

Happy Halloween

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"The People's Choice"

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## Football

**HASKELL**  
 7th-8th vs Olney  
 Thurs., Oct. 27, 4 p.m.  
 at Olney  
 V Indians vs Olney  
 Fri., Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.  
 at Haskell  
**PAINT CREEK**  
 Pirates vs Gordon  
 Fri., Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.  
 at Gordon  
**RULE**  
 Jr. High vs Benjamin  
 Thurs., Oct. 27, 6 p.m.  
 at Rule  
 Bobcats vs Benjamin  
 Fri., Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.  
 at Benjamin

## Calendar

### Spaghetti supper

The Progressive Study Club of Haskell will host their annual chicken spaghetti supper Fri., Oct. 28 at the Haskell High School cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m. Chicken spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert, tea and coffee will be served. Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased from any club member or at the door. Carry-outs will be available.

### Trick or treating

Haskell Elementary Pre-K, Head Start and PPCD classes will be trick-or-treating Mon., Oct. 31 at the Head Start Playground at Haskell Elementary School. If any of the local businesses, individuals, or groups would like to put goodies in their Halloween bags, be at the school by 9:30. Don't forget to check in at the school office. There will be 76 trick-or-treaters.

### Trunk-r-Treat

The annual trunk-r-treat, hosted by the First United Methodist Church in Haskell, will be held Mon., Oct. 31 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the church parking lot.

### Bible study

A non-denominational and bilingual Bible study will be held beginning Nov. 1 and every Tuesday following at the Church of God, 714 Hwy. 380 East in Haskell, from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, call 940-864-3982 or 325-665-8182.

### Eastern Star

The Rule Chapter #989, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Thurs., Nov. 3, at 6:30 p.m. for a pot luck supper to be followed with a stated meeting when Deputy Grand Matron, Sheryl Kolterman of Abilene will make an official visit.

### Veterans' pictures

The Haskell Free Press is seeking pictures of veterans to be published in the Thurs., Nov. 10 edition. Please bring your original picture to the Free Press office or email hfpnews@lycos.com. Call 864-2686 for details.

### Veterans' lunch

A free lunch, to honor all Veterans, will be served Fri., Nov. 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Church of Christ Activity Building Gym. The church will host the lunch for all veterans of the community and their spouse or guest in honor of their service to our country.

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## Haskell named 'Community of Achievement'

Haskell was named a "Community of Achievement" at the 18th Annual Texas Midwest Conference, Oct. 19, at the

Abilene Civic Center. The award was presented to Mayor John Gannaway, Mayor Pro Tem Randy Bowers and City Councilman Stacy Bridges. A

large delegation of Haskell citizens was present for the presentation.

According to TMCN President Jimi Coplen,

Knox County Visioning Group, "the awards program sponsored by TMCN encourages communities in our region to be better

prepared for the future." More the 400 community representatives from 45 cities in the region were present for the luncheon and awards presentation.

An application for the award was submitted in July which detailed Haskell's community-wide plan (vision), beautification efforts (pride), student participation on local projects (youth involvement) and website (connectivity). When applications are received by the TMCN office, individuals from neighboring communities in the region are assigned to visit the city to conduct a windshield tour of what a visitor sees and experiences when they come to town (assessment). Information from the windshield tour is then provided to local leaders.

Other recipients of this year's Community of Achievement Award included Ballinger, Colorado City, Eastland, Eden, Miles and Winters.

For more information about Texas Midwest Community Network visit [www.texasmidwest.org](http://www.texasmidwest.org).



**RECEIVES AWARD**—A large delegation of Haskell citizens was present for the presentation of the Community of Achievement award to the city of Haskell during the annual Texas Midwest Conference held Tues., Oct. 19 at the Abilene Civic Center. Attending from Haskell were, front row, l-r,

David Davis, Sally Rueffer, Susan Cockerell, Lynn Dodson, Penny Anderson and Brandon Anderson; back row, Sheila Hester, Ben McGee, Carolyn Grayston, Wallace Emerson, Louetta Wallace, Randy Bowers, Stacy Bridges, Jan Gannaway and John Gannaway.

## Drug bust sends Lerma and other defendants to jail

On Oct. 18, 2011, Ramon Hughes Lerma, defendant in cause number, 6461 The State of Texas vs. Ramon Hughes Lerma, pending in the 39th District Court, in Haskell County, Texas, entered a plea of guilty to the offense of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

A Haskell County jury had been seated and trial proceedings had begun, when during a break in court proceedings, the defendant sought to enter into a plea bargain. Haskell County District Attorney, Mike Fouts offered twenty years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Institutional Division. A plea was entered, Lerma was sentenced to twenty years and the jury was

dismissed.

The trial was the final prosecution resulting from the execution of a search warrant by Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton with the assistance of officers from the other local agencies. Halliburton received credible information from a confidential source that individuals were in possession of controlled substances at a residence located at 607 S. 8th in Haskell. During the search of the residence, Haskell County Chief Deputy, Winston Stephens found 25.57 grams of cocaine, and 6.32 grams of methamphetamine, along with marijuana and numerous pieces of drug paraphernalia, electronic scales, packaging material

and two handguns. Much of the controlled substances were clearly visible and in plain view throughout the residence.

