

Calendar

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., June 17 at the Haskell Hospital Education Building, 1 N. Ave. N in Haskell. Clinic times are from 1:30 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

Food distribution

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

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., June 19 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Warpath 5K

The Haskell Lions Club is sponsoring the Warpath 5K, a fun run and walk Sat., Sept. 18, starting at 8 a.m. All funds raised will be used to benefit Lions Club International and local organizations. More information will be available at a later time or contact Donnie Rieger, vice president of the Haskell Lions Club for details.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., June 11 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell County Courthouse. All members are asked to attend to discuss the Noah Project-North/Clear Fork Crime Stoppers cook off and clay shoot to be held Aug. 28-29.

Squash cook-off

The fifth annual squash cook-off will be held in Rule June 17 at Village Primitives. Squash entries and recipes need to be entered by 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come and sample the dishes. Call 940-996-2428 for more information.

Pool hours change

The City of Haskell pool will have a change from their regular schedule Sun., June 13. The pool will be open to the public from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on that day only. The regular Sunday schedule is from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This will only be a change for Sun., June 13 only.

Bible school

East Side Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School June 14-18 from 6 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. This year's theme is Saddle Ridge Ranch: Have Questions? Ask God. Children entering Pre-K through those entering sixth grade are welcome to attend. A pre-registration pool party to kick it off will be held June 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the city pool. For information or for a ride, call the church office 864-2738 Mon. through Fri. from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Wild Horse Prairie Days results inside

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"The People's Choice"

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Ashley Meier wins WHPD queen's contest

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Queen's scholarship contest was held Thurs., June 3 during the sponsor's meal. Contestants wore Western

attire and interviewed earlier in the day with judges from the American Business Women's Association of Abilene. Kimie Hutchinson,

the 2009 WHPD queen, served as emcee with help from Sammy Larned.

Ashley Meier was named the 2010 Wild Horse Prairie

Days Queen and was the winner of the \$750 award. She is daughter of Dewayne Meier and a recent graduate of Haskell High School.

Meier plans to attend Angelo State University in the fall to study sociology and criminal justice to become a juvenile probation officer.

Kate Rowan was named first runner up and will receive a \$250 award. She is a recent graduate of Rule High School and the daughter of Keith and Jane Rowan. She plans to attend South Plains College and Texas Tech University to obtain a degree in sports medicine. Rowan wants to become a part of the rodeo sports medicine team.

Others competing in this year's contest were Veronica Benton, Layne Petty, Miranda Johnson, Dannes Holland and Allison Petty.

Sponsors for the contestants were Dewayne Meier, James and Judy Benton, Strickland Bridge, Haskell Home Health, Abilene Music Studio and Karen Kite, Mathis & Sons and Keith and Jane Rowan.

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Queen's scholarship contest committee would like to thank all who donated toward this event, with gifts to contestants and allowing us to give these awards. Those responsible are Modern Way, Richardson's True-Value, Dulaney Abstract, Red Rooster Restaurant, Dodson Concrete Construction, Lynn Dodson, Kenny and Susan Cockerell, Pit & Grill, The Committee to Help Haskell County, Sue's Flowers, Megan Cox, the Haskell Star, The Carousel, Rolling Plains Regional Detention Center, The Drug Store, Personality-Slipper Shoppe, Sonic, Santa Rosa Telephone, and the 2009 WHPD Queen Kimie Hutchinson.



ASHLEY MEIER - 2010 WILD HORSE PRAIRIE DAYS QUEEN

Thompson Ranch wins Ranch Rodeo title

Twenty working ranch teams competed in the fifteenth annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Rodeo last weekend in Haskell. The events also included the John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping, the Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Cutting and the Ranch Horse competition.

The first place overall team winner was the Thompson Ranch of Munday. Team members are Tyler Thompson, Trey Thompson, Eric Hager, Trey Propps and Quentin Gass. They received spurs from the Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee, shirts from Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative, and custom hats from D&S Aerial, 5-D Custom Hats and Leather, Hager Quarter Horses, Helena Chemical Co. and Quality Pest Control.

Second place team was the Crutch Ranch of Borger. Tongue River Ranch of Paducah took third place honors. Fourth place winner was the Sandhill Cattle Co. of Earth. Fifth place winners were the combined teams of the Bradley J3 Ranch of Electra and Veale Ranch of Weatherford. The combined

team of the Triangle Ranch of Paducah and Black Cattle Co. of Earth placed sixth.

Named Top Hand was J.B. Miller of the Bradley J3 Ranch. He received spurs sponsored by Larned's Storage Center.

Top Horse was Elvis of the Bradley J3 Ranch ridden by J.B. Miller. He received a hand tooled headstall and bit sponsored by Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee and a bronze statue sponsored by the AQHA.

The bronc riding event was won by Quentin Gass of Thompson Ranch. He received a saddle sponsored by Wes-T-Go.

The Wild Cow Milking event was won by Crutch Ranch. Saddle sponsors were Central Texas Farm Credit ACA and Anipro/XF.

The sorting event was won by the Sandhill Cattle Co. Larned Sales Center sponsored the saddle.

The doctoring event was won by the Tongue River Ranch. Saddle sponsors were Carson and Tishia Horner and Haskell Healthcare Center.

The mugging event was won by the Circle Bar Ranch.

Rike Real Estate was the saddle sponsor.

The branding event was won by the combined team of the Milliron L Ranch and Flowers Ranch. Haskell Co. Farm Bureau was the saddle sponsor.

Members of the competing ranch teams were:

Thompson Ranch of Munday: Tyler Thompson, Trey Thompson, Eric Hager, Trey Propps and Quentin Gass.

Swenson Land & Cattle Co. of Stamford: Randal Gates, Brooks Hodges, Carroll Jack Lewis, Zane Peters and Ross Kidwell.

R.A. Brown Ranch of Throckmorton: Trent Sharon, Donnell Brown, Casey Zboril, Jeff Bezner and Dustin Self.

Crutch Ranch of Borger: Hegan Lamb, Jake Mitchell, Cody Heck, Mark Mitchell and Casey Maxwell.

Milliron L Ranch of Haskell and Flowers Ranch of Old Glory: Jeff Flowers, Cody Flowers, Billy Lamb, Pat Butler and Buddy Thomas.

Circle Bar Ranch of Truscott: Jerry Bob Daniel, Colton Daniel, Kyle Everson,

Zack Peters and Dustin Glenn.

Sandhill Cattle Co. of Earth: Tripp Townsend, Riley Smith, J.C. Bridges, Randy Knight and Remington Smith.

Tongue River Ranch of Paducah: Tom Moorhouse, Charles Neskorik, Stoney Jones, Gage Moorhouse and Ryan Rankin.

