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Fri., Feb. 8, 6 p.m.  
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Tues., Feb. 12, 6 p.m.  
at Haskell

## Baseball games

Haskell vs Rotan  
Sat., Feb. 9, 11 a.m.  
at Rotan (scrimmage)

## Softball games

Haskell vs Olney  
Fri., Feb. 8, 4:30 p.m.  
at Haskell (scrimmage)  
Haskell vs Seymour  
Tues., Feb. 12, 4:30 p.m.  
at Haskell

## Calendar

### Dinner/auction

Noah Project-North will host their annual dinner/silent auction Sat., Feb. 23 at the Haskell Civic Center beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12.50 each and \$6 for children 10 years old and under. Tickets may be purchased at the door, from any member, or by calling the Noah Project office at 940-864-2551.

### Chamber banquet

The 54th annual Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Tues., Feb. 19 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Rule School cafeteria. Mothers of the Rule Junior class will cater the meal and chamber members will furnish a variety of desserts. The Man and Woman of the Year will be announced. The Rule 4-H Club will provide entertainment. Tickets are \$8.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

### Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., Feb. 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Ginger Test of Novice will present the program. Guests are welcome.

### Vendors needed

Vendors are being sought for the 12th Annual Haskell Volunteer Fire Department Car Show set Sat., March 15 in downtown Haskell. Cost of vendor spaces is \$15. Call Randy or Lisa Shaw at 864-2023 evenings or Randy at 325-721-0674 or Lisa at 325-721-0441 anytime.

### Driving class

A defensive driving class will be held Mon., Feb. 11 and Tues., Feb. 12 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton. Anyone may register and should bring their drivers license. For information call Joyce LeFevre 940-997-2103 or Dorothy Toney 940-997-2688.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., Feb. 8 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell Courthouse to discuss the upcoming silent auction and dinner theatre with "The Return of the Golden Girls." All members are asked to attend.

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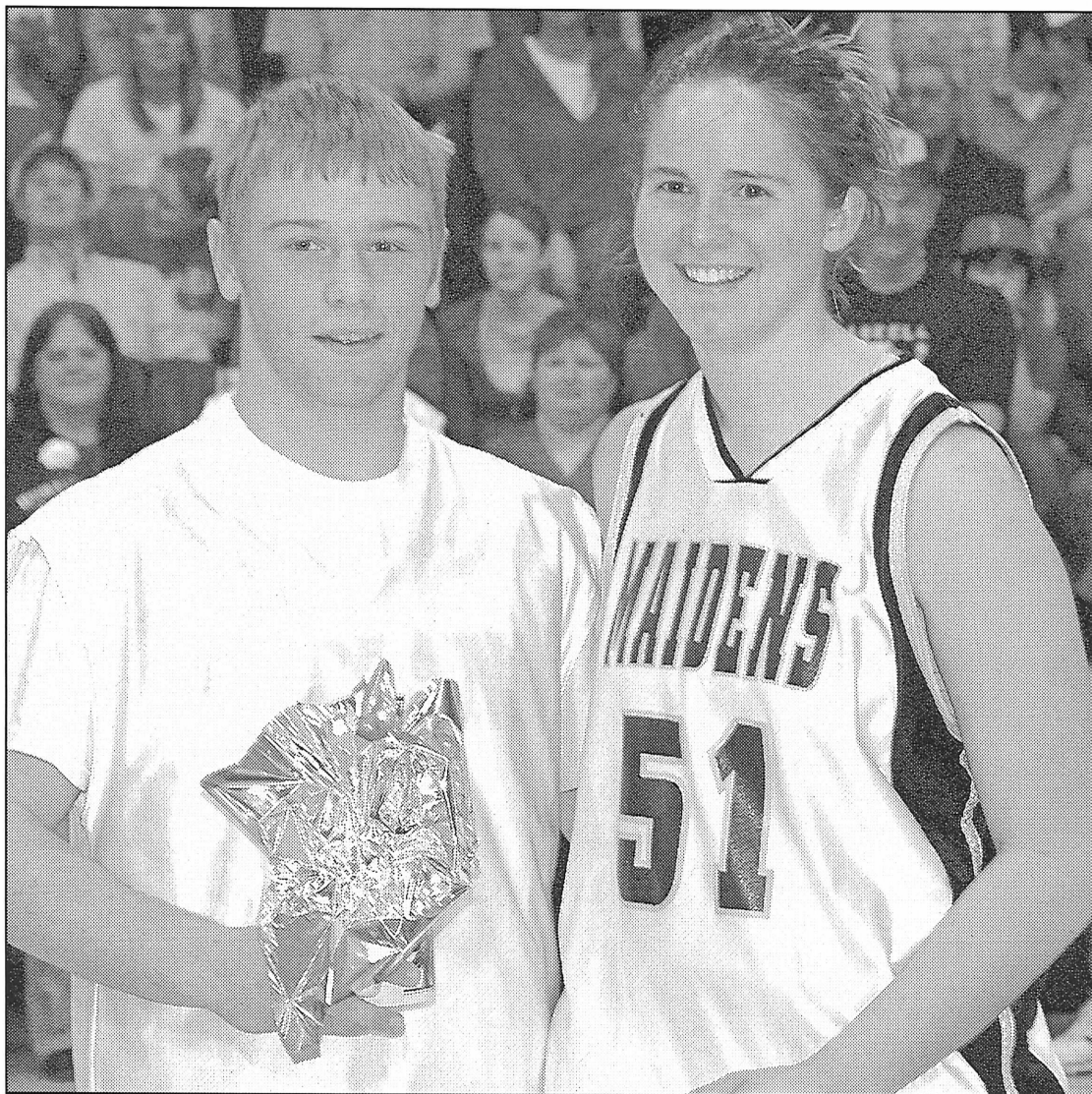
# Burn ban in effect - Fire risk danger high

# The Haskell Free Press

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**BASKETBALL FAVORITES**-Haskell High School basketball athletes chosen and honored as favorites are Basketball Beau, Travis Adams and Basketball Sweetheart Lacey Peiser.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship

## High winds prolong high fire danger

High winds and low relative humidity have caused many large wildland fires recently, and Texas Forest Service fire behavior analysts are indicating it is a pattern that will continue into the spring.

The National Weather Service (NWS) is forecasting high winds and relative humidity in the teens-and at times possibly in single digits making fire danger critical.

"We are positioning personnel and equipment around the state in areas we believe to have the highest potential for wildland fires," said Mark Stanford, chief of fire operations for Texas Forest Service. "We have ordered aircraft, firefighters and firefighting equipment from across the nation to meet this increased threat."

"The Governor's office has activated Texas Military Forces helicopters that are providing

critical aid in fire suppression. Plus, several helicopters have been requested by the Governor's Division of Emergency Management from Louisiana that should be here this week."

"We are in this pattern for the long haul," said Stanford. "Until the grasses begin to green up around April, areas west of I-35 are our main focus for the fire danger."

Citizens are urged to be extremely cautious during this period of critical fire danger.

Some precautions suggested by Texas Forest Service include:

- Check with local authorities for Outdoor Burning Bans
- Your vehicle can start a fire if parked or driven in dry grass. ATVs and farming equipment can also start a fire if parked on the grass.
- Store flammable liquids properly.
- Remove dry vegetation from

under electric fences.

- When welding, use a spotter, clear the area of dry vegetation, and have a water source handy.

- Be sure tow chains are secure and don't drag on the roadway.

- When grilling, place your barbeque over cement; be sure

coals are dead out when you're through (douse them thoroughly with water).

For more information on fire weather danger and advisories, go to <http://tfsnews.tamu.edu> and click on Fire Danger/Advisories.

## Haskell drops to Class A

UIL announced the new realignment details Fri., Feb. 1. The new alignment will affect the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years.

Haskell dropped to Class A District 11 for football. The new district will also include Hamlin, Roby, Roscoe, Rotan and Stamford. The basketball district will be Division I Region II and will include Hamlin, Haskell, Munday, Rotan, Seymour and Stamford.

Six-man football Division II District 11 will include Bryson, Paint Creek, Lueders-Avoca, Rule and Woodson. The Division II Region II District 13 basketball division will include Aspermont, Paint Creek, Jayton, Lueders-Avoca, Rule, Throckmorton and Woodson.

## Noah event set Feb. 23

The Noah Project-North is hosting their annual dinner/silent auction on Sat., Feb. 23, at the Haskell Civic Center. The "Return of The Golden Girls" will be the entertainment along with the silent auction. Tickets are \$12.50 each and \$6 for children 10 years old and under. The doors open at 6 p.m.

Advisory Committee members and Noah staff will be asking for a donations for the silent auction from now until then. Your donated item or cash item will be greatly appreciated.

This dinner/auction is the main fund-raiser for Noah-North and it is always lots of fun. Tickets may be purchased from the members or staff, or by calling the office at 940-864-2551.



