

Football

RULE

Rule vs Highland
Fri., Nov. 14, 7:30 p.m.
at Jayton

Basketball

HASKELL

JVG-VG vs Hawley
Fri., Nov. 14, 5 p.m.
at Hawley

7th-8th Girls vs Rotan
Mon., Nov. 17, 5 p.m.
at Rochester

7th-8th Boys vs Rotan
Mon., Nov. 17, 5 p.m.
at Rotan

JVG-VG, JVB-VB vs Colo. City
Tues., Nov. 18, 4 p.m.
at Haskell

PAINT CREEK
VG, VB vs Novice
Fri., Nov. 14, 5:30 p.m.
at Novice

JH at Woodson Tourney
Sat., Nov. 15
JH vs Rule
Mon., Nov. 17, 6 p.m.
at Rule

VG, VB vs Novice
Tues., Nov. 18, 6:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

VG vs Moran
Tues., Nov. 11, 6:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

RULE

VG vs Brookesmith
Sat., Nov. 15, 2 p.m.
at Rule

JVB-VB, VG vs Paducah
Tues., Nov. 18, 5:30 p.m.
at Paducah

Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thanksgiving edition, Thurs., Nov. 27 of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Nov. 20 at 5 p.m.

Stand up

Parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins of active military volunteers will be recognized at the public affairs program of the Progressive Study Club Thurs., Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. All family members are encouraged to stand up for their relatives.

Toy run

The third annual toy run to benefit the Child Welfare Board of Haskell will be held Nov. 15 beginning at 10 a.m. All motorcycle riders will stage at Not-A-Bar in Rule to ride to the CPS building in Haskell to drop off the donations, then return to Rule for refreshments. Toys, clothing, school supplies and personal hygiene items are needed. Do not wrap items. Riders will accept donations from non-riders. Contact Lonnie Rolls at 940-864-8910 for more information.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Nov. 15 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

PTO meeting

The Haskell Elementary PTO will meet Thurs., Nov. 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the Elementary cafeteria. The second and fourth grade classes will provide the entertainment.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Tues., Nov. 18 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at Haskell National Bank. Call 325-670-2798 for more information.

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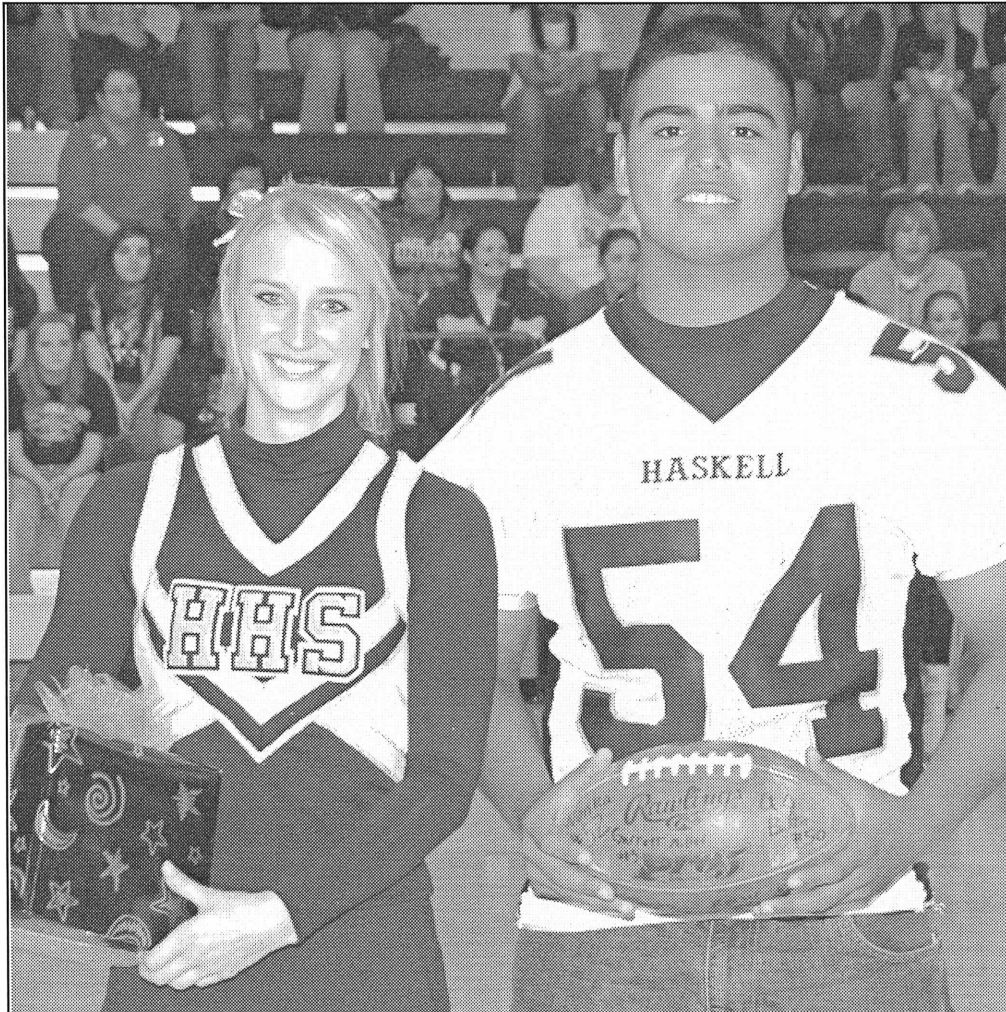
Toy run to be held Saturday morning

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FOOTBALL FAVORITES—Ashton Rutkowski, left, was named Haskell Indian Football Sweetheart and Simon Rodriguez was named Football Hero during a recent Indian pep rally.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Lamp posts offer tribute to loved ones

by Caron Yates

Are you searching for a unique way to honor someone, or perhaps pay tribute to the memory of a loved one? You might consider this idea. Individuals, families or businesses can purchase a lamp post through the Chamber of Commerce office for just such a cause.

If you have driven through Haskell on Highway 380 recently, you may have noticed the new lamp posts which have been installed. This

Haskell Beautification Project, sponsored by the Chamber, was officially kicked off in September of 2007 during homecoming ceremonies.

Approximately forty lights have been, or soon will be, installed east and west through town along the highway and around the courthouse lawn. The purchaser of each light can submit up to four lines of text to be printed on a plaque which will then be attached to the lamp post.

Chamber director Sally

Rueffer said, "Our goal is to have installed all the lamps sold and hold a 'Lighting of Lamps' ceremony to install the plaques, sometime in the spring."

Because it is more economical to order the lamps in groups of twenty, Rueffer stated that they have an ongoing list for those wishing to purchase. The order for the next group will be placed when a sufficient number has been sold.

Placement of future lamp

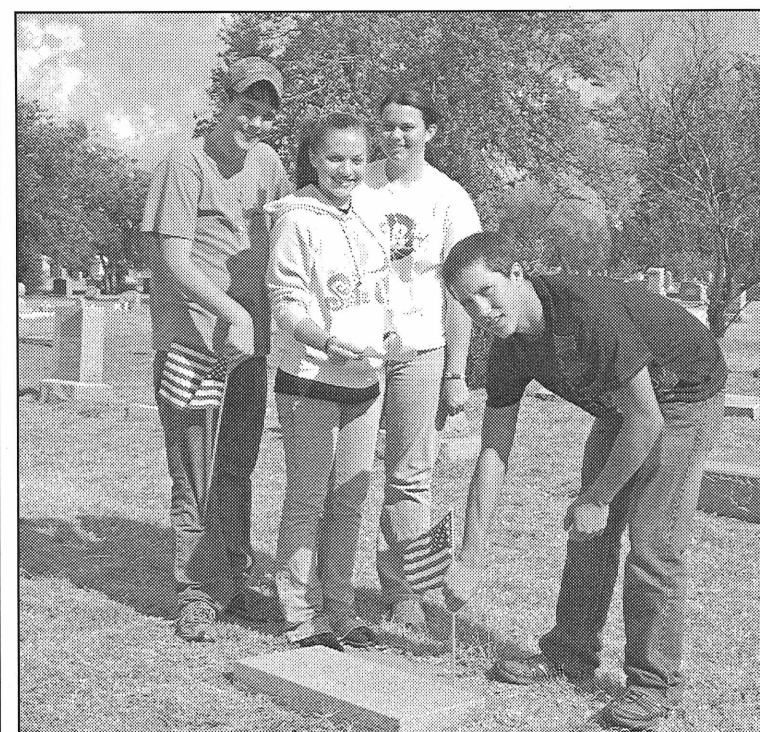
posts will be determined by the availability to tie into meters. Every effort will be made to consider the sponsor's preference when possible.

