

Football games

HASKELL

JV Indians vs Hawley
Thurs., Aug. 26, 6 p.m.
at Haskell

Indians vs Hawley
Fri., Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m.
at Hawley

PAINT CREEK

Pirates, Loraine & Paint Rock
(3 way scrimmage)

Fri., Aug. 27, 5 p.m.
at Loraine

RULE

Bobcats vs Strawn
Sat., Aug. 28, 6 p.m.
at Hico

Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., Sept. 9 edition of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Sept. 2 at 5 p.m. The Free Press office will be closed Mon., Sept. 6 in observance of Labor Day.

Office closed

The Haskell Free Press office will be closed Thurs., Aug. 26.

ECC fund-raiser

The Experienced Citizens Center will hold a fund-raiser Sat., Aug. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. The variety show will feature a fun night of entertainment. Admission is \$4 for senior citizens, \$5 for all others and children under 13 will be admitted free. Sandwiches, drinks and desserts will be available from 6 to 7:15 p.m.

Kids fishing tourney

The third annual kids fishing tournament will be held Sat., Sept. 4 at The Anchor at Lake Stamford. Tournament hours are from 8 a.m. to noon. Prizes will be awarded. Proceeds benefit the ECC and Haskell Boy Scouts planning to attend the 2005 Jamboree.

Benefit lunch

A brisket lunch will be held Sun., Sept. 5 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room to benefit Flint Nanny. Nanny is on the liver transplant list. Plates are \$5 each and takeouts are welcome. For more information, call Jesse Billington at 864-5234 or 864-2809.

Indian football tickets

Reserve seat tickets for current Haskell Indian ticket holders will be on sale until Sept. 6. Remaining reserve tickets will go on sale Tues., Sept. 7. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased in the front office of Haskell High School.

Meet the Indians

The Haskell Warriors and Indians football teams along with their coaches will be introduced to the community Thurs., Aug. 26 following the JV football game. The JV will play Hawley beginning at 5 p.m.

School passes

Haskell CISD will offer Senior Citizen Passes for all athletic events for the 2004-05 school year. Those 65 years of age or older may pick up a pass at the Administration Office at 605 N. Ave. E.

PIPS sign-up

Haskell PIPS will hold their sign-up Mon., Aug. 30 from 5 to 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church Family Activity Center (gym). Students in Kindergarten through sixth grade are eligible to participate.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., Sept. 13 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m.

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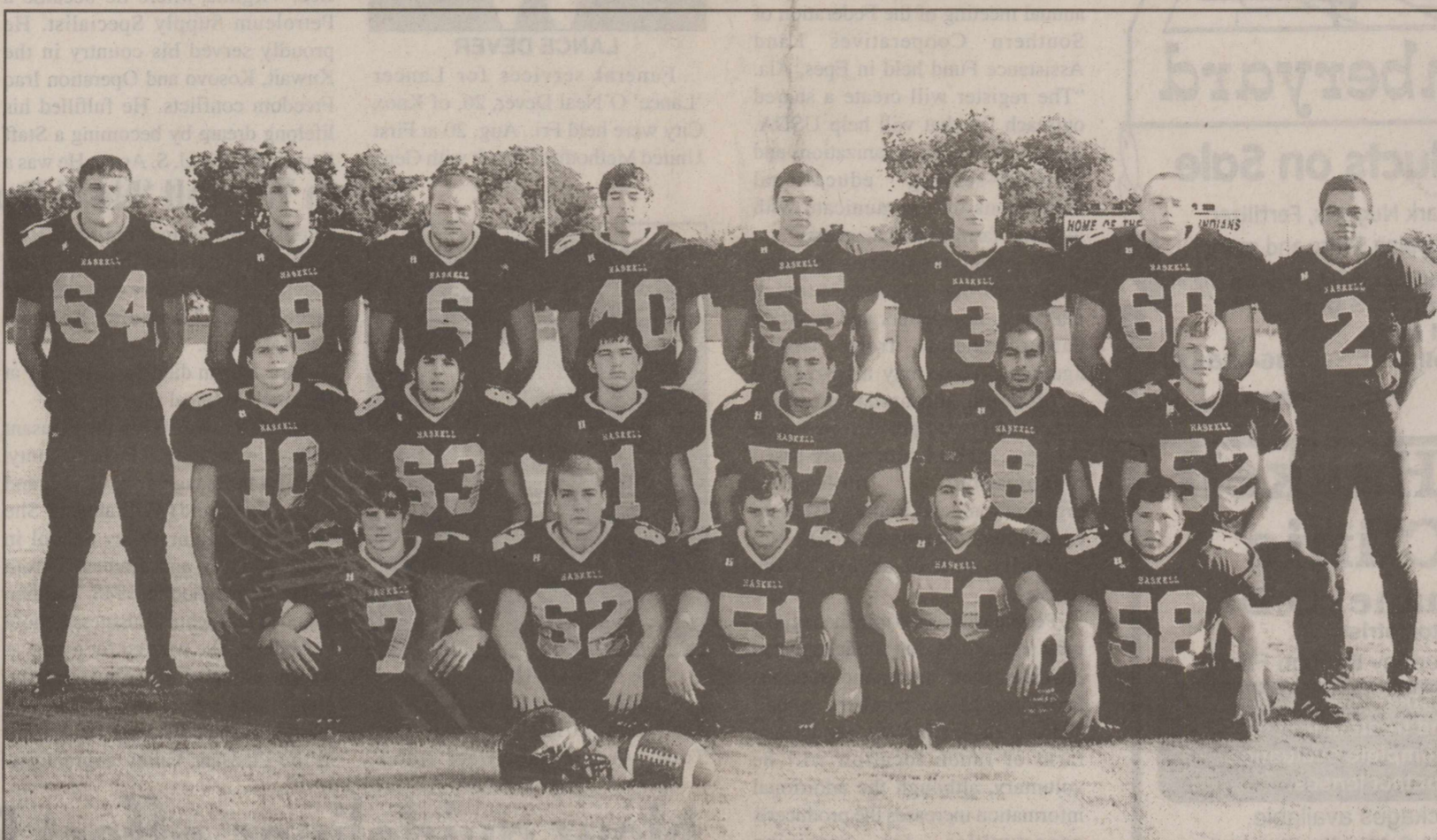
Meet the Indians and Warriors tonight

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MEET THE INDIANS: Haskell's football teams will be introduced to the community Thurs., Aug. 26 following the JV football game. The JV will play Hawley beginning at 5 p.m. Parents of the athletes will serve ice cream following the game. 2004 varsity Indians are, front row left to right, Ronald Chapman, Josh Kimmell, Josh Tidrow,

Ray Cuellar and Ray Graciano. Middle row: Brad Blanks, Greg Andrada, Brandon McClatchey, Billy Lusk, Julio Solano and Aaron New. Back row: Jon Dulaney, Nate Webb, Cameron Short, Jeremy Sorrells, Gary Frierson, Josh Barbee, Andrew Long and L.J. McCulloch.

Photo by Bobbie Johnson

Nanny now on transplant list for liver

Flint Nanny of Haskell, who was recently approved for a life-saving liver transplant, has now been placed on the waiting list for a new liver.

Desperately needing help to defray the expenses incurred by medications and necessities after the surgery, Nanny's family is asking friends and family to participate in a "non-event fund-raiser" by making a contribution on his behalf to the American Liver Foundation, a nonprofit voluntary health organization. All contributions made to his account will go directly to paying his expenses.

Contributions may be sent to: American Liver Foundation, Transplant Trust Fund, 1425 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009. All checks should have his name, P. Flint Nanny, noted on them.

For more information contact the committee for Flint Nanny at 432-367-3626 or 432-333-2719.

Local sales tax receipts mirror state trend

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said recently the state collected \$1.27 billion in sales tax revenue in July, up 9.6 percent compared to July 2003. So far in fiscal year 2004, state sales tax revenue is up 7.9 percent.

"State sales tax collections have risen for 11 months," Strayhorn said. "After seeing sales tax revenue decline for an unprecedented two consecutive fiscal years in 2002 and 2003, I am looking forward to closing the books on fiscal year 2004 at the end of August with a solid gain in sales tax."

Many local governments will see increases in their August sales tax allocations. Strayhorn sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$431.4 million, up 11.9 percent compared to August 2003.

