### Softball

**HASKELL Regional Quarterfinal** V vs Roby Thurs., May 12, 6 p.m. at ACU, Abilene Fri., May 13, 10 a.m. and 12 noon if needed

### Track

**HASKELL State Track Meet** May 13-14 at Austin **PAINT CREEK RULE State Track Meet** May 13-14 in Austin

### Calendar

### Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., May 12 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Haskell County Library for a salad social. American Business Women's Association Betty Pitcock of Abilene will be the guest speaker.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., May 13 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell County Courthouse. All members are asked to attend to discuss fund-raising activities, including the upcoming musical.

### Food drive

The Letter Carrier Food Drive will be held Sat., May 14 only. Put your non-perishable food items in a plastic bag or paper sack by your mailbox. Your carrier will pick them up and donate them to a local food bank. May 14 is the day your carrier will carry more than mail. Donations are needed more than ever. This is a big help for lots of families each year.

### Music revue

The Big Country Music Revue will be presented Sat., May 14, at 6 p.m. 1001 Union, the former Methodist Church. New groups will be performing. There is no charge, but a donation will be taken.

### Hog control

A meeting of the Haskell County Hog Control Program will be held Mon. May 16 in the Haskell County courthouse at 1 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers, discuss future meetings and fundraising.

### All Sports banquet

The Haskell All Sports banquet will be held Mon., May 16 at the Haskell Civic Center. The meal will begin at 6 p.m. with the awards beginning at 7 p.m. All high school athletes will be recognized. Tickets may be purchased for \$8 each from any member of the Freshman class or at the High School, Jr. High, Elementary or Administration offices. Take out plates for pick-up will be available. Parents of all high school athletes will meet at 2 p.m. Sun., May 15 to set up and decorate for the banquet.

### Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at the Red Rooster restaurant, 1006 S. Ave. Ein Haskell, Wed., May 18 at 11:30 a.m. An update on the Haskell County Library will be given. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

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# Good Luck Maidens

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played Fri., May 13 at 10 a.m. and, if needed, the Madison Homeyer.

AREA CHAMPIONS-The Haskell Maidens took the third game is scheduled to follow at noon. Team Area Champion title last week in games against members include, front row, Harley James; second Reagan County Big Lake. The Maidens will play row, Delicia Garcia, Maci Colley, Kelsie Adams Roby for the Regional Quarter Final title in a three and Maegan Chavez; third row, Sara Weise, Codi game series at Abilene Christian University in Foster, Jasmine Klose, Cailey Foster and Samantha Abilene with game one to be played Thurs., May Fuentes; and fourth row, Caitlan Johnson, Laycee 12 at 6 p.m. The second game in the series will be Tullos, Paige Glover, Claire Carmichael and

# City election set Saturday on five propositions

The City of Haskell has scheduled an election for Sat., May 14 to authorize the Development Corporation of Haskell (DCOH) to expand their ability to assist local enterprises in Haskell.

It is important to emphasize that the passage of the five propositions in this election will not increase any tax currently being paid in Haskell. Simply stated the passage of the five propositions will allow the DCOH to further assist existing business expansion and/or new business operating in Haskell, including, but not limited to the development of affordable housing, children's sports facilities, entertainment facilities, parks and museums.

Passage of the five propositions will necessitate a yes vote for each of the five separate propositions.

# dfires push local volunteers to the limit

by Caron Yates

of minutes.

debris burning results in continue to pop up. Since fire the largest number of human-caused wildfires. TFS and area fire departments Other significant causes have responded to 9,679 fires include sparks from welding that have charred 2,380,710 and grinding equipment, carelessly discarded smoking materials, hot vehicle information officer for pollution control equipment Lone Star State Incident and arson. Lightning strikes Management Team, said also cause many fires.

controlled use, is one of the wildfires. Currently on record earliest of human discoveries, dating back to the Stone Age. The benefits and purposes of the controlled use of fire are fatalities occurred. He notes many. The devastation and that it will take a significant loss of uncontrolled fire can amount of rain scattered over be unimaginable.

brought into focus just how easy, as well as unintentional, had a metal trimmed mud and sparking. Fortunately someone saw it, and called were able to get the truck Texas, the responsibility of stopped and the situation responding to a fire falls to remedied before a fire was

started. and water and fire retardant hear the fire page go out.

According to the Texas Currently the TFS is working than ninety percent of all That of course, does not wildfires in the state. Careless include the smaller fires that season began in November,

Marq Webb, public that 2011 is on track to be The discovery of fire, or its the worst year in Texas for as the worst year is 2006, when 1.976 million acres were scorched and numerous a couple of weeks, to truly Last week, an incident bring the wildfire danger under control.

While the Texas Forest a fire can be ignited. A truck Service adds manpower and traveling down the highway, effective resources to the fight, it is most often the local flap hitting the pavement fire departments called on to battle these fires.

In this immediate area, volunteer fire departments. This means that those men The Texas Forest Service and women in the fire suits, has been working with local are giving of their personal fire departments to bring the time, energy, and often many recent wildfires under money to help save your control, several of those in life, home, business or other add air resources, such as willingly leave their regular helicopters and fixed-wing jobs, beds, dinner tables, aircraft, to the effort. This birthday parties, or other allows for air reconnaissance daily activities when they

The Haskell Volunteer The TFS says resources Fire Department has other, when needed.

across Texas have been approximately twenty From just a tiny flicker or spread thin battling the firefighters. Those with it actually cost to fight a fire. If you were really isolated, spark, to a raging wildfire, it numerous wildfires fueled by basic certification have 160 Certainly it depends on the you fought it alone. can happen in just a matter historic drought and critical plus hours of training, while type and size of the fire. Tires the basic requirement. The and repairs made on the their activities cause more more than 586,624 acres. trucks, three pumpers and fuel. Haskell VFD receives two tracks, to be used when some funding from the city they answer the estimated and county, and holds fund three hundred calls a year raisers several times a year they receive.

that when a fire call is paged, grants when available. Of the available firefighters course, donations received immediately report to their from individuals and groups previously assigned duties. are always needed and Some go to the firehouse to appreciated. A donation can get the needed trucks and be given to any fireman, by equipment, while others go straight to the fire scene.

It takes training, experience and organization to be an effective fire from the days when folks department. It also takes kept barrels of water and wet trust and confidence in your fellow firefighters, as your life is in danger each time you respond to a fire. The job requires more than just fighting the fire, because when the fight is over, the equipment and trucks must be made ready for the next call. Regardless of how exhausted they may be, it can not be put off until tomorrow or next week.