Several individuals were present when the warrant was executed. Due to the open display of the drugs all individuals present at the residence were charged with possession of the drugs. Plea bargain offers were extended to the defendants and after guilty pleas all were sentenced.

The defendants and their respective sentences are as follows: Daren Johnson,

8 years probated and confinement in Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility as a condition of probation; Samuel Leek, eight years Texas Department of Corrections; Terry Crane, ten years Texas Department of Corrections; Stormie Trussell, fifteen years Texas Department of Corrections; Lamarcus Brooks, sixteen years Texas Department of Corrections; James Paul Barnes eighteen years Texas Department of Corrections; Ricardo Medina Hinojosa, twenty years Texas Department of Corrections;

and Ramon Hughes Lerma, twenty years, Texas Department of Corrections.

District Attorney Mike Fouts, appreciated the hard work and proactive approach law enforcement officers engaged in, procuring and executing the search warrant, and completing the investigation. He further reiterated his position of little tolerance for narcotics and people that deal in drugs in the 39th District. "We live in a great community, and frankly my belief is drug dealers aren't welcome here."



**INCOMING PRESIDENT**—Incoming Texas Midwest Community Network President Brandon Anderson presents a commemorative gavel to outgoing President Jimi Coplen, Knox County Visioning Group during the annual Texas Midwest Conference luncheon.



**ADVANCE TO AREA**—The Haskell Indian Band competed at Wichita Falls this past weekend at the UIL Marching Contest and received all ones at the competition. They will advance to the Area round to be held Sat., Oct. 29 in Denton.

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**HASKELL HEALTH FAIR**—Two hundred twenty attended the annual Haskell Health Fair Thurs., Oct. 20 at the Haskell Hospital Educational Building. Twenty-nine area vendors displayed their various areas of expertise and service.

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## Beware of e-mails about package delivery

Some postal customers are receiving bogus e-mails about a package delivery. The e-mails contain a link that, when opened, installs a malicious virus that can steal personal information from your PC.

The e-mails claim to be from the U.S. Postal Service and contain fraudulent information about an

attempted or intercepted package delivery. You are instructed to click on a link to find out when you can expect your delivery. But Postal Inspectors warn: Do not click on the link!

Like most viruses sent by e-mail, clicking on the link will activate a virus that can steal information—such as your user name, password, and financial account information.

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## Fall... is full of color, bright colors.

**RED**—Reminds me of fall leaves. There's something about red leaves reflecting the sun. They stick out, you notice them. Red also makes me think of our passion for Christ. We as Christians should stick out, reflecting the 'Son.'

**You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. Matthew 5:15**

**ORANGE**—Not only is a color in the leaves but also makes me think of pumpkins. Orange symbolizes thoughtfulness and caring. We also should have these qualities—to the point people are drawn to us because we are just bubbling over with kindness. **Be kind and loving to each other, and forgive each other just as God forgave you in Christ. Ephesians 4:32**

**YELLOW**—Makes me smile : ). Through Christ we have joy in our hearts. So SMILE! Others will want what it is that we have.

**But the Spirit produces the fruit of love, Joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. There is no law that says these things are wrong. Galatians 5:22, 23**

**PURPLE**—Sometimes we see purple during the season when the leaves are changing colors. Purple is the color for royalty. As a Christian we are of royalty in Christ. And just as the colors of purple are striking in the fall leaves we too should be striking.

**God's Spirit touches our spirits and confirms who we really are. We know who He is, and we know who we are: Father and children. And we know we are going to get what's coming to us—an unbelievable inheritance! We go through exactly what Christ goes through. If we go through the hard times with Him, then we're certainly going to go through the good times with Him! Romans 8:16, 17**

**BROWN**—Is what makes the other colors stand out. Brown represents stability. In Christ, we have our anchor. Others can see in our actions and behavior if we are living in Christ.

**As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so continue to live in Him. Keep your roots deep in Him and have your lives built on Him. Be strong in the faith, just as you were taught, and always be thankful. Colossians 2:6, 7**

To witness to others, it is so important to let Christ shine through us in everything we do. How we act and behave is what people see when they look at us. I hope I grow to have a beautiful, warm and inviting life in Christ. I don't want Christianity to be hidden from the world because of me. I want to "shine brightly" and show a warmth to people that they will want to get to know me and learn about Christ through me. I pray you do too. So you see our "colors" do matter.

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# Obituaries

## Jose S. Mauricio



JOSE MAURICIO

Funeral services for Jose S. Mauricio were held Fri., Oct. 21 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell with Fr. George Roney and Fr. Michael Melcher officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes of Haskell.

