

## Softball

**HASKELL**  
 JV Eula Tournament  
 Mar. 3-5 at Eula  
 V Wichita Falls Tournament  
 Mar. 3-5 at Wichita Falls

## Baseball

**HASKELL**  
 V Windthorst Tournament  
 March 3-5 at Windthorst  
 V vs Winters  
 Tues., March 8, 4 p.m.  
 at Winters  
 JV vs Graham  
 Tues., March 8, 4 p.m.  
 at Haskell

## Track

**HASKELL**  
 JH Haskell  
 Thurs., March 3 at Haskell  
 V Rotan  
 Sat., March 5 at Rotan  
**PAINT CREEK**  
 JH at Greyhound Relays  
 Mon., March 7 at Knox City  
**RULE**  
 JH at Spur  
 Thurs., March 3 at Spur  
 JH-V at Spur  
 Fri., March 4 at Spur  
 JH at Knox City  
 Mon., March 7 at Knox City

## Golf

**HASKELL**  
 Boys at Seymour  
 Invitational  
 Mon., March 7, 8:45 a.m.  
 at Seymour Golf Club  
 Girls at Seymour Invitational  
 Tues., March 8, 8:45 a.m.  
 at Seymour Golf Club

## Calendar

### FD hamburgers

The Haskell Fire Department will serve hamburgers and fries on the square in Haskell Sat., March 5 during the celebrate Texas Independence Haskell County Style event.

### Breakfast burritos

The Camo Chicks, a Relay for Life team, will sell breakfast burritos, coffee and hot chocolate Sat., March 5 on the square beginning at 8 a.m.

### One Act plays

An evening of one act plays is scheduled Mon., March 7 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center. Tickets are \$3 each and can be purchased from any Civic Center Board member or by contacting Luis at 864-8577. Drinks and popcorn will be available at the concession stand.

### Townsley to speak

Spider Rock Treasure researcher Bill Townsley will be the featured speaker at the March meeting of the Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society Mon., March 7 at 6 p.m. at the Haskell County Library. Any one is welcome to attend. Calendars and copies of the pictorial history of Haskell County will be available at the Texas Independence Celebration Sat., March 5.

### All Night Party

The next meeting for the Haskell County All Night After Graduation Party will be held Mon., March 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell County 4-H office. Anyone wishing to be a part in the activity in any way is welcome to attend. Volunteers are needed to make this work. Any help will be appreciated. Contact Barbara Utley at 864-5453 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

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# Welcome to Celebrate Texas Independence—Haskell Co. Style

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"The People's Choice"

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## Cockerell, Lane, Nanny, Turner honored by Chamber

by Caron Yates

A good crowd was on hand for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet, held recently at the Haskell Civic Center.

After the welcome was given by State Farm Insurance agent Tom Bassett and the invocation voiced by East Side Baptist Pastor Jay Beerley, Haskell fifth graders entertained the group with some "Rock-n-Roll." They were led by elementary music teacher Pam Gibson, who was assisted by teachers Jennifer Roewe, Tammie Wallace, Debbie Miller and Kristi Gibson.

Mayor John Gannaway spoke on the results of the recently held public forums and upcoming plans for the city. Chamber manager, Sally Rueffer, recapped the happenings and pursuits of the Chamber over the past year, as well as future events in the planning.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year.

Judge David Davis introduced the Citizen of the Year, Susan Cockerell. Davis said, "She is a tireless worker, who serves as a leader, organizer, motivator and is frequently the behind-the-scenes person, making things happen."

Cockerell serves on the Salvation Army board, is involved in the Homeland Security-Disaster Preparedness Planning, and is a member of the Haskell County Health Advisory Committee. She is a charter member of the Committee to Help Haskell County, which is active throughout the year sponsoring major events and fund-raisers. She is currently



**OUTSTANDING CITIZEN OF THE YEAR—Susan Cockerell, center, was named the Haskell Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Citizen of the Year during the annual**

**Chamber banquet held Mon., Feb. 21. Haskell County Judge David Davis, left, made the presentation. Sally Rueffer, right, is the chamber manager.**

serving as First Vice-President and Chairman of the Yearbook Committee for the Progressive Study Club.

Married to Agricultural Science teacher Kenny Cockerell, she continues to be very involved in the FFA booster club, projects and fund-raising activities.

Haskell's 2011 Citizen of the Year is much more than just talk and ideas, she is action, and our city and county reap the benefits.

First United Methodist Pastor Tom Long announced

the Volunteer of the Year. This volunteer actually turned out to be a group of three ladies: Gayla Nanny, Nelda Lane and Ruby Turner.

In 2009, this group took on a major project, Willow Cemetery. Someone needed to take care of some "sprucing up" that the grounds keeper simply didn't have time to do, in addition to his other duties. After discussing it, they concluded they were the "someone" who needed to get the project started.

Armed with hoes, rakes, edgers, loppers and other tools, they spent many many hours working to trim back overgrown trees and bushes, uncover buried curbing, even finding lost headstones. They have had others who have come to help at various times, and some who have graciously donated money to be used to clean the curbing and repair monuments. It is this group, however which has kept the project going and continue to give of their time and energy each year.

Nanny was raised in Haskell and in 1950 married her husband Don. Together they farmed for

forty-two years, while raising two daughters, Brenda Goetz and Donna Nanny. She also has two grandchildren. She is active at the First Baptist Church, serving on committees, is a member of the Progressive Study Club, and was chairman of the Girl Scouts, when her daughters were young.

In addition, Nanny worked for the County Auditors Office for over nine years, and retired from the Texas Department of Health after fourteen years. She and friend Ruby Turner were business partners and owned Barbershop Antiques, as well as Wigwam Crafts.

Turner, who became a "Haskellite" in 1958 has long been active in civic affairs. She served on the city council for ten years, is a member of the Rotary Club, Progressive Study Club and served two years as president of the West Central Texas Council of Governments. She also is a member of the First Baptist Church. She and husband Abe raised three children, Mike Turner, Sharon Pinn and April James, who have blessed them with six grandchildren. In 1992,

they opened the Bever's House Bed and Breakfast, which she continues to operate.

Lane married husband Ken and moved to Haskell in 1961. They have five children; Kim Cram, Kiersta Garcia, Shannon Williams, Shawn Lane and Matt Lane, along with nine grandchildren. A long time member of the First United Methodist Church, she has served in almost every position, including playing the organ since 1962. She currently serves on the Pastor/Parish committee, is a member of the Rotary Club, Progressive Study Club, is a Paul Harris Fellow, and has been an integral part of the fund-raising efforts for Noah Project. The family farmed about thirty years, and then twenty-three years ago established the radio station KVRP in Haskell.

Volunteering is helping others or a cause without payment for time and services. It starts with a giving, caring heart, and a willingness to expend the time and energy it takes to see a project through. Certainly that holds true for this year's Volunteers of the Year.

