

## Football

### HASKELL

**JV-V Indians vs Roscoe**  
Sat., Aug. 14, TBA  
at Roscoe - Scrimmage  
**PAINT CREEK**  
**Pirates vs Novice**  
Sat., Aug. 14, 10 a.m.  
at Paint Creek - Scrimmage

## Calendar

### New deadlines

New deadlines for the Haskell Free Press are effective immediately. All advertising and story deadlines will be at noon on Mondays.

### Physicals

All Haskell High School and Junior High girl athletes are reminded that they must have a physical turned into the athletic office by the time school starts, Aug. 23. If physical forms are needed, they may be picked up at the athletic office.

### Special fund

A fund has been established at First National Bank in Haskell to benefit the family of Jeff Monroe, son of Dorothea Rueffer Monroe of Haskell, victims of a violent crime.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Aug. 21 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., Aug. 21 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

### PC B-T-S event

The Paint Creek faculty would like to invite all Paint Creek students and their parents to their annual hamburger supper and Meet the Teachers Night on Thurs., Aug. 19. The meal will be provided by the school and will begin at 6 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Immediately following the supper, parents will be presented with information regarding Title 1 and parent involvement in the academic success of their children.

### Sack lunch

The Noah Project-North's Clear Fork Cook-off is Sat., Aug. 28. The Noah Project will sell a sack lunch in the park that day for \$7. The lunch includes a barbecue brisket sandwich, chips, dessert and a drink. Come enjoy the festivities at the park and support the Noah Project.

### Potato lunch

A baked potato luncheon to benefit the Haskell Civic Center will be held Sun., Aug. 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Tickets are \$6. Take outs are available. Tickets are available from any board member, Luis Olivarez, Sammy Larned, Matt Preston, Jan Gannaway, Ben McGee, Perry Wright, Susan Jarred, Mike and Julia Harrell, and Rhonda and Bobby Howard.

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## Watch for students as school activities begin

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**FOOTBALL PRACTICE**—The Haskell Indians will begin their new Varsity teams will see action, according to Head Coach Kent season with a scrimmage Sat., Aug. 14 in Roscoe. The JV and Colley.

## Clay shoot, cook-off to be held Aug. 28-29

The first annual Clear Fork Clay Shoot and Cook-off will be held Aug. 28-29 in Haskell. Both events will benefit Clear Fork Crime Stoppers and Noah Project North. Grand prize each day at the clay shoot will be a

Berreta shotgun. Other prizes include shotguns, day hunts and a spray-in bed liner.

The clay shoot will be a Modified Lewis Rules shoot and will be held both Saturday and Sunday on FM 600 (the Paint Creek highway.) Entry

fee is \$150 per gun. Early entry is due by Aug. 1 and costs \$130. Registration forms are available at [www.clearfork.crimestoppersweb.com](http://www.clearfork.crimestoppersweb.com) or from any CFCS board member.

The cook-off will be held

Sat., Aug. 28, at the RV park near the Haskell City Park and the entry fee is \$65 plus a cooked brisket. Three categories will include brisket, ribs (no-baby back) and chicken. There will also be a bean jackpot. The entry fee for the bean jackpot is \$10.

All entry fees plus \$500 will be paid as prize money with three places being paid in each category. (If more than 50 entries are received, five places will be paid.) The cook-off is a Lone Star Barbecue Society sanctioned event. For more information contact [donnasuea@noahproject.org](mailto:donnasuea@noahproject.org).

A concession stand

featuring brisket sandwiches will be open at both events.

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers and Noah Project North are partnering to bring these two events to the area and all proceeds will be split between the two organizations.

Anyone who can volunteer to help with these events or anyone who wants to make a donation, may contact Steve Alsbrook at 325-280-2100, Billie McKeever at 940-864-4814, Donna Sue Anders at 940-864-2551, any CFCS board member or Noah board member. Donations may also be mailed to CFCS, P.O. Box 426, Stamford, Texas 79553.

## Open house set at Haskell High for students and parents

Haskell High School Open House will be held on Wed., Aug. 18 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. for all students and parents in grades 10 through 12, and any 9th grade students and parents that did not attend Freshman Orientation on Aug. 10.

Seniors will meet in room 100, juniors in room 101, sophomores in room 104 and freshmen in room 103.

Student schedules will be provided and Back-to-School registration packets will be available. We encourage parents to attend

and complete registration forms at this time. Teachers and staff members will be available to assist parents and students.

Please enter the north door of the High School on N. 8th St.

## Rochester Junior High to register Aug. 16

Haskell CISD, Rochester Junior High will register students on Mon., Aug. 16 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. All sixth, seventh and eighth grade students and parents are invited to come to the junior high cafeteria in Rochester to fill out registration packets, tour the campus, meet staff members, and ask any questions you may have about junior high school.

Sixth grade students and

parents are asked to come from 5:00 to 6:00 and seventh and eighth grade students and parents from 6:00 to 7:00. If this is not convenient, you are welcome to come anytime between 5:00 and 7:00. We will have a brief meeting in the auditorium at 5:45 for sixth grade students and parents to explain some of the procedures and schedules at the junior high campus and also to answer questions.

If you are unable to attend registration, you may pick up a registration packet at the junior high office in Rochester or at the administration office in Haskell. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour, please call the Rochester Junior High office at 940-743-3260 or Reida Penman at 940-742-3476.

## Hunter's education course to be held

A hunter's education course will be offered at Haskell CISD in the high school auditorium on Aug. 20 from 5:00-10:00 p.m. and Aug. 21 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Any hunter born on or after September 1, 1971 is required to have a hunter's safety course prior to hunting in Texas. Minimum age for certification is nine years old. All students 9-11 years of age need to be accompanied by an adult for the classes.

