

## Softball

**HASKELL**  
**V vs Baird**  
 Fri., April 1, 4:30 p.m.  
 at Baird  
**JV vs Olney (Double)**  
 Fri., April 1, 5 p.m.  
 at Haskell  
**V-JV vs Eula**  
 Tues., April 5, 4:30 p.m.  
 at Eula

## Baseball

**HASKELL**  
**V vs Knox City**  
 Sat., April 2, 11 a.m.  
 at Knox City  
**JV vs Winters**  
 Mon., April 4, 5:30 p.m.  
 at Haskell

## Track

**HASKELL**  
**JH at District**  
**Thurs., March 31 at Munday**  
**V at Possum Kingdom Relays**  
**Sat., April 2**  
**PAINT CREEK**  
**JH at Double Mt. Relays**  
**Thurs., March 31 at Aspermont**  
**V at Double Mt. Relays**  
**Fri., April 1 at Aspermont**  
**RULE**  
**JH at Aspermont**  
**Thurs., March 31 at Aspermont**  
**V at Aspermont**  
**Fri., April 1 at Aspermont**

## Golf

**HASKELL**  
**B/G at District Meet**  
 Mon., April 4, 9 a.m.  
**Weeks Park Golf Club**  
 at Wichita Falls

## Calendar

### Bake sale

The Medical Milers will host a bake sale Thurs., March 31 from 8 a.m. to noon in the lobby at Haskell Memorial Hospital. Proceeds will benefit Relay for Life.

### Autism walk

The seventh annual West Texas Walk for Autism will be held April 2 at the Abilene Zoo. Haskell Heroes would love your support. Register on line at [www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/westtexas](http://www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/westtexas). For more information or to donate, contact Melissa Burson, Tamara Swinney or Jennifer Bridges.

### Al-Anon

Al-Anon meets Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. at the AA building across from the RV park in Haskell.

### Registration

Haskell Elementary School will register Head Start Fri., April 8 from 9 a.m. to noon in the elementary library; Kindergarten from 9 to 10 a.m. or 1 to 2 p.m. in the elementary office; and Pre-K from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the elementary office. Call Peggy Adams at 864-2654 for more information.

### All Night Party

A meeting for the Haskell County All Night Party will be held Tues., April 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell 4-H office. Those wishing to help should attend. For more information, call Barbara Utley 864-5453.

### Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group meets every other Tuesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell Memorial Hospital Educational Building. For more information, call 940-864-5964.

### Homecoming

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

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# Relay for Life Friday, April 1, Indian Field

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## HHS math team wins TMSCA state title

The Haskell High School UIL math team of Garrett Brueggeman, Codi Foster, Madison Mayfield and Kalyn Wheatley won State at the TMSCA Meet in San Antonio in the 1A division Sat., March 19.

The Calculator team of Codi Foster, Brueggeman, Cailey Foster and Mayfield won third without one of their regular team members, Maci Colley, who had to be at another school function.

TMSCA is the Texas Math & Science Coaches Association, a spinoff of UIL Academics for math and science students only. The state meet in San Antonio is held each year and is known as the competition where the "best of the best" compete.

These five Haskell students won several individual awards along with their team awards. Codi Foster, the only senior, won a scholarship by being the second ranking "Top Gun" Senior in the 1A division. "Top Gun" points are earned by individuals adding points received in all four math and science

events: Number Sense, Calculator, Mathematics and Science. Sweepstakes awards are determined by the highest ranking schools from adding points in all four listed events.

Tenth grade: Cailey Foster, sixth place, calculator; Top Physics; ninth place

science; tenth place "Top Gun" ranking. Mayfield, eighth place mathematics.

Eleventh grade: Brueggeman, fifth place number sense; tenth place science; first place calculator; second place Overall Calculator (grades 9-12); first place mathematics; first place Overall Mathematics

(grades 9-12); third place "Top Gun" ranking.

Twelfth grade: Codi Foster: sixth place number sense; first place calculator; first place Overall Calculator (grades 9-12); third place mathematics; sixth place Overall mathematics (grades 9-12); second place

"Top Gun" ranking \$850 scholarship.

Teams: third place calculator (Codi Foster, Brueggeman, Cailey Foster and Mayfield); first place mathematics (Brueggeman, Codi Foster, Mayfield and Wheatley); fourth place sweepstakes team.



**STATE CHAMPS**—The Haskell UIL Math team took the state Texas Math & Science Coaches Association title in San Antonio Sat., March 19.

**Team members are, l-r, Cailey Foster, Madison Mayfield, Kalyn Wheatley, Codi Foster and Garrett Brueggeman.**

## Join in the fight against cancer Friday

by Caron Yates

The Haskell-Knox County Relay For Life will take place at Haskell Indian Field, Friday, April 1, from 7 p.m. until 7 a.m.

Seventeen teams have organized and have diligently worked to raise money for a united cause: The Fight Against Cancer.

There will be a survivors' and caretakers' meal before the activities get started.

Scheduled for the evening will be the traditional Survivors Lap, Luminaria Ceremony and Fight Back Ceremony. In addition, there will be many activities going on throughout the evening. Of special interest will be the

"Mr. Relay Pageant," that you just have to be there to see. Teams will host a variety of food booths, as well as having items available for sale.

Activities such as panning for gold, horseshoes, basketball throw, football throw, cake walk, face painting, a magician, and much more will fill the

stadium with fun.

Throughout the evening several area bands will be on hand to provide musical entertainment.

Relay For Life is a community event. This is a

chance for Haskell and Knox Counties to come together in the fight against cancer. Cancer does not discriminate in whom it attacks, so until it has been eliminated, we all have a stake in the fight.

## Walk for Autism dedicated to Haskell Hero Joey Swinney

By Caron Yates

The seventh annual West Texas Walk for Autism is scheduled for April 2, at the Abilene Zoo. The Walk Now for Autism Speaks is not only a fun-filled, family friendly event, but it is also the single most powerful force to fund the vital research that will lead to answers about autism.

The simple answer to "What causes autism?" is, we don't know. Finding the cause or causes of autism is one of the most challenging areas for medical science.

Locally, Haskell's Heroes, has been the voice for autism awareness. It is parents, families and friends, who are helping to educate the public, raise money for research and make a difference in the lives of children diagnosed with autism.

This year's Walk for

Haskell's Heroes is asking for your help and support. You can walk with the team by registering online at [www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/westtexas](http://www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/westtexas).

Donations can also be given to Melissa Burson, Tamara Swinney or Jennifer Bridges.

## City landfill to be open Sat., April 2

The City of Haskell Landfill will be open Sat., April 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

On the recommendation of the Betterment Committee of Haskell, the City will be opening the landfill for City of Haskell residents periodically throughout the year on Saturdays to allow residents more available weekend hours to clean up. Future dates will be published

at a later time.

The annual Clean Up Week will be May 7-14 this year.

Things that will not be accepted during clean-up week are chemicals, tires, batteries, anything with Freon, asbestos, any roofing materials and paint.

If you have any questions, contact the City at 940-864-2333.

## City Wide Clean Up Week set May 7-14

The Haskell City Wide Clean Up week will be held Sat., May 7 through Sat., May 14.

