

## Softball

**HASKELL**  
JV in Breckenridge  
Tournament  
March 11-13  
at Breckenridge  
V vs Loraine Dbl. Header  
Fri., March 12, 5 p.m.  
at Haskell  
V in Eula Tournament  
March 12-14 at Eula

## Baseball

**HASKELL**  
Haskell vs Knox City  
Tues., March 16, 1 p.m.  
at Haskell

## Track

**HASKELL**  
JH at Roscoe Meet  
Thurs., March 11  
V at Roscoe Meet  
Sat., March 13  
**PAINT CREEK**  
V at Cow Country Relays  
Fri., Mar. 12 at Throckmorton  
**RULE**  
VB/VG at Jayton Meet  
Fri., March 12

## Calendar

### Spaghetti lunch

The youth of the First Baptist Church in Haskell will host a spaghetti lunch fund-raiser Sun., March 14 beginning at noon at the church. Proceeds help the youth attend camp.

### Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at the Red Rooster restaurant, 1006 S. Ave. E in Haskell, Wed., March 17 at 11:30 a.m. Don Bridges, legislative chairman will speak. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

### Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., March 11 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room to car pool to Benjamin where a tour of their museum will be held pertaining to an 'Old West Outing' at which time the club will observe Texas Heritage-Americanism. Following the tour the group will adjourn to the home of Janoma Stephens for refreshments.

### Garage sale

Haskell Heroes is getting ready for their community wide garage sale and needs your stuff. Clean out and get rid of your treasures. Drop off at 1307 N. Ave F or call 256-2509 for pick up. Deadline is April 2.

### Cowboy breakfast

The annual cowboy breakfast will be held Sun., March 28 with breakfast served at 7 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall in Haskell. Donnell Brown of Throckmorton will bring a devotional at 8 a.m. with music brought by the Wittenborns of Haskell.

### Easter contest

Rule City Hall is sponsoring an Easter Egg Decorating Contest for early childhood through fifth grade students. Children should go by Rule City Hall, pick up a foam Easter egg, decorate it and return it to City Hall before March 24. Each participant will receive a surprise just for entering. Winners will be chosen March 26. Prizes will be given to one boy and one girl from each grade for the best decorated egg.

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# Daylight Savings Time starts this weekend

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## Indians, Maidens named to All-District teams

by Caron Yates

Although the Haskell Indians and Maidens basketball season has come to an end, recognition of their efforts is still coming.

The Maidens, who ended the season as Bi-District champs, placed five on the District 9-A Division I All District team. For the second year, senior Aubrey Bassett

was voted the district's Most Valuable Player.

All District first team honors went to senior Lisa Rodgers, junior Ashlee Short and senior Brië Torres. Kayce

Wilcox, senior, was named to the All District second team.

Equally impressive is the naming of the Academic All District honors. The entire Haskell Maidens Varsity

squad was recognized for this achievement. Receiving the award were seniors Lealonnie Alvarez, Aubrey Bassett, Jordan Burson, Miranda Johnson, Lisa Rodgers, Brië Torres and Kayce Wilcox.

Juniors Cheslee Hearn, Harley James, Marissa McGhee and Ashlee Short were also named to the Academic All District team.

The Indians placed four players on the District 9-A All District team. Named to the second team were juniors Simon Rodriguez and Christian Myers. Senior Austin Marshall and junior Ross Wittenborn received honorable mention honors.

## Glass resigns

In a letter addressed to Chief of Police Steven Grand and released to the Haskell Free Press by City Administrator Brandon Anderson, City Police Officer Bill Glass offered his resignation as a peace officer for the City effective March 2.

Glass respectfully stated, "It is with great sadness and regret that I do hereby tender my resignation as a peace officer for the City of Haskell, effective immediately.

The false and baseless allegations and attacks upon my credibility have become more than any one human being should be asked to suffer."



**OPENING CEREMONY—The Celebrate Texas Celebrate Haskell event held Sat., March 6 was opened with a flag raising ceremony conducted by Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136. Scouts raising the colors are, l-r, Seth McCormick, Braeden Alves, Zachary Tatum, Josh Starr and Riley Pace.**

## Terry, McCormick receive Scouting awards

by Caron Yates

It has been said, that a person's true character is seen in the things they do, not just the things they say.

Two Haskell men were recently rewarded for the long term commitment they have made to assisting and encouraging the Boy Scouts of this area.

Leland Terry was honored at the Texas Trails Council banquet, held in Abilene, where he received the Silver Beaver Award. This award, which was first introduced in 1931, is a council-level distinguished service award, given to a select few. The Silver Beaver is awarded to those who implement the Scouting program and perform community service through hard work, self sacrifice, dedication and many years of service. A leader must be nominated to be considered for the award.

Terry, whose three sons have earned the rank of Eagle Scout, says he has been involved in scouting for about sixteen years. He has served as den leader for all levels of scouting, assistant Scoutmaster, committee council member and Scoutmaster. He was previously awarded the District Award of Merit.

Terry grew up in the Childress area, and graduated from Childress High School. After serving in the National Guard, he has been involved with farming

and ranching. Before he and wife Pam, moved their family to Haskell twenty-five years ago, he worked in Kansas, Throckmorton and Woodson.

Although he is quite busy as foreman over the stocker cow/calf operation for Brown and Bellah Ranch, he has made the youth of this community a high priority. In addition to working with the Boy Scouts, Terry has also been a 4-H leader and judging coach, and served on the Jr. Livestock Association board. He also serves as a deacon at the First Christian Church as well as committee chairman for the church.

He is excited to be the Scoutmaster for National Jamboree, which is held in Washington D.C. There will be thirty-six scouts from over the council area attending.

Deflecting attention from himself, Terry said, "I was just honored to receive the award. I love to work with youth, watching these boys develop their abilities."

Also being recognized for his contributions to scouting was Craig McCormick. McCormick was given the District Award of Merit at the Double Mountain District Awards banquet in Sweetwater.

This award is the highest recognition of service on the district level, and is given only to those leaders who have rendered noteworthy service to youth both in and outside of Scouting.

McCormick, nominated for the award by another scouter, has worked with scouts on all levels for six years. Currently he serves as assistant Scoutmaster. He and his wife Janet, moved to Haskell in Nov. 1990, after accepting a job with the Federal Land Bank Association. The father of six, he knows the importance of being involved in the lives of young people.

McCormick lived in Dumas through his junior high years, before moving to Paris, Texas. He graduated

from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Economics in 1986. Prior to coming to Haskell, he worked for the Land Bank in Amarillo, Dalhart and Pampa.

For the past twelve years, he has been self-employed as the owner of KISCO Leasing Co., which primarily leases farm equipment across the nation. The McCormick family attends the Southside Baptist Church in Abilene. They enjoy riding motorcycles and OHV's as a

family.

McCormick says the real reward for his efforts, is seeing the boys grow to be good young men and to give them the opportunity to become leaders in their church, school, community, and beyond.

Building character is one of the foremost goals of the Boy Scouts of America. It takes leaders with character, such as Terry and McCormick, giving of their time and effort to help mold these young boys into men of character.



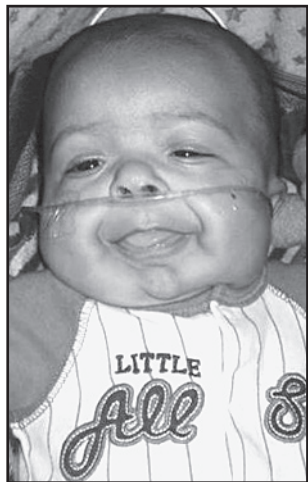
**SCOUTING AWARDS—Haskell Scoutmaster Leland Terry, left, was awarded the Silver Beaver Award during the Texas Trails Council awards banquet held in Abilene recently. Craig McCormick, Haskell Assistant Scoutmaster, was awarded the District Award of Merit during the Double Mountain District awards banquet held recently in Sweetwater.**

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# Obituaries

## Casen Steele Riley



**CASEN RILEY**

Funeral services for Casen Steele Riley, 6 months old, of Haskell were held Mon., March 8 at First Presbyterian Church in Haskell with Kelly

Piggott officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Casen passed away March 5.

Born Aug. 31, 2009, he was the son of Casey and Heather Riley. He was a precious little man with infectious brown eyes and an unforgettable smile. He loved being held and talked to. He was a fighter and never gave up until the end. His sweet face will forever be in our sight and you will hear him say "Mom and Dad it's alright."

Precious angel sent from

above, Given to us by God to love, Even though our time was short, You will forever be in our hearts.

Survivors include his parents, Casey and Heather Riley; his maternal grandparents, Bill and Pam Steele of Haskell; his paternal grandparents Daniel Riley and Johnnie Franklin of Stamford; great grandparents, Bill and Stella Steele of Haskell and Stella Franklin of Stamford; his uncle Wes Steele; aunts Samantha Steele and Tanisha Walker; and numerous cousins, great aunts and uncles and friends.

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## James E. 'Cleve' Decker



**CLEVE DECKER**

Funeral services for James E. 'Cleve' Decker, 92, of Haskell were held Mon., March 8 at Trinity Baptist Church in Haskell with Pastor Larry White officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Decker went to his heavenly reward Fri., March 5.

Born July 8, 1917 in Bell County, he was the son of Joe Cephus and Emma Marie Kelley Decker. He married his beloved wife, Beulah Mae Treadwell May 14, 1938 in Haskell. They enjoyed fifty-five years together and had five children, Joe Davis Decker and wife Joyce of Bronte, Martha Nell Matthews and husband Bobby 'Sonny' of Stanton, James Lonnie Decker and wife Trisha of Stanton, Sammy Decker and wife Beverly of Haskell, and Ricky Bob Decker and wife Kathy of Waco. His wife preceded him in death March 6, 1993.

He married Annie Darnell Decker June 2, 1995 and they were happily married for

fifteen years.