Strayhorn sent sales tax payments of \$291.9 million to Texas cities, up 10.8 percent compared to last August. Sales tax payments of \$25.6 million went to Texas counties, 19.2 percent higher than last August.

July state sales tax revenue and August allocations to local governments represent sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and sales taxes collected in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

Haskell County had a 15.69 percent increase for August, 2004 of \$38,258.69 in comparison to \$33,068.22 for August 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$239,918.71 reflect a 18.15 percent increase over 2003 payments to date of \$203,058.30.

The City of Haskell had a 16.04

percent increase for August, 2004 of \$34,721.09 in comparison to \$29,920.88 for August, 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$221,748.96 reflect a 19.02 percent increase over 2003 payments to date of \$186,296.90.

The City of O'Brien had a 11.77 percent decrease for August, 2004 of \$84.69 in comparison to \$95.99 for August, 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$743.55 reflect a 27.90 percent decrease over 2003 payments to date of \$1,031.35.

The City of Rochester had a 32.48 percent increase for August, 2004 of \$1,030.30 in comparison to \$777.67 for August, 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$5,375.15 reflect a 18.25 percent increase over 2003 payments to date of \$4,545.51.

The City of Rule had a 7.80 percent increase for August, 2004 of \$2,217.26 in comparison to \$2,056.80 for August, 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$10,968.10 reflect a 8.56 percent increase over

2003 payments to date of \$10,103.26.

The City of Weinert had a 5.31 percent decrease for August, 2004 of \$205.35 in comparison to \$216.88 for

July, 2003. 2004 payments to date of \$1,082.95 reflect a .15 percent increase over 2003 payments to date of \$1,081.28.

Kids fishing tournament set at Lake Stamford

The third annual Kids Fishing Tournament, open to all kids 15 and under, will be held Sat., Sept. 4 at Lake Stamford.

Three grand prize cash payouts will include Overall Big Fish, \$100, 2nd Overall, \$75, and 3rd Overall, \$50.

Registration at The Anchor Marina will begin at 7:00 a.m., with a \$5.00 entry fee per participant.

Tournament hours begin at 8:00 a.m., and weigh in can be anytime between then and 12 noon. All of the fishing will be done on Lake Stamford.

Only one fish per person per category will be weighed. All fish must be caught on rod and reel or cane pole, only from the bank, personal or public fishing areas or docks, following Texas Fish and Game rules and regulations.

Following the final weigh in, a casting challenge will be held, along with drawings for donated prizes.

Half of the proceeds from the event will be donated to the Experienced Citizens Center and half will go to the Boys Scouts who will attend the Scout Jamboree in 2005.

Variety show to benefit ECC

The third annual variety show fund-raiser for the Experienced Citizens Center will be held Sat., Aug. 28 at the Haskell Civic Center, with the show starting at 7:30 p.m.

This year the variety show will feature appearances by the "likeness" of Jeff Foxworthy, Dolly Parton, Ray Stevens and friends. Sider Bill, "The Wonder Dog" will also be performing his tricks. Special acts will include a "Magical Show" featuring a famous magician, "The

Bird Woman and Her Friend, Vern (short for Miss Verna Bird), and appearances of 'world famous' clowns Clarabelle, Chuckles, Smiley, and "Miss Priss."

Admission to the show will be \$4.00 for senior citizens and \$5.00 for all others. Children under 13 will be admitted free.

Sandwiches, drinks and desserts will be available from 6:00 until 7:15 p.m. before the show. Food prices will be posted.

Young pedal pullers advance

Nine Haskell youth participated at the Texas Pedal Pullers State Championship Pedal Pull Sat., Aug. 21 in Lockney.

Placing in their age group were: 4 year-old, Jayton Smith, 3rd; Reed Roewe, 4th.

5 year-old, Victoria Hertel, 3rd; 6 year-old, Chase Gibson, 1st; Alec Roewe, 4th.

7 year-old, Jacie Klose, 4th.

9 year-old, Levi Grand, 2nd; 10 year-old, Jasmine Klose, 3rd; 12 year-old, Katie Grand, 1st.

Chase Gibson, Levi Grand and Katie Grand advance to the National Pull in Mitchell, South Dakota, Sat., Sept. 25.

National Pull alternates are Victoria Hertel, Jayton Smith and Jasmine Klose.



PEDAL PULLERS AT STATE CONTEST-Haskell youngsters attending the Texas Pedal Pullers State Championship Pedal Pull, Sat., Aug. 21 in Lockney were: front, l-r Jayton Smith, Braydon Smith, Alec Roewe, Chase Gibson, Victoria Hertel and Jacie Klose. Back, Levi Grand and Katie Grand. Not pictured are Jasmine Klose and Reed Roewe.

Go Indians!

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USDA creates New Minority Farm Register

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman has announced that minority farmers and ranchers may now join a new voluntary register to receive information from USDA.

"The new Minority Farm Register is an outreach tool to underserved farmers and ranchers who are not currently enrolled in USDA loan, farm or conservation programs," said Veneman during remarks to the 37th annual meeting of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives Land Assistance Fund held in Epes, Ala. "The register will create a shared outreach list that will help USDA, community-based organizations and minority-serving educational institutions to communicate with minority farmers and ranchers."

By joining the register, minority producers may receive outreach materials, newsletters and program announcements from USDA agencies. They may also receive information and assistance from other USDA-approved outreach partners, such as community-based organizations, faith-based organizations and minority-serving educational institutions. USDA will carefully control access to the register.

People wishing to join the register must sign and date an application that provides their name and address. Providing phone numbers, e-mail address, race, ethnicity, gender and farm or ranch location will be voluntary, although the additional information increases the producer's opportunities for receiving appropriate assistance.

The register application is available at USDA Service Centers or from approved USDA outreach partners. Completed applications may be mailed to: Minority Farm Register, USDA Stop Code 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20250. The sign-up information will also be available on the FSA's Web site at <http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eforms/mainervlet>, and on the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights' (ASCR) Web site at www.usda.gov/cr. FSA and ASCR are jointly administering the register. Sign-up forms will be issued in Spanish and English. The register is planned to be ready Sept. 3.

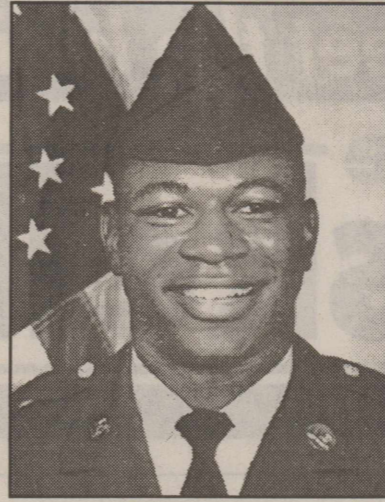
People may remove their name from the register by writing to the Minority Farm Register, USDA Stop Code 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20250.

For more information, contact the Office of Minority and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers Assistance, Farm Service Agency, STOP 0503, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0501 (Call 1-866-538-2610; Fax: 1-866-302-1760; TTY: 1-866-480-2824, E-mail: MSDA@USDA.gov) or USDA Office of Outreach, STOP 9473, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250 (Call 1-800-880-4183; Fax: (202) 720-7489; E-mail: usdaoutreach@usda.gov).

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Obituaries

Lancer 'Lance' O'Neal Dever



LANCE DEVER

Funeral services for Lancer 'Lance' O'Neal Dever, 26, of Knox City were held Fri., Aug. 20 at First United Methodist Church with Gene

Ward officiating. Burial was in Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Mansell-Smith Funeral Home.

Dever died Wed., Aug. 11 at Fort Lee Virginia in Petersburg, Virginia.

Born Sept. 16, 1977 in Knox City, he was the son of Rev. William and Marilyn Hodge of Haskell. He graduated from Knox City High School in 1996. He joined the U. S. Army July 31, 1996 and was assigned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He completed his basic training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and then went to Fort Lee, Virginia where he became a Petroleum Supply Specialist. He proudly served his country in the Kuwait, Kosovo and Operation Iraq Freedom conflicts. He fulfilled his lifelong dream by becoming a Staff Sergeant in the U. S. Army. He was a

member of the Sunset Masonic Lodge in El Paso since 2000.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Lanza Dever.