The landfill will be open Sat., May 7 and Sat., May 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Landfill hours May 9-12 will be 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fri., May 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

Trailers and loads will be weighed at the landfill on the scales. There will be no charge, but the landfill

must record the weight in compliance with TCEQ rules.

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

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

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

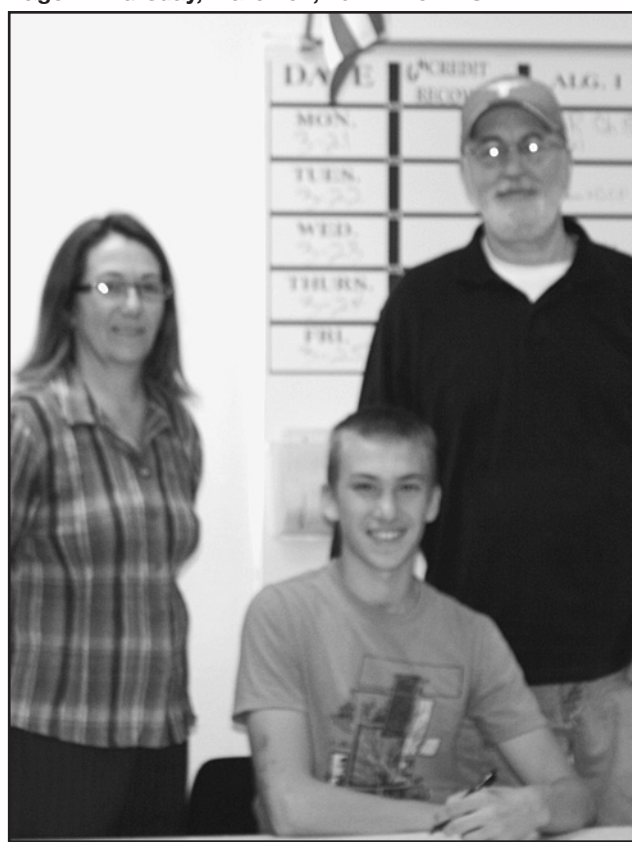


**HASKELL MAIDENS**—The Haskell Maidens softball team is undefeated in district play and rated fifth in the state. The team has conquered Hamlin and Stamford. Team members include, front row, l-r, #13 Samantha Fuentes, #1 Codi Foster, #14 Alyssa Fraga, #20 Sara Weise, #2 Maci Colley and #3 Cailey Foster; back row, #32 Jasmine Klose, #12 Paige Glover, #5 Laycee Tullos, #6 Harley James, #4 Claire Carmichael and #22 Kelsie Adams.

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# Ladies honored at convention



**WTC BOUND**—Cade Brown of Rule is pictured with his parents, Jill and Ken Brown, signing his scholarship letter to run cross-country and track for Coach Hicks at Western Texas College in Snyder. Brown qualified to state in cross-country and has run his personal best times in track this year with a 4:41 in the mile and 10:18 in the two mile.

The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mesquite District held their 51st annual Spring Convention Sat., March 19, at the First Baptist Church of Stamford. The Pierian Club of Stamford was the host for the day, providing a Harvey House Restaurant theme from rail travel of days gone by. The setting was complete with Harvey Girls in neat white aprons, and a delicious meal served on beautiful table appointments.

Mesquite District President Dorothy Hartsfield presided over the convention attended by 36 members including the Pierian, Club of Stamford, Merkel Fortnightly Club, Albany Study Club, Amity Club of Moran and Haskell Progressive Study Club. Clubs were joined by four guests, bringing the total attendance to 40.

Stamford Mayor Johnny Anders welcomed members of Mesquite District to Stamford.

Stamford Pierian Club President MaryLou Gilbreath gave the response and a "Welcome to the Harvey House."

Freida Ivey of the Haskell Progressive Study Club led members in the Club Collect.

Mary Holloway of the Hamlin Woman's Literary Club led the pledge to the flag of the United States. Woman's Literary Club President Cinda Shuping led the pledge to the flag of Texas.

President Hartsfield recognized those seated at the head table: Mary Lou Gilbreath, TFWC Historical Foundation Representative; Susan Turner, Mesquite District Secretary; Carolyn Waller, Mesquite District First Vice President and TFWC Scholarship Representative; Sandi Conway, Mesquite District Parliamentary Advisor, Federation Counselor and TFWC 1st Vice President; Bennie Parker, Mesquite District President-elect; Callie Metler, Mesquite District 2nd Vice President; Jill Druessedow, Mesquite District Scholarship Chairman and Kathryn Schonerstedt, Mesquite District Treasurer.



**SUSAN TURNER**

President Hartsfield also introduced convention speaker Lisa Akers. Akers is TFWC Trinity District President, President of TFWC Presidents, Chairman of Presidents' Reports and former LEADS participant. Additional guest speaker was Patricia Tate, Editor of the Texas Clubwoman.

Bennie Parker introduced special guests: Mesquite District past presidents Louise Massey, Sandi Conway, Mary Lou Gilbreath, Dorothy Drain, Nancy Toliver and Alameda Young.

President Hartsfield presented each of these with a past president's pin. Mesquite District Life Members present were Charlene Bishop, Peggy Holbrooks and Oleta Cornelius. There were ten first time attendees.

Charlene Bishop presented the Outstanding Clubwoman Volunteer Award to Susan Turner.

Turner is a resident of Rochester and a member of Haskell Progressive Study Club where she has served as parliamentarian, on the Veterans Memorial Wall committee, secretary of district executive committee, Standing Rules/Resolution, Women's History & Resource Center and Resolutions on TFWC Standing Committees. She is involved with Haskell Historical Association, Committee to Help Haskell County and active in First Baptist Church of Rochester. She has served as a school board trustee for the past 16 years at Rochester ISD and currently at Haskell CISD. She is secretary of the board and a member of the Texas Association of School Boards Legislative Advisory Council, served four years on the Board of the American Hereford Women and is a past member of the Texas Hereford Auxiliary Board and the Texas Hereford Association Executive Board. She is a freelance writer, having several stories published. She volunteered as a band director for one year at Rochester ISD, when they had none. She participated on a mission trip to Acuna, Mexico. She has served as president and parade chairman of the Rochester Homecoming



**OLETA CORNELIUS**

Association and has held the appointment of precinct election judge for Rochester for the past 30 years.

Cinda Shuping made the presentation naming Mary Holloway as a Life Member of Mesquite District.

Julia Harrell introduced the TFWC Jennie June outstanding volunteer award nominee from Mesquite District, Oleta Cornelius.

Cornelius has participated in numerous club activities, is a charter member of Haskell Hospital Auxiliary, a charter member of Friends of Haskell County Library, received the commission of Yellow Rose of Texas, was recognized as one of five ladies as Women Leaders of Rule in the former Rule Philadelphian Club TFWC, has been recognized for community service by Rule Chamber of Commerce, and was named Rule Woman of the Year by Rule Chamber of Commerce. She was voted Life Member of Mesquite District, is a member of Haskell First United Methodist Church and Texas Retired Teachers Association, as well as the Rule Chamber of Commerce.