He was a part of the 'Greatest Generation.' He and his eight siblings grew up in a household without a mother. Their mother died when they were very young and their father kept them together as a family during very difficult times. They worked hard and looked out for one another. During the Great Depression, he worked hard at any job that was available to help his large family to survive. He joined the CC Camp and went to Arizona when he was a teenager so that his family could receive pay for his labor. He served in the Navy with the Seabees during World War II on Okinawa and Guam. He was honorably discharged in 1945. During his working life he was a farmer, cook, stevedore, butcher, carpenter, business owner and finally a cement mason for over 30 years. He believed in hard work, paying your own way without debt, being a good neighbor and above all, taking care of his family. He loved and enjoyed the fellowship of his family. He also enjoyed gardening, reading and fishing when he had the chance. He became a Christian at the age of 15 and was baptized in the Little River during a revival in Bell County. He believed that God protected him during the hard times and blessed him in the good times. He was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church. He will be missed.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beulah; his parents; four brothers, Buck Decker, Larkey Decker, Homer Decker and Felix Decker; three sisters, Mae

Gilbert, Velma Adkins and Thelma Davis; a step-daughter, Debbie Darnell Laird; and a grandson, Bobby Clint Matthews.

Survivors include his wife, Annie; five children; a sister, Lucy Howeth of Texas City; step-son John Darnell and wife Sherry of Dallas; step-daughter Katie Sexton and husband Jack of LaGrange; seven grandchildren, Della Diane Schaffer, David Neal Matthews, James Marty Decker, Gena Kaye Barrington, James 'Jim' Roy Decker, Howard Lee Decker and Tamara Lynn Swinney; ten great grandchildren, Chrissie Diane Israel, Joseph Eldon Israel, Tyler David Matthews, Sarah Jo Matthews, Tristen Maelynn Swinney, James William Swinney, McKenzie Barrington, Emma Barrington, Alyce Barrington and Adison Decker; and two great great grandchildren, Stetson Davis Morgan and Aubrey Faith Israel.

Honoring him as pallbearers were his grandsons, Gary Schaffer, Joseph Israel, David Matthews, Tyler Matthews, Jim Decker, Joey Swinney, Marty Decker and Lee Decker.

The family would like to give special thanks to Dr. William McSmith and the nurses and staff at Haskell Memorial Hospital for the wonderful care and respect given to their father during the last days of his life.

Memorials may be made to the 'Autism Speaks,' Texas Regional Office, 6380 LBJ Freeway, Suite 285, Dallas, Texas 75240, Trinity Baptist Church or a charity of choice. PD. NOTICE

## Seminar to discuss topics relevant to cancer diagnosis

Cancer Services Network, an agency of the United Way of Abilene, will offer two six-week Cancer Support Groups for those interested in learning to live beyond a diagnosis of cancer. If you or someone you know has cancer, this group is for you. When you have cancer, you have many things to think about. This group teaches you ways to help yourself and your family. You, your family and friends are welcome to attend.

This group will meet weekly for six weeks to discuss topics relevant to dealing with a cancer diagnosis. One session will be offered on Tuesdays, March 16 to April 20 in the Perkins Room at the Hendrick Cancer Center, located at 2000 Pine Street. Another session on Thursdays, March 18 through April 22 will be offered in

the conference room at Texas Oncology-Abilene located at 1957 Antilley Road. The Cancer Support Groups will meet from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. A light lunch will be provided.

Weekly topics include: Telling your Story, Dealing with Emotions, Thoughts and Feelings; Using Spirituality to Cope with a Cancer Diagnosis; Communicating with your Family and Loved Ones; Communicating with your Medical Team; and Coping with the Side Effects of Cancer Treatment.

Aimee Colley, LMSW, Social Worker at Cancer Services Network, will facilitate the groups. Colley has over twelve years experience in the area of oncology. There is no charge associated with the support groups. Register by calling 325-672-0040 or via e-mail acolley@cancerservicesnetwork.org.

This program is made possible in part by a grant from the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas.

## Calendar

### Garage sale

A benefit garage sale will be held Sat., April 3 at the Haskell National Bank Building. All proceeds go to Autism Speaks.

### Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group meets every other Tuesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the First Assembly of God Church. For more information, call 940-864-5964.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., March 20 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., March 20 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

### Bible school

First Baptist Church of Weinert will hold Vacation Bible School June 7-11 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The theme will be Saddle Ridge Ranch: Driving Home Answers. Area youth will have their own sessions upstairs led by Shanna White. Call Pastor Dan Bullock at 940-673-8310 or director Mary Murphy 940-673-8269 for more information.

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 To those who shook my hand with a message of encouragement, *Thank You.*  
 To those who talked with others about supporting me in this Primary Election, *Thank You.*  
 To those who voted for me in this Primary Election, *Thank You.*

As we move forward to the General Election this fall, I will continue to work for the Citizens of Haskell County.  
 I want to hear from you.  
*How can we make Haskell County a better place to live?*

PAID POLITICAL AD BY DONNA L. DAVIS, CAMPAIGN TREASURER

## Raymond Ray Smith

Funeral services for Raymond Ray Smith, 88, of Quinlan, formerly of Rule, were held Wed., March 10 at Trinity Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Billy Sellers officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery in Rule under the direction of Coker-Mathews Funeral Home of Greenville.

Mr. Smith died Sat., March 6 in Country View Manor Nursing Home in Terrell.

Born June 15, 1921 in Dickens County, he was the son of William Eugene Smith and Flora Ann Skains Smith. He married Earlene

Bush Sept. 14, 1946 in Swenson. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church in Haskell and was a veteran of the Army Air Corps during World War II. He was a farmer and custom combiner.

He was preceded in death by his wife May 7, 2003; two brothers and one sister.

Survivors include sons, Raymond Lee Smith of Fort Worth and Earl Ray Smith of Quinlan; five grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; and five great great grandchildren.

## LaRita Laurine Myatt



**LaRITA MYATT**

Funeral services for LaRita Laurine Myatt, 69, of Haskell were held Wed., March 10 at First United Methodist Church in Haskell with Rev. Tom Long officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Myatt passed away Sun., March 7.

Born Jan. 19, 1941, she was the daughter of the late Duward and Ethel Morris. She graduated from Mullin High School and received her degree in teaching from Howard Payne University. She taught fifth grade for 40 years at Abernathy, retiring in 2002. After retiring, she moved to Haskell in 2003. Not only did she love teaching, but she also loved oil painting and working in and on her house. She enjoyed painting, tiling, texturing and anything else she could learn how to do by a do-it-yourself book or video. She took great pride in her work and had a willingness to share her knowledge with those she came in contact with. She also always put others ahead of herself. She was a true giver. Her family was her greatest joy and she enjoyed being able to take part in her

grandchildren's activities. She also loved her three dogs, Skippy, Sugar and Cricket. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lindell Myatt; her parents; and one brother, Gerald Morris.

Survivors include her son, Kevin Galloway and wife Cheryl of Lubbock and children Koby Majors of Zephyr and Genia Mitchell of Comanche; daughter, Kristi Gibson and husband Chad and their children, Chase and Kourtney, all of Haskell; her brother, Eddie Morris of Haltom City and sister-in-law, Raylene Morris of Garland; and three nieces, Kelly Inboden, Tammy Burch and Sherri Hunt and their families; and numerous family members and friends. PD. NOTICE

## Felix Reyna



**FELIX REYNA**

Graveside services for Felix Reyna, 65, of Rule were held Tues., March 9 at the O'Brien Cemetery in O'Brien under the direction of Mansell Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Reyna died Sat., March 6.

Born Aug. 4, 1944, he was the son of Pedro Reyna and Leonor Frousto. He married Adela Herrera Oct. 10, 1966 in Haskell.

Survivors include his wife,

Adela Reyna; daughters, Rosa Tapia and husband Adriana of Ballinger, Lupe Martinez and husband Jay of Ballinger, Venise Reyna and husband Kenvin of Rule and Sarah Reyna and husband Kevin; son, Frank Reyna and wife Marison Reyna of Rule; 14 grandchildren; two sisters, Virginia Cardoza of Knox City and Jesusa Marales of Plainview; and two brothers, Jessie Reyna of Rochester and George Reyna of Rule. PD. NOTICE



# Weinert couple celebrates 50th anniversary

Donald and Gracie Griffis of Weinert, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sat., Jan. 23 from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. The celebration was hosted by their children and grandchildren: daughter Derinda and husband Johney Larned and their children Trey, Mackenzie and Dylan of New Braunfels; daughter Donna and husband Randy Waggoner and their children Aaron and Garrett of Weinert; daughter Darla and husband Lee Lane and their children KayLee and Weston of New Braunfels.

The couple was married Jan. 24, 1960 in Haskell at the First Assembly of God Church. The bride's uncle, Rev. Thural B. Reid of Big Springs married the couple. Accompanied by his wife, Donna, Rev. Reid also was on hand at the 50th anniversary reception to lead the couple in rededication of their vows. Of the ten attendants at their wedding, four were present for the anniversary party: Bobby Jenkins, Zella Moeller and Becky Howeth, all of Haskell and Terry Alexander of Abilene. The couple wore black and gold, the participants in the anniversary party wore black. All were accented with burgundy corsages and boutonnières.

The reception was decorated in colors of burgundy and gold. Granddaughters Mackenzie Larned and KayLee Lane registered guests. Displayed in the foyer was the bride and groom's original wedding attire along with pictures of the couple—past and present. A table was set up

with scrapbooks, created by Myra Rainey, which told the life story of Donald and Gracie. A table for cards and gifts was also in the foyer. Perry Kuehler of Munday decorated the foyer and reception area.

The main tables in the reception were round, covered with burgundy tablecloths, topped with a gold satin cloth. They were accented with garland of pearls. Setting off the grouping of tables was an off-white curtain backdrop with a burgundy swag on each side. In the center table was a three-tiered white wedding cake with clusters of burgundy rosebuds on each tier and an overflowing fountain. The cake was adorned by side cakes with a connecting staircase leading to the second tier. The cake top held a porcelain bride and groom accented with a 50th anniversary decal. The bottom of the cake was decorated with clusters of burgundy rosebuds and gold leaf garland. The cake was made by Martha Ozuna of Haskell. Serving the cake table was Courtney Thomas of Abilene and Andrea Callaway of Haskell. Another table, decorated with the same tablecloths and gold leaves held the punch bowl, burgundy napkins, nuts and mints. It was served by Becky Howeth of Haskell. The third table, decorated with the same tablecloths, held a three-tiered crystal serving dish holding pineapple, red and green grapes and cantaloupe. Around the bottom of the serving dish was an array of burgundy rose petals, gold leaf garland,



MR. AND MRS. DONALD GRIFFIS

clusters of grapes and whole pineapple, all delightfully displayed. Two additional crystal trays held assorted cheese and crackers. Serving at that table was Tamela King of Abilene.