Survivors include his daughter, Tyera Dever of Aiken, South Carolina; great grandmother, Missionary Cleola Ware of Knox City; mother and father, Rev. William and Marilyn Hodge of Haskell; grandmother, Leola Eddington of Knox City; fiancée Venita V. O'Neal; sister, Nicky Murillo of Springfield, Illinois; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, as well as a very special aunt, Kay Hawkins of Knox City.

Memorials may be made in honor of Lancer Dever to Mission House of Prayer, 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

Turah Wynell 'Nell' Dugan



NELL DUGAN

Funeral services for Turah Wynell 'Nell' Dugan, 72, of Rule were held Tues., Aug. 24 at Sweet Home

Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. Matt Harrington and Rev. Bill Trice officiating. Services were under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dugan died Sat., Aug. 21 at Hendrick Medical Center.

Born Dec. 6, 1931 in the Pleasant Valley Community in Fisher County, she was the daughter of W. M. and Opal (Cleveland) Williamson. She attended Pleasant Valley School in Fisher County and graduated from Rotan High School in 1948. She then attended Draughn's Business School in Abilene. She worked for a time at Anson General Hospital and the physicians office in Anson. She married Jimmie Dugan Feb. 4, 1950 in the Pleasant Valley community.

They resided in Jones and Haskell County for many years. She enjoyed playing the guitar and painting china. She was very loved by her family and friends and will be greatly missed by them all.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmie of Rule; daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Mike Story of Ponder; grandson, Michael Shannon Story of Fairbanks, Alaska; brothers and sisters-in-law, Freddy and Janelle Williamson of Roby and Larry and Marty Williamson of Rotan; eight nieces and nephews; twelve great nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the National Diabetes Association or the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

New guidelines affect FSA County Committee election process

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman has proposed new guidelines to ensure that Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Committees fairly represent agricultural producers, especially minorities and women.

"These guidelines better define the County Committee election process," said Veneman. "The proposed reforms will help encourage participation by minority and under-represented producers on County Committees."

The 2002 Farm Bill gave the Secretary of Agriculture authority to issue uniform guidelines governing the County Committee election process. The proposed guidelines were prepared with advice from community groups and leaders, as well by an inter-agency working group convened by the Secretary. Adopting the definition set forth in 7 U.S.C.-2003, the 2002 Farm Bill defines socially disadvantaged (SDA) producers as a group whose members have been subject to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group, without regard to their individual qualities. 7 U.S.C.-2003 (e)(1) states that SDA producers have generally been defined to include: African-Americans; Hispanic Americans; Native Americans; Asian-Pacific Americans; Subcontinent Asian-Americans; and women. By statute, USDA must solicit nominations for County Committee positions from organizations representing the interests of SDA groups.

The public has 30 days to comment on the proposed guidelines published in the Aug. 17 Federal Register. The guidelines will not become final until USDA has received and considered public comments.

Among the proposed provisions, the Secretary may nominate to a slate regardless of whether any nominations have been filed. Currently, one or more SDA producers may be appointed to be an advisor to a County Committee;

however, these advisors have no voting authority. A nomination by the Secretary may include the current advisor.

After evaluating whether the proposed reforms in these guidelines result in an increase in minority and under-served producers on County Committees, the Secretary may exercise her authority to appoint SDA producers to County Committees. Before exercising this authority, USDA will seek additional public comments on proposed provisions under which such appointments would be made.

The proposed reforms to the FSA County Committee election process include:

•If no valid nominations are filed, the Secretary may nominate up to two individuals to be placed on the ballot. If the Secretary does not exercise this authority, then the State Committee may nominate up to two individuals to be placed on the ballot. If neither the Secretary nor the State Committee chooses to exercise their authority, then the respective County Committee shall nominate two individuals to be placed on the ballot.

•FSA county offices shall actively locate and recruit eligible candidates identified as SDA farmers and ranchers as potential nominees for the County Committee elections using any reasonable means necessary, including the development of partnerships with community based organizations.

•County Committees will annually review the local administrative area (LAA) boundaries to ensure the fair representation of SDA producers in the area.

•The number of consecutive three-year terms that a County Committee member may serve will be reduced from three to two. This provision becomes effective with the 2005 election.

•In counties selected for further election monitoring, the FSA State Office will receive all ballots and deliver them in a sealed box to the respective county offices at the time

appointed for tabulation. Ballot opening and counting will be fully open and accessible to the public, with 10 days advance notice of the date and time of the vote tabulation.

FSA County Committees help ensure that federal programs meet the needs of producers in their communities.

Committees make decisions on commodity price support loans and payments; establishment of allotments and yields; conservation programs; incentive, indemnity and disaster payments for some commodities; and other farm disaster assistance.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others as candidates for seats on County Committees. In addition, eligible candidates can be nominated by any community-based, faith-based or other organizations in the county or area during the nomination period. Groups representing SDA producers will be encouraged to nominate eligible individuals. Nominations and elections are open to all eligible candidates and voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability. Eligibility for voting is open to all who demonstrate participation or cooperation in FSA programs and who register at their local FSA Service Center.

The nomination period for the 2004 elections closes Sept. 3. Nomination forms (FSA-669A) can be obtained from local FSA Service Center offices.

Producers can expect to receive their ballots during the week of Nov. 7, 2004 and must mail in or return their ballots to their local FSA office by Dec. 6, 2004.

Details on FSA County Committee elections and the Federal Register proposal can be found on the web at: www.fsa.usda.gov. All comments received by Sept. 16 will be considered. Comments should be submitted to: County Committee Election Reform Comments, Department of Agriculture, Room 3092-S, Mail Stop 0539, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-0539 or by email to: countyelectionguidelines@usda.gov.

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Anthrax cases confirmed in southwest Texas; vaccinations encouraged

As of Aug. 10, laboratory results have confirmed that anthrax infection killed three animals—a cow, kudu and a whitetail deer—on three premises in Uvalde and Val Verde Counties in Southwest Texas.

Anthrax, caused by the spore-forming *Bacillus anthracis* bacteria, can remain dormant in soil for years, but may become vegetative after periods of wet, cool weather, followed by weeks of hot and dry conditions. Animals become infected when they ingest the invisible bacteria as they graze.

"Ranchers in the Uvalde and Val Verde County area are no strangers to naturally occurring anthrax, and this notice should not raise undue concern to producers, vacationers or hunters," said Dr. Bob Hillman, executive director of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency.

"Anthrax is a very old disease and occurs worldwide. Wherever an infected animal dies, the ground becomes contaminated with the spores, unless the carcass and soil are burned with a very hot fire. The spores do not spread underground, so it's common to see death losses in one pasture, but not across the fence," he said. He explained that TAHC regulations require that the affected animal's bedding, its carcass, and nearby manure be burned with wood or gasoline (tires and oil create too much pollution), to cleanse the ground. The livestock on the premises must then be vaccinated and held under quarantine for a short time, to ensure that anthrax-exposed animals are not moved.

"We know that anthrax is under-reported, because some ranchers find the dead, bloated or bloody animals

and take immediately action on their own, disposing of the carcass and vaccinating livestock, without notifying their private veterinary practitioner," said Dr. Hillman.

"This disease, however, is reportable in Texas. While laboratory tests, conducted by the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory in College Station, are needed to confirm infection, suspected cases also are to be called in to the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242."

"We recommend the producers consult their private veterinary practitioners about vaccinating livestock, if they have livestock in the area where anthrax infection most often occurs, including Crockett, Val Verde, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, Uvalde and Maverick counties, said Dr. Hillman. "Because we've had confirmed cases in the past in Terrell, Webb and Starr Counties, owners in this area also should keep watch and may want to consider vaccination, too. One of the unanswered challenges is finding a way to effectively deliver anthrax vaccine to grazing wildlife, which cannot be herded through a chute to be given an injection.

"Deer owners in these counties should check with their private veterinary practitioner or the TAHC, prior to collecting brain tissue from dead deer for routine chronic wasting disease (CWD) surveillance.

CWD has not been detected in Texas, and in some cases, we may want to avoid opening carcasses of dead deer with signs of anthrax. Producers in the CWD program, however, are to report death losses," he said.