Jill Druessedow presented the Mesquite District scholarship to Jordan Sorrells of Stamford, daughter of Jan McKeever of Stamford.

A senior at Stamford High School, she will graduate as salutatorian in May. She plans to attend Texas Tech majoring in animal science, with an emphasis on science. She also plans to become a pharmacist.

During high school she has participated in basketball, golf and tennis. She has been a cheerleader, Homecoming Queen nominee and was selected to cheer at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Greathouse Classic in June. A member of the National Honor Society, and Student Council, Sorrells was named Outstanding Senior Girl by Stamford Chamber of Commerce. She has been very active in FFA, serving as a local and district officer, receiving the Lone Star Farmer degree, and participating in numerous CDE and LDE teams, as well as showing animals.

A member of Orient Street Church of Christ, she



**JORDAN SORRELLS**

has worked as a youth camp counselor, Vacation Bible School volunteer and helped serve meals to the youth on Wednesday nights.

Kathryn Schonerstedt presented the district treasurer's report.

Susan Turner gave the roll call of clubs, with each president reporting on highlights of club service projects, number of club members, number of members present at the convention, and the amount of money raised from service projects. Carolyn Waller presented results of Mesquite District reporting for 2010.

Mesquite District endorsed Sandi Conway of the Albany Study Club as TFWC President-elect. Carolyn Waller, also of the Albany club, was nominated as TFWC Scholarship Representative and Mary Lou Gilbreath of the Pierian Club of Stamford was chosen as Historical Foundation Representative.

Pat Humphrey led the Memorial Service. The following names were honored: Betty Hill, Albany; Charles Neff, Albany, husband of Opal Neff; Margaret Edminson, Moran; and Truet Patterson, Merkel, husband of past president Leota Patterson.

President Hartsfield reminded all clubs to plant a tree on Arbor Day. Pat Humphrey invited everyone to Merkel for the 52nd Annual Fall Board Meeting Oct. 8. President Hartsfield congratulated the Albany Study Club on their eightieth birthday celebrated this past January. The TFWC Spring Convention will be held April 28 in Galveston.

Members of Mesquite District and other TFWC clubs devote countless volunteer hours and raise significant funds to the betterment of their communities and state. Not merely social clubs, the collaboration of these women contributes over \$20,000.00 annually to MD Anderson Cancer Center, sold enough war bonds in WWII to purchase 431 airplanes, supported legislation for an 8 hour work week in 1910, advocated the adoption of the Bluebonnet, the Pecan Tree and the Mockingbird as Texas state symbols, and, in conjunction with their GFWC partners raised \$13.5 million for public libraries and public school libraries in the United States, and supports other projects and causes in Texas and beyond.

## What's Planted in Your Garden?

Our mind is like a garden;  
Whatever we plant will grow.  
Our words and thoughts are seeds we're planting;  
They can produce food for our soul.  
And we, just like a gardener,  
Can choose which seeds we plant.  
So by the choice of seeds we sow,  
We choose the harvest we will reap.  
So don't plant seeds of anger or fear,  
Criticism, judgment, or doubt.  
Plant, instead, the seeds you want:  
God's Word, love, mercy, and grace,  
Then, good and blessings will sprout.  
The gift of choice is given to all,  
Not to just a few.  
The harvest, friend, is in our hands:  
Your crop depends on you.  
So take the power which you've been given,  
Use it every day,  
To gain from life the good you want,  
For you have found the way,  
So to truly become the master gardener of your soul,  
Just plant good seeds on prepared ground,  
And watch them grow.

**Have you planted the Word of God in your mind, in your heart? We can't be good seed planters if our own soil needs attention.**

**Remember 1 seed + 1 soul = Eternal Life**

## Rumors of Retirement

I would like to take this opportunity to dispel the rumors that are floating around town. I AM NOT RETIRING AT THIS MOMENT.

I plan to slow down a bit and pay attention to other priorities in my life that have been neglected over the past 25 years, but do NOT plan to be out of the medical picture.

As you have seen in other ads, Amanda Duke, FNP will be working for me on Mondays. Fran McCown, the Hospital Administrator and Board are aggressively recruiting at least one more practitioner for Haskell which we think will greatly strengthen our medically underserved community. Their plans are to continue to actively grow and enhance all medical services.

Additionally, I have NO plans to move. Haskell is my home! I hope to be here to serve you in some capacity for many more years.

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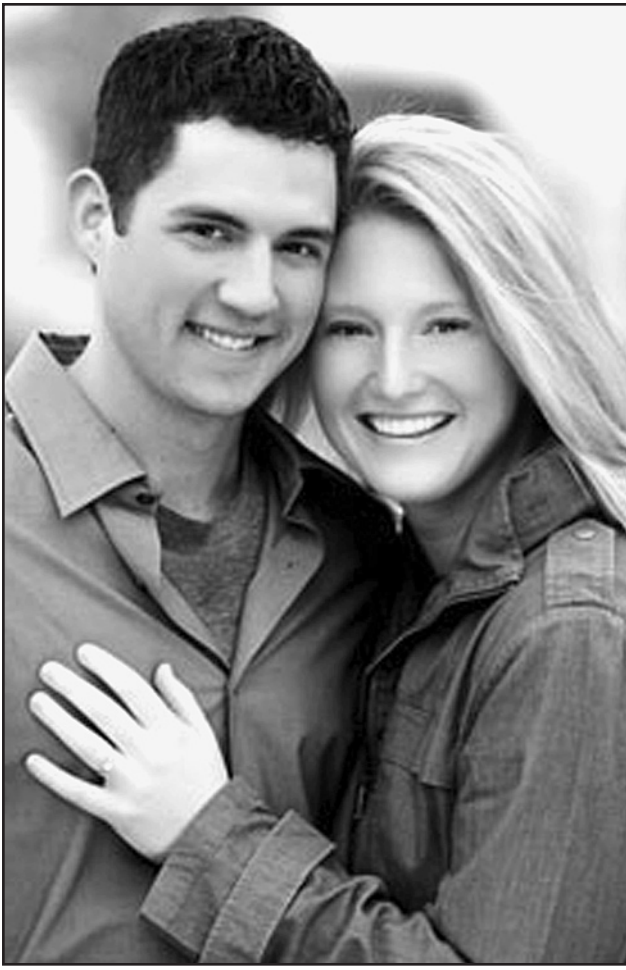
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TYLER SHAW – BREE BURGESS

## Burgess, Shaw to wed May 7

Bree Burgess of Haskell and Tyler Shaw of Fort Smith, Arkansas are announcing their engagement and upcoming marriage.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Brian and Jennifer Burgess of Haskell.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Robin and Mike Cohea and Dottie and Kyle Shaw.

Both plan to graduate from the University of Texas Southwest in Dallas in December 2012. Burgess will graduate with a doctorate in physical therapy and Shaw will be a physicians' assistant.

The couple plans to marry May 7 at 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Haskell.