Not only do they protect law enforcement and they as well as in most of rural us all from fires, but they are often called upon to help with other tasks, including securing the landing zone of the medical helicopter, threatening situations such as bomb scares, search and rescue operations, wrecks and assisting the EMS.

Chief Shaw says that the our area. They are able to property. They quickly and Haskell fire department and those from surrounding towns, such as Rule, Knox City, Stamford, Throckmorton, Weinert, Rochester and Munday, are always willing to help each

It is hard to say how much rush to the aid of a neighbor. to have the money to operate. Fire Chief Randy Shawsays In addition they apply for calling Chief Shaw, or by mailing it to 301 N. 1st in Haskell.

We have come a long way sacks or blankets ready to

It is probably true, most fire weather conditions. others have many hours above must be replaced quite often, of us don't fully appreciate the efforts of our fire Forest Service, people and seven major fires, burning department has three grass trucks, not to mention needed departments, until we need them. Certainly not everyone can be a firefighter, but we can all support our local departments, through donations and encouragement. We also should be very diligent in guarding against accidently igniting a fire, in the extreme fire conditions we are experiencing.

> We also can heed these words written by an unknown firefighter, "when you see them coming with lights flashing, move out of the way quickly and then please say a prayer for them."

# Students win state medals

Haskell High School UIL Academic competitors brought home a total of eleven medals from the State UIL Academic Meet held this past weekend in Austin.

Leslie Crosson placed second in Editorial Writing; and, Garrett Brueggeman placed first in mathematics and second in calculator.

The mathematics team placed second. Team members include Brueggeman, Codi Foster, Madison Mayfield and Kalyn Wheatley.

The calculator team placed second. Team members are Brueggeman, Codi Foster, Cailey Foster and Maci Colley.

# clean up week continues

The Haskell City Wide compliance with TCEQ Clean Up week continues rules. through Sat., May 14.

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

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

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

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.

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

### Memorial Day

Rule Chamber of a Memorial Day program Mon., May 30, at 7 p.m. at the Rule Cemetery. John Greeson and John Pike will lead the services. Persons are asked to bring their chairs.

### Veterans' pictures

The Haskell Free Press is Commerce will sponsor seeking pictures of veterans to be published in the Thurs., May 26 edition. Space is limited to the first sixteen pictures received. Bring your original picture to the Free Press office or call 864-2686 for details.



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# Rule ISD to register Pre-K, K

Rule School will hold registration for pre-k and kindergarten from 1 to 2 p.m., Wed., May 18 beside the elementary workroom of Rule ISD. Children who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 may attend kindergarten in the fall, while pre-k students must be four years old by that time. This registration is to complete paperwork, so it is not necessary that prospective students attend with their parents. Parents of students already enrolled in Rule ISD do not have to attend.

For each student, we will need: An up-to-date immunization record; Social security card; official birth certificate from the court house; and the parent's drivers license. If you cannot bring these, please attend anyway, but all four things will be needed before the child starts to school in August.

If you cannot attend, and your child will be attending Rule ISD in the fall, contact the school at 997-2115, 997-2246 or 997-2521 so arrangements can be made to meet with you another time. It is important that this is done before school dismisses in May, if possible.

### Region track meet results

Results of the Region 2-1A track meet held May 2-3 at Abilene Christian University in Abilene include:

**Boys** 

Team totals: 4. Haskell

3200 run: 2. Cade Brown, Rule, 10:13.72.

400 relay: 3. Haskell

43.76. 800 relay: 5. Haskell

1:33.61. 400 dash: 3. Marco

Gonzalez, Haskell, 51.49. 1600 run: 2. Cade Brown,

1600 relay: 2. Haskell

3:23.77.

Girls

1600 relay: 6. Haskell

### **COMPETES IN OKLAHOMA CITY-The Haskell FFA Range Team competed** at the National Land and Range Contest May 5 in Oklahoma City. The team began its week on Sunday with a stop at Mt. Scott, northwest of Lawton, Oklahoma to study. Throughout the week, the team members worked 8-10 hours a day practicing at locations such as the Cheyenne-Arapahoe Indian Reservation and at Ft. Reno. The team competed against 29 other range teams from across the nation. Cheslee Hearn, senior, finished ninth High Individual. This was the second time that she has placed in the top ten at the national contest, placing sixth last year. The team, consisting of Hearn ninth place; Marissa McGhee, 38th place; Madison Mayfield, 17th place; and Carson Hadaway, 52nd place; placed sixth overall in the nation. Shelby Dunnam was not able to attend due to a recent injury, but did compete with this team all year. 38 different states were present and competed in the land and/or range contests this year. Team members, I-r, are McGhee, Hadaway,

# **Obituaries**

### **Omitene Naufleet Amonett**



Dunnam, Mayfield and Hearn.

OMITENE AMONETT

Funeral services for Omitene Naufleet Amonett, 77, of Haskell were held Sat., May 7 at Cornerstone the lake and traveling. Fellowship Baptist Church

Johnson officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Smith Haskell.

away Wed., May 4. Born Nov. 26, 1933 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Buster Leroy Strickland and Susie Naufleet Patterson. She married Roy A. Amonett June 6, 1952 in Haskell. She was a life long resident of Haskell and a member at Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church. She was a member of the Art Club, participated in painting the original mural on the square and loved spending time at

She was preceded in Nanny Burns. PD. NOTICE

in Haskell with Bro. Morris death by her parents and her husband Rov.

Survivors include a daughter, Derinda Hannsz Family Funeral Homes of and husband, Keith and great granddaughter, Felicity Mrs. Amonett passed Gentry Hannsz, all of the home; grandson, Jeremy Gentry of Abilene; a son, Rodney Amonett of Abilene; two grandchildren, Dennise Naredo and Aaron Amonett; three great grandchildren of Abilene; three brothers, Leroy Strickland of Hawley, Jerry Strickland of Haskell, Phillip Strickland of Haskell; two sisters, JoAnn Solomon of Abilene and Vicki Medford of Haskell; a brother-in-law Eldon Amonett and wife Brenda; and sister-in-law Dorothy Lane Strickland and

### Mike W. Jordan



MIKE W. JORDAN

Graveside services for Haskell were held Sat., May He was a former president

7 at Willow Cemetery in of the Haskell CISD School Haskell under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes of Haskell.

Born June 15, 1953 in by his mother. Tyler, he was the son of James A. Jordan and Doris Louise Howell. He graduated at Idalou ISD, class of 1972. He married Deanna Butler Aug. 16, 1974 in Idalou. He has worn many hats through his life. He's been a boxer, rancher, author, insurance adjuster and private investigator; several of these Mike W. Jordan, 57, of hats worn at the same time.