**WEARING RED FOR WOMEN**-These Haskell County ladies assembled at the Haskell County Courthouse Fri., Feb. 8 wearing red in support of the American Heart Association's fight against heart disease, the number one killer of women. Members of the Progressive Study Club sponsored the Wear Red Day in Haskell County. Helping with the awareness of heart health were front row, l-r, Pam Norton, Susan Cockerell, Bobbye Collins, Belia Abila, Kitsie Drinnin, Everyn Cobb and Connie Benton; middle, Dorothy Hartsfield, Rhonda Moeller, Elaine Gomillion, Penny Anderson and Oleta Cornelius; back row, Kris Fouts, Stacia Leach, Lynn Dodson, Diana Simmons and Janis McDaniel. Donations to raise women's awareness of cardiovascular disease and empower women to reduce their risk may be made by contacting Susan Cockerell at the Haskell County Judge's office or by calling 864-2851.

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## TAX PLANNING

Written By  
Rick Rodgers, CPA



### USE UPDATED NUMBERS FOR YOUR 2008 TAX PLANNING

Take these tax law changes and inflation adjustments into account as you begin your 2008 tax planning.

•The standard mileage rate for business driving increases from 48.5¢ to 50.5¢ per mile, effective January 1, 2008. The rate for medical and moving mileage decreases from 20¢ to 19¢ per mile. The rate for charitable mileage remains at 14¢ per mile.

•The first-year expensing limit for the purchase of business equipment increases from \$125,000 to \$128,000. The expensing election phases out once total purchases for 2008 exceed \$510,000.

•The maximum earnings subject to social security tax increases from \$97,500 to \$102,000.

•The "nanny tax" threshold increases to \$1,600 for 2008. If you pay household workers more than this amount during the year, you're responsible for payroll taxes. The "kiddie tax" threshold increases to \$1,800. If your child under age 19 (or under age 24 if a full-time student) has more than \$1,800 of unearned income in 2008 (e.g., dividends and interest income), the excess will be taxed at your highest rate.

•The maximum individual retirement account (IRA) contribution you can make in 2008 increases to \$5,000, and if you are 50 or older, the maximum contribution you can make increases to \$6,000.

•The maximum amount of wages employees can put into a 401(k) plan remains at \$15,500 for 2008. The maximum allowed for SIMPLE plans remains at \$10,500. If you are 50 or older, you can contribute up to \$20,500 to a 401(k) and \$13,000 to a SIMPLE plan.

•The estate tax exemption remains at \$2 million, and the top estate tax rate remains at 45% for 2008. The annual gift tax exclusion remains at \$12,000.

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# Nitrogen supplies are tight

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.  
Supplies of nitrogen fertilizers, as well as phosphorus and potassium fertilizers, are tight throughout the United States, making this the time to plan ahead, a Kansas State University agronomist said.

In fact, it is currently difficult to buy fertilizer nitrogen for winter wheat topdressing and/or this spring's row crops unless the supply has already been lined up—regardless of what the posted prices are, said Dale Leikam, K-State Research and Extension nutrient management specialist.

"The tight supply situation applies to all the main nitrogen fertilizer sources—UAN solution, urea, and ammonia—as well as other phosphorus and potassium fertilizers. Fertilizer prices are continuing to increase and supplies will likely remain very tight for the foreseeable future," Leikam said. "Therefore, producers should keep in close contact with their supplier in order to line up their anticipated fertilizer needs. Waiting until it is time to apply crop nutrients to make arrangements for fertilizer needs could leave producers on the outside looking in."

The sharp increase in price and accompanying fertilizer N shortage is not a sudden development, the agronomist explained. Unprecedented market forces have markedly changed the fertilizer industry over the past decade which has set the stage for the current supply/demand imbalance and resulting high prices, he said.

"Over the past decade, much of our fertilizer nitrogen manufacturing capacity has shut down in the U.S. as a result of sharp increases and fluctuations in natural gas costs, lower-cost foreign competition, domestic environmental regulations, and so forth. In most cases, the domestic fertilizer manufacturing plants that have ceased operations will likely never come back on line despite the current higher fertilizer nitrogen prices," Leikam said.

As a result, more and more nitrogen fertilizer is now imported from countries in the Middle East, South America, the former Soviet Union, and other low-cost natural gas areas, he said.

"More than 50 percent U.S. fertilizer nitrogen supply is imported annually—and our dependence on foreign imports continues to increase. Also, global demand for this supply of fertilizer nitrogen continues to increase, especially in countries such as China and India with rapidly expanding economies," Leikam said.

Producers can do little about this situation except to keep in constant contact with their local fertilizer supplier and commit to needed products as soon they know what their needs are, the K-State agronomist said.

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# Obituaries

## Linda Kay Hines



LINDA KAY HINES  
Funeral services for Linda Kay Hines, 53, of Lubbock were held Sat., Feb. 2 in the Abbey Chapel at Resthaven of Lubbock. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven

Funeral Home of Lubbock. Hines died peacefully at her residence Thurs., Jan. 31 in Lubbock.

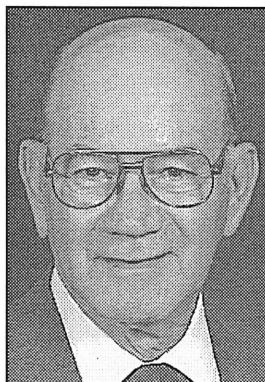
Born Aug. 10, 1954 in Sweetwater, she was the daughter of Ouida B. 'Sue' (Gibbs) and Glen L. Hines. She graduated from Levelland High School and attended South Plains College. She had worked as an office manager for Ave. H. Glass Co. and was a member of Agape United Methodist Church. She enjoyed life, family, and cooking for friends and family. She enjoyed music and was an avid reader.

She was preceded in death by her father, Glen L. Hines Sr. in 2003; a brother, Glen L. Hines Jr. in 1952; grandparents, H.H. and

Clara (Malone) Hines, and Everett and Ova Lee (Jones) Gibbs.

Survivors include her mother, Ouida 'Sue' Hines of Lubbock; three sisters, Glenda Gallagher and husband, Dennis of Lubbock, Nancy Welch and husband, Phillip of Big Spring and Paula Crowder and husband, Robby of Lubbock; a niece Stephanie Arehart and husband, David of Rowlett; three nephews, David Welch of Big Spring, Matthew Gallagher of Lubbock and Eric Welch of Big Spring; a grand nephew, Taylor Carter of Rowlett; an uncle, Connie Hines and wife, Marie of Clyde; an aunt, Verlene White of Snyder; numerous cousins; and her faithful puppy, Willie. PD. NOTICE

## Wayne Delano Peiser



WAYNE PEISER  
Funeral services for Wayne Delano Peiser, 73, of Haskell were held Tues., Feb. 5 at the Church of Christ in Haskell with son-in-law, Jeff Utter, officiating and Philip Sims assisting. Burial was in Howard Cemetery in the Paint Creek community, under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Peiser died Sun., Feb. 3. Born July 29, 1934 in Haskell, he was the son of the late Alfon Peiser and Ella Moeller Peiser. He married Nancy Earles June 4, 1954 in Haskell. A lifelong resident of Haskell County, he retired with West Texas Utilities after 34 years of service. He also farmed in Haskell County. He was a member and elder at the Church of Christ for 29 years. He and his wife, Nancy, taught a Bible School Class for 2's and 3's for 14 years and drove the church bus. He led a weekly Bible Study at the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center. He was an avid fisherman, gardener and carpenter. He loved children with a passion, his family, his friends and church family. He also served his community as a member of the Paint Creek School Board, Haskell Memorial Hospital, and the Haskell Co-op. He will be greatly missed by all who knew

him.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Peiser of the home; son Robbie and wife, Charlotte of Haskell; daughter Tammy Utter and husband, Jeff of Mason; brothers, Alfon Peiser and wife, Maurice of Bivins and Hugh Peiser and wife, Barbara of Keller; sister, Barbara Druessedow and husband, Bobby of Abilene; sister-in-law, Dodie Irion of Haskell; granddaughters, Breann Cypert and husband Cody, Bergen Webb and husband Josh, Lacey Peiser, Haley Utter and Kinsey Utter; and great granddaughter, Averie Cypert; several nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Memorials may be made to the Haskell Church of Christ, 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell, Texas 79521; and Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford Street, Abilene, Texas 79605. PD. NOTICE

## Marvin Dewayne Barker



MARVIN BARKER  
Graveside services for Marvin Dewayne Barker, 70, of Haskell will be held Thurs., Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. at Willow Cemetery with Mike Bailey officiating. Services are under the direction of Holden-

McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Barker died Sun., Feb. 3.

Born Jan. 21, 1938 in Dover, Oklahoma, he was the son of George Dewayne Barker and Lillie Mae Wall Barker. He moved from Bakersfield, California to Haskell in 1980. Marvin enjoyed riding his three wheeled bicycle on the west side of town, picking up aluminum cans, collecting magazines, and most of all making friends with the neighborhood. He is well remembered as having a sweet soul and loving personality. Marvin was injured during birth resulting in cerebral palsy. Despite doctors at that time saying that he would not live a normal life expectancy, he lived a fruitful life until the age of 70.

Recent doctors were astonished of his age and proclaimed his extended life was due to the love and care of this mother and family. "He was our greatest teacher."

He was preceded in death by his father.