## Celebrate Texas Independence—Haskell Co. Style set March 5

by Caron Yates

The second annual Celebrate Texas Independence-Haskell County Style will be held Sat., Mar. 5, around the courthouse square.

While the event is sponsored by the Committee to Help Haskell County, it will take the attendance and participation of the people of Haskell County and surrounding area to make it a success.

Activities for the day begin with a flag raising ceremony, at 10 a.m., conducted by the Haskell Boy Scouts, and will include a drummer. Brian Burgess will serve as announcer.

Among the happenings planned for the celebration, will be story teller David Turner, park ranger from Copper Break State Park, who will also host Indian games for children. Reenactment groups with infantry and artillery from Ft. Griffin, Ft. Concho and Ft. Chadburn will also be on hand.

Other scheduled activities will include a book signing by noted author Nancy Robinson Masters, demonstrations by the Boy Scouts, Lone Star Ladies Horse Team, who ride for Breast Cancer awareness,

Drummer Boy Ice Cream tent, performances by local fiddlers, as well as various other vendors. Vendors will set up in the old AEP building on the south side of the square. Vendor participation forms may be picked up at the County Judge's office.

New to the celebration this year is The Pies of Texas-Pie Baking Contest, sponsored by the Texas Extension Education Association. Area cooks, adult and youth, are encouraged to bake their best fruit or nut pie and have it at the courthouse between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. for judging. Rules and entry forms may be obtained from the Haskell County Extension Office.

The Haskell Fire Department, will once again be cooking hamburgers along with their special recipe french fries. Boy Scouts will conduct the closing ceremony at 3 p.m.

A drawing worth \$500 in Haskell Dollars will also be held. It promises to be a fun-filled celebration of our Texas heritage, so plan on coming for the entire day and be a part of the Celebrate Texas Independence-Haskell County Style.



**VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR—The Willow Cemetery Beautification Committee was named volunteers of the year during the Haskell Chamber banquet held Mon., Feb. 21. The ladies, l-r, Gayla Nanny, Ruby Turner and Nelda Lane have made efforts to help improve the beauty of the Willow Cemetery in Haskell. Tom Long, left, made the presentation to the group.**

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**VALENTINE ENTERTAINMENT**—Haskell Elementary first graders sang Valentine and “George Washington” songs at the Haskell Healthcare Home and Experienced Citizens Center Mon., Feb. 14, “Valentine’s Day.” The first graders gave their handmade valentines to everyone and wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day. Teachers are Julie Alvarez, Joni Bullock, April Colley, Susan LeFevre, JoNell Roberts (substitute teacher) and Pam Gibson, music teacher.



**ATTENDANCE WINNERS**—To promote good attendance this semester at Paint Creek ISD, the administration is rewarding students who have perfect attendance or near perfect attendance with exciting prizes. Students winning prizes for the fourth six weeks grading period are, front row, l-r, Alysha Mitchell and Christopher Pannell (PreK–fourth); back row, Josh White and Haley Myers (ninth–twelfth), Kellie Jenkins and Catherine Lemond (fifth–eighth).

## One-Act Plays to be presented March 7 at Civic Center

The Haskell Memorial Civic Center’s last fundraiser for the year is “A Night of One-Act Plays” to be presented Mon., March 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center.

This year’s presentation consists of the UIL One-Act Play competition from Haskell, Paint Creek and Rule.

Haskell’s entry is The Great Pandemonium with Melissa Tatum as the director. Cast members include Brady Leach, Bailey Fillmon, Kymbre Kupatt,

Emily Fouts, Pamela Walker, Christian Myers, David Newton, Arabella Garcia and Claire Carmichael.

Paint Creek’s entry is Mister Flannery’s Ocean by Lewis John Carlino. Co-directors are Christie Parkinson and Jason Gault. Actors include Curtis Bishop, Charitie Winterstein, Katie Jones, Nathan Edwards, Katrina Buerger, Cody Mayfield, Felysha Walker and Shana Armstrong.

Rule’s one-act play is The Actor’s Nightmare by Christopher Durang, directed

by Brittney Farquhar. Rule’s one-act cast includes Cade Brown, Grace Burgess, Allison Petty, Brittany Roberts, Mason Grindstaff and Cody Reece.

The concession will sell popcorn and sodas. Tickets for the night are \$3.00 per person. Come and enjoy each school’s play for UIL competition; support your school and give them another chance of performing before an audience.

Tickets are available at Citibank, Farm Bureau or at the door.

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## Hee Haw kicks off March 24-26

The Sagerton Community has begun making preparations for the annual Sagerton Hee Haw, which will be held on March 24-26 beginning at 8 p.m. each evening. Music and singing will begin an hour before the Hee Haw program begins.

The program for Thurs., March 24, is especially for groups. Reservations for group

tickets may be made beginning Tues., March 8, by calling 940-997-2688.

Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances will go on sale Sat., March 11 at 8:30 a.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. After the completion of tickets sales at the Community Center on March 11, orders may be placed by calling 940-997-2688 or come to 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton, for tickets. A limit of 10 tickets sold per person will be sold on March 11. If more tickets are needed, you may enter the line again.

Plate lunches, sandwiches, and pies will be on sale in the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Sandwiches and pies will be sold on Thursday night. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

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## TAX PLANNING

Written By  
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



### SOME DEDUCTIONS CAN BE TAKEN EVEN IF YOU DON’T ITEMIZE

You’re probably familiar with the deduction choice you must make when you file your tax return. You either have enough deductions (such as mortgage interest, charitable contributions, and medical expenses) to itemize, or you take the standard deduction, a set amount that doesn’t require you to list specific deductible items.

What you may not be as familiar with are those deductions that you are allowed to take above the line; that is, deductions that you can take in addition to your itemized deductions or your standard deduction.

Here’s a quick rundown of above-the-line deductions you shouldn’t miss on your 2010 tax return.

- A deduction of up to \$250 for classroom supplies purchased by teachers for use in their classrooms.
- A deduction of up to \$2,500 for interest paid on student loans.
- A deduction of up to \$2,000 or \$4,000 for college tuition and fees, depending on your income level.
- A deduction of up to \$5,000 for individual retirement account contributions if you’re under age 50. If you’re 50 or older, the deduction limit is \$6,000.
- A deduction for the expenses connected with a job-related move.
- A deduction for 50% of the self-employment tax and 100% of health insurance premiums paid if you are self-employed.
- A deduction for alimony paid. (Note that child support is not deductible.)
- A deduction for contributions to health savings accounts (HSAs).

Most of these deductions have qualification requirements or income limitations. Don’t overlook above-the-line tax deductions. An added benefit: These deductions decrease your adjusted gross income, an important number on your tax return. The lower your adjusted gross income, the more likely you are to qualify for credits and deductions subject to income thresholds. For details or assistance in finding all the deductions to which you’re entitled, contact our office.