Board, a member of Rotary and Jaycees.

He was preceded in death

Survivors include his wife Deanna Jordan of Haskell; a son, Shawn Jordan and wife Nikki of Ackerly and their children Hunter, Brennan, and Astraea; a daughter, Shannon Deen and husband Andrew of Haskell and their bullrider, rodeo clown, daughter Teagan; his father, James A.Jordan of Bryson; his brother, Bill Jordan and wife Kimberly of Rockdale and their children Jennifer, Julie and Garrett.PD. NOTICE

### **CUSTOMER NOTICE**

On April 1, 2011 Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Energy" or "the Company"), filed a Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM") filing to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders. This filing is applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division, with the exception of the City of Dallas. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is August 15, 2011. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,196,253 residential, 98,792 commercial, and 731 industrial and transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the affected incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$13,151,685, or 1.25% percent, including gas costs, or 3.15% percent, excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code.

Based on the proposed rate design, the typical monthly bill for each customer class within the affected incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percentage shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$60.37*	\$60.93*	\$0.56	0.93%	2.36%
Commercial	\$228.12*	\$230.20*	\$2.08	0.91%	4.21%
Industrial	\$2,299.71*	\$2,312.13*	\$12.42	0.54%	2.19%
Transportation	\$669.30	\$681.72	\$12.42	1.86%	2.19%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

\* Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$4.9784 per Mcf.

\*\*The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial and 300 MMBtu for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, the other proposed tariff change is an update to the factors included in Rider WNA.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Rate Review Mechanism, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos Energy's offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240 or on our Web site at www.atmosenergy.com/mtxrrm. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Este es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex Division de Atmos Energy Corporation (la Compañía) que la Compañía está solicitando un cambio en las tarifas del gas. Este cambio afecta a todos los clientes en las áreas incorporadas y servidas por Mid-Tex Division excepto la Ciudad de Dallas. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.

### James E. Turner



**JAMES E. TURNER** 

James E. Turner, 90, of San Ramon, California passed away Sat., April 23 at his residence.

he was the son of Elmer and

by old timers as Turner Hill, and keen sense of humor. He and graduated from Rule High School in 1938. He met the love of his life, Joanne Stephens, while working at The Drug Store in Haskell. the early 1940's they moved to Watsonville, California pocket.

He worked the produce business and soon owned his own produce company. In 1970 he because partners with Watsonville Coastal Produce. It was not unusual to find the company name on strawberries and other items of produce in the local grocery stores in Haskell. Born Jan. 31, 1921 in Rule, At retirement he moved to San Ramon, California to Lula Turner. He grew up on be closer to his family. He Rule which is still known for his honesty and integrity Haskell.

was devoted to his family and loved gardening and cooking and always had something in the oven.

He was preceded in death They were married in 1941. In by his parents, and sister, Martha Ann Johnson.

He will be deeply missed with little money in their by his wife of 69 years, Joanne, to which he was extremely devoted, his two sons and wives, Stephen and Marilyn Turner of San Jose, California, Phillip and Nancy Turner of San Ramon, California; grandsons, Matt Turner of Denver, Colorado, and Ryan Turner of San Ramon; his sister, Carolyn Everett of Haskell; nieces, Ann Barber, San Antonio and Jan Phillips of Johnson City; and nephews, Tim a farm one mile south of will always be remembered Everett and Keith Everett of PD. NOTICE



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SCRAP METAL DONATION-The Haskell County Gin, donated about 1100 pounds of scrap metal to the Haskell County Wall of Honor project. Art and Charlotte Culpepper, owners of the gin also donated white cotton sacks for the can collection. When the roll off is full, just place your donation in the new pile that has been begun. The project is under the supervision of the Progressive Study

# 4-H photography featured at library

by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

In observance of National Photography Month, the

Gayla Nanny, in memory

Ruby Turner, in memory

Dr. Wayne and Yuvi

Mickler Cousins. in

James and Melyn

James and Melyn

Gerald and Mary Nell

John and Kris McCoy, in

Patsy Turnbow

Jim and Diane Isbell, in

Jim and Diane Isbell, in

honor of Steve and Wesley

in memory of Raymond and

Haskell Garden Club.

Al-Anon meets

Alsabrook families:

Danny Kierpepka;

Estelle Burson;

Al-Anon

McMilliman, in memory

Cadenhead, in honor of Dr.

memory of Shirley Mickler;

Otto Wittenborn, in honor of

Wittenborn, in memory of

James Ross Mickler, in honor

McCoy, in memory of Mark

of Nancy Boone Mickler;

memory of Mark McCoy;

Gertrude Wittenborn;

Steadham;

of Don Nanny;

of Abe Turner;

be hosting a photo exhibit featuring pictures made by Haskell County 4-H members. This observance was started by President Ronald Reagan in 1984 and at that time was only the week of May 7-14 but was later extended to the full month of May.

Haskell County Library will

The 4-H photography project encourages selfexpression and teaches proper use of photographic equipment and developing processes. Photography provides opportunities for career exploration and promoting 4-H. Haskell County 4-H members have Wittenborn, in memory of recently concluded their annual photography projects and their photographs representing fourteen various divisions can be seen at the Haskell County Library throughout the month of May. The library, located at 300 N. Ave. E in Haskell, is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

# Rule High School

For more information about the 4-H Photography project or the photo exhibit, contact the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2546.

Sherry Burson Upshaw, Awards banquet Rule High School awards banquet will be held Tues., May 17, at 6 p.m. in the Rule School cafeteria. All UIL, sports, outstanding students and FFA students will be recognized. The public is invited to attend. Tickets may be purchased at the door

### **Crape Myrtle donors** Steadham, in memory

The City of Haskell would like to thank all who Myrtle drive to beautify the park. The endeavor was important on three fronts: Almost \$10,000 was raised in memory of Edmund and for this worthy project in a short period of time, it proved that volunteerism is not dead in this town and Myrtle include: thirdly, we will enjoy the beauty for years to come.

Donors include:

Haskell National Bank, twenty plants;

First National Bank, five; memory of Floyd Bobby Proscapes Landscaping, four, in honor of Sidney, Clay,

Samantha, Luke Howard. Those donating three

memory of Zeola Norwood;

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Jane and Bill Bell and Judy Robert H. Sego, Henrietta of Wanda Turnbow; Sego, Robert A. Sego.