Born Dec. 18, 1925 in Zacatercas, Mexico, he was the son of Isidro and Ursula Munoz Mauricio. He married Diana in Haskell Aug. 19, 1995 and lived in Haskell for 25 years. He is a retired farmer and a member of St.

George Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother.

Survivors include his wife, Diana of Haskell; five sons, Robert and wife Lecha, Jose and wife Jamie, Richard and wife Denise, Antonio and wife Maria, and Miguel; three daughters, Elena Mauricio, Rosemary Pizanaz and husband Tony, and Dorothy Limones and husband Martin; 25 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

PD. NOTICE

# Early voting underway

by Caron Yates  
A special election has been scheduled for Tues., Nov. 8.

According to County Clerk Belia Abila, all that will appear on our local ballot are the ten proposed constitutional amendments.

The last day to register to vote was Oct. 11. Early voting will continue through Nov. 4. Early voting will take place at the courthouse during regular business hours.

Information and an explanation of each of the proposed amendments can be found on the website of Secretary of State Hope Andrade, at [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us)

or by calling 1-800-252-VOTE (8683).

Polling places for Haskell County are:

Box 1: Catholic Church, 901 N. 16th, Haskell;

Box 2: Assembly of God Church, 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell;

Box 3: Extension building, S. Ave. D, Haskell;

Box 4: Experienced Citizens Center, S. First St., Haskell;

Box 5: Rule City Hall, 100 Union Ave., Rule;

Box 6: Fire Department, Main Street, Rochester;

Box 7: O'Brien City Hall, Grand Central Ave., O'Brien;

Box 8: Weinert School

building, Hilmar St., Weinert;

Box 9: Paint Creek School Library, 4396 FM 600, Paint Creek

Box 10: Sagerton Community Center, Garfield Ave., Sagerton.

At first glance, we may be tempted to think that many of the proposed amendments will not have a direct effect on us individually, however it is still important that we as citizens take seriously our responsibility to be informed and then vote. After all, as Texans what does or does not become a part of our state constitution, can't help but affect us to some degree.

# Calendar

## Volleyball night

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

## 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 325-864-4466.

## Deadlines

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

## Al-Anon

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

## Teamkid

Teamkid "Jumping the Hurdles" meets on Wednesdays from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Family Activity Center of the First Baptist Church in Haskell for students ages 4 years through the sixth grade. Parents may call the church office at 864-2581, if their child needs a ride.

## Join Booster Club

To become a member of the Haskell Athletic Booster Club call Barbara Utey 940-256-0972 or Billie Lindsey at 864-2602. The club dues benefit all athletes in all sports. Dues are \$15.

## Art Association

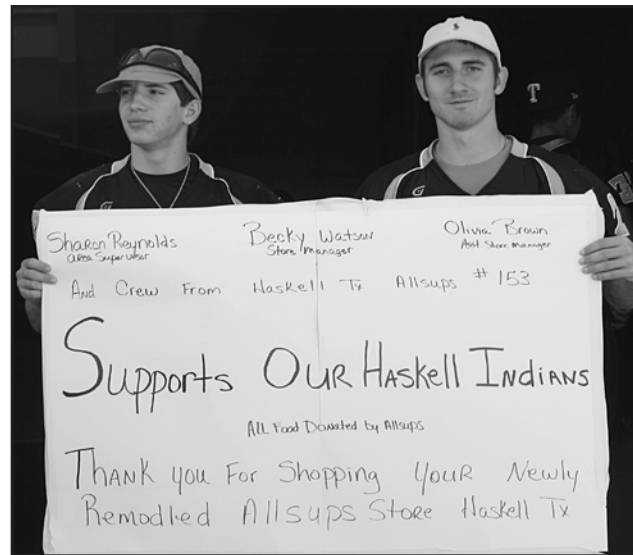
The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., Nov. 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ annex. Esme Glenn of Abilene will present a program on abstract landscapes with composition using family symbols. Guests are welcome.

## Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell County Library meeting room for a program on public issues, Americanism and Women's History, brought by Christopher Davis, director of Probation Services for the 39th Judicial District. Guests are welcome.

## Six-man scores

Throckmorton 52  
Paint Creek 0



**SHOWS APPRECIATION**—The Haskell Indians would like to thank Allsup's #153 for their generous contributions to the Indian tailgating event held before the first district football game against the Seymour Panthers. Indians fans are invited to come out Fri., Oct. 28 after the pep rally for another "Indian Tailgating." The Indians will play the Olney Cubs at 7:30 p.m.

**Help support the Wall of Honor Project**  
by donating your aluminum cans/scrap metal!



# Dr. Michael Capt to begin practice in Haskell Nov. 1

by Caron Yates

Dr. Michael Capt will be taking his place at the hospital based clinic, scheduled to open Nov. 1, in the building just north of the Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Capt, who will offer a general family medicine practice, is excited to be coming to Haskell. The clinic is hospital based, therefore he is employed by the hospital. Recently he has worked at the local hospital, as well as ten to fifteen other rural hospitals, as part of a group of doctors who offer emergency room coverage for weekends and holidays. Through this work, he has had the opportunity to become acquainted with the Haskell hospital and its staff.