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with Bro. Jay Beerley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church bringing the message.

On Monday, everyone will gather at First Assembly of God Church, where Bro. J.C. Amburn pastor of that church, will deliver the message. The Tues. service is scheduled to be held at East Side Baptist Church, with Cornerstone Fellowship Pastor Bro. Morris Johnson, bringing the message.

The final evening will be an Ash Wednesday Service held at Trinity Lutheran Church. Trinity Lutheran Pastor David White and Pastor Tom Long of First United Methodist Church will be in charge of the service.

A love offering will be taken each night to benefit the Ministerial Alliance Benevolence Fund, which offers assistance to those

in need because of an emergency. Nonperishable food items will also be accepted each night to be added to the Food Pantry at First Baptist Church.

## Calendar

### Cancer support

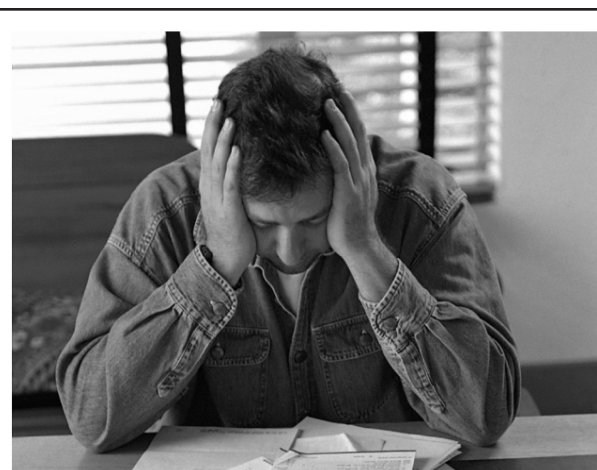
The Haskell Area Cancer Support group meets every other Tuesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. For more information, call 940-864-5964.

### Deadlines

All deadlines for issues of the Haskell Free Press are at noon on Mondays.

### Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester Homecoming will be held Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 2011.



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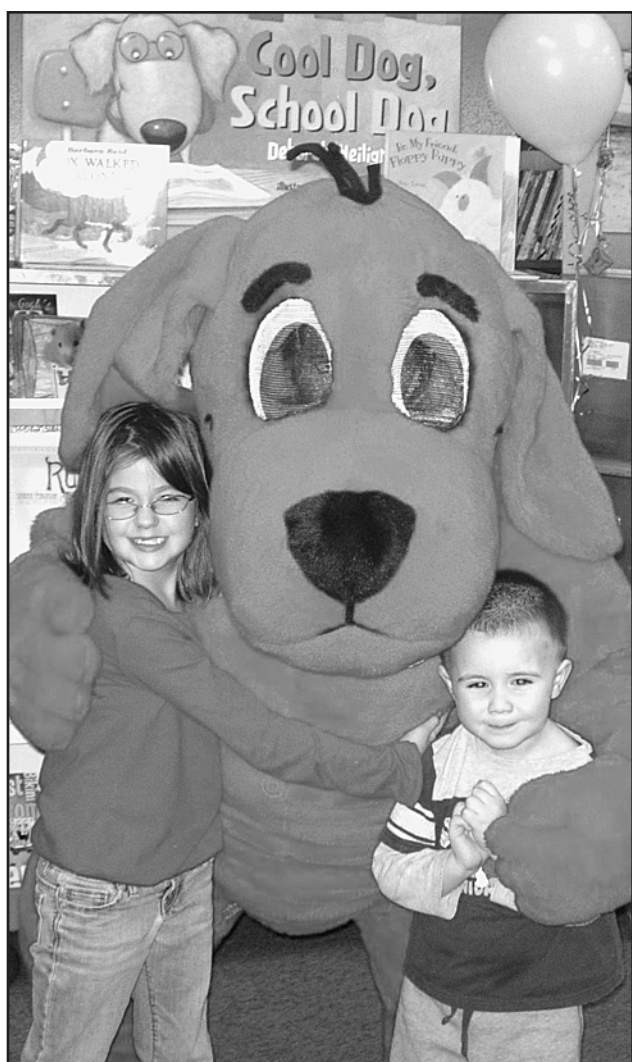
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**BOOK FAIR HUG**—Emily and Brandt Turner get a big hug from Clifford the Big Red Dog at the Haskell Elementary Book Fair.

## 4-H Clubs to meet

The Haskell County Jr./Sr. 4-H Clubs will hold their March meeting Sun., March 6 at the Haskell County Extension Office from 4 to 5 p.m. Any youth 8 years old and in the third grade through the twelfth grade are welcome to come and join.

distribution boxes, play a game and discuss upcoming contests such as photography and clothing projects for the month of March. The meeting will conclude with refreshments.

The clubs will meet and make/fill candy bags for the monthly Food Bank

For more information, contact the Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.

## Paul Friske is art club guest artist

The Brazos West Art Association met Mon., Feb. 14 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room with Paul Friske, accomplished Abilene artist, as the guest artist.

Friske painted a lovely charcoal landscape, complete with a large oak tree and a myriad of bluebonnets and

other wild flowers. Attending were Marsha Whittemore, Martha Spitzer, Joyce Ivy, guest; Pansy Harris, Nelwyn Beakley, Betty Hook, Jerry Bowers, Florence Larned, Betty Berry, Peggy Middlebrook, and Friske.

Hostesses were Beakley, Hook and Whittemore.

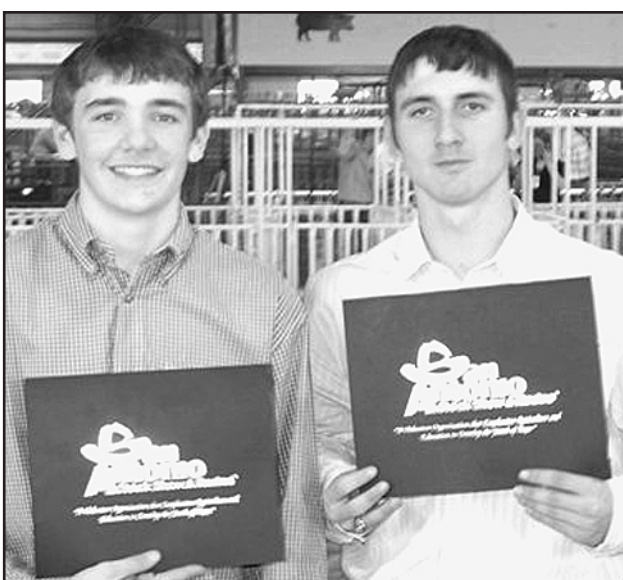
## Tobacco Cessation program to begin Thurs., March 3

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

A final reminder that a Tobacco Cessation program will begin Thurs., March 3 and continue each Thursday evening through April 7. The weekly meetings will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the

Haskell Memorial Hospital Education Building.