Although the project is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the city and county have assisted whenever possible. Local businesses have been contracted to install the lights.

The Chamber appreciates Bill Steele at Steele Fire Apparatus for donating his time and expertise in professionally painting each lamp.

The goal of the project is to enhance the beauty of our city and ultimately encourage passersby to stop and see what Haskell has to offer. According to Rueffer, "It has been proven that for every dollar spent locally, it is multiplied seven times over."

Purchasing a lamp post is one way to honor a loved one, help beautify our city, and support our local economy, all at the same time.



VETERANS DAY PROJECT—The World History students of Haskell High School teacher Keith Medford assisted the Haskell Progressive Study Club to accomplish a flag project to mark the gravesites of veterans with flags on Veterans Day at Willow Cemetery. 47 students including, l-r, Nathan Meredith, Codi Foster, Ashlee Short and Christian Myers helped with the project.

Election results

Results of the Nov. 4 general election are:

President and vice-president: John McCain/Sarah Palin, 1,388; Barack Obama/Joe Biden, 699; Bob Barr/Wayne A. Root, 25.

U.S. Senator: John Cornyn, 1,311; Richard J. (Rick) Noreiga, 709; Yvonne Adams Schick, 38.

U.S. Rep. Dist. 13: Mac Thornberry, 1,320; Roger James Waun, 685.

Railroad Commissioner: Michael L. Williams, 933; Mark Thompson, 933; David Floyd, 58.

Chief Justice, Supreme Court: Wallace B. Jefferson, 955; Jim Jordan, 861; Tom Oxford, 62.

Justice Supreme Court, Pl. 7: Dale Wainwright, 972; Sam Houston, 843; David G. Smith, 62.

Justice Supreme Court, Pl. 8: Phil Johnson, 1,085; Linda Reyna Yanez, 728; Drew Shirley, 84.

Judge, Court of Appeals, Pl. 3: Tom Price, 926; Susan Strawn, 905; Matthew E. Eilers, 55.

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Pl. 4: Paul Womack, 1,008; J. R. Molina, 786; Dave Howard, 78.

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Pl. 9: Cathy Cochran, 1,244; William Bryan Strange, III, 241.

State Senator, Dist. 28: Robert Duncan, 1,254; M.J. (Smitty) Smith, 258.

State Rep., Dist. 68: Rick Hardcastle, 1,420.

Justice, 11th Court of Appeals, Pl. 2: Rick Strange, 1,311.

District Attorney, 39th Judicial Dist.: Mike Fouts, 1,601.

County Attorney: Kristen Fouts, 1,573.

Sheriff: David Halliburton, 1,582.

County Tax Assessor-Collector: Bobbye (Guffey) Collins, 1,620.

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: Johnny Scoggins, 409.

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: Kenny Thompson, 366.

Constable: Kim (Guess) Bassett, 1,547.

President Write In: Ron Paul, 3; Chuck Baldwin, 2; Ralph Nader, 2.

Paint Creek senior auction set Nov. 13

The Senior Class at Paint Creek High School will host an auction and chili and cornbread supper Thurs., Nov. 13, in the school cafeteria.

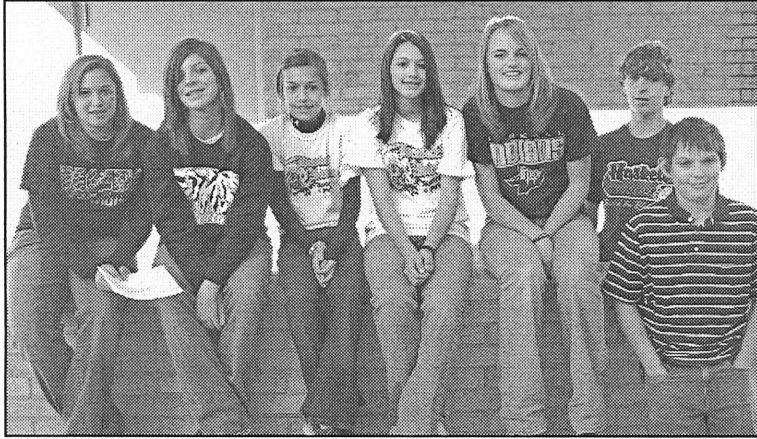
The seniors are gathering donated items or gift certificates from area businesses and organizations to be auctioned and sold to the highest bidder.

For special entertainment prior to the supper, the Paint

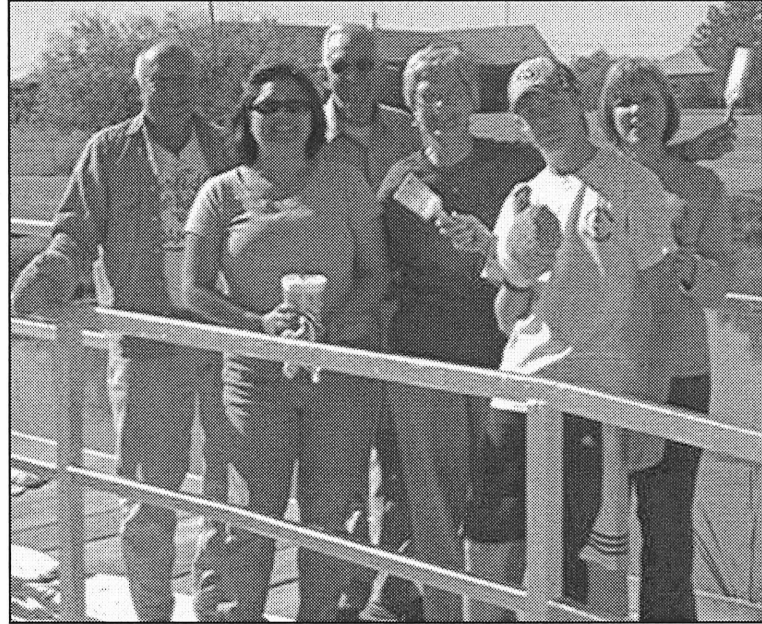
Creek Junior High students will perform their One-Act Play, "Louder, I Can't Hear You" written by Richard Gleason and published by The Dramatic Publishing Company. The play will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the supper being served from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person.

The auction will begin around 6:15 and will conclude when the last item is sold.

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ESSAY WINNERS—Winners of Cathy Bartley's Veterans Day essay contest at Rochester Junior High were, l-r, Emily Fouts, Morgan Frierson, Lucy Carmichael, Meg Glover, Maci Colley, Aaron Waggoner and Aaron Urch.



ROTARY PAINTERS—Members of the Haskell Rotary Club painted the bridge at the park on Saturday. A work in progress, it is hoped to be finished before winter. Those helping, l-r, are Ken Lane, Vera Martinez, president; Bob Smith, Nelda Lane, Jim Young and Penny Anderson.

Calendar

Medical fund

A fund for medical expenses to benefit Beverly Peters Watson has been established at First National Bank in Haskell.

Poinsettias

The Noah Project-North is taking orders for Christmas poinsettias. Cost is \$12.50 each to be delivered the first week in December. To order, call 940-864-2551 or contact any advisory committee member.

Movie night

The Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell is hosting a free movie night Sun., Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. Showing is 'One Night with the King' starring Peter O'Toole and Omar Sharif. The community is invited to attend.

Newsletter

An agriculture newsletter will be produced beginning in February, called Haskell County Ag. To be included on the mailing list, call Wes at the Haskell County Extension office at 940-864-2658.

Fund-raiser

The First Presbyterian Church, 306 N. Ave. E in Haskell, will host a garage/bake sale and luncheon Sat., Nov. 15 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the basement of the church. The meal will start at 11 a.m. and consist of homemade chili, beans, cornbread, crackers, tea and dessert. Cost is \$5. Take outs will be available.

Craft show

Haskell Young Homemakers will host their annual craft show Sat., Nov. 22 at the Civic Center. Space is available but booths are going fast. Call Jacy West at 940-864-5361 or Megan Cox at 940-864-8505 for an entry form or information.

Fall festival

First United Methodist Church will host their annual fall festival Sun., Nov. 16. A traditional Thanksgiving meal will be served following morning worship. A cake and craft auction will follow the meal. Everyone is invited.

Sr. auction

The Paint Creek High School senior class will host an auction and chili and cornbread supper Thurs., Nov. 13 in the school cafeteria. Donated items will be auctioned to the highest bidder. The meal will be served from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The auction will begin at 6:15 p.m. and continue until all is sold. The Junior High students will perform their one act play at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$5.

Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at the Red Rooster restaurant, 1006 S. Ave. E in Haskell, Wed., Nov. 19 at 11:30 a.m. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

Flu shots

The Rule 4-H Club will host a flu shot clinic at the Rule School Library Tues., Nov. 18. Texas Department of Health employees will be administering the shots from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12 noon to 2 p.m. Anyone six months and older will be able to come and get their annual flu shot at that time. Flu vaccine will cost \$10 unless you bring your Medicare or Medicaid cards. Youth 17 years and under must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or a relative over age 18. For more information about the clinic, call the Haskell County Extension office at 940-864-2546 or the Department of State Health Services in Stamford at 325-773-5681.

Thanksgiving service

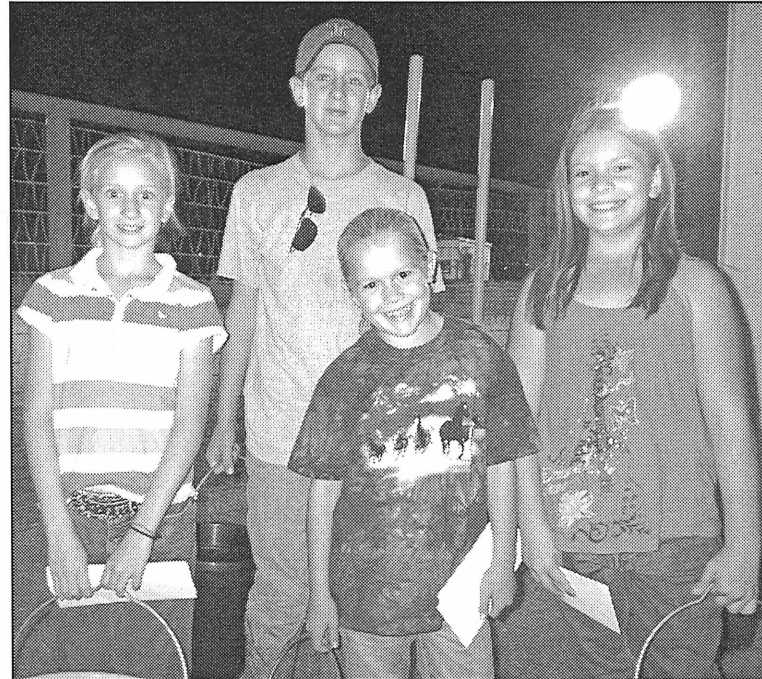
The Haskell Ministerial Alliance will conduct annual Community Thanksgiving Services Sun., Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell.

Noah Project

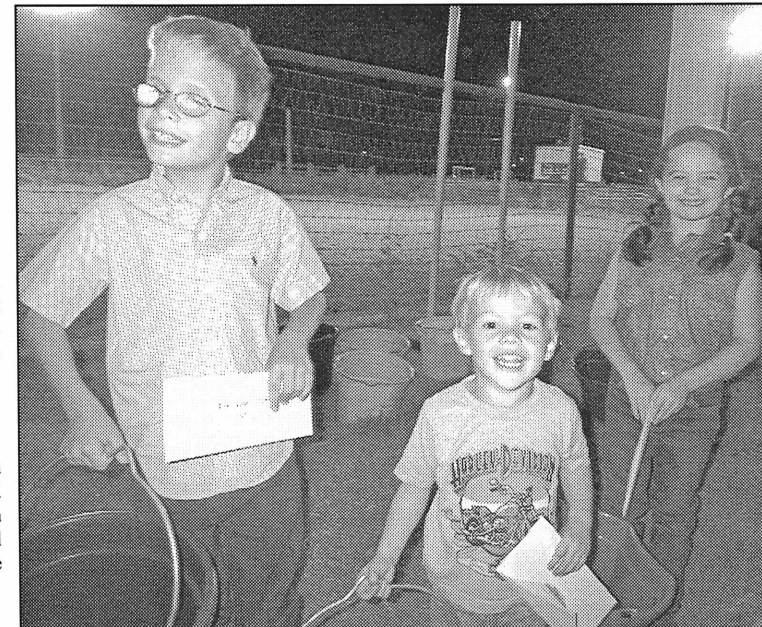
The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., Nov. 14 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell courthouse. All members are asked to attend.

Thanksgiving meal


A traditional Thanksgiving meal will be served Tues., Nov. 25 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Haskell National Community Room for all residents in Haskell County that may not be able to share this traditional meal with their families for whatever reason. The meal and time of Christian fellowship will be provided by a combined effort of your local churches and businesses, coordinates by a group called Christians in Action.



HORSE CLUB WINNERS—Winners in the 9-12 age group during the Haskell Horse Club's 2008 season were, l-r, Kathryn Cude, third place; Ryder Cude, first place; Zhenia McTasney, fourth place; and Victoria Hertel, second place. New officers for the 2009 season are Bran Cude, president; Kevin Hertel, vice president; Carl Hopkins, treasurer; and Kim Hertel, secretary.




HORSE CLUB WINNERS—The Haskell Horse Club completed their final monthly playnight of the season recently. Winners in the 8 and under novice group were, l-r, Wyatt Hertel, first place; Colton Hopkins, third place; and Kelsea Tidrow, second place. Serving as officers for the club during the 2008 season were Jim McTasney, president; Kevin Hertel, vice president; Bran Cude, treasurer; and Kim Hertel, secretary.



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Written By
Rick Rodgers, CPA



ORGANIZE YOUR VITAL RECORDS

Nobody wants to address their own mortality, but knowing that your life is organized in the event of incapacitation or death can be very comforting. You certainly want to spare your family members the sad task of rummaging through all of your drawers and files in order to locate important records and documents.


What type of records should be organized? The list would include the location of any estate planning documents such as wills, trusts, and health care directives. Also include the location of financial records, such as tax returns and deeds or notes. If you have a safe deposit box, provide the location and the keys. If you have made prior funeral arrangements, include those documents.

Account numbers (including any on-line passwords) are important. Make sure that they are provided for all of your bank, savings, credit union, brokerage, and other financial accounts. If you have direct deposits into your checking account (such as a monthly social security check), make sure to disclose that information. You'll also want to make sure that policy numbers for all life, long-term care, home, and liability insurance are listed along with the actual policies. Finally, don't overlook phone numbers for the people with whom you do business, such as your accountant, attorney, financial planner, and insurance agent.

There are many ways to accomplish this task. You can create a list detailing all of this information and where items can be found. Or you can keep the information on your home computer. You might choose to memorialize these details in a letter which is to be sent to loved ones after your death. The best way is the way that makes sense and works for you. Just be sure to update your information at least annually. Don't overlook this important task, not only for your peace of mind but also to ease the burden on your loved ones.

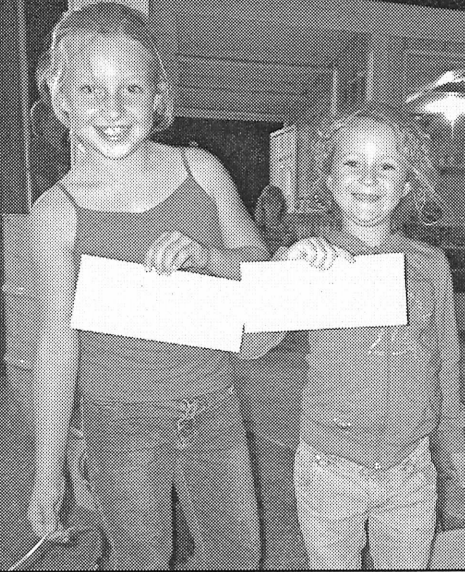
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HORSE CLUB WINNERS—Winners in the 8 and under group of the Haskell Horse Club 2008 season were Bryanne Cude, left, first place and Callie Cude, second place.

EEA Club meets, discusses events

The EEA club met at the Haskell County Extension office Oct. 9 for a regular monthly meeting with fifteen members present. Members answered roll call with "Describe your favorite doll." Joetta Burnett gave the opening exercise.

Members were reminded to turn in their volunteer hours for the state report. Joetta Burnett, Club President, informed members that the state put a monetary value of \$19.00 per hour on volunteer hours. These hours must be related to TEEA activities.

Club members proceeded to discuss the upcoming club year. The year would kick off with an appreciation luncheon honoring the Haskell County Commissioners on Oct. 28.

Discussion turned to the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show to be held Jan. 8-10. Club members

operate a concession stand during the stock show as one of their fund-raisers.