Dr. Hillman urged anyone handling or burning carcasses, or vaccinating livestock against anthrax

to wear long sleeves and gloves to prevent potential disease exposure. He said skin anthrax, although rare, can cause a nasty, black sore that requires medical attention and antibiotics. General sanitation procedures should be followed after handling livestock, and equipment used on the animals should be disinfected. Pets should be kept away from dead carcasses or bones of dead animals, which pose a disease risk. Healthy animals should be moved from anthrax-contaminated areas.

"Hunters and campers often ask about dangers posed by naturally occurring anthrax. We advise visitors to avoid dead animals, urge them not to swim in creeks or tanks where dead animals have been seen, and not to pick up shed antlers or old animal bones. By the time hunting season starts, cool weather usually puts an end to cases," said Dr. Hillman. "When hunting, always shoot only healthy-looking animals. By the time an animal displays signs of anthrax, such as staggering, trembling or convulsions, death is inevitable." He also said hunters and campers should talk to their physician, if they develop an unexplained sore on their hands or arms after an outing.

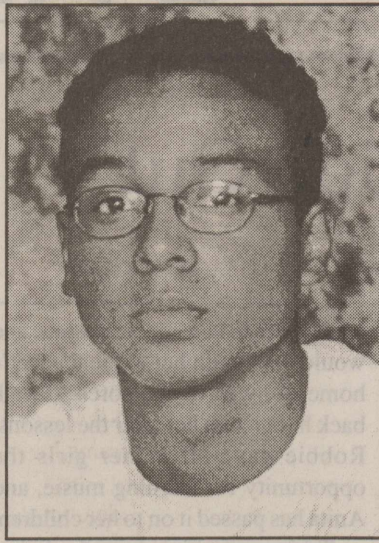
Dr. Hillman cited several actions that should be taken during an anthrax outbreak:

- Properly dispose of animal carcasses by burning to prevent exposure to other animals, such as predators or dogs. Remove healthy livestock from the area.

- Vaccinate livestock if cases occur in the surrounding areas. Because the anthrax vaccine is a "live" vaccine, it should not be administered concurrently with antibiotics. Vaccinated animals are to be withheld from slaughter for two months.

- Restrict movement of livestock from an affected premise until animals can develop immunity through vaccination.

In the Service



OTIS L. THOMAS

Otis L. Thomas, a 2004 Haskell High School graduate, has enlisted in the U. S. Army. He will be leaving Sept. 1, going to Jackson, South Carolina, for nine and a half weeks of basic training.

After completion of basic training, he will remain there fourteen weeks to continue training as a mechanic.

Thomas is the son of Lola Thomas Billington of Haskell and Lawrence Thomas of Cleburne.

Hales attend family reunion

Glen and Hazel Hale of Haskell recently attended the Hale Reunion held at the Community Building in Roby for the descendants of Silas Almer and Martha Adeline (Franklin) Hale. Approximately 47 attended.

The annual Hale reunion was first held in the park in Sweetwater approximately 68-70 years ago, with half a beef barbecued.

This year's reunion began with a noon meal, followed by a business meeting. Officers were named and plans were made for the 2005 reunion in Roby, Aug. 13.

The oldest Hale attending was Jim Hale of Roby. The youngest was Jesse Hale of Abilene, and the one traveling the farthest was Myrna Morris, of Yukon, Oklahoma.

Bank receives award

Haskell National Bank has proven itself to be much more than just profitable by earning a 5-star rating based on a complex formula that factors in a host of relevant data, including but not limited to, Haskell National Bank's capital safety levels, the quality of its loan portfolio, its ability to meet obligations, its historic performance, and, of course, profitability. The rating is based on an evaluation of Haskell National Bank's most recent financial data filed by Haskell National Bank with federal regulators and analyzed by BauerFinancial Inc., Coral Gables, Florida.

This is the 49th consecutive time Haskell National Bank has achieved

this top 5-star rating from the firm which also gives it the distinction of an "Exceptional Performance Bank." This designation is reserved only for those banks able to achieve this highest rating for ten straight years.

"Being profitable is important, but 95% of the industry is profitable," said Karen Dorway, president of the research firm. "What sets Haskell National Bank apart from the others is its adherence to basic values and the highest standards. That's what enables Haskell National Bank to achieve a top rating time and again. Its commitment to its community and customers is apparent in its day to day operations."

Movement of raw cotton, equipment may be restricted

Cotton harvest has begun in the southern parts of the state and will begin soon in other areas.

Custom harvesters move from area to area as the season progresses, and growers have to move the harvested cotton to the state's gins for processing.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation would like to remind cotton producers and custom harvesters that the commissioner of agriculture declared several areas of the state to be suppressed or functionally eradicated of the cotton boll weevil, and movement of raw cotton products and harvesting equipment into or through these zones may be regulated.

The Rolling Plains Central zone, surrounding Abilene, and the Southern Rolling Plains zone, surrounding San Angelo, are functionally eradicated. The El Paso/Tran Pecos, Permian Basin, Western High Plains, Southern High Plains Caprock, Northwest Plains, Northern High Plains and Northern Rolling Plains zones are suppressed. These zones make up a large portion of the western and northern portions of the state's cotton-growing areas.

Harvesting equipment moving from areas outside of either a suppressed or functionally eradicated zone cannot be brought into one of

these areas until the equipment has been thoroughly cleaned. Raw cotton cannot be moved into or through suppressed or eradicated zone unless a protection plan has been filed with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

TDA has developed a protection plan template for growers who fall under these restrictions and wish to gin cotton in a suppressed or eradicated zone. TDA also has developed guidelines for ensuring harvesting equipment is properly cleaned before entering one of these zones.

Many of these restrictions are placed on the movement of raw cotton and harvesting equipment from a suppressed area to a functionally eradicated area.

Brochures that provide more specific information on the restrictions are available from TDA or from the boll weevil foundation. Contact your local TDA office, or write the foundation at Box 5089, Abilene, Texas 79608 to obtain a brochure.

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OPINION



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Who is this Mystery Reader?
I was born in Haskell County.
I attended Haskell High School, North Texas State in Denton and Vanderbilt University in Tennessee.
No one knows that I once earned money on Saturdays by shooting bullfrogs with a 0.22 rifle and selling the frog legs on Saturday afternoon to the Haskell meat markets for five cents apiece.
My favorite TV programs are about history.
My favorite type of music is light classical.
My favorite song is "Memory."
I like to fish, fish, and more fishing!
My favorite reading material is biography.
My favorite food is chili, rice and beans.
My favorite place in Texas is Haskell. My favorite vacation spot in the world is in Maine.
My best quality is helping people. My worst quality is procrastination.
I hate it when people gossip maliciously.

certain point to keep from going into the building. On her first approach, she had to turn and skirt around the hangar. But, on the second try, she stopped in time and made a good landing.

Anita met Wilda Medford when he came home after getting out of the Navy, and attended a football game. It was a very cold night. She was a Haskell cheerleader, and loaned him a coat during the game. He found it fascinating to know a sixteen-year-old with a flying license, and the friendship grew. They married when she was almost 19 and he was 21. They will soon celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary.

They have two children, Amy McKnight and Eddie Medford, both of Haskell. Their grandchildren are Mollie and Katie McKnight and Paige Hagadon.

In 1954 the couple moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, for awhile, where Anita took more flying lessons and encouraged Wilda to go take the lessons.

Urged by family to come back to Haskell, Wilda worked for Hut Pittman's Motor Company and Anita worked for Bill Wilson Motor Co. Taking flying lessons here from a local Baptist preacher, and after he left, taking lessons from H. O. Abbott, a Methodist preacher, they finished getting their licenses. Through the years, they have had four different planes, and all of their children, Rob and Amy McKnight and Eddie Medford, have their private licenses and have had planes.

During the years, all of the family enjoyed flying to their place in Ruidosa, and to Santa Fe.
In his late 60's, Wilda decided that he didn't need to be doing high density flying any longer, and sold all of his planes.

In 1957, the Medfords were in partnership with the Dodge Plymouth Agency, then became partners in the Buick, Pontiac, GMC. In 1980 they bought out her dad, Hut Pittman, and have operated Medford Buick-Pontiac-GMC ever since. Anita also operates her own parts business, which she says she loves.