The program is open to the public free of charge. If planning to attend, RSVP to the Haskell County Extension office at 940-864-2658 or 2546.



**AWARD WINNERS**—Payne Utley of Haskell 4-H and Brady Leach of Haskell FFA were both awarded scholarships at the 2011 San Antonio Stock Show. Utley, who won Lightweight Division champion with his Hampshire, was awarded an \$8,000 scholarship and Leach, who was Lightweight Reserve division with his Dark cross, won a \$10,000 scholarship. They were recognized during the grand drive at the San Antonio show Thurs., Feb. 17. They are both juniors at Haskell High School.

## Pie baking contest set Sat., March 5

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

A new addition to the "Texas Independence Day—Haskell Style" Celebration for 2011 will be an old fashioned "Pie Baking" contest. The competition is open to the public but limited to amateurs only. Both adults as well as youth are encouraged to participate.

Classes will include fruit pies and nut pies. Due to food safety regulations no pies that require refrigeration (cream, custard, buttermilk, meat, etc.) will be accepted. No store bought pastries will be allowed. There is no entry fee to participate. Entries will be accepted on March 5 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the District courtroom of the Haskell

County Courthouse.

Judging will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will be based on taste, crust, appearance and creativity. Prizes will be awarded to first through third place in each class. A Best of Show winner will be selected in each age division and each will receive a gift basket of assorted baking equipment and baking items.

Following judging and the announcement of winners, slices of pie will be sold to the public with proceeds from the sales of pies used to offset expenses of the contest.

A complete set of official rules and entry forms may be picked up at the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D.

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# OPINION

## TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

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### HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

#### Task force to deliver input on unfunded mandates

AUSTIN—Gov. Rick Perry on Feb. 25 announced the formation of the Task Force on Unfunded Mandates, a bipartisan panel of one former and eight current Texas public officials.

The panel's mission, Perry said, is to list "burdensome unfunded mandates that have been passed down from the state to local governments, such as cities, counties and school districts."

Perry wants the list, and recommendations "on how to best alleviate these burdens on local entities," on his desk this March.

Meanwhile, the state Senate Finance and House Appropriations committees continued with their work of exploring ways to cut the 2012-2013 state budget enough to make it balance. That means stripping off somewhere between \$8 billion and \$27 billion in state services.

To address state finances in the long term, the Texas Senate adopted a proposed state constitutional amendment on Feb. 23, the subtext of which indicates a sentiment that some portion of the Lone Star State's budget woes originate in Washington, D.C.

Senate Joint Resolution 1 urges Congress to propose and submit to the states for ratification a federal balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Authored by Senate Pro-Tempore Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, chair of the upper chamber's powerful Finance Committee, SJR 1 has moved to the House for consideration.

Its adoption by the Senate drew applause from Gov. Perry, who said he now looks forward to "working with members of the Texas House who share the goal of a federal balanced budget amendment to put the U.S. back on the path to fiscal responsibility."

One such federal program that is often named in conjunction with "out-of-control federal spending" is Medicaid, the health coverage program for poorer Americans that more than 4 million Texans rely upon.

#### Speaker weighs in on Medicaid

House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, on Feb. 22, said, "Medicaid is an unsustainable federal program that continues to eat up more of our state budget, crowding out other priorities. State spending on Medicaid has doubled in the last 10 years and current spending now accounts for 18.7 percent of the general revenue-related 2010-2011 Texas budget."

"Like most states, Texas is faced with the challenge of maintaining this critical

safety net with limited taxpayer dollars," Straus said.

#### Chief justice addresses joint session

Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Wallace Jefferson on Feb. 24 addressed a joint session of the Texas House and Senate, including members of the state judiciary. Jefferson, now in his seventh year as chief justice, asked the assembly for four things in the course of his address:

1. Increased access to legal services for poorer and even middle class Texans. "The combination of increased poverty rates, reduced interest rates on legal aid accounts, and a statewide budget crisis threatens to leave Texas' neediest communities without basic access to justice," he said.
2. \$20 million dollars from general revenue for basic civil legal services.
3. Non-partisan election of judges in Texas, and if that can't be done, eliminate straight-ticket voting. "I urge the Legislature to send the people a constitutional amendment that would allow judges to be selected on their merit."
4. To extend terms for state judges from four years to six for district court judges and from six years to eight for appellate court judges.

#### Texas' 175th anniversary arrives

On Feb. 24, at the invitation of Speaker Straus, House Speaker Pro Tempore Beverly Woolley, R-Houston, on the floor of the Texas House, read the famous letter written by Col. William Barrett Travis with the Alamo under siege on Feb. 24, 1836.

And, further in observance of the 175th anniversary (terquasquicentennial) of the Republic of Texas' independence from Mexico, the originals of the Travis letter and the Republic of Texas' Declaration of Independence from Mexico, signed March 2, 1836, are on public display at the Lorenzo de Zavala State Library and Archives Building, just east of the state Capitol.

#### Laredo rep. files popular vote bill

State Rep. Richard Peña Raymond, D-Laredo, has filed HB 1498, legislation to make every vote count in presidential elections.

Raymond said his bill "would help change presidential elections to assure that the winner of the national popular vote would be elected president."

Texas would enter into an agreement with other states to assign all of its presidential electors to the candidate who wins the national popular vote in all 50 states plus the District of Columbia, if Raymond's bill is enacted.



## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,  
Haskell Elementary School hosted a Scholastic book fair for students in pre kindergarten through eighth grade the week of Feb. 21-25. This year's theme was "Book Fair Carnival: Your Ticket to Read" and students came to the library throughout the week to see the great products available at the fair. Many people attended the special family event on Thursday evening from 4:30 until 6:00 and enjoyed refreshments, door prizes, and a chance for kids and families to shop together. The book fair ended Friday at noon.

The book fair was a great success again this year and our sincere thanks goes to all those who came to the fair and helped in any way, including the Elementary and Junior High faculty and staff and fifth and sixth grade students who helped with setting up the fair, working on Family Night, and packing up the fair. Several members of the Haskell Elementary PTO were a huge help in setting up and decorating for the fair as well as volunteering their time to help during the fair. We owe them a big thank you. Finally, we thank our community volunteers who worked at the book fair and assisted in so many ways, and the teachers who stepped in to help as needed. It takes many people to make this event such a success and we are grateful to all who participated.

Betsy McManamon  
School Librarian  
Haskell CISD

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago March 1, 2001

Phil Coleman of Haskell, was named Driver of the Month for Ace Transportation.

Scoutmaster Kenneth Patton and Assistant Scoutmaster Clifford Short, received grants totaling \$500 for Haskell Scout Troop 136. The grants were in recognition of their volunteer efforts in scouting.

The Haskell Indians captured the Region 1-2A bi-district playoff title. Leading the scoring was Josh Webb, 9 pts.; Leon Goudeau, 8 pts.; Eddie Loyd, 8 pts.; and Cliff McGuire, 8 pts.