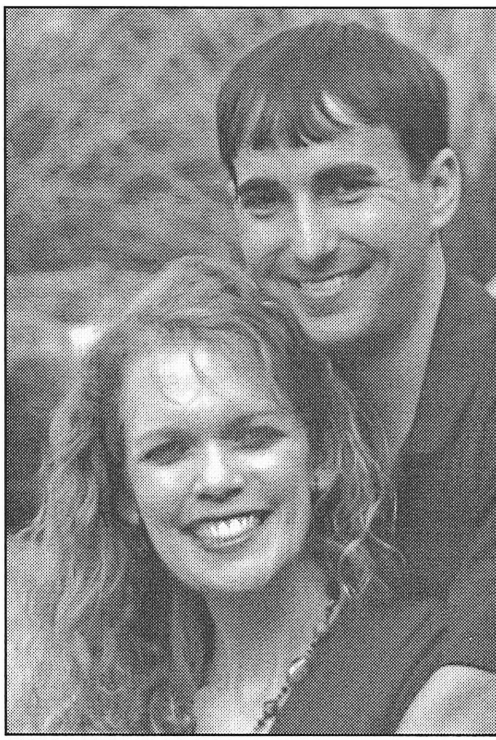
At the Haskell County Health Fair TEEA club members would help with two educational displays. One display would be on diabetes and another on Alzheimer's disease.

It was announced the fall training meeting would be in Jayton Wed., Dec. 3. Haskell County will be in charge of the table decorations.

Refreshments were served by Jane Smith and Joetta Burnett.

The next TEEA meeting held Nov. 13 at 2 p.m.

Anyone interested may come to any meeting of the Haskell County TEEA, all visitors are welcome. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. at the County Extension Office.



TERA DEANNE COOKE - LEE CONNER CHRISTIAN

Cooke, Christian plan March wedding

Terry and Linda Cooke of Pittsford, New York announce the engagement of their daughter, Tera Deanne Cooke of Bedford to Lee Conner Christian of Irving, son of Milton and Melodee Christian of Haskell.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mary Helen Shelton of Baytown, the late Custis C. Shelton of Baytown and the late Edith and Dick Dee Cooke of Hurst. She graduated cum laude from Baylor University in Waco with a bachelor of science degree in education. She was a member of Baptist Student Ministries, Zeta Tau Alpha, Golden Key and Who's Who. She is a first grade teacher with

the Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District.

The prospective bridegroom is the grandson of Lee Roy and Sue Vanderworth of Stamford and the late Conner and Leta Christian of Haskell. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University in College Station, where he received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering and his master of science degree in civil engineering. He was a member of Chi Epsilon. He is a structural engineer for Datum Engineers in Dallas.

The couple plans to marry March 21 at First Baptist Church of Euless, with a reception to follow at the church.

Lodge members meet

The Haskell Lodge #241 Order of the Hermann Sons met in regular session at the Pit 'N Grill for their November meeting.

President Jerry Don Klose presided over the meeting with business following the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Ernest Moeller was enjoying a surprise 75th birthday celebration being held at the Haskell National Bank community room, hosted by his family.

Our seal and charter are now in the genealogy department of the new Haskell Library. Members are encouraged to go by and visit the library and see other articles of interest on display.

Dorothea Monroe will be in charge of the decorations for our December meeting. Christmas and the 100th anniversary of the lodge will be celebrated. Members are asked to bring a gift costing not over \$5.00, to be included in the "Chinese Christmas Exchange."

Our youth have been busy hosting the Farm Bureau with a fish fry, conducting church services and collecting food for the local food bank.

J.R. Merchant reported that his grandson, Brad Merchant, is now serving in Iraq.

The next meeting will be Dec. 7 at the Pit 'N Grill with meeting at 3 p.m. followed by games and a meal.

Dr. McSmith speaks to cancer support group

The bi-monthly meeting of the Haskell Area Cancer Support Group was held Thurs., Nov. 6 with Dr. William McSmith, guest speaker.

Dr. McSmith spoke about many issues of cancer. "There are 9.5 million survivors in the world from cancer. In the 70's, cancer was only a 50% survivor rate after diagnosed, now there is a 65% rate," McSmith said. That is a great outlook these days.

Dr. McSmith gave a lot of examples of things in everyday life that could help with the prevention and after care of cancer. Simple things as eating right and being fit is the best way to start. Most of the time, when cancer is found it is too late to get fit before treatment. "It's not like being pregnant and having nine months to get ready." When most are diagnosed, it is a fast pace to get treatment started. With so many cancers and treatments, no two people will react the same.

When you take your daily vitamin, and on treatment, did you know that could do harm? You should always check with your doctor on any medication you take whether prescription or over the counter. So many medications react different with treatments.

Obesity is one of the highest risk of breast cancer and cancers above the neck.

Colon cancer has its own risk. Easy on red meats, easy on proteins, and saturated fats are helpful for colon cancer patients. Green leafy vegs are a great prevention of colon cancer.

With prostate cancer, omega 3, soy products among many other products improve survival rates.

With any cancer, the right diet and exercise and mental state makes all the difference but then again, that's for any disease.

Check with your doctor and always remember to let your doctor know about entire family history.

Making your daily choice of foods we eat and how many steps we make, can help in any disease. Smoking and second hand smoke is bad for all our bodies.

This time of year, it is very hard on families with cancer members and new cancer patients and their families. You are never alone.

A meal was provided by the men and women of the group. "Thank you very much, First Assembly of God, for allowing us to have a place to meet, and Dr. Mc Smith for speaking to us all," said Hutto.

More information on the Haskell Area Cancer Support Group is available by calling 940-864-5964.

Births

Jennifer and Jason Briles of Graham are announcing the birth of their daughter, Brenna Alise, born Sept. 22 weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. She was 21 inches long.

Big sister, Braylee, helped welcome her home.

Grandparents are Eddie and Teresa Briles of Haskell and Larry and Amanda Chestnut

of Graham. Maternal great grandparents are Eugene and Shirley Rhoads of Rule and the late Dennis and Wanda Briles.

Paternal great grandparents are Lou Hodges and the late Jerry Hodges and B. and Dorothy Chestnut, all of Graham.

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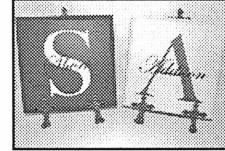
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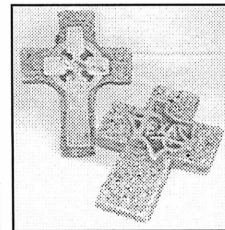
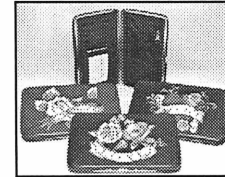
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Obama wins but Republicans hold edge in down ballot races

AUSTIN—America voted and Barack Obama, the junior Democratic U.S. senator from Illinois, was elected the 44th president of the United States on Nov. 4.

The Texas vote went against the grain, producing a 12-point margin (55.5 to 43.8 percent) in favor of U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz. The ballot's eight other candidates for president received a combined total of less than 1 percent of the vote.

Voting maps show President-Elect Obama did something U.S. Sen. John Kerry, the Democratic candidate for president in 2004, could not do in his race against President George W. Bush. Obama won three of the state's four highest-population counties: Harris, Dallas and Bexar. Travis, the state's fifth most populous county, produced a 30 percent margin in favor of Obama.

Texas is a winner-takes-all state in the electoral college, so McCain claimed the Lone Star State's 34 votes: one for each of Texas' 32 congressional seats and two for its Senate seats.

John Cornyn, Texas' junior U.S. senator, held off challenger Rick Noriega, a Democratic state representative from Houston, to win his second six-year term. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas' senior U.S. senator, was not up for reelection this cycle. She has not ruled out a run for governor in 2010.

Five incumbent state representatives were voted out of office: Juan Garcia, D-Corpus Christi, lost to Republican Todd Hunter; Bill Zedler, R-Arlington, lost to Democrat Chris Turner; Dan Barrett, D-Fort Worth, lost to Republican Mark Shelton; Tony Goolsby, R-Dallas, lost to Democrat Carol Kent; and Jim Murphy, R-Houston, lost to Democrat Kristi Thibaut.

Speaker faces list of challengers

State Rep. and current House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, was re-elected to a 20th consecutive term for his district. In 2003, when Craddick was elected to succeed Hale Center Democrat Pete Laney as speaker, the GOP enjoyed a 26-seat advantage, holding 88 seats to the Democrats' 62. The Nov. 4 election left Republicans with a two-seat advantage in the Texas House, with 76 seats to the Democrats' 74.

Craddick's hold on the House gavel is likely to be tested when the 81st regular

session of the Texas Legislature convenes in January. Nine House members have filed as candidates to be speaker.

