

## Football

**HASKELL**  
7, 8, JV Indians vs Winters  
Thurs., Sept. 17, 4 p.m.  
at Rochester  
Indians vs Winters  
Fri., Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m.  
at Winters  
**PAINT CREEK**  
JH Pirates vs Blackwell  
Fri., Sept. 18, 6 p.m.  
at Paint Creek  
Pirates vs Blackwell  
Fri., Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m.  
at Paint Creek  
**RULE**  
JH Bobcats vs Bordon Co.  
Thurs., Sept. 17, 5:30 p.m.  
at Rule  
Bobcats vs Bordon Co.  
Fri., Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m.  
at Rule

## Calendar

### Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive, sponsored by the Haskell Rotary Club, Tues., Sept. 22 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the courthouse square. Call 325-670-2798 for more information or visit [www.meekbloodcenter.org](http://www.meekbloodcenter.org).

### 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.

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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.

### Medical fund

A medical fund has been established at Haskell National Bank for Casen Steele Riley, newborn son of Casey and Heather Steele Riley. The baby is a patient at Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth.

### Revival

First Assembly of God Church, 1500 N. Ave. E in Haskell, will host revival Sept. 20-23 and Sept. 27-30. Sunday services will begin at 6 p.m. Services Mon.-Wed. will begin at 7 p.m. Alice Pike, husband Jim, and son David, all of Bowie, will speak.

### Booster Club

The Haskell Athletic Booster Club will hold a meeting Tues., Sept. 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. All parents of junior high and high school athletes are encouraged to attend.

### Quilters to meet

The Willow Creek Quilting Guild of Haskell will meet Mon., Sept. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Haskell Church of Christ Annex building. Anyone interested in quilt making or learning more about quilting is invited to attend.

### Special service

Rev. and Mrs. Anthony Wilson and family of Dallas will provide the praise and worship services at Greater Independent Baptist Church, 301 N. 3rd in Haskell, Sun., Sept. 20.

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"The People's Choice"

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## Eagle project builds playground structure

by Caron Yates  
Brennan Medford, son of Kendall and Emily Medford, is another in a growing list of boy scouts to complete an Eagle Scout project.

Medford is a twelve year member of Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136. He is a senior at

Paint Creek High School and serves as president of his FFA chapter, president of the student council, president of his class, a member of the National Honor Society and Gifted/Talented and also runs track. He not only shows animals, but participates on

leadership teams and career development teams.

In addition to the many school activities, he has found time to work his way through the projects and requirements necessary to earn the highest rank in the boy scout organization.

Medford chose for his project to redesign and rebuild a structure on the Paint Creek elementary playground. The area, used by teachers and students, already had a concrete slab, landscaping posts and a trellis top. After gaining approval for the project from the scouting council and the school, Medford began organizing his ideas, workers and materials.

With the help of the Paint Creek Boy Scout Troop 148, he took down the top, leveled the posts and built a new frame. Using steel he got from Sweetwater, he came up with what he calls, an abstract art design for the top of the structure. His grandfather, using a truck with a crane, helped lift the frame onto the posts where it was then securely anchored. Then the frame was covered with shade cloth, which helps block the sun.

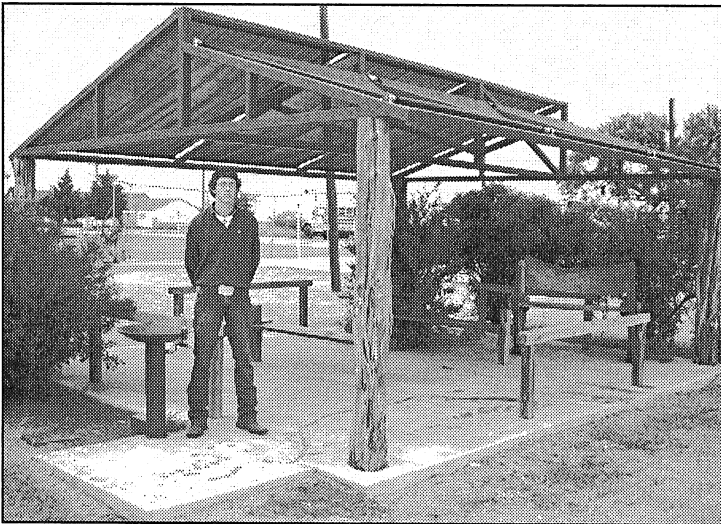
The next phase of the project included painting the poles, making and mounting benches and adding rails around the

outside perimeter of the area. He even constructed a water fountain from a plow disc, which he plumbed in, for the benefit of students playing on the playground. Finally he cleaned the area of all overgrowth as well as cleaned and prepared flower beds for planting.

Medford estimates the project took about two months to complete. He appreciates the help he received from fellow scouts, his grandfather, his dad and his teacher, Michael Waggoner.