## Haskell School Menu

**April 4-8 Breakfast**  
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Glazed french toast  
**Tuesday:** Pig in a blanket  
**Wednesday:** Cereal, Chex mix  
**Thursday:** Breakfast on a stick  
**Friday:** Cherry strudel stick  
**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 nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli Normandy, hot roll, pineapple  
**Tuesday:** Chicken spaghetti, green beans, garden salad, bread stick, peaches  
**Wednesday:** Quesadillas, salsa, tortilla chips, queso, garden salad, grapes  
**Thursday:** Hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickle slices, baked fries, brownie  
**Friday:** Ham and cheese sandwich, assorted chips, veggies, baby carrots, ranch, apple

## Paint Creek School Menu

**April 4-8 Breakfast**  
Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Waffles  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits, sausage, gravy  
**Wednesday:** Cereal  
**Thursday:** Pancakes  
**Friday:** Pigs in blanket  
**Lunch**  
Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Spaghetti, green

beans, garlic bread, salad, cake  
**Tuesday:** Enchilada casserole, beans, salad, chips, fruit  
**Wednesday:** Corn dogs, chips, carrots  
**Thursday:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, peas, gravy, bread, pudding  
**Friday:** Chicken patty sandwiches, salad, pickles, chips, cookies

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RICHARD AICH – KATIE WYRICK

## Wyrick, Aich plan June wedding

Richard Aich of Odessa and Katie Wyrick of Haskell would like to announce their engagement. The couple plans to wed June 3.

## Haskell Head Start, Pre-K, K to register

Haskell Elementary School will have registration for Head Start, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2011-12 school year on the following dates:

**Fri., April 8,** Head Start registration from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in the elementary library.

**Fri., April 15,** Kindergarten registration and screening from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. or 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the elementary office.

**Fri., April 29,** Prekindergarten registration from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the elementary office.

To qualify for Head Start, a child must be 3 or 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2011 and meet income guidelines.

To be eligible for enrollment in Prekindergarten, a child must be 3 or 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2011 and must be unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or qualify for free or reduced lunches; or be homeless; or be the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States; or be the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States who was injured or killed while serving on active duty; or has ever been in foster care.

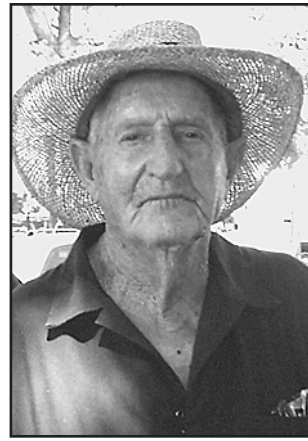
However, we are hoping to offer Prekindergarten for all 4 year olds. If you are interested in this program for your child, please be sure to register on Fri., April 29.

To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2011. Only students registering for Kindergarten who are not currently enrolled at Haskell Elementary need to attend registration with their parents.

PPCD (Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities) is for children ages 3-5 that may be developmentally delayed in areas such as learning, speech and/or emotional skills. If your child turns 3 during the 2011-12 school year, you can call the elementary office at 864-2654 at that time to schedule an appointment to have your child screened.

Parents should bring their driver license and income verification (for Head Start) and their child's birth certificate, immunization record and social security card to registration.

It is possible for some children to qualify for more than one of these programs. Call Peggy Adams at 864-2654 if you have any questions.



JIM McFADDEN

## McFadden to be honored

Jim McFadden of Haskell will be honored with a 90th birthday party Sat., April 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Park Pavilion at the Haskell City Park.

The party will be hosted by his children.

Family and friends are invited to attend.

No gifts please.

*Just in time for Easter*

*the True Night before Easter*

by Timothy Penland

Bridal Shower Selections for Tisa and Aaron Earles  
Deshea and Doug Sorrells  
Bree Burgess and Tyler Shaw  
Hunter Bullock and Amanda Russell

Baby Shower Selections for Lynzie and Charlie Parks  
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**Amanda Russell and Hunter Bullock**  
**Deshea (Phemister) and Doug Sorrells**  
**Tisa and Aaron Earles**  
**Meredith Harvey and Corey Jones**  
**Kelsie Miller and Jeffrey Rodriguez**

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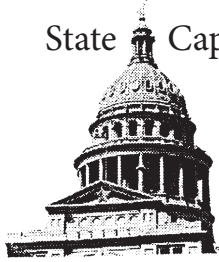
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By Ed Sterling

**House debates, passes Senate voter ID bill**  
AUSTIN—Senate Bill 14, legislation revising state elections standards, was approved by the Texas House of Representatives on March 23 after a floor debate that began in mid-day and lasted just past 11 p.m.

Voter identification, on Gov. Rick Perry's list of emergency issues for the Legislature to address, passed on a final vote of 101-48. In a nearly party-line vote, only Democrat Joe Pickett, D-El Paso, joined Republicans in voting in favor.

SB 14 requires in-person voters to present at the polling place a state-issued photo ID in order to cast a ballot.

Democratic lawmakers attempted many amendments to shape the bill into a form some said would bring it more closely in compliance with the U.S. Voting Rights Act of 1965. All but a few of those amendments were struck down on party-line votes.

House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, and Gov. Perry praised the House for passing the bill, which they said upholds the integrity of the ballot and improves public confidence in the voting process in Texas.

Democrats who spoke against SB 14 argued that as written, it discriminates against Texans who are black, Hispanic, poor, infirmed, disabled, aged and rural. And they questioned the lack of evidence presented of voter fraud in Texas and questions arose over the relatively low scrutiny given mail-in ballots. Cost also was brought up as an issue: the fiscal note on the bill says it would cost taxpayers a little over \$2 million to implement, but lawmakers testifying against the bill said the actual cost could be several times that amount.

Among many changes to the Texas Election Code that SB 14 would bring, if passed, are these:

- The Secretary of State would be required to prescribe procedures for voters who provisionally vote without proper identification to present proof of identification to the voter registrar not later than the sixth day after the date of the election.
- The Department of Public Safety would be prohibited from collecting a fee for a personal identification certificate issued to a person who states that

they are obtaining the personal identification certificate to meet voting identification requirements and does not have another form of acceptable identification and that person meets certain other voter registration criteria.

- The bill would change the penalty for voter fraud to a second degree felony from a third degree felony unless the person is convicted of an attempt, in which case, the offense would be a state jail felony instead of a Class A misdemeanor.

Amendments to SB 14 adopted by the House require the bill to go to a House-Senate conference committee for further consideration.

**Panels pass budget versions**  
The House Appropriations Committee, chaired by Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, and the Senate Finance Committee, chaired by Sen. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, last week approved House Bill 1 and Senate Bill 1, respectively, two versions of a proposed state budget for fiscal years 2012-2013.

Lawmakers found it hard to make cuts after witnessing weeks of compelling testimony most particularly by advocates for education and health and human services. So, the budget bills look a lot like the current budget, with similar spending levels and no deep cutbacks that would track in line with the expected \$27 billion less revenue for the coming years.

Both bills soon will be up for floor debate in the House and Senate chambers, and that's where the real ideas for budget cutting, tax-loop-hole closing and other revenue enhancements will emerge. If they pass, any differences in the two bills will have to be worked out in a House-Senate conference committee. And, supposing the differences will be worked out, the next stop will be the governor's desk.

**Employers add jobs in February**

Texas total nonfarm employment increased by 22,700 jobs in February, the Texas Workforce Commission reported March 25, and said that's a gain of 254,200 jobs from a year ago.

Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for February is 8.2 percent, one tenth of one percent less than in January.

The national unemployment rate for February was 8.9 percent, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

## WHEN IT'S A CHOICE BETWEEN HOPE & HOPELESSNESS, THERE'S... RELAY FOR LIFE!



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**

**March 29, 2001**

Haskell Elementary students winning first place in their class for raising the most funds during the Jump Rope for Heart event, were second grader Nathan Meredith, third grader Miranda Johnson, fourth grader Kimie Hannsz and fifth grader Shelby Morrow.

Haskell High School track team first place winners at the Possum Kingdom Relays, were Brittany Lindsey in the 800 meter run, Stephanie Hodge in the 100 meter dash, and Tyrone Billington in the 100 meter dash.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hines of Levelland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Ouida Sue was formerly of Haskell. They were married in the First United Methodist Church in Rule.

**20 Years Ago**

**March 28, 1991**

Doyle High, owner of The Drug Store, has been elected president of the Big Country Pharmaceutical Association.

Lavon Beakley of Rule, has purchased Anderson Tire Company from Andy Anderson, who has owned the business since 1962. The new name will be Haskell Tire and Appliance Center.

The Haskell FFA team of Nored Lane, Jason Davis, Tommy Isbell and Kim Gilly, won first place in the land judging contest held

by the California Creek Soil and Water Conservation District.

**30 Years Ago**

**March 26, 1981**

Several families met to organize the Haskell Horse Club. Elected to the board of directors is Cliff Morris, Bud Lane, Jerry Kuykendall, Phil Henshaw, Jerry Briscoe, Robert Weaver, Donna Chambers, Maxine Hannsz and R.A. Glenn.

Haskell High School tennis players, coached by Jim Raughton, brought home first place trophies. Kerry Therwhanger took first in boys' singles, while Don Kretchmer and Lupe Rojas won first in boys' doubles.

Geraldine Hise, Justice of the Peace for Haskell County, Precinct 1, attended a 20-hour Texas Justice of the Peace training seminar in Arlington.

**40 Years Ago**

**April 1, 1971**

W.O. Holden has announced his retirement, after 43 years as a funeral director. He has sold his interest in Holden-McCauley Funeral Home to Charles McCauley.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles Kemp celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, with a dinner at Felker's Restaurant hosted by their children.

Glenn Dudensing, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Dudensing of Paint Creek, was recognized at the Texas

Tech University Recognition Service, for individual honors and scholarship.

**50 Years Ago**

**March 30, 1961**

Haskell High School's play, directed by Kathleen Diggs, has advanced to regional competition. The cast includes Philip Bledsoe, Sherry Burson, Dorothy Rueffer, Jan Herren and Tommy Hester. At the district level, Herren received Best Actress honors, with Burson chosen as runner-up. Bledsoe was runner-up to Best Actor.

Troveta Posey, thirteen year old student in Rochester schools, was named champion in the Haskell County Spelling Bee. She will represent the county in the district contest.

Change in ownership of the Ben Franklin Store was announced this week. Ray and Myrtle Hill of Illinois, purchased the store from R.L. Burton.

**100 Years Ago**

**April 1, 1911**

A.G. Guthrie has had a telephone put in his home on the A.C. Foster place.

Vernon Cobb of the Cobb settlement was in town and reports that his part of the country is in good condition, and crops are fine.

Judge P.D. Sanders made a business trip to Fort Worth, Dallas and Waco the first of the week.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,

April is Child Abuse Prevention month in Texas and across the nation. It's a time to focus on ways not only to protect children but also to prevent abuse from ever occurring. It's a tragic fact that nearly 200,000 children in Texas are reported as abused or neglected every year.

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board is hoping to create awareness of child abuse and neglect and to educate people in our community on how to prevent it. This month our attention is focused on creating healthier environments for children and encouraging positive parenting. We believe that preventing child abuse is the responsibility of every community member.

During the month of April a series of activities by Haskell County schools is planned to promote awareness of Child Abuse Prevention Month. "Blue Ribbon Week," April 4-8, will open the month of activities with cash prizes for selected students who are wearing their Child Abuse Prevention blue ribbons. Poster contests with ice cream coupons for the winning classes will follow during the second week. During the third week, book marks will be distributed to students, and pencils and activity sheets will be available during the fourth and final week of April. By getting students involved in these activities, we hope to make our children a part of preventing child abuse.

Information and support is available to make communities strong and safe. The web site [www.itsuptoyou.org](http://www.itsuptoyou.org) contains a wealth of information on how to prevent child abuse, where to go to get help with parenting skills, and what to do if you suspect a child is in danger. Contact your local Department of Family and Protective Services office for more information. We must work together to make the world a better place for kids.

Sincerely,  
Betsy McManamon  
Haskell County  
Child Welfare Board

## Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

Spring has sprung and in Haskell we're busier than a "cranberry merchant on Christmas Eve." Have you seen the demolition on U.S. 277? Thanks to cooperation between the owner and the city and Ben McGee and his crew who handled the asbestos, the old house is coming down.

The Crape Myrtle drive is a success and has been extended for one more week by popular demand. Our thanks to Kim Nemir and the Betterment Committee members for designing the beautiful posters and order forms for the project. At this writing 60 crape myrtles have been reserved. Any number over the 50 for the park will be used around town in an effort to "set this town a-bloom." Perhaps some at each of the new monuments welcoming visitors to Haskell would be pretty and appropriate. Several have asked if they could order one for their homes through this project: If you buy one for the city, you can buy one for your home, but you will have to pick it up from the park area at time of delivery and are responsible, of course, for planting it yourself. The cost is \$100 per tree. Both papers

have agreed to publish the names of those who bought the crape myrtles along with the names of those they are memorializing or honoring. This is an important and much-needed service because it is the only way the public will ever know who is responsible for the beautification of the park.

A note about Relay for Life—I have never seen an organization garner so much support from this town. Every time you turn around there is some project offering a meal or a service with proceeds going to this event. Hats off to you...it will be a marvelous affair. Wish that some of you would offer that hard work and enthusiasm to the city... we could put this town on the map!

The limestone rocks Mr. Unger donated to the park have been delivered and the gift of more from the Cortez family received. Bill Steele has offered to help place the stones. Our thanks to all for gifts and your cooperation. I also have noticed lots being shaped up and a mood of shaping up this city! Sorry about the loss of city trailers to help in transporting trash to the dump. If you need help in this, try calling on

a neighbor or a church for some help. Our church youth groups, 4-H and high school groups have been good in the past to rally to the call. Also I keep hearing people moan because a neighbor is not cleaning up his property. Don't wait for the city to come down on them; call City Hall and lodge a complaint; take responsibility for your complaint and that will direct our attention and your problem will be solved more quickly than if it has to wait until we get around to it.

The wife and I attended Stamford's Chamber of Commerce banquet last Tuesday night and it was truly first rate. The tickets were given to us by their chamber and president, Sharon Beakley who exceed the program. Mayors and their wives from Hamlin, Anson, Stamford and Haskell were introduced with the attitude that we should all stick together or surely hang separately. It was a fine steak dinner with Red Steagall entertaining. We had opportunity to meet old friends and make some new ones. Seated next to us was a descendant of Dub Harrison, which some of you may remember partnered with the father-in-law, Bob Herren,

when they had the Harrison-Herren Gin in Haskell way back when.

