

Baseball games

V Indians vs Anson
Fri., March 18, 4 p.m.
at Haskell
JV Indians vs Clyde
Tues., March 22, 4 p.m.
at Clyde
V Indians vs Sweetwater
Tues., March 22, 5 p.m.
at Sweetwater

Softball games

JV Maidens vs Snyder
Sat., March 19, 1 p.m.
at Snyder
V Maidens vs Hamlin
Tues., March 22, 4:30 p.m.
at Hamlin

Golf

Indians at Lakeside Country Club,
Eastland Invitational
Mon., March 21, 9 a.m.

Maidens at Lone Cedar Country
Club, Eastland Invitational
Mon., March 21, 9 a.m.

Calendar

Flea market

A flea market will be held Sat., March 19 in conjunction with the Haskell Fire Department's Classic Car Show. To reserve a space for the flea market, call the Haskell Chamber of Commerce at 864-2477.

Hee-Haw

The annual Sagerton Community Hee-Haw is set for March 31, April 1 and 2 beginning at 8 p.m. nightly. Music and singing will begin at approximately 7 p.m. The Thursday night performance is for groups only. Tickets for the April 1 and 2 performances are available by calling 940-997-2688 for tickets. Tickets are \$5 each and are limited to 10 tickets per person. Plate lunches, sandwiches and pies will be available in the cafeteria nightly from 5:30 until 7 p.m.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., March 19 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

Chamber banquet

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual banquet Thurs., March 31. Charlie Stenholm will speak. An appreciation day will be held in conjunction with the banquet.

Bake sale

A bake sale will be held Sat., March 19 during the car show by First Assembly of God Church. The booth will be in front of the Sport-Aboutlet on the east side of the square. Proceeds will benefit the church and its activities.

Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on Fridays.

Parenting session

Brenda Bird, an entertaining parenting specialist, will present a free one-hour session "Creative Consequences that Change Behavior" Thurs., March 31 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Haskell High School Auditorium. Lunch will be served. R.S.V.P. to Kathy Garrison at 864-2654 ext. 344.

Exes basketball

The third exes basketball games will be held Sat., March 26 at Indian Gym in Haskell. Ex-Haskell basketball players will compete with the girls' beginning at 6 p.m. followed by the boys' game. Graduates of even years will play graduates of odd years. Entry fee is \$15 per player with proceeds benefiting the Haskell Educational Foundation.

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Fire Department's Classic Car Show set Saturday

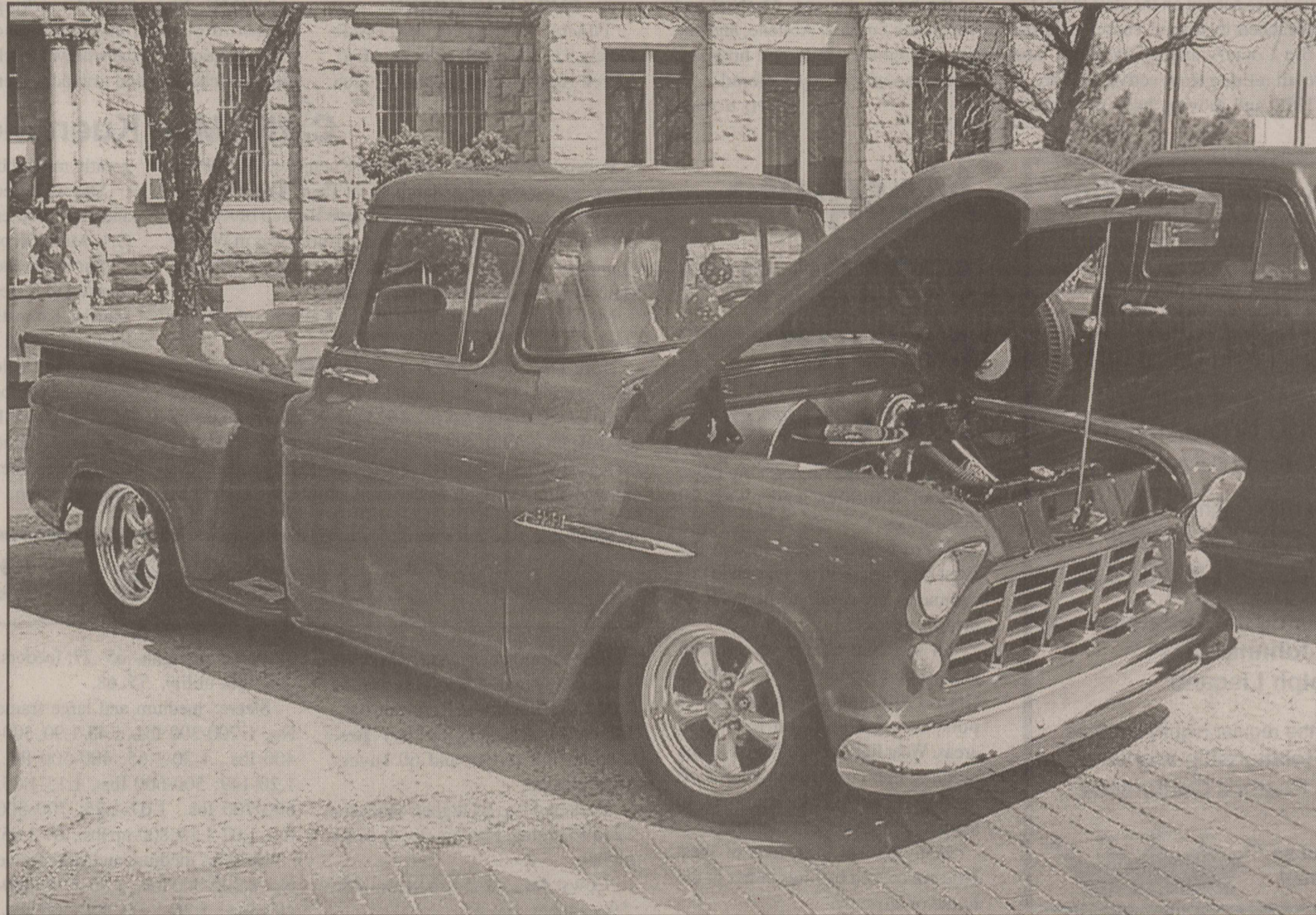
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Classic car show set downtown Saturday



CLASSIC CARS COMING SATURDAY-Dozens of classic vehicles, such as this 1957 Chevrolet pickup at last year's annual Volunteer

Fire Department's Car Show, will be on view around the Courthouse Saturday during a day of downtown fun, food and shopping.

The 9th Annual Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show will be held on Sat., Mar. 19, in downtown Haskell around the Haskell County Courthouse square.

With its widespread reputation of being a major show, featuring something of fun and interest for everyone in the family, the popular event is expected to again bring numbers of entries and visitors to the city. As in previous years, entries are coming in from around the country.

Along with the ten classes of vehicles in the show, other entertainments and activities will include the Kids Tractor Pull and Hot Wheels Races for Kids, (with an entry fee of \$1.00 per car).

Hamburgers and french fries will be served on the Courthouse square during the noon hour by members of the Volunteer Fire Dept.

A flea market sponsored by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce will feature vendor spaces at \$10.00 each on sidewalks in front of businesses around the square.

Classes for this year's Car Show are:

Cars Pre-'64; Cars '65 and up; Antique Cars, Trucks thru '50; Street Rods Pre-'49; Race Cars; Older Pickups Pre-'84; Pickups '85 and up; Motorcycles; Restoration in Progress; Scooters.

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

Registration forms for the show may be obtained from any Haskell Volunteer Fireman. For more information, call Randy Shaw at 940-864-2023 or e-mail: haskellcarshow@hotmail.com.

Indian Band earns UIL First Division

The Haskell Indian Band competed in the annual UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest in Anson, Mar. 3, bringing home a First Division Performance trophy.

The Haskell Band was among many 1A and 2A high schools in the area performing music they had

prepared for judges, who gave them an individual rating.

After that performance the bands moved to another room for the Sight Reading portion of the contest. In this part of the contest, the students and band director have seven minutes to look over and discuss a piece of

music they have never seen before. Then, they perform the music to receive a rating from three judges. The Sight Reading Contest is an indicator of the band's musical proficiency. It was in this portion of the contest that the Indian Band earned the trophy for a First Division

Performance.

The required music had many challenges that the Indians overcame and played musically.

"We are very proud of the band students and all they have achieved," said Haskell Band Directors Chris Wright and Teresa New.

Cowboy breakfast and church service to be held Sunday

The annual Tom Hairgrove "Cowboy Breakfast and Church



CODY COCHRAN

Service" will be held on Palm Sunday, Mar. 20, at the First United Methodist Church in Haskell, with everyone in the community, both 'cowboys and cowgirls,' invited to attend to enjoy the food, fellowship and spiritual message.

Breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30 a.m., with a church service beginning at 8:15, and concluding in ample time for everyone to go to their own respective Sunday classes and church services.

Special speaker for the event will be Cody Cochran, pastor of Bethel Assembly of Anson.

Born and raised in Abilene, where he now lives with his wife and two young sons, Cochran's first love was always punching cows until he

answered the call on his life to preach the gospel. With a working background experience of punching cattle on several ranches throughout West Texas, in 2002 he began pastoring Bethel Assembly in Anson. With a strong desire for the Lord, and passion for the gospel, his work and the congregation there have grown.