All students under 17 years old will need a parent or guardian present to sign the registration paper.

Please bring an ID and social security number. Both classes are mandatory for certification. Class tuition is \$15. Supplies needed are a pen/pencil and a highlighter. All other materials will be provided.

For more information contact Justin Cox @ 325-370-6571. No need to pre-register.

## Elementary registration, Back to School Night set

Haskell Elementary School will hold registration and Back to School Night for all Haskell Elementary students Tues., Aug. 17 and Thurs., Aug. 19. Registration on Tues., Aug. 17 will be at 5:30 for students in the third and fourth grades and at 6:30 for students in the fifth grade. Registration on Thurs., Aug. 19, will be at 5:30 for students

at 6:30 students in first and second grades will register.

Parents are encouraged to attend registration with their child/children so they can meet the teachers and fill out necessary paperwork. Homeroom lists will be posted at the time of registration.

School begins on Mon., Aug. 23. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. Kindergarten through fifth grades will dismiss at 3:15.



**HOUSE DESTROYED**—The Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. was called to this house fire at approximately 1:30 a.m. on Tues., Aug. 10. The house is located approximately 3 miles south of Haskell on Hwy. 277. Cause of the fire is under investigation.

FOR NEWS ITEMS OR TO SUBSCRIBE, CALL 940-864-2686

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers 1-800-222-TIPS

## Lamb tags due Aug. 30

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.  
Time is upon us to order Lamb/Goat Validation Ear Tags. If joining FFA or 4-H and planning to show a Lamb or Goat as an animal project, that Lamb or Goat must have a Texas Validation Ear Tag.

The Haskell County Extension Office will be taking orders for the validation ear tags, until Mon., Aug. 30.

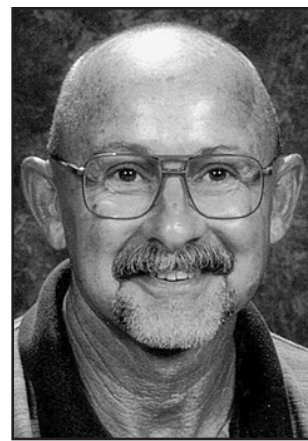
The Texas Lamb/Goat Validation Tags will be received in October and then there will be a date set in October for validating.

You may come by the Haskell County Extension Office, located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell to order the tags.

If you have any questions please call Wes Utley, County Extension Agent-Ag. at 940-864-2658.

### Rochester homecoming

Plans for Rochester homecoming are being made for Fri. and Sat. Oct. 8-9.



RONNIE REEL

Funeral services for Ronnie Reel, 60, of Stamford were held Sat., Aug. 7 in Stamford High School Auditorium with Rev. Jimmy Griffith and Rev. John Erwin officiating. Burial was in Howard Cemetery in Paint Creek under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mr. Reel passed away Thurs., Aug. 5 in Abilene.

Born Dec. 3, 1949 in Winters, he was the son of Winford and Clemmie Jo (Wilson) Reel. He graduated

## Ronnie Reel

from Winters High School in 1968, and attended Hardin-Simmons University, receiving his Bachelor of Science in Education in 1973. He married Brenda Griffith July 22, 1972 in Paint Creek and farmed in the Paint Creek area for 17 years. He taught for 21 years in the Stamford Independent School District in Physical Education, reading improvement, Health, and Horticulture. Reel and his Horticulture students are responsible for helping landscape the flower beds on the Stamford Middle and High School campuses.

Reel also operated Reel Greenhouse in Paint Creek and enjoyed growing and selling plants for many years. He was a member of Paint Creek Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and grandparents, Harold and Sallie Mae Wilson and Alfred and Claudie Russell.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Reel of Paint

Creek; three children, Leigh Ann Reel of Lubbock, Jodie and Summer Reel of Jayton, Lindsay Reel and Cruz Hernandez of Stamford; grandchildren, Coulter and Griffith Reel of Jayton, Addison Reel of Stamford, and future grandson, Easton Reel Hernandez; two brothers, Danny Reel and friend Nora of Winters, Kenny and Susie Reel of Abilene; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Pallbearers were Jodie Reel, Harold Heffler, Glenn Berry, Winifred Dodds, Max Calk, Kenny Thompson, Johnny Anders, Ed Stafford, Raymond Hollabaugh, Dennis Owen. Honorary pallbearers were the staff and teachers of Stamford Middle School.

Memorials may be made to the Ronnie Reel Scholarship Fund, c/o Stamford ISD, 507 South Orient, Stamford, Texas 79553. PD. NOTICE

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**Haskell County, Texas Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Notice of Salary Increases of all Elected Officials**

Elected Office	Name of Office Holder	FY 2010 Salary	FY 2011 Salary
County Judge	David C. Davis	\$28,091.00	\$29,213.77
Comm. Pct. #1	Johnny Scoggins	\$23,176.32	\$24,103.12
Comm. Pct. #2	Tiffen Mayfield	\$23,176.32	\$24,103.12
Comm. Pct. #3	Kenny Thompson	\$23,176.32	\$24,103.12
Comm. Pct. #4	Bobby Don Smith	\$23,176.32	\$24,103.12
Tax A/C	Connie Benton	\$24,103.00	\$25,067.15
County Clerk	Rhonda Moeller	\$24,103.00	\$25,067.15
Co. Treasurer	Janis McDaniel	\$28,277.00	\$29,318.72
(includes Probation Office)			
Justice of Peace	Lynn Dodson	\$24,103.00	\$25,067.15
District Clerk	Penny Anderson	\$24,103.00	\$25,067.15
County Attorney	Kris Fouts	\$33,372.00	\$34,706.88
Constable	Kim Bassett	\$15,521.00	\$16,141.91
Sheriff	David Halliburton	\$43,043.00	\$38,804.00
(includes Monitoring fee)			

As per Local Government Code Section 152.013(b) the above salaries shall be adopted for the Fiscal Year 2010-11 at the budget hearing to be held before the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County at the Courthouse in Haskell, Texas.

