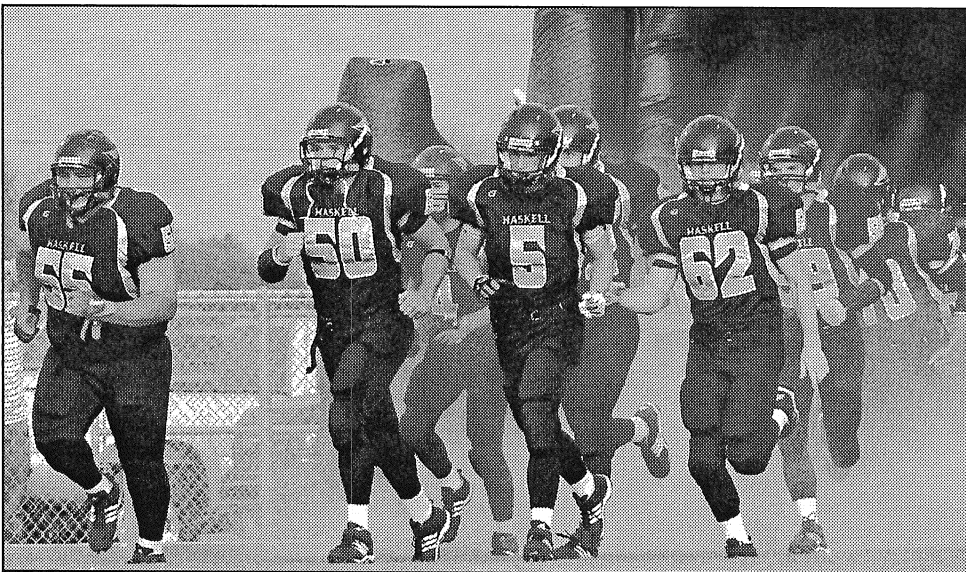
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## Drama opens Indians' first home game



**INDIANS ON THE WARPATH**—The Haskell Indians enter Indian Field for the season opening home game last Friday night. Leading the Tribe l-r, were #55 Scotty Rodriguez, #50 A.J. Benton, #5 Garrett Miller and #62 Zachary Wyrick. The Indians vs Munday Mogul game brought much excitement and drama. The final outcome was Munday 15, Haskell 12.

The Haskell-Munday football game always seems to bring about excitement and drama. This year's game proved the point. The final outcome was Munday 15, Haskell 12.

The Moguls used a 63 yard drive in seven plays to get on the scoreboard first. The quarterback for the Moguls, Kenzie Thompson, would score on a ten yard run at the 4:34 mark of the first quarter. Blanford Paul would tack on the PAT kick to put Munday ahead 7 to 0.

Not to be outdone, the Indians retaliated with a twelve play 76 yard drive of their own. Haskell's quarterback Christian Myers scored on a 19 yard run in the south end zone of Indian Field. The PAT kick try was wide to the left, moving the score to 6 for the Indians, 7 for the Moguls. That's the status of the game at half time.

The third quarter proved to be a stand off as both teams moved back and forth, north and south, but could not get the pigskin into either end zone.

The Indians would break out of this stalemate first on a ten yard pass from Myers to receiver Marco Gonzalez. This action occurred at the 9:33 mark in the fourth and final quarter. The two point conversion run failed, but the Indians held the lead, 12 to 7.

Again to prove the point about this series between Haskell and Munday, the Moguls marched 62 yards in 13 plays. Running back Jonathan Birkenfeld would score on a 47 yard run and the two point conversion PAT was good on a pass play. This drama and excitement is what this game is all about. The final score was Haskell 12, Munday 15.

The Indians had 40 rushes for 191 yards. They added 65 yards by the airways on four catches from nine attempts. Quarterback Myers had 13 carries for 28 yards and scored one TD. Tailback Tyler Rodriguez had 56 yards on seven rushes, Marco Gonzalez had two rushes for four yards and fullback James Williams had 103 yards on 18 carries. Myers and Gonzalez teamed up for a ten yard touchdown pass and catch. Tight end Austin Marshall had one catch for 49 yards.

Haskell will take their 0 and 2 record into Friday night's game at Indian Field when they host the powerful Albany Lions. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

The Indian JV team lost a close game against the Mogul JV team, 14 to 21. All three sub-varsity teams will see auction this Thursday when they travel to Albany.

The seventh and eighth Warriors will open their 2009 season and the JV will try to improve on their 1-1 season. Games start at 4 p.m. in Albany's Lion Field.

## Eagle project marks cemetery roads with locators

by Caron Yates

Haskell High School senior, Ethan Frierson, is one of five members of Boy Scout Troop 136 who will soon be honored in the Court of Honor ceremony recognizing them as Eagle Scouts. Frierson, the son of Randall and Traci Frierson of Haskell, has been in scouting for about seven years.

While there are almost three million members of the Boy Scouts of America, only a very small percentage earn the rank of Eagle Scout. In order to reach this highest achievement, a scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service and outdoor skills. The scout must work his way through various levels, while earning specific merit badges and passing skill tests.

Haskell's Troop 136 has a long tradition of helping its young men, not only learn basic outdoor skills, but also instilling a giving attitude through service to others. The success of the local troop is evident in the large percentage of members who go on to earn their Eagle Scout award.

Frierson said that as he thought about a community project to pursue, he began talking to teachers, family and others. A recurring suggestion was to put up signs at Willow Cemetery, so it would be easier to locate gravesites. Once the project topic was decided he began planning how it would be accomplished, contacting appropriate individuals for permission and gathering needed materials and helpers. He submitted his application to the Boy Scouts for approval and then got busy.

After gaining the approval of the cemetery board, he contacted local farmers and oil field companies who were willing to donate pipe for the poles. Bill Steele assisted by pressing out the metal to form the name plates.

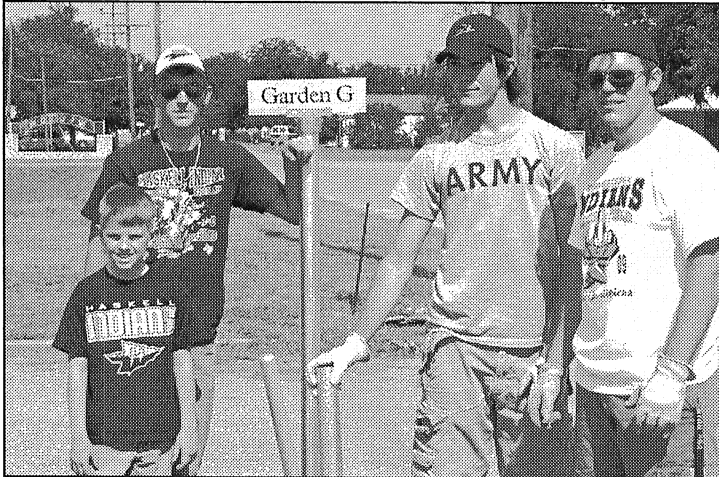
With help from members of the Haskell FFA Ag shop, fellow scouts A.J. Benton and Tyler Reese and his family, Frierson painted the metal, lettered and sealed the nameplates, dug the holes and set the signs. The signs are on the roads running north and south and are labeled Garden A through Garden N. He says he has

received many positive comments. Certainly this project was something that will benefit many people in the community.

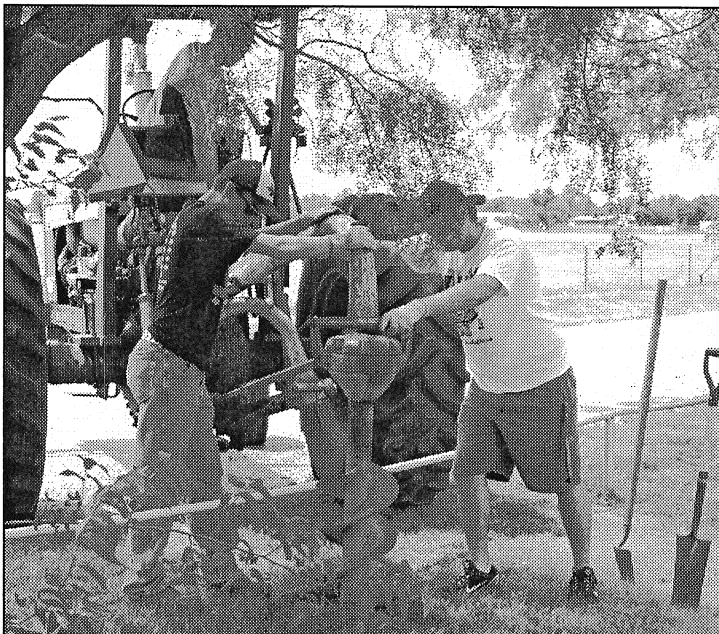
Frierson is also active in his high school. He is an FFA officer, a member of the National Honor Society, and plays football and baseball. Although he hasn't decided definitely which college he

will attend, he plans to study either wildlife biology or storm tracking.