After a trip to Fort Worth to celebrate the daughter's birthday (the number which will not be published), we took a jaunt down to Fredricksburg where we're told we could find anything... well, we didn't find what we were looking for, but did enjoy a heavy German meal and some aimless shopping. From there we went west to Junction and then north back to Sweet-Home. Just an observation: there are a lot of small Texas towns in a lot worse shape than Haskell.

I need to stop mayoring long enough to get the income tax ready for the CPA brother. The banker brother comes in handy most times, but at this time of the year we both look for the CPA one to keep us out of the grips of the IRS!

I had a nice compliment from an old friend and reader of the column, Janice Burson Hill. We saw her at the Symphony Saturday night and as God is my witness she said, "Oh, I just love your column. You're the cutest mayor we've ever had!" Sorry, Ken and Bob. I'm not responsible for what readers say. Adoration trumps that \$1!

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**DISTRICT BOUND**—The Rule One Act Play “The Actor’s Nightmare” will advance to the District level of competition at Throckmorton. Holding the reward plaque is the director, Brittany Farquhar, left is Brittany Roberts. Above, l-r, is Grace Burgess, Shelby Starr, crew member, Allison Petty, Jenny Dudensing, assistant director, Mason Grindstaff, Celeste Caddell, crew member, Jennifer Starr, crew member, Cade Brown, Charlie Thomison, crew member, and Cody Reece. Honors include Petty who was selected as best actress; Brown selected best actor; Brittany Roberts and Grace Burgess All-Star cast and Cody Reece, honorable mention All-Star cast.



**PIRATE GOLF TEAM**—The Paint Creek School golf team placed third at the Hamlin Golf Tournament held March 9. Dusty Hall medaled at third place individually. Members of the team include, l-r, Jimmy Abner, Dusty Hall, Caleb McCord, Hunter Hall and Andrew Matthies.

## Mike Jordan publishes first novel, “SHE”



**MIKE JORDAN**

by Caron Yates

Most everyone has a creative side, although often it is untapped, or maybe just hidden to others. Mike Jordan, has not only found his talent, but for many years has nurtured it.

He has always loved books, preferring Texas authors, especially West Texas authors. Even as a young boy, he found great satisfaction in putting his thoughts down in the form of poetry and prose. Jordan says he has written poetry for many years in honor or in memory of friends and family.

Jordan, who was born in Tyler, grew up and graduated from Idalou ISD. Shortly thereafter, he began a career as an insurance adjuster, living in Dallas. Through a series of circumstances, he was introduced to Bud Lane, who in turn offered him a job with his insurance company. Haskell quickly became home for Jordan

and his wife Deanna. They soon immersed themselves in community activities, raised two children, Shawn and Shannon, and now are enjoying their four grandchildren.

While he has pursued other careers in his life, including that of a private investigator and a rancher, the insurance business, especially insurance adjusting, has remained his number one interest for the past thirty-seven years. He owned and operated Jordan Claims Services in Haskell, for twenty-six years.

While most of his writing has been for his own pleasure, or for those close to him, recently he submitted and had published his first book. Jordan said the idea for this book, “SHE”, came to him as he was returning home from an insurance convention in San Antonio. He was listening to a song on a CD he had purchased. As he replayed the song over and over, the book began to take shape in his mind.

It took him about six months to finish the actual writing, but it took several more years to edit, change, cut and re-edit over and over. In fact it has been ten years in the works. Jordan says, while the book is fictional, some of the characters are based on real people.

The next step is to get the book out to the public. The

publishing company will kickoff a national campaign this week, to get the book out to as many as seven hundred and eighty vendors.

Then in April, “SHE” will be presented at the London Book Fair. It is one of only six books chosen by this publishing company to debut. The London Book Fair, which has been around for forty years, will be an opportunity for other publishing companies, as well as movie companies, to preview and pick up the book.

Jordan has recently held several book signings in various locations. The book may be purchased in Haskell at The Carousel, Professional Pampering, and Henderson Book Store. It is also for sale in Stamford at Stamford Floral. Jordan adds that it is available online at hasting.com, barnesandnoble.com, amazon.com and of course, from him at mikewjordan.net.

In the meantime, Jordan has also signed on to do a series of five books called Oscar the Bull. He wrote the first of these children’s books for his daughter Shannon, when she was in kindergarten. While this first book is expected to be for sale soon, Jordan has already begun the creative process of developing the next Oscar adventure.



**FASHION SHOW**—Senior contestants at the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show held last Sunday were, l-r, Emily Fouts, Jenny Dudensing and Allison Petty.



**FASHION SHOW**—Junior and Intermediate contestants at the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show held last Sunday were, l-r, Bailey Hawkins, Adaline Utley, Zhenia McTasney, Sarah Fouts, Lori Beth Rodgers, Avery Tanner and Christina Moore.

## 4-H Fashion Show held

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

The 2011 Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show was held Sun., March 27 at the Rule ISD School in Rule. The Rule 4-H Club hosted the annual event under the direction of Renee Dudensing, Julie Petty and Amy Tanner.

Allison Petty, mistress of ceremonies, welcomed the 4-H members, parents and guests to the show. Avery Tanner and Sarah Fouts led everyone in the American Pledge and the 4-H Motto and Pledge. Jenny Dudensing gave the invocation and introduced special guests and judges for the fashion show. Serving as judges were Darlene Hopkins, Kami Keaton and Valiene Bullinger, all of Haskell. Dudensing also recognized members of the Haskell County TEEA Club and the Haskell County 4-H and Youth Development Committee for sponsoring the 2011 fashion show awards. Prior to the fashion show, refreshments were served by the Rochester 4-H Club.

4-H Clothing & Textiles project members participating in the fashion show presented their outfits in the style show, “Paint Your World With Fashion.” Grace Burgess of Rule narrated the show giving details about each outfit as well as information about each model.

Results of the fashion show competition were announced by Jane Rowan—County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences. Helping pass out ribbons and awards were Christina Moore and Allison Petty.

All first place winners will advance to the District 4-H Fashion Show April 16. The 2011 district fashion show will be hosted by Montague County 4-H in Bowie.

Fashion show results include:

Fashion Story Board: Jr. Accessory, Adaline Utley, Haskell, first place; Sr. Wearable, Burgess, Rule, first place.

Junior Buying Categories: Casual Wear, Lori Beth

Rodgers, Haskell, first place; Bailey Hawkins, Haskell, second place; Moore, Rule, third place; Dressy Wear, Tanner, Sagerton, first place.

Junior Construction Categories: Casual Wear, Utley, first place; Specialty Wear, Fouts, Sagerton, first place.