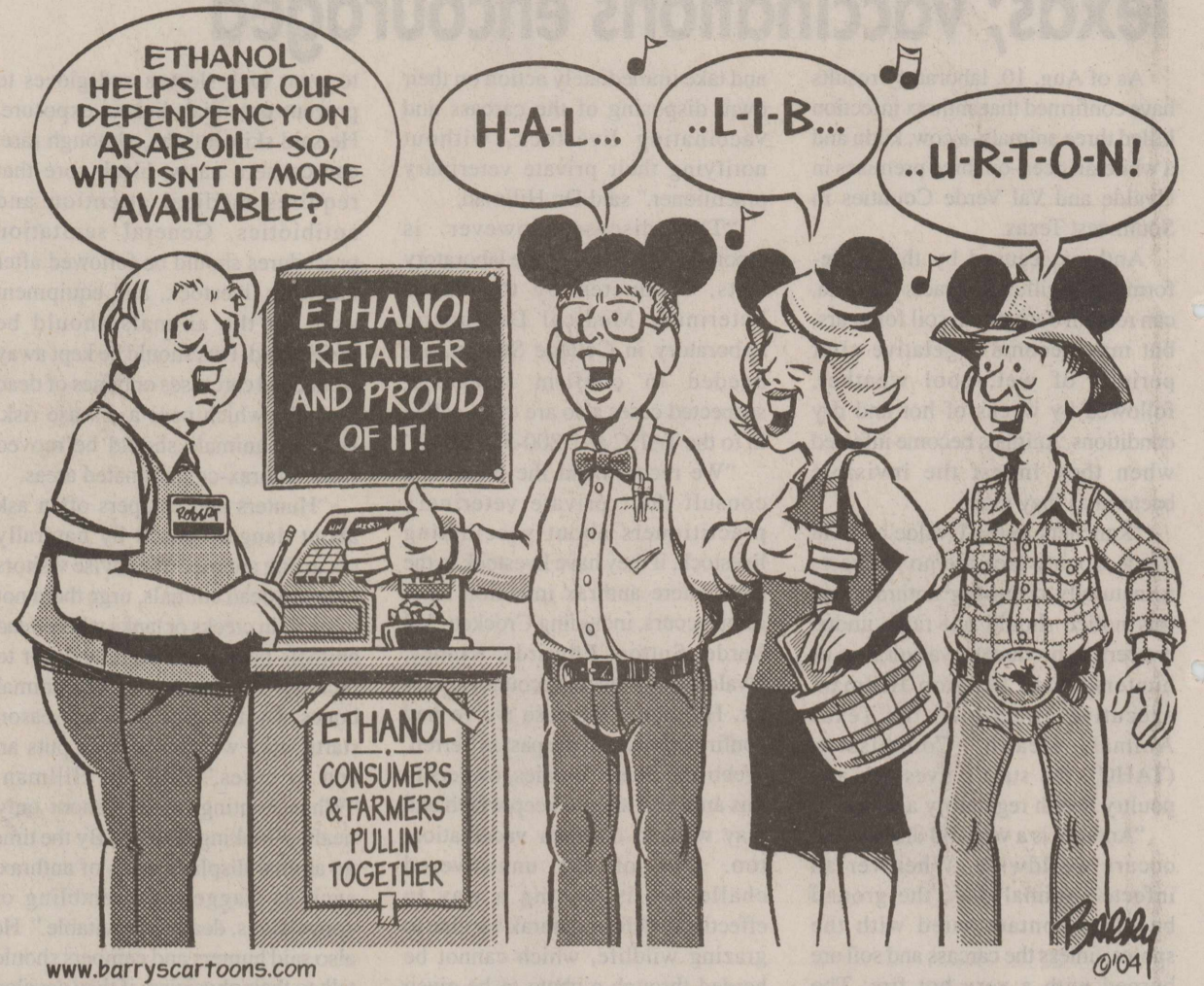
The person Anita would most like to talk with is her dad, Hut Pittman, who, despite only finishing the fourth grade, did well, worked hard and took care of his family, teaching them a good work ethic.
"I always knew how much he loved me. When he'd be sick, he wanted me to be there," she said.
Saying that the person in her life who taught her how to behave was her mother, Anita told of how Robbie

wanted her to take music lessons, and would walk with her to the teacher's home and wait on the porch to walk back home with her after the lessons. Robbie gave all of her girls the opportunity for learning music, and Anita has passed it on to her children.

Taking a positive, 'can-do, 'why-not' attitude in life seems to have begun early for Anita Medford. In addition to learning to fly at age 15, she also at that age, went to Detroit by herself to pick up a car, and drove it back to Haskell. She had gone with her dad on the trip once before, and both he and she had a great deal of faith and trust in her ability to do it.

It's a Thought

In every life, in one way or another, there comes a "time to step off the mountain and learn how to fly."
-Pauline Underwood



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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago August 25, 1994

A Hawaiian Luau, complete with the roasting of a pig, was the setting for the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Pete and Jerry Thompson in the Las Vegas home of their daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Chuck Martin.

The fifth annual Texas Hawaiian Luau held in the backyard of Haskell's Abe and Ruby Turner raised \$2,370 for the Haskell County unit of the American Cancer Society.

John N. Holt was awarded his bachelor of fine arts degree in Sculpture from the University of North Texas.

Casey Larned was elected president of the Haskell High School senior class; Amy Cunningham, vice president; Christy Cadenhead, secretary-treasurer; Jennifer Comedy, reporter and Brandon McFadden, Rotary chairman.

Neat Bevel celebrated her 82nd birthday at the Haskell National Bank community room. Bevel had the pleasure of having all of her children present, several of her grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

20 Years Ago August 23, 1984

Two new teachers were added to the Paint Creek Independent School District. They were Sharon Brown who teaches business, computer, math and Janie Stone who teaches social studies and language arts.
Tim Everett, Doyle High and Sue Stewart were first place winners in a racketball tournament sponsored by the Fitness Shop in Haskell. Danny Stewart, Jodie Kennedy and Deanna Jordan placed in second places.

Floyd "Satch" Lusk was honored with a retirement reception where he was presented a plaque by Haskell Mayor Abe Turner and a brass bell and gold watch by the Haskell Fire Department. Lusk retired after 35 years as supervisor of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department.

The Hobby Club had their annual picnic in the backyard of Velma Lou Hertel of Sagerton. After eating, some played 84 and some pitched horse shoes.

Juanita "Neat" Bevel was honored by the Green Thumb Incorporated, a national program funded through the Welfare Department, for the work she

had done as an outreach person and van driver.

30 Years Ago August 22, 1974

Carol Dudensing, LaNell Williams, Nolan Pittcock and Tommy Cornelius were featured in the Eighth Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Jasper Wilson, head track coach at Rule High School, was honored at the Balfour Hall of Honor. He received an engraved plaque and was recognized for coaching the winning track team in Class B.

Curtis D. Jennings was named Manager of the Haskell Distribution Office of Lone Star Gas Company.

Walter Otis Elmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. William O. Elmore and Mrs. Leann (Frierson) Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Frierson, both of Haskell graduated from Tarleton State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Antonio E. Rincon of Rule announced the birth of a son, Carlos Lupe.

40 Years Ago August 27, 1964

Rev. Walter Copeland, a living landmark as a Baptist pastor in this area for more than 50 years and a resident of this territory for 60, returned to the pulpit as interim pastor of the First Baptist Church of Weinert.

Gary Ivy of Haskell received his master's degree in secondary education at Abilene Christian College, and qualified for a secondary school principal's certificate.

Bill Tomlinson, vice president of the Haskell Jaycees and member of the Haskell Free Press family, was tapped for the honor of "Jaycee of the Month."

David Frierson, one of Haskell's most prominent clay pigeon poppers, took runnerup honors in the Class B competition at the Wichita Falls Gun Club traps.

50 Years Ago August 26, 1954

Herman P. Morrison, teacher at Paint Creek Rural High School was awarded his Master's degree of education in public school administration at North Texas State College.

Fay Woodson and Truett

Kuenstler of Haskell and Mildred Guess of Weinert received degrees at Hardin-Simmons University.

Joseph L. Wood, Jr., math teacher at Haskell High School, received his Master of Education degree at Southwestern University, Georgetown.