The Eagle Scout projects are designed to allow the scout to plan, organize and direct others in helping to complete the task. Frierson says he greatly appreciates all those who helped him achieve this goal.



**CEMETERY LABELS**—Standing beside a gravesite locating sign placed by Eagle Scout candidate, Ethan Frierson, back left, and his helpers, are, l-r, Brody Frierson, Tyler Reese and A.J. Benton. The project makes the location of gravesites easier by naming the roads from north to south Gardens A-N.



**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**—Ethan Frierson, left, and A.J. Benton guide the auger while Randall Frierson operates the tractor making the holes for the posts for the garden labels for Willow Cemetery.

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# City of Rule receives grant

The City of Rule was awarded a Community Development Block Grant for waste water system improvements in the amount of \$249,950, courtesy of the Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA), the state agency distributing the portion of stimulus allocation aimed at rural community development.

These federal stimulus funds are expected to create about 400 new jobs in rural Texas as 75 local governments unroll a slew of public works projects to be completed over the next two years.

Grants totaling more than \$20 million will help rural cities and counties tackle road and drainage projects, upgrade water facilities and improve wastewater services.

"These projects will significantly improve local infrastructure, boosting both short and long term job creation," said Charles S. (Charlie) Stone, TDRA executive director. "The grants will have a truly lasting impact on rural Texas."

In May, U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated \$19.47 million to stimulate job growth in

rural communities through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act). TDRA added \$2.1 million to fully fund as many stimulus projects as possible, totaling more than \$20 million in grants.

The additional money came from the agency's Texas Community Development Block Grant program, also funded by HUD. The agency awarded stimulus funds to communities that applied for the 2009-10 Community Development program, but did not receive grants due to a federal shortfall in funds.

The complete awards list is posted online at [www.tdra.state.tx.us/pdfs/cdbg\\_rAwards.pdf](http://www.tdra.state.tx.us/pdfs/cdbg_rAwards.pdf).

"These are worthy projects, and TDRA is dedicated to bringing as much community and economic development support to rural Texas as possible, despite a very demanding federal timeline," said Mark Wyatt, director of TDRA's community development division.

The stimulus grants will be among the first projects funded under the agency's new name. "We used to be the Office of Rural Community Affairs, but the 81st Legislature changed our name to recognize our role as an official state agency dedicated to rural Texas," said Stone.

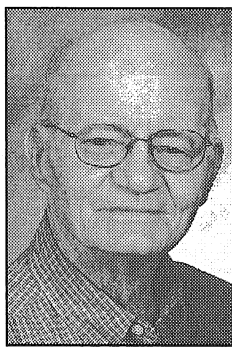
Rural cities with populations less than 50,000 and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 are eligible for ORCA's Texas CDBG program. This program serves approximately 1,017 rural communities, 245 rural counties, and provides services to over 375,000 low- to moderate-income beneficiaries each year.

TDRA makes the broad resources of state government more accessible to rural communities. The agency ensures a continuing focus on rural issues, monitors governmental actions, recommends solutions to problems affecting rural Texas, and is a provider of rural-focused state and federal resources for community development, economic development, housing and rural health. TDRA is the federally designated State Office of Rural Health.

For more information, visit TDRA online at [www.TDRA.state.tx.us](http://www.TDRA.state.tx.us)

# Obituaries

## Laymon O. Newton



LAYMON NEWTON

Funeral services for Laymon O. Newton, 83, of Rochester were held Thurs., Sept. 3 at the Rochester Church of Christ with Steve Willis officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Newton passed away

at his home Tues., Sept. 1.

Born Dec. 21, 1925 in Star, he was the son of the late Nira and Rozena Newton. He was raised with ten other brothers and sisters. He graduated from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth, served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during War World II, where he spent 17 months in the European theatre, serving in the Rainbow Division. He taught school in Fairy, Godley and Comanche. He married Vera Lee Davis in 1951. He and Vera were married 54 years until her death in September 2005. In 1963, he opened a John Deere dealership in Rochester, and after five years, began farming and raising cattle. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by one son, Stanley Davis Newton in 1977.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Sharon Newton of College Station and Phillip and Fonda Newton of Haskell; two sisters, Zelma Harper and Ida Oustad, both of Munday; grandchildren, Josh and Dawn Newton, Jordan and Katie Newton, Matthew Newton, Kerri Newton, Lauren Newton and David Newton; and four great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Rochester Church of Christ or the donor's favorite charity.

The family would like to thank the dedicated caregivers who helped Newton daily. PD. NOTICE

## Maggie Lee 'Margie' Piland Melton



MAGGIE MELTON

Funeral services for Maggie Lee 'Margie' Piland Melton, 92, of Abilene were held Sun., Sept. 6 at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home in Abilene with Pastor Rodney Watson of Lytle South Baptist Church officiating. Graveside services followed at Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes of Abilene.

Mrs. Piland went to be

with our Lord on Fri., Sept. 4.

Born Nov. 3, 1916 in Haskell, she was the daughter of George and Bessie Piland. She spent her childhood in Haskell and graduated from Haskell High School. She later met and married the love of her life, Ed Mickey Melton, Dec. 21, 1944 in Yuma, Arizona, while Ed was serving our country in the 90th Division during World War II. Upon Ed's return, they settled in Roby, where they owned a business and started their family. In 1960, Maggie and Ed moved to Russell Avenue in Abilene and resided there the rest of their lives. She started her career as a sales clerk for G.C. Murphy Company in 1962 as a charter employee. She was distinguished multiple times as a top salesperson for her sales achievements during

her 15 year career that ended when the store closed. Upon her retirement, she enjoyed cooking big family dinners, traveling to the mountains, visiting with friends, and just 'being with her family.' She was a member of Lytle South Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ed; infant son, Eddie Mike; and her parents, George and Bessie Piland.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jeanette Ligon Marak of Abilene and Toni Melton McNabb of Cedar Park; three grandchildren, Molly Page Lively and husband Mark, Buie Edward Ligon and wife Shea, and James 'Jay' McNabb and wife Laura; and three great grandchildren; one brother, Otis Piland of Abilene; and one sister, May Belle Benton of Haskell. PD. NOTICE

## Frances Shook Weidner

Graveside services for Frances Shook Weidner, 89, of Gordon were held Sat., Sept. 5 in the New Gordon Cemetery with burial following under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home of Strawn.

Mrs. Weidner passed away Wed., Sept. 2 in Weatherford.

Born Aug. 29, 1920 in Haskell, she was the daughter of M.O. and Effie Nola Long Shook. She attended school in Haskell until the age of 9 she and her parents moved to Gordon where she graduated from high school. She attended the University of New Mexico as a freshman and then transferred to TCU, where she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree. In the 1930's, she took flying lessons. She married Alvin 'Al' Weidner Jan. 21, 1945. He preceded her in death July 17, 2001. Together they owned and operated Gordon Dry

Goods Store for 55 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Gordon and 5 in the New Gordon Cemetery with burial following under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home of Strawn. Mrs. Weidner passed away Wed., Sept. 2 in Weatherford. Born Aug. 29, 1920 in Haskell, she was the daughter of M.O. and Effie Nola Long Shook. She attended school in Haskell until the age of 9 she and her parents moved to Gordon where she graduated from high school. She attended the University of New Mexico as a freshman and then transferred to TCU, where she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree. In the 1930's, she took flying lessons. She married Alvin 'Al' Weidner Jan. 21, 1945. He preceded her in death July 17, 2001. Together they owned and operated Gordon Dry

Survivors include two sons, David Weidner and wife Susan of Gordon, and Joe Weidner of Tularosa, New Mexico; two grandchildren, Chris Weidner of Austin and Jennie Weidner Bolduc and husband Jon of Frisco; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church Youth Group, P.O. Box 21, Gordon Texas 76453 or the new Gordon Community Library, P.O. Box 413, Gordon, Texas 76453. PD. NOTICE

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Sincerely,  
Francine Shelton

Francine, yes, provided your father is homebound and his physician approves, we can help. The first step will be to establish that he is unable to give his own injections and that there is no other person that can help him with this. Haskell Home Health Agency has many patients like your father who receive two insulin injections a day. The good news is that an in-home evaluation is free and if your father qualified Medicare will pay for a nurse to give his injections in the comfort of his home.

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## TxDOT posts busiest highway information

The Texas Department of Transportation unveiled new website tools Tues., Sept. 1, enabling website visitors to interactively examine lists of congested roadways in the state, look up pavement condition ratings and see how the maintenance funds spent in their area will impact their roadways. The tools, which are linked to the department's project tracker, were created at the direction of the Texas Legislature.

The idea of sharing congestion data with the public is not new—the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) at Texas A&M University has long-distributed reports on congestion levels throughout the United States, including those levels in Texas. Sharing the information in such an interactive and state-focused manner is always an appropriate exercise, especially in times of tight funding. TxDOT will work with Metropolitan Planning Organizations across the state to align resources to meet the most pressing needs.