Eagle Scout projects, not only build leadership and organizational skills, but also allow young men to experience the benefit in setting goals and seeing them through to completion.

Medford says that the five Eagle Scout candidates who began their scouting experience together, wanted to wait until all the projects were finished, in order to receive the Court of Honor and complete their scouting experience, together.



**EAGLE PROJECT**—Brennan Medford of Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136 shows off his completed Eagle Scout project. The project redesigned and rebuilt a structure on the Paint Creek elementary playground used by students and teachers.

## Search warrants lead to Haskell County arrests

Based on information received by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office stating that a residence in Rochester was being used to sell illegal drugs and after further investigation determining that illegal activity was occurring, a search warrant was obtained on the residence at 605 Lincoln St. in Rochester.

A search was executed Sept. 8 at the Rochester residence and marijuana

and drug paraphernalia were located in the residence. A female was taken into custody and transported to Haskell County Jail and booked in on possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Chief Gregg Hearn of the Rochester Police Department, Haskell Police Officer Bill Glass, Troopers Brody Moore and Larry Adams, Parks and Wildlife Officer Ryan Peacock, Haskell Co. Chief Deputy Winston Stephens,

Haskell Co. K-9 Deputy Jason Torres and Sheriff David Halliburton executed the warrant.

On Sept. 9, information was received from another concerned citizen stating that drugs were being sold from an apartment in Haskell on North 14th Street.

A short investigation determined that drugs were being sold from the apartment and a search warrant was written on

107 N. Ave. B Apt. 48 in Haskell. The search warrant, executed Thurs., Sept. 10, resulted in the finding of crack cocaine, marijuana and drug paraphernalia in the apartment.

Three suspects, two males and one female, were taken into custody, transported to Haskell County Jail and booked in on possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver in a drug free zone.

Involved in the search warrant at the apartment were Constable Kim Bassett, Haskell Police Officer Glass, Parks and Wildlife Officer Peacock, Haskell Co. Chief Deputy Stephens and Haskell County Sheriff Halliburton.

On the evening of Aug. 20, Haskell Co. Chief Deputy Winston Stephens made a traffic stop on a south bound vehicle for speeding. During the interview with the driver it was believed that the driver might be engaged in some type of illegal activity. After more interviewing with the driver, Deputy Stephens believed that the driver from Del Rio was transporting a large amount of money that might be connected to transporting drugs. During the investigation and consent to search the vehicle, the defendant could not explain why he had a large amount of money with him. He was arrested and transported to Haskell County Jail and booked in on money laundering. His vehicle was seized until his court appearance.

All officers of Haskell County thank the citizens of the county that provide information on any kind of illegal activity.

"Remember it takes all of our citizens and law enforcement working together to get defendants to court to allow the District Attorney, County Attorney, judges and juries work out proper punishment for all of the defendants," said Sheriff Halliburton.

"Also, let's remember and keep in our prayers our men and women in the armed forces who are fighting for us so that we may enjoy this kind of freedom," added Halliburton.

## Albany Lions roar over Indians

In last week's AP poll covering Texas high school football, the Albany Lions were the #1 team in Class A football. They still remain undefeated, after the battle with the Haskell Indians. Albany came out on top with a 47 to 18 win over the Indians.

Albany, on their first possession of the football, moved 73 yards on 14 plays to score on a one yard run. The PAT kick was good.

Haskell, not to be outdone, moved the pigskin 63 yards on seven plays to enter the end zone on their first possession of the game. Tailback Tyler Rodriguez got the two yard run for the TD. The PAT try failed.

With eleven seconds remaining in the opening quarter, the Lions would score on a 21 yard pass play and tack on the extra point to take a 14 to 6 lead at quarter's end.

The #1 ranked team would score three times during the second quarter on runs of 12 yards and one yard. They would add both PAT kicks on these two touchdowns. Albany would get one touchdown on a 32

yard pass play, but failed on the PAT attempt.

The Indian's highlight of the second quarter came on an 80 yard kick off return by running back Marco Gonzalez behind some fine blocking by the kick off return team. The two point conversion try failed. Score in this first half of play: Haskell 12, Albany 34.

Following the kick off starting the second half of play, the Indians moved the pigskin from their own 21 yard line to the Albany one yard line but were unable to cross the goal line. Neither team scored in the third quarter.

Albany would make two more touchdowns in this rain soaked game and tack on one more PAT kick. Haskell's tailback Gonzalez, to prove that one kick off return needed to be followed by another, would again return the kick off some 88 yards at the 9:52 mark in the fourth and final quarter. The final score in this non-district game, Haskell 18, Albany 47.