Area players named to the District 20-A Division II All-District basketball team are Justin Coker and Matthew Hensley, both of Rule; Coy Hise of Paint Creek; and Jason Taylor of Rochester.

#### 20 Years Ago February 28, 1991

Attending the Texas Extension Homemakers Association training meeting from Haskell County were Jimmie Weinert, TEHA chairman; Lou Gilly, county extension agent; Reatha Mullins, county council chairman; and Alice Yates, TEHA vice-chairman.

Tiny Lacey, a student at West Texas State University and the daughter of Betty Sue Lacey of Haskell, was inducted into the Texas Residence Hall Association Society of Distinguished Leaders, and became the Western regional director.

Haskell's Rusty Stocks has been named the Most Valuable Player in District 7-2A, for the just completed basketball season.

#### 30 Years Ago February 26, 1981

Mikeanna Wilcox of Rule, exhibited the Grand Champion steer at the San Antonio Stock Show.

Lisa Sherman has been elected to the Student Senate at Western Texas College as a representative from the sophomore class.

Winners in the scouts Pine Wood Derby were Davis Chapman, first; Kyle Darden, second; and Cole Larned, consolation.

#### 40 Years Ago March 4, 1971

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones of Weinert, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Jewell Wallace of Haskell, has completed a 1500 hour course in cosmetology from Glen and Lottie's School of Beauty in Abilene.

Two Haskell Indians have signed on to play college football. Keith Everett has signed with Angelo State University and Wayne Davis will join the North Texas State University team.

Thirty riders made the

trail drive sponsored by Haskell Livestock Auction. About 180 head of cattle were driven the five miles into town.

#### 50 Years Ago March 2, 1961

Graduating from the Haskell County Hospital School of Vocational Nursing were Mrs. Faye Jetton, Mrs. Mildred Knippling and Mrs. Linnie Teague. Diplomas were awarded by hospital administrator Hallie Chapman and superintendent of nurses Mrs. Georgia Williams.

Diane Reid of Rochester, has been elected social chairman of the North Texas State College chapter of Alpha Phi. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Reid and is a speech and drama major.

The Paint Creek Pirates

girls' basketball team defeated Knox City to win the bi-district title. Paulette Fisher paced the Pirates with 28 points and JoAnn Griffith added an additional 21 points.

#### 100 Years Ago March 3, 1911

W.W. Murphey, who has been a deputy in the local district and county clerk's office, has moved to Dallas, where he has been appointed a deputy in the Dallas County Clerk's office.

R.M. Craig, the jeweler, has moved his establishment to the west side of the square, into the building formerly occupied by Wirt French Confectionery.

E.E. Marvin was in Dallas to purchase a new Overland automobile for Dr. Weaver of Rule.

## Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

I received a nice accolade from Boyd Andress '58 regarding my job mayoring. Attached to it was a copy of the Haskell Free Press dated Feb. 10, 1912 which looked a lot like the old War Whoop. The Mayor's Proclamation (Mayor H. S. Wilson) was to clean up all trash from the area for the protection of public health as meningitis was so prevalent across the state. Feb. 12 was the day that all citizens were to clean up their premises, sprinkle lime around the houses, in low places and around hydrants. The City Marshall was to enforce the law and city wagons were to pick up rubbish. The more things change; the more they stay the same.

The 2010 Census has finally been given to the city. Haskell shows a 5% increase over the 2000 census from 3,106 to 3,322. The city probably benefitted from the addition of our unwilling citizens in the prison. I'm told the prison population is around 500. The following shows area towns' population in 2000 and 2010 and the percentage change.

Even though we showed a 5% increase in population, I'm thinking Haskell is right in line with our neighbors in losing citizens to the urban areas. We continue to promote our city but until we can get some industry or some additional ways for people to earn a living, it may be inevitable. You

can be fully assured that we will fight that trend to the best of our ability. We need to continue to sell our city: we have low taxes, good water, good schools and churches, good homes in need of families. What we really have to sell is US...It's the people!

March 5 is the date for Haskell County's celebration of Texas Independence. Yours truly has been notified that I will be responsible for baking a pie. I feel a bit like Prissy in Gone With The Wind screaming, "I ain't never baked no piiiieeee!" But, I have a sister-in-law, Christye, who is a whiz at that and she has offered to give me a seminar. I'd still advise the wise--don't eat my pie!

The city has purchased 150 acres of land just south of the sewer plant. It is situated on either side of the 277 re-route and was advertised by Rike Real Estate for some months. The SOLD sign means it was purchased by the City of Haskell with funds made available from a grant. As we undergo future renovations of the sewer plant, this land will be beneficial. This will allow us to progress from a mechanical plant to a non-mechanical treatment plant. Our current electricity costs to operate the plant are between \$60,000 and \$80,000 annually. As we make this transition, the electricity costs should be reduced by about 80%. That is a savings that we all should appreciate.

This new treatment method will involve the installation of a center pivot irrigation system that will use the effluent water to produce hay. This is a much better use of that water than just treating it and then releasing it into the creek. The money that we generate from the sale of the hay might even be enough to completely cover the cost of our reduced electricity bill.

By the way, of the 189 junked vehicles that the Betterment Committee identified, some 19 of them have disappeared. If you are responsible for the disappearance of these, you are to be congratulated. If you have received one of the 'green cards' saying that you have a junked vehicle and you have not taken care of it, please do so as soon as possible so that no further action will be required.

Just a closing thought... In relation to the mess going on in Wisconsin: Can you imagine Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. Diggs, Bill Blakley or Gerald McCoy acting in this fashion? We're lucky to have been taught by such dedicated teachers and double-lucky to live in Haskell in the state of Texas.

See you at the Texas Independence Celebration on March 5...See you at the square!

## Calendar

**Teamkid**  
The First Baptist Church of Haskell will host Teamkid "Jumping the Hurdles" for ages four through sixth grade on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Family Activity Center. If a child needs a ride, parents should call the church office at 864-2581.

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# Rule ISD honor rolls

Rule ISD has announced the names of students listed on the A and A-B honor rolls for the fourth six weeks of school.

First grade: A honor roll, Jillian Herrera, Patrick Lightfoot and Abigail Ortiz; A-B honor roll, Daena Diaz and Hannah Ervin.

Second grade: A honor roll, Sidney Campbell and Rowdy Raynes; A-B honor roll, Christian Speck, Kayla Hollingsworth, Kacie Easterling, Ryan Cooper, Michael Medford and Joey Flores.

Third grade: A-B honor roll, Kennedy Fritzler, Danny Kreger and Madalyn Navarrette.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Kourtney Hertel and Avery Tanner; A-B honor roll, Del Fritzler.

Fifth grade: A-B honor roll, Alexandra Martinez, Christina Moore, Alexzandra Cooper and Thomas Short.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, America Shelton.