Mrs. Rex Murry, Mrs. G. E. Davis, Myrtle Murry and Ives June Casey of Rule taught the craft in the annual 4-H club camp day at Rice Springs Park.

100 Years Ago August 27, 1904

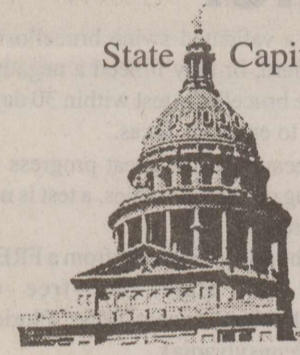
Mrs. J. S. Keister entertained the Full Moon Club in her home.

A. G. Lambert, who is farming on Capt. J. S. Williams' place about a mile northeast of town, brought in the season's first bale of cotton. Lambert sold the load to S. L. Robertson on the basis of 10.30 lint cotton.

Quite a number of the little folks enjoyed a picnic on Mule Creek under the chaperonage of Ethel Alexander.

Ira Ellis accepted a position with the Stamford Ice Company and went down to his new job Monday.

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State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Governor wants sales tax option to fund military projects

AUSTIN—Beyond the upcoming presidential election and the ongoing school finance problem, one of the biggest issues in Texas right now involves the military.

With the announcement last week of long-term plans to bring some 70,000 U.S. troops back to the U.S. from overseas installations, the economic stakes for Texas loom large, especially with the coming 2005 round of base closure fights.

Texas officials are busy making the case to the military that the Lone Star State would be a good home for thousands of those returning troops and their dependents.

Gov. Rick Perry said last week that he wants the Legislature to pass a bill giving local governments the power to allocate sales tax revenue for infrastructure upgrades around military bases. That, of course, would provide added incentive to the Department of Defense to not only keep bases open, but expand those facilities.

The estimated economic impact to Texas from its 18 military installations is \$77 billion.

In another military-related matter, the five-member Texas Transportation Commission is scheduled to act Thursday on a more than \$35 million funding package to improve roadways around Forts Bliss and Hood in anticipation of troops already scheduled for deployment at the two posts.

That other Texas President remembered...

Some Texans will honor that other president from Texas this Friday, which would have been the 96th birthday of Lyndon B. Johnson. Johnson's birthday is a holiday for most state employees (agencies must maintain a skeleton crew however), a fact which gains Texas a bit of

national recognition on a Web site devoted to oddball holidays. The site, www.infolease.com/spot/stateholidays1 includes Texas' LBJ birthday holiday among five other unusual state holidays, including Illinois' Casimir Pulaski Day. Pulaski never set foot in Illinois, but the Polish cavalryman helped America win its revolt against Great Britain.

Meanwhile, back on the range, LBJ will be honored with a wreath-laying ceremony at 10 a.m. Friday at LBJ State Park and Historic Site in Johnson City. In Austin, students and visitors can enjoy free birthday cake and cold drinks outside the LBJ Library on the University of Texas campus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. also Friday.

The 36th president was born in 1908 and died in 1973.

18th annual fall beach cleanup set...

The General Land Office's fall beach cleanup is scheduled Sept. 18 at 28 locations along the Texas coast.

Registration begins at 8 a.m., with cleanup work from 9 a.m. until noon at each site.

Since 1986, volunteers have removed 5,900 tons of trash from Texas beaches. For more information, visit www.texasadoptabeach.org or call 1-877-TX COAST.

Texas Veterans Commission seeks input...

In 1985, the Texas Veterans Commission published a directory of all memorials, monuments and statues in the state dedicated to the men and woman who have served in the military.

The commission is looking for the public's help in updating the directory with information on new memorials, and any memorials missed in the first compilation effort.

For more information, check the commission's Web site at www.tvc.state.tx.us.

Technology can help problem

by Jane Rowan

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Hearing loss is a common complaint among older people. About 10 percent of Americans have hearing loss, and half of those are age 65 or older.

Hearing loss is often ignored because the sufferers feel it's

connected to age. However, new technology can help.

Digital hearing aides amplify sound, reduce background noise, and have feedback control. There are also inexpensive attachments that do everything from amplify a telephone's volume to flicker the lights when the doorbell rings.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 189 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Aug. 21, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 32 sellers and 25 buyers were present.

Short run due to heavy rains in area. Steady on all cattle.

Cows: fat, .54-.60; cutters, .57-.64; canners, .35-.47.

Bulls: bologna, .68-.73; feeders, .85-1.10; utility, .62-.69.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.35-1.80; 300-400 lbs., 1.30-1.55; 400-500 lbs., 1.20-1.39; 500-600 lbs., 1.15-1.34;

600-700 lbs., 1.10-1.20; 700-800 lbs., 1.05-1.18; 800-up lbs., .85-1.10.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.65; 300-400 lbs., 1.25-1.35; 400-500 lbs., 1.15-1.28; 500-600 lbs., 1.05-1.25; 600-up lbs., .85-1.12.

Bred heifers medium frame, 750-925.

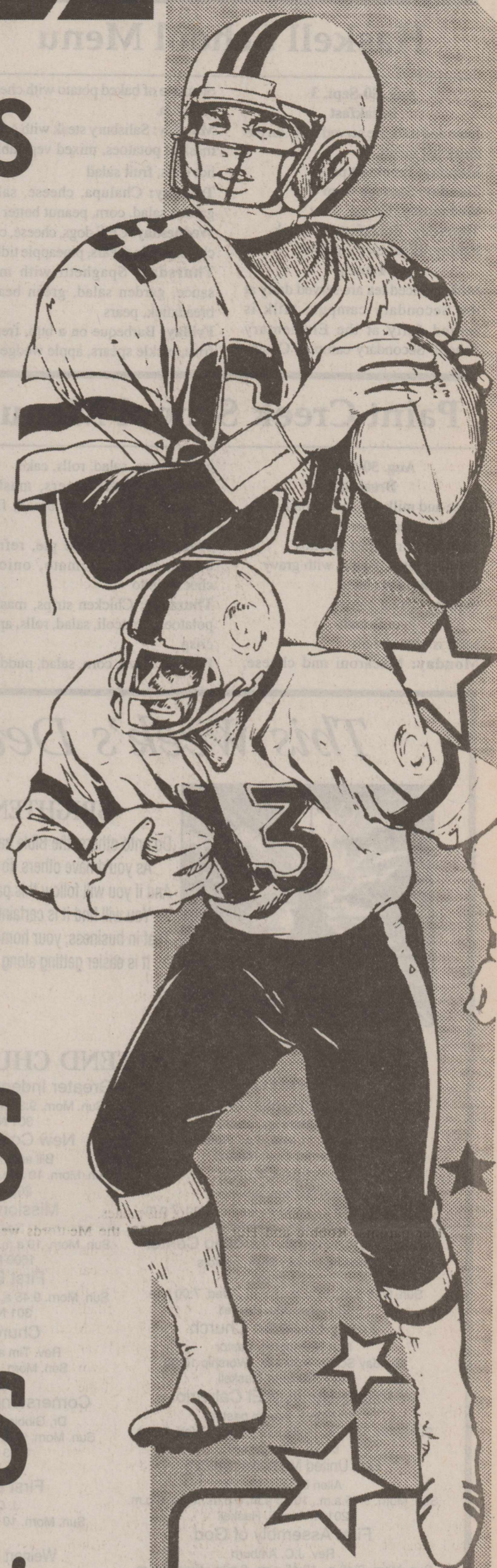
Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 850-1080; aged or small, 675-800.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 950-1400; aged or small, 775-925.

2004 Haskell Indians



2004 HASKELL INDIANS: front row left to right, Ronald Chapman, Josh Kimmell, Josh Tidrow, Ray Cuellar and Ray Graciano. Middle row: Brad Blanks, Greg Andrada, Brandon McClatchey, Billy Lusk, Julio Solano and Aaron New. Back row: Jon Dulaney, Nate Webb, Cameron Short, Jeremy Sorrells, Gary Frierson, Josh Barbee, Andrew Long and L. J. McCulloch. Photo by Bobbie J.