## First Baptist Church Bible study to begin Sept. 12

First Baptist Church will host a Bible study 'Faithful, Abundant, True,' Three Lives Going Deeper Still, featuring Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer and Beth Moore beginning Sept. 12 and continuing for six weeks from 4:30 to 5:50 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in the room by the kitchen, at the south end of the educational building.

Arthur speaks on "Faithful." She wrote her two weeks daily study with her inductive method. First, students listen to the speaker via video, and apply it to a brief format daily. Arthur has the unique ability to reach people—teaching them how to discover truths for themselves so truth can change their lives and equip

them to be used to advance God's kingdom.

Shirer speaks on "Abundant." Her ministry is focused on the expository teaching of the Word of God. Her desire is to see you not only know the uncompromising truths of Scripture intellectually, but experience them practically by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Moore speaks on "True." She has a passion for Bible study, and a passion to see Christians living the lives Christ intended.

A nursery will be provided by calling the church at 940-864-2581 each week and expressing the need.

Call the church office to sign up at 940-864-2581.

**NOTICE OF 2010 PROPERTY TAX RATES**

This notice concerns 2010 property tax rates for the following taxing units: City of Weinert, City of Rochester, City of Rule, Haskell Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	City of Weinert	City of Rochester	City of Rule	Haskell Mem. Hospital Dist.
<b>LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:</b>				
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 15,857.00	\$ 28,800.00	\$ 51,994.00	\$ 791,929.00
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$ 15,857.00	\$ 28,800.00	\$ 51,994.00	\$ 791,929.00
Last year's tax base	\$ 2,980,729	\$ 3,533,779	\$ 10,425,972	\$ 261,449,020
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.5320/\$100	\$ 0.8150/\$100	\$ 0.4987/\$100	\$ 0.3029/\$100
<b>THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:</b>				
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 15,857.00	\$ 28,800.00	\$ 51,994.00	\$ 791,929.00
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 3,173,443	\$ 3,644,098	\$ 10,279,914	\$ 272,971,579
= This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings)	\$ 0.4996/\$100	\$ 0.7903/\$100	\$ 0.5057/\$100	\$ 0.2901/\$100
<b>THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:</b>				
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 15,857.00	\$ 28,800.00	\$ 51,994.00	\$ 791,929.00
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 3,173,443	\$ 3,644,098	\$ 10,279,914	\$ 272,971,579
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.4996/\$100	\$ 0.7903/\$100	\$ 0.5057/\$100	\$ 0.2901/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.5395/\$100	\$ 0.8535/\$100	\$ 0.5461/\$100	\$ 0.3133/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$ 0.5395/\$100	\$ 0.8535/\$100	\$ 0.5461/\$100	\$ 0.3133/\$100
<b>STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE</b>				
If the City of Weinert adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective rate of \$0.4996 per \$100 of value, taxes would DECREASE compared to 2009 taxes by \$2.				
If the City of Rochester adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.7903 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2009 taxes by \$22.				
If the City of Rule adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective rate of \$0.5057 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2009 taxes by \$90.				
If the Haskell Memorial Hospital Dist. adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.2901 per \$100 of value, taxes would DECREASE compared to 2009 taxes by \$559.00.				
<b>SCHEDULE A - UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES</b>				
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.				
Type of Property Tax Fund	Balances as Listed			
City of Weinert - Savings	\$10,500.00			
City of Rochester - General		\$0.00		
City of Rule - General			\$0.00	
Haskell Memorial Hosp. Dist.				\$0.00

**TAX PLANNING**

Written By  
**Gerald Rodgers, CPA**

**2010 IS A CRITICAL YEAR FOR TAX PLANNING**

Changes in the tax rules for 2010 and the coming sunset of the 2001 Tax Act in 2011 make this year a critical one for tax planning. Whenever significant changes occur in the tax law, there are both opportunities and pitfalls to analyze if you want to manage your tax liability.

First, take a look at a few of the 2010 changes that you need to factor into your planning.

**Required minimum distributions** from retirement plans are back for individuals aged 70½ and older. December 31, 2010, is the deadline for taking the required distribution for this year. However, if this is the first year you're required to take a withdrawal from your retirement funds, you may choose to delay that first distribution until April 1, 2011. Doing so means you'll have to take two distributions in 2011. Distributions are taxable, so depending on your income and the tax rates in both years, delaying may not be to your advantage.

**Converting a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA** is now allowed for everyone, regardless of income. The prior \$100,000 income limit ended this year. If you do a conversion this year, you can choose to report the taxable income on your 2010 tax return, or split it and report half on your 2011 return and half on your 2012 return. Again, the likelihood of higher tax rates in 2011 and beyond must be considered in your decision.

**The phase-out of itemized deductions** and personal exemptions for high-income taxpayers ended this year, thanks to a provision in the 2001 Tax Act. Because that law sunsets next year, the phase-outs return in 2011. In deciding whether to bunch itemized deductions into this year or next, consider again the tax rates for both years and a full deduction vs. a partial one.

Second, realize that this might be the last year to take advantage of certain credits, deductions, and other familiar tax breaks. Tax rates will change next year, making the timing of income and deductions important. Take the time to plan now while you still have several months for your actions to make a difference. To discuss your tax-cutting options at this critical time, please contact our office.

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**PRESENTS PROGRAM**—Suzanne Starr of Hendrick Cancer Center in Abilene presented a program on HUGS to the Haskell Area Cancer Support Group at their recent meetings.