Craddick's challengers, so far, include three Republicans: Jim Keffer of Eastland, Tommy Merritt of Longview and Delwin Jones of Lubbock; and six Democrats: Pete Gallego of Alpine, Senfronia Thompson, Scott Hochberg and Sylvester Turner, all of Houston, Craig Eiland of Galveston and Allan Ritter of Nederland.

2 new faces due in Texas Senate

Democrats picked up one seat in the upper chamber: Texas Senate Dist. 10 incumbent Kim Brimer, R-Fort Worth, lost to Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth. The race for Senate Dist. 17 - which includes parts of Harris, Fort Bend, Brazoria, Galveston, Chambers and Jefferson counties - is not settled. The winner will be decided in a December runoff between Republican Joan Huffman and Democrat Chris Bell.

Republicans retake District 22

U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, Cong. Dist. 22, lost to Republican Pete Olson. This is the Houston-area seat vacated when former Republican House Majority Leader Tom DeLay resigned in June 2006. The district includes parts of Fort Bend, Harris, Brazoria and Galveston counties.

Combs reshapes tax division

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs renamed her Property Tax Division the Property Tax Assistance Division on Nov. 3.

She also moved it out of her office's Local Government Assistance and Economic Analysis Division and made it a stand-alone division.

Combs said the changes reflect a new emphasis on helping local school districts and county appraisal districts comply with property tax laws and use property appraisal methods "that produce accurate results."

Combs also said she plans revisions to the annual Property Value Study, a measure of taxable value of property within school districts that is used to calculate the amount of funding they receive from the state.

School districts and county appraisal districts that disagree with the results of the study have a right to appeal, Combs said, and added that appeals now will be heard by the State Office of Administrative Hearings instead of by the comptroller's office.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago November 12, 1998

Halee Walton and Casper Phillips were named Paint Creek's Football Hero and Sweetheart.

Deborah Wilson and Jay Louder were named Rule's Football Hero and Sweetheart.

Haskell High School students, Charisse Felty and Veronica Fuentes, visited the Rotary Club.

The Haskell High School class of 1948 held a reunion and planned to meet again in 2003. Out of the class of thirty, four are deceased and twenty-four attended.

Amy Lynette Cunningham of Haskell, daughter of Donald and Denia Cunningham, was enrolled in the Doctor of Pharmacy program at the Texas Tech University health sciences center school of Pharmacy in Amarillo.

Stony Trussell and Michael Rodriguez, both of Haskell, graduated from the correctional officer's training academy at Western Texas College in Snyder.

20 Years Ago November 17, 1988

Kathy Kemp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Kemp, received a BS degree in physical education in recreation from Texas Tech University.

A large crowd attended the arts and crafts sale at the Civic Center, sponsored by the Haskell Young Homemakers.

Haskell Indians Fred Shaw, Bo Watson, Chan Guess, Paul Harvey, Alberto Alvarez, Derrick Billington, Roger Rowe and Rodney Johnson made the all-district team.

Herbert and Dora Kretschmer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Suzanne Starr encouraged members of the Brazos West Art Association to learn the art of calligraphy during their regular meeting.

30 Years Ago November 16, 1978

Marine Private Willie A Marshall, son of Cutie V. Marshall, and Marine Private Gilberto Gonzales, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Gonzales, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, California.

Paint Creek ISD has been designated as a test center for the National Engineering Aptitude Search sponsored by Junior Engineering Technical Society.

40 Years Ago November 14, 1968

Mrs. O.E. Linton announced the opening of Randall's Flower and Gift Shop.

E.W. Pruet was honored with a service recognition dinner for 20 years of service to the General Telephone Company.

Sgt. Lacey Suggs, Jr., of Tabor City, North Carolina visited in the home of his

sister, Mrs. Willie Buerger and family.

Anderson Tire Company is having a "grand opening."

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated four accidents on rural highways in Haskell County during the month of October.

50 Years Ago November 13, 1958

Alta McGuire, a graduate of Weinert High School, has been elected to be included in the list of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

John Kimbrough, A&M All-American, has been voted into the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCurley returned home after a visit with relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hester, Eddie, Gene, Mr. and Mrs. Waymond McBroom and Lisa spent the weekend in Sherman visiting Janice Hester.

Larry D. Allred, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Ark C. Allred, is serving with Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron in Puerto Rico.

100 Years Ago November 14, 1908

Throckmorton County farmers sold 34 bales of cotton to Alexander Mercantile Company.

T.N. Young, L.L. Harris and SC. Hawes, trustees of the Lone Star school district, were in town looking after the matter of issuing bonds to build a schoolhouse.

McNeill & Smith Hardware Company received two carloads of farm implements. Will Lowrey is making improvements on his property one mile northwest of the courthouse.

The cotton crop is short over most of Haskell County. In some places the frost checked the growth in September, and in October it killed the cotton and very little of it will open.

Virgil Hudson shipped three cars of cattle to Fort Worth.

USDA announces amended Farm Bill Provisions and new sign up deadline

Owners and operators of farms with 10 or fewer base acres now have the opportunity to receive payments for the 2008 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program. On Oct. 13, President George W. Bush signed a bill that made amendments to the 2008 Farm Bill.

These amendments apply to farms with crop acreage bases of 10 acres or less. These changes and clarifications allow some producers more flexibility in farming practices and create new sign-up opportunities with new deadlines for some farms. The amendments also apply to the new Supplemental Revenue Assistance (SURE) Program.

10-Base Acre Limit Changes

As originally enacted under the 2008 Farm Bill, direct and counter-cyclical payments (DCP) could not be made with respect to farms with crop acreage bases of 10 acres or less. The new law makes that provision inapplicable for the 2008 crop year. Related to this, producers on a farm with 10 acres or less of base may now, under the new law, enroll their farms until Nov. 26, 2008, in the 2008 DCP program. This extension of the original Sept. 30 deadline only applies to producers who were previously excluded because of the minimum acreage requirement. USDA began issuing payments to producers on farms with 10 base acres or less who had already enrolled in the DCP program soon after the President signed the new law.

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will now resume allowing reconstitutions for

farms with 10 acres of base or less according to normal reconstitution rules and policy. Eligible producers may sign up for DCP at any FSA office or enroll on the FSA website at: www.fsa.usda.gov/dcp click on Access eDCP Services.

Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program (SURE) Changes

Under SURE in the 2008 Farm Bill, producers seeking disaster benefits must generally have obtained crop insurance or coverage under the Non-insured crop disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for all crops on all farms. Under the new law (P.L. 110-398), producers with crops that had 2009 crop insurance sales closing dates before Aug. 14, 2008, may pay a fee through Jan. 12, 2009, to participate in SURE. Producers may make their SURE participation fee payments to their local FSA office at this time.

The SURE program fee is equal to the fee for catastrophic coverage. Payment of the SURE program fee will not make the producer eligible for insurance coverage.

Producers also have a new minimum loss threshold under SURE. Under the new law, to qualify for payments, there must be a production loss of at least 10 percent for at least one crop of economic significance on the farm.

Under the SURE program, the new law provides that when a second crop is planted after the first crop was prevented from being planted, or if such first crop failed, the second planting will not count toward the SURE program guarantee or total farm revenue. This is true except in areas where

New pastor to be installed in Sagerton

The Rev. Dr. Keith Palmquist of Plano will be installed as pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton Sun., Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. His wife, Mary Smith Palmquist was a nurse practitioner with Dr. Robert Thomas in Plano.

Pastor Palmquist has previously served congregations in Calhoun County, Houston, Denton, Vernon and Wichita Falls.

The Rev. Ron Rennegarbe, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Haskell, Dean of the Rolling Plains Conference of the Lutheran Church will officiate at the installation.

The public is invited. A reception will follow the installation.

Crime of the Week

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for the break-in at the Dollar General Store in Anson in the early morning of Mon., Nov. 3.

Anyone with information about this crime is encouraged to call the Crime Stopper tip line at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). All callers will remain anonymous.