Survivors include his mother, Lillie Mae Wall; sister, Sharon Smith and husband, Ken of Haskell; nephews, Monty Pueschel of Abilene, Terry Bailey and wife, Nan of Abilene, Mike Bailey and wife, Julie of Hawley; great nieces and nephews, Dax and Monica Pueschel of Abilene, Cody Bailey of Phoenix, Arizona, Tyler and Teryn Bailey of Abilene, Megan Bailey of Haskell and Brooklyn Bailey of Hawley. PD. NOTICE

## Vivian LaVera Hummel

Funeral services for Vivian LaVera Hummel, 86, of Sterling, Illinois were held Sat., Feb. 2 at Wesley United Methodist Church in Sterling, Illinois.

Mrs. Hummel died Sat., Jan. 26 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Rockford, Illinois.

Born Oct. 3, 1921 near Mattson, she was the daughter of R.B. and Emily Belle Guess. She was the sixth of eleven children. She had lived in Sterling, Illinois for 61 years. She married Osborne William 'Bud' Hummel June 16, 1945 at Spring Valley Farm, north of Sterling, near Jordan School. They met in Midland in World War II, where LaVera taught first grade and Bud was stationed in the U.S. Army Air Force. She received her degree from North Texas State in Denton in 1942. The couple moved to Sterling in 1947. She worked as a third grade elementary teacher at Como and Emerson schools from 1965 to 1981. In retirement, she was active at Wesley United Methodist Church. Family defined her. Each succeeding generation appreciated the warmth of her love and her enduring wisdom. She was a person marked by great faith and quiet

dignity. We often encountered her students in and around Sterling and many would recall fondly the year they had spent with her as their third grade teacher.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include three children: Gregory William Hummel, married to Teresa Lynn Beveroth, both of Evanston, Illinois; Marcus Guess Hummel, married to Nadine Ann Jeczalik, both of Hanover Park, Illinois; and Jeannie Kay Rhodes, married to James Alexander 'Tad' Rhodes, both of Norman, Oklahoma; six grandchildren; three great grandchildren; two brothers, Hal Lindo Guess of Weinert and Roy Rebus Guess of Haskell; and two sisters, Violet LaVern of Weinert and Rita Mae Hughes of Haskell.

Memorials may be made to Wesley United Methodist Church, 2200 16th Avenue, Sterling, Illinois 61081 or The Sterling Schools Foundation, P.O. Box 1046, Sterling, Illinois 61081.

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Rule Co-op Gin-final .... 12,725  
Weinert  
Griff's Gin-final ..... 5,835  
Weinert Gin-final ..... 9,215  
Total bales ..... 79,504

# McDuff is member of Texas Tech winning law team

For the fourth time, Texas Tech University's School of Law has racked up a national arbitration championship.

The school's four-student team won the national competition Jan. 26 by defeating 16 other teams from law schools across the nation, including the defending national champions from Stetson University Law School, on their home turf in Tampa, Florida.



**TIFFANY McDUFF**

The Texas Tech team of Jesse Blakley, third year, Missouri City; Mike Davis, third year, Palestine; Tiffany McDuff, second year, Rule; and Joseph Putnam, third year, St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada was the only team to win each preliminary round with a unanimous vote from the judges, which made it the number one seed going into the semi-finals. The team was coached by adjunct professors Murray Hensley and Shery Kime-Goodwin.

"Beating Stetson University on its own turf when it had the home team advantage was just exhilarating," said Kime-Goodwin. "Stetson is known for its advocacy program and was the national champion last year with two team members returning, so it was just really amazing for our team to have prevailed."

The American Bar Association (ABA) and the National Arbitration Forum sponsor the annual event. According to the ABA, the purpose of the competition is to promote greater knowledge in arbitration by simulating a realistic arbitration hearing. Essentially, law school students from accredited law schools participate by preparing and presenting an arbitration case, including opening statements, witness examinations, exhibit introductions, evidentiary presentations and summations.

Kime-Goodwin said it was very evident at that national level

that Texas Tech's students were well prepared to take on the competition and that their litigation skills were a cut above those of the other competitors.

"Over and over again, the four of them just shined when it came to doing their openings, closings, directs, cross-examinations, and knowledge of evidence—the other teams just couldn't throw anything their way that the team couldn't handle," Goodwin said. "It was just such a pleasure to get to see these students in action. These are the types of individuals that firms should be scrambling to hire because they are truly an asset not only to this school but to the legal profession."

The victory marks the fourth national championship that Texas Tech School of Law has won with Hensley as head coach. He has served as the coach for all of the school's national mock trial and arbitration competitions for the past 28 years. "His years of experience were truly an asset for this team as evidenced by the win," said Kime-Goodwin. "If you take into account the records for most athletic teams, Coach Hensley's record is to be commended."

McDuff is the daughter of Robin and Patti Raynes and the granddaughter of Bonnie Holmes of Rule and Bobby and Betty Raynes of Weinert.



**SERVICE AWARD**—Darrel Dutton, left, maintenance technician in the Haskell County maintenance section, is presented a Certificate of Service by Russel Lenz. Dutton, a five-year employee with the Texas Department of Transportation, was honored for his longevity during a recent supervisors meeting in Abilene. In addition to the framed certificate, he received a five-year service pin and a copper travel cup. Lenz is the Abilene District Engineer.

## Students in the News

Caleb J. Hudgens, a resident of Haskell, has been named to the Fall 2007 Dean's List at Texas State University-San Marcos.

To be named to the Dean's List at Texas State, a student must earn a minimum grade-point average of 3.50 while carrying a class load of at least 12 semester hours.

Kolt Kitley of Rule, a senior Sports/Exercise Sciences major, has been named to the fall 2007 President's List of West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Students on the list must have a grade point average of 4.0 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

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## Syringes recalled

A North Carolina company has issued a nationwide recall of heparin and saline pre-filled syringes.

The company had announced a recall of certain heparin syringes on Dec. 20. This announcement is an expansion of that recall, which was issued because of possible contamination with *Serratia marcescens*, a bacterium.

The recalled syringes are labeled "Heparin Lock Flush Solution USP" or "Saline Lock Flush Solution USP" and contain one of the following NDC numbers on the barrel: 64054-1003-02, 64054-1003-01, 64054-3005-02, 64054-3003-02, 64054-0910-2, 64054-0905-2 or 64054-0903-2. NDC stands for National Drug Code.

Some of the recalled syringes have the company name "Sierra Pre-Filled." Others, manufactured by Sierra, have the company name "B. Braun."

People who have used the

recalled syringes should contact their physicians for guidance.

Those who have unused syringes should not use them and should contact their physicians, pharmacies or other suppliers for instructions about what to do with them.

Physicians and others who have prescribed the recalled products are urged to contact their patients.

The recalled syringes typically are used in hospitals, clinics and by outpatients to keep catheters open. Heparin is an anticoagulant. The saline solution is used to clean the catheters.

*Serratia marcescens* is commonly found in soil and water and usually does not harm healthy humans but can cause illness in people with weakened immune systems or underlying health problems.

The company's recall notice is available at [www.fda.gov/medwatch/safety/2008/heparin\\_recall.htm](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch/safety/2008/heparin_recall.htm).

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

### Education agency to initiate TAKS anti-cheating measures

AUSTIN—The Texas Education Agency announced Jan. 25 its plans to add security measures in administering the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.

Random test monitoring, seating charts and scrambling the order of field test items on exams are among more than a dozen steps to be taken this school year, said Education Commissioner Robert Scott.

Some steps are supposed to make TAKS tests more resistant to cheating.

Other steps are designed to provide more information that can be used in investigations if allegations of testing irregularities arise.

One measure, for example, is to ask students in grades 9, 10 and 11, prior to taking tests, to sign a statement promising not to cheat.

TAKS measures reading at grades 3 through 9; writing at grades 4 and 7; English language arts at grades 10 and 11; mathematics at grades 3 through 11; science at grades 5, 10 and 11; and social studies at grades 8, 10 and 11.

Satisfactory performance on TAKS at grade 11 is a prerequisite to a high school diploma.

### Panel to focus on accountability

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Speaker Tom Craddick jointly appointed members to the Select Committee on Public School Accountability.

SB 1031, passed last year during the 80th session of the Texas Legislature, required the creation of the select committee.

SB 1031 also changed the state's method of assessing high school student performance by moving from high-stakes exit-level tests to end-of-course examinations.

Committee appointees, who will study the issues and work on ways to achieve the goal of SB 1031, are:

Math teacher Susan Lewis, Northside Independent School District, San Antonio; Principal Dalia Benavides, South Elementary School, Midland Independent School District; Superintendent David Splitek, Lackland Independent School District, San Antonio; Superintendent Thomas Randle, Lamar Consolidated Independent School District, Rosenberg; and Deputy Superintendent Beto Gonzalez, Brownsville

Independent School District.

Also, Ron Steinhart, former CEO, Bank One Commercial Banking Group; Salem Abraham, president and owner, Abraham Trading Co.; Sandy Kress, Commission for College Ready Texas; and Larry Kellner, chairman and CEO, Continental Airlines.

And, Rep. Rob Eissler, co-chair; Sen. Florence Shapiro, co-chair; Education Commissioner Robert Scott; Higher Education Commissioner Raymond A. Paredes; Rep. Diane Patrick; and Sen. Tommy Williams.

### Census ballparks no. of voters

The U.S. Census Bureau on Jan. 31 released its annual estimates of the voting-age population in each state, so the Federal Election Commission gets a clearer picture.