Heading up the cooking of the meal will be Max Stapleton, with assistance from Wilda Medford, Eddie Medford, Rob McKnight, Bob Smith, Tom Hairgrove, Mik Everett, Roger Roewe, Wallace Emerson, Tim Everett, Carl Hopkins, Jason Hall, Larry Cunningham, Kenny Watson, Ken Lane, Robert Bartley, Kenneth Patton, Bobby Medford, David Middleton, and others.

Stenholm to be honored at Haskell Chamber banquet

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce 2005 Annual Awards Banquet will be held Thurs., Mar 31 at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Special guests for the evening will be the Honorable Charles Stenholm and wife, Cindy, who will be honored in appreciation of his many years of

service and benefits on Haskell's behalf during his years as United States Representative.

Introducing Stenholm will be Congressman Mac Thornberry of Amarillo, who represents Haskell in the 13th District.

During the evening, new chamber officers and directors will be

installed.

Also at the banquet, the Chamber's 2004 Citizen of the Year Award will be presented.

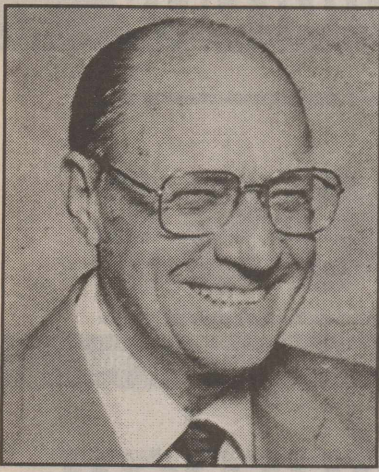
Tickets for the catered dinner are \$10.00 each, and may be purchased from any Chamber of Commerce member or at the chamber office.



MEMORIAL PLANTING-Haskell Garden Club members, l-r, Paula Rennegarbe, Jane Powers and Florence Alexander, plant two country red crape myrtles on the west side of the gazebo at the courthouse, Mon., Mar. 14, in memory of Sue Hertel, the club's former president.

OBITUARIES

Reverend Vergil Smith



REV. VERGIL SMITH
Funeral services for Reverend Vergil Smith, 82, of Haskell were held Tues., March 15 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Reverend Frank Slayton and Brian Burgess officiating. Burial was in Rule.

Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell

Mr. Smith died Sat., March 12 at an Abilene hospital.

Born July 20, 1922 in Rule, he was the son of J.G. and Maude McReynolds Smith. He married Vera Hise Dec. 23, 1939 in Rule. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Haskell and was an avid hunter. He was in the Merchant Marines during World War II. He farmed and ranched in the Paint Creek community until surrendering to the ministry in 1951. He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 1957 and also served on the staff there. He preached in several churches in the Big Country and South Plains area until retiring from active ministry in 1973 and moving back to Haskell.

After returning to Haskell, he managed the Farmer's Co-op Gin. In 1981 he became the chief adult and juvenile probation officer for the 39th District. He retired from that in 1991. He loved his family and above all he loved the Lord. He had one goal in life: to share Jesus Christ with as many people as possible. His vision and dedication were a constant example to others whose lives he touched. He will be missed by all that knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Eldon Smith; and one sister, Thelma Simpkins.

Survivors include his wife, Vera of the home; one son, Michael and wife, Jane Smith of Abilene; and one granddaughter, Misty and husband, Jim Mann of Greeley, Colorado.

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Ruby Mae Green



RUBY MAE GREEN

Funeral services for Ruby Mae Green, 93, of Haskell were held Sat., March 12 at East Side Baptist Church

in Haskell with Rev. Danny Manross officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Green, beloved Mother and Grandmother, began her celebration of eternal life in the Lord Jesus Christ Wed., March 9.

Born Oct. 14, 1911 in Montague County, she was the daughter of William and Maude Jennings. She married Elmer Green March 9, 1929 in Belcherville. She was a loving mother and grandmother. She was a charter member of the Sunshine Ladies, Hannah's Sunday school class and WMU. She enjoyed working crossword puzzles, crocheting and was very good with the willow switch when her children and grandchildren

needed it. She always loved being with all of her family and will be greatly missed by them all.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmer L. Green; three sons, Jerry, Bill and Earl; three grandchildren, Tim, Allison and Scott; and one great grandchildren, Travis.

Survivors include her son, Harold and wife, Betty Green of Anton; two daughters, Sue Hawkins of Baird and Leona and husband, Bobby Hanson of Haskell; daughter-in-law, Lillie Green of Munday; sister, Emma Lee Bedrock; brother, Tommy Jennings; thirty grandchildren, fifty great grandchildren and twenty great great grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

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Callie Mae Kuentler

Funeral services for Callie Mae Kuentler, 98, of Paint Creek were held Fri., March 11 at Paint Creek Baptist Church in Paint Creek with Rev. Steve Russell of Abilene and Pastor James Horton officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Kuentler died Tues., March 8 at a Stamford care home.

Born Dec. 24, 1906 in Jones County, she was the daughter of Luther and Helen Middlebrook. She married Louie Lee Kuentler April 7, 1923 in Haskell. He preceded her in death in 1978. She loved to crochet and make things for her family. She loved to cook for her family and always enjoyed being with all of her grandchildren. She will be

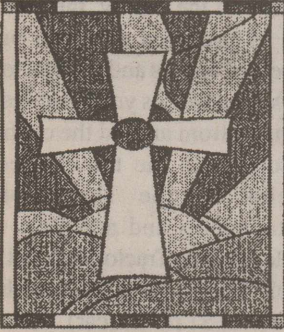
greatly missed by all of her family and all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and two brothers, Martin Middlebrook of Winters and G.V. Middlebrook of Haskell.

Survivors include her two sons and their wives, Rev. Truett and Laverne Kuentler of Haskell and Roddy and Martha Kuentler of Stamford; one daughter and her husband, Mary Lou and Glenn Sandefur of Fort Worth; eight grandchildren, Debbie George of Hurst, Nanette Ashby of Vernon, Steve Sandefur, Susan Smith and Lesa Martin, all of Fort Worth, Leann Ellis of El Dorado, Kansas, Ky Kuentler of Stamford and Tracy Kuentler of Abilene; nine great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren.

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Ministers Larry and Shirl Hicks of Houston want everyone to join them in **'Celebrating Jesus'** as they present a **SPRING CRUSADE** at the Rochester High School Auditorium

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Guest speakers ministering during the conference are: **Pastor Errol and Johnnie Clay Evangelist Rudolph Liscano**

There will be workshops prior to the regular nightly services.
•March 17 at 6:30 p.m., a Relationship Workshop
•March 18 at 6:30 p.m., a Pastor's Conference

Don't miss out, come get blessed as we glorify and lift up Jesus' name!!



Mosquito season just around the corner

Texas summers mean long days, outdoor activities, and plenty of mosquitoes.

There is some concern that the West Nile virus will be a problem this summer. Care needs to be taken to protect yourself.

To stay bite-free, cover up with clothes and repellent while outside. Get rid of standing water in flower pots, rain gutters, and low-lying areas. Wear light-colored loose fitting clothing that covers both your arms and legs. Seal your home properly to keep any mosquitoes outside.

Many human infections of West Nile are caused by bites either in the home or close by.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,016 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., March 12, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 68 sellers and 60 buyers were present.

Packers \$2 to \$3 higher. Stockers \$2 to \$5 higher. Feeders steady to \$3 higher.

Cows: fat, .49-.54; cutters, .45-.59; canners, .38-.48.

Bulls: bologna, .65-.77; feeders, .86-1.05; utility, .55-.68.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.45-1.90; 300-400 lbs., 1.30-1.65; 400-500 lbs., 1.20-1.49; 500-600 lbs., 1.15-1.35; 600-700 lbs., 1.07-1.25; 700-800 lbs., 1.02-1.18; 800-up lbs., .87-1.05.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.30-1.75; 300-400 lbs., 1.25-1.35; 400-500 lbs.,

1.15-1.28; 500-600 lbs., 1.05-1.23; 600-up lbs., .78-1.08.

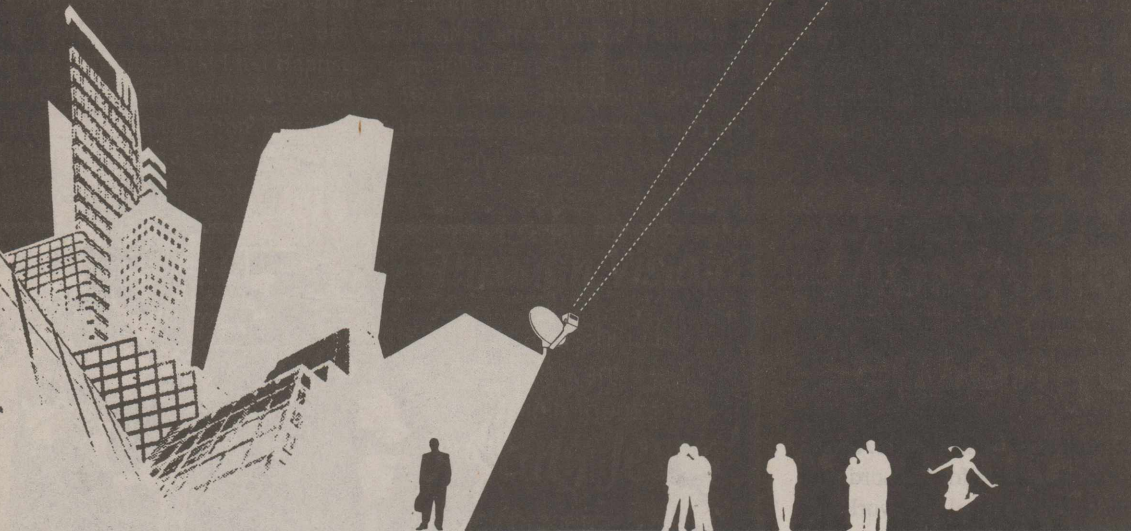
Bred heifers medium frame, 850-1100.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 950-1250; aged or small, 575-845.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 1100-1475; aged or small, 850-975.