## Cancer Society meets

The month of July and August, the Haskell Area Cancer Support Group had great speakers. Suzanne Starr from Hendrick Cancer Center in Abilene spoke about H.U.G.S. It's a form of thinking along with just what it says, HUGS. She told us so much about the attitude of a cancer patient along with the caregiver. Something to remember—What's essential to the heart, is invisible to the eye. One of the most simple ways of showing you care is a hug.

Have you really ever thought about this? When you see someone or call someone and your first words are—How are you today? Think a minute—do you REALLY want me to go into detail? Do you really want to know how chemo is affecting me today? How my body doesn't like the poison that's killing my cancer? Maybe we should say—I called just to say hello and I care." We don't want to remind the patient of their cancer with ever word. If we ask how are you, our first thought is about my cancer and the effects.

In September, one of the guest speaker's will be a researcher along with The Oncology Liaison from Texas Oncology. They will tell about programs that are available to help with the fight of cancer. Kim Hutto spoke with Cathy Keith from Texas Oncology and cannot wait to meet with her. She has such an awesome job and is such a ray of sun in this

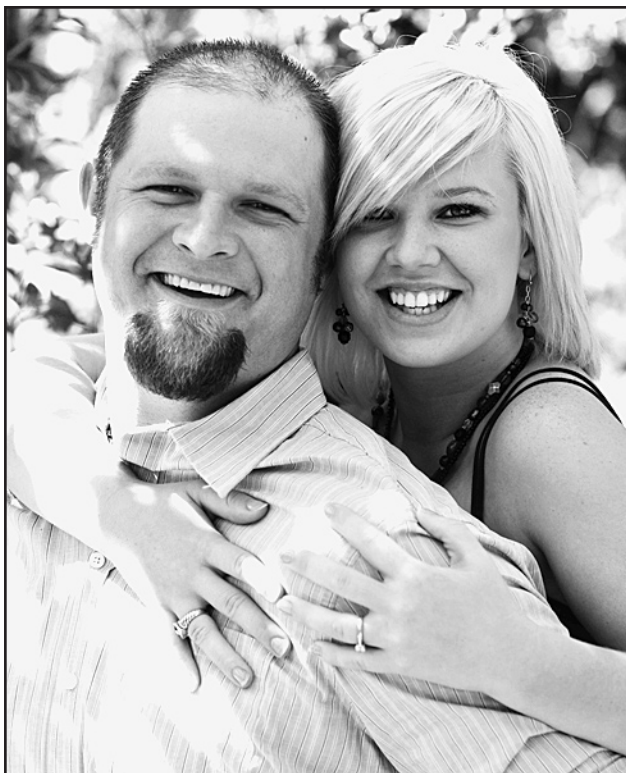
gloomy world of cancer. Hutto wants to thank Dr. McSmith for getting in touch with me on this ray. But then again, Dr. McSmith and his entire office staff have helped so with the fight against cancer.

Mae Lou Yeldell always offers a great meal before meetings and Hutto is so grateful to her. Birdie and Britney are always there to help set up and do whatever is needed. We also want to thank The Haskell National Bank for the use of their building. They help the fight against cancer more than anyone realizes.

Hutto has an ad on the Internet for the donation of a riding mower. We have several members that because of their fight with cancer are unable to tend to their yards. Hutto's son-in-law has offered to donate some time to help keep their yards. Hutto also received an email from a couple in Rochester willing to come and help, also. The mower doesn't have to be new, just able to mow.

The next meeting will be Aug. 17 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Come and join in this fight. If you know someone with cancer or have cancer, you are affected. It's a battle we fight as a community. Please don't let someone do this alone.

For more information, call Hutto at 940-864-5964.



**ROSS PITTMAN - PARRIS MELTON**

## Melton, Pittman to wed in Sept.

Steve and Shauna Kiser of Potosi and Greg and Vickie Melton of Austin announce the engagement of their daughter, Parris Marie Melton of Potosi, formerly of Altus, Oklahoma, to Jodie Ross Pittman, son of Rex and Camin Pittman of Haskell.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Gus and Bunice Vahlenkamp of Old Glory and Donis Melton and the late Betty Melton of Munday.

The prospective bridegroom is the grandson

of the late Roy Pittman and Jewel Pittman and Jodie and Mary Kennedy, all of Haskell.

Melton is a 2007 graduate of Alpha Omega Academy and graduated in August 2010 from Texas Cosmetology in Abilene.

Pittman is a 2001 graduate of Olney High School and South Plains Fire Academy. He is employed by Design Tech in Lubbock.

The couple plans a Sept. 25 wedding at First Baptist Church in Haskell.

## Warpath 5K run set

The Haskell Lions Club is sponsoring the Warpath 5K, a fun run and walk. The Warpath will be Sat., Sept. 18, 2010, starting at 8 a.m. The first 150 entries will receive a Warpath 5K t-shirt. To request registration forms, go

to [haskellionsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:haskellionsclub@yahoo.com), <http://haskellions.blogspot.com> or contact any Lions Club member. All funds raised will be used to benefit Lions Club International and local organizations.

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Parris Melton and Ross Pittman  
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## Student in the News

Kate Rowan, a graduate of Rule High School, was among 32 graduating seniors who received a Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas \$500 academic award. Each award recipient has a parent who is an active member of the VATAT. The scholarship program is just one of many

benefits the VATAT offers its members.

"The VATAT is very proud to give scholarships to our members' children. We wish these students the best of luck in the future," commented Gerald Young, executive director of the VATAT.

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# OPINION

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
**August 10, 2000**  
The largest attendance on record was seen for this year's Church of Christ Singing School. 175 students registered for the school. Duane Gilly, received the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas Distinguished Service Award for 30 years of service

to agricultural science and education. Aubrey Bassett, Brooke Bullinger, Austin Page and Hannah Page were among the gifted and talented students participating in a two-week "Threshold" at Hardin-Simmons University.