Capt was born in Garden Grove, California, but lived in many different states growing up. His father had a career in the United States Marines, so consequently the family was stationed in several places. He graduated from high school in Houston, but considers his family roots to be strongly grounded in the western part of Texas.

After graduating from high school, Capt earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, from the University of Texas. While working as an engineer with International Refrigeration Corp. in Miami, Florida, Capt completed a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering, as well as a Master of Business Administration, both from the University of Miami.

He spent two years at Brooke Army Medical Center as a Biomedical Engineer. There he designed, implemented and performance tested the hospital's biomedical and facility systems to optimize patient care in various areas including the Burn Ward, Emergency Department, Operating rooms, Radiology, ICU, Inpatient Wards and Outpatient Clinic. It was about this time that he began to realize his true passion was in medicine, he wanted to be able to care for patients.

So with that as a goal, he worked toward and earned a PhD, or Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Engineering, from the University of Texas. He felt this was a good bridge between his engineering background and medical school. During this time, he owned and managed a biomedical, mechanical, electrical, plumbing and structural engineering consulting firm.

He was accepted and entered medical school at Texas Tech University



DR. MICHAEL CAPT

School of Medicine in 2004. Capt received a Doctor of Medicine in 2008, entered an Internal Medicine Internship at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at Amarillo, and then completed a Diagnostic Radiology Residency at the University of Oklahoma in 2011.

Capt was awarded the Best Teaching Resident award, which was voted on by 3rd year medical students. He was also voted the Outstanding Student Award by the faculty of the College of Natural Sciences at the University of Texas.

He and wife, Robin have been married twenty-three years and have three children. Robin is Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research at West Texas A&M. He is proud that his three college age children are all studying as pre-med majors, with the goal of also going into some field of medicine.

Like all parents, Capt's personal interests centered on his children's involvements for many years. He enjoys fishing, hunting, traveling and scuba diving. He also has a pilot's license and takes pleasure in flying.

Staff for the new clinic has been hired and preparations are being made for the opening. The clinic will accept appointments, but Capt emphasized that he will accept walk-ins as well.

Dr. Capt says he truly enjoys small town life, and looks forward to being a part of the community. While not a specialist, he considers himself experienced in many aspects of patient care. In choosing Haskell as the place to open his practice, he says, "It just felt right. I want to be where I am needed and where it feels comfortable. I think Haskell is that place."

Administrator Fran McCown and the Board of Directors of Haskell Memorial Hospital are pleased to have Dr. Capt join the staff. It is a goal they have worked toward for some time.



MR. AND MRS. DAVID ORTEGA

## Ortegas repeat vows

Olivia and David Ortega announce their marriage Tues., Oct. 18.

The couple repeated vows at the office of Haskell Justice of the Peace Lynn Dodson.

## Donations to benefit Christmas for Kids project

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board will be conducting a fund-raiser in November for the annual Christmas for Kids project. Each year this project provides gifts of clothing, toys, and age-appropriate items for needy children in Haskell County. Last year 58 families and 149 children received Christmas presents through the Christmas for Kids program.

This year members of Haskell County churches will again have an opportunity to give to this cause through donations on the designated

Sundays of Nov. 6 and 13. The goal is to have at least \$1.00 per person donated on these dates. Donation boxes will also be put out at Haskell banks and the Experienced Citizens Center.

If your church has not been contacted and you are interested in participating, call Betsy McManamon at 940-864-2194.

Anyone not affiliated with a local church is welcome to send donations to Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at 500 S. 10th St., Haskell, Texas 79521.

## Rule Trunk or Treat to be held Saturday

The City of Rule's third annual Trunk or Treat, will be held Sat., Oct. 29, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Rule School parking lot.

Those participating are asked to decorate their vehicle, trailer, golf cart, lawn mower, or whatever and to dress up. Persons may bring their lawn chairs, visit, hand out candy and just enjoy the evening. Prizes will be given for best "categorized" decorations and costumes or participants. To register and reserve a parking space call Rule City Hall from now until Oct. 28.

All vehicles participating, decorated or not, need to be in their parking spot no later than 5:30 p.m. Vehicles should enter the parking lot

from Sunny Ave. side.

The haunted house will be from 7:30 p.m. til? (donations appreciated). A hay ride will be sponsored by the Rule Prom Committee.

For more information, call Rule City Hall at 940-996-2214 during regular business hours. Sponsoring the Trunk or Treat is the City of Rule, Rule Chamber of Commerce and Rule ISD.

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## TRTA News

The Haskell County Chapter of the Texas Retired Teachers Association met Wed., Oct. 19 at the Pit & Grill in Haskell.

The meeting was called to order by President Tommye Jo Clark. She welcomed nineteen members and one visitor. The invocation was given by Marijane Cunningham and the pledge to the flag was led by Clark.