The Indians had 36 rushes for 126 yards. Quarterback Christian Myers had 11

carries for 76 yards. Tailback Tyler Rodriguez had one touchdown and a negative two yards on four carries. Fullback James Williams got 103 yards on 13 rushes. Fullback Tyrone Neskoric got 22 yards on five carries. Gonzalez, tailback, had 168 yards on two kick off returns for touchdowns. The Indians had 17 yards via the air on two completions on 8 attempts with one interception.

The 7th and 8th Warriors won their games over the

young Lions and the JV Indians had their game called due to weather during the course of their game.

All three teams, 7th, 8th and JV are scheduled to host the Winters 7th, 8th and JV teams in Rochester on Thurs., Sept. 17. Games are scheduled to start at 4 p.m.

The Haskell Indians will travel to Winters on Friday evening the 18th of Sept. Kick off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

## Quilt show set Oct. 24 in Weinert

The third annual "Stitches in Time" quilt show will be held Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Weinert School building in Weinert. Located just off of Highway 277 between Haskell and Munday, the site is easily accessible. Sponsored by the Committee to Help Haskell County, the event will feature both hand quilted and machine quilted creations. The deadline for entering quilts is Tues., Oct. 20.

Goodie bags will be given to the first 100 people, door prizes will be awarded throughout the day and everyone gets to cast a vote for their favorite entry.

Attendees are invited to enjoy a delicious noon meal, shop from vendors and attend educational demonstrations.

Exhibitors, vendors and anyone wanting more information should contact Susan Cockerell at 940-864-2851.

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## Study Club members begin new club year

Barefoot in the Park was the theme for the Haskell Progressive Study Club's first meeting of the new year Thurs., Sept. 10 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Members were greeted with a garden setting and box suppers brought by members were placed on a table with members exchanging numbers with each other to share their box suppers. Leigh Sims offered thanks for the meal.

First vice president Julia Harrell greeted members and guests and presided over the meeting in the absence of president Dorothy Hartsfield attending the TFWC State Convention in Austin. Leading members in the pledge to the American and Texas flags and the singing of Texas Our Texas was Franciene Johnson. Minutes

and treasurer's report was given and accepted. Resignation of club treasurer Bettie Wainscott was read and accepted with regret. Kathryn Schonerstedt was elected to serve out the one year term.

The Yearbook Committee of Julia Harrell, Kris Fouts, Judy Burnett, Ruby Turner and Kathryn Schonerstedt presented members with their yearbooks for the 2009-10 year and then presented skits of each meeting for the new year. Cover of the yearbook was designed by Dusty Wolfe 2008 Haskell High School graduate, TFWC State Penny Arts academic award recipient, Mesquite District academic award recipient, and 2008 Progressive Study Club academic award recipient. Wolfe is minoring in Art at

Western Texas College at Snyder.

Members were reminded of projects coming up; sponsoring Haskell Homecoming luncheon Sept. 26, annual chicken spaghetti supper Oct. 23 and hosting the 2010 TFWC Spring Convention March 13.

Seventeen members were present with three guests, Debbie Kennedy and Jo Ann Grant of Haskell and Tommye Jo Clark of Rule. Hostesses for the evening was the Social Committee of Susan Cockerell, Lynn Dodson, Connie Benton, Janis Brzozowski and Donna Davis.

Next meeting will be held Thurs., Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Hospital Education Building.

## Local scouts kickoff annual popcorn sale

Haskell has been active in Scouting programs for over 60 years. All Boy and Cub Scouts will be seen around town beginning this week until Oct. 10 asking you for your support with their annual popcorn sales event.

Many citizens have had family members involved in scouting or have been a part of the scouting program and understand the many benefits of being involved. Local scouts would like to once again ask residents for their support to keep our local organizations running for another year. The scouts would like to ask you for your support by purchasing popcorn from one of our local boys.

A variety of popcorn is available to choose from this year. The prices have not changed, but some of the products offered are different. The prices begin at \$9 for the small can of caramel corn. The 23 oz. can of caramel corn with almonds, pecans, and cashews, as well as the new 18 oz. can of chocolatey triple delight, sell for \$17 each. The triple delight has a butter toffee glaze with a drizzle of white yogurt and half dipped in milk chocolate for any sweet tooth.

Also new this year is an 18 oz. resealable bag of gourmet trail mix made of raisins, cranberries, almonds, walnuts, yogurt cranberries and yogurt raisins for \$25.

The 3 way cheese tin has one cheddar cheese and two white cheddar popcorn bags for \$30 in a military salute collector container. The 3-way savory-sweet tin includes chocolatey delight triple, caramel corn with almonds, pecans, and cashews, and melt in your mouth cheese popcorn for \$40 in a large winter themed tin.

Microwave varieties are offered in butter light and unbelievable butter, both in 15 pack boxes priced at \$13 each.