A barbecue dinner was served by family members and friends. H.L. Guess entertained the guests with his outstanding piano music. Also entertaining on the piano was grandson, Garrett Waggoner. Danny Langford of Rule, performed his Elvis impersonation routine to the delight of many old timers and one special young one, KayLee Lane, granddaughter of the Griffis.

The daughters welcomed all the guests and thanked

them for being a part of this special day honoring their parents.

Terry Alexander of Abilene, along with Danny Langford of Rule, provided country and western music for the evening's entertainment. There was a little karaoke involved with the grandchildren and friends. Dylan Larned performed a song called "Pants on the Ground."

Donald was born in Haskell and graduated from Weinert High School in 1958. Nine members of the class of 1958 and their spouses were in attendance at the party. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harvie Griffis of Weinert. He attended North

Texas State University. He worked at Bailey Guess Oil Company in Weinert early in their marriage. He then engaged in farming and later joined the Paymaster Gin Company in 1975. He still farms and owns and operates Griff's Gin in Weinert.

Gracie was born in Eastland County, and graduated from Rochester High School in 1959. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Reid, Jr. of Rochester. She attended Hardin-Simmons University before starting their family. She worked in the field of health care services and was

secretary at the gin for 13 years. They attend the First Baptist Church in Weinert.

Gracie and Donald reared three beautiful daughters: Derinda, Donna and Darla. They all graduated from Weinert High School. Derinda graduated from Midwestern University; Donna and Darla graduated from Texas Tech. All three are actively involved in careers. Derinda is a registered dental hygienist in New Braunfels, Donna teaches elementary education in Haskell and Darla is in the field of social services with her own practice in New Braunfels.

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## Rochester Woman's Club hears book review

The Rochester Woman's Club met Wed., March 3 for the monthly meeting featuring guest speaker Susan Turner.

Turner gave a book review on "The Worst Hard Time" by Timothy Eagen. The book is about the times

during the dust bowl and how it affected the people living during that time. A lot of people gave up and left for different parts of the country, but a few hardy souls stayed and tried to eke out a living on the plains. The book touches on the hardships that

they encountered. People died during the dust bowl due to pneumonia and other breathing problems.

Finally a bill was passed in Washington for soil conservation which helped.

Present times are much better even though people

still endure sand storms and other weather related events, but folks are much better equipped to handle these problems now.

Hostesses for the day were Verlene Stegemoeller, Sharon Mullino and Sammie Lopez.

## Hee Haw set March 25-27

The Sagerton community has begun making preparations for the 40th production of the Sagerton Hee Haw. The dates are March 25-27 beginning at 8 p.m. each evening. Music and singing will begin about 6:45 p.m.

Larry LeFevre is the Hee Haw director and Dickie Greenwood is in charge of the music. The whole community is involved in some capacity for the

evening's entertainment. Proceeds from the Hee Haw go for scholarships for each graduating senior on the Sagerton mail route, upkeep of the community center, and community projects.

The Hee Haw program for Thurs., March 25, is especially for groups. If a group is interested in tickets on group night, call 940-997-2688 for more information.

Tickets may be ordered by calling 940-997-2688

or come to 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

Plate lunches, sandwiches, and pies will be available in the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. when the cafeteria will close.

Refreshments were served to members and guests including Modelle Barton, Daisy Hayley, Marguerite Gauntt, Mary Johnston, Lopez, Mullino, Gerri Newberry, Jo Evelyn Patterson, Anna Lou Shaver, Jane Short, Stegemoeller, guest Betty Ruth White and speaker Susan Turner.

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# OPINION

## TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

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### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

#### Primary result: Perry to face White in November general election

AUSTIN—Gov. Rick Perry fought off two strong challengers in the March 2 Republican Party primary, positioning himself for an unprecedented third term as governor of Texas.

By drawing more than 50 percent of the vote, Perry avoided an April runoff with his closest challenger, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who received 30.3 percent. Newcomer Debra Medina of Wharton followed with 18.6 percent.

Combined voter turnout for the primaries was the highest since 1992, according to the Secretary of State's office, with an estimated 2.1 million ballots cast.

In the Democratic primary, Houston Mayor Bill White took 76 percent of the vote to Houston businessman Farouk Shami's nearly 13 percent, so it will be Perry versus White in the November general election.

Perry, already the longest-serving governor in Texas history, advanced from lieutenant governor to governor when George W. Bush left for the White House in January 2001. He was reelected in 2002 and 2006 and now looks forward to a record third full term, but White stands in his way.

Incumbent Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, running unopposed in the GOP primary, will face Democrat Linda Chavez-Thompson in November.

Chavez-Thompson, a long-time labor activist, got 53 percent of the vote to former Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle's 34 percent. Coming in third was Austin delicatessen owner Marc Katz with 12 percent.

Other key matchups in statewide races will include:

Incumbent Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott versus Dallas Democrat Barbara Ann Radnofsky, a Houston attorney who challenged Hutchison for her U.S. Senate seat in 2006.

Incumbent State Comptroller Susan Combs ran unopposed in the GOP primary and no one ran for the office of comptroller in the Democratic primary.

**I n c u m b e n t** L a n d Commissioner Jerry Patterson, a Republican, will face Democrat Hector Uribe, a former state representative and senator from Zapata County.

Incumbent Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples, a Republican, will face Democrat Hank Gilbert. Gilbert shifted from his gubernatorial campaign to run as agriculture commissioner last fall when Bill White announced for governor. In the Democratic primary, Gilbert, an East Texas

rancher, outdrew Hill Country humorist Richard S. "Kinky" Friedman, founder of Utopia Animal Rescue Ranch near Kerrville.

Incumbent Texas Railroad Commissioner Victor G. Carrillo lost to Midland accountant David Porter in the Republican primary. Porter will face Democrat Jeff Weems in November.

Six incumbent state representatives lost to challengers. For a complete listing of primary results, go to [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us).

#### Perry issues posthumous pardon

Gov. Perry on March 1 granted a posthumous pardon to Timothy Brian Cole, a Texan who died in state prison in 1999 while serving a 25-year sentence for a 1985 aggravated sexual assault he did not commit.

Perry said he pardoned Cole after receiving a unanimous recommendation to do so from the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. More than a year earlier, a court ruled Cole was innocent after proof was confirmed through DNA testing.

Cole, who turned down an offer of parole in exchange for admitting guilt, maintained his innocence throughout his time in prison. In 1995, five years before Cole's death, another suspect confessed to the crime. Cole died in prison of an asthma attack on Dec. 2, 1999, having served nearly 15 years of the wrongful sentence.

#### Independence Day site debuts

A Web site created by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Brenham-based Blinn College, [www.txindependence.org](http://www.txindependence.org), debuted on March 2, Texas Independence Day.

The site spotlights the convention held at Washington-on-the-Brazos in 1836 when 59 elected delegates met, signed the Texas Declaration of Independence from Mexico and created a new nation, The Republic of Texas.

#### DPS says stay away from border

The Texas Department of Public Safety on March 4 urged spring break travelers to avoid border cities in Mexico. DPS Director Steve McCraw said there is an increase in drug cartel-related violence in those cities, adding that parents should not allow their children to visit there because their safety cannot be guaranteed.

#### Unemployment figure repeats

On March 3, the Texas Workforce Commission reported the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 8.2 percent in January, the same as in December 2009.

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## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago March 9, 2000

The Haskell Police Department added a new member to its force. Jack, a yellow Labrador, will assist in sniffing out drugs. His handler is Officer Shawn Lewis.

Air Force Airman Joshua New, son of Teresa and Mike New of Haskell, has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Haskell fifth graders, along with science teacher Paula Everett, viewed the Mars Millennium Project displays and the paintings of Robert and Louise McCall documenting 35 years of NASA activities and events in space travel.

#### 20 Years Ago March 8, 1990

The Indians basketball team, led by James Rike's 30 point effort, defeated Hale Center in a triple overtime game played in the regional tournament.

Haskell Maidens Missy Davis and Sheila Unger were both named to the 7-2A All-District team. Davis averaged 17 points per game, while Unger averaged 13 points per game.

Rodney Medford of Paint Creek FFA exhibited the champion Duroc at the 41st annual San Antonio Stock Show.

#### 30 Years Ago March 6, 1980

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

Since USDA's Jan. 12 grain supply and demand reports and the winter wheat seedings report, cash wheat prices have declined about 76 cents.

About 73 cents of the cash price decline was due to lower KCBT March contract prices and about three cents was due to a decline in the basis.

A big loser in the decline of grain prices was the index and hedge funds. Reports indicated that the funds were big buyers of grain futures contracts before Jan. 12. One market analyst's firm estimated fund losses at 1.1 billion dollars.

The major reason prices declined was because the market finally faced the fact that there is excess wheat in the U.S. and in the world. Many market analysts had been making this point for several months.

One signal that wheat stocks were above USDA's estimate was the lack of export sales. In the January USDA wheat supply and demand report, U.S. wheat exports were lowered to 825 million bushels from 875

Residents of Leisure Lodge gave a new meaning to Rock-n-Roll as they joined in the American Heart Association's fund-raising effort, by rocking in their rocking chairs. W.O. Lewis had the top number of sponsors, while Dora Long rocked the entire six hours.

Haskell County EMS accepted delivery of its new ambulance which features more patient room and additional equipment. Cost was approximately \$20,000.

Five generations gathered at the home of Mrs. Gene Crenshaw recently. Representing each generation were Crenshaw, Mrs. Thomas J. McAdams, Thomas McAdams, Tommy McAdams and Tiffany Laura McAdams.

#### 40 Years Ago March 5, 1970

A.C. Richardson, owner-operator of Richardson's Truck and Tractor, announced that the business is now located in the building previously occupied by Gilmore Implement Co., next to the railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle High, new owners of Oates Drug Store, are currently staging a gala get-acquainted celebration sale.

The Weinert High School girls' basketball team took district champion honors of District 26-B with a season record of 25-5 and district

record of 14-0.