La-Mejor Livestock Co. of Seymour and Harmel Ranch of Seymour: Bo Bourland, Chance McCauley, Ryan Wells and Ho Ho Petit.

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W.T. Waggoner Estate of Vernon: Mack Daniel, Chris Henry, Cody Jones, Lance Green and Alan Rabel.

Rash Barrett Cattle of Waurika, Oklahoma and Pitchfork Ranch, Oklahoma Division: James Gholson, Todd Casebolt, Carl Gholson, Eric Waters and Ryan Wakefield.

Myers & Mimms Cattle Co. of Hereford: Scott Myers, Colbey Turner, Quentin Been, Joe Watkins and Pete

Moberley.

Rocker b Ranch of Barnhart: Mitchell Sawyer, Tony Martinez, Zane Cummings, Rusty Terral and Dennis Webb.

Triangle Ranch and B&J Cattle Co., both of Paducah: Brent Brownlee, Clint Jones, Heath Ownbey, Jody Adams and Tanner Johnson.

NT Ranch of Stanton and Hunter Ranch of Knox City: Tony Hunter, Cody Aaron, Andy Paul Jones, Reece Clark and Waylon Davis.

Bradley J3 Ranch of Electra and Veale Ranch of Weatherford: Johnny Miller, J.B. Miller, Buster Frierson and Bill McElroy.

EZ Land & Cattle Co. and Nail Ranch, both of Albany: Dustin Parsons, Jeff Farmer, Clint Brown and Bud Lowrey.

Coyote Lake Ranch and Nix Cattle Co., both of Muleshoe: Clayton Nicholson, Blake Birdwell, Jake Gilmore, Brandon Nix and Jason Franklin.

Triangle Ranch and Black Cattle Co., both of Earth: Efrain Corrales, Sam White, Eugene Corrales and Tell Goode.

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Rule ISD lists honor rolls

Rule ISD has released the names of students on the A roll, Sidney Campbell, Ryan Cooper, Kacie Easterling, and A-B honor rolls for the Joey Flores, Kayla Hollingsworth and Michael Medford. Included are:
 First grade: A-B honor roll, Sidney Campbell, Ryan Cooper, Kacie Easterling, Joey Flores, Kayla Hollingsworth and Michael Medford.
 Second grade: A-B honor roll, Antonio Amaya, Kiya Bailey, Kennedy Fritzler, Danny Kreger, Madalyn Navarrette and Jessica Ramos Cruz.

Third grade: A honor roll, Courtney Hertel; A-B honor roll, Emily Martines and Avery Tanner.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Alexzandra Cooper; A-B honor roll, Xavier Bruce, Mason Helms, Alexandria Martinez, Christina Moore, Pablo Sandoval and Thomas Short.

Fifth grade: A honor roll, Alysia Hollabaugh; A-B honor roll, Chase Helms, America Shelton and Hunter Threet.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Sarah Campbell, Kylie DeVille, Chris Holder, Samantha Lewis, Kade Lowack and Braden Tanner.

Seventh grade: A-B honor roll, Jonah Caddell, Christina Herrera and Ryan Pace.

Eighth grade: A-B honor roll, Rebecca Foreman and Marissa Holder.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Josh Quintero; A-B honor roll, Daniel Turner and Darryl Williams.

Tenth grade: A-B honor roll, Alex Lyon and Dennise Salas.

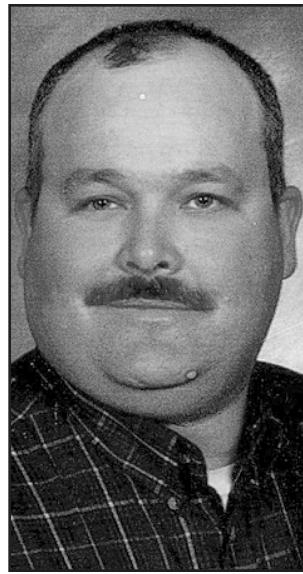
Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Grace Burgess, Jenny Dudensing, Allison Petty and Brittany Roberts; A-B honor roll, Oren Maggard, Amber Polk, Shelby Starr and Stephanie Threet.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Joseph Turner; A-B honor roll, Brittany Grindstaff and Nick Johnson.

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

Obituaries

Joseph William 'Joey' Swinney



JOEY SWINNEY

Funeral services for Joseph William 'Joey' Swinney, 40, of Haskell were held Thurs., June 3 at the Church of Christ in Haskell. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Swinney was called home to be with his Lord and Savior Mon., May 31 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He was met at the pearly gates with his Mother's arms open wide.

Born Sept. 8, 1969 in Haskell County, he was the son of Bill and Darlene Swinney. He was employed by TxDOT for 15 years where he gained many brothers. He was a member of the Haskell Church of Christ where he felt so much love and support.

He married Tamara Lynn Decker Feb. 25, 2000 in Haskell. He is the rock of his family and loved by so many friends. Joey never met a stranger and would give the shirt off his back to help anyone.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing and being outdoors. The biggest enjoyment he had was being with his wife and kids and giving love to them and making sure they were protected and taken care of. Joey had a heart that is unexplainable and a strength that would overcome any situation good or bad.

You could always depend on Joey to be there for you whenever and wherever. He loved football and the Dallas Cowboys. Another joy in his life was supporting Haskell Heroes for Autism Speaks all for his little boy Will who has

autism. Both of his kids were his world and he is the best father and husband.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Darlene Swinney and a cousin, Monty Mueller.

Survivors include his wife Tamara, daughter Tristen Maelynn, son James William 'Will,' father Bill Swinney, sister Shelia Cothron, niece Shelby Morrow, nephew Preston Morrow, all of Haskell; father-in-law, Lonnie Decker, mother-in-law, Trisha Decker of Stanton; brother-in-law Jim Decker and sister-in-law Diana Decker of Midland; his TxDOT brothers and special friend Shane Stout; along with a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends who loved him so very much.

Joey has touched many lives in his short time here on earth and will continue. He may be gone but never forgotten. Donations may be made to Haskell Heroes in support of Autism Speaks, c/o Missy Burson, 1307 North Avenue F, Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

Delma Lee Ply



LEE PLY

Memorial services for Delma Lee Ply, 86, of Rule were held Wed., June 2 at Sweet Home Baptist Church in Rule.

Mr. Ply passed away Sun., May 30.

Born Jan. 4, 1924 in Jim Wells County, he was the son of the late William Jake Ply and Beulah Stella Edwards. He married Laura Lee Fletcher Dec. 20, 1995 in Haskell. He was retired after working in the oil field and farming. He proudly served our country in World

War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, William Lee Gary.