Scouts are also offering two levels of donations for our military. The silver level

at \$25 or the gold level for \$40. You may choose how you want to help make a donation to support our men and women in the military.

Online sales are also available to family and friends. The popcorn is delivered to the home directly and the scout receives the

credit. Contact any scout directly or call a leader for assistance. Local scout leaders are Sherri Morrow at 864-3624 or Leland Terry at 864-2916 in Haskell, Patrick Pace at 996-2729 in Rule, or Randy Waggoner at 673-5419 in Weinert.

## Museum sets garage sale Sat., Sept. 19 in Munday

A few more days to go before the annual Wichita Brazos Museum garage sale on, Sat., Sept. 19. Friends of the museum have been scouring the county, and beyond, to ensure customers at the Perry Patton Center will have plenty to choose from. It's sort of like going to market at Dallas for a store owner.

The Friends have been holding the museum's second biggest fund-raiser, so many years they could write a book, one Friend says.

One example: at the last meeting all present were asked, (or was it ordered) to bring plastic bags because the check out line almost ran out of sacks for customers last year. Also, the cookie and brownie committee said, "Last year the sweet snacks sold so fast and so early Saturday morning, that we had to hide cookies in order to have some to sell at the grilled hamburger lunch on the center's front porch." Translated that report seemed to say, "Bake more cookies and brownies, too."

On sale day there will be pick-up and car loads of items coming in at 8 a.m. even as the first customers arrive. It may be a get-rid-of-it object to the donor, but it may become someone else's treasure that they can't live

without, even though they only realized they needed it upon spotting the object as it came through the door.

The garage sale at Munday helps pay for museum operations and improvements. It's an opportunity for everyone to help the museum, so be a good citizen, clean out your

closets, pull out that dusty box in the back corner of the garage and donate what you find to the sale.

But save the box, you'll need it to carry home something you can't live without.

For more information, call the Wichita Brazos Museum at 940-459-2229.

## Help available for completion of application forms

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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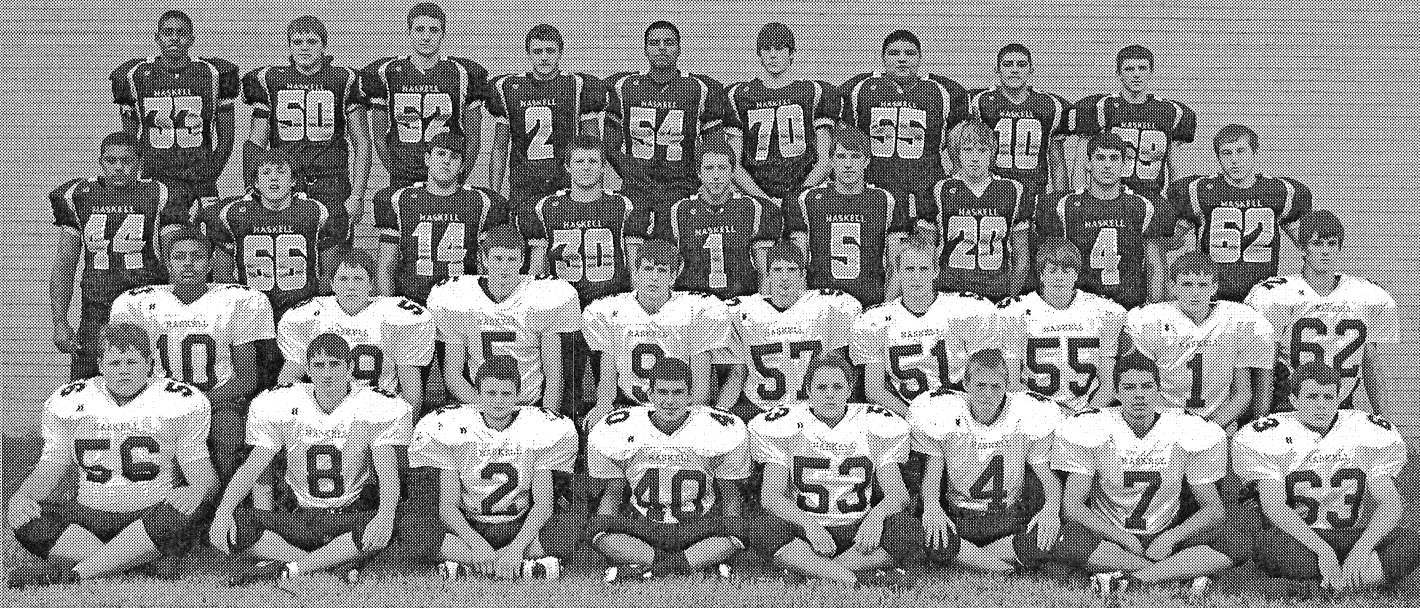
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# Indian Football 2009



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 Agüero 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.