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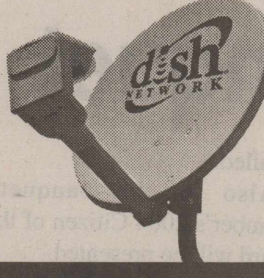
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Anna Urbanczyk to celebrate 100th birthday

Celebrating her 100th birthday this week, Anna Urbanczyk of Rice Springs Nursing Home, can look back on a full life of activity and change.

Born on a family farm north of Rhineland on Mar. 17, 1905, Anna Wilhelmina Schumacher was the daughter of Katharina Stengel and Martin Schumacher. She was the second of five children: Mary, Anna, Lizzie, John and Bertha. Her mother died when Anna was eight years old.

In 1927, at the age of twenty-two, she married Aloysius Benjamin Urbanczyk. In addition to raising one step-child, Bertha, Anna bore seven children of her own: Marvin, Louis, Bernadine, Elaine, A. B., Jeanette and Corinne. She and her husband lost son A. B. when he was five months old, and daughter Jeanette when she was about ten months old. Anna's husband died three months after she gave birth to Corinne in 1936.

A widow, Anna became the matriarch of the family. Raising her children alone on the family farm, Anna ran the farm alone until her sons, Marvin (Buddy) and Louis were old enough to help her.

Always having a very strong



ANNA URBANCZYK

Catholic faith, as long as she was able, she was active in her church and community, and she has been a great influence for many through her life, her faith and her work ethics.

Anna has thirty-five grandchildren, sixty-eight great-grandchildren and fifteen great-great-grandchildren. She has outlived all but one of her children, son Buddy. After all that she has experienced during the last 100 years, she still has a strong faith in God and her family. Happy Birthday, Anna.

Rennegarbe presents program on stained glass to Garden Club

At a meeting of the Haskell Garden Club, held Thurs., Mar. 10 at Trinity Lutheran Church, members participated in a program on stained glass presented by Paula Rennegarbe.

During a business session, plans were made for members to plant crape myrtles on the west side of the Haskell County Courthouse gazebo on Mon., Mar. 14. The club voted to give a donation of \$150.00 to Haskell High School for their help with the club's yearbooks, and to give a \$200.00 donation to the

Haskell County Library for purchase of books.

Florence Alexander told about the convention in Breckenridge on antique roses. Jane Powers also gave a report on the convention.

Serving refreshments were Martha Spitzer, Laverne Kuenstler and Betty LeFevre.

Others attending the meeting were Tinka Nelson, Lois Ann Ballard, Frances Bowen, Ruby Middlebrook, Erna Peiser, guests Grace Hannsz and Dorothy Rueffer.

EEA Club learns to recognize stroke, heart attack symptoms

Twelve members of the Haskell County EEA Club met Mar. 10 for a program on "Let's Have a Heart-to-Heart Talk," presented by Geraldine Baker. Members learned to recognize symptoms of heart attack and stroke in women, and received information on controlling risk factors for these diseases.

Plans were finalized for the trip to Weatherford to attend the annual Cultural Arts and Spring Meeting.

It was announced that birthday calendars are on sale for the coming year. Persons interested in ordering calendars may contact any club member.

Refreshments of decorated Easter cookies and punch were served to the group by Flossie Bates and Shirley Reed.

The next meeting of the club will be held Thurs., April 14.

Brister wins golf title

Haskell High School golfer, Candace Brister, won 1st Medalist at the River Creek Invitational played at River Creek Golf Course in Burk Burnett, Tues., Mar. 8.

Competing with 70 girls in the tournament, Brister shot 39 and 41, a total of score of 80, on the par 71 course. The Haskell High School freshman is the daughter of Debbie and Greg Brister of Haskell.

On Mar. 2, the Haskell Girls golf team of Brister, Robbyn Tribbey,

Mollie McKnight and Calina Kendall won first place in the Merkel Golf Tournament, with Brister winning 2nd Medalist.

David Middleton is the Haskell golf coach.

Shop Haskell First

ATTENTION HASKELL RESIDENTS

Does anyone know the burial place of **Sarah (Sallie) F. Bridges Atchison** widow of J.T. Atchison Sarah died at Haskell and was buried there sometime between 1920 and 1930. She was the Mother of the late Birdie Atchison and Grandmother of Earl Atchison. Sarah was my Great Grandmother. PLEASE, write me at Elaine Baker Zandona 208 Derecho Way Tracy, CA 95376 or E-Mail dezandona@msn.com

Hospice needs Haskell County volunteers

Hospice of the Big Country, a service of West Texas Rehabilitation Center, Abilene, is looking for new volunteers to join their volunteer program.

Due to an increase in patient referrals in the area, they are offering a volunteer training class for persons interested in assisting with patients in Haskell County. The class will be held in Abilene on Tues., Mar. 29, and will continue for three weeks on Tues. and Thurs. evenings. Each session will be held at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center boardroom from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. The class is open to all interested persons. There is no charge for the training, and refreshments will be provided at each session. Pre-registration is required to insure enough notebooks and materials for everyone.

All Hospice volunteers are required to complete the training, which consists of a series of sessions designed to educate hospice volunteers about hospice care and all the ministries involved in being a volunteer for terminally ill patients. Some of the topics covered will include ethics, communication skills, the disease process, stages of death and dying, care and comfort measures, grief and bereavement, and spirituality in death. The trainers for

each topic are all specialists in the field.

"A hospice volunteer's time commitment is flexible, just like the services he or she provides," said Jo Ann Wilson, Director of Volunteer Services. "Services range from providing companionship for patients and their families, to running errands and providing respite care. Volunteers are a very important part of our program," she said.

Currently, 90 volunteers help Hospice of the Big Country meet its mission. Established in 1992 hospice serves terminally patients in Abilene and the surrounding eleven counties. Under the direction of the patient's physician and the hospice director, the hospice team works together to provide physical, emotional, and spiritual care to the patient and family. Care for cancer as well as non-cancerous diagnosis is provided. Over 3000 patients and families have been served by Hospice of the Big Country since its inception.

In April 2000, Hospice of the Big Country merged with the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Hospice accepts all terminally ill patients, regardless of their ability to pay.

For information or to reserve a place in the training classes, call Jo Ann Wilson at 325-793-5450.

Study Club takes Heritage Art Tour

Thurs., Mar. 10, members of the Haskell Progressive Study Club met at the Haskell County Courthouse gazebo to carpool to Abilene for a Texas Heritage Art Tour.

Following lunch at the Hickory Street Cafe, the group toured Frontier Texas!, to view the historic presentation of Texas frontier legends and adventure from 1780 to 1880, and the Century of Adventure multimedia theater depiction of life during an important part of this area's history.

Before returning to Haskell, some of the group attended the Abilene Children's Museum showing of the work of well-known American artist, N. C. Wyeth, including his book illustrations of early children's classics such as *Treasure Island*, and *Robinson Crusoe*. Wyeth, who died in 1945, was the center of a large family of prominent American artists, including Peter Hurd and Andrew Wyeth.

Club members attending the

historical tour were Dorothy Hartsfield, Nancy Toliver, Judy Burnett, Bettie Wainscott, Jewel Pittman, Thua Perry, Franciene Johnson, Darlene Smith, Mary Kaigler and Oleta Cornelius.

The next regular meeting of the club will be a Public Affairs program held Thurs., Apr. 14, at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. "Early Day Trials in Texas" will be presented by guest speaker, Bill Neal, District Attorney, 50th District, Seymour.

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VALENTINE ROYALTY—Oris Gibson, left, and Myrtle Townsend, wear their crowns after being voted King and Queen Valentine at Haskell Healthcare Center, Feb. 14.

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864-2654, ext. 344

Are you constantly repeating the same things, but never seeing any change in behavior? If so, have we got a deal for you!!

Brenda Bird is coming back to Haskell CISD to present 'Creative Consequenses that Change Behavior.' She presented 'Tools for Home Improvement' at a hot dog supper in recent years. She is very energetic and entertaining and is loaded with lots of practical tips on how to be a great parent. Whether you are parenting a 3-year-old or a high school senior, you don't want to miss this!

Mark you calendar!

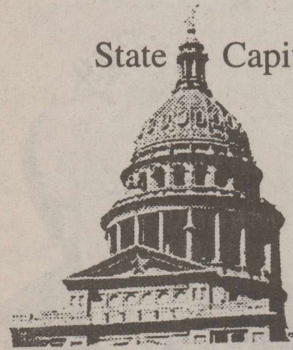
To make a reservation, call Kathy Garison at 864-2654, Ext. 344. (You may leave a message on her voice mail.) Plan now to attend this one-hour session. It's scheduled so you can attend during your lunch hour, eat a quick bite, laugh a little and get some valuable tips on working with your children. The seminar is FREE.