Survivors include his wife, Laura of Rule; children, Ben Gary of Mineral Wells, Laura Ann Gary of Mineral Wells and David Lynn Gary of Houston; 13 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; brothers, Robert Ply of Mesquite and Lue Gary of Abilene; and sisters, Lola Hunt of Abilene and Lois Ply of Illinois. PD. NOTICE

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The Paint Creek Staff and Senior Class of 2010

would like to sincerely thank the following businesses and organizations for sponsoring scholarships for our college-bound students. We are fortunate to be a part of such a supportive community. Included with the list of sponsored scholarships are the 2010 award recipients.

- Burl Medford Memorial (\$250)** – Brennan Medford
- Citibank of Haskell (\$250)** – Britney Martinez
- Committee to Help Haskell (\$500)** – Britney Martinez
- First National Bank of Haskell (\$250)** – Brennan Medford
- First National Bank of Haskell (\$250)** – Brittany Waggoner
- Holden-McCauley Funeral Home (\$250)** – LaCresha Escamilla
- Modern Way (\$250)** – Brittany Waggoner
- Rotary Club of Haskell (\$500)** – Brittany Waggoner
- Paint Creek Ex-Students (\$100)** – Amy Bogle
- Paint Creek Faculty (\$250)** – Brittany Waggoner
- Paint Creek PTO (\$500)** – Jessica Pendergraft
- Paint Creek PTO (\$500)** – Brittany Waggoner

We would also like to thank the following businesses for their contributions to our graduation ceremony.

- Sue's Flowers & Gifts** for donating a beautiful flower arrangement
- ABC Greenhouse** for loaning their Swedish ivy plants
- Bonnie Emert Magers** for designing the program

TxDOT sets TIP meetings

Texas Department of Transportation officials have announced the Abilene District will be hosting two public meetings to provide all interested citizens information concerning the rural portion of the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The TIP is a staged multi-year program of projects proposed for funding by federal and state sources during the next four years.

The first meeting will be held Tues., June 15, in the ballroom of the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring.

The second meeting is scheduled Thurs., June 17, in the Haskell High School auditorium located at 600 N. Ave. E, Haskell.

Registration for both meetings will begin at 6 p.m. with the meeting

starting at 6:30 p.m. The same information will be presented at each meeting.

The meetings will provide an opportunity for interested individuals and groups to offer their views, concerns and comments on the goals, objectives and impacts of the TIP.

Persons wishing to present testimony at either of the meetings regarding the 2011-2014 Rural Transportation Improvement Program will need to complete the response cards that will be available at the registration table.

Instead of, or in addition to speaking at the meetings, attendees may choose to provide written statements and/or exhibits. Written comments should be presented either in person or by mail to the TxDOT/Abilene District, Attn: Blair W. Haynie, P.E., 2011-2014 Rural TIP, 4250 N. Clack,

Abilene, Texas, 79601, no later than Fri., June 28, 2010.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting, contact Haynie, Director of Transportation Planning and Development, at 325-676-6810 or Mary Beth Kilgore, District Public Information Officer, at 325-676-6806.

Counties in the Abilene District include Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and Taylor.

Persons having special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Abilene District Office at 325-676-6810. Requests should be made at least 72 hours prior to the date of any public meeting they plan to attend. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate those needs.

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Seven retire from Haskell County school systems

by **Caron Yates**

The 2009-10 school year is now, as they say, "one for the record books." As most Haskell County students and school personnel are looking forward to a relaxing summer, there are several who are looking forward to the next phase of their lives.

Haskell County had seven school employees retire, with a combined total of two hundred twenty-four years of experience in the school system.

Lisa Frierson is retiring from Paint Creek ISD, after twenty-eight years of service in public education. In her career, she has taught Deaf Education at all levels, Special Education at all levels, first grade, CBI instructor as well as the Transition Specialist/Vocational Adjustment Coordinator for Haskell-Knox Shared Services. The last sixteen years have been in Haskell County schools.

Frierson says there is nothing as exciting as seeing the faces of students when they have learned something for the first time. Paper work is a big part of teaching, but Frierson adds, "In the areas I have taught, documentation is so important." She and her husband, Nathan, have four children, with whom she plans to spend more time visiting. She wants to continue making crosses and jewelry, and fishing is at the top of her list of things to do.

Haskell Elementary will be saying goodbye to four. Rhonda Lisle is finishing her teaching career with thirty-three years, most of which have been as a kindergarten teacher at Haskell. She has also taught second grade and Title I math. In the early years, she taught at Amarillo, Hamlin and Weinert.

Many of her former students remember her "famous lipstick kisses." In fact, a group of kindergarten boys from the graduating class of 2000 once challenged her to a foot race. Her reward for beating them was, of course, to give each one of them a big red lipstick kiss.

Lisle and her husband Jim, have one son Justin, who with wife Jaclyn and sons Jackson and Jaren live in Aledo.

She is looking forward to having flexibility in her time and doing some things she hasn't had time to do. Enjoying her grandsons,



LISA FRIERSON

traveling and finding some avenues of service to the community are in her future plans.

Sherry Adams is retiring after thirty-nine years of teaching. Remarkably all were spent at Haskell Elementary. She taught one year in fourth grade and spent a couple of years as the Accelerated Reading/Technology director, but she found her niche in fifth grade, where she spent over thirty-five years. Her years of experience have taught her that most children want to do the right thing and learn all they can, but they also need to know that no matter what, you truly care about them.

She plans to stay busy enjoying her family which includes son David and Tina Adams and granddaughters Ashley and Kylie.

Marijane Cunningham has spent the last thirty-nine years as a first grade teacher. While she taught the first three years of her career at Irving ISD, the remaining thirty-six have been spent behind the orange door at Haskell Elementary. Cunningham says, "The highlight of teaching first graders, is they think their teacher is pretty, no matter how old we get. They are freely giving of their hugs, pictures and other tokens of love." She adds that the most rewarding times are watching a small child first realize that they can read words and then put them together to make sentences.

Cunningham and husband Larry have two children, Kelli who lives in Ft. Worth and Craig who lives in Dallas. In retirement, she hopes to travel, visit her children and do some chores around the house and yard, that have been put on hold for awhile.

Denise Andress has retired after serving lunches to students for the past nineteen years. She worked six years at the high school,



RHONDA LISLE

before moving over to the elementary. Andress says, "I enjoyed serving the children. They were a joy in my time at school."

Andress and her husband Rickey have one daughter, Judith. She and husband Brad live in Stamford. While Andress has no definite plans for the future, she is looking forward to whatever opportunities come her way.

Rochester Junior High will certainly miss Cathy Bartley, a thirty-eight year veteran teacher, who is also retiring. Bartley taught two years at Aspermont ISD, before settling in at Haskell CISD. Throughout her career, she has taught seventh through eleventh grade English, junior high reading and biology, arts and crafts class and sixth grade P.E. In addition to teaching duties, she has coached basketball, track and tennis and served as cheerleading sponsor.