#### 50 Years Ago March 10, 1960

Winners of the annual Quill and Scroll Quiz Show were: elementary division-Katie Darnell, Keith Everett, Larry Hartsfield and Richard Reeves; Jr. High division-Gary Conner, David Fallstead and Lockie Foote; Sr. High division-Ben Anderson, Sue Christian and Patsy Robertson.

Mrs. Hazel Weaver has been selected as Outstanding Teacher of the Year by First District, Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. She received the award at the annual convention and was nominated by the Haskell Progressive Study Club.

Gail Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Williams of Haskell, has accepted a position at the University of Texas as a coach and piano accompanist for the Opera Workshop.

#### 100 Years Ago March 5, 1910

J.M. McReynolds of the northwest part of the county reported that the farmers in his section are getting into the raising of peanuts pretty heavily this year.

A box supper will be held at W.O.W. Hall. There will be a cake for the prettiest girl and the ugliest man.

The school at Gilliam has been discontinued due to the illness of the teacher, Miss Nicholson.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,

The Committee to Help Haskell County would like to take this opportunity to extend a Texas-sized thank you to everyone for coming out to the Celebrate Texas Independence-Haskell County Style Sat., March 6.

It was truly wonderful to see so many people in town and on the square. It was really a reminder of the good old days when people did come to town and the square for a day of fun and visiting.

We would like to give a special shout of thanks to all the participants, merchants and donors as well as all our volunteers, including our wonderful emcee, Brian Burgess.

If anyone has any suggestions for next year and/or would like to become a member of the Committee, let us know. We are looking forward to bigger and better next year.

Again, thank you—the day couldn't have happened without all of you.

## Correction

An article appearing in the March 4 issue of the Haskell Free Press listing the Paint Creek High School honor roll should have read:

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Katie Jones; A-B honor roll, Cheyenne Buerger and Brittany Herring.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Katrina Buerger, Caleb McCord, Haley Myers and Felysha Walker; A-B honor roll, Jimmy Abner, Katie Bosnjak, Hsin-di Liu and Andrew Matthies.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Shana Armstrong and Denton Reed; A-B honor roll, Curtis Bishop.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Britney Matrinez, Brennan Medford, Jessica Pendergraft, Bente Senders and Brittany Waggoner; A-B honor roll, Lupe Ipinia and Jana Middendorf.

# Wheat prices and supply

wheat acres are expected to be 29 percent lower.

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Corn ending stocks are also projected to be almost 1.8 billion bushels. Do not expect much support from the corn market.

The next wheat crop to be harvested that will impact wheat prices is the Oklahoma and Texas wheat harvests. Losing these crops would only result in higher prices with little or no wheat to sell.

The best case scenario may be for record yields. With record yields, wheat prices may be in the \$3.75 to \$4 range. Forty-bushel per acre wheat at \$3.75 (\$150/ac) is better than 29 bushel wheat at \$5 (\$145/ac).

## Volleyball night

First Baptist Church in Haskell is hosting an open gym for volleyball every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. Volleyball players of all ages are welcome to come and play. There is no charge. For more information, call the church office at 864-2581.

## Rochester homecoming

Plans for Rochester homecoming are being made for Friday and Saturday Oct. 8-9.

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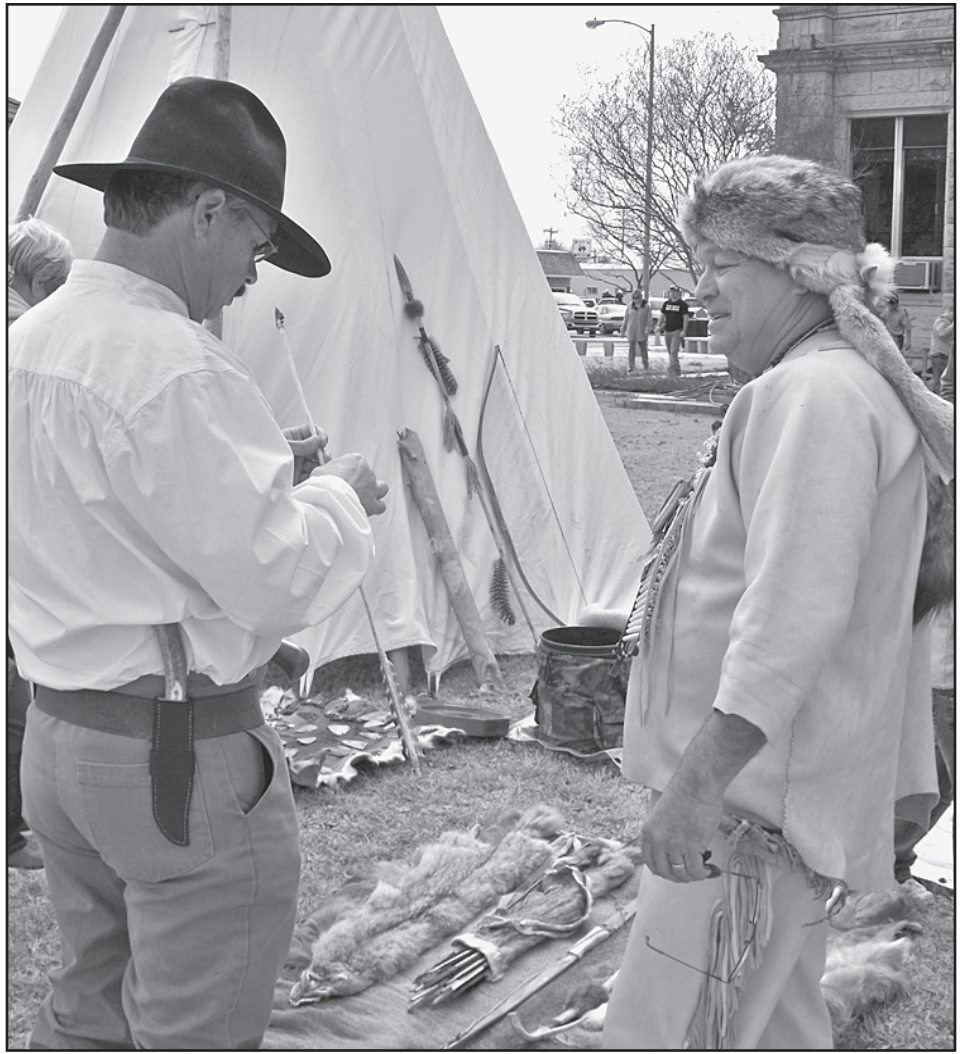
**ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**—Winners of the tenth grade essay contest, held in conjunction with Texas Independence Day, with the theme “Texas Declares Independence” were Haskell High students, front row, l-r, Garrett Brueggeman, first place; Jasmine Klose, second place; and Adrian Hernandez, third place. Their teachers are Nancy Stewart, English, and Keith Medford, History. They are pictured with Committee to Help Haskell County members, who sponsored the contest, back row, Lynn Dodson and Susan Cockerell.



**ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**—Winners of the seventh grade essay contest, held in conjunction with Texas Independence Day, with the theme “The Six Flags of Texas” were Rochester Junior High students, front row, l-r, Riley Meinzer, first place; Alannah Luce, second place; and Hayley Holland, third place. Their teachers are Cathy Bartley and Jodi Adress. They are pictured with Committee to Help Haskell County members, back row, Lynn Dodson, Susan Cockerell and Susan Turner.



**ART CONTEST WINNERS**—Winners of the art contest, held in conjunction with Texas Independence Day, with the theme “My Favorite Texas Animal” were, left picture, Alexandra Martinez, second place, Rule Elementary School. Her teacher is Leigh Simms. Students are pictured with Committee to Help Haskell County members, Susan Cockerell, left, and Lynn Dodson. Heaven Rojas, right picture, was the third place winner, and Juan Rodriguez was the first place winner. They are students at Haskell Elementary. Their teacher is Amy Sloan.



**FINE POINTS OF THE TRADE**—Flintknapper Lee Ward explains the fine points of arrow making to Joe Yates during the Celebrate Texas Celebrate Haskell activities held Sat., March 6.



**CANNON FIRE**—This vintage cannon fired three shots on the hour during the Celebrate Texas Celebrate Haskell event held Sat., March 6 on the Haskell square.



**FORT GRIFFIN STATE PARK REENACTORS**—This period dressed group posed around the cannon and tents dating from the 1867-1881 time.

## Study Club to met March 11

Members of Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., March 11, for a work day to prepare for the Mesquite District Spring Convention to be held in the Haskell Civic Center Sat., March 13, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. Towns represented by Mesquite District are Albany, Cisco, Crowell, Hamlin, Haskell, Merkel, Moran, Stamford and Winters. Due to the convention their March meeting date has been changed to Thurs., March 18, when members will meet at 6 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room to car

pool to Benjamin where a tour of their museum will be held pertaining to an “Old

## Quilt club to meet

The Willow Creek Quilting Guild will meet Mon., March 15 at 6 p.m. at the Haskell Church of Christ Annex.

Each member should bring three or four 2 1/2” strips of fabric of their choice. The Guild’s project for the year will be for each member to make a Pioneer Sampler quilt from the Eleanor Burns ‘Quilt in a Day’ series.

The blocks for March that have been made will be

West Outing” at which time the club will observe Texas Heritage-Americanism.

shown as well as our usual ‘Show and Tell.’

Anyone is welcome to attend and join the Guild.

Call Mary Jennings at 864-3782 or Jane Powers at 864-2843 for additional information.