Minutes were read and approved. Nancy Toliver gave the financial report, as well as presented the "Health Minute." She emphasized that nutrition is a foundation of wellness. It is important to complement your physical activity program with a healthy diet. Toliver provided several recommendations for a healthy diet.

A card of thanks from the recipient of the door prize, furnished by the local chapter for the district meeting, was read. Alta McGuire agreed to be in charge of seeing that cards are sent out to any member that is ill or in need.

Clark informed the group that locally we have fifty-

eight members. However, there are one hundred fifty-one annuitants in Haskell County. While this represents about 38%, a higher percentage than the state, it is important to continue to encourage all retired school personnel in this county to join. TRTA represents our interests in the state legislative process, as well as other matters concerning retired school personnel.

Kathryn Schonerstedt presented a program on Medicare Fraud. She discussed different ways fraud occurs, and gave helpful suggestions on ways individuals can monitor and protect themselves from being a victim of Medicare fraud. She stressed the importance of protecting not only your Medicare number, but also any other personal information such as social security number or bank account data.

The next meeting will be Wed., Nov. 16 at the Pit & Grill, beginning at 11:30. All retired school personnel are urged to attend.

Thurs., Fri., & Sat. Oct. 27-29

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# OPINION

## TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State Capital



### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

#### Perry floats his national jobs plan in GOP debate

AUSTIN - While on stage with other Republican candidates during the Oct. 18 presidential debate in Las Vegas, Gov. Rick Perry brought up his own jobs plan titled "Energizing American Jobs and Security."

The plan, according to the Perry campaign, "is based on a simple premise: Make what Americans buy. Buy what Americans make. And sell it to the world."

Presented as an alternative to the Obama Administration's unpassed American Jobs Act, Perry's idea is to open America to more energy exploration and cut back on regulations enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency as a path toward the creation of more than 3 million jobs.

Perry's fellow contenders for the GOP nomination voiced little disapproval, although his plan points toward clear benefits for energy infrastructure and resource rich Texas as opposed to most other states.

Now, in regards to the immediate employment situation in the Lone Star State, the Texas Workforce Commission on Oct. 21 reported a net gain of 15,400 jobs statewide in September.

The gain holds Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 8.5 percent in September, same as in August, and compares favorably with the national unemployment rate of 9.1 percent.

Back to the Obama Administration's American Jobs Act. According to the nonpartisan Center for Public Policy Priorities in Austin, "Congress is on the verge of cutting 150,000 out-of-work Texans off unemployment insurance unless it passes the (Obama) Administration's proposal in the American Jobs Act to continue unemployment insurance extended benefits. Failing to continue extended benefits will leave Texas families without help and create a drag on the Texas economy."

#### School finance suit filed

Last spring, the Texas Legislature passed school finance legislation that triggered a lawsuit filed by the Texas Taxpayer and Student Fairness Coalition on Oct. 11.

More than 250 school districts have joined as plaintiffs, alleging that property wealthy districts unfairly benefit from the legislation, while property poor districts are forced into heavier taxation.

Defendants named in the lawsuit are the State Board of Education, Education Commissioner Robert Scott and State Comptroller Susan Combs.

Similar lawsuits in the past

have been settled by state court rulings based on the Texas Constitution's requirement that the funding system must achieve a general diffusion of knowledge. Plaintiffs' arguments hinge on the claim that school districts with unequal access to available revenues face a barrier that prevents them from performing their mission.

#### Interim charges are issued

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, and House Speaker Joe Straus last week issued lists of interim charges to committees of their respective houses to get a jump on legislation to be considered in 2013.

Both leaders put extra emphasis on finding ways to address the extreme drought conditions and wildfires that have plagued the state this year.

A few samples of other matters to be studied: state agency budget reductions, driver's license improvement, juvenile justice, border health services, border security, manufacturing capabilities, redistricting lawsuits, privatization of state services and homelessness.

#### Reminder about school buses

National School Bus Safety Week was Oct. 17-21.

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Oct. 14 posted a reminder that state law prohibits motorists from passing any school bus that is stopped and has its flashing red lights activated.

A ticket for violating the law could cost up to \$1,000. In 2010, Texas Highway Patrol troopers wrote 414 tickets for passing a stopped school bus; there were 762 crashes in Texas involving school buses last year; and in those crashes, one person died and 89 people had serious injuries, the DPS reported.

#### Governor places Series wager

Game One of Major League Baseball's 2011 World Series was Oct. 19.

Gov. Perry and Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon placed traditional governors' wagers on the outcome.

Perry predicted a Texas Rangers win, putting up Dr Pepper and barbecue against Nixon's ravioli, salami, frozen custard and a six-pack of Budweiser in favor of the St. Louis Cardinals.

#### Early voting through Nov. 4

Texas' chief elections officer, Secretary of State Esperanza "Hope" Andrade, announced early voting for the Nov. 8 Constitutional Amendment election runs Oct. 24 through Nov. 4.

Voters will find 10 proposed amendments on the ballot. Go to [www.votexas.org](http://www.votexas.org) to read about each of them.