**20 Years Ago**  
**August 9, 1990**  
Truett Standefer, Cynthia

Halliburton, Nichole Cothran, Susan Jarred and Brad Lane went door to door collecting funds for Muscular Dystrophy.

All eight children of the late William J. and Emma Carruth attended the family reunion held in Haskell. They are Helen White, Mattie Abbott, Francis Hutchison, Callie Moore, Crawford

Carruth, Ocie Carruth, Nellie Bird and Dora Holly.

Several from the Haskell area were among a tour group attending the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. They were Helen Boykin and Erma Liles, both of Weinert; Mattie Felker English, Ernie and Marjorie Huss, and Bailey and Nancy Toliver, all of Haskell; and Douglas and Dorothy Myers of Munday.

**30 Years Ago**  
**August 7, 1980**

Jerry Weatherly submitted his resignation as hospital administrator. He will assume duties as the administrator of the Fischer County Hospital. Board members named Bud Comedy as acting administrator of Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Haskell County Jayceettes, Cora Proctor and Louise Thornhill, local chapter officers, attended an Officer Training Seminar in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Arvella Holland was honored on her 80th birthday with a party in the home of Don and Gayla Nanny.

**40 Years Ago**  
**August 6, 1970**

The Haskell Indians wrapped up the Regional baseball playoffs in the senior division, while the Haskell Warriors were champs in the junior division. Both teams will advance to the state tournament.

Larry Hinds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hinds and Gary Conner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Conner, both of Haskell, will receive Bachelor of Science degrees in ceremonies at West Texas State University.

Buddy Mullino, a junior at Rochester High School, has been selected for an all-expense paid trip to Waco for a Citizenship Seminar held on the campus of Baylor University.

**50 Year Ago**  
**August 11, 1960**

Plans for pushing sales of U.S. Savings Bonds in Haskell County were discussed by County Bond Sales Committee members Courtney Hunt, Mrs. Artie May Burkett, Lloyd Feemster, J.M. Crawford and County Agent F.W. Martin.

Nineteen year old Roy Scheets of Haskell, won third place in the F-F 1-2 A gas event at the National Model Airplane Championship contests held at Dallas Navel Air Station.

D.L. (Jack) Speer, veteran employee of the State Highway Department maintenance division, has been given recognition for an outstanding safety record.

**100 Years Ago**  
**August 6, 1910**

The barn of L.A. Stewart was discovered afire. The alarm was given and the fire boys and citizens turned out with buckets and saved the residence, which was threatened for a time.

J.D. Hughes shipped six cars of cattle to market from his ranch on Paint Creek.

The Haskell Power and Ice Co. is making ice now of distilled water that is so clear you can read The Free Press through a 700 pound block.

### Weinert homecoming set Oct. 1-3

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.

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

### Austin congressman's effort would attach strings to funding

AUSTIN—U.S. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, on Aug. 5 attached an amendment to House Resolution 1586 in hopes of preventing Texas' \$830 million share of a \$10 billion pot of education stimulus dollars from being used for purposes other than education.

Doggett's amendment, which applies to Texas and no other state, also would prevent the Texas Legislature from lowering the percentage of the state budget it uses to fund public education through fiscal year 2013.

The prospect of strings-attached federal money riled Gov. Rick Perry and other top Republican office holders. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst on Aug. 5 had this to say: "I'm very disappointed Congressional Democrats would hold Texas school children and teachers hostage for an unconstitutional promise. The only thing this flawed legislation guarantees is Texas public schools will miss out on nearly \$1 billion in federal education funding."

"Not only is Texas constitutionally prohibited from meeting the severe restrictions placed on our state in order to receive these funds, but no other state in the nation is subject to the punitive requirements of the 'Doggett language.'"

"Today I am calling on all members of the Texas Congressional delegation to stop this Texas-bashing amendment from passing and punishing our public school children."

The bill is scheduled for a vote on the House floor on Aug. 10.

### Progress evaluations are released

The Texas Education Agency on Aug. 5 announced 78 percent of Texas school districts and 85 percent of schools met the Adequate Yearly Progress standards required by the annual federal evaluation system.

This year, 962 districts met the standards, compared to 1,000 districts or 81 percent last year.

A substantial increase in the standards caused the decline, the Texas Education Agency said. Districts may appeal their progress rating through Sept. 3.

The standards are based on:

- Participation and passing rates on state mathematics and reading/English language arts tests for grades 3 through 8, and 10;
- Graduation rates for high schools and districts; and
- Attendance rates for

elementary and middle schools.

### Health reform law is challenged

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott is among 20 state attorneys general and governors challenging the new federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, which was signed into law by President Barack Obama on March 23.

The challengers' legal brief, filed last week in a Florida U.S. district court, complains that the law unconstitutionally forces states to expand entitlement programs, such as Medicaid, and forces Americans to buy health insurance.

"By exerting such sweeping authority over Americans' individual decisions, Congress is attempting to expand federal authority and seize powers that are restricted by the Tenth Amendment," Abbott and the others say.

A hearing on a federal government motion to dismiss the challenge is scheduled for Sept. 14.

### Bridge info sharing to improve

Texas Department of Public Safety and Texas Department of Transportation are working more closely to ensure that bridges in Texas are safe, according to an Aug. 4 TxDOT news release.

Now, once bridge load posting signs have been installed or removed, an electronic notification is sent from TxDOT to DPS notifying them of the change.

The DPS enforces posted bridge weight restrictions through its commercial vehicle enforcement operations.

TxDOT oversees more than 50,000 bridges statewide and is responsible for maintaining over 80,000 miles of road.

### Immunization time for students

The state health department on Aug. 6 reminded Texans that it's time to get children vaccinated.