FRIDAY, AUG. 27TH 7:30 P.M. AT HAWLEY HASKELL INDIANS

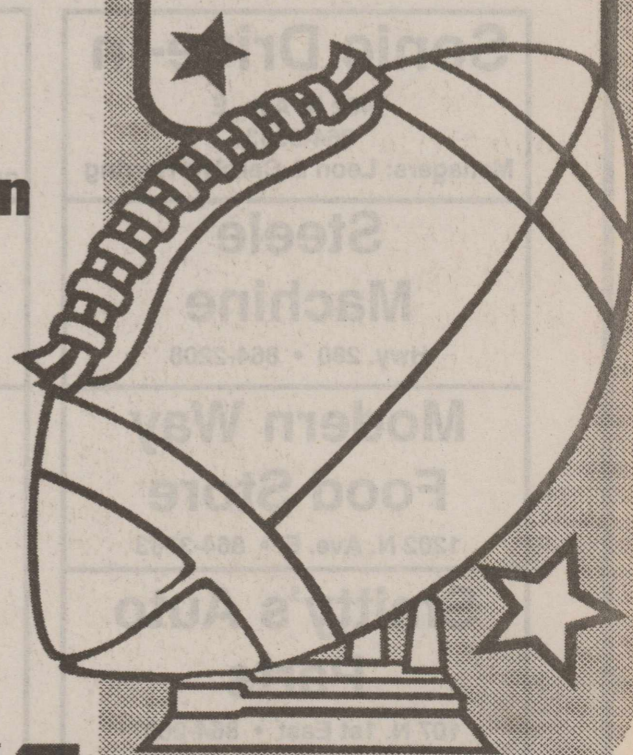
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Go Tribe!



Haskell School Menu

Aug. 30-Sept. 3
Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Breakfast pizza
Tuesday: Sausage wrap
Wednesday: Cereal, toast
Thursday: Breakfast on a stick
Friday: Blueberry muffins
Lunch
Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: Choice

of entree of baked potato with cheese and ham.
Monday: Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, fruit salad
Tuesday: Chalupa, cheese, salsa, garden salad, corn, peanut butter pie
Wednesday: Chili dogs, cheese, corn chips, pickle spears, pineapple tidbits
Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, green beans, breadstick, pears
Friday: Barbeque on a bun, french fries, pickle spears, apple wedges

Paint Creek School Menu

Aug. 30-Sept. 3
Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Cereal or toast
Tuesday: Breakfast burritos
Wednesday: Biscuits with gravy
Thursday: Pancakes
Friday: Cereal, toast
Lunch
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Macaroni and cheese,

green beans, salad, rolls, cake
Tuesday: Steakfingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, bread, fruit cups
Wednesday: Tamale pie, refried beans, lettuce, tomato, onions, cheese, jello
Thursday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, broccoli, salad, rolls, apple crisp
Friday: Pizza, corn, salad, pudding

Keith Rowan receives VATAT tenure award

Keith Rowan, Vocational Agricultural Teacher at Rule High School, was presented a 15-year tenure award during the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas annual Professional Development Conference for Agricultural Science and Technology Teachers of Texas held in Abilene, Aug. 2-6.

VATAT tenure awards are given in five-year increments to agriculture science teachers who have dedicated themselves to teaching agriculture. "The VATAT is very proud that since our inception we have always

had a very extensive awards program and are very proud of this year's award winners," comments Gerald Young, executive director of the VATAT.

In Texas, there is an estimated 1,500 agricultural science and technology teachers impacting more than 90,000 students enrolled in agricultural education classes at the secondary level. The Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas is headquartered in Austin and aims to improve agriculture by teaching.

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., Aug. 30
11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check
Lunch—Beef stroganoff and noodles, English peas and carrots, onion slices, yeast rolls, strawberry cake, milk, tea, or coffee
Wed., Sept. 1
Lunch—Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, sliced onions, pinto beans,

corn, yeast rolls, banana pudding, milk, tea, or coffee
Fri., Sept. 3
Lunch—Ham and butter beans, garden salad, yellow squash, sliced onions, cornbread, strawberry cake, milk, tea, or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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Public Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, on the 29th day of July, 2004, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 9848. Styling: Rochester Independent School District v. Delfino Aguilera. Legal description: 1. Lots 3-5, block 34, Original Town of Rochester, Haskell, County, Texas. 2. Lots 5, 6, Block 20, Original Town of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 9903. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Mike Enriquez. Legal description: 3. Lot 1, North Half of Lot 2, Block 15, Highland Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,813. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. J. W. "Wesley" Wilson. Legal description: 4. All of Block 18, Highland Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 5. Lots 3, 4 Block 1, Kirby Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 6. Lots 1-8, Block 2, Kirby Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,930. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Jack Dale Isbell. Legal description: 7. Lot 6, Block 3, McConnell Addition #85 to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 7th day of September 2004, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas.

Levied on the 29th day of July, 2004, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

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

Given under my hand this 29th day of July, 2004.

David Halliburton
Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas
33-35c

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Proposed local consolidation agreement between Haskell CISD and Rochester CLISD is available for public review during regular business hours at the Haskell CISD central administration office, 605 N. Avenue E, Haskell, TX.

ATENCIÓN PÚBLICA

El acuerdo de consolidación Propuesto local entre Haskell CISD y Rochester CLISD está disponible para la revisión pública durante horas de oficina regulares en el Haskell CISD la oficina de administración central, 605 N. Avenida E, Haskell, TX. 33-35c

NO. 11,234
DELTA OIL & GAS, LTD,
Plaintiff

v.
KITTIE CREMER aka KITTIE CREMER ENGLE and J. S. JONES, Defendants.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
39TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS

TO: KITTIE CREMER aka KITTIE CREMER ENGLE and J. S. JONES, Defendants, and to all whom it may concern:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of DELTA OIL & GAS, LTD, Plaintiff, was filed against KITTIE CREMER aka KITTIE CREMER ENGLE and J. S. JONES, Defendants, on August 12, 2004, in the 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, Texas, and is numbered 11,234, and entitled DELTA OIL & GAS, LTD VS. KITTIE CREMER aka KITTIE CREMER ENGLE and J. S. JONES. This lawsuit is a suit for the appointment of a receiver under the provisions of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Section 64.091 to execute an oil,

gas, and mineral lease on the interest of the Defendants in the following described land situated in Haskell County, Texas:

156 acres of land, more or less, out of Section 14, Block 1, H.&T.C. RR. Co. Survey, A-505, Haskell County, Texas, and being the same land described in Mineral Deed dated February 26, 1930, from J. T. Mullis & wife, Easter Mullis, to H. O. Cremer, recorded in Volume 118, Page 421, Deed Records, Haskell County, Texas.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the Plaintiff's interest which will be binding upon you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Haskell, Texas, this 12th day of August, 2004.

Penny Young Anderson
Clerk of the
39th Judicial District Court
Haskell, Texas
By: Katherine S. Drinnon,
Deputy 34-37c

NO. 4231
IN RE: ESTATE OF ANTHONY T. BURSON, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS
PUBLISHED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of ANTHONY T. BURSON, Deceased, were issued on August 11, 2004, Docket Number 4231, pending in the County Court of Haskell County, Texas to TONYA WEATHERMAN and AMY BURSON.

The residence of the Administrators is in Brady, Texas, and you are hereby required to present any claim you may have to the following mailing address:

Estate of Anthony T. Burson, Deceased, c/o Tonya Weatherman and Amy Burson, 100 Lackey, Brady, Texas 76825 or Shane Hadaway, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 305, Haskell, Texas 79521.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated the 16th day of August, 2004.

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NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WEINERT

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has notified the Haskell County Water District #1 water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Nitrate. The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established the MCL for Nitrate at 10 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for Nitrate indicates a level of 17.15 mg/L.

Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

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 including 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 Robert Horan, c/o City of Weinert, Box 248, Weinert, Texas 76388 at 940-673-8223.