Seventh grade: A honor roll, Kade Lowack; A-B honor roll, Kylie DeVille and Samantha Lewis.

Eighth grade: A-B honor roll, Jonah Caddell and Ryan Pace.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Josh Quintero and Darryl Williams.

Eleventh grade: A-B honor roll, Mason Grindstaff, Orrin Salazar and Colin Taylor.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Grace Burgess, Jenny Dudensing and Allison Petty; A-B honor roll, Brittany Roberts, Shelby Starr and Stephanie Threet.

Rule ISD students listed on the perfect attendance rolls include:

Pre-K: Harley Sears, Mollie Easterling and Astrid Guzman.

Kindergarten: Kelly Lowack and Cory Mathis.

First grade: Alfonso Ramos, Abigail Ortiz and Patrick Lightfoot.

Second grade: Hannah Sears and Rowdy Raynes.

Third grade: Antonio Amaya, Kennedy Fritzler, Fabian Hollingsworth, Cheyenne Kreger, Danny Kreger, Yesenia Moreno, Madalyn Navarrette and Alex Nino.

Fourth grade: Brittany Macias, Del Fritzler and Avery Tanner.

Fifth grade: Rumaldo Chavez, Armondo Chavez, Christina Moore, Pablo Sandoval and Thomas Short.

Sixth grade: Adolfo Gonzalez, Austin Redden, Abel Sandoval and Alysia Hollabaugh.

Seventh grade: Clarissa Lanfranco, Braden Tanner, Shanisha Vanderbilt, Chris Holder, Kylie DeVille, Kade Lowack, Samantha Lewis and Gabriel Baiza.

Eighth grade: Josh Starr, Stormie Hollabaugh, Luis Diaz, Ryan Pace, Caleb Taylor, Colton Rogers, Jessica Gutierrez and Keelie DeVille.

Ninth grade: Michael Perez.

Tenth grade: Jennifer Starr, Gloria Gonzalez, Josh Quintero, Darryl Williams and Daniel Turner.

Eleventh grade: Colin Taylor and Patrick Starr.

Twelfth grade: Cade Brown, Grace Burgess, Cody Reece, Allison Petty and Shelby Starr.



**BOOK FAIR FAMILY NIGHT—Rochester sixth grade helpers hang out with Clifford the Big Red Dog at the Scholastic Book Fair “Family Night.” Helpers l-r, include Rudy Espinoza, Sam Fouts, Hayden Hudson, Payton Thomas and Stormie Andrade, kneeling.**



**ROCK THE BANQUET—Haskell Elementary fifth graders rocked the crowd during the Haskell Chamber banquet Mon., Feb. 21. The group presented songs from the 50’s and are under the direction of Pam Gibson, music teacher. She was assisted by teachers Tammie Wallace, Jennifer Roewe, Debbie Miller and Kristi Gibson.**

# Paint Creek ISD honor rolls

Paint Creek ISD has released the names of the students on the A and A-B honor rolls for the fourth six weeks of the school year.

First grade: A honor roll, Ethan Jenkins; A-B honor roll, Chris Acosta, Dawson Conn, Aaron Lynskey, Chris Pannell, Donovan Rodriguez, Kolby Tidrow and Jordan Westerman.

Second grade: A honor roll, William Bogle, Zakary Elkins, Gabe Mitchell, Gracie Oliver, Eric Perkins, Isidro Salinas and Corbin Waggoner; A-B honor roll, Jasmine Boyd, Dakota Davis, Danica Elias and Brianna Yanez.

Third grade: A honor roll, Nancy Acosta, Madyson Moore, Jaclyn Snelling, and Adaline Utley; A-B honor

roll, Tanner Booe, Kayla Bosnjak, K’Lee Lampe, Augi Moreno and Larissa Villarreal.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Garrett Arendall; A-B honor roll, Manuel Acosta, Jr. Bogle, Bailey Hawkins, Natividad Ipin, Cameron Poulton, Daniel Salinas, Chase Thompson, Gabe Todd, Antonio Yanez and Brittany Yanez.

Fifth grade: A-B honor roll, Abigail Blair and Cheyenne Elias.

Sixth grade: A honor roll, Catherine Lemond; A-B honor roll, Caitlyn Douglass, Zhenia McTasney, Corey Mengwasser, Melisa Rock and Buddy Trotter.

Eighth grade: A-B honor roll, Bryant Booe, Hanna

Colley, Chris Elias, Rhett Lampe, Sylvia Schantz, Micah Waggoner and Brad Winterstein.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Kadie McCord; A-B honor roll, Cody Mayfield and Tarah Trotter.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Katie Jones; A-B honor roll, River McTasney.

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

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Shana Armstrong and Hunter Hall; A-B honor roll, Jordan Adkins, Curtis Bishop, Dillon Emert, Denton Reed and Joshua White.

# Haskell High honor rolls

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

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Zierra Alexander, Marlee Andrada, Emmett Benton, Lucy Carmichael, Daniel Contreras, Nate Dever, Jarrett Earle, Emily Fouts, Meghan Glover, Madison Homeyer,

Dakota Silvas, Zachary Tatum, Micah Thomas and Aaron Waggoner; A-B honor roll, Kelby Bell, April Brown, Kelly Crain, Gus Estrada, Anna Flores, Morgan Garcia, Maegan Hearn, Zachary Hollingsworth, Kyle Kimbrough, Alicia Ortiz, Dana Rodriguez, J.T. Schmegner, Breanna Steadham, Austin Trussell,

Christina Villa and Max Weise.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Ashley Adams, Maci Colley, Shelby Dunnam, Cailey Foster, Morgan Frierson, Carson Hadaway, Doug King, Madison Mayfield, Brett Shelton and Kalyn Wheatley; A-B honor roll, Adrian Alexander, Taylor Burson, Phillip Coleman, Shawn Duncan, Cannon Edwards, Drake Everett, Delecia Garcia, James Hammond, Hunter Ivy, Caitlan Johnson, Ryan Markey, Tillie McGuire, Preston Morrow, Cassidy Rios, Myra Rodriguez, Steven Schmegner, Gabriel Torres and Shayne Whitt.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Garrett Brueggeman, Lisa Hibbits, Jasmine Klose, Krista McLemore and Layne Petty; A-B honor roll, Ryan Baumbach, Lynna Billington, Claire Carmichael, Sara Duncan, Kymbre Kupatt, Kelli Ozuna, Mackenzie Thomas and Laycee Tullos.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Leslie Crosson, Irma Deleon, Codi Foster, Angelica Gonzalez, Cheslee Hearn, Denise Hibbits, Harley James, Nathan Meredith, Taylor Murray, Jessica Rodriguez, Dawn Skinner, Sara Weise and Crystal Wright; A-B honor roll, Amber Allen, Ashley Bullard, Bailey Fillmon, Samantha Fuentes, Judith Isbell, Meagan Kimbrough, Oregon Maggard, Marissa McGhee, Ricky Molina, Christian Myers, Austin Nanny, Sydney Saucedo, Ashlee Short, Pamela Walker and Ross Wittenborn.