Hope to see you there!

OPINION

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Legislators file 863 bills at deadline

AUSTIN—It wasn't quite as big a deal as some other dates this month—Texas Independence Day (March 2) and the anniversary of the fall of the Alamo (March 6)—but March 11 loomed large in the Legislature.

That day, the 60th of this legislative session, was the last day lawmakers could file bills or joint resolutions.

After the 60-day deadline only local bills, emergency appropriations and bills on issues the governor declares to be an emergency can be filed. The only other way to get a non-emergency bill considered takes a four-to-five vote to waive the rules.

As of closing time March 11, House members had filed 4,395 measures, while their Senate colleagues had placed 2,199 pieces of legislation in the hopper. That adds up to 6,594 measures ranging from resolutions honoring someone on a milestone birthday to bills that will change the way Texans pay their taxes.

So far, the Legislature has passed 853 measures—mainly non-controversial resolutions.

The deadline day saw the filing of 863 bills, the most for any single day since bill pre-filing began last Nov. 8. March 10 was almost as busy, with 651 measures filed. In fact, the last three days for bill filling are always the busiest.

Last session, more than 20 percent of the legislation was filed on days 58, 59 and 60.

HB 2 update...

House Bill 2, the education bill, passed March 11. As it stands (subject to whatever Senate changes make it out of conference committee) the measure would allocate \$1.5 billion more for public

schools annually, give teachers a \$3,000 pay raise and make school system performance measures more stringent.

HB 3 update...

One of the most important bills under consideration is House Bill 3, the measure providing for the tax law changes that will fund the education bill.

House Speaker Tom Craddick (R-Midland) abruptly adjourned the House on March 11, saying he wanted members to have more time to ponder the various tax changes set forth in the bill.

A welcome "flood"...

South Texas farmers and ranchers, as well as Texans who like fishing and boating, will benefit from the release by Mexico of 733,000 acre-feet of water into the Rio Grande by Sept. 5.

That influx of water will put lakes Amistad and Falcon in fine shape and send water downstream to the Valley, where much of it will be used for agricultural irrigation.

Mexico's agreement to release the water into the river ends a 12-year dispute over provisions of a 1944 water rights treaty between that country and the U.S.

Job growth continues...

The Texas Workforce Commission reports that Texas gained 21,900 new jobs in January, the fifth straight month of job growth.

Unemployment, meanwhile, was 5.9 percent in January.

"The number of jobs is increasing, the number of employed is increasing, the number of unemployed is decreasing, and claims (for unemployment benefits) are dropping," TWC Commissioner Ronny Congleton said.

For employment information by metropolitan area, check the commission's Web site at www.twc.state.tx.us.

Weathers Whys

Last Frost

Q: When does the last frost in Texas usually occur?

A: The answer depends on what part of Texas you live in, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.

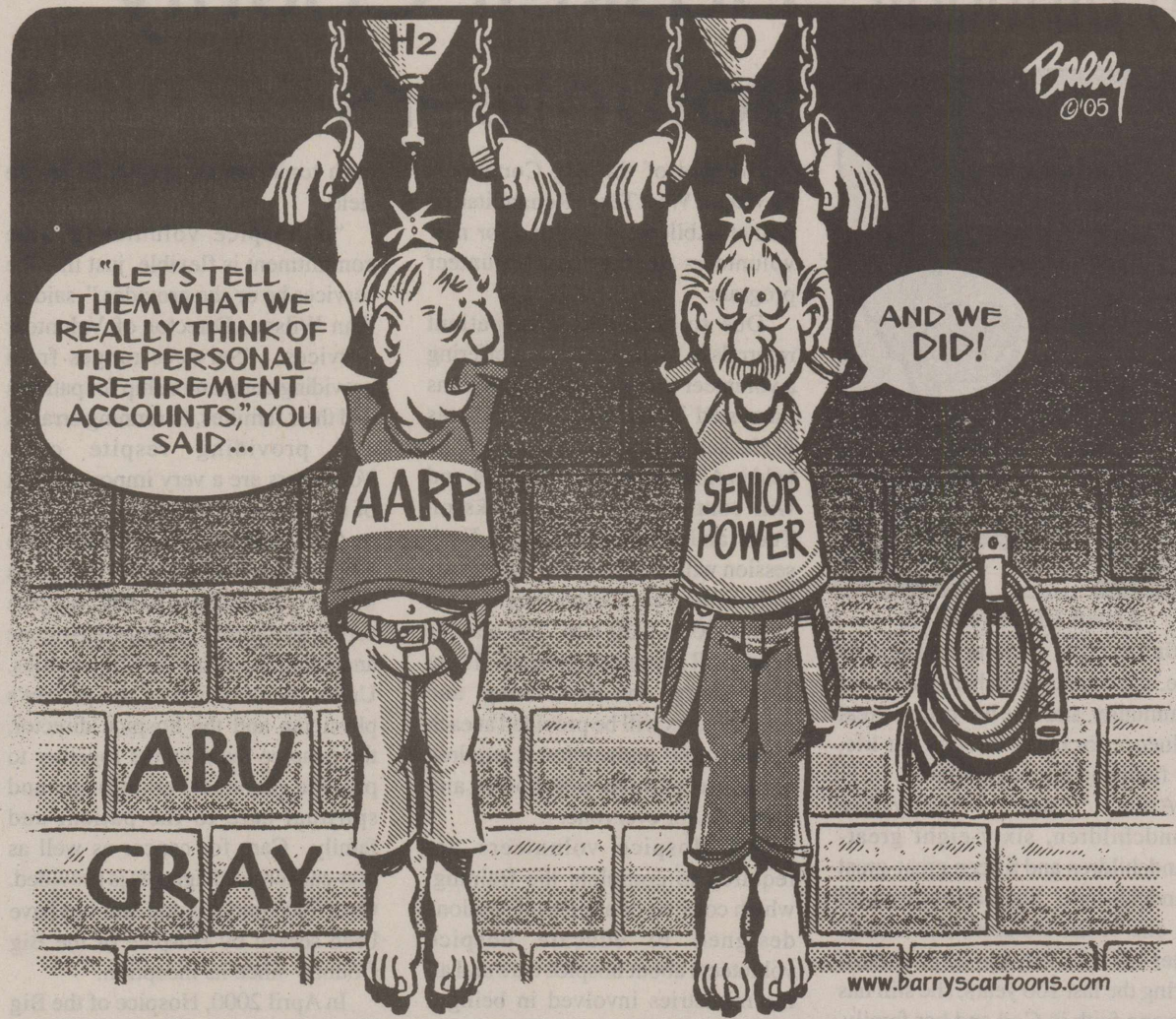
"The last frost in Texas can vary widely depending on what location you're talking about," McRoberts says. "In the Amarillo area, for instance, the last frost averages out to around April 15. In the Lubbock and South Plains area, it's March 31, in the Dallas-Fort Worth area it's around March 16 and for the Waco-Austin-San Antonio area, it's usually around March 1. Houston's last frost is much earlier, around Feb. 14."

Q: What's the importance of the

last frost date?

A: It goes back to a time when most of Texas—and the United States—depended on agriculture and when to plant crops, McRoberts points out.

"Farmers waited until the last average frost date to plant their crops. Last frost dates vary widely across the U.S., from the end of May to no frost at any time," McRoberts adds. "In Texas Jan. 30 is the last frost date for much of the Rio Grande Valley, but often those areas never get a frost the entire year, just as parts of California and Florida rarely get below 40 degrees. But keep in mind that the dates are averages, meaning that often there can be a frost later than the average frost date."



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago March 16, 1995

Sydney and Joyce Hester were named Man and Woman of the Year at the 1995 Rule Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Dr. Bill McSmith and L. W. (Bill) Jones, III were presented with awards for dedicated services to the Noah Project.

Kurt McCord of Haskell came in second in a championship match at the Breckenridge tennis tournament.

Cody Cooley, a junior at Haskell High School and Leigh Ann Reel, a junior at Paint Creek High School were both named to The Abilene Reporter-News All-Big Country Super Team.

Julee Ann Colbert, granddaughter of Nancy and Bailey Toliver of Haskell, was a member of the Hurricanes basketball team of Plano that won the City Champ title for the 2nd consecutive year. The coach, Robin Colbert, is the son of Golda Colbert of Haskell.

20 Years Ago March 21, 1985

Nancy Toliver joined the staff of International Tours of Abilene and opened an agency in Haskell, under the name of Toliver Tours.

Edward and Mary Neinst celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary hosted by their children at the Faith Lutheran Fellowship Hall.

Paint Creek basketball members Missy Briscoe, Kay Fischer and Rob Mickler were named to the first team

25-A all district. Briscoe also tied for MVP of the district.

Kerry Therwhanger, student at Angelo State University and son of Truman and Charlene Therwhanger of Haskell, earned the right to the title of national indoor long jump champ.

Dr. Mehrdad Ehsani, assistant professor of Electrical Engineering of Texas A&M University and son-in-law of Bill and Mary Holden of Haskell, was named the 1984 Outstanding Young Engineer of the year by the Brazos Chapter of Texas Society of Professional Engineers.

30 Years Ago March 20, 1975

Kenneth Lane of Haskell was named the Outstanding Resident Conservation Farmer of the California Creek Soil and Water Conservation District.