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in memory of Shady and Frances Lane, Dugan and

in memory of Satch and Pearl Lusk, Walter and Birdie

in memory of Clay and Allie R.I. Johnson;

Belle Smith, in honor of Bob and Darlene Smith; Jim Bob and Jerry Bowers, Bledsoe;

in memory of Cecil and Willie Mae Bowers, in honor memory of Bob Guess; of Oleta Bowers;

Volly, Freida and Hunter of Jackie and Michael participated in the Crape Ivy, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Ivy and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Howard;

Wilda and Anita Medford, Ima Medford and "Hut" and Robbie Pitman.

Donations of one Crape and Mrs. Frank Cadenhead;

Volly, James, Lanny and Randy Ivy, in memory of Volly J. and Ardell Ivy;

Sam and Twyla Pace;

David Jim Strickland, in Progressive Study Club, memory of Kelly Strickland; Mrs. Floyd Hester, in

> Butch Hertel, in memory of Sue Hertel;

Tom and Geneva Alvis, in memory of Rice and Ethel Debbie Kennedy, in Davis Alvis, Howard Alvis, Ann Alvis Patton, Herman and Emma Franklin;

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Jerry and Beth Larned;

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J.W. Wallace Family and and Jay Berry, in memory of Kyle White Family, in memory

Thula Perry, in memory

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honor of Jack D. Emerson; Boggs and Johnson, in Bob and Darlene Smith, memory of A.C. Boggs and

> Phil and Granetta Bledsoe, in memory of Slover and Mae

Mike and Beth Guess, in

Glenn and Carolyn Ben and Sue McGee, in Graston, Robby and Robbie memory of Elsie McGee and Steadham, Jimmy and Kellie







**No Waiting Call In Orders** 



by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

Texas AgriLife Extension and the Haskell Memorial Hospital will be offering a free Diabetes Seminar designed for people with type 2 diabetes and their caregivers Sat., May 14. The seminar will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and will be held at the Haskell Memorial Hospital Education Building located east of the Hospital.

A different session will be offered every hour throughout the day. Participants may come for the entire day or choose which sessions they wish to attend.

Scheduled sessions are: 9 a.m., What Is Diabetes; 10 a.m., Managing Blood Sugars; 11 a.m., Foot Care/ Exercise; 11:30 a.m., Label Reading; 12:00 noon, Lunch (On Your Own); 1 p.m., Dietary Treatment of

Knowledge is the key to

Diabetes; 2:30 p.m., Diabetes

seminar is designed to help those with diabetes to take care of themselves and eat foods that are good for them. Participants will learn what you can do to take control of diabetes and to live the kind of life you want to live.

exhibits and information booths will also be available for viewing throughout the For more information about

Diabetes educational

the seminar contact the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell or call 940-864-2546.

### Park worship set Sun., May 22

The First United Methodist Church of Haskell will worship in the Haskell park Sun., May 22 at 10 a.m. Hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixings will be served. For more information, call the church office at 940-864-3202. Everyone is invited to managing diabetes and this come and worship.



# Graduation Gifts Galore!

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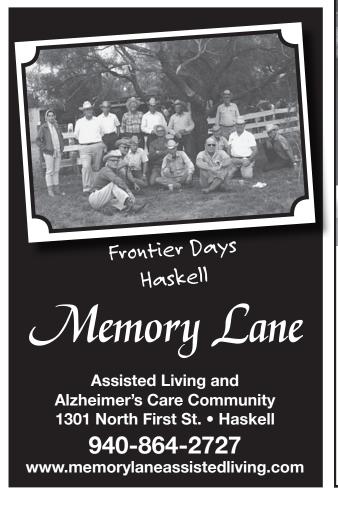
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# **OPINION**

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HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN-Deadlines for legislation to meet or die are fast approaching, and so the Texas House of Representatives last week worked evenings, including Saturday morning, May 7.

But the body fell short of its goal of debating long lists of bills as philosophical differences between the Republican majority and the Harris, R-Arlington, and Democratic minority ate up the clock, and that, coupled with procedural sticking points, brought action to a trudge and finally a halt.

HB 400, the public education "flexibility" bill by Rep. Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, was in the pack. The bill would allow school districts to increase the students-to-teacher ratio. furlough teachers and reduce their pay in the name of saving money.

Last week, Gov. Perry suddenly ordered the Legislature to put "loser pays" legislation on the fast track as an emergency item. That's HB 274 by Rep. Brandon Creighton, R-Conroe, amending civil court procedure. In floor action on Saturday, parliamentary inquiries, points of order and a spate of amendments dragged out the debate. The bill was tentatively passed and soon after, the House recessed. When this happens, other bills die because there won't be enough time to bring them up on following days.

The last day of the session is May 30, and this week, important deadlines for legislation kick in, such as Monday, May 9: Last day for House committees to report House bills and joint resolutions (proposed constitutional amendments).

#### Bills signed or awaiting signature

About 60 Senate bills and 15 House bills have made it through the gauntlet to Gov. Perry's desk. As of May 8, only 21 Senate bills and no House bills had been signed by the governor. Here are a few of the signed ones:

•SB 24 by Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, and House sponsor Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston, relating to the prosecution, punishment, and certain criminal and civil consequences of offenses involving or related to the trafficking of persons and to certain protections for victims of those offenses.

•SB 37 by Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, and House sponsor Elliott Naishtat, D-Austin, extending the life until Sept. 1, 2017 of the Promoting Independence Advisory Committee to ensure

appropriate care settings for persons with disabilities.

•SB 115 by Sen. Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, and House sponsor Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, limiting the liability of space flight entities to encourage development of a commercial space launch industry in Texas.

•SB 309 by Sen. Chris House sponsor Diane Patrick, R-Arlington, making the Academy of Country Music Awards, the National Cutting Horse Association Triple Crown, and a national convention of the Republican National Committee or the Democratic National Committee eligible for the state's Major Events Trust Fund program and to require a study of the measurable economic impact of the events.

#### Officials comment on bin Laden

With messages posted to their official state websites, Gov. Rick Perry and other state officials on May 2 hailed the United States' successful mission to find and kill international terrorist Osama bin Laden.

On May 1, the planner of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on America was in a walled compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan, when a team of U.S. Navy SEALs entered and killed him on orders from President Barack Obama. The body of the al-Qaeda leader was transported to an aircraft carrier and buried at sea.

Excerpt from Perry's statement: "Our thoughts and prayers remain with those who will continue to wage our global fight on terror, placing their own lives on the line to keep us safe back here at home."