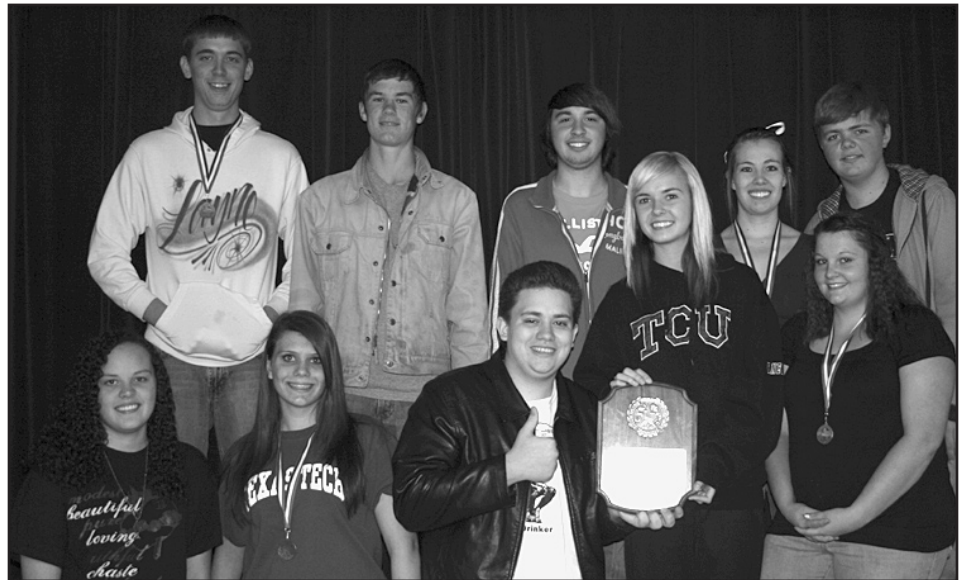
Intermediate Construction Categories: Specialty Wear, Zhenia McTasney, Paint Creek, first place.

Senior Buying Categories: Dressy Wear, Dudensing, Sagerton, first place.

Senior Construction Categories: Dressy Wear, Emily Fouts, Sagerton, first place; Specialty, Petty.

Concluding the afternoon activities, Emily Fouts gave closing remarks.

For more information about the 4-H Clothing project and/or the Fashion Show, contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/FCS, in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Avenue D in Haskell or call 940-864-2546.

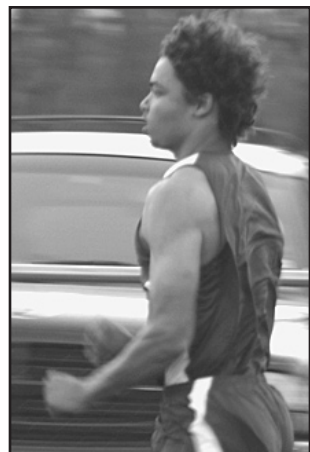


**ADVANCE TO DISTRICT**—The Paint Creek School One-Act Play competed in zone competition against Newcastle, Throckmorton and Woodson Sat., March 26. Paint Creek’s performance of Mr. Flannery’s Ocean by Lewis John Carlino gained them an advancement to the district competition Wed., March 30, in Throckmorton. Newcastle was also selected to advance. Shana Armstrong was named Best Actress, Curtis Bishop and Charitie Winterstein were named to the All-Star Cast, Katie Jones was selected for the honorable mention All-Star Cast, and Josh White was named as best crew member. Pictured is the entire cast and crew from the play, front row, l-r, Felysha Walker, Katie Jones, Josh White, Katrina Buerger and Charitie Winterstein; back row, Curtis Bishop, River McTasney, Matt Booe, Shana Armstrong and Cody Mayfield. Not pictured are Nathan Edwards and Dillon Emert.





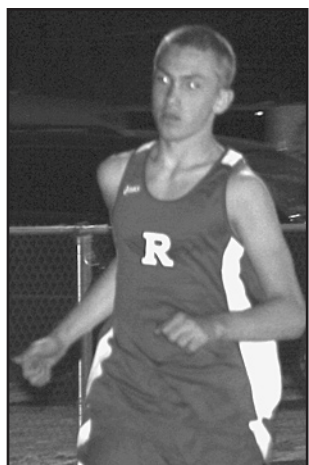
ALLISON PETTY



DARRYL WILLIAMS



**PIRATE TRACK**—Paint Creek High School students competing at the Knox City track meet were River McTasney, left, placing fifth in the 400 meter dash and Katie Bosnjak, right, placing second in 100 meter dash and third in 200 meter dash. Bosnjak competed at the Jayton track meet and placed sixth in the 200 meter dash. Junior high students competing at Jayton included Brad Pannell, placing fourth in long jump, Stormy Darnell, placing first in shot put and Hanna Colley, placing fifth in discus.



CADE BROWN



MICHAEL PEREZ

## Rule track team competes

The Rule Lady Cats and Bobcats competed at Jayton Fri., March 25.

Cade Brown finished first in the mile and 2 mile run. Michael Perez was second

place medalist in the mile and 2 mile run. Darryl Williams was second medalist in the 200 meter run.

Allison Petty finished fifth place in the 200 meter run.

## Josselet reunion

The descendants of Victor J. and Catherine Josselet will meet Sat., April 23 in the Haskell Civic Center. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. for visiting and sharing. If you have had additions or other changes in your family since last reunion (2009), send them to Julia Harrell by April 15 at [tti@valornet.com](mailto:tti@valornet.com).

Meat and beans will be furnished. Salads, vegetables and desserts need to be brought by relatives. This year the auction is planned, so bring goodies of all shapes and sizes. An Easter egg hunt will be held for the children. If you have any questions, contact Gary Thomas, president, Sandy Sanford, vice president, Robbie Harris, or Cathy Bartley.



DILLON EMERT



DENTON REED

## Students visit Rotary Club

Dillon Emert is a senior at Paint Creek School and the son of Randy and Susan Emert.

While in high school, Emert has been a crew member in charge of lighting for the One-Act Play for three years and a cast member for one year. He has served as class treasurer all four years. Emert has also participated in the RezD Gaming Competition sponsored by TSTC for two years.

His hobbies include gaming, playing the guitar, and computers. He represented his class during his junior year as their Homecoming King nominee.

After graduating from high school, Emert plans to attend Vernon College and

study computers.

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Denton Reed is a senior at Paint Creek and the son of Cayce and Dianne Reed.

While in high school, Reed has participated in livestock stock shows through 4-H. He enjoys working with horses and working on his truck. Reed was selected by the faculty both his junior and senior years for Student of Month for demonstrating compassion toward others.

Reed is currently working at the school in the afternoons assisting with grounds keeping and maintenance issues.

After graduating from high school, Reed plans to continue working for Paint Creek ISD in the same capacity.

## Haskell FFA teams compete at Cross Plains CDE contest and at Tarleton University

The Haskell FFA Dairy Products and Poultry teams competed in a CDE contest at Cross Plains Tues, March 22.

Both teams finished fourth. Denise Hibbitts was sixth high individual in Dairy Products. In poultry competition, Ross Wittenborn was sixth and Krista McLemore was fifth high individuals.

Twenty-four Haskell FFA members competed at the Tarleton State University Invitational Judging Contest Thurs., March 24. This is the largest of all of the judging contests bringing in over 7,000 FFA members from across the state.

Hibbitts of the Dairy Products team finished thirteenth High Individual out of 514 contestants.