Charles Thornhill of Haskell won his 1st Handicap event at the Fort Worth Trap and Skeet Club.

The Rule Bobcats won first place in division II of the Rolling Plains Relays held at Jayton. Jeff Denson won the High Point Boy trophy. Wes Kitley placed first in the 440 yard dash and Jeff Denson in the 220.

Pat Hale of Haskell won second place in the 9000# Southwest Super Stock class at the Southwest Championship Tractor Pull at Fort Worth.

Bobby Cobb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cobb of Haskell and student at Western Texas College, was named to the Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

40 Years Ago March 18, 1965

Allen Schmidt and Curtis Bitner of Paint Creek, Pamela Druessedow, Rita Woodard and Anita Powell, all of Haskell were honored with awards for essays written on the subject of soil conservation.

Dr. Paul Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Crawford of Haskell, assistant director of the Texas Petroleum Research Committee at Texas A&M University, spoke in Abilene at the West Texas Central Water Flood Association.

The Rule "Velvet Teens" placed second at the Talent Show in Goree. Members were Jill Fannin, Jenna Ruth Lisle, Susan May, Penny Davis and Nan Jones.

Charles Clark of Sagerton, accompanied Joe B. Cloud and Pete Kitley of Rule on a fishing trip to Falcon Lake on the Mexico border.

50 Years Ago March 17, 1955

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hauser of Haskell and her father, Otto H. Amling of Chicago, Illinois, caught two large sailfish off the western coast of Old Mexico, near the city of Acapulco. One weighed 98 lbs. and the other one weighed 87 lbs.

Don Dendy, four-year letterman on the HHS Indians football squad, was chosen to play in the annual All-Star Football game at the Texas High School Coaching School in San Antonio.

DeWayne Lancaster, 14-year-old boy of Haskell, won a Dodge Custom Royal Lancer in the "Get the Thrill" contest sponsored by the Dodge Corporation.

Bill Adkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harrell of Haskell, boarded a Pioneer Air Lines DC-3 with the McMurry College Indian Band, for a two-week concert tour of five European capital cities.

Jessie Ruth Jones of New Mexico, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Jones of Haskell, was chosen as the society editor for the Hobbs Flare, a weekly newspaper.

100 Years Ago March 18, 1905

R. C. Montgomery of the Farmers Exchange Bank exhibited commendable enterprise this week in having a plank sidewalk built around the north and east sides of his bank building.

L. D. Milam of the Pinkerton neighborhood was in town yesterday with three bales of cotton. Rather a rare sight at this season.

Professor E. C. Couch of Roby was here this week visiting his brothers, G. R. and John Couch. W. T. Hudson and T. J. Lemmon were in the north and northwest part of the county this week buying cattle for the Fort Worth market.

The following gentlemen from Monday were here for two days and were duly initiated into the Haskell Chapter: W. A. Campbell, Porter Campbell, B. H. Howard, W. G. Sherrod, W. S. Brittain and E. W. Holmes.

From the AG

By Greg Abbott

Beware of Pyramid Schemes

Recently my office has received numerous inquiries regarding "get rich quick" offers. In particular, consumers have asked about the legality of multilevel marketing plans (MLMs) and gifting clubs. While these solicitations may be tempting, you should use extreme caution before investing in offers that sound too good to be true—they usually are. In addition to possibly losing money, you could be participating in an illegal pyramid scheme.

Multilevel marketing plans entail selling goods or services through distributors. These plans typically promise that if you sign up as a distributor, you'll receive commissions for your sales and those of the people you recruit to become distributors.

Some multilevel marketing plans are legitimate. However, others are illegal pyramid schemes. In pyramids, commissions are based on the number of distributors recruited, not on the items you sell. Most of the product sales are made to these distributors, not to consumers in general. The underlying goods and services serve only to make the schemes look legitimate.

Joining a pyramid is risky because the vast majority of participants lose money to pay for the rewards of a lucky few. Most people end up with nothing to show for their money except the expensive products or marketing materials they were pressured to buy.

The Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act (DTPA) prohibits pyramid promotional schemes. The DTPA defines a pyramid as a plan or operation by which a person gives consideration for the opportunity to receive compensation that is derived primarily from a person's introduction of other persons to participate in the plan or operation, rather than from the sale of a product.

This means that, for an MLM plan to be legal, commissions must come from the retail sale of a product and not from the recruitment of people to the sales team.

Besides being a violation of civil law, pyramid promotion is also a state jail felony punishable by imprisonment in a state jail for up to two years and by a fine of up to \$10,000.

You should be skeptical of programs that can only be successful if new recruits continually join the sales organization. Are you required to recruit new people as a condition of joining the organization or can you earn money simply by selling the product?

Before you join, be sure the product offered is something for which there is a market. Ask what the average monthly retail sales are per salesperson. Be wary of anyone who tells you that you do not have to sell anything to make money. For it to be legitimate, commissions must come from the retail sales of goods, so at some point someone will have to sell something.

If the program you are considering does not provide distributors with a contractually enforceable right to a 90% refund of commercially resalable product within one year of the purchase of the product by the distributor, the program may be an illegal pyramid, not a multi-level distributorship.

Be extremely careful and wary of buying business opportunities out of weekend seminars given in local hotels or advertised on late night television infomercials. If you buy from a hotel seminar, you must be given notice of a three-day right to cancel.

Be wary of a sales pitch that includes promises of high rewards with little effort. Investments of these types are risky and can lead to significant financial loss.

Garden checklist for March

by Jane Rowan
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

•Prepare beds for planting warm-season flowers and vegetables.

•For every 100 square feet of bed area, work in a 2- to 3-inch layer of organic material such as compost, pine bark, or sphagnum peat moss.

•Select and order caladium tubers as well as geranium and coleus plants for late April and early May planting. Do not plant caladiums until soil temperature reaches 70 degrees F.

•As camellia and azalea plants finish blooming, fertilize them with 3 pounds of azalea-camellia fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed area.

•Check mulch on azalea and camellia plantings and add where needed. Consider using pine needles, pine bark, or similar organic materials.

•Beware of closeout sales on bare-root trees and shrubs. The chance of survival is rather low on bare-root plants this late in the season. Best bets for now are container-grown or balled-and-burlapped plants.

•Remember that many trees and shrubs are damaged or killed each year by the careless application of weed killers, including those found in mixes of fertilizers and weed

killers. Always read and follow label directions very carefully. Weeds in a lawn usually indicate a poor lawn-management program and can usually be crowded out in a healthy turf.

•Start hanging baskets of petunias and other annuals for another dimension in landscape color.

•Freeze-damaged beds of Asiatic jasmine ground cover should be sheared back just as new growth starts to encourage new growth from the base.

•For early color in the landscape, try some of the following annuals as transplants: ageratum, cockscombs, fibrous rooted begonias, coreopsis, cosmos, cleomes, marigolds, nasturtiums, petunias, phlox, portulacas, salvias, sweet alyssums, sunflowers, and zinnias.

•Divide existing clumps of fall-blooming perennials, such as chrysanthemums, autumn asters, Mexican marigold mint, and physostegia (obedient plant). Separate the clumps into individual plants and set them 8-10" apart in groupings of 5 or more. Be sure to prepare the bed area well by spading in 3-5" of organic material into the top 8-10" of soil. For long lasting fertility add 3-5 pounds of cottonseed meal or slow release fertilizer per 100#s of bed area.

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Everybody's Science

by Sandy Miller Hays, Agricultural Research Service

Mapping a Better Bee

The media have paid a lot of attention lately to the effort to map the human genome—but if you like to eat, there's another mapping project under way that should interest you: the honey bee genome.

Honey bees—*Apis mellifera*—do a lot more than make honey. They pollinate more than 90 flowering crops, with resultant improvements in yield and quality that are worth more than \$14 billion annually. To put that in perspective, one out of every three bites of food you eat directly or indirectly depends on pollination by honey bees; we're talking about everything from alfalfa to zucchini. And the honey itself isn't inconsequential: The raw honey crop in the U.S. in 2002 was worth more than \$130 million.

Bees also bring us beauty, in the form of flowers; they pollinate more than 16 percent of the flowering plant species.

But it's tough world for the honey bee. They face a whole host of plagues and pests, from varroa mites to organisms such as *Paenibacillus larvae*, which causes a disease called "foulbrood" in the honey bee larvae. Protecting bees from these various dangers is not only good for the hive, but good for American agriculture—

and good for us consumers when we go to the supermarket.

The honey bee genome is not one of the larger ones; it's only about one-tenth the length of the human genome. But it still took a team of researchers, led by Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, about a year to write the "first draft," using the latest in genome sequencing technology (plus several million dollars in funding).

What can we learn from the bee genome? For starters, the information could help us identify genetic markers in different bees that would help breeders speed up their efforts to "build a better bee." This could lead to bees that are even better at pollinating crops, surviving the winter or fighting off invasive Africanized bees. The information could also help scientists identify ways to better protect the bees against pests, parasites and disease organisms, and even fine-tune honey bee nutrition.

Protecting bee health is a major goal of scientists at the Agricultural Research Service. The information from the first draft of the bee genome is helping ARS scientists pinpoint the genes that can help keep our bees healthy (and working). For example,

the scientists are tracking down the genes that help some bees naturally fight off the bacterium that causes foulbrood disease.