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst: "I salute President Bush, President Obama, the brave men and women of the United States military and our intelligence community who never gave up on bringing Osama bin Laden to justice for the deaths of 3,000 innocent Americans on 9-11. The demise of bin Laden sends a clear message to al-Qaeda and the enemies of freedom still seeking to do harm to America. We will never forget 9-11 and we will not rest until we bring justice to those responsible."

Attorney General Greg Abbott: "The face of evil has been eradicated thanks to American forces' dogged pursuit of justice. The Twin Towers may no longer stand, but American justice-and exceptionalism-will forever prevail. We will never forget."



# From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago May 10, 2001

Tabitha Coker, a senior at Haskell High School, was crowned Wild Horse is the daughter of Tammy Parham.

Two Haskell County students brought home medals from the UIL State competition. Haskell High School senior Jimmy Huff won a silver medal in Class 2A Prose Interpretation and Marcus Parks of Rochester won a bronze medal in Class A Prose Interpretation competition.

Lynn Dodson was appointed by the Commissioners' Court to fill the unexpired term of Justice of the Peace Gina Brown, who is moving away.

Pete Kittley and Mildred Kittley were in Austin to receive recognition as the Kittley Farm in Haskell County was inducted into the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program.

### 20 Years Ago May 9, 1991

Dr. William Kemp was presented a certificate from Governor Ann Richards, in appreciation for his long service on the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners, during the State Dental Convention.

The Rochester FFA talent team, Young Guns, won the district talent contest, allowing them to compete in the area contest. Members of the team are Phillip Clark, Kenny Forehand, Jeffrey Hollingsworth and Brad

Bevel.

Former Haskell High School athletes Julie Roewe and Joy McKeever were honored at the University Prairie Days Queen. She of Texas at Arlington of Haskell, was named Miss athletic banquet for their NAACP of Texas. She is an accomplishments.

### 30 Years Ago May 7, 1981

An open house was held at the Haskell County Appraisal District. Employees Kyle Wilfong, chief appraiser; Charlene Brothers, chief deputy; Brenda Turner, clerk and Jamie Weaver, clerk were on hand to explain procedures and provide and organization of the historian.

Raynes, have qualified for the State UIL meet in Poetry Interpretation and Debate. Bellinghausen.

and Mrs. Winifred Dodds of Jonesboro, formerly of Paint Creek, has been elected Mr. TSU at Tarleton State University.

### 40 Years Ago May 13, 1971

Haskell High School telephone lines. honor students are Eddie Harris, valedictorian and Gay Swenn, salutatorian. At Rule High School, the top honors go to Pamela Wilson, valedictorian and Kent LeFevre, salutatorian.

Mr. and Mrs. M.Y. Benton of Sagerton, will be honored

anniversary with a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark in Sagerton.

Beverly Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Hill English major at Midwestern State University.

### 50 Years Ago May 11, 1961

Newly installed officers of the Progressive Study Club for the upcoming year are Mrs. Virgil Cobb, president; Mrs. Wilda Medford, first vicepresident; Mrs. Buck Everett, second vice-president; Mrs. Flo Henderson, secretary; background information Mrs. Abe Turner, treasurer concerning the establishment and Mrs. Allen Rieves,

Mary Alice Davis, a junior Weinert High School at Weinert High School, students Cristi Guess, Bryan received the State Degree Phemister and Michelle in Homemaking at the meeting of the State Future Homemakers in Dallas.

J.V. Vestal of this city has Their advisor is Mrs. Darlene been appointed full time district manager for Bankers Delbert Dodds, son of Mr. Life and Casualty Insurance Company.

### 100 Years Ago May 13, 1911

Tax Assessor Tarbet has instructions from the comptroller to assess all lodge property and all private

Grover Simmons reports his incubators have already hatched 1200 chickens, and he has 800 more due to hatch in a few days.

John Oates and Earl Odell have purchased the confectionery business of Wirt French, and are now on their 50th wedding conducting the same.

# **Vote Saturday**

The Development Corporation of Haskell (DCOH) is often referred to as the Economic Development Corporation or EDC for short, but Development Corporation of Haskell is the official name.

The specific power to create the DCOH is the Texas Development Corporation Act of 1979, which allows a city to hold an election to approve a 1/2 cent sales tax to fund and to create a not for profit corporation to promote industrial development in that community (commonly referred to now as a Type A corporation).

The DCOH was created under this statue after the citizens voted to establish a 1/2 cent sales tax to promote economic development in Haskell in a previously held city election. The corporate by-laws were adopted by the Board of Directors of the DCOH on Aug. 22, 1997 and approved by the city council in Sept. 1997.

The law has been amended several times, and in one of the changes, a new type of corporation can also be created under this same act, which has the ability to do more retail and quality of life projects (referred to as a Type B corporation). Also, already established **Development Corporations** have another option under the State statues which is the ability for the voters to grant certain powers available for Type B corporations to a Type A corporation. Each of these powers must be voted on separately and only those that pass by a simple majority will be granted.

The five powers the DCOH is asking the people of Haskell to vote on are all the additional powers that the voters can grant to a Type A corporation. The following are simple examples of how each power might help us in Haskell.

Proposition 1-If this proposition passes, it would allow the DCOH to use our resources with projects such as putting lights at the baseball fields, at the park or at the track field, improving the rodeo grounds, or improving the golf course.

Proposition 2-This proposition would allow us to use our funds for improvements or additions to the Haskell Civic Center or the Haskell County show barns. Our funds could also be used to help pay for the proposed outside speaker system at the courthouse and around the square.

Proposition 3-This proposition would allow us to use funds to improve the city park, the city swimming pool, or maybe even create some new park projects in other parts of town.

Proposition 4-Passage of this proposition would allow us to help in creating or maintaining a museum.

Proposition 5- This would allow us to assist builders with affordable housing projects such as assisted living facilities, apartment complexes, and single family residential housing.

It is important to emphasize that the passage of the five propositions in this election will not increase any tax currently being paid in Haskell, but have the potential greatly aided our city.

Passage of the five propositions will necessitate a yes vote for each of the five separate propositions.

In order for your vote to count, you must have your voter certificate or an acceptable form of identification.

# Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

Am putting forth a real effort this week to not be quite so verbose. Was a bit embarrassed last week when the column took up so much space. Not much has happened this week anyway. The wind blew; the temperatures soared. B.J., Bobby or I call him Satch (inherited that name from what the town called his dad-but not a bad thing when your dad was an honorable and well-liked man) says, "It's 1953 all over again." I don't really remember the year being so much more worse than most for farmers, but Jan says she remembers her mother and dad talking about 1953. It was the year after they built the big house and then didn't have a crop and her mother and sisters argued about whose turn it was to buy new underwear. Must have been a brutal year;

Happy Mother's Day to all in Haskell. It was a different one for the Gannaway boys this year-this being our first year without our Mom. But it is a comfort to know where she is and that she's waiting

hoping it's not a repeat.

This week the papers have agreed to publish the list of donors of the crape myrtles, number of plants and in memory or honor of loved ones. This is much appreciated as this is the only way citizens will ever know who gave to the project. Did hear from one citizen this past week, "I'm tired of hearing about those (expletive deleted) crape myrtles!" If you could believe I was momentarily speechless; nevertheless, it was a major undertaking and something we'll all enjoy for years especially when they bloom. I'll try to refrain from referring to them in the future; however, we still do need help putting mulch around their bases.

The wife had cataract surgery this past Tuesday and the fact that she can't lift more than 30 lbs. puts me in a bind. I usually like to load her up like a pack-horse... you don't really believe that, do you?

Ron Smith, Editor myrtles). of Southwest Farm Press dropped by for lunch on his way through town. He was impressed with our little berg and promised to

come by again. He is such an accomplished essayist. I'd like to repeat what he wrote in an email to me: "When you retired from Texas A&M research I was certain that you would find something meaningful to do with your skills and experience. Imagine my disappointment and disillusion when I learned that you had gone into politics. I had always respected you as a man of principle and class, fairly low class, but class nonetheless, and here I discover to my amazement that you have gone over to the dark side and entered into politics." He went on into detail about, "Do your citizens have to kiss your...err...ring?" He's a character and I know you farmers are familiar with his writings.

I hope you will peruse the list of donors and their contribution to the project in the park (note, I did not mention those "d... crape

### Deadlines

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

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# HASKELL MAIDENS Area Champions



HASKELL MAIDENS-The Haskell Maidens softball team row, Sara Weise, Codi Foster, Jasmine Klose, Cailey Foster and members include, front row, Harley James; second row, Delicia Samantha Fuentes; and fourth row, Caitlan Johnson, Laycee Garcia, Maci Colley, Kelsie Adams and Maegan Chavez; third Tullos, Paige Glover, Claire Carmichael and Madison Homeyer.

Maidens vs Roby Thurs., May 12, 6 p.m.

Fri., May 13, 10 a.m. and 12 noon (if needed) at Abilene Christian University in Abilene

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ATTEND CONCERT- Haskell Elementary first grade, bottom, and Kindergarten classes top, attended the Stephen Fite "It's Groovy Great to Educate" concert in Abilene Thurs., April 28. Haskell CISD Educational Foundation Grant provided this opportunity to boogie down with Stephen Fite. Students were chaperoned by Laurie McBroom, Judy Washburn, Ember Medford, April Colley, Susan LeFevre, Joni Bullock, Julie Alvarez, Rolene Bryan and Pam



### **Paint Creek** School Menu

May 16-20 **Breakfast** 

Juice and milk are served daily. Monday: Pancakes Tuesday: Biscuits, gravy Wednesday: Cereal Thursday: Waffles Friday: Cinnamon rolls

Lunch

Milk is served daily. Monday: Corn dogs, fries, carrots, brownies **Tuesday:** Tater tot casserole, green beans, salad, fruit Wednesday: Cook's choice Thursday: Burritos, corn, salad, jello

cheese, pickles, chips, cookies

### **ECC Menu**

Mon., May 16

Chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, chips, salsa, Coke cake, tea or coffee

Wed., May 18 Porkie meatballs and tomato

gravy, green beans, cream potatoes, cornbread, misc. dessert, tea or coffee

Fri., May 20

Ham slice, augraten potatoes, blackeyed peas, beets, yeast roll, fruit, cookies

# his Week's Devotional Message:



### The Bible is the world's greatest book of instructions

available, designed to teach us how to do practically everything from cooking and gardening to how to build your own airplane. However, the most valuable book of all is the Bible, because it teaches us how to live a good life. Also, it's timeless, with its basic common sense advice that never has to be revised or updated, because it doesn't change with each passing fad of ever been blessed.

There are many kinds of instruction books human behavior. If you prefer a more modern form of language, there are several reliable translations, but find out first which one your house of worship recommends. This is another good reason for being there, along with hearing interpretations of the Scriptures, the most helpful and fascinating collection of writings, of the word of God, with which our world has

### 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** Frank Slavton, minister 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.

**Weinert Foursquare Church** Rev. Robert Harrison

Sunday 11 a.m Weinert -ROCHESTER---• Church of Christ

Steve Wilis, 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 Randy Hollingsworth, minister

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

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

Sun. 10:30 a.m.

RULE-First Baptist Church Russell Stanley, pastor

1001 Union Ave., Rule **Primitive Baptist Church** Dale Turner Jr., pastor

Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule **Church of Christ** John Greeson, minister

Primera Iglesia Bautista Alfa y Omegs Manuel Marin, pastor

500 Elm Street, Rule **Sweet Home Baptist Church** 

**West Bethal Baptist Church** Rev. Clovis Dever Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.

-PAINT CREEK---**Paint Creek Baptist Church** 

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Jim Reid, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m. 0'Brien

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Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.

Russell Stanley, interim pastor Sunday 9 a.m. Gladstone Ave., Rule

300 Sunny Ave., Rule

Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. **Paint Creek** 

O'Brien Baptist Church

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### Haskell School Menu

May 16-20 **Breakfast** 

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

Monday: Muffin, Cheez-Its **Tuesday:** Breakfast burrito Wednesday: Cereal, buttered toast

Thursday: Sausage, biscuit, cheese

Friday: Smucker's PB&J 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 Friday: Hamburgers, salad, High campus: Choice of entrée or baked potato with cheese and ham. High School curly fries, ice cream

campus: Choice of entrée or chef salad with crackers.

Monday: Chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, pineapple tidbits

Tuesday: Chicken fajitas, salsa, cheese, grilled peppers and onions, pinto beans, garden salad, fruit flavored gelatin

Wednesday: Quesadillas, salsa, queso, tortilla chips, garden salad, fruit salad Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, raw broccoli, ranch dressing, banana pudding Friday: Hamburger, veggies

for burger, baked fries, tots or

# 4-H members compete in judging contest

by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

Haskell County 4-H members competed in the Rolling Plains District 3 4-H Consumer Skills Judging Contest Wed., May 4 at the Wilbarger Auditorium in Vernon.