Students entering kindergarten and seventh grade are required to get five vaccines and they will need to be vaccinated before the first day of school.

If a student is not vaccinated, entry into school may be delayed by school administration.

To find an immunization clinic, dial 2-1-1, option #1.

### Power usage hits new high

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas Inc., the operator of most of the state's power grid, said a new peak demand record of 63,594 megawatts was set on Aug. 4, between 4 and 5 p.m.

The previous record of 63,400 megawatts was recorded on July 13, 2009.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Rule ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 24, 2010, in the Rule ISD Library, Rule, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.17000/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$0.00000/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	1.140000% (increase) or % (decrease)
Debt service	0.000000% (increase) or % (decrease)
Total expenditures	1.140000% (increase) or % (decrease)

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$84,832,769	\$86,347,785
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$134,320	\$30,990
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$32,021,129	\$32,564,082
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$129,740	\$30,990

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$0.00
* Outstanding principal.	

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.170000	\$0.000000*	\$1.170000	\$2,670	\$7,406
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.192300	\$0.000000*	\$1.192300	\$2,739	\$6,802
Proposed Rate	\$1.170000	\$0.000000*	\$1.170000	\$2,717	\$7,694

\*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$25,546	\$29,171
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$13,059	\$10,106
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.170000	\$1.170000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$152.79	\$118.24
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	-\$34.55

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.170000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.170000.

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$1,492,329
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

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# USDA to hold Office Day Aug. 19

U S D A R u r a l Development representatives will be holding a Rural Development Office Day for Haskell County Thurs., Aug. 19, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to present program information and applications to the public. The office day will be held at the Haskell City Hall, 301 South First Street. Information will be provided about USDA Rural Development Housing, Community and Business and Cooperative loan and grant programs.

U S D A R u r a l Development works to ensure rural citizens can participate fully in the global

economy through technical assistance and programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. Rural Development loans and grants assist rural communities meet their basic needs by building water and wastewater systems, financing decent, affordable housing, supporting electric power and rural businesses, including cooperatives and supporting community development with information and technical assistance including broadband initiatives. USDA Rural Development representatives will be available during the office day to answer questions and assist individuals with applications in all program areas.

USDA Rural Development Housing Programs offer loans and grants to families with very low to moderate income levels in towns and cities meeting certain population requirements.

Loans are primarily used to help income eligible individuals or households purchase homes in rural areas. Funds can be used to build, repair and renovate a home, or to purchase and prepare sites with water and sewage facilities. For very low income families who own homes in need of repair, the Home Repair Loan and Grant Program offers funding for renovations. Funding has previously been requested to repair a leaking roof, make a home wheelchair accessible, repair damaged or faulty wiring and to install a waste disposal system.

U S D A R u r a l Development Community Programs enhance the quality of life for rural Texans by providing funds to governmental entities, nonprofit organizations and Indian Tribes for essential community facilities and services. Funds may be used for a variety of community projects. Previous funds have been used to enlarge, improve

or construct schools, libraries, farmers markets, medical clinics, assisted living centers, public buildings, community centers or fund new and improved water and wastewater facilities. Funds are also available to purchase public safety equipment such as ambulances, firefighting equipment and other required emergency service gear.

Entrepreneurship plays a vital role in the economic stability of rural Texas. With USDA Rural Development Business and Cooperative Programs, rural businesses can gain access to funds that are normally not available to them.

We invite anyone who is interested in learning more about these or any of our programs to come by and visit with us. For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, please contact the Abilene Office at 325-690-6162, ext. 4 or by visiting our website at [www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/).

## NOTICE

The Haskell City will hold a meeting at 07:00 a.m. on September 13, 2010 at Haskell City Hall to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2010. The proposed tax rate is **0.500000** per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in Haskell City by 1.543461%.

### 2010 Property Tax Rates in Haskell County

This notice concerns 2010 property tax rates for Haskell County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
<b>LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,379,265.00	\$ 348,699.00	\$ 287,226.00
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,379,265.00	\$ 348,699.00	\$ 287,226.00
Last year's tax base	\$ 261,968,692	\$ 259,642,123	\$ 270,967,927
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.5265/\$100	\$ 0.1343/\$100	\$ 0.1060/\$100

<b>THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,379,265.00	\$ 348,699.00	\$ 287,226.00
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 274,091,407	\$ 271,879,781	\$ 282,642,044
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$ 0.5032/\$100	\$ 0.1282/\$100	\$ 0.1016/\$100
Total Effective Tax Rate	\$ 0.7330/\$100		
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings)			

<b>THIS YEAR'S ROLL BACK TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care)	\$ 1,379,265.00	\$ 348,699.00	\$ 287,226.00
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 274,091,407	\$ 271,879,781	\$ 282,642,044
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.5032/\$100	\$ 0.1282/\$100	\$ 0.1016/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.5434/\$100	\$ 0.1384/\$100	\$ 0.1097/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$ 0.5434/\$100	\$ 0.1384/\$100	\$ 0.1097/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$ 0.7915/\$100		

#### STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If Haskell County adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.7330 for \$100 of value, taxes would DECREASE compared to 2009 taxes by \$9,451.

#### SCHEDULE A - UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General	\$ 1,000,000.00
Road & Bridge	\$ 250,000.00
Farm & Market Lateral Road	\$ 200,000.00

#### SCHEDULE B - DEBT SERVICE: NONE

#### SCHEDULE C - EXPECTED REVENUE FROM ADDITIONAL SALES TAX: NONE

#### SCHEDULE E - TRANSFER OF DEPARTMENT, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY: NONE

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at

**HASKELL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**  
604 North First Street, Haskell, Texas.

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## 2010 INDIAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

### VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 14	Roscoe (Scrimmage)	Roscoe	TBA
Aug. 19	Merkel (Scrimmage)	Haskell	5 p.m.
Aug. 27	Archer City	Archer City	8 p.m.
Sept. 3	Coleman	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	Rotan	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Munday	Munday	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Quanah	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Jacksboro	Jacksboro	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	*Seymour	Seymour	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	OPEN		
Oct. 22	*Stamford	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	*Olney	Olney	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 5	*Albany	Haskell	7:30 p.m.

### JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 14	Roscoe (Scrimmage)	Roscoe	TBA
Aug. 19	Merkel (Scrimmage)	Haskell	5 p.m.
Aug. 26	Archer City	Haskell	6 p.m.
Sept. 2	Coleman	Coleman	6 p.m.
Sept. 9	Rotan	Rotan	5 p.m.
Sept. 16	Munday	Rochester	5 p.m.
Sept. 23	Quanah	Quanah	5 p.m.
Sept. 30	Jacksboro	Haskell	4 p.m.
Oct. 7	*Seymour	Rochester	4 p.m.
Oct. 15	OPEN		
Oct. 21	*Stamford	Stamford	4 p.m.
Oct. 28	*Olney	Haskell	4 p.m.
Nov. 4	*Albany	Albany	4 p.m.

### JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 9	7th Breckenridge	Breckenridge	5 p.m.
Sept. 9	8th Rotan	Rotan	5 p.m.
Sept. 16	JH Munday	Rochester	5 p.m.
Sept. 23	7th & 8th Quanah	Quanah	5 p.m.
Sept. 30	7th & 8th Jacksboro	Haskell	4 p.m.
Oct. 7	*7th & 8th Seymour	Rochester	4 p.m.
Oct. 15	OPEN		
Oct. 21	*7th & 8th Stamford	Stamford	4 p.m.
Oct. 28	*7th & 8th Olney	Haskell	4 p.m.
Nov. 4	*7th & 8th Albany	Albany	4 p.m.

\*District Game

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# USDA's CRP program sign-up continues through Aug. 27

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that a general sign-up for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) will begin on Aug. 2, 2010 and continue

through Aug. 27, 2010. During the sign-up period, farmers and ranchers may offer eligible land for CRP's competitive general sign-up at their county Farm Service

Agency (FSA) office. The 2008 Farm Bill authorized USDA to maintain CRP enrollment up to 32 million acres. Jim Miller, Agriculture Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services, made the announcement on behalf of Secretary Vilsack during a conference call with reporters.

"America's farmers and ranchers play an important role in improving our environment, and for nearly 25 years, CRP has helped this nation build sound conservation practices that preserve the soil, clean our water, and restore habitat for wildlife," said Miller. "Today's announcement will help us create a greener and healthier America, and I encourage all interested farmers and ranchers to contact their local FSA office to learn more how to take advantage of this opportunity."

To help ensure that interested farmers and ranchers are aware of the sign-up period, USDA has signed partnership agreements with several conservation and wildlife organizations, which

will play an active role in USDA's 2010 CRP outreach efforts. Additionally, Secretary Vilsack has recorded two public service announcements, which are available to the press and public at [www.fsa.usda.gov/psa](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/psa).

CRP is a voluntary program that assists farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers to use their environmentally sensitive land for conservation benefits. Producers enrolling in CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers in exchange for rental payments, cost-share, and technical assistance. CRP protects millions of acres of America's topsoil from erosion and is designed to improve the nation's natural resources base. Participants voluntarily remove environmentally sensitive land from agricultural production by entering into long-term contracts for 10 to 15 years. In exchange, participants receive annual rental payments and a payment of up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing conservation practices.

By reducing water runoff and sedimentation, CRP also protects groundwater and helps improve the condition of lakes, rivers, ponds and streams. Acreage enrolled in the CRP is planted to resource-conserving vegetative covers, making the program a major contributor to wildlife population increases in many parts of the country. As a result, CRP has provided significant opportunities for hunting and fishing on private lands.

Land currently not enrolled in CRP may be offered in this sign-up provided all eligibility requirements are met. Additionally, current CRP participants with contracts expiring this fall covering about 4.5 million acres may make new contract offers. Contracts awarded under this sign-up are scheduled to become effective Oct. 1, 2010.

FSA implements CRP on behalf of Commodity Credit Corporation. FSA will evaluate and rank eligible CRP offers using an Environmental

Benefits Index (EBI) for environmental benefits to be gained from enrolling the land in CRP. The EBI consists of five environmental factors (wildlife, water, soil, air and enduring benefits) and cost. Decisions on the EBI cutoff will be made after the sign-up ends and after analyzing the EBI data of all the offers.

Those who would have met previous sign-up EBI thresholds are not guaranteed a contract under this sign-up. In addition to the general sign-up, CRP's continuous sign-up program will be ongoing. Continuous acres represent the most environmentally desirable and sensitive land. For more information, visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/crp>.

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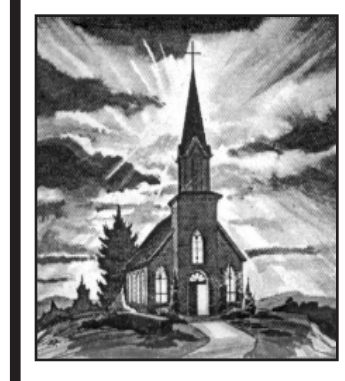
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## This Week's Devotional Message:

### Faith declares the best 'homework' done by the parents



As every parent and child knows by this time, the new school year is just around the corner. The preparations are underway: the new clothes, the health check-ups, etc., and a refresher course in discipline and respect for authority; plus the appropriate safety reminders. It is also time to enroll in the Sunday school, where the lessons combine with the daily 3 R's to provide a truly well-rounded education. However, religious training is

of little avail if the parents fail to do their own 'homework.' This means maintaining a home atmosphere and a lifestyle that will reflect the teachings in the Sunday school. If the children are to develop good, honest attitudes and living habits, the parents must set the example and uphold it at all times. The schools can do only so much; in the final analysis, the best training for life must begin and end in the home.