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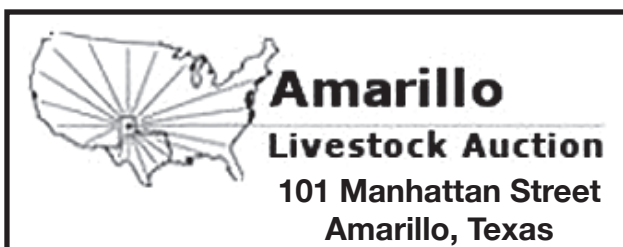
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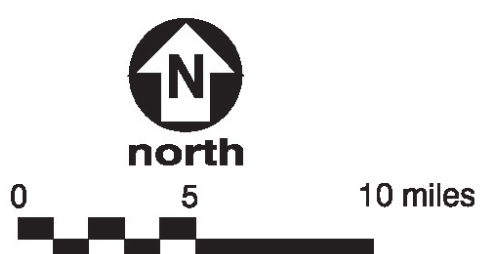
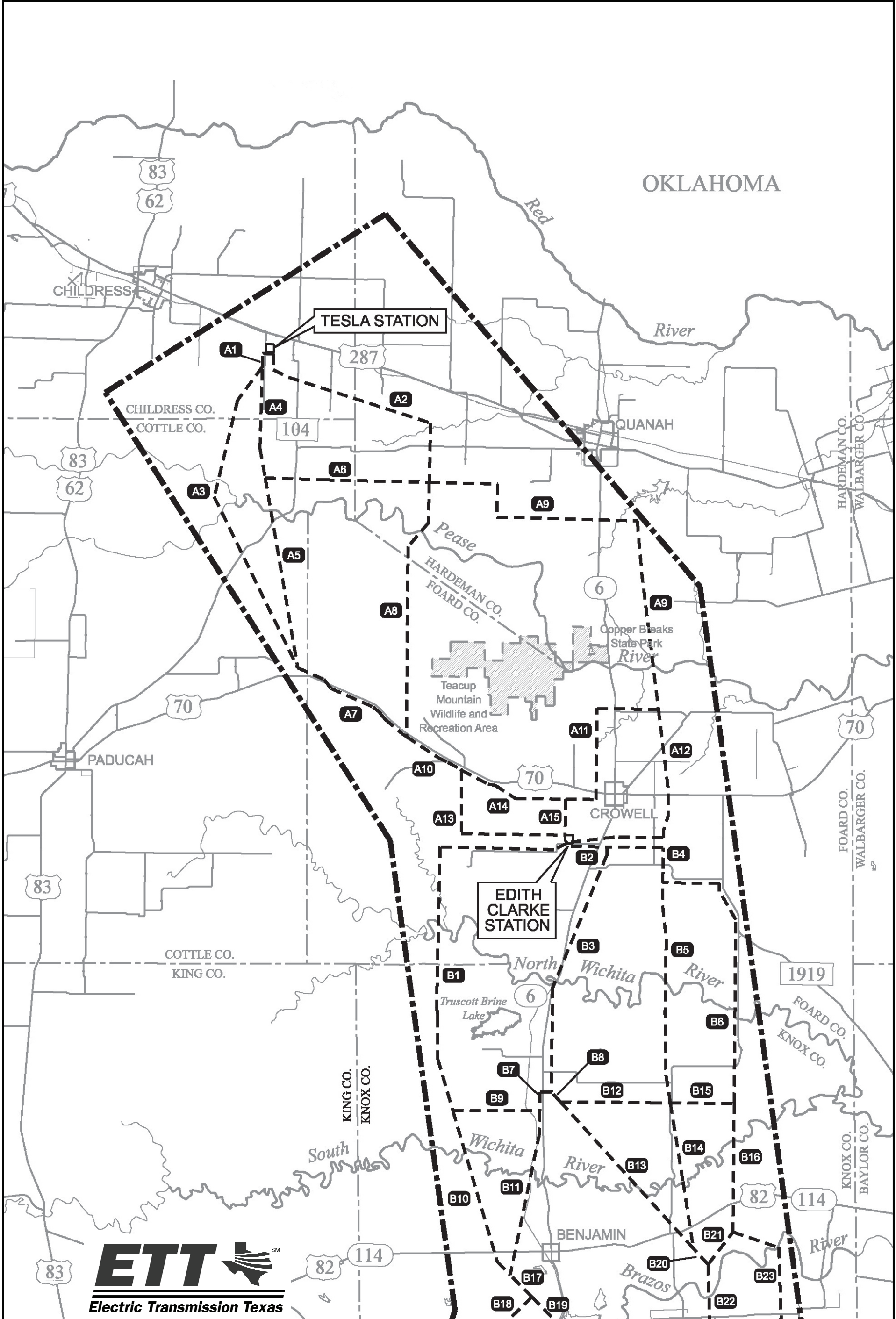
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**Attend any of the meetings, any time at your convenience:** The same information will be available at each meeting, and large maps will be on hand that show the preliminary routing options. Attend when you want and for as long as you want. Personnel will be available at the meetings to answer questions about the routing and regulatory process, and the type of structures being considered. If you have any questions, please call Mel Eckhoff at (512) 391-2979 or Randal Roper at (512) 481-4572.

<b>Wednesday, March 17</b> 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.  <b>Fairpark Auditorium</b> Banquet Room  1000 N. Commerce St. Childress Texas	<b>Thursday, March 18</b> 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.  <b>Crowell Activity Center</b> West Side of Square  107 South Main Street Crowell, Texas	<b>Tuesday, March 23</b> 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.  <b>Munday High School</b> Gymnasium  811 W. Ave "D" Munday, Texas	<b>Wednesday, March 24</b> 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.  <b>Haskell Memorial</b> Civic Center  1507 N. Ave. "G" Haskell, Texas	<b>Thursday, March 25</b> 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.  <b>Albany ISD</b> Gymnasium  501 N. 1st St. Albany, Texas
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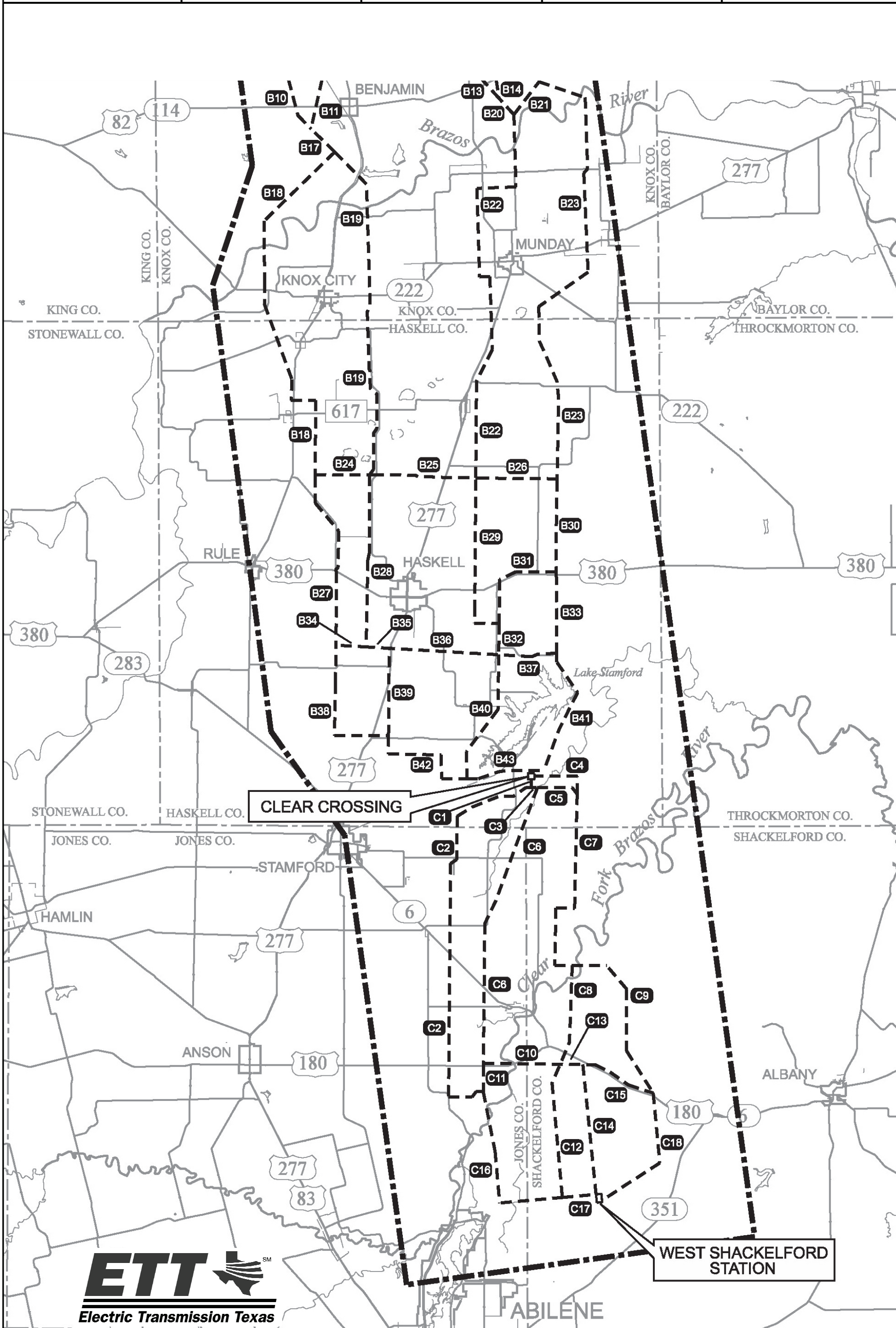
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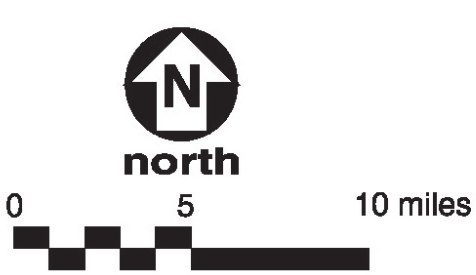
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# Garden checklist tips

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

•Continue to water and fertilize cool-weather annuals such as snapdragons, Bells of Ireland, Stocks, larkspur, pansies, violas and sweet alyssum to encourage the best blooms. Now is an excellent time to transplant mature or established trees and shrubs while they are dormant.

•Make flower and vegetable garden plans now before the rush of spring planting. Time spent in armchair gardening before the fireplace will pay off in improved plant selection. Besides, it is fun to page through the garden catalogs and books while contemplating changes in your garden.

•Sow seeds in flats or containers to get a jump on plant growth before hot weather arrives. Petunias,

begonias and impatiens should be sown in January or February. Warm temperature plants, such as tomatoes, peppers, marigolds and periwinkles, should be sown in late January or early February.

•Apply slow release fertilizer to pansies and other cool season annuals. Distribute 5 pounds of cotton seed or alfalfa meal per 100 square feet of bed area or use commercial slow release fertilizer products according to label instructions.

•Prepare beds and garden area for spring planting. Till in several inches of compost, composted pine bark or similar material.

•Select and order gladiolus corms for February/March planting. Plant at two-week intervals to prolong flowering period.