Figures do not reflect citizenship status or voting eligibility.

Estimates for Texas are:  
•Total number of residents, 23,904,380;  
•Total population age 18 and older, 17,281,014;  
•Percentage of population age 18 and older, 72.3.

In 2004 in Texas, 687,615 voters, or 4.27 percent of the voting age population, voted in the March Republican primary; 839,231 or 5.22 percent of the voting age population turned out for the March Democratic primary.

### Voter status available online

The Texas Secretary of State's new "Online Voter Central" allows voters to check their registration status from their computers.

Texans who registered to vote using their driver license can check their status by supplying their driver license number and date of birth, or they can enter their Voter Unique Identifier, a code on their voter registration card, to check voting status and find polling locations.

Feb. 4 was the deadline to register to vote in the March 4 primary elections.

### Guv issues disaster proclamation

Gov. Rick Perry issued a state disaster proclamation for 152 counties in response to wildfires.

The Jan. 30 proclamation allows affected counties to be eligible for state assistance.

Perry urged Texans to be extra cautious as conditions across the state remain favorable for wildfires to develop.



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago February 5, 1998

Cody Caraway, son of Russell Caraway, and Landon Terry, son of Leland and Pam Terry, and Paul McGurie, son of Steve and Phoi McGuire, visited the Rotary Club.

Brian L. Manske was named to the President's Honor List for the fall semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

Making the Dean's list at Angelo Sate University in San Angelo, were Hans Overton, Paint Creek, Jeremy Futch and Mary Kay Watson of Haskell and Jerry Kole Sanders of Weinert.

Visiting in the Rev. L.C. Johnson, Sr., home was his son and family of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. O.T. Johnson.

Frank Jordan and family visited his sister in Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Williams.

### 20 Years Ago February 11, 1988

"Beautify Haskell Together", a slogan submitted by Elbert Johnson, was selected as the official slogan of the Beautify Haskell program.

Girl Scout Troop 318 presented a book, "Joy of Nature" to the Haskell County Library. Making the presentation to librarian, Elsie McGee were Jennifer Comedy, Christy Cadenhead, Amy Cunningham and Brandi Briles. The troop received the book for selling magazine subscriptions.

Debbie Quade of Rochester was named to the Sul Ross State University Dean's list.

Rex Pittman of Haskell Butane accepts a "Partner in Safety" award for demonstrating a high level of safety throughout a minimum of three years with Ranger Insurance Co. of Houston.

Visiting in the home of Donald Griffis was his daughter and family, Derinda and Johnny Larned.

Buck and Helen Turnbow have just returned from a visit with her sister, Jo and Roy Luker

of San Angelo. Evelyn Ricketts of Dallas visited with her parents, John and Laverne Mayfield.

### 30 Years Ago February 9, 1978

John Preston Fouts, received the Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the University School of Law.

The Haskell County Jaycees began work on a CB Directory. The directory included the 'handles' of all area CB's, FCC rules and regulations, and CB slang. Directories sold for \$3.50 each.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hilliard of Brownfield and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Short of Rochester and Ellen Hilliard and Jan Ballard of Abilene visited in the home of E.L. Hilliard.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Smith of Stamford, Gladys Dyches and Mrs. Warren Doyle of Rule visited Alpha Dyches.

### 40 Years Ago February 8, 1968

David H. Persons has been awarded a certificate of appreciation by the president of the United States in grateful recognition of valuable service contributed to the Nation and Selective Service System.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bruton visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sergeant in Munday.

Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Adams and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Adams and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Swanner and two sons and Linda Adams helped celebrate mother and grandmother, Mrs. Lavadae Adams 70th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Chambers and Shawn of Canyon visited his mother, Mrs. F.L. Chambers over the weekend.

Mrs. Gary Smith and son of Odessa, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hines.

### 50 Years Ago February 6, 1958

The first annual O'Brien Community Fair and Livestock

Show was held with the event being highly successful from every standpoint. Jerry Covey showed the first place fat swine, J.F. Middlebrooks showed the first place gilt, Alton Hester had the first place breeding sow, and Danny Walsworth had the first place beef calf.

The Betty Crocker "Homemaker of Tomorrow" award for Haskell High School is Hazel Nell Address, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Address of Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus White have purchased the Lee Corzine house in Rule and have moved there to make their home.

John F. Ivy had as visitors in his home, his children and their families, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ivy of Texline, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Ivy and children of Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Carothers and children of Levelland.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klose, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Klose and Pam, and Janice Medford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Adkins and children of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ragsdale of Harlingen was a visitor in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Smith.

### 100 Years Ago February 8, 1908

Judge W.C. Jackson left for Bonham where he is engaged at attorney in some pending litigation.

Annie Lida Hughes returned home after a visit with friends at San Antonio, Temple and Waco.

J.B. Hester of the Rochester neighborhood sold a load of good corn. He has a surplus of corn, oats and forage for sale every year.

Sheriff M.E. Parks made an official trip to Fort Worth.

F.G. Alexander of the Alexander Mercantile Company left for Chicago to purchase the spring stock for his companies stores, Haskell, Munday and Rule.

## Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

January 31, 2008

After all the excitement in recent weeks, traders said the cotton market finally got a chance to catch its breath as cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade operated in a very narrow sideways range for the last six sessions.

"Most of the loss in momentum may be tied to the uncertainties surrounding the economy," a trader said. "Cotton never had a lot of internal strength when it rose to higher levels; instead, it piggybacked on the bull markets in grains and soybeans as well as the investment flows into commodities. With fears abounding that the U.S. and perhaps the world economy are headed for a recession and that consumer spending may drop considerably, some of these ag markets could expect a pullback over the next few weeks," he concluded.

The market still finds support in expectations that U.S. 2008 cotton plantings will be substantially lower, but a watchful eye now is on the severe winter weather in China which has disrupted mill operations.

Calling this week's storms the worst weather conditions seen in 50 years, the Chinese government was in the process of trying to counter the economic damage being done by a plummet in consumer spending, and an even greater decline in industrial production due to a shortage of electricity. As the Lunar New Year holiday approaches, Chinese consumers are homebound, trapped by the elements, and only 25 percent of the fuel required to produce electricity is able to be delivered to China's coal-fired generators.

Most of the trade thought China, the world's largest cotton consumer, would pick up the pace of its purchases ahead of the Lunar holiday, but their hopes were dashed by Mother Nature. Weather forecasters in China predicted on Thursday that the snowy conditions crippling the country might last another 10 days, putting the cessation of the blizzard into the middle of the Lunar holiday celebration. If the holiday is observed with the usual industry closures in addition to the weather-related difficulties at textile mills, the effect on U.S. cotton exports could last quite some time.

In other news, this week's export sales report was hailed by analysts as the best they have seen in some time, perhaps not so much from the perspective of total sales, but from the fact that the list of destinations was varied. Net export sales of 291,400 bales were more than double the previous week's sales and 59 percent more than the four-week average. The primary buyer was China with purchases totaling 140,800 bales, followed by Taiwan and Vietnam with acquisitions of 29,600 and 21,400 bales, respectively. In addition, there were five other countries that purchased more than 18,000 bales of U.S. cotton.

Export shipments of 185,800 bales were up 18 percent from the prior week and a 22 percent increase from the four-week average. Primary destinations were Mexico, China, Turkey and Indonesia. The shipment total was lower than many in the industry expected, leaving some to wonder if there may have been a shortage in shipping containers.

On the spot cotton scene, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas totaled 9,212 bales in the week ended Jan. 31 compared to 5,817 bales the previous week. Average prices received by producers ranged from 39.82 to 61.30 cents per pound versus 45.29 to 60.69 cents per pound one week earlier.

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## Search for services on 2-1-1

Texans looking for child care or educational services for children now have a new tool to help their search. At www.211texas.org, parents have a single point of access where they can search for either private or public-assisted care and educational services for children.

The new search features draws on information from the Texas Education Agency, the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Head Start Collaboration Project, and Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, expanding the previous list of child care resources to include all

children's services in public schools. Information about the services is updated on a regular basis.

Parents can locate and learn about licensed and registered child care, pre-kindergarten and after-school programs, and educational services for children with special needs. Results are sorted by ZIP code, by city or by county. Parents who need help paying for child care can use the website to request information about financial assistance for child care services.

Like its telephone counterpart, www.211texas.org also offers information for those

seeking help with broader needs such as food, shelter, medical care and thousands of other benefits and services provided locally. The website and 2-1-1 Texas are services offered through collaboration between the Texas Health and Human Services Commission and local government and community groups. Both services pull information from a network of more than 20,000 organizations statewide.

The information found at www.211texas.org is also available 24 hours a day, seven days a week by dialing 2-1-1 anywhere in Texas.