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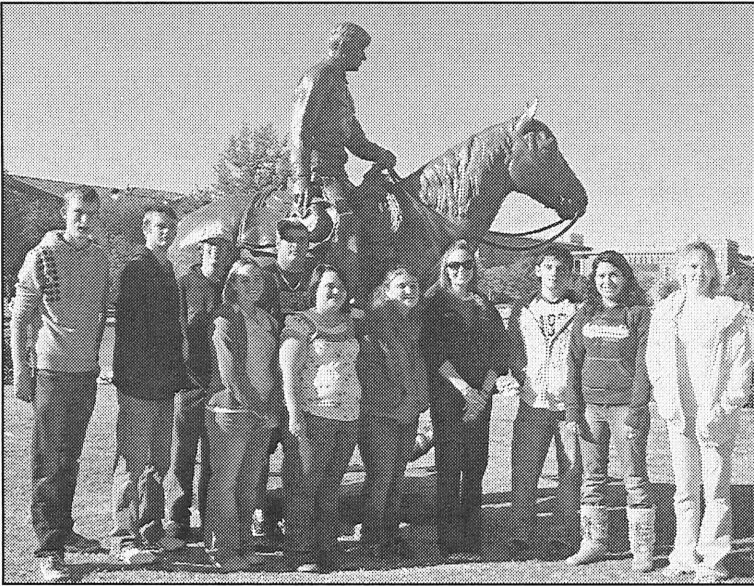
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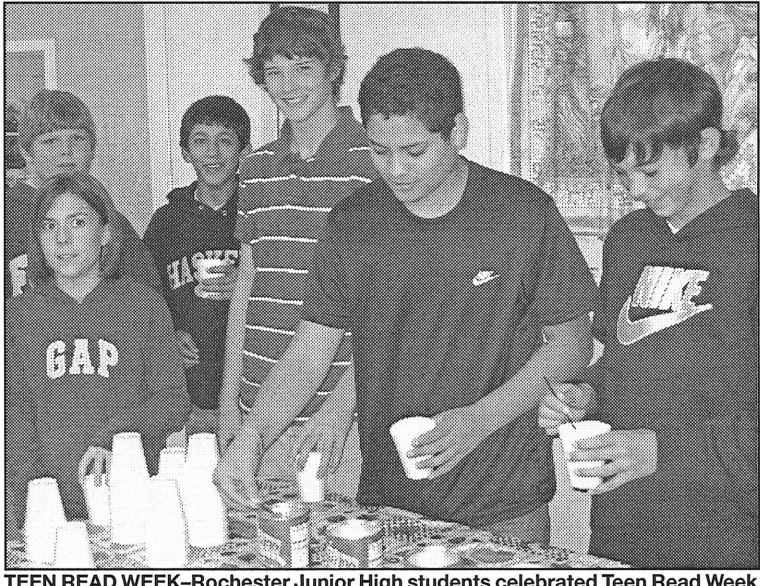
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TOUR COLLEGES—The seniors at Paint Creek recently visited and toured the Texas Tech and South Plains College campuses. Those pictured are, l-r, Jens Schoemaker, James Groves, Caleb Whitfield, Lacey Stephens, Brett Siegfried, Sidney Jordan, Ariel Blair, Erica (tour guide), Josh Ramirez, Samantha Lopez and Amber Gilbreath.



TEEN READ WEEK—Rochester Junior High students celebrated Teen Read Week Oct. 14-15 with a cup of cappuccino or hot chocolate as they browsed the library shelves for books to check out. Scooping up a sweet treat to enjoy are students, l-r, Shawn Duncan, Ashley Adams, Shayne Whitt, Brett Shelton, Adrian Alexander and Cannon Edwards.

Teen Read Week celebrated

Teen Read Week is a national event during October when school and public libraries across the country promote reading and literacy for teens through special activities.

Teen Read Week was celebrated at Rochester Junior High Oct. 14-15, and at Haskell High School Oct.

23-24. On those days in the respective libraries, English classes enjoyed a cup of cappuccino or hot chocolate as they browsed through the library shelves for books to check out. Everyone on each campus was invited to come in and enjoy the cappuccino bar served by the librarians and helpful volunteers.

Students look forward to this time each year when they can come to the library for refreshments and reading material and celebrate all the great books for teens.

The official Teen Read Week date this year was Oct. 12-18, and the theme was Books With Bite at Your Library.



CRIMESTOPPERS DONATION—Johnnie Cockerell, third from the left, representing Sam's Club, presents a check for \$1,000 to Clear Fork Crime Stoppers Board members, l-r, Bobby Russell of Albany, Lynn Gibson of Roby and Bill Nemir of Haskell.

Cities show increase in sales tax receipts

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs says the state collected \$1.73 billion in sales tax revenue in October, up 5.2 percent compared to October 2007.

"Sales tax collections grew in the first two months of fiscal 2009, however, at slower rates than generally seen over the past three years," Combs said.

Combs distributed \$548.3 million in November sales tax rebates to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts. Local sales tax allocations are up 4.4 percent compared to November 2007.

Combs sent Texas cities \$373.8 million in sales tax allocations, up 4 percent compared to November 2007. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 5.2 percent compared to the same time period last year. Texas counties received November sales tax allocations of \$33 million, up 8.7 percent compared to one year ago.

October state sales tax collections and November sales tax allocations to local governments represent September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by monthly tax filers and July, August and September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by quarterly tax filers.

Haskell County had a 14.25 percent increase for November 2008 of \$40,700.17 in comparison to \$35,620.80 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$405,611.17 reflect a 8.60 percent increase over 2007 payments to date of \$373,488.04.

The City of Haskell had a 14.64 percent increase for November 2008 of \$37,003.84 in comparison to \$32,278.08 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$375,539.12 reflect a 13.09 percent increase over 2007 payments to date of \$332,046.11.

The City of O'Brien had a 47.97 percent increase for November 2008 of \$182.25 in comparison to \$123.16 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$1,026.81 reflect a 10.88 percent decrease over 2007 payments to date of \$1,152.19.

The City of Rochester had a 4.33 percent increase for November 2008 of \$885.66

in comparison to \$848.86 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$6,446.70 reflect a 8.36 percent increase over 2007 payments to date of \$5,948.99.

The City of Rule had a 13.46 percent increase for November 2008 of \$2,218.10 in comparison to \$1,954.80 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$19,148.29

reflect a 1.30 percent increase over 2007 payments to date of \$18,902.45.

The City of Weinert had a 1.34 percent decrease for November 2008 of \$410.32 in comparison to \$415.90 for November 2007. 2008 payments to date of \$3,450.25 reflect a 77.65 percent decrease over 2007 payments to date of \$15,438.30.

Autumn tempts fire ants out of colonies

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

Autumn is in full swing across the country with cooler day and night temperatures to tempt fire ants out of their colonies. Fire ants are more active in the spring and autumn when daytime temperatures are down and the scorching sun is at a minimum.

With more activity, the risk of stings and mounds increases.

Soil located near moist areas typically houses fire ant colonies. They usually are not visible since fire ants often live under logs, rocks, bricks, landscape timbers, or pavement. If the colonies are located in open spaces, then the telltale mound is definitely visible.

Homeowners and nature lovers enjoy the great outdoors even more when they keep the following fire ant-free tips in

mind:
•Stay away from piles of leaves. Resist the urge to jump in because fire ants may be present

•Wear long pants and socks when venturing out into the pumpkin patch

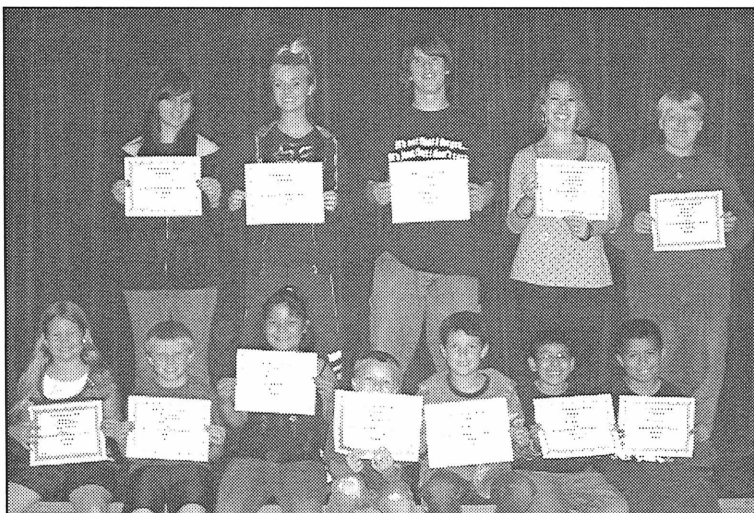
•Brush fire ants off quickly; do not smack them off of your skin or clothing

•Steer clear of visible fire ant colonies

•Keep close watch on pets. Check pet fur for fire ants before Fido enters your home

•Check clothing and children's clothing before heading indoors for a cup of hot apple cider—fire ants can hop a ride on your sweatshirt and become an unwelcome houseguest!

Do not feel like a prisoner in your own home. Instead, enjoy the brisk air of autumn by practicing effective fire ant prevention.



CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT—Paint Creek students are participating in character development this school year with a designated character theme for each month. Respect was the theme for October. The students selected by the staff as those demonstrating positive character for October were, front row, l-r, Catherine Lemond, Clayton Richardson, Natividad Ipinia, Dawson Conn, Tanner Booe, Brandon Luevano, Jarrett Lopez; and back row, Sina Lafere, Katrina Buerger, Caleb Whitfield, Shana Armstrong and Justin Bailey. Not pictured is Cheyenne Buerger.



CREW TRAVELS TO HURRICANE IKE—Big Country Electric Co-op (BCEC) service men and equipment were dispatched to Bowie-Cass Electric Co-op in Douglassville to help restore power to residents affected by Hurricane Ike. The crew left on Sept. 15 and traveled to Bowie-Cass E.C. and then on to Houston County Electric Co-op. Work in the wooded areas of Crockett County was a real challenge for the BCEC crew. Miles of broken and missing cable was the main concern of crews. "We had to replace only seven broken poles, but conductors had to be replaced everywhere we went," said crew leader Frank McLen. The BCEC crew returned Sept. 24. Crew members, l-r, are Joe Baez, Pat Pierce, Arron Duniven, Jeremy McArthur and Frank McLen.

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VETERANS REMEMBERED—The Progressive Study Club's veteran gravesite flag project was implemented by 47 World History students from Haskell High School including, l-r, Angelica Gonzalez, Ariel Foreman and Meagan Kimbrough.

Paint Creek School Menu

November 17-21 Breakfast	Friday: Pancakes Lunch	sweet potatoes, green beans, gravy, rolls, dessert
Juice and Milk are served daily.	Milk is served daily.	
Monday: French toast	Monday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, peas, gravy, rolls, pudding	Thursday: Chicken fajitas, rice, broccoli and cheese, tortillas, fruit
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy	Tuesday: Nachos, salad, fruit	Friday: Corndogs, fries, beans, rice crispy bars
Wednesday: Donuts	Wednesday: Turkey, dressing,	
Thursday: Toast or cereal		

Haskell School Menu

November 17-21

Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Banana nut muffin, animal crackers
Tuesday: Pig in a blanket
Wednesday: Cereal, cheez-its
Thursday: Breakfast on a stick
Friday: Sausage, biscuit, egg

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: Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, breadstick, pineapple tidbits
Tuesday: Roasted turkey, giblet gravy, combread dressing, green beans, candied yams, hot bread, fruit salad
Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza pocket, corn, baby carrots with ranch, pudding cup
Thursday: Beef and vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich, grapes
Friday: Barbeque on a bun, pickle spears, curly fries, orange slices

Students visit Rotary Club



LACEY STEPHENS

Lacey Stephens is the daughter of Sharon and Winston Stephens of Haskell. At Paint Creek High School, she is involved in FFA, basketball, One Act Play and is a member of the National Honor Society. She is ranked second in her class and has served as class office for three years. She is a nominee for Who's Who in leadership, and a member of the state One Act Play semi-finalists. She enjoys playing basketball. She would like to attend college and become a math teacher.

In the Service

PFC Escobedo, Santos M., 19, of Anton graduated from United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego Nov. 5. PFC Escobedo successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD San Diego as one of 87 recruits in Training Platoon 2102; while in basic training PFC Escobedo became one of five Platoon Squad Leaders and was awarded Sharp Shooter in Fire Team.



PFC SANTOS ESCOBEDO Anton; grandson of Lina Diaz of Haskell and Reyes and Valentina Morales of Temple; and brother of Myles and Mia Diaz of Anton. He is the nephew of Leroy Diaz, Irma D. Summers, Angie Jackson, Gabino Morales, Ray Morales and Carlos Moralez.

Following twenty days home leave he will report to Camp Pendleton for one month at Military Combat Training then Military Occupation Specialty School. PFC Escobedo will be stationed at unknown PDS following training. PFC Escobedo is the son of Ruben and Rosie Diaz of

Incumbents win PC ISD board election

Results of the Paint Creek ISD school board election are: Place 1, Bruce Waters; Place 3, Brenda Reel; Place 4, Gina Buerger; and Place 5, Randy Emert.

Paint Creek School seeks G/T students

Paint Creek ISD offers a Gifted and Talented (G/T) program in addition to regular education programming for grades K-12. The G/T program is designed to meet the needs of students demonstrating exceptional skills in academic and creative areas. To nominate a child for this screening, come by the office at Paint Creek School Wed., Nov. 12 to Tues., Nov. 25 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. and pick up a G/T nomination packet. Nominations will be accepted until 3:30 p.m. Tues., Nov. 25. For further information, contact Valiene Bullinger during school hours at 940-864-2868.

This Week's Devotional Message:



FAITH ENCOURAGES US TO BE WILLING TO COMPROMISE

Whenever some major problem is debated, both sides tend to go to extremes in their efforts to solve it. Most of these arguments have been in the areas of foreign policy, economics and criminal justice, and the latest one is the environment. Some people are convinced that our planet is doomed unless we mend our ways immediately, while others dismiss all environmental

concerns as just political hogwash. Perhaps the answer lies somewhere in the middle, and undoubtedly we could all use a little more common sense and restraint. At our house of worship, we learn to "love our neighbor," so we should be willing to have open-minded discussions of these problems that could have such a profound effect on all of our lives.

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 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell	Greater Independent Baptist Church Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
Christian Church Richard Barr, minister Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, 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
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	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
Trinity Lutheran Church Ron Rennegarbe, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, 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
Iglesia Bautista El Calvario Art Flores, Interim pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 607 S. 7th, 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
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	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
First Assembly of God Rev. J.C. Amburn Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell	—WEINERT— First Baptist Church Dan Bullock, pastor Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert
St. George Catholic Church Father George Roney Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell	Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Robert Harrison Sunday 11 a.m. Weinert
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	—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 Presbyterian Church Kelly Pigott, interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell	First Baptist Church Joseph Barrett, pastor Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.; Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester
Trinity Baptist Church Larry White, pastor Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p. 114 S. Ave. D, Haskell	Union Chapel Baptist Church Clovis Dever Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Rochester
Hopewell Baptist Church Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell	—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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Rule School Menu

November 17-21	Milk is served daily.
Breakfast Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Monday: Cereal (2) Tuesday: Pancakes (2), waffle syrup cup Wednesday: Sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, grape jelly, strawberry jam Thursday: French toast, waffle syrup cup Friday: Rice, cinnamon toast	Monday: Scrodde, cole slaw, potato salad, hush puppies Tuesday: Homeade burritos, lettuce and tomato salad, refried beans Wednesday: Baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, green peas, hot rolls Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, corn coblette, garlic bread Friday: Hamburger, burger salad, oven fries, orange half
Lunch	

ECC Menu

Mon., November 17 Lunch—Porkie meatballs and tomato gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, yeast rolls, lemon cake, tea, or coffee Wed., November 19 Lunch—Chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, cranberries, yeast rolls,	cobbler, tea, or coffee Fri., November 21 Lunch—Sausage and kraut, macaroni and cheese, pinto beans, sliced onions, garlic toast, strawberry cake, tea, or coffee Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.
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HOUSE FOR SALE: 4 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Moving sale: Living room suite, odds and ends, piano. Sat., Nov. 15. 106 S. Ave. H. 46c

FOUR FAMILY garage sale: Fri., Nov. 14, 1:00 to 5:00 and Sat., Nov. 15, 8:00 to 12 noon. Tools, 5th wheel tailgates, chrome sunfighter, antiques, Coca Cola ice chest, mens', ladies', small junior, kids' and baby clothes, home décor, lots of stuff. 429 S. Ave K East, Paint Creek Highway, in the barn. 46c

TOOL SALE: Sat., Nov. 15, 2 to 4 p.m. 701 N. Ave. E. Sears Craftsman: saws, socket sets, grinders, tool chests, work bench, etc. List posted on garage door. 46p

GARAGE SALE: 305 N. Ave. D. Sat. 8 to 1. Girls 5-6 clothes. 46p

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Bids will be opened November 21, 2008 in the Commissioners' Court Room at 9 a.m. Bids will be presented to Commissioners' Court at the next scheduled meeting after November 21, 2008.

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Dist/Div: Abilene
Contract 6032-45-0001 for LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE in STONEWALL County, etc. will be opened on December 17, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$27,528.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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INDIANS ON THE MOVE—Haskell Indian #30 James Williams fends off a Roby Lion in an effort to gain yardage in the Friday night season ending game for the Indians. The Indians defeated the Lions by a score of 38 to 26. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Indians end season with a win

The Haskell Indians closed out the 2008 football season on a winning note to the tune of 38 to 26 over the Roby Lions. The Indians were in control from the start, taking the opening possession of the football some 57 yards in 8 plays. Running back James Williams got the 38 yard TD pass. The two point conversion try failed, however, the Indians were on the board at the 8:22 mark of the first quarter, 6 to 0.