•Check junipers and other narrow-leaf evergreens for

bagworm pouches. The insect eggs over winter in the pouch, and start the cycle again by emerging in the spring to begin feeding on the foliage. Hand removal and burning of the pouches reduce future damage.

•The life of poinsettias and other holiday season plants can be prolonged with proper care. Keep the soil moist, but provide drainage so that excess moisture can flow from the pot. Keep the plant out of range of heating ducts and away from heating units. Keep in a cool room at night, preferably at 60 to 65 degrees F.

•Don't fertilize newly set out trees or shrubs until after they have started to grow, and then only very lightly the first year.

•When buying plants, the biggest is not always the best, especially when dealing with bare-root plants. The medium to small sizes (4 to 6 feet) are usually faster to become established and more effective in the landscape than the large sizes.

•Hold off on pruning bush roses until February or early March. Use good shears that will make clean cuts. Remove dead, dying, and weak canes. Leave 4 to 8 healthy canes, and remove approximately one-half of the top growth and height of the plant.

•Now is an excellent time to select and plant container-grown roses to fill in those bare spots in your rose garden.

•When pruning shrubs, first prune out any dead or damaged branches; then thin out by removing about one-third of the canes or stems at ground level, removing the oldest canes only; and last, shape the rest of the plant, keeping in mind the natural shape of the plant. Water foliage plants as well as other containerized plants only when needed and not by the calendar.

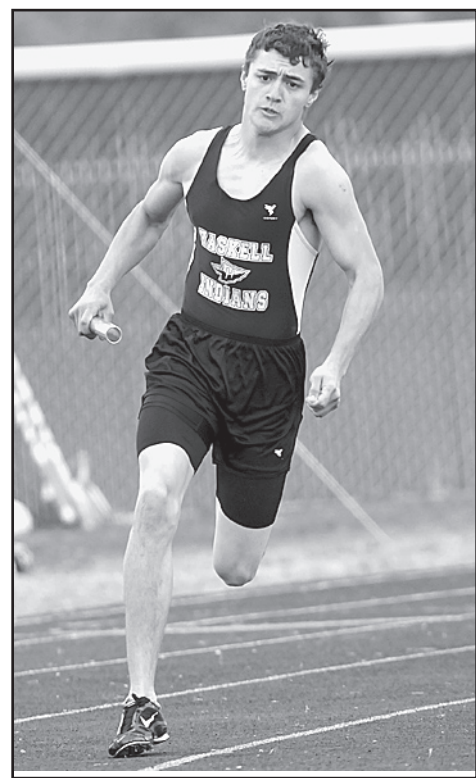
•Climbing roses should be trained but not pruned at this time. It is always appropriate to remove dead or weak canes. Weave long canes through openings in trellises or arbors and tie them with jute twine or plastic or other plant ties. Securing canes now prevents damage from winter/spring winds, and contributes toward a more refined look to the garden when roses are blooming. Wait until after the spring flowering period to prune climbing or once-blooming shrub roses.

•Now is the ideal time to select and plant grapes, fruit trees and berries. Contact your local Texas AgriLife Extension agent for localized variety recommendations. Prune peaches and grapes at this time.

•Herbaceous perennials and hardy ornamental grasses may be cut back at this time. It may be difficult to assess the extent of freeze damage on citrus and semi-tropical plants until warm weather arrives. When new growth begins damaged material can be removed.



**LOBO RELAYS**—Haskell Maidens Briè Torres, left, took third place in the 800 and Caitlan Johnson runs in the 800 relay at Cisco during the Lobo Relays Sat., March 6.



**LOBO RELAYS**—Haskell Indians Ryan Baumbach, left, entered the 110 hurdles and Tyler Rodriguez runs in the 800 relay that took first place at Cisco during the Lobo Relays Sat., March 6.



**PLACES SECOND**—Kymbre Kupatt placed second with her Crossbred Barrow at the San Antonio Livestock Show. A sophomore student, Kupatt shows through the Haskell FFA program. She is the daughter of Kraig and Leslie Kupatt of Sagerton.



**SERVICE AWARD**—Ken Bullard, right, maintenance technician in the Haskell County maintenance section, is presented a Certificate of Service by Lauren Garduño, Abilene District Engineer. Bullard, a five-year employee with the Texas Department of Transportation, was honored for his longevity during a recent supervisors meeting in Abilene.

## Indians, Maidens compete at Cisco Lobo relays Sat.

The Haskell Indians and Maidens participated in the Lobo Relays in Cisco Saturday. Results included: Maidens team total, fourth place with 73.5 points.

- 100: 2. Claire Carmichael, 12.68.
- 400: 2. Aubrey Bassett, 1:03.09.
- 800: 3. Briè Torres, 2:42.27.
- 1600: 4. Ashley Adams, 6:32.61.
- 3200: 2. Cheslee Hearn, 13:51.00.
- 400 relay: 2. 52.76, Kayce

- Wilcox, Lisa Rodgers, Bassett, Carmichael.
- 800 relay: 6. 2:00.56, Laycee Tullos, Mackenzie Thomas, Caitlan Johnson, Sidney Cassidy.
- 1600 relay: 2. 4:20.17, Hearn, Carmichael, Torres, Bassett.
- Shot put: 4. Ashlee Short, 29-4.2
- High jump: 6. Rodgers, 4-2.
- Indians team total, second place with 94.3 points.
- 100: 4. Garrett Miller 11.47.
- 200: 1. Marco Gonzalez, 22.80; 6. Adrian Hernandez

- 23.90.
- 400: 1. Tyler Rodriguez, 51.97; Payne Utley, 54.64; 5. Hernandez, 55.54.
- 800: 3. Kelson Aguero, 2:11.97.
- 400 relay: 2. 46.00, Isaiah Llewellyn, Tyrone Neskork, Utley, Miller.
- 800 relay: 1. 1:35.21, Utley, Austin Nanny, Gonzalez, Rodriguez.
- Long jump: 3. Hernandez, 17-8.5; 5. Llewellyn, 17-4; 6. Utley, 16.5.25.
- High jump: 1. Ross Wittenborn 6-0.

## Remodelers required to become certified

The National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) is making homeowners aware of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations that will take effect April 22, 2010, requiring remodelers working in homes built before 1978 to follow practices designed to minimize the exposure of residents to lead hazards.

"Lead is harmful to both children and adults. In children, a tiny amount of exposure can lead to neurological damage, and in adults, lead inhalation can lead to hypertension, muscle and joint pain, fatigue and nausea among other symptoms," says Bob Boothroyd, owner of The Boothroyd Group and an EPA Certified Renovator in Connecticut.

The EPA is calling for all remodelers who intend to work in pre-1978 homes to register their company and complete an 8-hour training and certification course with an accredited trainer. The course teaches remodelers how to safely contain lead in a home as it is being disturbed and reduce exposure to residents and workers.

NARI wants homeowners to know how to protect themselves from harmful lead exposure during renovations. If you know your home was built before 1978 and your renovation will disturb painted surfaces you will have to hire an EPA Certified Firm.

"Consider it a red flag if a remodeler doesn't mention lead if you live in an older home. Even though the law is not in effect until April, they still need to make homeowners aware of lead exposure," Boothroyd says. He adds that current law requires that renovators give homeowners an EPA brochure called "Renovate Right," which includes facts about lead and lead safety in the home and have it signed to signal that homeowners have been properly notified of the dangers.

If owners of a pre-1978 home decide to remodel, it is important unless testing is done to identify exactly where the lead is by using a lead test. The following three main areas of safe work practices recognized

by the EPA can be used to help homeowners start the lead conversation:

•Containing the work area so that dust and debris does not escape, complete with warning signs, heavy-duty plastic and tape.

•Minimizing the dust by using methods such as misting water on areas before sanding or scraping.

•Clean up thoroughly on a daily basis using special cleaning methods such as using a HEPA vacuum and wet mopping with plenty of rinse water.

Certified firms are obligated to prove the certification by displaying their training certificate to homeowners and on the jobsite. Note that states are able to create more stringent criteria in addition to the EPA's criteria, and the certificate should reflect the state in which the work is being completed.

The EPA also recommends that homeowners have the remodelers specify what the final lead inspection entails. If a homeowner has any doubts about the quality of lead safe practices being conducted in their homes, call 1-800-424-LEAD.

NARI can connect you with remodel-ready contractors who will take care of the entire remodeling process. Find a NARI member on www.nariremodelers.com. For green remodeling information, visit www.greenremodeling.org.

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**WINS FIRST PLACE-** Haskell FFA Dairy Products team members include, l-r, Dawn Skinner, Ashley Meier, Arabella Garcia, Leslie Crosson and Denise Hibbitts.



**WINS THIRD OVERALL-**The Haskell FFA Range team members include, l-r, Miranda Johnson, Cheslee Hearn, Tyler Reese, Marissa McGhee and Madison Mayfield.

## Haskell FFA teams compete at Jacksboro

Members of Haskell FFA competed Thurs., March 4 at the Jacksboro Invitational CDE contests.

The Haskell FFA Dairy Products team, consisting of Ashley Meier, Leslie Crosson, Arabella Garcia,

Dawn Skinner and Denise Hibbitts, took first place. Meier finished third High Individual while Crosson and Garcia took home fifth and sixth High Individual.

The Haskell FFA Range Judging team also competed

finishing third overall. The team consisted of Tyler Reese, Cheslee Hearn, Miranda Johnson, Marissa McGhee and Madison Mayfield. Hearn finished ninth High Individual while Reese finished tenth High Individual.

## Mascot uniform donated to Rochester Junior High

Beth Simmons Baker of Albuquerque, New Mexico, daughter of Georgianne Simmons and the late Phil Simmons, has donated her mascot uniform from school year 1950-51 to be placed in the glass cases located in the former Rochester school cafeteria, now Rochester Junior High campus in Rochester. She has also donated historical photos to be displayed.

During the years from 1944-1974, Phil Simmons served in various capacities as coach, teacher and superintendent of Rochester ISD. Georgianne was a beloved elementary teacher during those years. Simmons Auditorium in Rochester is named after the well-respected couple.

The gold and purple satin uniform was designed and created by Beth's maternal Grandmother. Beth's brother, Phil R. Simmons, Jr. of Weatherford is in the photo with Beth. His football uniform was borrowed. Their sister is Becky Simmons Freeman of Kerrville. Their mother resides in Weatherford.