It turns out that a handful of genes and gene products, called proteins, might help stymie bee diseases. One possible candidate is a substance called abaecin; honey bees make this when they're attacked by pathogens, although not all bees make equal amounts of abaecin. The ARS scientists are looking into whether a bee that produces more abaecin is actually resistant to foulbrood.

One of the worst pests in honey bees is the tracheal mite, which, as its name indicates, clogs the trachea (the breathing tubes) of the bees and can kill them. But while the mites are still moving around on the outside of the bees, some bees have an interesting defense mechanism: they groom themselves, using their own legs like a fine-tooth comb to flick off the creeping, crawling mites.

ARS scientists in Baton Rouge, La., saw this for themselves when they studied 500 honey bees—some more resistant to tracheal mites, others more susceptible. The scientists placed an adult female mite on each bee's thorax, using an amazing delicate instrument: a single eyelash mounted on a small stick.

The bees that were known to be resistant were more sensitive in their ability to detect and go after the parasitic mites on their bodies. More of the resistant bees went to work grooming themselves, compared with the susceptible bees, and they groomed themselves more often on the side where they felt the mite crawling around.

Scientists are still putting together the bits of information from the "first draft" bee genome mapping, much like the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle. But this is one science puzzle whose solution could be good news for all of us who like to eat!

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

March sales tax receipts reflect small decreases

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn has announced that state sales tax revenue in February totaled 1.34 billion, up 5.9 percent compared to February 2004.

Strayhorn delivered \$325.4 million in March sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, a 7.2 percent increase compared to March 2004. So far this calendar year, local sales tax rebates are up 6.7 percent compared to the first three months of 2004.

State sales tax revenue for February, and March payments made to local governments, represent sales that occurred in January.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent March sales tax payments of \$221.5 million to Texas cities, up 7.5 percent compared to March 2004. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are running 7.1 percent higher than last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$19.1 million, up 9.4 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 8.7 percent higher than last year.

Another \$9.1 million went to 95 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 19.4 percent compared to last March. Nine local transit systems received \$75.6 million in sales tax rebates, up 4.5 percent compared to a year ago.

Haskell County had a .30 percent decrease for March, 2005 of

\$27,313.13 in comparison to \$27,397.62 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$87,916.53 reflect a 2.21 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$89,906.83.

The City of Haskell had a 1.32 percent decrease for March, 2005 of \$25,556.30 in comparison to \$25,898.57 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$81,582.15 reflect a 2.26 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$83,476.55.

The City of O'Brien had a 12.30 percent decrease for March, 2005 of \$21.52 in comparison to \$24.54 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$149.05 reflect a 63.69 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$410.50.

The City of Rochester had a 4.47

percent decrease for March, 2005 of \$450.80 in comparison to \$471.92 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$1,653.44 reflect a 5.27 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$1,745.43.

The City of Rule had a 19.34 percent increase for March, 2005 of \$1,152.29 in comparison to \$965.50 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$4,008.04 reflect a 5.23 percent increase over 2004 payments to date of \$3,808.82.

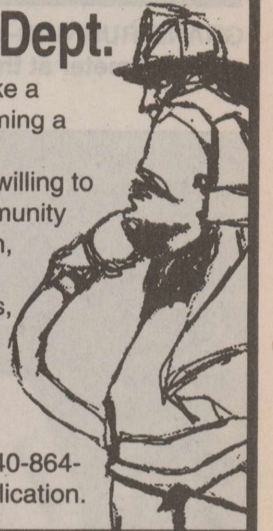
The City of Weinert had a 256.48 percent increase for March, 2005 of \$132.22 in comparison to \$37.09 for March, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$523.85 reflect a 12.52 percent increase over 2004 payments to date of \$465.53.

Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept.

is seeking volunteers who are willing to make a commitment to community service by becoming a volunteer fireman.

The department is in need of volunteers willing to be active in meeting the needs of this community in many ways including serving as a fireman, helping with weather watches, working on equipment, helping with various fund-raisers, earning firefighting certification and others.

If you would like to pursue an opportunity to serve your community, call Bill Steele 940-864-2208; Sam Watson 940-864-2355; Randy Shaw 940-864-2023; Jerry Stocks 940-864-3455 or ask any Haskell fireman for an application.



Haskell School Menu

Mar. 21-25 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

Monday: Blueberry muffins
Tuesday: Bean and cheese burritos
Wednesday: Cereal, toast
Thursday: Hormel breakfast bar
Friday: No school

Lunch

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

Monday: ABC chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese, hot rolls, ABC shortbread cookies
Tuesday: Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle slices, potato rounds, fruit
Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, bell peppers, onions, pinto beans, garden salad, sour cream, salsa, cheese, chocolate brownies
Thursday: Steak on a bun, lettuce, tomato, pickles; elementary: chips, secondary: fries; berry flavored Go-gurts
Friday: No school

Paint Creek School Menu

March 21-25 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.

Monday: Toast, cereal
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
Wednesday: Pancakes
Thursday: French toast
Friday: No school

Lunch

Milk and tea are served daily.
Monday: Chicken strips, mashed

potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, pudding with cookies
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese with beef, peas, salad, bread, jello with fruit
Wednesday: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, fries, pork and beans, cookies
Thursday: Chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, rolls, chocolate cake
Friday: No school

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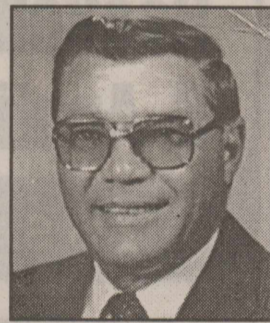
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YOU CAN TAKE THESE DEDUCTIONS EVEN IF YOU DON'T ITEMIZE

You're probably familiar with the deduction choice you must make when you file your tax return. You either have enough deductions (such as mortgage interest, charitable contributions, and medical expenses) to itemize, or you take the standard deduction, a set amount that doesn't require you to list specific deductible items.

What you may not be as familiar with are those deductions that you are allowed to take "above the line"; that is, deductions that you can take in addition to your itemized deductions or your standard deduction.

Here's a quick rundown of above-the-line deductions you shouldn't miss on your 2004 tax return.

- A deduction of up to \$250 for classroom supplies purchased by teachers for use in their classrooms.
- A deduction of up to \$3,000 for individual retirement account contributions if you're under age 50. If you're 50 or older, you can deduct up to \$3,500.
- A deduction of up to \$2,500 for interest paid on student loans.
- A deduction of up to \$2,000 or \$4,000 for college tuition and fees, depending on your income level.
- A deduction for the expenses connected with a job-related move.
- A deduction for 50% of the self-employment tax paid if you are self-employed.
- A deduction for alimony paid. (Note that child support is not deductible.)
- A deduction of up to \$2,000 for the purchase of a new hybrid gas/electric car.

Most of these deductions have qualification requirements or income limitations. Don't overlook above-the-line tax deductions. An added benefit: These deductions decrease your "adjusted gross income," an important number on your tax return. The lower your adjusted gross income, the more likely you are to qualify for credits and deductions subject to income thresholds. For details or assistance in finding all the deductions to which you're entitled, give us a call.

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- Stay sociable as you age, maintain and increase your network of friends and acquaintances.
- Keep in contact with old friends and neighbors if you move in with a relative or change to a new address.
- Develop a "buddy system" with a friend outside the home. Plan for at least a weekly contact and share openly with this person.
- Ask friends to visit you at home. Even a brief visit can allow observations of your well-being.
- Accept new opportunities for activities. They can bring new friends.
- Participate in community activities as long as you are able.
- Volunteer or become a member or office of an organization. Participate regularly.
- Have your own telephone, post and open your own mail. If your mail is being intercepted, discuss the problem with postal authorities.
- Stay organized. Keep your belongings neat and orderly. Make sure others are aware that you know where everything is kept.
- Take care of your personal needs. Keep regular medical, dental, barber, hairdresser, and other personal appointments.
- Arrange to have your Social Security or pension check deposited directly to a bank account.
- Get legal advice about arrangements you can make now for possible future disability, including powers of attorney, guardianships, or conservatorships.
- Keep records, accounts, and property available for examination by someone you trust, as well as by the person you or the court has designated to manage your affairs.
- Review your will periodically.