## Farm Bureau holds annual convention

270 members and guests attended the Haskell County Farm Bureau convention held Mon., Oct. 17 at the Haskell Civic Center.

The youth of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Haskell served the meal.

Jeff Teague and Carl Hopkins were retiring directors. Newly elected directors were Dr. James Gober and Brad Bevel.

The Haskell Elementary fourth grade classes presented the entertainment.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago October 25, 2001

Jacklyn Escobedo was selected as Haskell Homecoming Queen during the halftime ceremony, at last week's Haskell Homecoming.

Colton Young, a member of the Haskell Jr. 4-H Club, placed second at the State Fair of Texas with his pig, Baby Shady.

The City Council of Haskell and Board of Directors of the Development Corporation of Haskell, announced the hiring of James Elam as the new Executive Director of the Development Corporation.

#### 20 Years Ago October 24, 1991

After months of preparation, the first ostriches arrived at the facilities of Haskell Ostrich Connection, Inc. The corporation is owned by Roy and Sandy Forehand and Cary and Donna Headstream of Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Ballard of Rochester were honored with a 50th anniversary dinner and party. The

Ballards have three sons.

Jesse Medford, 5, a seventh-degree Yellow Belt, competed in the 11th annual Fort Worth Invitational Taekwondo Championships, placing third in form competition. He is the son of Jeff and Martina Medford of Haskell.

#### 30 Years Ago October 22, 1981

Shannon Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lane was crowned Homecoming Queen during half-time ceremonies. She was escorted by Lonnie Hise.

Ralna English Hovis and Jane English, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Raul English, provided special entertainment during the general assembly of the Haskell-Mattson Homecoming.

Mr. and Mrs. R.V. Earles, Mr. and Mrs. M.W. Phemister, Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Ulmer and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wheatley, directors and wives from the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District attended the Forty-First Annual State Meeting.

#### 40 Years Ago October 28, 1971

Rochester High School Seniors elected as class officers were Bud Hicks, president; Nancy English, vice-president; Pam Speck, treasurer; Buddy Mullino, secretary; and Lonnetta Strickland, reporter.

Carl Allen Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.G. Moore of Haskell, was awarded a Masters of Education degree, while Walter Viars Felker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Felker, also of Haskell, received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing. Both graduated from North Texas State University.

Weinert High School seniors have elected Joan Caddell and Walene Bredthauer as coeditors of the school annual. Sue Hager is assistant editor and sponsors are teachers Ginger Mullino and Chet Forehand.

#### 50 Years Ago October 26, 1961

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Frazier, of Frazier's Appliance, were awarded an all-expense

paid trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico. Frazier's Appliance placed first in the western division in a RCA Whirlpool products sales contest.

New Drum Major for the Haskell Indian Band is junior Pamela Baird. The daughter of Mrs. Pauline Baird, she plays both tenor and alto sax.

Jerry Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Mills of Haskell, is taking part in Operation Deep Freeze 62, America's scientific expedition to Antarctica, as a member of Air Development Squadron Six.

#### 100 Years Ago October 28, 1911

The Four Davis brothers of Eliasville passed through Haskell on their way home from Stonewall County. They stopped on the square and entertained our citizens with several selections of music.

The Texas Central has arranged for through electric lighted sleeping cars between Rotan and Dallas, via Dublin and Fort Worth. This is a great convenience for the traveling public.

## Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

The big news is that your community was recognized by the Texas Municipal Community Network for a "Community Achievement Award" this past Wednesday in Abilene at the 18th Annual Texas Midwest Conference. Six other communities also received awards, Ballinger, Colorado City, Eastland, Eden, Miles and Winters. Accepting the award on behalf of Haskell were Council member Stacy Bridges, Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Bowers and your Mayor. About fifteen people were present from Haskell including city and county personnel. Brandon Anderson did the heavy work as to nominating our town but all of you with your efforts of cleaning up the city and your attitudes, demeanor made it happen. Three different people came from three directions and evaluated Haskell for the honor. It certainly puts us in a good light for all to see. Your city administrator will serve as the president of this organization next year. Morning and afternoon seminars all geared for energizing communities was this year's theme.

The keynote speaker for the affair was Bob Dixon, Mayor of Greensburg, Kansas. You may remember that this small community was blown away by a huge tornado. Nothing was left standing. He made several memorable points I'll share: As a community-cry together; hug together; work together; laugh together; celebrate together. Get out of your backyard paradises and become front porch people who can see your neighbors, visit and talk. There is a difference between survivability and sustainability. We want to be a thriving community not just a surviving community. Sustainability is about changing problem solving techniques and decision-making processes. Sustainability is system thinking. Business, environment, people described as separate circles but they all must move into a single circle. More can be found by googling Greensburgks.org. In this era of computer technology you are...Look us up! Some interesting

information from a speaker from Governor Perry's office: Texas GSP is over \$1.25 trillion and represents the twelfth largest economy in the world. Texas is the leading exporter in the USA-ninth year in a row and it's not just petroleum; 90% of exports are from small businesses. Texas is on its own power grid. Texas has more rail and roads than Canada and twice as much as California. Texas has 28 ports of entry, more than anyone. So economically, we yield a strong stick!