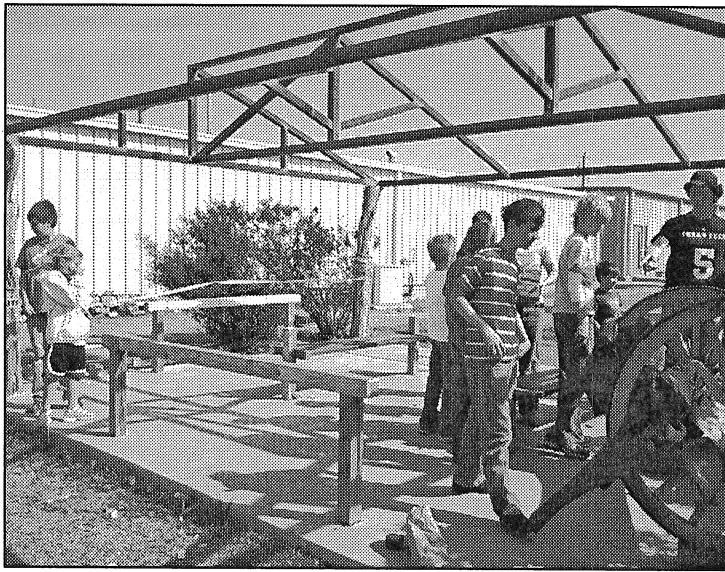
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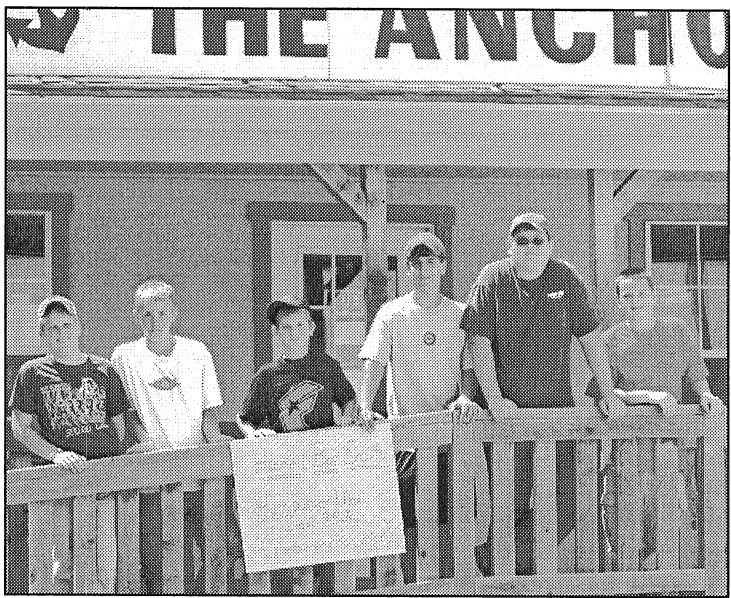
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**WORK CREW**—Brennan Medford, far right, instructs members of his work crew, l-r, Micah Waggoner, Zhenia McTasney, Dalton Einhaus, Tyler Hall and Corbin Waggoner helping with Medford's Eagle Scout project. The group worked on the project built on the Paint Creek School campus for about two months.



**COOKING TEAM**—Members of Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136 provided hamburgers and soft drinks during the Kid's Fishing Tournament held Sept. 5 at The Anchor. Displaying their menu sign are, l-r, Max Weise, Trevor Reese, Micah Thomas, Aaron Waggoner, Preston Morrow and Zachary Tatum. The scouts are raising money for their trip to the National Boy Scout Jamboree in 2010.

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## Swine tags to be ordered

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 PFA, 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.

## Pirates, Bobcats suffer losses

The Paint Creek Pirates fell to Benjamin 40-8 in Friday night's game played in Benjamin.

The Pirates scored on a 64 yard pass in the fourth quarter followed by a PAT kick that was good.

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 The Rule Bobcats were defeated by the Paducah Dragons 48-0 in a game played on Dragon Field.

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**Country Elegance gets 'State Certified'**

On August 26th, Jimmie Wilhelm has received certification from the State of Texas and is certified to open the door for a full house of residents. **Country Elegance** received two residents on August 1st. We then notified the State of Texas for a Health & Safety Code Inspection from DADS (Department of Aging & Disability Services). This is required in order to get fully certified and be able to have 16 residents in the facility. **Country Elegance** has 14 apartments which allows up to 2 couples in the facility. Retirement has its advantages and **Country Elegance** has it all.