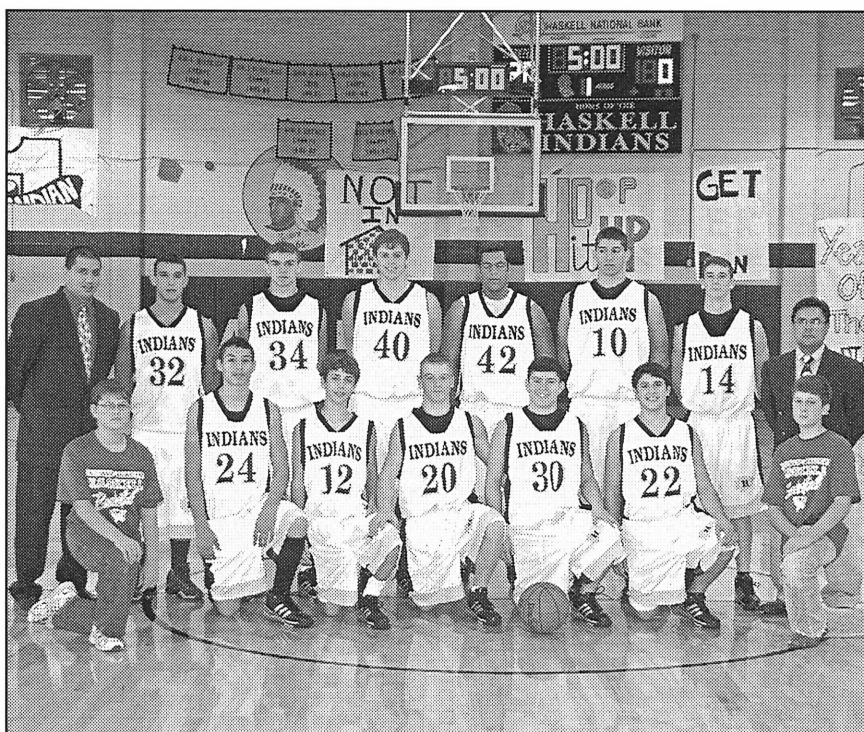


# Haskell INDIANS



**Fri., Feb. 8 • 6 p.m.**  
**JV & Varsity Boys**  
**vs Hawley**  
**at Hawley**

**Tues., Feb. 12 • 6 p.m.**  
**JV & Varsity Boys**  
**vs Stanton**  
**at Haskell**



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, Andrew Sammons, A.J. Alvarez, John English, Travis Adams, Greg Guzman, Austin Marshall and Luke Terry; back row, Coach Lolo Martinez, Stephen Guevara, Aaron Rodriguez, Samuel Bitner, D.J. McCulloch, Derek Agraz, Weston Rutkowski and Coach Toby Villa.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



HASKELL MAIDENS—Front row, l-r, Aubrey Bassett, Hope Reid, Claire Isbell, Lauren Newton, Paige Adams and Brië Torres; back row, Coach David Middleton, Miranda Johnson, Lisa Rodgers, Lacey Peiser, Ashton Rutkowski, Hannah Wallace and Aerial Thane.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

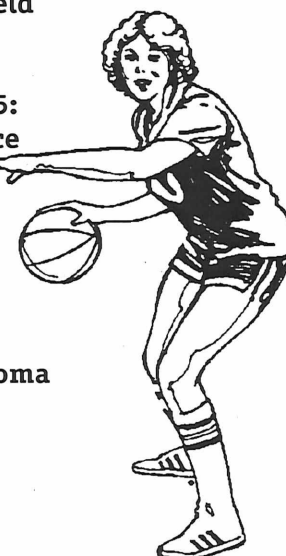
# Haskell MAIDENS

On Tues., Feb. 5, the Maidens held  
 3rd place in District.

After the game on Tues., Feb. 5:  
 the Maidens will be in 3rd place  
 if they defeat Merkel;

Or, if the Maidens and  
 Coahoma both lose, the  
 Maidens will be in 3rd place;

Or, if the Maidens lose and Coahoma  
 wins, a one game playoff to  
 determine 3rd place will be  
 scheduled to be played  
 before Sat., Feb. 9



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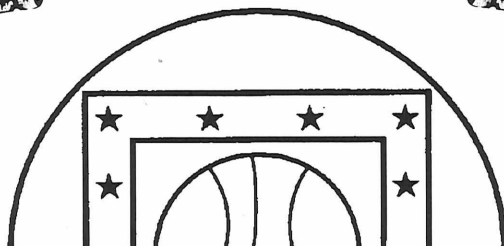


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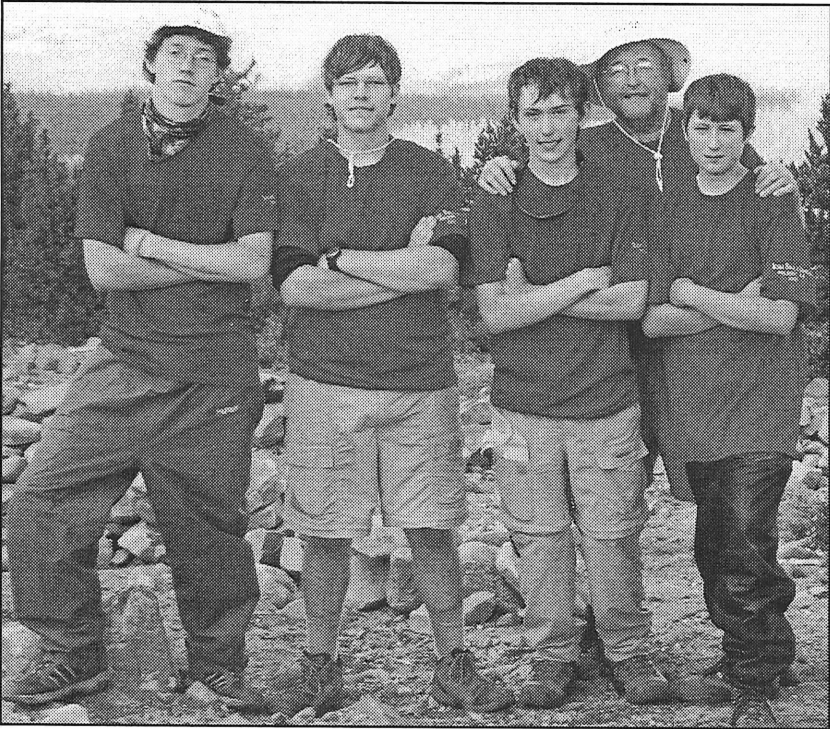
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**VENTURING CREW TREK**—Haskell Boy Scouts Venturing Crew 0136 spent fourteen days backpacking in the mountains of Philmont Scout Ranch at Cimarron, New Mexico. They joined five other scouts and two leaders from Breckenridge, Hico, Clyde and Merkel to form the trek. They left Haskell on July 11 and spent the night in Cimarron. The next day they were checked in and received their gear for the trail and meet their guide. On July 13 they were bused to the starting point where they toured the Kit Carson Museum before going to the first night's camp. At each staffed camp, an activity for the trek was planned such as rock climbing, pole climbing, sweat lodge, archery, fly fishing and black powder shooting. Each person carried from 30 to 40 lbs. of trail food, tents, water, cooking utensils and personal gear. The trek lasted twelve days and covered over 50 miles. The scouts from Haskell included, l-r, Brennon Medford, A.J. Benton, Tucker McCormick, Crew Advisor Leland Terry and Luke Terry.

## Protect highly erodible lands

Every agricultural producer who is a participant in farm programs through the USDA must comply with HEL (Highly Erodible Lands) requirements. When a land unit is determined to be highly erodible, a producer

on that land unit must take steps to prevent excessive erosion. Otherwise, the soil loss may be in excess of the allowable level for compliance purposes. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

provides producers with conservation practices that can be applied to the land to obtain this goal. Residue management, conservation tillage, cover crop, and contour framing are just a few examples of such practices. These are designed to reduce the potential of excessive erosion, especially on lands that are HEL.

Why is it important to control erosion and remain in compliance with HEL requirements? If a field becomes HEL non-compliant due to excessive erosion, the USDA participant may become ineligible for program benefits such as cost-shares, payments, and loans. The 2002 Farm Bill states, "Fields designated as HEL must be protected from excessive soil erosion when used to produce agricultural commodities by applying an approved conservation system."

By protecting your highly erodible lands, you protect the environment as well as your eligibility to participate in USDA farm programs.

For more information on HEL determinations and guidelines, please visit the NRCS website at [www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov) or stop by your local USDA Service Center.