Haskell would score three times during the second quarter of play. Quarterback Tyler Rodriguez would get his first touchdown on a 30 yard run. The 'touch' came on the Indians first possession of the second quarter. Again, the two point conversion try failed. Haskell's first score of the second quarter came with 5:38 showing on the clock.

Williams got his second touchdown of the evening only 27 seconds later on a one yard run. The PAT kick by A.J. Benton was good to put Haskell ahead 19-0. Things

were looking real sweet for Haskell as they added another tally on a 44 yard pass play from Quarterback Tyler Rodriguez to receiver Steven Fillmon. The two point conversion failed again. Haskell held a commanding lead, 25 to 0 toward the close of the first half.

The Lions of Roby were down but not out as they scored on a five yard run with only 1:01 left to go in the first half of play. The PAT two point conversion failed. As the half played out, it seemed as if the Indians would score again but their pass was intercepted and the pigskin raced some 96 yards for a score as the clock ran out. The two point conversion try failed. The score at intermission was Haskell 25, Roby 12.

The Indians continued to control the game as they scored on their first possession of the third quarter. Rodriguez scored his second rushing touchdown of the evening on a 27 yard run. The PAT kick was no good. Roby got on the

scoreboard again on a 17 yard run and pass successfully for the two point conversion to put the score at 31 to 20 in favor of the Indians.

Both teams would score in the fourth and final quarter of play. Quarterback Tyler Rodriguez would get a 28 yard touchdown run for his third rushing touchdown. Kicker Benton would add the PAT kick to put the Indians up 38 to 20 with 6:09 to play in this final district 11-A game. Roby had the final score of the evening on a 2 yard run, but the two point conversion failed. Final score on this chilly football evening was Haskell 38, Roby 26.

The Indians finished their 2008 season with a 3 and 7 record overall, a 2 and 3 record for district 11-A. The Indians had 42 rushes for 346 yards. Quarterback Tyler Rodriguez got 161 yards on 16 carries, three touchdowns and had a 44 yard touchdown pass play. Williams, running back, got 158 yards on 14 carries with two touchdowns. Running back Jonathan Martinez had 9 rushes for 24 yards. Tony Trevino had two rushes for 4 yards and Kelson Agüero had -1 yard on one carry. Rodriguez had three pass attempts for 50 yards for two completions and one interception. Receiver Fillmon had one catch for 44 yards and a 'touch.'

The 7th Warriors defeated Jim Ned 28 to 6, while the 8th Warriors beat Roby 42 to 0. Football is over for the Indians for this season and already the cry is wait until next year!

Honor roll treat provided by Richardson's True Value.

Haskell honor roll

Haskell High School has released the names of those students listed on the A and A-B honor rolls for the second six weeks of the school year.

Included are:
Ninth grade: A honor roll, Lynna Billington, Garrett Brueggeman, Claire Carmichael, Lisa Hibbitts, Jasmine Klose, Kymbre Kupatt, Krista McLemore and Mackenzie Thomas; A-B honor roll, Ryan Baumbach, Jose DeLeon, Sara Duncan, John Gardner, Paige Glover, Brady Leach, Kelli Ozuna, Kathleen Rivera, Andrew Rodriguez, Stewart Ulrich, Sasha Walker, Zach Wyrick and Jimmy Young.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Amber Allen, Codi Foster, Cheslee Hearn, Nathan Meredith, Ricky Molina, Jessica Rodriguez, Ashlee Short and Crystal Wright; A-B honor roll, Leslie Crosson, Bailey Fillmon, Angelica Gonzales, Denise Hibbitts, Meagan Kimbrough, Marissa McGhee, Christian Myers, Rebecca Ortega, Sydney Saucedo, Dawn Skinner, Tony Trevino, Pamela Walker, Sara Weise and James Wittenborn.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Aubrey Bassett, Veronica Benton, Brooke Bullinger, Ethan Frierson, Miranda Johnson and Lisa Rodgers; A-B honor roll, Lealonn Alvarez, Dustin Andersen, Andrew Benton, Jordan Burson, Freddie Estrada, Amanda Kong, Cody McLemore, Ashley Meier, Fabio Meier, Tyler Reese, Scottie Rodriguez, Shambrie Rodriguez, Tyler Rodriguez, Brië Torres, Breanna Villa, Kayce Wilcox, James Williams and Lasse Windeck.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Paige Adams, Molly Agraz, John English, Steven Fillmon, Kimie Hutchinson, Hope Reid,

Samantha Rodriguez, Shayla Session and Aerial Thane; A-B honor roll, Jordan Bartlett, Pedro Castillo, Haley Chavez, Kitty Cheung, Laura Garcia, Shelbey Hagle, Taylor Hull, Jonathan Martinez, Lauren Newton, Roccio Reyes, Jacob Rodriguez, Selina Rodriguez, Tommy Rodriguez, Ashton Rutkowski and Hanna Wallace.



HEALTH FAIR—Members of the Haskell Hospital Auxiliary held a bake sale during the annual Health Fair held Thurs., Nov. 6 at the Haskell Memorial Hospital Educational Building. Helping with the booth were, l-r, Don Kreger, Debbie Kreger and Ruby Martin. Vendors of health related services and a flu clinic was held during the event. Officials registered 376 in attendance and the hospital reported 202 flu shots given.

Doyle High remembers Haskell friends and blessings

by Caron Yates

It has been ten years ago this week, since Haskell resident Roberta High, suddenly passed away. Like many others who have experienced such a loss, former Haskell businessman Doyle High says, "It was the day my life changed forever."

Knowing that death is an absolute part of living, doesn't always make it easy to accept. However, for those left behind, living must continue.

Doyle High, who formerly owned The Drug Store, wanted to reach out to his friends in Haskell and let them know what the past ten years of "continuing to live" has held for him.

In October of 2000, High sold his drug store to Lonnie Meredith, and later that same year married Bettie Bowen of Abilene. High states, "I feel like the most blessed man in the world to have experienced two good marriages. Although completely different, one to a 'High Maintenance Woman' and one to a 'Low Maintenance Woman,' both are equally good."

The Highs, both pharmacists, bought Oates

Drug Store in 1969, moved to Haskell and became active members of the community. While in Haskell, High was instrumental in establishing the Educational Foundation, which still funds innovative projects for selected classroom teachers each year. High says, "I have a lot of good memories of owning that drug store in Haskell for thirty years, and raising our children in the small town environment."

In recent years, those children have added to the blessings with five grandchildren. Kirk and Laura High live in Fort Worth where both work as financial and investment consultants. They have three daughters, four year old twins Reagan and Katie, and two year old Olivia. Holli and Mike Hiddessen have two sons, six year old Mitchell and four year old Luke. They live in Temecula, California, where he flies internationally for UPS.

High has served on the Texas State Board of Pharmacy for the past nine years, although he recently rotated off. He presently serves as president of Lone Star RX, which is a

buying co-op of one hundred fifty independent pharmacies. He also does financial consulting with independent pharmacies. He, of course, continues to help and support young people interested in becoming a pharmacist.

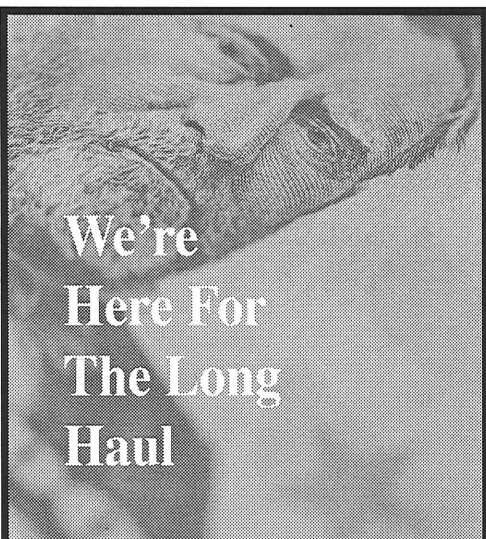
Since moving to Austin in 2003, Doyle and Bettie have been busy with volunteer work, as well as being involved with the activities of their church. Bettie is currently co-chairman of a fund-raiser that hopes to raise close to a half million dollars for the Settlement Home in Austin, a home for girls who can no longer live at home.

High is still making his cross country bicycle ride each summer with friends and has now ridden his bicycle in all fifty states. Always the story teller, he is writing a book of his "stories" for his grandchildren.

While reminiscing, High said, "Haskell was very good to me and my family and will always have a special place in my heart. I appreciate the business, love and support more than you will ever know."

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