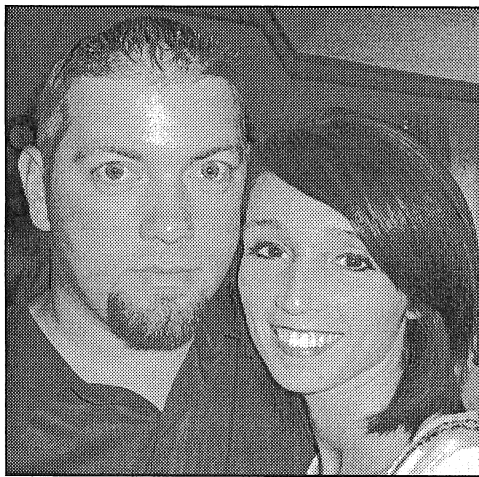
outside research institutions to ensure the accuracy and impartiality of the methodology used in the new tools. While TxDOT tracks pavement quality scores, the Center for Transportation Research, housed at the University of Texas, provided the information to determine the impact of maintenance expenditures based on a formula developed by their researchers. The list of the top 100 most congested roadways was compiled using information from TTI, which creates an annual list of most congested urban areas in the nation based on their calculation of a Traffic Congestion Index.

According to Mary Beth Kilgore, Abilene District public information officer, there were no towns in the big country listed among the 100 most congested roadways.

The new website tools and the TxDOT project tracker are available by visiting [http://www.txdot.gov/project\\_information/default.htm](http://www.txdot.gov/project_information/default.htm).

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MR. AND MRS. ROBBIE HARGRAVE

## Local church names new youth minister

Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church is announcing a new addition to its ministerial staff. Robbie Hargrave, and his wife, Lacy, have accepted the call as the church's first full time youth minister. Their first Sunday was Aug. 16. They are living in Haskell and excited about meeting the youth in the community.

Robbie (Robert, Jr.) and Lacy are newlyweds, having been married since June 27, 2009. They moved here from Orange. Robbie is 31 years old and is the son of a Baptist pastor. He received Jesus Christ as his Savior at the age of 9. A 1996 graduate of Woodville High School, Robbie has also attended Stephen F. Austin State University. Accepting God's

call to the ministry in 2000, he has served in several Texas churches. He has a heart for young people and a desire to see them come to know Christ personally and then grow in their relationship with Him.

Lacy, 25, was born and raised in Orange, graduating from Little Cypress High School in 2002. She has a degree from Lamar University (2008) and received a certificate of Facial Specialty from Lamar State College. She has been teaching piano for seven years and worked as a music and computer teacher at Community Christian School in Orange. She has a desire to be used by God in the ministry alongside Robbie.

## Museum to hold fund-raiser

People of Knox County and people with Knox County ties from other areas have always been super generous in donations for the annual garage sale to support the Knox County Museum just as they have been great supporters of every museum project since first working toward a museum building.

The Perry Patton Center in Munday, at 131 W. Cisco, will be the place to be Sat., Sept. 19, for the sale and the famous KCHC burgers and homemade cookies for lunch. At this date, items for sale will be everything from glassware, dishes, cookware, garden tools, books, furniture—a nice couch and dining table, lamps, chairs, shelves, linens, towels, upholstery material, etc. Clothing will be the only thing not being sold.

Besides finding an item

that you really need or one that you have just always wanted, you can wander the aisles, visit with friends, and see what others are buying, wondering why they bought that. Maybe you'll take a careful look at the dishes or home décor items and walk off with an antique for 15 cents.

Friday morning, Sept. 18, at 8 a.m., the Friends of KCHC will be setting up the sale items and pricing things. If you have items to deliver, bring them that morning, or let a museum board member know if items need to be picked up that you can not deliver. There is always a lot to do on set-up Friday, so if you can help arrange table displays, or bring in your donations that morning, you will be a friend of a Friend. Call 459-2229 for information.



**OUTSTANDING LEADER**—Scott Burgess of Rule 4-H Club was the recipient of the "Outstanding 4-H Leader" award at the 2008-09 4-H awards program held Aug. 22. He has served as a volunteer club leader for two years. He has been actively involved in his kids' 4-H projects as well as helping other youth in his club and the county. His dedication and willingness to lead are very valuable to the Haskell County 4-H program and to the Rule 4-H Club.

## Passport fair set

The Seymour Post Office at 210 N. Washington St. is holding a passport fair from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sat., Sept. 19. Passport regulations now require a valid Passport Book for U.S. citizens traveling by air between the United States and other countries. A Passport Card or other Homeland Security approved document is now required for travel via land or sea between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda.

To obtain a passport customers need to:

- Bring in proper proof of American citizenship. This must be either a certified birth certificate issued by the city, county or state; a previous U.S. passport; a certificate of citizenship; or a naturalization certificate. (Please note: a hospital-issued birth certificate alone is not acceptable.)

- Bring in proof of identity. This must be a photo ID such as a U.S. passport; a naturalization certificate; a certificate of citizenship; or a current valid driver's license, government ID or military photo ID.

- The passport application requires two recent identical photographs (2" x 2" in size), which the Seymour Post Office can provide for \$15.

To save time, customers may download a passport application at [www.usps.com/passport](http://www.usps.com/passport) to complete

beforehand. All applicants must appear in person (including minors).

Minors under the age of 16 must appear with both parents. If one parent is not available, a notarized authorization from the absent parent is required.

Each passport book (good for air and land travel) for an adult must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$75 made payable to the U.S. Department of State and a \$25 execution fee made payable to Postmaster. Fees for children under 16 are \$60 and \$25. Fees for passport cards (land and sea travel only) are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 16.

Customers traveling in less than ten weeks can request Expedite Service and receive their passport in one-two weeks. Expedite Service costs an additional \$60 plus mail charges to the passport processing center and for return of the new passport.

For more information about the Passport Fair, call the Seymour Post Office at 940-889-3550.

Customers can also call 800-ASK-USPS to get the location of other nearby passport Post Offices and their passport customer service hours, or they can visit the State Department's web site at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov).

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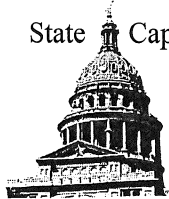
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# OPINION

## TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State Capital



### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

**Governor names new leadership team for Texas Youth Commission**  
AUSTIN—Officially, the Texas Youth Commission provides services to delinquent youths, ages 10 to 19, through programs and facilities that administer constructive training for rehabilitation.

The troubled agency has been through a series of leadership changes following allegations of sexual abuse by overseers and mismanagement.

Now, there will be a new leadership team. Gov. Rick Perry on Sept. 2 announced the naming of Scott Fisher of Bedford chair of the Texas Youth Commission.

Fisher is senior pastor of Metroplex Chapel of Euless. He is a member of Texas Hospital Trustees and Tarrant County Hospital District Board of Managers. He is a past member of the Texas Ethics Commission and Texas Youth Commission Advisory Board.

Perry also appointed five members to the commission for terms to expire Sept. 1, 2011:

- Joseph Brown of Sherman, criminal district attorney of Grayson County

- Larry Carroll of Midland, a past member of the TYC Advisory Board, who is executive director of the Permian Basin Community Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation

- Manson B. Johnson of Houston, pastor of Holman Street Baptist Church

- Rolando Olvera of Brownsville, Cameron County district judge; and

- David Teuscher of Beaumont, a licensed physician and orthopedic surgeon at the Beaumont Bone and Joint Institute.

#### Red snapper fishing results in fines

Red snapper reportedly is a main target of charter boats, and it is one of the most over-fished resources in the Gulf of Mexico. In 2003, a federal moratorium was placed on permits to limit access to the fishery in an effort to maintain sustainability of red snapper.

The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration's law enforcement arm and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department agents conducted a yearlong undercover operation that resulted in more than \$100,000 in charges against Texas-based owners and operators of seven charter boats.

Undercover agents and investigators documented violations on each vessel for operating without federal

charter boat moratorium permits.

Since this moratorium, the only way to obtain a permit was to purchase one from an existing holder. This has raised the value of the permits, which are valued today between \$8,000 and \$10,000 according to NOAA authorities.

#### RRC gets funding for propane vehicles

Railroad Commissioner Michael Williams on Aug. 26 hailed news that a grant to pay for 882 clean-burning propane fueled vehicles to be added to fleets operating at schools, state agencies and local government entities.

In May, the Railroad Commission—the state's energy agency—applied for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding through the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Cities grant program.

The Commission was awarded \$12.6 million, with a match of \$37.7 million from the grant participants, for the purchase of 245 propane school buses and 637 light- and medium-duty propane trucks, vans and cars. The total project is \$50.4 million.