Let's get rid of some myths floating around town. I've heard that the Assisted Living would never open. I'm here to tell you that it is open and has been certified by the State of Texas. No plumbing problems, they've all been fixed! All meals are cooked in the facility and the food does not come from the Hospital. This is one of the nicest facilities in this area and is a blessing to this community and the surrounding towns. Those of you that need assistance, need to come by and see what we have for you and your families. You'll be surprised and see how we will care for you and your loved ones. This is the resident's home, they can decorate it the way they want, invite friends and family to eat and visit with them, play cards and dominoes and other games or just sit outdoors and watch the traffic go by and enjoy the outside. "It's nice now and it's going to be even better as we progress," Jimmie Wilhelm said. I'm proud to be a part of this project and will make sure it's one of the best!"

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## Calendar

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### Revival

Trinity Baptist Church, 114 S. Ave. D in Haskell, will host revival services Sun. Sept. 27 through Wed., Sept. 30. Sunday morning services will begin at 10:45 a.m. All evening services will start at 6:30 p.m. Russell White, pastor of Victory Baptist Church, Stephenville, will be preaching and singing. He is the son of Larry White, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Haskell.

### 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.

### Anniversary

The Greater Independent Baptist Church, 301 N. 3rd St. in Haskell, will celebrate its 77th church anniversary Sun., Sept. 27. Scheduled to speak is Rev. James Webb of Abilene using the theme "The Church that Christ Built." Morning services begin at 9:45 a.m. The anniversary hour will begin at 3 p.m.

### Popcorn sales

The annual popcorn sale is underway by Haskell Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. To place an order, see any scout or call Sherri Morrow at 864-3624 or Leland Terry at 864-2916.

### 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.

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# Challenge introduces Pratt to former love of running

by Caron Yates

Retirement! Although we all may envision it a little differently, most of us see it as a time of slowing down and taking it easy.

For Jim Pratt of Rule, it has meant renewing a love for something he hasn't had time to do since high school, that is running.

Two years ago, Pratt was challenged by his son and grandson, to join them in a benefit 5K race in Lubbock. It turns out, he is still pretty fast. It only took a second place win that day, and he was hooked.

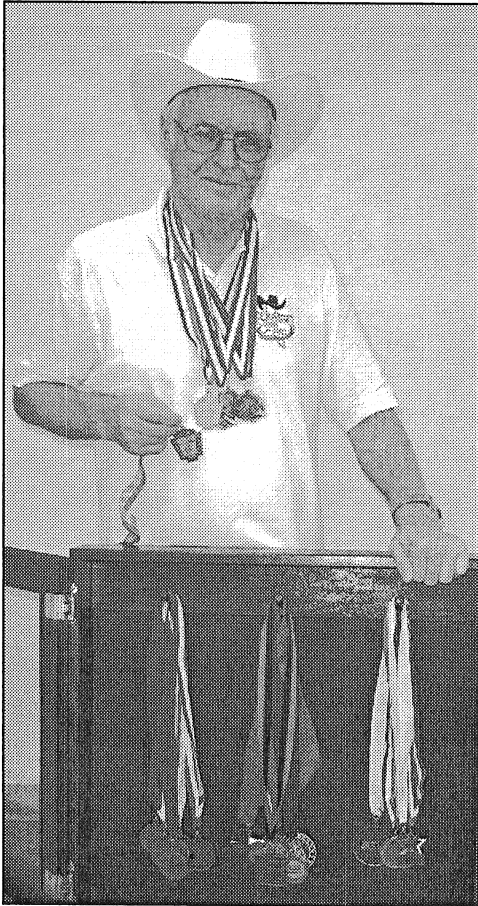
Pratt, who was an accomplished high school trackster, is now an avid participant in the Texas Senior Games. At the age of 65, after his first competition, he began getting himself in shape. Pratt, now 67 says, "I was always a dash man in my younger racing days. It's hard for me in the longer races to pace. I have a need to run as fast as I can, and you can't do that in a 5K." So with a little help from a book by Jeff Galloway, he began practicing.

The Texas Senior Games offer competition in many different sports for ages fifty to one hundred. Pratt said in a recent race, he was very surprised to see a lady running in the 75 to 79 year old division. As he was congratulating her, another little lady finished the race in the 80 to 85 year division.

He competes in the 65 to 69 year old division. Last weekend he participated in the North Texas Senior Games, held in Wichita Falls. For his age group, he came home with four gold and two silver medals. He won first in the 50, 100 and 200 meter dashes and also the 1500 meter race walk. He took second in the 400 meters and the 5K Road Race.

Pratt has qualified for the Texas State Senior Games in the 100, 200 and 400 meter races and the 5K Road Race. The state games will be held in Houston Oct. 23-Nov. 2.

Pratt, a long tall cowboy, has lived all over. He has managed ranches for Red



**MEDALIST**—Jim Pratt of Rule displays the six medals won at the North Texas Senior Games in Wichita Falls in the 50, 100 and 200 meter dashes, 400 and 1500 meter and 5K races. Pratt displays medals won in previous races in a handmade display case.