Bartley says that while it is often difficult to balance family life with work, she is always delighted when



SHERRY ADAMS

former students come back to visit.

Cathy and Robert Bartley have two daughters and two grandsons. Christi and husband Chad Wheat, along with ten year old Caleb and 5 year old Cooper live in Wichita Falls, while daughter Misti lives in Dallas.

After 38 years, Bartley plans to take it easy. She hopes to volunteer, read, enjoy her grandsons and of course, continue her running.

Mary Hollingsworth, who is retiring from Rochester Junior High, has worked in food service for over twenty-eight years. Hollingsworth says, "I really enjoy the students. Watching them grow and move on. We don't just feed kids, we grow men and women."

She plans to enjoy just being at home, but is looking forward to time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Hollingsworth has four sons, Wendell of Stephenville, Tony of Merkel, Randy of Rochester and Rob



MARIJANE CUNNINGHAM



CATHY BARTLEY

of Abilene.

These experienced retirees have certainly seen their share of change in the education world. Whether it is new regulations, testing mandates, paper work or any of the other many changes, the motivation remains the same. It is the students themselves,



DENISE ANDRESS



MARY HOLLINGSWORTH

that have prompted them to stay in the business for the long haul. The reward is in seeing the look of delight when a student has learned something new, as well as sharing the hope when a student knows you truly care. It is then, that you know the effort has been worthwhile.

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In extreme conditions or with certain physical problems, the body may be unable to maintain its normal body temperature. When this happens, body temperature can rise or fall to the point that serious medical problems occur.

- Risk factors**
- Age:** The elderly are at high risk because their temperature regulation mechanisms are not as effective.
 - Disease processes:** People with heart or lung problems are at higher risk because of increased oxygen needs.
 - Medications:** Some medications interfere with the process of perspiration and other mechanisms that the body uses to cool itself.
 - Environment:** Heat combined with high humidity is dangerous because perspiration does not evaporate well and cooling is not as efficient.

More on heat-related illness in the next article.

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

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Governor nixes participation in education funding program

AUSTIN—Texas will not apply for the second round of federal Race to the Top education funds that could total around \$700 million, Gov. Rick Perry said June 1.

Race to the Top money comes through a competitive granting program that requires states to adopt national curriculum standards in order to compete for the funding.

“Abandoning state standards and adopting new nationalized standards would cost Texas taxpayers \$3 billion, and would likely weaken the rigorous college- and career-ready standards and assessments already in place in our state,” Perry said.

Texas’ curriculum standards are set by the elected State Board of Education, as recently demonstrated, but the Legislature has the power to amend those standards.

Perry said if Texas accepted the funding “it would cost Texas taxpayers upwards of \$3 billion to realign our education system to conform to the U.S. Department of Education’s uniform vision for public education.”

More budget cuts prescribed

Gov. Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Joe Straus on May 28 told state agencies to whittle down their budget requests by 5 percent for fiscal year 2012 and another 5 percent for fiscal year 2013. Agencies must submit their plans between Aug. 2 and Aug. 30.

The 82nd Texas Legislature, scheduled to convene Jan. 11, must write a balanced budget in the face of a shortfall estimated between \$10 billion and \$18 billion.

“While we face challenges to our budget, Texans can rest assured we will preserve essential services as we identify further savings for taxpayers,” Dewhurst said.

Tax intake lower than expected

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on June 2 said business tax collections as of the May 16 reporting deadline were about \$3.6 billion.

The amount is about \$500 million short of Combs’ biennial revenue estimate for fiscal years 2010-2011, which projects \$4.3 billion in business tax revenue by the end of fiscal 2010, Aug. 31. Those billions of dollars in business taxes make up a small portion of state revenue overall: the lion’s share (about 60 percent) comes from sales and use taxes paid by all consumers.

Speaking of which, the upcoming state sales tax holiday will give Texas shoppers a break from state and local sales taxes on Aug. 20, 21 and 22. The law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100

from sales and use taxes.

How much revenue does the state forgo as a result of that kind of sales tax holiday? Usually more than \$50 million.

Redistricting committee meets

Congressional redistricting, a job for the state Legislature next session, will be based on information gathered in the U.S. census.

On June 2, the House Committee on Redistricting met for invited testimony on recent legal, technological, and demographic developments relating to the upcoming redistricting process.

Dr. Jeffrey Jordan of the Texas State Data Center testified the state’s population increased 3.93 million (18.8 percent) from 2000 to 2008, of which 54 percent was natural increase and 45 percent was net migration.

Texas stands to pick up at least two congressional seats, based on its population increase.

Early vaccinations encouraged

The Texas Department of State Health Services on June 3 called for parents to get their children vaccinated now to avoid the back-to-school rush later this summer.

“We want parents to plan ahead,” said health commissioner Dr. David Lakey. “Schoolchildren should get vaccinated as soon as possible to avoid long wait times at clinics and ensure they are protected before the first day of school.”

Child booster seat law takes effect

On June 1, failure to secure a child in a booster seat became a misdemeanor offense, with violations resulting in a \$25 fine for a first offense and up to \$250 for subsequent violations.

A child younger than 8 must be secured in a child passenger safety seat, unless the child is taller than 4 feet, 9 inches, according to the law, authored in 2009 by Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

Parties to hold annual conventions

The Republican Party of Texas’ 2010 state convention will be held at the Dallas Convention Center, June 11-12.

The Texas Democratic Party’s 2010 state convention will be held at the American Bank Center in Corpus Christi, June 24-26.

The Libertarian Party of Texas 2010 state convention will be held in Austin at the Radisson North Hotel, June 11-12.

Hurricane season: learn what to do

Hurricane season officially began June 1 and continues until Dec. 1.

For information on road conditions and evacuation procedures, visit the Texas Department of Transportation Web site, <http://www.txdot.gov/travel/hurricane.htm>.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago June 8, 2000

Craig Cunningham, Kevin Patton, Tracy Richardson and Paige Hagadone will be a part of a select group of over 160 United Methodist youth who will be touring with the Spirit Wind 2000 Choir.

Nichole Holcomb of Rule, graduated cum laude from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetic/Food and Nutrition.

Retired coach Ray Overton, who won the respect and admiration of countless youth throughout a fifty-two year career was honored with an appreciation event in Dallas.

20 Years Ago June 7, 1990

Highest ranking students at Haskell High School are seniors Harper Stewart, Davis Chapman and Kyle Darden; juniors Rusty Stocks and Sheila Unger; sophomores Deanne Wallace and Kim Gilly; and freshmen Brooke Baker and Holly Hobgood.