"Schools and local governments have shown tremendous interest in alternative fuels, Williams said. "This grant helps support their efforts and manage the initial cost of switching to a cleaner, domestically produced fuel. Clearly, these entities want to reduce tailpipe emissions from diesel exhausts and be responsible with taxpayers' dollars. As an added benefit, propane is domestically produced, so the schools and local governments are helping improve our energy security, too."

#### Texas to recover money in Medicaid fraud

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, a coalition of state attorneys general and the U.S. Department of Justice announced the resolving of a Medicaid fraud investigation into pharmaceutical giant Pfizer Inc.

Texas' share will be \$55 million of more than \$1 billion recovered for state Medicaid programs and several federal programs.

According to investigators, Pfizer deceptively marketed its antipsychotic drug Geodon, its arthritis pain medication Bextra, which is no longer on the market, and 11 other pharmaceutical products.

The investigation revealed that Pfizer unlawfully promoted atypical antipsychotic Geodon for use by Medicaid-eligible children to treat numerous conditions, including attention deficit disorder and anxiety.



EVEN IF YOU LEARN FROM HISTORY, YOU'RE CONDEMNED TO SEE IT REPEATED — UNLESS OTHERS LEARN FROM IT, TOO...

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
**September 16, 1999**  
Beulah "Maw" Toliver celebrated her 100th birthday.

An anonymous caller made a bomb threat to the Haskell High School.

The descendants of J.J. and Alice Simmons held their 17th annual family reunion at the Haskell National Bank Community Building.

Haskell Indians defeated the Anson Tigers, 21-0 for the football season's third win.

**20 Years Ago**  
**September 14, 1989**

KVRP's Joel Fox reported to his new job as a television reporter for Abilene's CBS affiliate, KTAB.

State Representative, Rick Perry of Haskell received the Distinguished Service Award for a State Legislator from the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Pace Jr. celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Linda, Mary Jane and Ross Short of Rochester and Bernice Hilliard of Haskell visited with Ellen Hilliard, Jean Ballard and Dusty Emory in Abilene.

Denise Collins was elected President of the Haskell High

School sophomore class.  
**30 Years Ago**  
**September 13, 1979**

Kris Kupatt and James Hopkins were chosen to represent Haskell County as 1979 Gold Star recipients.

The Haskell Indians opened their football season with a 20-7 victory over the Anson Tigers.

The East Side Baptist Church completed their new parsonage located at 107 N Ave J. E.

Sixty-eight descendants of the late B.P. and Maggie Davis held their annual reunion at the American Legion Hall.

**40 Years Ago**  
**September 18, 1969**

Lyn Fouts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed T. Fouts, was honored with a party on her 10th birthday.

Nine members of the Haskell Jaycee's attended the Region II Forum in Abilene.

Weinert cheerleaders for 1969 are Dorothy Freeby, Bette Edwards, Caron Guess, Joan Caddell, Donna Adams and Alexia Mayfield.

Bill Wilson Motor Company of Haskell was selected as one of the nation's outstanding Ford dealerships and received Ford Motor Company's Distinguished

Achievement Award.  
**50 Years Ago**  
**September 10, 1959**

The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Fouts met for their annual reunion.

Mrs. R.H. Jones of Weinert was honored at a surprise birthday party in her home.

Judge Jim Alvis was named President of the Band Boosters Club.

The weekly survey made by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce listed six new residents including Opal Dunnam, David Middleton, Victor Lowery, Clarence B. Mills, O.P. Pettist and Alvin Dornier.

**100 Years Ago**  
**September 11, 1909**

Collier's Drug Store has replaced their shelving with new oak fixtures of the latest design.

Haskell needs a good horse trader to buy and ship out the surplus horses and mules in the country.

W.T. McDaniel fired up his gin this week and ginned three bales of burr cotton brought in from last year's crop.

James A. Greer and Willie Rose Shaw were married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Hicks.

## Apply for historic recognition by Sept. 15

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples is encouraging families to apply for the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage program. The program recognizes and celebrates farms and ranches that have been in continuous agricultural production by the same family for at least 100 years or more.

"Texas has a rich heritage of land ownership and stewardship," Commissioner Staples said. "Patriots fought hard for our land, and generation after generation endured many hardships to ensure the soil stayed in the family. It is my privilege to honor these special Texans who understand agriculture is not a career, it's a calling."

Applications, which are due Sept. 15, will be accepted for farms or ranches established in 1909 or earlier that are still owned and operated by the descendants of the founder, either through blood, marriage or adoption. The land must also fit the U.S. Census definition of a farm: 10 acres or more with agricultural sales of \$50 or more a year; or if fewer than 10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.

The owners must reside in Texas and actively manage the everyday operation of the farm or ranch. If all the land has ever been rented or leased to someone outside of the family, it will not qualify. If only a portion was leased, and as much as 10 acres were retained in the family for agricultural production with sales of at least \$50 annually, the property will still qualify. There is no cost to apply for the recognition.

The application can be downloaded at [www.TexasAgriculture.gov](http://www.TexasAgriculture.gov) by clicking on the Family Land Heritage link. For more information or to have an application mailed to you, contact Lance Williams at 512-463-3285 or [Lance.Williams@TexasAgriculture.gov](mailto:Lance.Williams@TexasAgriculture.gov).

## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,  
We have reached the time where we will be unable to do the Christmas decorations on the courthouse lawn in the future. We hope that some individual or group will come forward to continue the project. If you are willing to take over this project, please contact county Judge David Davis at 864-2851.

Darlene and I will continue to put up the Nativity Scene for as long as possible.  
Bob Smith

## Tattooing and independence

For elementary and middle school students, back-to-school means new backpacks and binders. For many college freshmen, however, the beginning of classes means being away from home for the first time and the independence that comes along with it.

While some students may choose to assert their new freedom by skipping class or staying out all night, others often mark this milestone by getting a tattoo or body piercing.

Currently, the most popular forms of body art are tattooing and body piercing. Studies have estimated that 25 percent of all 18 to 25 year olds from a variety of social classes are tattooed.

Myrna Armstrong, Ed.D., R.N., regional dean of the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing at Highland Lakes, says students need to be careful when deciding to decorate their bodies with permanent ink or metal jewelry.

"Not only are there physical health risks associated with body art, but there are potential psychological ramifications as well," Armstrong said. "Any break in the skin can expose an individual to local infections as well as systemic infections. In addition, if the recipient of a tattoo or body piercing is not satisfied with the product, they could

suffer from disappointment, low self esteem and embarrassment."

Although removing jewelry can reverse most piercings, older piercings may shrink but do not close, especially if stretched. Small scars usually form on closed piercings.

Armstrong warns tattoos cannot be reversed so easily. Almost all tattoos can be lightened through laser tattoo removal, but because some pigments respond individually to specific lasers, not all inks will disappear after treatment.

Laser tattoo removal also is expensive and is not covered by insurance, Armstrong says. For example, a 2-inch by 2-inch tattoo can cost between \$35 and \$50, but the cost to remove the same size tattoo can range from \$1,000 to \$1,500.

If you are planning to get any kind of body art, Armstrong says it is important to thoroughly consider design and placement, to research the tattoo or piercing artist, and to pay close attention to aftercare procedures. Body jewelry should be surgical stainless steel, at least 14 karat gold, niobium or titanium.

"Any newly-acquired body art, especially body piercings, has the potential for infections," Armstrong said. "Keep the tattoo or piercing site clean and dry,

and if infection occurs, consult your health care provider."

Poor artist technique, equipment hygiene or allergic reactions to injected materials increase health risks associated with body art, Armstrong says. Hepatitis B (HBV), a liver disease, is the major threat with tattoos or body piercings because it can be transmitted in very small amounts of blood and can survive on blood-contaminated surfaces, such as instruments or countertops, for more than two months.

To prevent the spread of illnesses such as HBV, tetanus or HIV, artists should have clean, washed and gloved hands; sterile equipment and new ink; disposable razors when shaving; should be members of a national association; and should be willing to show photos of their work.

There's no money-back guarantee with body art, Armstrong says. Make sure your decision to get inked or pierced is an informed one.

"Parents should avoid scare tactics," Armstrong said. "Instead, talk to your children proactively about tattooing and body piercing—even visit a studio with them so both child and parent understand the process. A complete picture of the procedure can lead to better discussion."