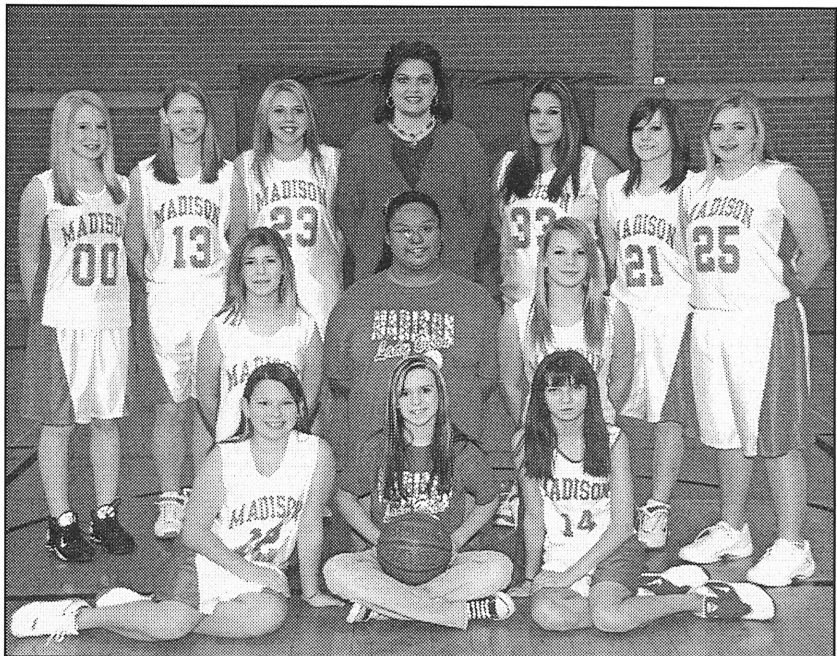
## HNB receives 5-Star rating

Haskell National Bank is proud to announce it has once again achieved a 5-Star rating from BauerFinancial, Inc. of Coral Gables, Florida, the nation's leading independent bank rating and research firm. Based on the financial condition of the bank, the 5-Star rating indicates that Haskell National Bank is one of the strongest banks in the country. This quarter represents the 63rd consecutive time that Haskell National Bank

has earned this highest rating which earns it the added prestige of being an "exceptional performance bank"—for earning this highest honor for ten years or longer. Fewer than 16 percent of the nation's banks can claim this distinction.

"We are all aware of the problems in the banking industry these days," says Karen L. Dorway, president of BauerFinancial. "Consumers need to know there are still well-run banks, like Haskell National Bank, that continue to shine even when times are tough. Haskell National Bank puts safety and soundness ahead of all else, making it an ideal place to put your deposits."

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**ABILENE CITY CHAMPS**—The Madison Middle School 8th grade team clinched the Abilene City Championship. The team, coached by former Haskell graduate Dala Harris Allen, remains undefeated for the 2007-08 season. Team members are front row, l-r, Teresa Gutierrez, Kayla Sherman and Megan Martinez; middle row, Ashlee Gassiot, Yvette Jimenez, Macee Taylor; and back row, Angela Snow, Rachel Graves, Katie Porter, Coach Dala Allen, Kelsey Rodela, Brooke Dabney and Kenzi Estes.

## Ag agencies change names

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

Two state agricultural agencies that have served Texans for a combined 224 years are beginning 2008 with new names and renewed missions.

Texas AgriLife Research is the new name for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, which annually conducts more than \$150 million in agriculture and life sciences research in such areas as improving food and fiber production, enhancing human and animal health, and conserving water, soils, wildlife and other natural resources.

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is the new name of Texas Cooperative Extension, which provides Texans in all 254 counties with objective, research-based education programs and services in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H and youth development, family and consumer sciences, and economic development.

"We are making these changes to better communicate the life-sustaining and life-changing impacts that both AgriLife Research and AgriLife Extension deliver to the people of Texas and beyond," said Dr. Mark Hussey, director of AgriLife Research.

Both agencies remain members of The Texas A&M University System, with the same commitment to their partners, clients and mission.

"But we also want to tell our story to a larger audience and a

changing state population, attract new resources and build new partnerships, while strengthening our existing ones," Hussey said. "In this way, we hope to better serve the people of this great state."

The name changes are part of a re-branding initiative launching this year after two years of study and planning. These efforts were led by former vice chancellor Dr. Elsa Murano, who was named president of Texas A&M University on Jan. 3.

"The re-branding efforts are centered on one foundational message: 'Agriculture is Life!'" Hussey said. "The central idea is that life itself is the core value that our agencies seek to sustain and enhance."

"People usually don't realize how much we all depend on agriculture and the life sciences. Discoveries and innovations in these fields directly impact the quality of the food we eat, the clothes we wear, the air we breathe, the water we drink, the homes we live in, and, more and more, even the fuels we pump into our vehicles."

"This is more than a name change, or even a new logo design," said Dr. Ed Smith, director of AgriLife Extension. "These new brands will impact not only our marketing materials and signage, but also the way we position and prioritize our programs and work with our federal, state and county partners to serve the state of Texas. It is vitally important to tell our story and that people connect our agencies to the tremendous impacts they have on the state."

One of the drivers of the re-branding initiative was a market study that showed that the work

of the research and extension agencies was not widely known across the state of Texas.

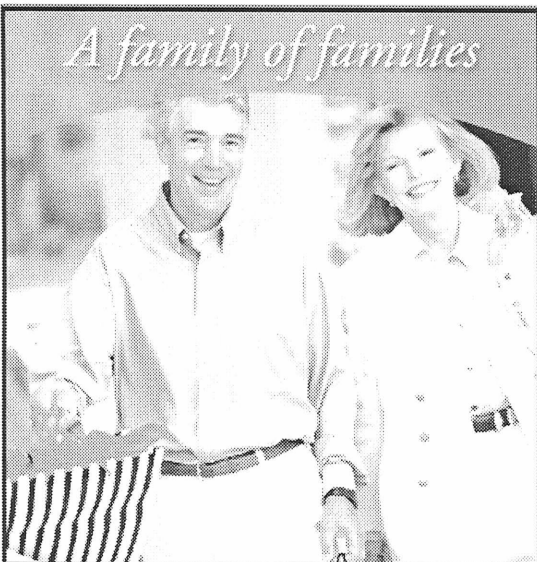
"We hope to help people better understand the vital role that agriculture and life sciences still play in improving the prosperity of their lives," said Smith. "We believe that if they come to know us better, they will see that connection more clearly, even within a state population that is now 85 percent urbanized."

AgriLife Research, established in 1887, employs a team of 425 scientists on the campus of Texas A&M University and at 13 centers across the state. Research has made many innovative advances over the years, including development of the Texas 1015 onion and the TAM Mild Jalapeño pepper, which revolutionized the U.S. salsa industry.

Current major research includes the efficient use and conservation of water resources, the development of fruits and vegetables with higher levels of disease-fighting compounds, and the adaptation of crops and other agricultural products for making biofuels.

AgriLife Extension, established in 1915, provides Texans with continuing education programs and services. More than 900 professional educators team with some 90,000 volunteers to serve families, youth, communities and businesses throughout the state. Some 600,000 children annually participate in Extension's 4-H and youth development programs.

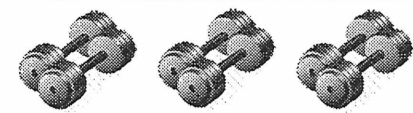
For more information, see <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/>.



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## INDIANS FOR HEALTH

February Schedule

MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.
6 a.m. "Burn" Jennifer	6 a.m. "Shape" Jennifer	6 a.m. "Burn" Jennifer	6 a.m. "Shape" Jennifer	6 a.m. "Blast" Jennifer
9:15 a.m. "IFH Seniors" Julie	9:15 a.m. "IFH Seniors" Julie		9:15 a.m. "IFH Seniors" Julie	
	4:30 p.m. "Get Fit" Cathy	4:30 p.m. "Get Fit" Cathy	4:30 p.m. "Get Fit" Cathy	
5:15 p.m. "Tone Up" Misty			5:15 p.m. "Tone Up" Misty	

"Burn" - 20 minutes aerobics and 20 minutes strengthening (2-5 lbs. weights, mats\*)

"Shape" - 10 minutes cardio, 30 minutes toning, stretching and strengthening (ball, weights and mats\*)

"Blast" - Energizing workout to get you through your weekend (weights\*)

"IFH Seniors" - Never to late... Improve balance, cardio, strength and flexibility

"Get Fit" - Low impact aerobics and stretching

"Tone Up" - Toning Exercises (2-5 lbs. weights and mats\*)

(\*weights are optional; a mat or towel is needed for any floor work)

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## Haskell Cub Scouts Pack 136

### Pack Committee Chairman Wallar Overton Pack Committee Members

Darrell Smith  
Leland Terry  
Bonita Tatum

### Chartering Organization

Lions Club

### Chartering Organization Rep

Tom Watson

### Cubmaster

Sherri Morrow

### Asst. Cubmaster

Allen Morrow

### Tigers:

Ryan Olson, Leader  
Jennifer Roewe, Leader  
Erin Lowack, Leader  
Rodney Todd, Leader

Laken Olson

Reed Roewe  
Dakota Sanders  
Gabriel Todd

### Bears:

Kay Smith, Leader

Dylan Brunson  
Lane Burson  
Rudy Espinoza

Sam Fouts  
Chase Gibson

Hayden Hudson  
Hayden Leach  
Jonathan Primm

Alec Roewe

Payton Thomas

### Wolves:

Tyke Meinzer, Leader  
Joey Thomas, Leader  
Tyler Hoover

Dalton Meinzer  
Devery Reed  
Tanner Thomas

### Webelos:

Craig McCormick, Leader  
Tyke Meinzer, Leader  
Patrick Pace, Leader

### Webelos I:

Seth McCormick  
Pryce Stewart  
Garret Tatum

### Webelos II:

Dakota Baumbaugh  
Jonah Caddell  
Kyle Fraga

Reed Lee  
Riley Meinzer

Ryan Pace

## Boy Scouts Troop 136

### Chartering Organization

First United Methodist  
Church

### Chartering Organization Rep.

Deanna Jordan

### Troop Committee

Kay Smith, Chairman  
Rev. Tom Long, Executive Officer  
Connie Benton, Treasurer