# Sheriff invites citizens to join fight against crime

Responding to the increased number of citizens wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff David Halliburton announced that Haskell County citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go out in the mail over the next several weeks. Associate member funding allows the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas to provide critical training, technical resources, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues to law enforcement officers across the state.

In addition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement

officers. Contributions to the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas are tax-deductible. “The Associate Membership Drive helps provide the funding which is vital to our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play,” said Sheriff Halliburton.

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local Sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

“During these economic times, the need for building stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships continues to escalate, and programs such as this continue to grow in importance,” said Sheriff Halliburton. “I encourage every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with

us by becoming an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our future.”

Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas at 1601 S. IH-35, Austin, Texas 78741 or visit [www.txsheriffs.org](http://www.txsheriffs.org).

Founded in 1874, the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas is a 501(c)(3) non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Steve M. Westbrook serves as the Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin. The Sheriffs’ Association of Texas does not make solicitations by telephone.

If you receive a phone call from someone who uses the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas name, report it to your local Sheriff or County/District Attorney.

# Haskell School Menu

**March 7-11 Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

**Monday:** Funnel cake

**Tuesday:** Breakfast on a stick

**Wednesday:** Cereal, manager’s choice

**Thursday:** Croissant with egg and cheese

**Friday:** Manager’s choice

**Lunch**

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the high school and junior high campuses. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Junior High campus: Choice of entrée or baked potato with cheese and ham. High School

campus: Choice of entrée or chef salad with crackers.

**Monday:** Chicken strips, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli Normandy vegetables, hot rolls, apricots

**Tuesday:** Chicken fajitas, salsa, grilled peppers and onions, pinto beans, peaches

**Wednesday:** Bean and beef burrito, garden salad, queso, tortilla chips, orange slices

**Thursday:** Chili cheese hot dog, pickle spears, tater tots, rosy applesauce

**Friday:** Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, assorted chips, frozen treat

# Paint Creek School Menu

**March 7-11 Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Oatmeal, toast

**Tuesday:** Biscuits, gravy

**Wednesday:** French toast

**Thursday:** Muffins

**Friday:** Donuts

**Lunch**

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Tater tot casserole,

green beans, salad, apple crisp

**Tuesday:** Nachos, refried beans, salad, jello

**Wednesday:** Ham, mac and cheese, peas, peaches, strawberries, bananas

**Thursday:** Corn dogs, carrots, fries, cake

**Friday:** Ham sandwiches,

salad, brownies

# Rule School Menu

**March 7-11 Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Cereal or yogurt, banana

**Tuesday:** Oatmeal, buttered toast

**Wednesday:** Sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, strawberry jam or grape jelly

**Thursday:** Breakfast pizza

**Friday:** French toast sticks, waffle syrup

**Lunch**

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Corn dogs, baked beans, corn cobbette, diced peaches with cherries

**Tuesday:** BBQ on a bun, potato salad, cole slaw, rosie applesauce

**Wednesday:** Cheeseburger, burger salad, oven fries, jello

**Thursday:** Ham and cheese hoagie, chicken noodle soup, crackers, sandwich salad, apple, chip choice

**Friday:** Baked potato, cheddar and ham cups, steamed broccoli, cornbread, banana pudding

# ECC Menu

**Mon., March 7**

Beef a roni, au gratin potatoes, mixed veggies, yeast rolls, lemon glazed cake, tea or coffee

**Wed., March 9**

Sloppy Joe on bun, northern beans, onion, pickle, chips, Coke cake, tea or coffee

**Fri., March 11**

Hamburger steak, club spinach, Texas potato, yeast roll, strawberry cake, tea or coffee

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

# Calendar

## Dinner, auction

The Noah Project-North will have their dinner and silent auction Sat., March 26 at the Haskell Civic Center. Those interested in making a donation or providing something for the silent auction should contact Pat at 864-5841, Coleta at 864-8036 or Jeri at 864-3467. An advisory member will collect items around town.

## Youth baseball

Haskell Youth Baseball will sign-up until Feb. 25. Turn all forms in at Sport-About. Forms may be picked up at your school. Contact Tyke Meinzer, Roger Roewe, Casey Larned or Thomas Parks for more information.

## Fund-raiser

To raise money for Relay for Life, gourmet coffee and a doughnut will be available for \$1 at the CitiBank lobby in Haskell each Friday through March 25.





**HASKELL FFA TEAMS COMPETE**—Members of the Haskell FFA competed at the Texas Farm and Ranch Expo Career Development Events in Abilene Feb. 23. Haskell FFA won first place in the Sweepstakes Award and also took home numerous team and individual awards. Team members include, l-r, Krista McLemore, Breanna Steadham, Camden Smith, Lucy Carmichael, Kaley Mathis, Ashley Adams, Denise Hibbits, Madison Mayfield, Ross Wittenborn, Carson Hadaway, Marissa McGhee, Shelby Dunnam, Emily Fouts, Dawn Skinner, Cheslee Hearn, Arabella Garcia, Leslie Crosson and Meagan Kimbrough. Meghan Glover, who participated on the Dairy Foods team, is not pictured.

## Haskell FFA team win contests

Eighteen members of the Haskell FFA competed at the Texas Farm and Ranch Expo Career Development Events in Abilene Feb. 23. Haskell FFA won first place in the Sweepstakes Award and also took home numerous team and individual awards.

The Poultry team consisting of Ross Wittenborn, Krista McLemore, Ashley Adams, Breanna Steadham and Camden Smith finished second with McLemore finishing second and Wittenborn sixth.

The Dairy Foods team finished second overall. Team members were Denise Hibbits, Emily Fouts, Kaley Mathis,

Meghan Glover and Lucy Carmichael. Hibbits placed fourth overall.

Dawn Skinner, Leslie Crosson, Meagan Kimbrough and Arabella Garcia competed in the cotton placing contest placing third. Individual results in the cotton contest included Skinner sixth, Crosson eighth,

Kimbrough ninth, and Garcia tenth.

The Range team placed first with team members Cheslee Hearn, Marissa McGhee, Madison Mayfield, Carson Hadaway and Shelby Dunnam. Hearn finished second individually while McGhee placed tenth.



ARABELLA GARCIA



DAWN SKINNER



SHANA ARMSTRONG



JOSH WHITE

## Students visit Rotary Club

Arabella Garcia is the daughter of Eligio and Emilia Garcia of Haskell.

She attends Foursquare Church.

At Haskell High School, she is active in FFA, One Act Play, yearbook, Spanish Club and FCS. She is a member of the tenth place Dairy Products team in the nation and on the A-B honor roll.

She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, attending youth at the Church of Christ. She is bilingual.

She plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland to finish basic classes and then transfer to Texas Tech.

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Dawn Skinner is the daughter of Susan Skinner of Haskell.

She attends First Baptist Church in Rochester.

At Haskell High School, she plays the trumpet in band, is co-editor of the War Whoop, is active in FFA, UIL, FCS and National Honor Society.

She is a member of the All-State journalism staff, is a national qualifier for Dairy Products, is a state qualifier for news writing and is a Quill and Scroll member.

She enjoys reading, spending time with her family and friends, riding bikes and taking pictures.

She plans to graduate from college with a degree in journalism and pursue a career in the media.

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Shana Armstrong is a senior at Paint Creek and is the daughter of Janet Smith and Wade Armstrong.

She has been involved in cheerleading, basketball and One Act Play. She has served as president of her class each year and is currently serving as Student Council president and yearbook editor. She has also been a member of FFA and FCA.

Her honors and awards include the Presidential Award of Academic

Excellence each year and was selected by the Paint Creek staff her junior year to receive the Citizenship Award. She has been a member of the All-Star Cast in the UIL OAP competition and was recently named to the Honorable Mention All-District team in basketball. She is currently ranked #1 in the senior class.

Her hobbies include playing basketball, reading and hanging out with friends.

Armstrong has been accepted to McMurry University and plans to earn a bachelors degree in nursing then eventually further her education in the medical field.

She was recently selected as a McMurry Presidential Scholarship winner.

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Josh White is a senior at Paint Creek and the son of Malinda White and Tim White.

He is a member of the yearbook staff and is the official photographer for sporting events. He also serves as a crew member for One Act Play. He has participated in the Rezd Gaming Competition sponsored by TSTC. He was recently selected as Citizen of the Month for being the senior who most consistently demonstrates teamwork. He was also recently recognized and received an award for perfect attendance.

His hobbies include playing video games and hanging out with friends. After graduation, he plans to attend the Art Institute in Houston and study software design.

Volleyball night

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

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### Faith encourages us to be willing to compromise

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

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

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

- East Side Baptist Church**  
Jay Beerley, Senior pastor  
Shawn Smith, Youth Worship pastor  
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**  
Rev. David White, pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
Art Flores, Interim pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 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**  
Rev. Jim McCurley  
Jason Daniels, minister of Youth and Music  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**  
Morris R. Johnson, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wed. 7 p.m.  
1600 N. First St., Haskell
- God Loves You Ministries**  
Mark Wallace, pastor  
Church Service 10 a.m.  
West side of square, Haskell
- WEINERT—
- First Baptist Church**  
Dan Bullock, pastor  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m  
Weinert
- ROCHESTER—
- Church of Christ**  
Steve Willis, minister  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**  
Joseph Barrett, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.;  
Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;  
Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.  
500 Main, Rochester
- Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
Clovis Dever  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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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.  
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- 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
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Alfa y Omegas  
Manuel Marin, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
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.  
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April 8	Dist. 11A Track Meet	Throckmorton
April 12	Area 11-12 Track Meet	Trent
April 23	Regional Qualifiers	TBD
May 2-3	Reg. II-A Track Meet	Abilene
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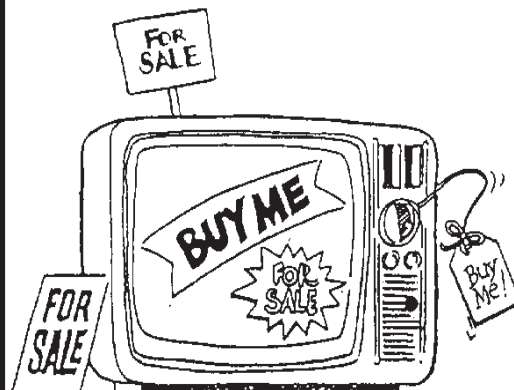
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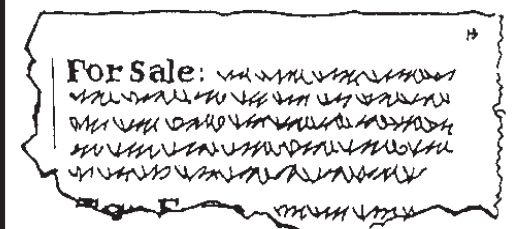
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**FOOD CHECK-OUT WEEK PROCLAMATION**—Signing a proclamation designating Feb. 20-26 as Farm Bureau's Food Check-Out Week was Haskell County Judge David Davis, seated. On hand for the event were Farm Bureau Board members, back row, l-r, Johnny Josselet, Steve McGuire, Charles Gibson and Brian Lehmann.

## City/County officials face off in pie challenge

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.  
Haskell City Mayor, John Gannaway and Haskell County Commissioner, Kenny Thompson will face off Sat., March 5th in the "Pies of Texas - Pie Challenge".

One of many activities planned in conjunction with the "Texas Independence Day - Haskell Style" celebration, the pie challenge will begin at 10:30 a.m. It will be held at the Haskell County Courthouse Kitchen located on the third floor of the building.

The fun-filled event will feature the two novice pie bakers in a competition patterned after the 4-H Food Challenge held each fall. The competition will begin with each challenger being given a sack of ingredients for making a pie crust and filling. Suggested amounts of ingredients will be given but no specific recipe or instructions will be provided. They will have 45 minutes to prepare their pies for baking.

Winner of the challenge will be selected by a panel of judges who will observe their preparation techniques and critique the final products based on appearance, taste, creativity. The winner will take home the special award.

The public is welcome to attend and cheer their favorite baker on.

For more information about the pie challenge contact Jane Rowan—County Extension Agent/FCS at 940-864-2546.



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## Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in a regular meeting Mon., Feb. 14 with all members present.

A motion to pay all the bills presented to the court including the bill for \$80 for Texas Fort Trails passed.

Betty Weise met with the court to discuss roads in Precinct 4. Commissioner

Neal Kreger agreed to go with Weise to inspect these roads.

The discussion on the possible action on Caprock Indigent Defense agreement was tabled.

A motion to approve amendments to a contract for management services and housing provider services for the home program with A&J Howco Services Inc. and a resolution in support of HJRA Constitutional Amendment to prohibit unfunded mandates passed.

A motion to approve the amendment to the Emergency Management Plan for Haskell County passed.

The audit for the year ending Sept. 30, 2010 by David Kinard was accepted. Judge David Davis reported that it was not implied that

any audit firm contracted by Haskell County was involved in any wrong doing.

The Complaint Grievance Resolution, Coordinator Form, Complaint Grievance Procedures for Home Grant #1001199 was approved.

A resolution in support of HJR56, a constitutional amendment to prohibit unfunded mandates, was approved.

A motion was approved amending the Emergency Management Plan.

## Student in the News

Nathan B. James earned a bachelors of science degree in sports/exercise sciences in fall commencement exercise held in December at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.


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## Softball, Baseball scores

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