Rochester exes will be able to view items in all

Rochester museum locations during homecoming October 8-9.

Modelle Ballard Barton indicated that she, Marguerite

Gauntt and Jane Short are in the process of obtaining a grant to give the Rochester Depot Museum a new coat of paint before homecoming.



**STEER MASCOT UNIFORM-**This mascot uniform and photos from 1950-51 have been donated to the Rochester Junior High to be displayed in their cafeteria case by Beth Simmons Baker.

## Mesquite District to hold Spring Convention Saturday

Mesquite District 2009 50th Spring Convention will be hosted by the Progressive Study Club of Haskell Sat., March 13, in the Haskell Civic Center. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with call to order at 9:30 a.m.

The welcome will be by Progressive Study

Club president Dorothy Hartsfield. A business session will follow and continue until noon with a break for lunch. The meeting will continue at 1 p.m. with installation of officers for the 2010-12 term. The Federation Creed will adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting for the Mesquite District will be July 24 when a summer workshop will be held in Hamlin.

The Mesquite District includes the cities of Albany, Cisco, Crowell, Hamlin, Haskell, Merkel, Moran, Stamford and Winters.



**4-H CLOTHING PROJECT-**Haskell County 4-H members recently participated in a workshop, "Just In Case" where they constructed "Pillowcase Dresses." The dresses are being donated to the Haiti Rescue Center. 4-H members participating in the workshop were, front row, l-r, Sarah Campbell, Avery Tanner, Zhenia McTasney and Alexandra Cooper; middle row, Brooke Bullinger, Victoria Hertel, Kourtney Hertel, Christina Moore and Jacie Klose; back row, Kate Rowan, Jenny Dudensing, Lori Rodgers, Shelby Starr, Allison Petty and Crissy Bassett.

## 4-H dresses to help Haiti Rescue Center

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

Haskell County 4-H sponsored a Clothing & Textiles workshop March 1 at the County Extension Office. Twenty-two 4-H members and project leaders attended the evening of activities. The workshop, "Just In Case," focused on activities centered around projects using pillowcases.

The group utilized pillowcases to construct

simple dresses which will be donated to the Haiti Rescue Center. Each participant also tried their hand at decorating and personalizing a pillow case to take home.

Details regarding 4-H Clothing projects for the upcoming fashion show were shared with the group. Members are currently working on constructing and buying their projects for the county fashion show

as well as Fabric & Fashion Design entries.

The county 4-H Fashion Show will be held Sun., March 28 at the Rochester School Auditorium. The public style show is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the 4-H Clothing project or the 4-H Fashion Show, contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/FCS at 940-864-2546.

## Brock wins state title

This past weekend the Brock Lady Eagles won their second state championship in as many years in a close game with Wall 38-33.

Brock coach Skip Townsend said every championship they have won at Brock was won with rebounding and defense. This year's team epitomized that.

Brock finished their season with a record of 37-2 losing to two 5A schools. Out of those 39 games, Brock only give up 40 points or more three times. Once to #7 5A Georgetown (43), once to district game with subs in (40), and #2 2A Winnsboro (42).

In the regional tournament, Brock started the game with their quickest player Peyton Shoush on Peaster standout Courtney Haney. Haney posted up the smaller player twice early and scored 4 points and Townsend made the adjustment and put strength in Harris on Haney instead of speed and Haney never scored another bucket. Brock won by two in OT. Townsend is one of the best at making adjustments and it has surely showed this season.

At state Brock played the semi final game against Jewett Leon and the Brock Lady Eagles made quick work of it, with Harris scoring the first 12 points of the game. She went a perfect 11 of 11 from the free throw line. She ended the game with 21 points, 13 rebounds and four assists in a 59 to 29 blowout. The starters were able to rest the fourth quarter and save their legs for the final the next day.

The final game was against a high scoring Wall team that was peaking at the right time. Brock's defense was no doubt the toughest they had seen all year, but they fought valiantly. At half time it was 27 to 18, but Brock did not expand the lead in the third, in fact it went the other way as they were doubling and collapsing on Harris trying to take her out of the game. The game was as close as 2 points inside two minutes. With 17 seconds to play, Harris busted through two defenders, skied for the rebound and put back off a

free throw that put the game out of reach.

Harris has had a great career in high school and received word at the state tourney that she had been accepted at the University of Texas. Signing deadline is in May, but likely she will be going to the University of Texas for the summer session to get an early start. She seems to play well in the Frank Erwin Center anyway.

Some highlights this year included Harris' picture on the cover of the program at the state tournament which was quite an honor, and also she made the record book from last year's 27 point performance by shooting 13 of 17 from the floor. She plans to play in two or three all-star games this spring and summer.

She has committed to the track coach to run the 400 m and relays this year as well

as triple jump and shot put. Brock just might win state in track as well as Peyton Shoush is three time champ in 800 m. and Kamey Cole is defending champ in the mile. If Harris commits like she did in basketball, Brock may sweep it all. Brock also won state in softball last year and has superstar pitcher and Baylor signee Lindsay Hayes back this year.



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**4-H PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**—Rule 4-H'ers attending a photography workshop included, front row, l-r, Sara Fouts, Christina Moore, Alexzandra Cooper and Avery Tanner; middle row, Sarah Campbell and Sam Fouts; back row, Jenny Dudensing, Emily Fouts, Allison Petty and speaker, Krista Spitzer.

## Rule 4-H holds photography workshop

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.  
The Rule 4-H Club hosted a photography workshop Feb. 8 at the Rule ISD library. Speaker for the evening was Krista Spitzer of K Spitzer Photo and Design of Old Glory. Workshop

topics included Camera Selection, Basics of Picture Making, Managing Digital Photos, and Photography as a Business. Renee Dudensing, Rule 4-H Club manager, also shared information about the 4-H Photography

Show including rules, tips for mounting photos for competition and contest opportunities. For more information about the 4-H Photography project, contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/FCS, at 940-864-2546.



**CALF SCRAMBLE**—Payne Utley, a sophomore at Haskell High School, participated in the San Angelo Livestock Show and rodeo calf scramble Wed., Feb. 24. Utley was the third contestant to catch a calf, earning money towards a livestock project for next year and qualifying him to participate in the finalist round the following night for a chance at a scholarship. In the scholarship round, thirteen contestants competed for five calves. Utley was the second to halter a calf and drag him across the line earning himself an \$800 scholarship for college.



KAYCE WILCOX



JAMES WILLIAMS



JANA MIDDENDORF



BENTE SENDERS

## Students visit Rotary Club

Kayce Wilcox is the daughter of Jackie and Paula Wilcox of Haskell.

She attends the Church of Christ.

At Haskell High School, she is active in basketball, FFA and track. She enjoys riding horses and playing with her cat.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University.

James Williams is the son of Greg and JoAnn Williams of Haskell.

He attends God Loves You Ministries.

At Haskell High School, he participates in football, baseball, FFA and golf. He was named the Newcomer of the Year in baseball in 2006 and listed on the football first team as running back in 2010.

He enjoys showing steers and hanging out with his friends.

He plans to attend college after his high school career.

Jana Middendorf, an exchange student from Germany, lives with host parents Steven and Annette Stanford of Stamford.

Middendorf is a senior at Paint Creek School and participates in One Act Play, FCA, and Pep Squad. She is a member of the Paint Creek yearbook and newsletter staffs and served as a manager for the girls' basketball team.

She enjoys reading, singing in the choir, playing volleyball and the piano. She was selected by the staff as the "Most Respectful" senior and ranks in the top 25% of her class in Germany. Middendorf will return home in June to complete high school in Germany.

Following graduation, she plans to have a social year in South America then attend a university in a foreign country such as Spain, Canada, or the U.S. She plans to pursue a degree in history or architecture.

Bente Senders, an exchange student from the Netherlands, is living with host parents, Michael and Esther Waggoner of Haskell.

She attends First Baptist Church in Haskell.

A senior at Paint Creek School, she is involved in One Act Play, FFA, FCA, a girls' basketball manager, and a member of the school newsletter and yearbook staffs. She serves as Senior Class Treasurer and was selected by the staff as the "Most Appreciative" senior.

During her free time, Sender enjoys reading, dancing and playing the piano.

After the completion of the school year, she will return to the Netherlands to attend a university and pursue a career as a nurse.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



The legend of St. Patrick has come down to us in such a form as to make us concentrate on its more whimsical aspects rather than its serious message. The greeting card racks sprout shamrocks and little men in green suits. Regardless of our ethnic backgrounds, we all become "Irish" on that day and don green garments. Hibernian melodies emanate from

the radio stations. With all of that, we tend to forget the story of St. Patrick's perilous journey to Ireland to persuade the people to go and worship God, and that under much safer conditions we could do the same thing. So, when you go to your House of Worship, try to bring a friend or neighbor with you, and you'll both receive the blessings that St. Patrick spoke of so long ago.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—
- East Side Baptist Church**  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**  
Jim McCurley, pastor  
Sun. 10:45 a.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**  
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., 10:45 a., 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., 10:45 a., 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.m.  
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**  
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**  
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
- God Loves You Ministries**  
Mark Wallace, pastor  
Church Service 10 a.m.  
West side of square, Haskell
- WEINERT—
- First Baptist Church**  
Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m.  
Weinert
- 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**  
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

- 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**  
Stephanie Gilkey, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.  
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**  
Rev. Dr. Keith Palmquist, pastor  
Sun. 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.  
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**  
John Greeson, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
811 Union, 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

## ECC Menu

- Mon., March 15**  
Lunch—Chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, chips, salsa, lemon cake, tea or coffee
- Fri., March. 19**  
Lunch—Beef stew, tuna and pimento sandwiches, onion slice, chips, pickles, misc. dessert, tea or coffee
- Wed., March 17**  
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### Public Notices

**NOTICE OF RULE ISD TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION RULE ISD TRUSTEE)**

To the registered voters of Rule, Texas: (A lose votantes registrados del Rule, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on May 08, 2010 for voting in a school trustee election, to elect three school board members. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriaran desde las 7:00 A.M. hasta las 7:00 P.M. el 08 de Mayo 2010 para votar en la Eleccion para Escuela Fideicomisario eleccion.)