Life Skills Project, 4-H'ers gain knowledge and skills to become successful and satisfied consumers. Youth learn how the economy operates, how to make choices and the effects those choices have on the economy and environment, and how to manage money. They also learn their rights and responsibilities as consumers.

Project the opportunity to demonstrate their consumer skills. 4-H is the youth development and leadership program of Texas AgriLife Extension, a part of the Texas A&M University System.

Four Haskell County 4-H Through the Consumer members competed in the District Contest. A team of intermediate 4-H members made up of Sam Fouts, Crissy Bassett and Makenzie Gass placed fourth in the contest. Crissy Bassett was fourth place High Point Individual. Also judging as an individual in the senior competition was Emily Fouts.

Twenty-four counties are included in the Rolling Plains Extension District. The Consumer Skills Traveling to Vernon with contest provides the youth the 4-H members were Kris who have participated in Fouts and County Extension the Consumer Life Skills Agent/FCS-Jane Rowan.

# -H clubs to meet Sun.

The Haskell County Jr./ Sr. 4-H Clubs will hold their May meeting Sunday afternoon, May 15 at the Haskell County Extension Office. The 4-H Clubs will meet from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Any youth 8 years old and in the third grade through the twelfth grade are welcome to come and join.

The clubs will meet and go on a scavenger hunt around Office for a pizza party. They 2546.

will also discuss upcoming contests and summer camps.

This will be the last meeting for this 4-H year. Club meetings will resume this fall. A annual Summer FCS Tour is being planned for late summer and the annual awards program and 4-H Back-To-School Dance

are also being planned. For more information, the down town area, then contact the Extension Office meet back at the Extension at 940-864-2658 or 864-

# Record book workshop set

by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

A workshop to address "4-H Record Keeping" will be conducted Mon., May 16 from 5:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. at the Haskell County Extension Office located at

101 S. Avenue D in Haskell. The workshop is designed for 4-H parents, leaders and senior age 4-H members. The Texas 4-H Record Keeping System will be introduced and sections of the system will be discussed in detail.

Haskell County 4-H members planning to apply for county 4-H awards are required to complete a 4-H Record Book and the workshop will be beneficial in beginning this process. Information presented will also benefit 4-H members planning to apply for 4-H scholarships in the future.

For more information, contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/FCS at the Haskell County Extension Office, 940-864-2658.

# Tax repeal sought

Haskell County Farm under those tax regulations, Bureau leaders are praising U.S. Rep. Kevin Brady's push to permanently repeal the federal estate tax that many say takes a heavy toll on familyowned small businesses, particularly America's farms and ranches.

"Farming is a very capital intensive business," said Charles Gibson, Haskell County Farm Bureau president. "When agricultural producers pass on, they don't want to leave a large pile of tax bills for their children, especially if those children plan to continue the family

business." Last December, Congress extended the Bush-era tax cuts for 13 months. Yet after that period, the estate tax will revert back to a \$1 million exemption and 55 percent top rate. Gibson noted that, Texas farmers and ranchers would suffer greatly.

"One million dollars may sound like a lot of money, but when you consider land costs, equipment, livestock, feed and other costly inputs and investments, it can add up," Gibson said.

Currently, the exemption stands at \$5 million with a top rate of 35 percent. Rep. Brady, a Republican from The Woodlands, has authored a bill in the House that seeks to permanently

repeal the estate tax. "The death of a family's primary earner could cripple family farm operations under this structure," Gibson said. "The proposed bill would give heirs some latitude to make decisions and continue the family farm."



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### Public Notices

NOTICE OF **CANCELLATION OF ELECTION** 

Due to the unopposed status of the May 14, 2011 General Election for the placement of three council members, this election has been cancelled by the City Council of the City of Rule. 19c

> Go **Maidens!**

### Help Wanted

Haskell is now taking applications for all positions. Apply in

PIT & GRILL now taking applications for dishwasher and wait staff. Apply in 19-20p

HELP WANTED: Full time employee. Apply in person only at Hanson's Paint and Body in Haskell. 18-19c

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### Help Wanted

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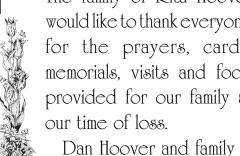
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Our sincere thanks to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Joe Yates, Dr. Lanoard Bayouth, who so lovingly cared for our "Joe," the 10 past years, along with the Haskell Hospital nursing staff, the EMS staff, for always being our shoulder to lean on.

Our "Special" thanks to the Munday Nursing Home, and their staff, who so lovingly took care of Joe, in his last days, we will always hold you in our hearts.

The funeral was so lovingly handled by Bro. Jim McCurley, Bro. Troy Culpepper, Chris Carby of Austin, beautiful vocals by Debra Bartley, and a special thanks to the Smith Family Funeral Home and their loving staff. Thanks to "Bud's For You," for the beautiful presentation of florals, in our remembrance of "Joe," just gorgeous.

We also thank those who brought food to the church for the noon meal, and for those who served us, with such loving care.

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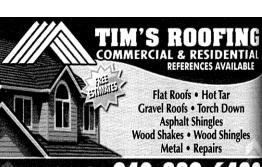
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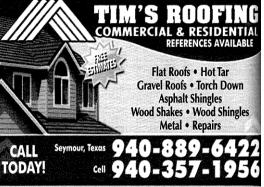
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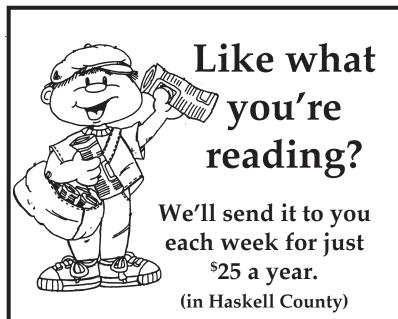
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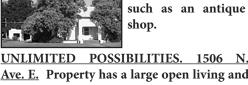


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Ave. E. Property has a large open living and dining with access to a large kitchen with smaller dining. There are two bedrooms and a large bath downstairs and a large open room upstairs with a bath and C/HA. This property sits on approximately 1.5 acres with



a detached carport on the north and a detached garage on the south.