Randall Frierson

Donald Rock

Wes Steele

Chris Tatum

Gary Thomas

Randy Waggoner

Wilton Weise

### Scoutmaster

Leland Terry

### Asst. Scoutmasters

Craig McCormick  
Jim McTasney  
Leiza Morales  
Patrick Pace

### Youth Members

Braeden Alves  
A.J. Benton  
Cole Casey  
Colton English  
Ethan Frierson  
Levi Grand  
Hunter Jordan  
Tucker McCormick  
River McTasney  
Brennan Medford  
Preston Morrow  
David Newton  
Denton Reed  
Trevor Reese  
Tyler Reese  
Seth Rock  
Zachary Tatum  
Luke Terry  
Micah Thomas  
Aaron Waggoner  
Max Weise

## Venturing Crew Troop 136

### Chartering Organization

First Christian Church

### Chartering Organization Rep.

Rev. Richard Barr

### Venturing Crew Advisor

Leland Terry

### Venturing Crew Assoc. Advisors

Jim McTasney

Leiza Morales

### Crew Committee

Sam Lynn Pace III, Chairman

Connie Benton

Kristen Grand

### Youth Members

A.J. Benton

Kathryn Grand

Tucker McCormick

Brennan Medford

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Charles Smith

Luke Terry

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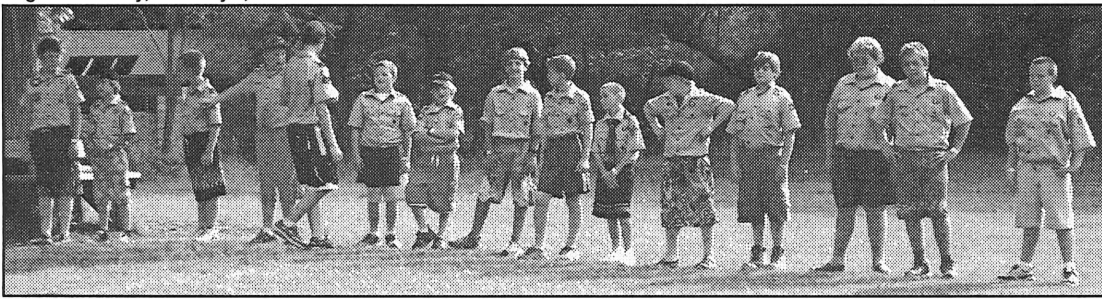
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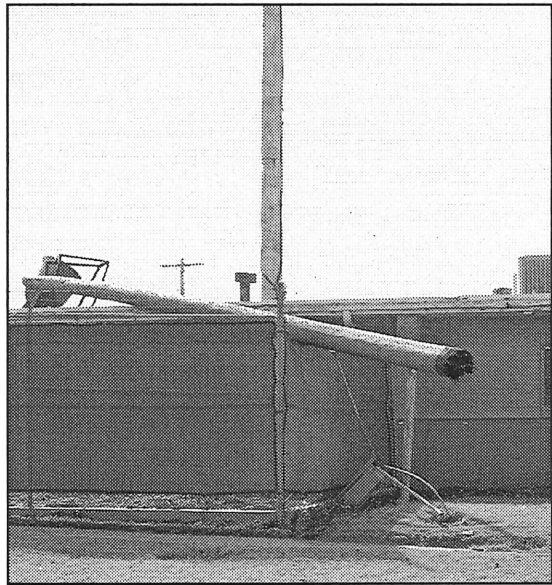


**ATTEND SUMMER CAMP**—Sixteen Boy Scouts of Troop 136 in Haskell attended summer camp at Camp Tonkawa near Buffalo Gap last summer where they worked on merit badges including climbing, personal fitness, shotgun, Indian lore, archery and swimming. The first year scouts attended a program to help them obtain rank and scout skills. Scouts shown attending a flag ceremony are, l-r,

Luke Terry, David Newton, Trevor Reese, Levi Grand, Tyler Reese, Zachary Tatum, Micah Thomas, Aaron Waggoner, Seth Rock, Austin Curran, Max Weise, Braeden Alves, Preston Morrow, Hunter Jordan, James Todd and not pictured, Cole Casey. Adult leaders attending were Deanna Jordan, Kristen Grand, Wes Steele, Donnie Rock, Randy Waggoner and Leland Terry.



**ROCHESTER JUNIOR HIGH STAFF**—Members of the Rochester Junior High faculty and staff are front row, l-r, Sandra Fry, Tara Olson, Dora Torres, Karen Smart, Jodi Andress, Janie Saucedo, Dorothy Hollingsworth, Edie Strickland, Tammy Crosson and Ramona Flores; middle row, Tracy Frierson, Teresa New, Cody Blair, Betsy Coleman, Cathy Bartley, Mary Hollingsworth and Reid Penman; back row, Mike Aston, Stony Trussell and Chet Forehand.



**NO ADVANCED WARNING**—The pole holding the Civil Defense or storm siren at the Haskell County Sheriff's Office was broken off near the ground by strong winds Tues., Jan. 29 at approximately 10 a.m. The pole and siren fell across the fence and onto the roof of the sheriff's office building. High winds gusted to 50 mph at times during the day on Tuesday.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 712 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 2, according to B.D. Rainey, reporter.

289 steers and bulls; 287 heifers and 136 cows and bulls. 42 sellers and 21 buyers were present.

Cows: fat, 48-52; cutters, 47-55; canners, 25-35.

Bulls: bologna, 68-72, feeders, 85-90.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 128-135; 300-400 lbs., 115-128; 400-500 lbs., 105-124; 500-600 lbs.,

95-115; 600-700 lbs., 102-50-106; 700-800 lbs., 91-100; 800-up lbs. 81-92 lbs.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 110-115; 300-400 lbs., 100-110; 400-500 lbs., 95-101; 500-600 lbs., 95-98; 600-up lbs., 85-95.

Bred heifers: medium frame 750-900.

Bred cows: young to middle aged 850-1,000; aged or small, 350-550.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 775-1010; aged or small, 550-775.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### FAITH WILL GIVE YOU PATIENCE FOR TODAY'S WORLD

In this age of instant foods and virtually everything else, we often clamor for the immediate fulfillment of all our wishes as a matter of course. Patience has nearly become a lost art because we seem to have so little need of it in this push-button era. However, faith in God will not only help you

regain your patience, but will let you know if the rapid results you have come to expect are really worthwhile attaining. There may be no such thing as instant success, but there is an instant faith which will direct you toward it in the proper manner. It's as near as your church.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

**HASKELL**

**East Side Baptist Church**  
Dr. Jim Hefflin, interim pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
600 N. 1st East, Haskell

**Christian Church**  
Richard Barr, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.  
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

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

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

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

**First United Methodist Church**  
Rev. Tom Long, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell

**First Assembly of God**  
Rev. J.C. Amburn  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

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

**Church of Christ**  
Philip Sims, minister  
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

**Trinity Baptist Church**  
Larry White, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.  
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell

**Hopewell Baptist Church**  
Rev. Tom Collins, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

**Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

**New Covenant Foursquare**  
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.  
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell

**Mission Revival Center**  
Rev. William Hodge  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell

**First Baptist Church**  
Greg Gasaway, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

**Church in the Wind**  
C.C. Curran, pastor  
Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.  
Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.  
203 S. 1st East, Haskell

**Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**  
Morris R. Johnson, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
1600 N. First St., Haskell

**WEINERT**

**First Baptist Church**  
Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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**Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
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**ROCHESTER**

**Church of Christ**  
Steve Willis, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
West on Main Street, Rochester

**First Baptist Church**  
Fred Garvin, pastor  
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:00 p.m.  
500 Main, Rochester

**Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
Clovis Dever  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
Rochester

**Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester

**SAGERTON**

**Sagerton Methodist Church**  
Stephania Gilkey, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.  
Sagerton

**Faith Lutheran Church**  
Curtis Baker, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.  
Sagerton

**RULE**

**First Baptist Church**  
Russell Stanley, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
1001 Union Ave., Rule

**Primitive Baptist Church**  
Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.  
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**Church of Christ**  
John Greeson, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
811 Union, Rule

**First United Methodist Church**  
Tom Long, pastor  
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.  
1000 Union Ave., Rule

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Alfa y Omegas  
Manuel Marin, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
500 Elm Street, Rule

**Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
Larry Neal, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m.;  
Gladstone Ave., Rule

**West Bethal Baptist Church**  
Rev. Clovis Dever  
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

**PAINT CREEK**

**Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Paint Creek

**O'BRIEN**

**O'Brien Baptist Church**  
Jim Reid, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.  
O'Brien

## Haskell School Menu

**Feb. 11-15 Breakfast**  
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Breakfast pizza  
**Tuesday:** Pig in a blanket  
**Wednesday:** Cereal, cinnamon toast  
**Thursday:** Biscuit, sausage, egg  
**Friday:** Cinnamon roll

**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:** Popcorn chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, pears  
**Tuesday:** Chalupas with cheese, salsa, corn, garden salad, peaches  
**Wednesday:** Corndogs, macaroni and cheese, baby carrots, ranch dressing, Ranch style beans, banana pudding  
**Thursday:** Pizza HotPockets, mixed vegetables, garden salad or coleslaw, pineapple tidbits, Valentine cake  
**Friday:** Cheeseburger or tuna fish sandwich, french fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickle slices, orange wedges