Christi Spain, daughter of former Haskell resident Hal Spain and granddaughter of Gerry Spain of Haskell, was named “Best Actress” at the state UIL one-act play competition. She is a student at Sonora High School.

The Rule Memorial Foundation has reached a major goal with the erection

of the monument honoring the community’s war dead and veterans.

30 Years Ago June 5, 1980

Leisure Lodge employees Georgia Shipman, Lorene Beason and Loveta Strickland accepted a plaque awarded the facility for outstanding Dietary Department operations.

David Ray Hill received a Bachelor of Music degree during the 88th annual commencement exercises at Hardin-Simmons University. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin R. Hill of Haskell.

Lesley Wootan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wootan of Haskell, has been selected one of the Outstanding Young Men of America. A 1963 graduate of Haskell High School, he is a Certified Public Accountant.

40 Years Ago June 4, 1970

Susan May and Larry LeFevre, both of Rule, exchanged wedding vows at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Memorial services were held at the Rochester Cemetery to honor those who have served their country. Mrs. R.A. Shaver sang, followed with a devotional by Mrs. Alton Byrd. Trumpeters were Patti Acree and Susan Stegemoller.

Martin Fred Rueffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rueffer, received a Degree

of Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston.

Army Sgt. Curtis Darden, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Darden of Haskell, completed the 22-week tactical communications chief skill development base course at Fort Sill, Okla.

50 Years Ago June 9, 1960

Carl Wheatley of Haskell won the nomination for State Representative of the 83rd district, while Garth Garrett defeated incumbent Bill Pennington for Haskell County Sheriff.

Jerry Waddell of Spur and James Bowers of Haskell were united in marriage at the First Baptist Church in Spur.

Dr. T.W. Williams has been chosen director of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for Haskell.

100 Years Ago June 4, 1910

A special service in memory of the deceased comrades was held at the courthouse and presided over by Capt. W.W. Fields.

An enormous crowd gathered at the depot and assisted Mr. Hemphill in unloading his street car and placing it on the track.

Mrs. Th. Wright has let the contract for another large building to be used as a rooming apartment for guests of the Wright House.

Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

Q: When is the City going to begin spraying for mosquitoes?

A: That question was answered in the paper last week—the City has already begun and will respond first to the areas where residents have called in and requested the service.

Q: What can be done to give a face-lift to the square—to the vacant buildings?

A: That has been a concern of mine as well. I think a starting place would be a simple window washing to all the vacant and some of the occupied buildings. I’ve even had some people to volunteer for that project and we may set a time and place for all citizens who want to help and get the ball rolling on that project. It is good to promote and celebrate our home teams. But I still see one building that was decorated for Homecoming this past year and it needs to be UN-decorated. We need to get a list of the building owners, secure the keys and wash those windows INSIDE and OUT. I’ve always been impressed with the city of Post as we traveled for years

from Haskell to Lubbock. We’re about the same size and they have some vacant buildings, but they show their pride by keeping the buildings clean. All buildings have the name of the stores freshly painted and awnings repaired. (Several businesses in Haskell have repaired or put up new awnings recently and it really looks nice—thanks to those of you who have done that!) Another point that could be addressed is the historical significance of some of those buildings.

Maybe the Historical Society could weigh in on that. Maybe guidelines could be established to certify some as historical sites thereby placing restraints on how they can be restored or used. If any of these suggestions appeal to any citizen or group of citizens, please call and make an appointment for your cause to be placed on the City Council agenda.

I appreciate your response to this avenue to hopefully bring us together for a better hometown.

Student in the News

Ruby Lou Hadaway Welsh Edwards of Lubbock attended the graduation ceremonies of Jonathan Travis Hadaway held at the Spirit Arena at Texas Tech University Sat., May 15.

Hadaway received a degree in business administration marketing. He attended Midland Junior College two years and Tech Texas University in Lubbock two years. He attended Midland High School before attending college.

Hadaway is the son of

Jerry Hadaway of Midland and Debbi Hadaway of Midland; nephew of Edwards; and grandson of the late Opal and Travis Hadaway of Haskell.

Weinert homecoming

Plans are being made for Weinert Homecoming to be held Oct. 1-3, 2010. If you have new addresses of exes, forward them to Jacky Sanders, Sue Cox, Wanda Hester or Mary Murphy.

Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,

From all of us who are involved with the food bank and the people who receive food from there, our sincere thanks goes out to the postal workers, who last month, picked up well over half a ton of food from the community.

Thanks to all those who gave, also.
Roy Wright, chairman

Student in the News

Stephanie Michelle Grand of Haskell graduated Magna Cum Laude in Honors Studies from Texas Tech University Sat., May 15. Her major was Exercise and Sports Sciences with a minor in biology.

For one semester during her junior year, Grand was selected to serve as an Undergraduate Teaching Assistant. She was a member and secretary of the Texas Tech Chapter of the Golden Key International Honor Society, which is made up of students who are in the top 15% of their junior and senior classes. She was also a member of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society.

In addition to being a part of the Honors College, Grand served for two semesters as a mentor to new Honors College members. Receiving an Honors College scholarship for the Tech Study Abroad program in the summer of 2009, she spent five weeks in Spain studying Spanish. During her three years at Texas Tech, she received scholarships from the Texas Tech Chancellor’s Council, the Academic Achievement Council, the Lubbock Foundation, and the Exercise and Sports Sciences Department.

Grand has been accepted to the Physician Assistant Program at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and will begin work on her Masters of Physician Assistant Studies in August.

ECC Menu

Mon., June 14

Lunch—King ranch chicken, cream potatoes, green beans, yeast roll, strawberry cake, tea or coffee

Wed., June 16

Lunch—Barbeque sausage, scalloped potatoes, onion, pickle, English peas, garlic bread, brownie, pears, tea or coffee

Fri., June 18

Lunch—Beef stew, tuna and pimento sandwiches, onions, pickles, jello, cookie, tea or coffee

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

Haskell Summer Menu

June 14-August 6

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, breadsticks, broccoli with cheese, orange slices

Tuesday: Corn dogs, macaroni and cheese, pork ‘n beans, shape-ups

Wednesday: Hamburgers and chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, ice cream cups

Thursday: Chicken spaghetti, green beans and salad, breadsticks, fresh fruit

Friday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, chocolate chip cookie