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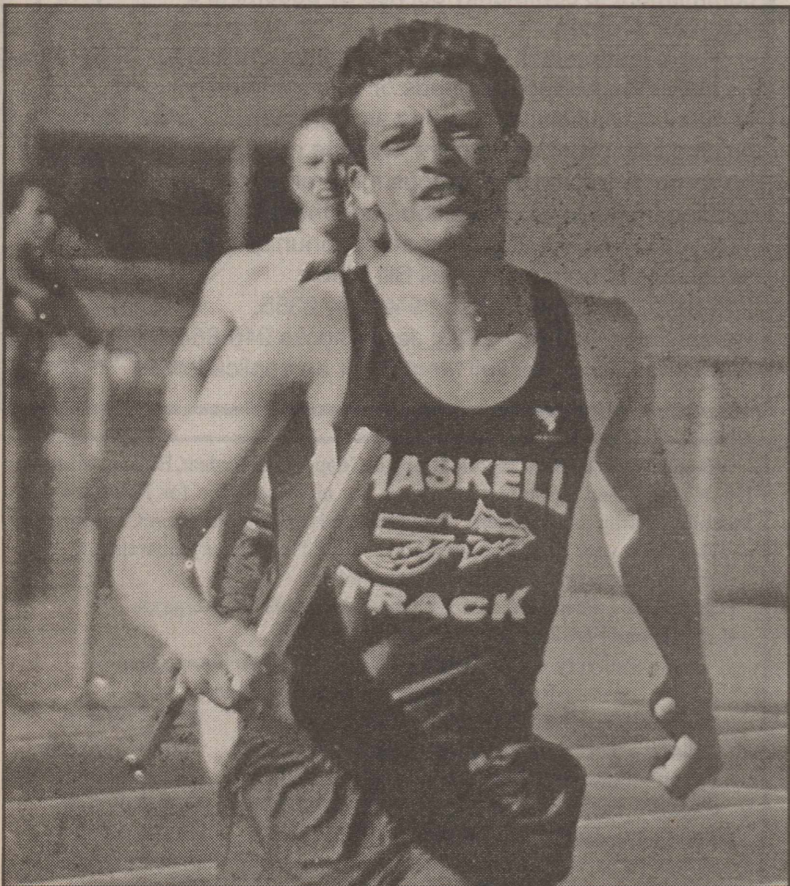


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GRAND RUNNING—Haskell's Stephanie Grand, left, runs in the girls 400 meter at the Haskell Track meet, held Sat., Mar. 12.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



RUNNING THE 1600—Justin Rodriguez of Haskell, runs the first leg of the boys 1600 meter relay at the Haskell Track meet, held Sat., Mar. 12.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Haskell Relays results

Haskell winners of the Haskell Relays, held Sat., Mar. 12 were:

Varsity Girls

400m Relay—2. Haskell 52.61
800m Relay—1. Haskell 1:53.72
400m Dash—2. Stephanie Grand, 67.74
200m Dash—1. Tamisha Dever, 27.01
Discus—1. Victoria Armenta. 82' 8"

JV Boys

400m Relay—3. Haskell, 49.31
110 High Hurdles—1. Matthew Brown, 20.5; 2. Chris Pace, 20.55
800m Relay—3. Haskell, 1:42.81
400m Dash—1. Noah Lemmond, 57.33; 2. Colton Young, 59.32

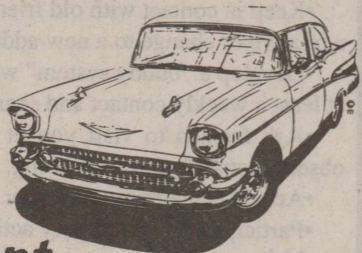
300m Intermediate Hurdles—1. Matthew Brown, 46.82
1600m Relay—2. Haskell, 3:55.13
Triple Jump—1. Rincon, 38' 5.5";
2. Noah Lemmond, 38' 3.5"

Long Jump—3. Gregory Guzman, 18' 2"
Shot Put—2. Josh Kimmel, 37' 7"
Team Totals—2. Haskell JV Boys, 132 points

Varsity Boys

400m Relay—3. Haskell, 45.99
110m High Hurdles—3. Jeremy Sorrells, 17.66
800m Relay—1. Haskell, 1:35.67
Discus—1. Patrick Carroll, 116' 3"
High Jump—3. Jeremy Sorrells, 5' 8"

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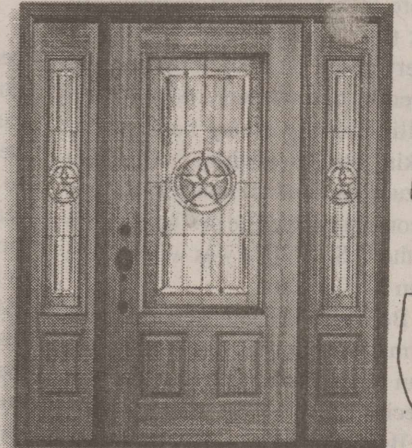


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RUNNING THE ANCHOR—Tamisha Dever carries the baton in the anchor leg of the girls 800 meter, helping the Haskell team take first place in the relay.
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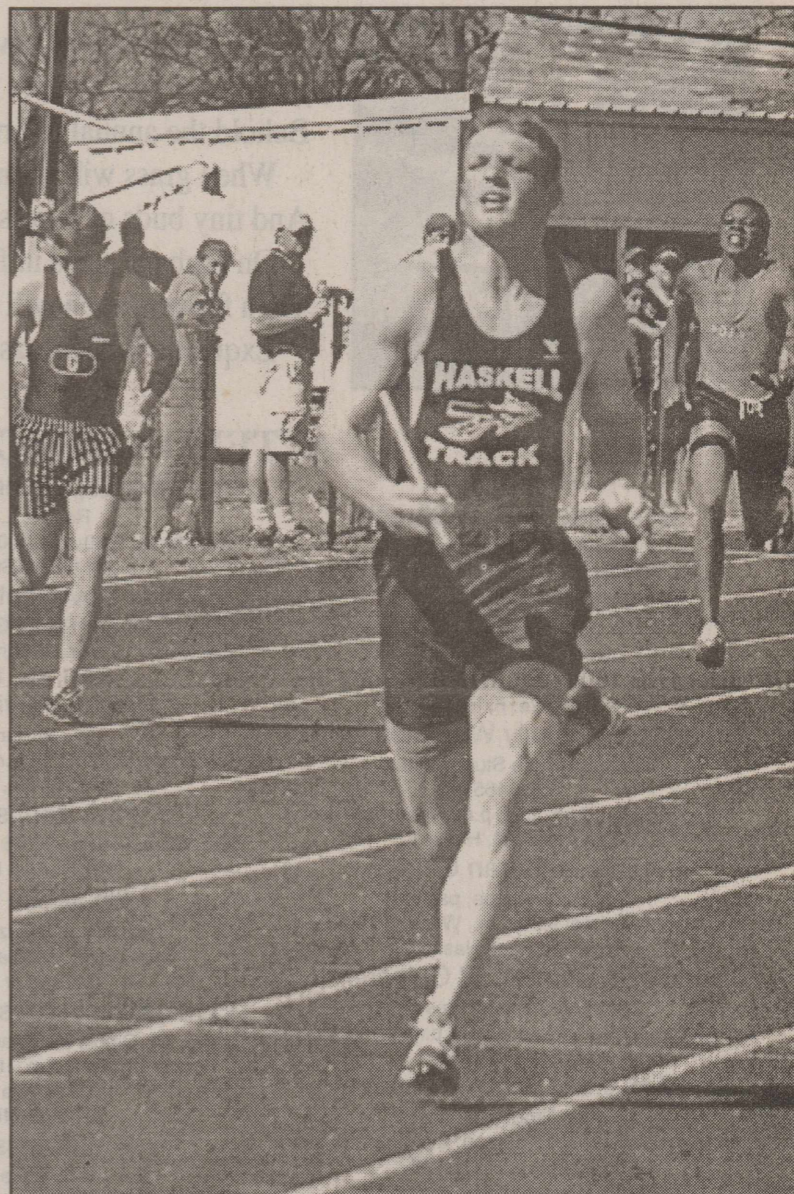
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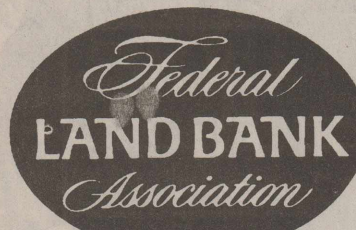
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Texas hunting accidents drop to record low

A new report shows Texas hunting accidents in 2004 decreased to the lowest amount since statistical records began in 1966. The number of people injured in hunting accidents in Texas decreased from 44 in 2003 to 29 in 2004, although fatalities increased from two to four during the same period.

More important than the annual dips and peaks, however, is the long-term trend.

"Overall, we've cut accident rates by more than half since the 1960s and 70s," said Steve Hall, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department education branch chief, and author of the latest Texas hunting accident report. Hall attributes part of the steady decrease to mandatory hunter education that began in 1988.

Hall said the significant factors behind most hunting accidents have not changed much in recent years. He believes wearing blaze orange would avoid many accidents. Law violations are common in accident

scenarios, including many violations for "failure to take a hunter education course." (Any hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 must pass the course to legally hunt in Texas.)

The primary reason for Texas hunting accidents remains swinging on game outside a safe zone of fire. This happens when a person points a firearm at another hunter while following a moving target, such as a flying game bird. Hunter education teaches people to set up safe zones of fire where a gun can be safely pointed whether the target is moving or stationary.

Careless firearm handling remains another primary factor in many accidents.

"Careless handling incidents almost always involve three factors: pointing a loaded firearm muzzle at yourself or someone else with the safety off and with your finger inside the trigger guard," Hall explained. Hunter education courses teach ways to safely handle firearms, including how to carry them in the field and pass them from one person to another.

Some statistics seem to defy stereotypical expectations. Most accidents do not happen under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Most of the people involved had more than 10 years of hunting experience. Most were in light to open cover with clear visibility in good weather.

Other findings verify what might be expected. Most people involved did not attend a hunter education course or wear any type of hunter orange clothing. Most accidents violated a cardinal rule of hunter safety, were situated in or around a vehicle or stand, and occurred toward dusk and involved fatigue as a factor.

Dove hunting had close to twice the number of accidents (11) as the next highest accident category for 2004, deer hunting (6). This is because hunting birds on the wing involves the greatest risk of swinging on game outside the safe zone of fire.

Last year was the first in which hunters in Texas could purchase a deferral, which postpones the requirement to take hunter education for up to one year.