Livingston most of his career. He says he has always worked hard and stayed in relatively good shape, but quickly realized the competitions required much more than just good shape. Pratt said, "I started trying to just run as far as the next telephone post. Pretty soon, I made it to the next post, and then the next."

Pratt and his wife Barbara, who is postmaster in Rule, have lived there about twelve years.

He said the largest race he has run in so far, had over 5600 runners. It was a benefit race in Lubbock, supporting breast cancer research. In fact he competes in 5K races about once a month. Most of the races are held to benefit a worthy cause, such as cancer

or child welfare. Pratt says running for such a cause just makes it that much better.

Pratt has quite a collection of medals to show for his two and a half years of racing. He has ten gold, six silver and four bronze medals. In fact, he has only failed to medal in one race. He qualified for the national competition last year, but was unable to compete due to an injury. The National Senior Games is the largest multi-sport event in the world for men and women over the age of 50.

If you enjoy running, or maybe used to enjoy it, you might want to give the Senior Games a try. It's a great way to stay healthy and make many new friends.

## Revival services set

First Assembly of God will hold revival services Sept. 20 through Sept. 23 and Sept. 27 through Sept. 30. Sunday services will start at 6 p.m., while all other services begin at 7 p.m.

The revival services will be led by Alice Pike along with her husband Jim and son David. Alice and Jim Pike live in Bowie, which

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David, who is a missionary

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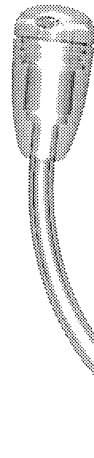


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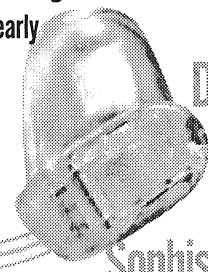
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At the present time we are currently looking into ways to correct this problem. If you are pregnant or have an infant under six months included in this public water system as a customer, we have made arrangements with local grocery store in Haskell (Modern Way) so that you may get bottled water at the City of Weinert's expense.  
If you have any questions or would like to know if you are currently being served as a customer of this public water system please feel free to call or contact the City Secretary Patricia Horan, c/o City of Weinert, Box 248, Weinert, Texas 76388 at 940-673-8223.  
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# McCown named new administrator at Haskell Memorial Hospital

by **Caron Yates**  
Beginning this week, there will be a new face in the administrator's office at Haskell Memorial Hospital. Bill Nemir, who has held this position for the past seventeen years and who has been an employee of the hospital for the past thirty years, has decided the time has come to retire.



**FRAN MCCOWN**

Upon Nemir's announcement, the hospital board began the search for a new administrator. After working through and interviewing the many applicants, Fran McCown was the name at the top of the stack.

McCown is actually a Haskell County girl, having been raised at Rule. The daughter of Lee Roy and Frances Wilson of Rule, she graduated from Rule High School. She attended Texas Tech University, where she earned a BBA in Accounting. She is married to Jerry McCown and they make their home in Knox City. McCown has one son, who is a captain in the Air Force, and one stepson, who works in the gas industry.

She comes to Haskell Memorial Hospital with over twenty-two years of hospital finance experience. Just out of college, she was hired at a hospital in Lubbock as a staff accountant. After three years there, she moved to Big Spring to become the CFO,

or chief financial officer, for Scenic Mt. Medical Center. She then spent fourteen years as CFO of the Rolling Plains Medical Center in Sweetwater. Deciding it was time to "move back home," she has been employed the past two years as the CFO at Stamford Memorial Hospital.

McCown says that although accounting is a somewhat broad field, many accountants specialize in a specific area. She found her niche in hospital finance and has spent her career learning the many rules, regulations, successful ideas and the not so successful ideas that are involved in keeping hospitals financially sound. McCown also says, "Many small hospitals are struggling to hold on, but Haskell Memorial is in very good financial condition. This is

in part because several years ago, the decision was made to become a Critical Access hospital, which allows rural hospitals to be reimbursed at cost, rather than on a set scale."

Although everyone has their own style of management, McCown doesn't foresee any major changes in the near future. She is looking forward to getting to know the hospital staff, as well as meeting with each department to receive their input on what is working well and what could help things work even better.

She is a strong advocate for quality care and customer service. She feels the

hospital's goal should be to serve the people in the area. With that in mind, she would like to maintain services that are being provided, and look for opportunities to add to those services. Having specialists come to the hospital on a monthly or bimonthly basis has been very successful. It saves patients from having to drive to Abilene for at least some of their routine appointments. McCown would like to perhaps bring in other specialists. In an effort to better serve the people, she is planning some type of community assessment to help determine the needs of the area.