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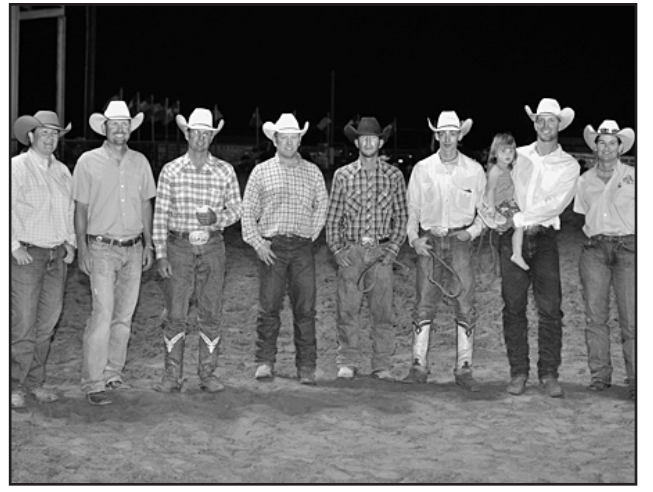
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SECOND PLACE TEAM—Second place team honors went to the Crutch Ranch of Borger. Shown are, l-r, Mandy Morton, Mark Mitchell, Cody Heck, Jake Mitchell, Casey Maxwell, Hazen Lamb held by Hegan Lamb, Jerry Bob Daniel and Casey Hooper. Saddle blankets were sponsored by Circle Bar S.



THIRD PLACE TEAM—Third place team honors went to the Tongue River Ranch of Paducah. Pictured, l-r, are Casey Larned, Mandy Morton, Gage Moorhouse, Charles Neskoric, Stoney Jones, Ryan Rankin and Casey Hooper. Ropes were sponsored by Roewe Outfitters.



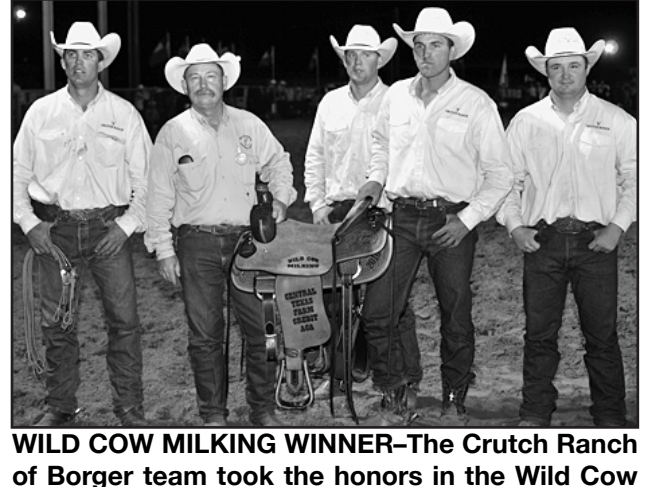
FOURTH PLACE TEAM—Fourth place team honors went to the Sandhill Cattle Co. of Earth. Pictured, l-r, are Casey Hooper, Casey Larned, Tripp Townsend, Randy Knight, J.C. Bridges, Remington Smith, Scout Smith held by Riley Smith and Mandy Morton.



FIFTH PLACE TEAM—Fifth place team honors went to the combined Bradley J3 Ranch of Electra and Veale Ranch of Weatherford team. J. B. Miller, third from left, accepted the award for the team from, l-r, Casey Hooper, Casey Larned and Mandy Morton.



SIXTH PLACE TEAM—Sixth place team honors went to the combined Triangle Ranch and Black Cattle Co. team, both of Earth. Tell Goode, second from left, accepted the award for the team from, l-r, Casey Hooper, Casey Larned and Mandy Morton.



WILD COW MILKING WINNER—The Crutch Ranch of Borger team took the honors in the Wild Cow Milking event. Presenting the saddle, sponsored by Central Texas Farm Credit ACA and Anipro/XF is Dale Bullinger, second from left. Team members are, l-r, Hegan Lamb, Cody Heck, Jake Mitchell and Casey Maxwell.



BRONC RIDER WINNER—Quentin Gass, right, of Thompson Ranch of Munday accepts the saddle for the bronc riding contest along with Ryder Gass from Casey Larned, left. The saddle sponsor was Wes-T-Go.



BRONC RIDER SECOND PLACE—Tell Goode, right, of Triangle Ranch/B& J Cattle Co. accepts the second place award for the bronc riding contest. Casey Larned, left, made the presentation.



BRANDING WINNER—The combined team of the Milliron L Ranch of Haskell and Flowers Ranch of Old Glory won the branding event during the Wild Horse Prairie Days. Presenting the saddle, sponsored by Haskell Co. Farm Bureau, is Kenny Tanner, second from left. Team members, l-r, are Jeff Flowers, Billy Lamb and Pat Butler.



SORTING WINNER—The Sandhill Cattle Co. of Earth won the sorting event at the Wild Horse Prairie Days ranch rodeo. Presenting the saddle, sponsored by Larned Sales Center, is Casey Larned, left, and Sammy Larned, right. Team members are, l-r, Riley Smith, holding Scout Smith, Tripp Townsend, Randy Knight and J.C. Bridges.



DOCTORING WINNER—The Tongue River Ranch of Paducah won the doctoring event during Wild Horse Prairie Days. Presenting the saddle, sponsored by Haskell Healthcare Center and Carson and Tishia Horner is Steve King, center. Team members, l-r, are Stoney Jones, Gage Moorhouse, Charles Neskoric and Ryan Rankin.



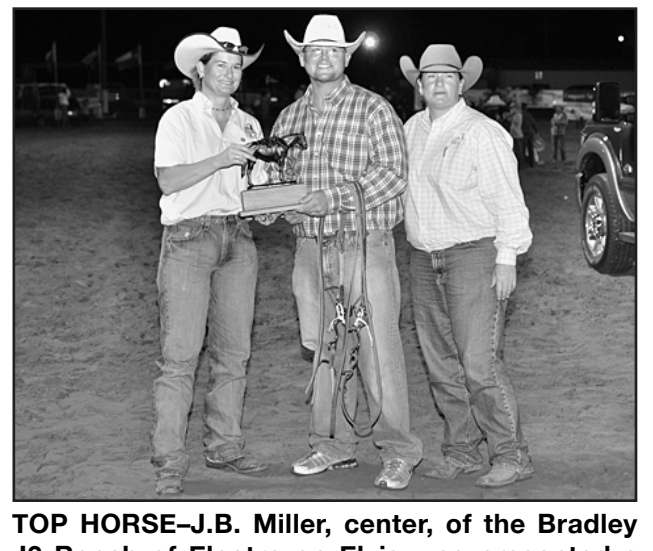
MUGGING WINNER—The Circle Bar Ranch of Truscott won the saddle sponsored by Rike Real Estate and presented by Casey Larned, right. Team members are, l-r, Colton Daniel, Dustin Glenn, Kyle Everson, Zack Peters and Jerry Bob Daniel.