Marissa McGhee finished sixteenth High Individual out of 175 in the Range Judging Contest, while Cheslee Hearn finished second also in Range.

The range team, consisting of Hearn, McGhee, Madison Mayfield, Shelby Dunnam and Carson Hadaway finished third High Team out of 50 teams in the Coaches Contest, which uses all five of the contestants scores.

Hearn also won a \$1000 academic award to attend Tarleton State University in the fall of 2011.

## Maidens defeat Stamford



**RUNS TO FIRST BASE**—Haskell Maiden #4 Claire Carmichael runs to first base in the Stamford game.



**STEALS SECOND BASE**—Haskell Maiden #2 Maci Colley steals second base in the Stamford game.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



During our childhood, we were often so carried away with April Fool jokes that we continued them the next day. Then, someone would admonish us with the little two-liner, "April Fool is past; you're the biggest fool at last!" However, after we grew up, we learned that fools are not hard to find, and that we don't have to wait for a special occasion but can see them all

the year 'round. They are the ones who consider attending their house of worship a waste of time, because things are going well for them at the moment. So don't be a fool, but start now—if you haven't already—to seek God's help and guidance. Then, when something does go wrong, you'll be better prepared to solve it or cope with it. It's the wise thing to do.

### 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.  
Rochester

**Faith Chapel of Rochester**

Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester

—SAGERTON—

**Sagerton Methodist Church**

Stephania Gilkey, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.  
Sagerton

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Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
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—RULE—

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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 Omegs  
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.  
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Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
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Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.  
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Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.  
You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.  
At the present time we are currently looking into ways to correct this problem. If you are pregnant or have an infant under six months included in this public water system as a customer, we have made arrangements with local grocery store in Haskell (Modern Way) so that you may get bottled water at the City of Weinert's expense. Please go by Weinert City Hall to pick up ID card before charging water.  
If you have any questions or would like to know if you are currently being served as a customer of this public water system please feel free to call or contact the City Secretary Patricia Horan, c/o City of Weinert, Box 248, Weinert, Texas 76388 at 940-673-8223.  
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**SPECIAL VOLUNTEERS**—The Rochester Junior High School eighth grade class of Belinda Peacock, far right, made their class project an effort to volunteer and help the Noah Project-North during their annual Spring Fling held Sat., March 26. The class made the programs and tickets and helped during the banquet to set up, decorate and serve. Class members are, l-r, Hayley Holland, Kyle Fraga, Breiana Bell, Henry Smith and Nathan Reid. Not pictured is Hunter Key.



**MAKING A DIFFERENCE**—Donna Sue Anders, right, Service Area Director of the Noah Project-North, received recognition of her 20th year anniversary as an employee, using the theme Making a Difference, during the Spring Fling held Sat., March 26. Making the presentation were, center, Leigh Ann Fry, Executive Director; and right, Sherri Abee, Administrative Director.

## City Council report

The Haskell City Council met in a regular meeting Mon., March 28 with Mayor John Gannaway, Mayor Pro Tem Randy Bowers, Councilmen Chan Guess, Dan Hoover and Jason Hall present. Councilman Sue Medford was absent.

Invocation was given by Guess.

The council approved to commit paying for one

fourth of the cost to purchase speakers on all four corners of the courthouse for the downtown events.

A bid received by the Haskell County Appraisal District from Moeller Seed Cleaning for property described as Patterson & Montgomery Addition, Block 1, OL 13, Lot 5 was accepted.

The lights at high

school baseball field were discussed.

Police Chief Steven Grand gave the February police activity report update.

In the Administrator's report, Brandon Anderson stated:

- The landfill will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 2. The City-wide Clean Up week is set May 7-14. More information will be published at a later date.

- 68 crape myrtles have been ordered. The donated rock from Ervin Unger is being delivered. The Betterment Committee will be sprucing up the park in two endeavors.

- The monument signs on the north and south end of town off of Hwy. 277 will soon be completed.

- No election for Council seats will be held as three candidates applied for three seats. The election for the DCOH propositions will be held.

Haskell, the city of Haskell will still hold an election.

The purpose of the election, is to present propositions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, relating to the Development Corporation of Haskell. The DCOH is seeking a change from a 4A corporation to a Type B corporation, which will expand their scope and allow them more options and opportunities in their efforts for the city.

Early voting begins May 2 and continues through May 10, with the election set for Sat., May 14.

## Register to vote by April 14 for elections

April 14 will be the last day to register to vote in the May city election.

To register, you can go by the Tax Assessor/Collector's office located on the first floor of the Haskell County courthouse.

Because there are no contested races for city council in Rule, Rochester, or Weinert, there will be no elections held. The same is true for the Haskell CISD and Rule school districts, no election will be necessary.

Although there are no challengers for the three who have filed for city council in

## Crime of the Week

The Stamford Police Department, in cooperation with Clear Fork Crime Stoppers, is seeking information about the burglary of the Stamford Preservation League Bed and Breakfast at 501 N. Swenson. The house was burglarized Friday night, March 11.

This historic site has been lovingly restored through hours of work and donations by the citizens of Stamford. In addition to items stolen, some damage was done to the house.

Anyone with information about this crime is encouraged to call the tipline at 800-222-TIPS or text information to CFCS at CRIMES. Anyone providing information leading to an arrest or arrests for this crime could receive a reward of up to \$1,000. All callers remain anonymous.

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers assists law enforcement in Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent Shackelford and Stonewall counties by encouraging citizens to anonymously report information about crimes committed in this area.

Remember we want your information, not your name.

## 4-H, FFA steer tags due by April 14

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

All county steer projects, whether 4-H or FFA, must have their steer(s) validated for the 2011-12 stock show season. The Haskell County Extension Office will be collecting the tag orders.

If you plan to have a steer project and you are not currently enrolled in 4-H or FFA, contact your local Ag Science Teacher or Wes Utley, County Extension Agent-Ag, at 940-864-2658 or come by the Haskell County Extension Office at 101 South Ave. D in Haskell.

The deadline to order the steer validation tags is Thurs., April 14 by 5 p.m. in the Haskell County Extension Office.

For more information, call the Haskell County Extension office.

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Sincerely,  
Mr. Jones

Dear Mr. Jones,

Your church friend has given you sound advice. There are two ways you can deal with this problem. You can contact a home health agency and request that they contact your wife's physician, or you can contact your wife's physician, discuss this problem with him, and request that his office make the referral. In either case, your wife's physician needs to be involved in referring and signing the appropriate orders for your wife's care at home. Choosing which home health care agency to use is your right. Perhaps you know a nurse who works for an agency that you would like to take care of your wife; let your physician's office know this and request referral to that agency.

There are numerous home health agencies in your community, many of them claiming to be "the best," the "first in home health care," the "#1." Rather than taking claims for granted, you need to focus on the care and service that an agency can provide.

Ask how long the company has been in business, the amount of experience and expertise working with Medicare; its rules and regulations. Discuss your wife's needs with them and ask them when they will be available to provide services, what provisions the agency has for contacting them in case of an emergency, and if they can provide Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists and Speech Therapists, if necessary.

Above all, remember you have the final choice of which agency you choose.

Thanks for the question,  
Michelle

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

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