The Police Department has relocated to its former site close to the Fire Department. The City of Haskell building formerly Medford's GMC building will continue to house the Director of Public Works and Safety Department.

I see the Hospital has already introduced you to Dr. Michael Capt. I didn't want to steal their thunder, but now that they've published the fact I want to congratulate the Hospital Board and Administrator for securing another physician for our hospital. In the city forum we had last year securing additional medical personnel was #1 on the list of our needs. Then the forum the hospital held through a grant came up with the same #1 need. This endeavor has been in the works for longer than the forums; you can imagine how difficult it is to lure medical personnel to a small town when the large cities offer more money and a quicker

pay-off for their medical education. We are doubly blessed that Dr. Capt loves a small town/environment and is an exceptional mind having been successful as an engineer before becoming a medical doctor. Welcome to Haskell, Dr. Capt!

The interview process has begun for the two police positions. We will keep you informed. I don't want you to feel vulnerable or unprotected since we're presently without a Police Chief and one officer. Our sheriff's office, city police department and other law enforcement entities are operating together as you have witnessed the drug busts of late.

I received a nice letter from Phil and Cathy Schulz who live in Richardson. They are kin to Charles Chapman and Betty Davis. We met them one night at Mi Familia. They come here especially during hunting season and bring their family. They have a house in Haskell, pay taxes, so have a stake in our town. They were complimentary of this administration and city council but reiterated concerns over the crime problem and eyesores. We appreciate this sort of feedback, support and concern.

Whatever happened to the "no-call list"? Every political organization this side of the Ukraine has called. Thank God for Caller I-D.

This is Drug-Free Week in Haskell so get your ribbon and proudly wear it.

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# Haskell Indian

## Football 2011



2011 HASKELL INDIANS—front row, l-r, #77 Daniel Contreras, #33 Gabriel Torres, #22 Payne Utley, #74 Doug King, #59 Cole Ray Hutchinson, #2 Kiefer McNelly, #66 Garrett Brueggeman, #60 Sterling Bird and #20 Dakota Silvas; back row, #4 Warren Flye, #55 Preston Morrow, #50 Drake Everett, #10 Ryan Markey, #44 Jarred Escobedo, #12 Brett Shelton, #5 Isaiah Llewellyn, #9 Brady Leach, #62 Stewart Urich, #1 Matthew Martinez; not pictured, #70 Jarret Earle and Omar Mexicano.

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*Go Indians!*





**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**—The Paint Creek School Student Council held a fund-raiser to support Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Month. Students and staff wishing to participate purchased pink ribbons at 50 cents each and then wrote their name on each of them. The ribbons are displayed in the hallway. The two hundred dollars collected was donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Pictured with the ribbons are Student Council members, top, l-r, Cody Mayfield, Kadie McCord, Charitie Winterstein, Katie Bosnjak, Buddy Trotter, Bryant Booe, Stormy Darnell, Katrina Buerger, Sebastian Acosta, Katelyn Jenkins and Felicity Hannsz. Not pictured are Blake Edwards, Ryan Reid and Melisa Rock. Paint Creek students and staff are pictured below wearing pink to honor breast cancer victims.



**PINK DAY**—Rule School students participated in 'Pink Day' supporting Breast Cancer Awareness. In the top photo, first through fifth grade students show their support with the "Rule Bobcat Claw." In the bottom photo are Rule Junior High and High School students that participated.



**2011 AG IN THE CLASSROOM**—The 2011 Ag in the Classroom, sponsored by Haskell County Farm Bureau, was held Mon., Oct. 17 at the Haskell Civic Center. Fourth grade students from Haskell, Paint Creek and Rule were on hand to observe various aspects of agriculture. At this station, Justin Cox demonstrates to students the placing of an ear tag to identify cattle.

## 4-H food contests results

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Haskell Co.

During the past few months Haskell County 4-H members have been busy with their 4-H Foods & Nutrition Project activities. These activities included a variety of learning opportunities related to foods and nutrition.

In August, several of the youth participated in project tours in Abilene including "Candies By Vleta's," and "Rosa's Café & Tortilla Factory." County Extension Agent, Jane Rowan, conducted a program for the group on Nutritional Value of Food. Following the program the 4-Hers put their new knowledge to work during a "Nutritional Value Scavenger Hunt" at United Supermarket.

A workshop was conducted Sept. 19 where participants learned about MyPlate, Nutrient Needs and Food Safety. They also enjoyed "CupCake Wars" where Luis Olivarez demonstrated various pastry decorating techniques prior to each participant trying their hand in decorating a cupcake.

First year participants were invited to "Culinary Arts 101" which was a special workshop on Sept. 21 to acquaint them with the project and food show as well as teaching them basic cooking skills. They enjoyed practicing their measuring skills while making "Banana Bread" and "Pineapple Coolers."