RANCH HORSE COMPETITION WINNER—Tripp Townsend, left, of Sandhill Cattle Co. of Earth accepts the saddle sponsored by First National Bank of Haskell from Casey Larned, right.



TOP HAND—J.B. Miller of the Bradley J3 Ranch of Electra was named Top Hand of the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Spurs were sponsored by Larned's Storage Center.



TOP HORSE—J.B. Miller, center, of the Bradley J3 Ranch of Electra on Elvis was presented a headstall and bit from the Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee and a bronze statue from the AQHA from Mandy Morton, left, and Casey Hooper, WRCA representatives.



PARADE FIRST PLACE WINNER—Cliff's Garage had the first place winning float in the Wild Horse Prairie Days parade.



PARADE SECOND PLACE WINNER—KISCO had the second place winning float in the Wild Horse Prairie Days parade.



PARADE THIRD PLACE WINNER—Professional Pampering had the third place winning float in the Wild Horse Prairie Days parade.



LIMITED DIVISION EVENT WINNER—Pate Stewart, left, of Munday was the Limited Division event winner of the Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Ranch Cutting Horse competition. Sammy Larned, right, presented the saddle sponsored by Larned Quarterhorses.



OPEN AGED DIVISION EVENT WINNER—Gage Williamson of Seymour, was the Open Aged Division event winner of the Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Ranch Cutting Horse competition. Sammy Larned, right, presented the saddle sponsored by Bailey Toliver Chevrolet.



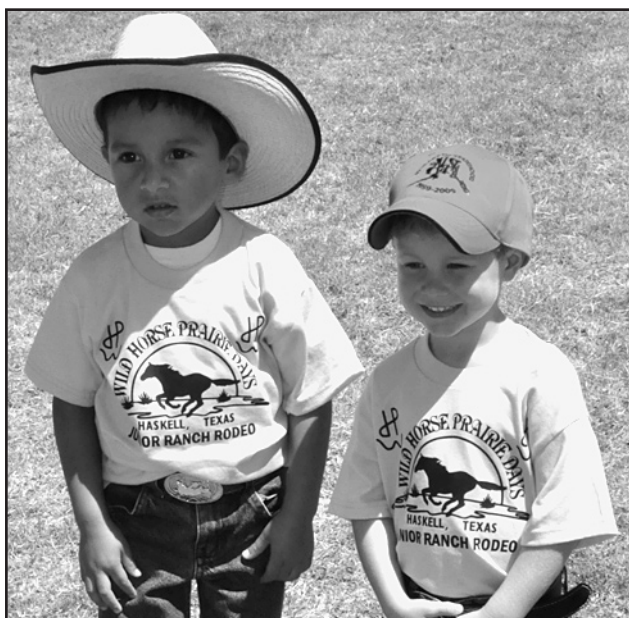
YOUTH DIVISION EVENT WINNER—Mikayla Graham was the Youth Division event winner of the Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Ranch Cutting Horse competition. Sammy Larned, right, presented the award.



JUNIOR DIVISION EVENT WINNER—David Baxter, right, of Lowrance Ranch, Truscott was the Junior Division event winner of the Sam 'Snakey' Graves Memorial Ranch Cutting Horse competition. Sammy Larned, left, presented the saddle sponsored by Silveus Insurance Group.



BEST OF SHOW—Delanie Adkins of Rochester has the Best of Show entry in the photography division of the Brazos West Art Association's Art Show held during Wild Horse Prairie Days.



SUPER PEEWEE DIVISION WINNERS—Winning first place in the 'Pokey the Clown' Junior Rodeo Super Pee wee Division were, l-r, Evan Enriquez and Derrick Fischer.



JOHN WALLACE MEMORIAL CALF ROPING WINNER—George Roland, left, was the winner of the saddle sponsored by Micro Beef Technologies, during the Wild Horse Prairie Days John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping event. J.W. Wallace, right, made the presentation.



BEST OF SHOW—Nelwyn Beakley of Rule painted this landscape entry to take Best of Show in the painting division of the Brazos West Art Association's Art Show held during Wild Horse Prairie Days.



PEEWEE DIVISION WINNERS—Winning first place in the 'Pokey the Clown' Junior Rodeo Pee wee Division were, l-r, Chambrey Phemister, Cassidy Phemister, Brody Stanfield and Shane Stanfield.

Winners of John Wallace Memorial Roping listed

The John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping, sponsored by Micro Beef Technologies, was held Sun., May 30 at the Howard Hopkins Memorial Arena.

Results were:

First go round: Martin Poindexter, 9.89; Lance Millican, 9.93; Kiel Rowan, 10.13; Joseph Gernantz, 10.13.

Second go round: Chase Williams, 8.50; Bradley Bynum, 8.77; George Rowland, 8.93; Jake Smith, 9.24.

Third go round: George Roland, 7.59; Chase Williams, 8.66; Doug Pharr, 8.77; Zane Waldrip, 8.77.

Short go round: Chase Williams, 7.99; Cliff Kirkpatrick 8.53; George Roland, 9.69; Josh Timm, 9.79.

Total on four head: George Roland, 39.15; Chase Williams, 39.89; Jake Smith, 42.29; Josh Timm, 44.42.

Roland was the winner of the saddle donated by Micro Beef Technologies.

Art Show results

Winners of the Brazos West Art Show competition held during Wild Horse Prairie Days include:

Best of Show Art Division

Nelwyn Beakley of Rule

Pastels

Landscapes: 1. Beakley, 2. Gayle White of Rochester, 3. Gary Conn of Knox City.

Still Life: 1. Betty Berry of Haskell, 2. Berry.

Animals: 1. White, 2. White, 3. White.

Santa: Honorable Mention, White.

Graphics

1. Judson McDonald of Rule, 2. McDonald.

Watercolors

1. Marsha Whittemore of Rule.

Acrylics

1. Beakley

Oils

Landscapes: 1. Gayle Hicks of Knox City, 2. Conn, 3. Whittemore; Honorable Mention, Conn.

Still Life: 1. Beakley.

Best of Show Photography Division

Delanie Adkins of Rochester

1. Adkins, 2. Charles Townsend of Rule, 3. Townsend; Honorable Mention, Kelsie Adams of Haskell.



JUNIOR DIVISION WINNERS—Winning first place in the 'Pokey the Clown' Junior Rodeo Junior Division were, l-r, Kaylee Hardin, Kasie Hardin and Riley Hardin.

WHPD Ranch Horse competition results

Results of the Ranch Horse competition held during Wild Horse Prairie Days were:

Cowboy class: Carroll Jack Lewis from the Swenson Land and Cattle Co. of Stamford.

Junior Class: Tripp Townsend from the Sandhill Cattle Co. in Earth.

Senior Class: Zinn Lindsey of Jayton.

The competition consists of three events, including reining, cutting, and roping.