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# CTFC holds annual meeting

The Central Texas Farm association's financial report, provides the association with Credit, ACA consists of Credit, ACA recently held the area stockholders meetings in Brownwood, Coleman, Haskell, San Angelo and Brady. Voting stockholders of the association elected three directors to serve three-year terms. Those elected were Jerry Don Klose, Robby A. Halfmann and Mike Finlay. Current Board members in addition to those elected, include Philip W. Hinds, Brent M. Heinze, A. Wayland Shurley, Mickey Dillard, Cody Richmond and Glenn

The stockholders also elected the Nominating Committee to serve in 2012. Nominating Committee members elected were Tom Merryman, Phil Mitchell, Thomas Bearden, Bernard Fuchs and Robert Stansberry. First alternate members elected were Joe McWilliams, Thomas L. Petross, Bill Thomas, Allen Gully and Calvin Schwertner. Second alternate members elected were Jody Gerngross, Leonard T. Wood, Kraig Kupatt, Wayne Dusek and Lynn D. Brenek. Third alternate members elected were Bryan Farmer, Brendan C. Odom, Denton O. Bates, Adam Holik and Donald Frank Trull.

CEO, presented the agricultural needs not only

noting that the association remains in excellent shape with a strong capital position, strong earnings and excellent credit quality. This financial strength has allowed the association to keep interest rates as low as possible for borrowers and allowed the board to distribute a \$3.2 million patronage refund to all eligible borrowers in March of this year. Chambers reviewed the various segments of the association's loan portfolio and explained how each segment contributes to the earnings of the association. He also noted that of the 17 associations within the Tenth Farm Credit District, the association ranks third highest in the composite score for financial strength given by the Farm Credit Administration regulator.

As an Agricultural Credit Association or ACA, the association is able to provide long-term, intermediateterm and short-term credit to eligible borrowers for real estate purchases, farm and ranch operating purposes, equipment and livestock purchases, rural housing and certain agri-business purposes. Having the ability to provide credit to our BoydJ.(Jimmy)Chambers, stockholders for all of their

expanded opportunities for growth and diversification, but also provides the Angelo and Brady and stockholders with an additional premier source of stable and competitive

Central Texas Farm customers.

# Wildfire loss benefits available to producers

Recently drought and excess of normal mortality wildfires have greatly impacted many agricultural operations across the state. Agricultural producers who have experienced losses as a result of wildfire can apply for benefits through the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) or the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency

"Both LIP and ELAP provide agricultural producers with a vital safety net to help them overcome the damaging financial loss caused by natural disasters," said Glenn R. Brzozowski, Executive Director for USDA Farm Service Agency in Haskell County.

LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in

due to adverse weather, including losses due to

branch offices in Coleman,

Brownwood, Haskell, San

serves a 19 county area in

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Association has 22 employees serving approximately 1,800

Brzozowski adds, "A notice of loss must be filed with FSA within 30 days of when the loss of livestock is apparent. Livestock that die within 60 days of the date of the qualifying event, but prior to Oct. 1, 2011 will be considered eligible for loss benefits."

USDA has established normal mortality rates for each type and weight range of eligible livestock, i.e. Adult Beef Cow = 1.5% and Non-Adult Beef Cattle = 3%. These established percentages reflect losses that are considered expected or typical under, "normal" conditions.

According to Brzozowski, producers will be required to provide verifiable documentation of death losses resulting from an eligible adverse weather

ELAP is another disaster program that can provide emergency assistance to eligible livestock producers who have losses due to wildfires.

ELAP assistance is for losses not covered under other disaster assistance programs established by the 2008 Farm Bill. Such losses include but are not limited to feed supply losses due to wildfire and additional feed costs resulting from the purchase of additional livestock feed, above normal quantities. Producers who have suffered feed losses must file a notice of loss with FSA

within 30 days of the fire. Producers who feel they have suffered a qualifying LIP or ELAP loss are encouraged to file a notice of loss and application for payment. For more information on LIP, ELAP or other FSA programs, please contact the Haskell county office at 940-864-2617 ext. 2 or visit FSA online at http://www.fsa.usda.gov/tx.



Ken and Jill Brown, will be advancing to the State Track and Field Meet in Austin May 13-14. Brown is a senior at Rule High School. He ran his personal best times in both the 1600 meter and the 3200 meter run. Brown ran 4:33 to finish second in the 1600 meters and second in the 3200 meters in a time of 10:13. He plans to run at Western Texas College on scholarship in the fall.

# Foster is named AR-N player of the week

Haskell Maiden Codi She only threw 68 pitches-Foster, a softball pitcher, was named Big Country Player of the Week by the Abilene Reporter-News Tues., May

Foster, a senior athlete,

tossed a five-inning no-hitter in the Maidens' 19-0 win over Loraine Sat., April 30. She notched 10 strikeouts and allowed just two walks.

Her dad and coach, John Foster said, "She had all of her pitches working that day.

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that's all it took for her to get it done."

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# Calendar

### Volleyball night

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### Homecoming

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

### Pee wee track

Rule School will host a Pee Wee Track meet Fri., May 20, beginning at 8:30 a.m. until approximately 2:30 p.m. Schools entered will include Guthrie, Paint Creek and Rule. A concession stand will be available.

### Fun day

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A Masonic family fun day will be held Sat., May 14 at the City Park in Knox City. Registration begins at 8.30 a.m. A family bicycle ride, a chili cook off for bragging rights

of the Rolling Plains, a horseshoe tournament, a free train ride for the kids, a kids paint shop, an egg toss tournament, and a silent auction starting at 12 noon are included in the day's activities. The family bike ride is \$20 entry fee. The chili cook off is \$20.00 per team with early registration starting Friday night until 9 p.m., and starting at 8.30 a.m. on Saturday. Hamburgers, hot dogs and baked goods will be available. For more information, contact Toby at 940-889-6749 or Jim at 940-989-3153. Proceeds will help fund four scholarships to deserving seniors in Munday, Benjamin, Haskell and Knox City. The lodge is also donating an enclosed trailer, costing \$3700, to the Angel Food Ministries to be used to haul their food from Abilene to Knox City for distribution to

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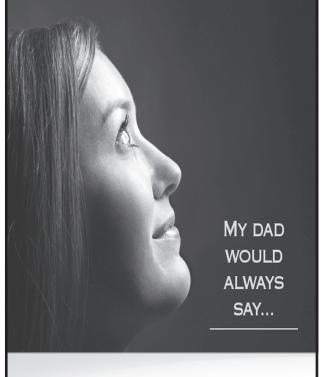
distribute food Sat., May 21 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

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

### Wheat field day

The Haskell County Texas AgriLIFE Extension will host a Wheat Field Day on May 17 at the plot site on Kenneth Baker's farm north of Brushy Creek Cemetery. The field day will begin at 1:30 and two CEU's will be offered. For more information and to register for the field day, call the Extension office at 940-864-2658.



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