## Paint Creek School Menu

**Feb. 11-15 Breakfast**  
Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Toast or cereal  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits, gravy  
**Wednesday:** Pancakes  
**Thursday:** French toast  
**Friday:** Donuts

**Lunch**  
Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, green

beans, rolls, pudding  
**Tuesday:** Enchilada casserole, pinto beans, corn, salad, chips, fruit  
**Wednesday:** Stew, cornbread, salad, peach cobbler  
**Thursday:** Beef and macaroni, squash, salad, bread, chocolate cake  
**Friday:** Ham or turkey sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, chips, fruit

## ECC Calendar and Menu

**Mon., Feb. 11**  
Lunch—Chicken spaghetti, English peas, sliced onions, corn, garlic toast, apple crisp, milk, tea, or coffee  
**Wed., Feb. 13**  
Lunch—Ham slice, cream potatoes, mixed veggies, cranberries, sliced onions, yeast

rolls, peach cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee  
**Fri., Feb. 15**  
Lunch—Goulash over rice, sliced onions, blackeyed peas, turnip greens, cornbread, lemon cake, milk, tea, or coffee  
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

## Calendar

### Burn ban issued

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

person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

### Storm sirens

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

### Storytime

Storytime at Haskell County Library is held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Stories, crafts and snacks are offered. Paula Rennegarbe is the storyteller.

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A request has been received from Robert Tribbey to change the following described property: Block 28 and 29, Lot whole blocks, Addition Frisco, address 1100 and 1200 N. Ave. A, from residential zoning district to commercial zoning district. If zoning is achieved, the applicant proposes to use the property for billboards.

The planning and zoning commission of the City of Haskell, Texas, will hold a public hearing pursuant to this request on Thurs., Feb. 28, 2008 at 12 noon in the City Hall Meeting Room. 6c

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Thank you sincerely for sharing in our sorrow during the loss of my mother. The cards, phone calls and concern were greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

Marc Robison Family

### NOTICE

We are looking for eyewitnesses that saw a motor vehicle accident that occurred on Monday, October 8, 2007, at approximately 1:00 p.m., on U.S. Highway 380 (North 1st Street) in Haskell near Avenue O. The vehicles involved were a blue Nissan four door and a pickup truck. If you have any information regarding this accident, please call 800-440-8522 or 325-672-7000. Thank you.

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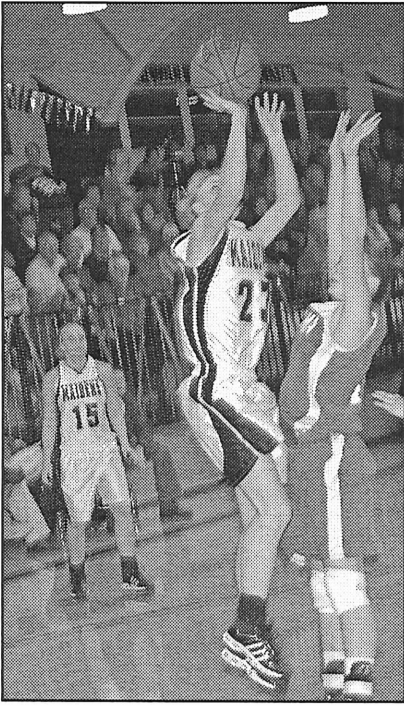
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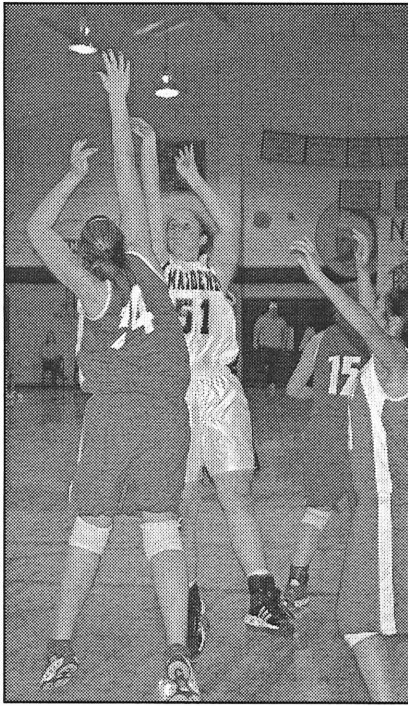
**ANTIQUE STORE-623 5th, Rule.** Large building with approximately 2500 square feet of display and storage space. Building is full of antique glass, furniture (two lawyers book cases), lots of bric brac. All contents will be sold with the building. Must See! \$15,000.00.

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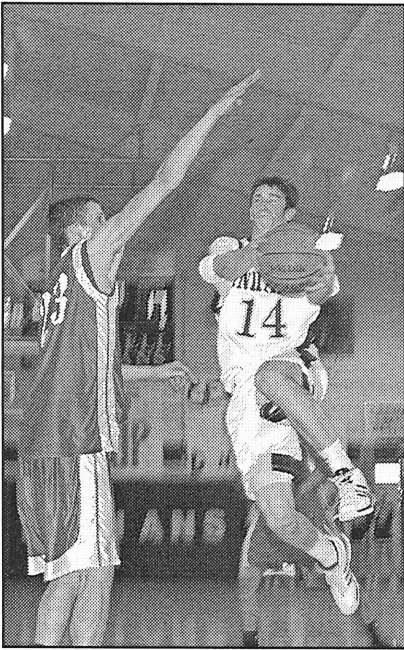
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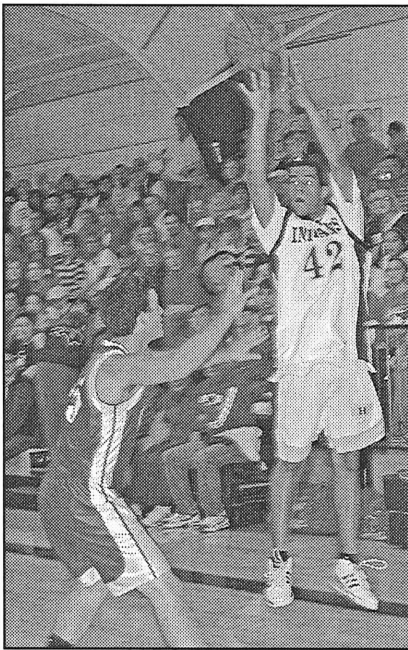
**UP FOR TWO**—Haskell Maiden #23 Ashton Rutkowski goes up for two points as #15 Aerial Thane looks on. The Maidens lost to Coahoma 38-21. Photo by Bill Blankenship



**SCRAMBLES FOR TWO**—Haskell #51 Lacey Peiser scrambles to add two points to the Maidens total in their game against Coahoma. Photo by Bill Blankenship



**LAYUP FOR TWO POINTS**—Haskell Indian #14 Weston Rutkowski adds two points to the Indians 60-46 score against Coahoma. Rutkowski scored 15 points during the game. Photo by Bill Blankenship



**INDIANS WIN DISTRICT**—Haskell Indian #42 D.J. McCulloch adds two points during the game against Coahoma. McCulloch scored 10 points in the game. The Indians face Hawley Friday night. Photo by Bill Blankenship

## McCulloch named Player of the Week

Haskell Indian D.J. McCulloch was named to the Big Country Player of the Week Tues., Jan. 26 by the Abilene Reporter-News.

McCulloch is the 15th-ranked Indians' leading scorer and rebounder. The senior post scored a combined 50 points, 16 boards

and six blocks in wins over Anson and Colorado City.

Named to the honorable mention list were senior guard Travis Adams who scored a combined 32 points in the Anson

and Colorado City games. Also named honorable mention was junior guard John English who has a combined 25 points and 17 rebounds in the Anson and Colorado City games.

### Area Basketball Scores

**Girls**  
Roby 67, Rule 11  
Scoring for Rule: Scheets 6, Petty 2, Muniz 2, Messenger 1.

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Lueders-Avoca 56, Paint Creek 25  
Scoring for Paint Creek: Hall 8, Wagner 7, Wiggley 6, Wolsch 2, Armstrong 2.

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Coahoma 38, Haskell 21  
Scoring for Haskell: Reid 10, Wallace 8.

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**Boys**  
Haskell 67, Stamford 46  
Scoring for Haskell: McCulloch 27, Rutkowski 14, Adams 13, Agraz 6, Guzman 3, Guevarra 2, Rodriguez 2.  
JV: Anson 28, Haskell 20.

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Rule 71, Roby 61  
Scoring for Rule: Spitzer 18, Rincon 16, Pace 16, Wolfe 7, Saucedo 5, Simpson 4, Hall 4, Clark 1.

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Haskell 60, Coahoma 46  
Scoring for Haskell: Rutowski 15, McCulloch 10, English 9.

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**Food Check-Out Week**



**Haskell Dairy Queen and Haskell Co. Farm Bureau**

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**Food Check-Out Week Fri., Feb. 8.**

Based on Agriculture Department statistics, Feb. 3-9 marks the time when average Americans will have earned enough income to pay for their entire year's food supply.

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