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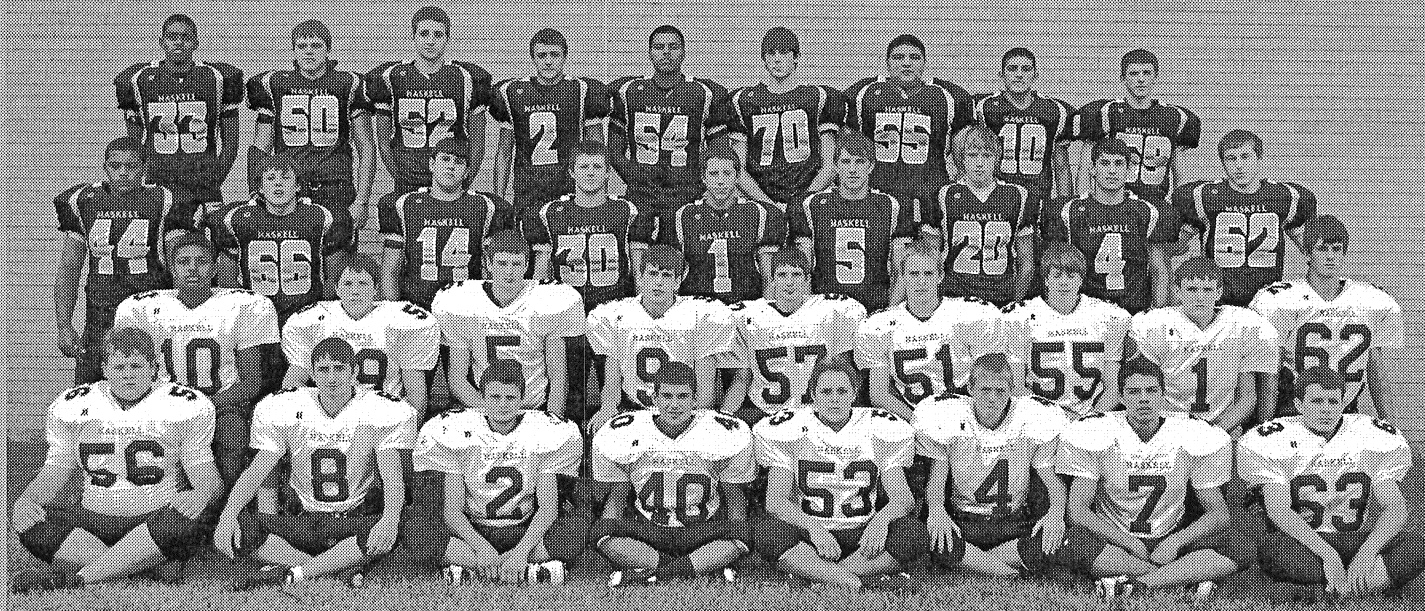
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# Indian Football 2009



2009 HASKELL INDIANS—front row, l-r, JV in white shirts, #56 Preston Morrow, #8 Payne Utley, #2 Phillip Coleman, #40 Kiefer McNelly, #53 Layne Petty, #4 Trevor Reese, #7 Gabriel Torres and #63 L.J. Hammond; second row, #10 Isaiah Llewellyn, #59 Drake Everett, #5 Brett Shelton, #9 Cole Ray Hutchinson, #57 Stewart Urich, #51 Doug King, #55 Garrett Brueggeman, #1 Brady Leach and #62 Sterling Bird; JV not pictured are #58 Shawn Duncan and #60 Josh Naylor; third row, Varsity in black shirts, #44 Tyrone Neskorik, #66 Colton Kimmel, #14 Austin Marshall, #30 James Williams, #1 Christian Myers, #5 Garrett Miller, #20 Austin Nanny, #4 Kelson Aguero and #62 Zachary Wyrick; back row, #33 Marco Gonzalez, #50 A.J. Benton, #52 Clint Hamilton, #2 Tyler Rodriguez, #54 Simon Rodriguez, #70 Tyler Reese, #55 Scotty Rodriguez, #10 Adrian Hernandez and #59 Ethan Frierson; Varsity not pictured, #77 Tony Trevino.



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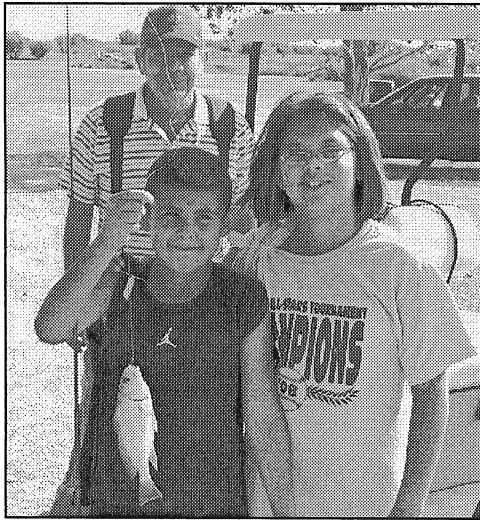
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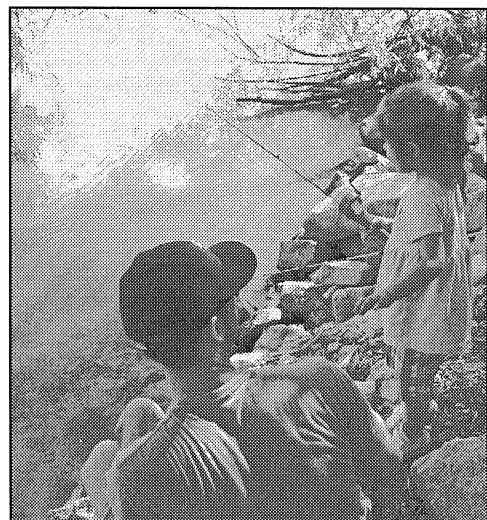




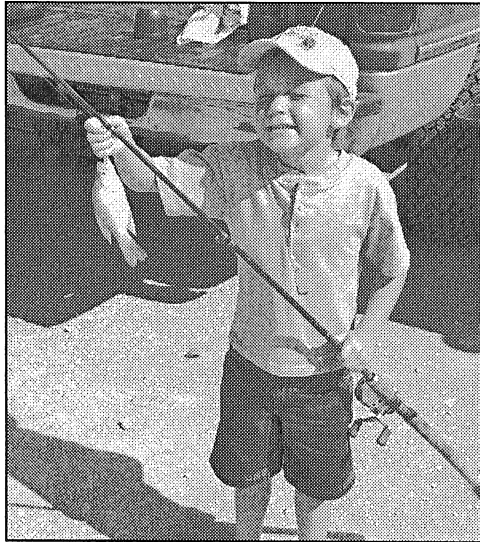
AIZIK GARZA, left, AND TONI GARZA of Morton WEIGH IN JUDGE-BENNY GIBBS, back



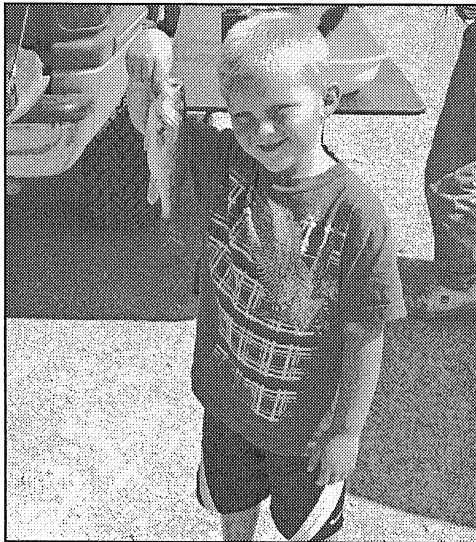
HANNAH LONG, center, AND MIA LONG of Haskell DONNIE FRASIER, granddad, holds fish



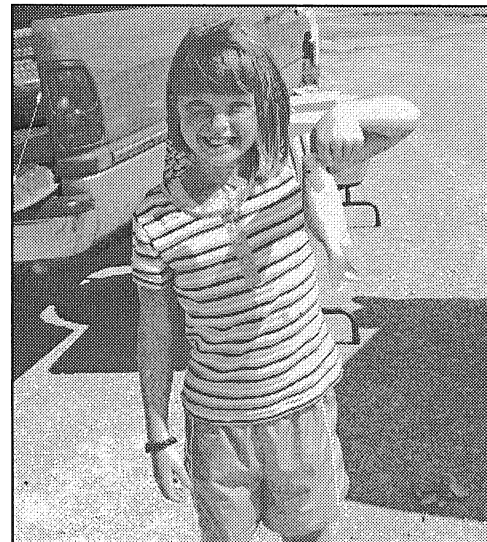
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AARON LYNKEY of Whiteface



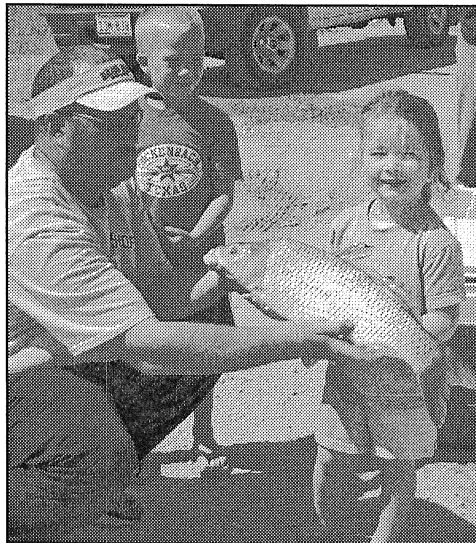
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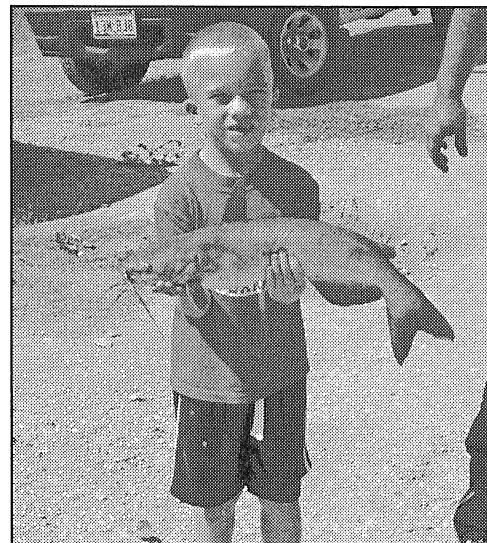
ANGELLE MAYNARD of Haskell



HANNAH STEPHENS of Stamford



ABBIE MULLEN of Aspermont



THOMAS MULLEN of Aspermont

## 58 young anglers enter Kids' Fishing Tournament

Sat., Sept. 5, the seventh annual Kids' Fishing Tournament was held at The Anchor on Lake Stamford with 58 eager young anglers participating.