"We did this to allow more adults to try hunting," Hall said. "You still must be accompanied by a person who has completed hunter education or is exempt. The idea is to encourage hunter recruitment with experienced mentors."

Texas has a national reputation for making access to hunter education convenient and plentiful with more than 4,400 courses offered across the state and at least one in all 254 counties each year. The summer months when school lets out are an ideal time for new hunters to take the course.

Texans have several options available for fulfilling hunter education requirements, including the traditional classroom environment, a home study course and an online course. Texas certifies about 33,000 students annually.

The hunter education course is a minimum 10-hour class that teaches hunting safety, modern and primitive sporting arms, wildlife conservation, outdoor skills and responsibility. When the course is completed, the certification card is good for life and is honored by all states, Mexico, and all Canadian provinces that require hunter education. Proof of certification, which includes the card or the hunter education certification number printed on the hunting license, must be carried at all times while hunting.

Hunters ages 12-16 must either pass the course or be accompanied by a person who is at least 17 or older licensed to hunt in Texas who has had hunter education or is exempt. Hunters younger than age 12 may take the course but they will not be certified and must be accompanied by a person licensed to hunt in Texas who is at least age 17 or older who has had hunter education or is exempt. Accompanied means within normal voice control and preferably within arm's length.

Hunters can purchase a license before becoming certified, but they must carry proof of certification while hunting.

More information about hunter education as well as the schedule of course offerings are available at local TPWD offices, by calling TPWD at (800) 792-1112 ext. 4999.

This Week's Devotional Message:



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

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

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL**
- East Side Baptist Church**
Danny Manross, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
 - Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
 - New Vision Family Worship Center**
Joe and Loretta Stulir, pastors
864-3465
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell
 - Trinity Lutheran Church**
Ron Renegarbe, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
 - 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**
Allen Brooks, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
 - First Assembly of God**
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - St. George Catholic Church**
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
 - Church of Christ**
Brett Anderson, minister
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.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
 - Hopewell Baptist Church**
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- GREATER INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. T. L. Griffin
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
- NEW COVENANT FOURSQUARE**
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- MISSION REVIVAL CENTER**
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- CHURCH IN THE PARK**
Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Gazebo or Pavillion
- CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH**
Dr. Gibbie McMillan, Interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 6 p.m.
1303 N. Ave. I, Haskell
- WEINERT**
- First Baptist Church**
J. C. Baker, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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 - Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
- ROCHESTER**
- Church of Christ**
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
 - First Baptist Church**
Fred Garvin, interim pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
 - Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Rev. Clarence Walker
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
 - Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester

- First United Methodist Church**
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester
- SAGERTON**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Philip Houston, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Deborah Nissen, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton
- RULE**
- First Baptist Church**
Josh Stowe, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
Wendall Ferguson, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- Primeria Iglesia Bautista**
Alfa y Omegas
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
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**
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek
- O'BRIEN**
- O'Brien Baptist Church**
Jim Reid, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien

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Amber waves of wheat that glow in the setting sun bring a sense of satisfaction to any producer. But straight-cutting or swathing a perfect field often seems as rare as a rally in the wheat market.

In most seasons, weather plays a key role in any production equation. However, if diseases infect wheat, there's likely to be a major reduction in test weight and quality.

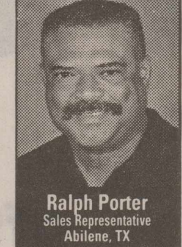
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| Haskell County Gin | 4,000 |
| Haskell Co-op Gin | 14,547 |
| O'Brien | |
| O'Brien Co-op Gin | 22,592 |
| Rule | |
| Rule Co-op Gin | 13,300 |
| Sagerton Gin | 2,700 |
| Weinert | |
| Griff's Gin | 8,843 |
| Weinert Gin | 11,618 |
| Total Bales | 77,600 |

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Praise service to benefit mission trip

A special evening of praise and worship is coming to East Side Baptist Church in Haskell Sat., Mar. 19, with a concert beginning at 7:00. Several area musicians are scheduled to perform and lead in worship, including the groups "According to Philipians" and "Friends of Faith." Soloists Carolyn Herring, Rob Mickler and Kathy Garrison are also scheduled to sing. The event is a fund-raiser for Dusty Garrison, minister of the First Christian Church in Haskell, said W. O. Elmore, East Side's music

minister. Garrison is planning a summer mission trip to the United Arab Emirates. While there, Garrison will work with former East Side pastor, David Paige, who now lives and works in the U. A. E. A love offering will be received during the concert, with all proceeds going to benefit the mission project. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend the event, planned as an uplifting night of music and praise. For more information, call 864-2738 or 864-3550.

County athletes place in Double Mountain relays

Haskell County athletes placing in the Double Mountain Relays in Rotan were:

- Varsity Boys**
- Triple Jump-1. Carrion, Rule, 41'6"; 3. Spitzer, Rule, 37' 4."
 - Long Jump-3. Saucedo, Rule, 18'7."
 - Discus-2. Dudensing, Rule, 114'6 1/4"; 3. Carroll, Haskell, 108' 8 3/4"
 - Shot Put-1. Dudensing, Rule, 43' 9."
 - High Jump-1. Carrion, Rule, 6' 0"; 2. Saucedo, Rule 5'6."
 - Pole Vault-1. Pace, Rule, 9'6"; 2. Spitzer, Rule 9' 0."
 - 3200 m Run-3. Flores, Rule, 14:07.90.
 - 800 m Run-1. Kittley, Rule, 2:01.39.
 - 100 m Hurdles-1. Pace, Rule, 17.22; 3. Sorrells, Haskell, 18.57.

- 400 m Dash-1. Rodriguez, Haskell, 54.77; 2. Hernandez, Haskell, 56.64.
- 300 m Hurdles- 3. Pace, Rule, 44.54.
- 1600 m Run- 2. Brown, Rule, 5:22.27; 3. Flores, Rule, 6:17.34.
- 1600 m Relay- 1. Rule, 3:33.69; 3. Haskell, 3:53.09.

Varsity Girls

- Triple Jump-2. Grand, Haskell, 32' 2"; 3. Chavez, Haskell, 31' 5 1/2."
- Long Jump-3. Grand, Haskell, 15' 1/2."
- Discus-2. Johnson, Rule, 81' 6 3/4"; 3. Armenta, Haskell, 76' 2 1/4."
- 400 m Relay-1. Haskell, 53.85; 3. Rule, 57.40.
- 800 m Relay-2. Haskell, 1:56.07; 3. Rule, 2:05.54.
- 200 m Dash-1. Dever, Haskell, 27.31.

Calendar

Classic car show

The 9th annual Haskell Fire Dept. Classic Car Show will be held Sat., March 19 around the courthouse in Haskell. Entries are \$20. Registration will be from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Judging will be at 12:30 p.m. followed by a trophy presentation at 3:30 p.m. Hot Wheel races will be held for the kids. A kids tractor pull will be held. For more information contact Randy Shaw at 864-2023.

Auction items

The Noah Project-North is seeking auction items for the annual dinner and silent auction to be held Sat., April 9 at the Civic Center. To donate an item or cash, contact the Noah Project-North at 84-2551 or P.O. Box 52, Haskell, Texas 79521. Proceeds of the auction help victims of family violence.

Recipes needed

Friends of Old Glory School are seeking recipes for their new cookbook. Deadline for submitting your favorite recipes is April 1. Mail recipes to Friends of Old Glory School, P.O. Box 3, Old Glory, Texas 79540.

Ex-Haskell athletes to play basketball

Sponsored by the Haskell Education Foundation, Haskell's own version of March Madness will take place Sat., Mar. 26 at Indian Gym, when ex-Haskell basketball players compete in the Third Exes Basketball games. The girls' game will begin at 6:00 p.m., with the boys' game following. Graduates from even numbered years will play graduates from odd numbered years. An entry fee of \$15.00 will be paid

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will host 'Spring Fling' Sat., April 9 at the Civic Center. Entertainment will be the 'Imitation Stats.' A brisket dinner and trimmings will be served along with homemade desserts. The silent auction will begin when the doors open and continue until the program ends. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available from any Advisory Committee member, from the Noah Project office or at the door.

Benefit walk

A walk for Autism research will be held in Abilene Sat., April 2 beginning at 9 a.m. Those wishing to join 'Taylor's team' should contact Melissa Burson. Sponsors, donations and team members are needed. Proceeds benefit the National Alliance for Autism Research.

Benefit fund

Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. have established a fund at Haskell National Bank to help with the funeral expenses of Chester Lamb.

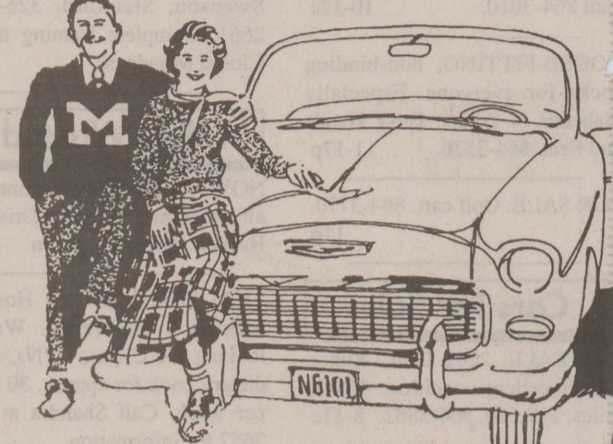
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