When the nearest hospital is at least sixty miles away, it is very important that rural areas be able to maintain initial care hospitals. With strong leadership from McCown, a supportive hospital board

and dedicated and capable staff and employees, Haskell Memorial Hospital will be here serving the citizens of the area for many years to come.

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## Haskell homecoming set Sept. 25-26, agenda items listed

The time for the 2009 Haskell Homecoming is fast approaching. Plans are being finalized and preparations made for another successful homecoming.

On the agenda for Fri., Sept. 25 will be registration in Indian Gym from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. The pep rally will begin at 3:15 p.m., also at the gym. Haskell High School will sponsor an open house from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. The Lions Club pancake supper at the high school cafeteria will begin at 5 p.m.

The football game between the Haskell Indians and Quannah Indians will kick off at 7:30 p.m. After game activities include class parties and visiting. The Church of Christ Activity Building will be open during the game and afterwards for ex-students to visit.

On Sat., Sept. 26, registration at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center

begins at 10:00 a.m. The Progressive Study Club will serve the ex-student noon luncheon from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. They request that you pre-register for the luncheon, so enough food will be available.

The general assembly at the Civic Center will begin at 2:30 p.m. Ex-student girls and boys basketball games will be held at 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., respectively. You may register online to participate in the games at [haskell.esc14.net](http://haskell.esc14.net).

Fun Day activities for all ages will take place at the Haskell Fairgrounds, Sat. from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

To finish off the evening an ex-students' Homecoming Dance will be held at the Civic Center, starting at 9:00 p.m.

## Health Fair to be held Fri., Oct. 30 at Hospital Ed. Bldg.

Everyone is invited to attend the fifth annual Haskell Community Health Fair Fri., Oct. 30 at the Haskell Memorial Hospital's Education Building, sponsored by the Haskell Health Net, a group of individuals concerned about the health and well being of our communities. This group is comprised of healthcare providers, professionals, private citizens, ministerial representatives and county officials planning on the future of the Haskell community. The purpose of the health fair is to provide the community at large with information about services available in our community regarding aspects of health care. Information and materials will be provided for every age group.

The Health Fair will begin at 11 a.m. and close at 2 p.m. Vendors will provide education, brochures about services and free items.

Flu shots will be given by Haskell Memorial Hospital and the Texas Department of State Health Services. Someone from the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank will be available to help with enrollment into the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIPs) as well as Medicaid.

Watch for flyers in the local businesses for more details. If you have any questions, contact Susan Cockerell at the County Judge's office at 940-864-2851 during office hours of 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

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The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

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1	\$14,079	\$20,630	\$1,174	\$1,670	\$567	\$835	\$542	\$771	\$271	\$386
2	\$18,941	\$26,955	\$1,579	\$2,247	\$790	\$1,124	\$729	\$1,037	\$365	\$519
3	\$23,803	\$33,874	\$1,984	\$2,823	\$992	\$1,412	\$916	\$1,303	\$458	\$652
4	\$28,665	\$40,793	\$2,389	\$3,400	\$1,195	\$1,700	\$1,103	\$1,569	\$562	\$785
5	\$33,527	\$47,712	\$2,794	\$3,978	\$1,397	\$1,988	\$1,290	\$1,838	\$645	\$918
6	\$38,389	\$54,631	\$3,200	\$4,563	\$1,600	\$2,277	\$1,477	\$2,102	\$739	\$1,051
7	\$43,251	\$61,550	\$3,605	\$5,190	\$1,803	\$2,565	\$1,664	\$2,368	\$832	\$1,184
8	\$48,113	\$68,469	\$4,010	\$5,706	\$2,005	\$2,853	\$1,851	\$2,634	\$926	\$1,317
9	\$52,975	\$75,388	\$4,416	\$6,283	\$2,208	\$3,142	\$2,038	\$2,901	\$1,020	\$1,451
10	\$57,837	\$82,307	\$4,822	\$6,860	\$2,411	\$3,431	\$2,225	\$3,168	\$1,114	\$1,595
11	\$62,699	\$89,226	\$5,228	\$7,457	\$2,614	\$3,720	\$2,412	\$3,435	\$1,208	\$1,719
12	\$67,561	\$96,145	\$5,634	\$8,014	\$2,817	\$4,009	\$2,599	\$3,702	\$1,302	\$1,853
For each additional family member add:										
	\$4,832	\$6,819	\$406	\$577	\$203	\$289	\$197	\$287	\$94	\$134

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the Principal's Office. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member, and the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a Social Security number, the household member must indicate that a Social Security number is not available by writing the word "None," "No Number," or some indication that the person does not have a Social Security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provision of the free and reduced-price meal policy, The District PEIMS Coordinator will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Superintendent David Parr, Rule ISD, 1100 Union Ave., Rule, TX 79547, 940-997-2521.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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