## 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**  
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.  
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200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
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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**  
Rev. Jim McCurley  
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  
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  - Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m  
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- ROCHESTER—
- Church of Christ**  
Steve Willis, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
West on Main Street, Rochester
  - First Baptist Church**  
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.  
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  - 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.  
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- 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
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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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## Alzheimer's workshop set Aug. 13 in Abilene

Balancing the role of caregiver, spouse, parent, and professional can be quite challenging.

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The seminar will be held in Abilene Fri., Aug. 13, at First Central Presbyterian Church, 400 Orange St. in Abilene from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. It will provide practical ways caregivers can cope and maintain personal

mental and physical health. There is no charge for the event, but donations will be gladly accepted to help the chapter continue providing quality education offerings throughout our region. Reservations are requested.

Gruetzner has worked in the field of mental health with an emphasis in dementia and geriatric mental health for more than 25 years, and is the author of Alzheimer's: A Caregiver's Guide and Sourcebook. He is actively involved in Alzheimer's grief research, and currently counsels individuals who have been diagnosed with dementia, as well as their caregivers.

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For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator and/or Section 504 Coordinator for the School District, Mr. David Parr at the Rule ISD Administrative Offices at 1100 Union Avenue, Rule, Texas, 79547 or telephone 940-997-2521.

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The Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 19, 2010 at 135 N. Munday Ave. in Munday, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2010. The proposed tax rate is 0.0219 per \$100 of value.

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### Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE The public hearing set by the Development Corporation of Haskell to be held Aug. 16, 2010 has been cancelled. 32c

### Public Notice

Paint Creek ISD offers career and technology education programs in Computers, Home Economics, and Agriculture. Admission to these programs is based on interest, aptitude, age appropriateness, and class space available. It is the policy of Paint Creek ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Paint Creek ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs. For information about

your rights or grievance procedures, contact Donald Ballard at Paint Creek ISD, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, Texas 79521, phone 940-864-2471.

FORMA DE MUESTRA Paint Creek ISD ofrece programas vocacionales en Computers, Home Economics, y Agricultura. La admision a estos programas se basa en interes, aptitud, edad apropiada, y espacio disponible.

Es norma de Paint Creek ISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Titulo VI de la Ley de Deprechos Civiles de 1964, segun enmienda; el Titulo IX de las Emmiendas en la Educacion, de 1972, y la Seccion 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitacion de 1973, segun enmienda.

Paint Creek ISD tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para informacion sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con Donald Ballard, Paint Creek ISD, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, Texas 79521, 940-864-2471. 31-32c

### NOTICE

Paint Creek ISD Board of Education will call for a school board election to be held on November 2, 2010 to fill four full terms. July 26, 2010 was the first day to file for a place on the ballot. August 24, 2010 is the last day to file for a place on the ballot. Applications may be picked up at the Business Office of Paint Creek ISD, 4396 FM 600, Haskell, Texas 79521. The Business Office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 31-32c

### NOTICE

The City of Haskell will be accepting sealed bids for the following property until September 3, 2010 at noon. H.C.A.D. Property I.D. R12184, Brown & Roberts Addition Haskell, Block 29, Lot West 40' by 300' of 1-4 Property Site Address North 7th.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 12:00 noon, September 3, 2010. Bids will be opened at this time and presented and reviewed by the City Council at their Regular City Council Meeting on September 13, 2010 at 7:00 a.m. The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

### Public Notices

#### NOTICE

Paint Creek ISD today announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program. The central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the secretary's office at the school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household

member, and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a social security number, the household member must check the box on the application indicating no social security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, Sarah McCord will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Don Ballard Superintendent, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, Texas, 940-864-2471.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown.

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August 24, 2010, at the offices of Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 and then publicly opened and read aloud. The base bid for the project consists of the furnishing of all materials, tools, equipment, transportation services, labor and superintendence necessary for the construction and installation of pump station improvements.

The Contract Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Contract, Performance and Payment Bonds, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications, Wage Rate Determination, Addenda (if any) and Project Contracting and Compliance Provisions may be examined at the following location:

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Bids will not be received from contractors who have not obtained original plans and specifications from Jacob & Martin. Bids shall be submitted on original documents and the entire specification book must be returned with bid. No faxes or copies of bid sheets will be accepted.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the

contract.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 (325-695-1070), upon payment of \$40.00 for plans and specifications, all non-refundable. Checks should be made to the order of Jacob & Martin, Ltd.

Bid Bond: A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the SAGERTON WSC negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid.

Bidder's attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate as issued by Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA) and contained in the contract documents must be paid on this 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.

SAGERTON WSC By: Roy Bell, President Date: August 12, 2010 32-33c

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**OZUNA FAMILY**—The Ozuna family reunion was held July 3-4 in Haskell. Families present were Domingo Ozuna and Betty Ozuna Martin and Janie Ozuna Alexander, both of Haskell, and Susie Ozuna Gonzales of Dimmitt. Vernon, Luis Ozuna of Henrietta, and Candy Ozuna Galindo of Dallas, J.B. Ozuna of Denton, and Danny Ozuna of

### ECC Menu

**Mon., Aug. 16** cornbread, brownie, pears, tea or coffee  
 Lunch—King ranch chicken, au gratin potatoes, green beans, yeast roll, lemon glazed cake, tea or coffee

**Fri., Aug. 20** Lunch—Beef stew, tuna and pimento sandwiches, onions, pickles, chips, jello, cookie, tea or coffee

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