Six categories were filled with the top three fish being weighed for the \$25, \$15 and \$10

cash prizes going to the participants.

The Bass category was well represented by six year old Wyatt Carmichael of Haskell. Carmichael swept the entire category with his 15 oz., 14 oz. and 13 oz. entries.

The Carp category had seven year old Thomas

Mullen of Aspermont in first place with his 8.85 lbs. entry followed by four year old Abbie Mullen of Aspermont with her 8.35 lbs. entry for second place. Six year old Hannah Long of Haskell had the third place entry of a 5.12 lbs. catch.

The Catfish category was taken by Thomas Mullen with a 9 lb. 10 oz. entry. Abbie Mullen took second place with a 3 lb. 8.5 oz. entry and third with

a 3 lb. 10 oz. entry.

The Crappie category was won by thirteen year old Joshua Frame of Weinert with a 4.5 oz. entry. Aaron Lynskey, age 5, took second and third with entries weighing 3.5 and 3.0 oz.

The Drum category had ten year old Hannah Stephens in the lead with her 1 lb. 8 oz. entry followed by the 10.5 oz. second place entry by two year old Kayden

Johnson of Wichita Falls and the 10.5 oz. third place entry by Ashlyn Payne of Haskell.

The Perch category had eight year old Mason Smart of O'Brien in first and second places with two entries weighing 3 oz. each following by six year old Jacelin Smart weighing a 2.5 oz. catch for the day.

The \$100 overall prize went to Thomas Mullen for his Catfish entry, as

well as the \$75 second place for his Carp entry. Abbie Mullen received the \$50 third place overall prize for her Carp entry.

All 58 participants went home winners with a big smile on their face. The weather was great for fishing. Everyone had a story to tell, and took home either cash or prizes and are looking forward to coming back for next year's event.

E-mail your news and photos to The Haskell Free Press at [hfp@valornet.com](mailto:hfp@valornet.com)

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### Children In Action (CIA)

begins Wed., Sept. 9 at First Baptist Church  
4 years through sixth grade invited  
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
(Light meal will be served at 5:30)

CIA will give girls and boys an opportunity to see God at work and to develop a foundation of faith through mission activities, scripture memorization, and ministry ideas.

If you need a ride, call the church office at 864-2581 no later than noon on Wednesdays.



## TDA seeks technology needs and offers test for connection speeds

The Texas Department of Agriculture and Connected Nation has launched a Web site for Texas' comprehensive broadband mapping initiative. The site is designed to collect information from Texans to help identify current broadband availability across the state and highlight areas that are currently unserved by a broadband provider. The Web site, [www.connectedtx.org](http://www.connectedtx.org), allows for consumer feedback and broadband validation.

"It is critical to bridge the digital divide and connect all Texans," Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said. "To do this we must find out the haves and have-nots when it comes to broadband service. This new Web site provides opportunities for Texans to help us pinpoint broadband availability across the Lone Star state. Join me in telling your broadband story. And, the best news, you have the opportunity to

write the final chapter."

Connectedtx.org allows broadband subscribers to test their connection speed and describe how broadband impacts their lives. Those who do not currently have broadband access can add their name and address to a secure database of households that would like to subscribe if given the opportunity. The information collected on the Web site supports the creation of the broadband inventory map that will assist in expanding broadband delivery to residents across the state.

The Texas broadband map, set to be released in November 2009, will show broadband service availability by households, based on information from providers across Texas, including cable, telephone, wireless Internet service providers, rural cooperatives and municipalities. Most importantly, the broadband

map will show service gaps remaining in rural and other remote locations.

Connected Nation conducted a recent study of the impact of public-private broadband expansion programs funded through the Broadband Data Improvement Act (BDIA). The study found that a comprehensive, grassroots-driven program for increased broadband access and use in Texas could result in a total economic impact of \$9.4 billion through the creation of nearly 173,000 jobs and cost savings in areas such as health care and the environment and through activities such as telecommuting.

## Deadline to order swine tags is Sept. 18

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

Time is fast approaching to order Swine Validation tags for the upcoming stock show year of 2009-10. Students planning to show this year must have an official Texas State Validation Ear Tag for their animals. If showing the animal project under FFA, check with your Ag. Science teacher at school for the deadline to order.

The deadline to order the Validation Ear Tags for Swine, if showing through 4-H, will be Fri., Sept. 18 at 4:30 p.m. in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell.

If you have any questions concerning this matter contact Wes Utley, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag. at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546. All swine must be validated to be legal in all major and county shows.

## Rule, Paint Creek teams suffer losses

The Rule Bobcats were defeated by the Knox City Greyhounds 55 to 8.

The Paint Creek Pirates

game against the Aspermont Hornets was called with 6:13 remaining in the third quarter after a transformer went out

causing the stadium to lose power.

The Hornets took the win by a score of 34-0.

## Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The City of Weinert conducted public hearings on August 27, 2009 and September 3, 2009 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Weinert from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.41 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of .4978 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$14,834.82.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of .5320 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$16,005.00.

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The City of Weinert is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 15, 2009 at 102 South Breustedt, City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

## Homecoming plans being accepted

Haskell Homecoming will be here soon. This year's homecoming is slated for Fri. and Sat., Sept. 25-26.

Along with the traditional pep rally, football game, and recognition program, the homecoming committee would like to provide a fund-raising opportunity for your organization, and at the same time, offer entertainment to community members and homecoming guests.

On Sat., Sept. 26, an array of activities for all ages will be set up at the fairgrounds. To get things kicked off, the Haskell Lions Club will host

a 5K Run and Walk. Local organizations are asked to rent booth space at this event to provide fun, games, food and drinks. Ideas will be approved on a first-come, first-serve basis, so prepare your fund-raising ideas now. Suggested fund-raising opportunities could include a dunking booth, horseshoe and washer pitching, football toss, dart throwing, etc.

To secure your space at the event, contact Jimmy Burson, homecoming president, at 940-256-1394 or 940-864-8161.

## Water is still the best for hydration

It may be trendy to carry bottled water—tap or otherwise—but it's just plain smart when the thermostat's inching toward 100 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade.

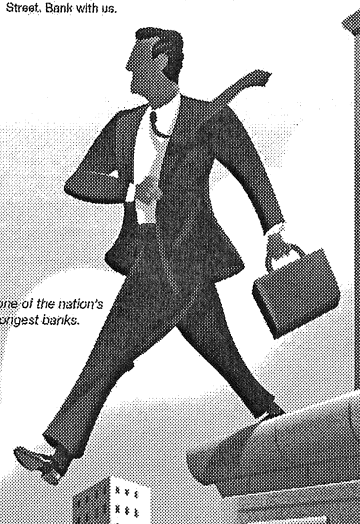
Lona Sandon, assistant professor of clinical nutrition at UT Southwestern Medical Center, says water is the best option for hydration, but opt for a sports drink if you are exercising or working in the heat for more than 90 minutes.

Signs of dehydration include weakness, exhaustion and delirium.

"Just be sure to steer clear of alcohol and caffeinated drinks like tea and sodas. They may add to your fluid intake but may leave you feeling light headed and jittery, making it difficult to tell if you are well hydrated," says Sandon, a registered dietitian.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed Constitutional Amendments  
Special Election November 3, 2009

#### PROPOSITION 1

HJR 132 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow a municipality or a county to issue bonds and notes to finance the purchase of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to military installations. The buffer areas would be used to prevent encroachment or to construct roadways utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation. The municipality or county may pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues for repayment of the bonds or notes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the financing, including through tax increment financing, of the acquisition by municipalities and counties of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to a military installation for the prevention of encroachment or for the construction of roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation."