Our Public Water System ID# is 1040004. 35c

This Week's Devotional Message:



BRIGHTEN YOUR LIFE WITH THE GOLDEN RULE

Do unto others, the Bible has said.
As you'd have others do unto you;
And if you will follow this passage you've read.
You will find it is certainly true
That in business, your home life or simply with friends.
It is easier getting along

If you'll never be forced into making amends.
Just because you have done someone wrong.
So to learn more about this unfailling advice
That will frequently serve as a warning.
You should go to your church, where it's only the price
Of an hour on next Sunday morning.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—
East Side Baptist Church
Danny Manross, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
First United Methodist Church
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Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
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Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
First Presbyterian Church
Steve Beatty, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
Trinity Baptist Church
Tony Grand, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell
Hopewell Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Greater Independent Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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—WEINERT—
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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester
—SAGERTON—
Sagerton Methodist Church
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Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
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Deborah Nissen, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton
—RULE—
First Baptist Church
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Manuel Marin, pastor
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500 Elm Street, Rule

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Bill Trice, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule

West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

—PAINT CREEK—
Paint Creek Baptist Church
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Title: District Technician
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Length of project is approximately 3 years.

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1. Provide technical assistance to producers in conservation planning, application, and implementation.

2. Receives applications for financial assistance contracts under the 319 project.

3. Prepares plans for financial assistance contracts.

4. Presents plans to the District Board for approval.

5. Submits approved plans to TSSWCB for certification.

6. Maintains contact with producers having certified plans.

7. Submits documentation of completed practices for approval by District Board and forwards to TSSWCB for payment to producer for completed work.

8. Provide technical assistance to producers in development of conservation plans that do not result in financial assistance contracts.

9. Maintain files on all plans.

10. Reports status of conservation plans developed on a monthly basis to Districts.

11. Cooperate fully with any guidance, assistance, and activity that may be provided by the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

12. Conduct status reviews on all Water Quality Management Plans within the SWCD.

13. Carry out duties within the work plan.

14. Performs any other duties as may be determined by the District Board.

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The new school year has begun, and in addition to stocking up on school supplies and brushing up on their studies, students across Texas are gearing up for a healthier school meal environment. In March, the Texas Department of Agriculture released a new Texas Public School Nutrition Policy in response to the growing rates of childhood obesity.

The nationally recognized policy is effective at the start of the 2004-05 school year. Among other steps, the policy limits the number of grams of fat and sugar Texas schoolchildren are served each week and restricts portion sizes for chips, cookies, frozen desserts and beverages. The policy also calls for phasing out deep-fat frying in schools.

"Texas schools serve more than 400 million lunches and 200 million breakfasts a year," said Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "Since more than two million schoolchildren consume about 60 percent of their meals in school, schools are key settings to combat the obesity epidemic facing our young Texans."

To offer parents, teachers, school administrators and school food service professionals additional resources and clarifications on the policy and general childhood nutrition information, TDA launched its Square Meals Web site this summer at www.squaremeals.org. The site provides one-page overviews of the nutrition policies for elementary schools, middle and junior high schools and high schools. It also provides information on exemptions and answers to frequently asked questions about the new policy.

"Ensuring our children's health will take all of us working together," Combs said. "In partnership, parents and schools are an unbeatable team

with the ability to help turn the tide. That's why we want to support their efforts and keep everyone informed about this new policy."

In addition to other measures, the policy also limits the sale of foods that compete with a school's operation of the breakfast, lunch or after school snack programs. A school can lose up to \$1.23 at breakfast and \$2.24 at lunch in federal reimbursements for each meal lost to a competitive food sale.

At the elementary school level, Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value, candy and competitive foods are not allowed on campus at any time during the school day. However, the policy does allow one nutritious classroom snack to be provided in the morning or afternoon by parents, teachers or other groups.

The elementary classroom snack must be a healthy, low-fat and low-sugar option. This can include choices such as fresh fruits or vegetables with low fat dips, pretzels, low-fat string cheese, dry cereal, rice cakes, animal crackers or low fat fruit or grain muffins. At a teacher's or school's option, the snack may be used to celebrate birthdays or other events.

The Texas School Nutrition Policy only impacts schools participating in the national school nutrition program. It does not place restrictions on food items that parents provide for their own child's consumption. Parents should communicate with their child's school for information on local school policies that may include additional restrictions.

"A recent study showed that the rates of childhood obesity in Texas are among some of the highest in the nation," Combs said. "Our state cannot afford to look the other way. The time to take action is now, and parents and schools are critical in leading the charge."



TALL CROP—Troy Culpepper, who stands at 6' 1," shows off the even taller stand of okra growing in his Haskell garden. Attributing the good yield of corn, tomatoes, okra, squash, asparagus and other crops to the unusual rainfall this year, he has enjoyed sharing the bounty with his neighbors and friends.

Cheerleaders win awards

The Haskell High School cheerleaders and mascot were among over 200 cheerleaders from the surrounding area who recently attended a National Cheerleaders Association summer camp at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Among the group awards received by the Haskell cheerleaders were six Superior ratings and one Excellent rating on their Home Cheer Evaluation, Camp Cheer with Jump/Chant Evaluation, Camp Cheer with Stunt Evaluation, and Final Evaluation. The group also received the Technical Excellence Awards for displaying superior skills in Jumps, and a Spirit Stick, which is presented to the squad showing the most sincere spirit and enthusiasm the entire week of camp.

Along with these group awards, all eight members were awarded All-American Nominations. These are awarded to outstanding individuals who display strength in one of six categories: jumps, tumbling, stunts, motion technique, leadership and

dance. Haskell was the only squad present to have all members nominated.

On the last night of the camp, the all-American nominees were given the opportunity to try out for the All-American team. Each girl had to perform three advanced stamina jumps, a tumbling pass, and the 2004 NCA Camp Cheer. Top individuals are awarded the All-American Team award at the closing ceremonies on the last morning of camp. This year, Haskell junior, Kerri Newton, and sophomores, Amber Bingham and Stephanie Grand, were among the 20 members to make the All-American Team, the most prestigious individual award at summer camp. These select individuals are eligible for various special events that NCA conducts during the year.

Haskell girls attending were Amber Bingham, Alexis Reed, Jasmine Thomas, Meredith Harvey, Stephanie Grand, Kelye Tidrow, Kerri Newton and Allison Mitchell.

Meredith named to Angus Association

Nathan Meredith of Haskell is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri. Junior members of the

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Nanny benefit

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Soccer sign-up

The deadline for registration for the McKenzie Trail Soccer League is Sat., Aug. 28. Haskell County students ages 4-12 are eligible. For more information call Kris Fouts 940-996-2644 or 940-989-2608.

Garage/food sale

The St. George Catholic Church will hold a garage sale Sat., Aug. 28 at 205 S. Ave. H. Tamales and burritos will also be sold. Proceeds will benefit the church's queen candidates.

Dance

A back-to-school dance will be held Sat., Aug. 28 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the old St. George Catholic Church building. Proceeds benefit the church's queen candidates.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Aug. 28 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5 p.m. and the music will start at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

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Dear Misty,
What is Parkinson's Disease?
Parkinson's Disease is a slow, progressive disorder, generally associated with trembling of the limbs and stiffness, as well as rigidity of the muscles and slowness of movement.

The cause of Parkinson's Disease is unknown, although experts believe that a chemical imbalance in the brain leads to its signs and symptoms. There is no evidence that the disease is contagious. It is rarely found in people younger than 40, and it affects both men and women across all ethnic lines.

Parkinson's Disease is diagnosed by examination. The signs and symptoms vary from person to person. In many cases, Parkinson's Disease may be first manifested in the form of a slight tremor in one hand or arm. Over time, the tremor may involve both arms and legs. Tremors may become more pronounced under emotional stress. Parkinsonian tremor usually decreases during physical activity and always disappears during sleep.

Muscle stiffness or rigidity is another early sign. People with Parkinson's Disease may first notice rigidity when they begin having difficulty getting out of a chair or turning. Fine movements such as buttoning and unbuttoning clothing may also become difficult.

Slowness of movement and difficulty in starting movement may appear at the same time as rigidity. Walking may require some effort. Occasionally, the person may stop walking and find it difficult to start again. In severe cases, there may be a tendency to walk with small, quick, shuffling steps while bending slightly forward.

There may be additional signs and symptoms, such as fixed facial expression, balance problems, diminishing size of handwriting, or a decrease in voice volume.

Signs and symptoms of Parkinson's Disease appear gradually and in no particular order. Many years may pass before these signs and symptoms impair daily activities.

What questions regarding home care do you have for the nurse? Send your questions to Haskell Home Health Agency, 417 S. First, Haskell, TX 79521 or call 940-864-5074 or 1-877-864-5074.

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