Location(s) of polling places: (Direccion(es) de las casillas electorales):

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Rule ISD Superintendent's Office, 1100 Union Ave. between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. beginning on April 26, 2010 and ending on May 4, 2010. (La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo del lunes a viernes en entre las ocho de la mañana y las cuarto de la tarde empezando el 26 de abril del 2010 y

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Issued this the 8th day of March, 2010. (Emitida este dia 8th de March, 2010.)

David Parr Superintendent Rule ISD 10c

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF HASKELL §

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, on the 8th day of March, 2010, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 11,261: Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Lee Jenkins. Legal Description, 1. Lots 7, 8, 9, Block 29, Original Town Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,319: Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Harold Cagle, Ind/Heir of J.H. Cagle, Deceased, Unknown Heirs of. Legal description, 2. Lots 3, 4, Block A of the Haskins Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,421:

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Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. John Narvais. Legal description, 3. Lot 1 Southeast Corner (65.5x84'), Block 51, Original Town Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,454: Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Wilmer Clark and Mary Clark. Legal description, 4. Northeast Corner 150X168 out of Block 4, Outlot 88 of the Parsons Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,461: Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Barney Lou Ryan, Deceased, Unknown Heirs of. Legal description, 5. Lots 1-4, and Lots 7-12, Block 38, Original Town Addition to the City of Sagerton, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,638: Styling, Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Paulette Hagle aka Yvonne P. Hagle. Legal description, 6. Lots 4 thru Lot 10, Block 23, Original Town Addition to the City of Rule, Haskell County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 2:30 o'clock p.m. on the

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6th day of April, 2010, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas.

Levied on the 8th day of March, 2010, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

"All bidders must now display proof of compliance with 34.015 of Texas tax code."

Given under my hand this 8th day of March, 2010.

David Halliburton, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas By: J. Torres, Deputy 10-12c

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS

On March 15, 2010 at 2 p.m., the Board of

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Commissioners for the Haskell Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five-Year Plan and Annual Plan. The meeting will take place in the Community Center located at the Haskell Housing Authority at 702 S. Avenue H, Haskell, Texas.

The draft Plans and all supporting documentation are available to the public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 702 S. Avenue H, on weekdays during the hours of 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. 10c

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*Donald and Gracie Griffis would like to thank everyone for attending their anniversary party and helping them celebrate their special day. Words cannot express our appreciation to those who helped with the party—and especially thanks to our three daughters who spent hours preparing for this event and decorating the hall.*

We are so grateful and appreciative to the people of Haskell. When someone is in need of help, you are always there. First Assembly of God needed help in paying the insurance on the church. We had a lunch at the church last Sunday and you came and ate with us and supported us. Thanks to everyone of you for being there for us. May God richly bless you. The congregation of First Assembly of God

Thank you! Scott Agraz and his family would like to thank everyone who helped during his recent hospital stay. From the doctors and nurses here at the Haskell ER and the EMT drivers that got him to Abilene to everyone that came to visit, called and prayed. It's times like these when we come together and lift one up in prayer that makes us to very thankful for the family and friends we have. It's going to be a long road to recovery but at least God spared his life and he is able to recover. Thank you all so much for being here for us and helping us get through this traumatic time. We love you all. Scott Agraz Leonard and Elizabeth Howard

**RIKE REAL ESTATE** Mary Rike, Broker John Rike, Agent 411 1/2 S. First Street Haskell, Texas 79521 940 864 2411 940 864 2332 [mrrike@ctnspeed.net](mailto:mrrike@ctnspeed.net) [mjrike@windstream.net](mailto:mjrike@windstream.net) [www.rikerestate.com](http://www.rikerestate.com)

**606 N. 5TH.** Older home with large rooms on a nice corner lot and only five blocks to the downtown square. Dwelling has three large bedrooms, one bath, large living-dining and a large kitchen. Amenities include central heating and cooling, new flooring in bathroom and kitchen, new shower, water heater, new privacy fence, new doors and much more. There is an outside building that can be used for storage, a workshop or game room. **PRICE REDUCED.**

**703 Central-Rule.** Nice older stucco home with three bedrooms, two baths with a large kitchen, living room, large utility room and good closet space. There is a detached metal garage, fenced back yard and a large front porch.

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# Moeller, Benton, Kreger, Dodson win local elections

A total of 1,347 Haskell County residents voted in the March 2 Democratic Primary Election, and a total of 180 in the Republican Primary, with the following results:

**Democratic Party**  
Election box results included Box 1, election day 134, early voting 55; Box 2, election day 203, early voting 106; Box 3, election day 144, early voting 82; Box 4, election day 89, early voting 35; Box 5, election day 144, early voting 17; Box 6, election day 97, early

voting 17; Box 7, election day 15, early voting 0; Box 8, election day 61, early voting 9; Box 9, election day 44, early voting 22; and Box 10, election day 68, early voting 5; for a total of 999 votes on election day and 348 votes during early voting.

**Governor:** Farouk Shami 80, Bill White 786, Clement E. Glenn 17, Bill Dear 15, Star Locke 11, Alma Ludinvina Agiado 36, Felix Rodriguez Alvarado 47.  
**Lieutenant Governor:** Ronnie Earle 529, Linda

Chavez-Thompson 236, 1,027.  
**Marc Katz** 88.

**Attorney General:** Barbara Ann Radnosky 701.

**Commissioner of the General Land Office:** Hector Uribe 180, Bill Burton 655.

**Commissioner of Agriculture:** Hank Gilbert 623, Richard 'Kinky' Friedman 347.

**Railroad Commissioner:** Jeff Weems 768.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3:** Jim Sharp 818.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5:** Bill Moody 766.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9:** Blake Bailey 763.

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6:** Keith Hampton 765.

**District Judge, 39th Judicial District:** Shane Hadaway 1,084.

**County Judge:** David C. Davis 871, Chad Gibson 435.

**District Clerk:** Penny Young Anderson 1,110.

**County Clerk:** Rhonda Hewitt Moeller 1,039, Erin McLellan 261.

**County Tax Assessor-Collector:** Connie Benton 814, Belia Abila 481.

**County Treasurer:** Janis McDaniel 1,013.

**County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:** Tiffen Mayfield 317.

**County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:** Neal Kreger 180, Bobby Don Smith 158.

**Justice of the Peace:** Lynn Ward Dodson 779, Gerre Colbert Larned 510. **County Chairman,** Sharon Mullino

**Republican Party**  
**U.S. Representative** District 13: Mac Thornberry 149.

**Governor:** Kay Bailey Hutchinson 35, Debra Medina 22, Rick Perry 140.

**Lieutenant Governor:** David Dewhurst 126.

**Attorney General:** Greg Abbott 144.

**Comptroller of Public Accounts:** Susan Combs 145.

**Commissioner of the General Land Office:** Jerry Patterson 135.

**Commissioner of Agriculture:** Todd Staples 137.

**Railroad Commissioner:** Victor G. Carrillo 74, David Porter 80.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3:** Jeff Brown 26, Rick Green 23, Debra Lehrmann 33, Jim Moseley 17, Rebecca Simmons 15, Rick Strange 14.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5:** Paul Green 118.

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9:** Eva Guzman 86, Rose Vela 38.

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2:** Lawrence 'Larry' Meyers 119.

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5:** Cheryl Johnson 122.

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6:** Michael E. Keasler 120.

**Member, State Board of Education, Dist. 15:** Bob Craig 99, Randy Rives 43.

**State Representative, Dist. 68:** Richard I. 'Rick'

**Hardcastle** 126.  
**Justice, 11 Court of Appeals District, Place 3:** Terry McCall 118.

**County Judge:** Dennis Ashley 110.

**County Chairman:** David Brown 131.

**Proposition 1,** Each registered voter must present a photo ID to vote: For 153, Against 14.

**Proposition 2,** GOP says we need to control government growth via additional budget restrictions: For 151, Against 13.

**Proposition 3,** Stop government stimulus and instead cut Federal Income Taxes: For 153, Against 7.

**Proposition 4,** The GOP wants to force all of us to acknowledge God at public events: For 164, Against 4.

**Proposition 5,** The party wants to demand sonograms be shown to every woman who elects to have an abortion: For 153, Against 28.



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## City Wide Clean Up set April 17-24

The Haskell City Wide Clean Up week will be held Sat., April 17 through Sat., April 24.

The landfill will be open Sat., April 17 and Sat., April 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Landfill hours April 19-22 will be 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fri., April 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The City does not have trailers. Personal trailers and trucks hauling loose trash must have a tarp. Bulky items, lumber, tin, etc. must be tied down.

Trailers and loads will be weighed at the landfill on the new scales. There will

be no charge, but the landfill must record the weight in compliance with TCEQ rules.

Chemicals, tires, batteries, anything containing Freon, asbestos, roofing materials and paint will not be accepted during clean up week.

Bulky items will be picked up if they are by the dumpster only if arrangements have been made by calling City Hall at 864-2333.

This is a service for the citizens of Haskell who live in the city limits. Those using the service may be asked for proof of residence, such as a water bill.

## One act plays set

UIL One Act Plays for 11A-Zone 1 will be held at Throckmorton High School Auditorium Sat., March 27, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Schools and their plays in order to be presented are as follows:

Knox City: Crimes of the Heart; Throckmorton: Steel Magnolias; Paint Creek:

Chamber Music; Woodson: The Tricks of Scapin; Rule: Ordinary People and Newcastle: Arsenic and Old Lace.

The two advancing plays from each zone contest will participate in the District 11A contest to be held at Aspermont High School Wed., March 31.

E-mail your news and photos to The Haskell Free Press at [hfp@valornet.com](mailto:hfp@valornet.com)

### THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Haskell County who supported me and voted for me. Thanks to those who allowed me to put a sign in their yard, to those who took the time and effort to come out and vote. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
**Belia Abila**  
Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Belia Abila

### THANK YOU TO THE VOTERS OF HASKELL COUNTY:

I would like to thank everyone for their overwhelming support in the March 2nd Primary. To everyone who offered words of encouragement, the people who allowed me to put a sign in their yard and for the tremendous support at the polls, I thank you. I am looking forward to continuing to serve as your County Clerk for the next four years.

**Rhonda Moeller**  
**Haskell County Clerk**  
Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Rhonda Moeller



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