#### PROPOSITION 2

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether the property may have a higher value if it were used for other purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the ad valorem taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead."

#### PROPOSITION 3

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to require the legislature to provide for the administration and enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes."

#### PROPOSITION 4

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to establish the national research university fund to provide a source of funding that will enable emerging research universities in this state to develop into major research universities. The amendment would require the legislature to dedicate state revenue to the fund and to transfer the balance of the existing higher education fund to the national research university fund. This amendment would further require the legislature to establish the criteria by which a state university may become eligible to receive and use distributions from the fund.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in this state to achieve national prominence as major research universities and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research university fund."

#### PROPOSITION 5

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow for a single appraisal review board for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated reviews of tax appraisals.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations."

#### PROPOSITION 6

HJR 116 would amend the constitu-

tion to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds, subject to certain constitutional limits, for the purpose of selling land and providing home or land mortgage loans to veterans of the state.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized."

#### PROPOSITION 7

HJR 127 would amend the constitution to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices."

#### PROPOSITION 8

HJR 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans' hospitals in this state.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans' hospitals in this state."

#### PROPOSITION 9

HJR 102 would define what is a state-owned public beach. The public, individually and collectively, would have an unrestricted right to use and a right of ingress to and egress from a public beach. The amendment would authorize the legislature to enact laws to protect these rights.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to protect the right of the public, individually and collectively, to access and use

the public beaches bordering the seaward shore of the Gulf of Mexico."

#### PROPOSITION 10

HJR 85 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide that members of the governing board of an emergency services district may serve terms not to exceed four years.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that elected members of the governing boards of emergency services districts may serve terms not to exceed four years."

#### PROPOSITION 11

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to provide that the taking of private property for public use ("eminent domain") is authorized only if it is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, its political subdivisions, the public at large, or by entities granted the power of eminent domain, or for the removal of urban blight. The amendment would prohibit the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or to increase tax revenues. The amendment would also limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain in the future unless it is approved by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each house.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain under law or for the elimination of urban blight on a particular parcel of property, but not for certain economic development or enhancement of tax revenue purposes, and to limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain to an entity."

Published by Secretary of State Hope Andrade, [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us), 1-800-252-VOTE (8683).

# Get seasonal flu shot now

The Texas Department of State Health Services is encouraging people to get their seasonal flu vaccination now.

"Don't wait. Get your seasonal flu vaccination now," said Dr. David Lakey, DSHS Commissioner. "It's one of the best ways to protect yourself and others from seasonal flu."

Seasonal flu vaccine, available in shot and nasal spray forms, is recommended for people ages 6 months and older. The shot takes about two weeks to become effective. A separate 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine is not expected until mid-October.

"Get the seasonal flu vaccine now. Then, be prepared get the 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine later. One vaccine isn't a substitute for the other," Lakey said.

People at high risk of having serious flu complications are especially encouraged to get their

seasonal flu shot as soon as possible. This includes children ages 6 months through 18 years, those 50 and older, people with chronic medical conditions, residents of long-term care facilities and pregnant women. People who have close contact with those at high risk also should get vaccinated.

People wanting the seasonal flu vaccine should call their health care provider, local public health department, 2-1-1 or check online at [www.211Texas.org](http://www.211Texas.org) for availability.

Lakey also urged people to follow standard illness-prevention steps:

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer;
- Cover coughs and sneezes;
- Stay home if sick.

For more information about flu in Texas, visit DSHS' [www.TexasFlu.org](http://www.TexasFlu.org).

## Haskell School Menu

### Sept. 14-18 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

**Monday:** Blueberry muffin, Cheez-its crackers  
**Tuesday:** Pig in a blanket

**Wednesday:** Frosted flakes cereal, graham crackers

**Thursday:** Funnel cake  
**Friday:** Bean and cheese burritos

### Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Junior High campus: Choice of entrée or baked potato

with cheese and ham. High School campus: Choice of entrée or chef salad with crackers.

**Monday:** Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce, hot roll, sliced pears

**Tuesday:** Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, tortilla chips, garden salad, fruit cocktail

**Wednesday:** Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, assorted chips, orange wedges

**Thursday:** Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, corn, sunshine bar

**Friday:** Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, french fries, choice: raspberry or strawberry Gogurt

## Paint Creek School Menu

### Sept. 14-18 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Muffins  
**Tuesday:** Pancakes  
**Wednesday:** Biscuits, gravy

**Thursday:** French toast  
**Friday:** Donuts

**Lunch**  
Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Nachos, refried

beans, salad, apple crisp  
**Tuesday:** Pork roast, rice, gravy, broccoli, salad, bread, jello

**Wednesday:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, peas, bread, pudding

**Thursday:** Hamburgers, cheese, pickles, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, cookies

**Friday:** Sandwiches, cheese, salad, pickles, chips, fruit

## Calendar

### Study Club

Due to conflicts, the meeting of the Haskell Progressive Study Club was changed to Thurs., Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of Haskell National Bank. Members are asked to bring their 'box supper' of their favorite food such as hot dogs, hamburgers, fried chicken, corn dog and etc. Drinks will be provided. Entertainment will be by the Yearbook Committee with a 'Feet-ish' surprise as this is a 'Kick-off' meeting for the 2009-10 club year. Members are encouraged to bring prospective members to this outlandish 'Kick-off' meeting.

### Warpath 5K

The Haskell Lions Club is sponsoring the Warpath 5K, a fun run and walk, during Haskell Homecoming Sat., Sept. 26, starting at 8 a.m. The first 150 entries will receive a Warpath 5K t-shirt. To request registration forms, go to [haskellionsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:haskellionsclub@yahoo.com), <http://haskellions.blogspot.com> or contact any Lions Club members. All funds raised will be used to benefit Lions Club International and local organizations.

### Pancake supper

The Haskell Lions Club annual all you can eat pancake supper will be held Fri., Sept. 25, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. prior to the Haskell-Quanah football game. Tickets are \$6 each and may be purchased from any Lions Club member. To request more information go to [haskellionsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:haskellionsclub@yahoo.com), <http://haskellions.blogspot.com> or call 940-864-3957.

### 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.

### Vendors needed

The Haskell Young Homemakers are accepting vendor forms for their annual craft show to be held Nov. 21. Vendors interested in purchasing a booth at the craft show may contact Megan Cox at 325-370-6572.

### Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., Sept. 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. A salad supper will be hosted by the new officers. Everyone is asked to bring art work for a time of 'show and tell.'

### Women of prayer

Women of Prayer meets each third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Church of God, 714 N. First St. East. No children, please.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Sept. 19 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., Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

### Volleyball night

First Baptist Church in Haskell is hosting an open gym for volleyball every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. Volleyball players of all ages are welcome to come and play. There is no charge. For more information, call the church office at 864-2581.

### PC Homecoming

Paint Creek School is seeking updated information on all former students for Homecoming 2009. Send any name changes, address changes or life status changes to [rlhansoncmc@srcaccess.net](mailto:rlhansoncmc@srcaccess.net), call 940-864-3904, or mail to 807 N. 9th St., Haskell, Texas 79521. Homecoming is planned for early November.

### 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. For more information, call 940-864-5964.

## ECC Menu

### Mon., Sept. 14

**Lunch—Enchiladas,** Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, chips, salsa, apricot cobbler, tea or coffee

### Wed., Sept. 16

**Lunch—Barbecue sausage,** onions, pickles, mac and cheese, pinto beans, garlic

toast, Coke cake, tea or coffee

### Fri., Sept. 18

**Lunch—Beef stew,** tuna and pimento sandwiches, onion slice, chips, pickles, jello, cookie, tea or coffee

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

## This Week's Devotional Message:

### Grandparents stay young longer than ever before



Thanks to better living habits, advances in medicine, and a wider variety of appropriate activities, people are not only living longer but staying active longer. The so-called 'generation gap' is a lot narrower than it used to be, because Grandma and Grandpa no longer sit at home in their rocking chairs. They go to senior citizen lunches, play bingo, and organize political action groups to

secure better health care, insurance, etc. Some continue working, or even find new careers for themselves. In any case, we can learn much from their ability to enjoy and make the most of every day that remains of their lives. At our house of worship, our children will learn to love, respect and communicate with their elders; a rewarding experience for all.

## ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

### —HASKELL—

**East Side Baptist Church**  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
600 N. 1st East, Haskell

**Christian Church**  
Jim McCurley, pastor  
Sun. 10:45 a.m.  
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

**Church of God**  
Bruce Ray, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
714 North First East, Haskell

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Ron Rennegebar, pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
Hwy 380 East, Haskell

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

**First United Methodist Church**  
Rev. 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. Amurn  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

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

**Church of Christ**  
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

**God Loves You Ministries**  
Mark Wallace, pastor  
Sun. School 10 a.m.; Church 10:45 a.m.  
West side of square, Haskell

—WEINERT—  
**First Baptist Church**  
Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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

**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

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**S&S STORAGE** in Haskell has storage units for rent. Call 864-2208. 23tfc

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### Public Notices

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALARY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS**  
FY 2009-2010

Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code, Section 152.103, notice is hereby given that at the regular meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners' Court located on the 2nd floor of the Haskell County Courthouse, Haskell, Texas at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, the 14th day of September, 2009, the Commissioners' Court shall consider a proposal to raise the annual salary of the following Haskell County Elected Officials, to become effective October 1, 2009:

Official, Sheriff (2009-2010 only); Present Salary, \$31,782.72; Proposed Salary, \$43,282.72; Amount of Increase, \$11,500.00.