WINNING TEAM—The Thompson Ranch team of Munday took first place honors during Wild Horse Prairie Days. Pictured are, l-r, Sammy Larned, Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee; Casey Hooper and Mandy Morton, WCRA representatives; team members, Trey Thompson, Trey Propps, Kenzli Hager held by Eric Hager, Sydney and Madison Thompson standing in front of Quintin Gass who is holding Bronc Gass. They received spurs from the Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee, shirts from Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative and custom hats from D&S Aerial, 5-D Custom Hats & Leather, Hager Quarter Horses, Helena Chemical Company and Quality Pest Control.



QUEEN'S CONTESTANTS—Wild Horse Prairie Days queen contestants were, l-r, Ashley Meier, Veronica Benton, Layne Petty, Miranda Johnson, Dannes Holland, Allison Petty and Kate Rowan.



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To: Carol McGreevy

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Notice to Defendant: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after the date this citation was issued, a default judgment may be taken against you."

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday, July 5, 2010 before the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, at the Courthouse in said County in Haskell, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 12th day of April 2010 in the above entitled cause.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for Declaratory Judgment to construe the Fifth Paragraph of the Will of Hazel Mitchell Nolan, Deceased as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Haskell, Haskell County, Texas on this the 19th day of May, 2010.

Attorney for Plaintiff or Plaintiff:

Bobby Burnett, Attorney at Law, P.O. Drawer 390, Munday, Texas 76371.

Clerk of the Court:
Penny Anderson, Haskell County District Clerk, P.O. Box 27,

Haskell, Texas 79521.
By: Terri Fillman 21-24c

INVITATION TO BID
The City of Rochester, Texas, will receive bids for construction of the Community Development Block Grant project (TXCDBG #729689) until 2:00 pm on June 30, 2010 at the Rochester City Hall at P.O. Box 430 (150 1st Street), Rochester, Texas 79544, at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids are invited for the construction of the following:

Renovations of existing sanitary sewer lift station.

Contract documents, including plans and specifications, are available at the office of Carthel Engineering Solutions, 4409 71st Street #6, Lubbock, Texas 79424, phone 806-687-8322, fax 806-687-8323. Questions concerning this project should be addressed to Mr. Gregg Hearne at the Rochester City Hall (phone 940-742-3411, fax 940-742-3711).

This is a unit price contract. Method of payment to Contractor will be via check by the municipality after approved requests for payment.

A Bid Bond (issued by an acceptable security), in the amount of 5 percent of the bid, shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Rochester, or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond. The successful Bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, from a Surety Company holding a permit from the State of Texas, to act as a Surety or other Surety, or Sureties satisfactory to the Owner. If the total bid is less than \$25,000, a Payment Bond will not be required.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (i.e., Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs and

contained in the Contract Documents must be paid on the project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The City of Rochester reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City of Rochester for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to awarding of the contract.

Hon. Marvin Stegemoeller, Mayor 23c

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TOURNAMENT WINNERS- Haskell's 8U softball team, the **Diamond Darlins**, brought home the third place trophy in the ASA District 11 Tournament held in Abilene May 21-23. Thirty-four teams participated in the tournament and the girls played eight games over the weekend defeating teams from Colorado City, Stamford and Abilene to earn third place. Team members participating in the tournament were, front row, l-r, Braelyn Bevel, Kobie Walker, Areli Torres, Madyson Moore, Vanessa Trussell, Lauren Alexander, Autum Gibbs and Landry Hanson; middle row, Ryanna Rodriguez, Kelsea Tidrow, Adaline Utley and Kourtney Gibson; back row, Coaches Marcello Rodriguez, Rhonda Hanson and Joel Torres.

VBS set June 23 at FUM in Haskell

First United Methodist Church of Haskell invites children from Kindergarten to fifth grade to their 'Luau' Vacation Bible School Wed., June 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bible stories, music, crafts, movies and water activities will be held. Each activity will emphasize the importance of building Christian character in our daily lives.

Those attending should bring a beach towel with the child's name on it and should wear clothes that can get wet.

From 5 to 7 p.m., June 23, a Luau will be held outside with hamburgers, hot dogs, water slides and a sandcastle building contest.

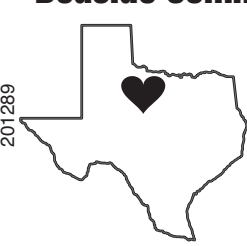
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Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in a regular session May 24 with all members present.

The court agreed that a burn ban is not needed at this time.

A motion to pass the resolution authorizing the Sheriff's Department to open a bank account at Rule Banking Center for the purpose of holding cash bonds posted by criminal defendants pursuant to Chapter 112 of the Texas Local Government Code was approved.

The Data Improvement Plan presented by County

Attorney Kristen Fouts was accepted.

Tax abatements for a new cotton warehouse in Rule will be researched.

The sale of property in Sagerton to Jerry Manske was approved.

A report from Davis Kinard & Co. regarding the Tax Assessor Collector's Office was discussed.

More bids will be sought for paving the east and south sides of the courthouse parking area.

A lease agreement was approved for a motor grader with Warren Cat for \$32.50 an hour.

Strickland cousins reunion set June 19

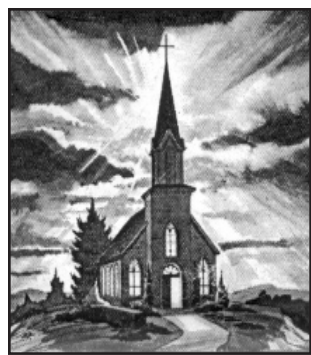
The second annual cousins reunion for the descendents of S.E. and Matilda Strickland will be held Sat., June 19 at the Rochester Fire Hall in Rochester.

Those attending should bring something for the food and facilities and a dessert. The barbecue will

be catered. For more information, call Barbara Furrh 940-864-8095 or Doyle Strickland 940-743-3285.

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This Week's Devotional Message:



Let us hear it for all our good young people

Unfortunately, it's the boy who sets fire to the school library or the young person rushed to the hospital with a drug overdose who makes the headlines; overshadowing the vast majority of our good teenagers who just study hard, help around the house, find after-school jobs, excel at sports or win scholastic honors and stay out of trouble. This has caused many parents a great deal of needless anxiety about the

direction which their own children will take, for the evil temptations are indeed waiting out there. However, by providing a harmonious and positive home life with the right mixture of love, understanding and firm guidelines, reinforced by the teachings at our house of worship, we can be assured that our nation will be in good hands when our young generation inherits it.

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.
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

- Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Clovis Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester
- SAGERTON—**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Stephania Gilkey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
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., 6 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 Omega
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Russell Stanley, interim pastor
Sunday 9 a.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.
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