Official, Sheriff (each year thereafter); Present Salary, \$31,782.72; Proposed Salary, \$37,782.72; Amount of Increase, \$6,000.00.

This increase is a result of fees paid to the Haskell County Sheriff's

Department by Emerald Correctional Management, L.L.C. pursuant to the sale of Rolling Plains Regional Jail & Detention Facility by the County to Emerald Correctional Management, L.L.C. The fees will be used to increase the salary of the Sheriff and his Deputies.

Witness the hand and official seal of said Court on this the 31st day of August, 2009.

David Davis  
County Judge  
Haskell County  
Commissioners' Court  
Haskell County, Texas  
36-37c

**COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

September 10, 2009  
City of Rule  
701 Union Ave  
P.O. Box 607  
Rule, TX 79547  
940/996-2214

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements.

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about September 28, 2009 the City of Rule will submit a request to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of the Title of Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as wastewater system improvements, for the purpose of rehabilitation of the existing evaporation ponds at the City's wastewater treatment plant, the closure of the ponds abandoned as a result of the recently construction of a facultative lagoon and additional drainage channel improvements and berm reconstruction at the wastewater treatment plant and replacement of the transfer pump. The wastewater treatment plant is located two miles southwest of Rule, approximately 1.5 miles south of U.S. Hwy 380 and approximately 2 miles west of State Hwy 6 in Haskell County, Texas.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Rule has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information

is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City Hall at 701 Union Ave, Rule, TX 79547 and may be examined or copied weekdays (7:30) A.M. to (4:00) P.M., Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Office of Mayor, City of Rule, Rule, Texas. All comments received by September 25, 2009 will be considered by the City of Rule prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentors should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

**RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The City of Rule certifies to Texas Department of Rural Affairs that James Marquis in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. TDRA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Rule to use Program funds.

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**  
The Texas Department

of Rural Affairs will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Rule certification received by October 7, 2009 or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of the City of Rule approved by Texas Department of Rural Affairs; (b) the (RE) has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by Texas Department of Rural Affairs; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to Texas Department of Rural Affairs at P.O. Box 12877, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact TDRA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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Family of Melvin Fannin

*The family of Erma Liles is grateful for all the condolences, flowers, visits, memorials and prayers. Special thanks to the Haskell Healthcare Center, Cindy Krebs, and the Haskell Memorial Hospital staff. We also want to acknowledge the minister, Dan Bullock of Weinert First Baptist Church, for a beautiful service and the ladies and gentleman that brought the music. Bless all of you.*  
The family of Erma Liles

*The family of Hyrum Richards would like to thank everyone that was and still is here for our Family, in our time of sorrow. The outpouring of love was overwhelming. The food, cards, phone calls and personal visits were numerous and so special to us. The donations and flowers made our hearts glad. It's during a time like this that we learn how much our friends really mean to us. You have blessed us with your thoughts and presence and we thank you for that.*  
Jean Richards and Family

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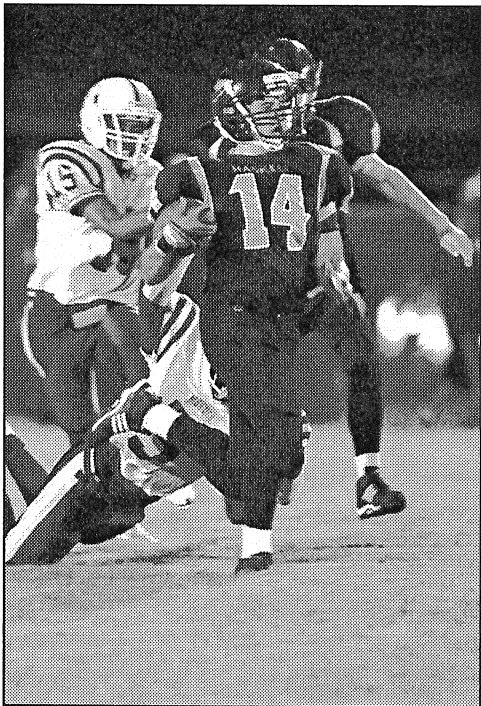
**AVE. I EAST (S. FIRST EAST).** Don't miss this beautiful interior! This property is a CLASSIC with everything new. Windows, roof, doors, carpet, kitchen cabinets, dishwasher, light fixtures and fans, and sewer line are a great addition to this 1910 vintage home. Wood floors have been refinished and antique mock fireplace mantel with a brick insert added to the large living. Other amenities include a dining room with bar open to the kitchen, C/HA, utility connections, carport, outside storage, well and storm cellar. Location is isolated like country living.

**900 N. 4TH ST.** Very nice three-bedroom, two bath doublewide home on a corner lot. Home has a garden tub in the master bath, built-in kitchen, C/HA, large living, kitchen-dining area, all electric and is in excellent condition. Home may be sold on present lot or moved.

**HUNTER'S LODGE.** 5933 FM 2229 O'Brien. Large older home on two acres with three bedrooms and two baths and an extra large den. Property has some wood floors and some carpet, large kitchen and dining area, water well and lots of fruit trees. There is a detached garage, a carport and miscellaneous storage. A second home is located on the property and could be used for guest, hunters or a rental unit. Property is in good condition and reasonably priced. REDUCED.  
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**INDIANS ON THE MOVE**—Haskell Indian Tailback #2 Tyler Rodriguez moves the ball behind Indian blockers #33 Marco Gonzalez and #10 Adrian Hernandez. Rodriguez had 56 yards on seven rushes for the night. The Indians fell to the Moguls by a 15-12 score.



**YARDAGE GAIN**—Haskell Indian #14 Austin Marshall makes a break from a Munday Mogul tackle in an attempt to gain yardage. Marshall had one catch for 49 yards on the night.

## 4-H rabbit pens need to be ordered by Sept. 11

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.  
It is time for 4-H members to make arrangements for the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show. 4-H'ers purchasing rabbits need to call the breeders and be sure to speak for a pen(s).

The Haskell County Extension Office will need this information by Sept. 11 to be able to get pens of rabbits reserved for our 4-H rabbit feeders. The pens of rabbits that the office orders will be on a lease agreement.

The Haskell County

Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 14-16. The pens will be validated sometime in mid-December.

If you have any further questions or would like to

have our office reserve a pen of rabbits for your 4-H project, contact Wes Utley, CEA-Ag at the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.

### Burn Ban in effect

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## Outreach program to offer assistance Tues., Sept. 29

The Wichita Falls Area Food Bank's Social Services Outreach Program will be at the Housing Authority and Modern Way Grocery store in Haskell to raise public awareness and to provide application assistance for several different state-funded social and health services such as Food Stamps, Medicaid, Women's Healthcare Program, CHIP, and TANF.

The Food Bank's Social Services Outreach Coordinator, Dianne Richardson, will be setting up Application Completion Centers Tues., Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Housing Authority and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at

Modern Way Grocery store. The center will offer hassle-free sign-up which includes assistance in filling out the application, and delivering the completed application to the correct Health and Human Services Office.

The Wichita Falls Area Food Bank's Social Services Outreach Program does not determine an individual's eligibility. However, it does make sure the applicants have information on the assistance programs available to them, assures necessary paperwork is completed thoroughly and correctly, and turns the applications in to the correct office.

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~ACTIVITIES~  
pictures with Indian Cheerleaders or Mascot, face painting

~CONCESSIONS~  
variety of food and drinks—meals, donuts, soft drinks, water, etc.

~VENDORS~  
Vendors "set up shop" and allow people time to browse

**Sat., September 26**  
**from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

The Haskell homecoming committee would like to provide family activities for the community, as well as homecoming guests, during the day on Saturday. Your group or organization will have a wonderful fundraising opportunity! Pay a \$25 booth fee, you keep all your profits! Call now to reserve booth space by contacting Jimmy Burson at 940-256-1394.

Everyone is invited to participate.  
Let's make this a homecoming success!

## Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The County of Haskell Commissioners' Court conducted public hearings on September 4, 2009 and September 9, 2009 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of Haskell County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.99 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of .7548 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,866,928.93.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of .7668 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,991,025.47.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of .7668 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$2,004,521.26.

The County of Haskell Commissioners' Court at 1 Ave D, Haskell, Texas 79521 is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 14, 2009 at Haskell County Commissioners' Courtroom at 12 noon.