Oct. 3 Haskell County 4-H conducted their third "4-H Food Challenge" competition where groups of participants were each given a sack of ingredients along with the amount needed of each ingredient and challenged to create a recipe. The fun event resulted in the creation of five attractive and tasty dishes.

The Haskell County 4-H Food Show was held Oct. 10. Participants prepared a dish and participated in an interview regarding preparation techniques including food safety precautions, nutrition of the recipe, and project learning experiences.

During October Haskell

County 4-H groups collected canned foods and donated them to the needy in Haskell County. Several youth will be participating in the "Nutrition Quiz Bowl" competition in November where they will use their nutrition knowledge learned during the year.

The 4-H Foods & Nutrition Project has provided a broad variety of learning experiences and activities which have been enjoyed by the participants.

Results of the two food and nutrition competitions were as follows:

Haskell County 4-H Food Challenge results:

Junior Division:

First place team: Sam Fouts, Sagerton; Sarah Fouts, Sagerton; Chase Gibson, Haskell; Abby Homeyer, Haskell and Kourtney Howard, Haskell.

Second place team: Cody Dutton, Weinert; Ernie Homeyer, Haskell; Crow Parham, Haskell and Riley Sloan, Rochester.

Third place team: Bailey Hawkins, Zhenia McTasney, Lori Beth Rodgers and Adaline Utley, all of Haskell.

Fourth place team: Cash Bassett, Haskell; Eddie McBroom, Haskell and Hadley Sloan, Rochester.

Senior Division:

First place team: Crissy Bassett, Haskell; Emily Fouts, Sagerton; Makenzie Gass, Haskell and Jacie Klose, Haskell.

The top two junior teams along with the senior team will advance to the district 4-H Food Challenge in Jacksboro Wed., Oct. 26.

Haskell County 4-H Food Show results:

Junior Division:

Main Dish: First place, Ernie Homeyer, Haskell; second place, Hadley Sloan, Rochester.

Fruit & Vegetable: First

place, Bailey Hawkins, Haskell.

Bread & Cereal: First place, Eddie McBroom, Haskell.

Nutritious Snacks: First place, Adaline Utley, Haskell; second place, Abby Andress, Haskell; third place, Sidney Campbell, Rule

Desserts: First place, Leann Manske, Sagerton; second place, Avery Tanner, Rule; third place, Allie Andress, Haskell.

Intermediate Division:

Main Dish: First place, Riley Sloan, Rochester; second place, Crow Parham, Haskell.

Fruit & Vegetable: first place, Sam Fouts, Sagerton.

Bread & Cereal: First place, Sara Fouts, Sagerton; second place, Kourtney Howard, Haskell.

Nutritious Snacks: First place, Sarah Campbell, Rule; second place, Zhenia McTasney, Paint Creek.

Desserts: First place, Abby Homeyer, Haskell; second place, Cody Dutton, Weinert; third place, Lori Beth Rodgers, Haskell.

Senior Division:

Main Dish: First place, Emily Fouts, Sagerton.

Bread & Cereal: First place, Jacie Klose, Haskell.

Nutritious Snacks: First place, River McTasney, Paint Creek.

First place winners in all junior, intermediate and senior categories will advance to the district food show on Sat., Nov. 5 in Vernon. The county food show was sponsored by the Haskell County 4-H & Youth Development Committee and the Haskell County Extension Education Association.

Cookbooks featuring each of the participants recipes are available from the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. Cost is \$1.00.

## Sagerton Hobby Club's bazaar set Sat., Nov. 5

The Sagerton Hobby Club's 29th annual bazaar will be held Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center.

Proceeds from the bazaar will be used for the Sagerton Hobby Club scholarship fund and community projects.

The bazaar will offer arts,

crafts, baked goods, candies, and Thanksgiving and Christmas items for sale.

Lunch will be available. Booths are available. For more information call 940-997-2103 or 940-989-2966. Admission is free.

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## Emergency grazing

Haskell County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Glenn R. Brzozowski has announced that in response to drought conditions, the Texas FSA State Committee authorized emergency grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for 92 Texas counties effective Nov. 1, 2011, for the fiscal year (FY) 2012 winter/spring period. Emergency grazing for FY 2011 ends on Oct. 31, 2011.

"The 2012 CRP emergency grazing period begins on Nov. 1, 2011, and ends on Jan. 29, 2012," said Brzozowski. "CRP land previously hayed or grazed, either managed or emergency use, during the previous 12 months is excluded from the FY 2012 grazing authorization," he said.

Haskell County is approved for CRP emergency grazing for FY 2012 along with 92 others.

The FY 2012 CRP emergency authorization permits grazing only. No haying of CRP acres is allowed at this time. Additionally, there will be a 25 percent CRP payment reduction on the 2012 annual payment for CRP

acres used for grazing under these emergency provisions.

To take advantage of the emergency grazing provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited to the acreage located within the approved counties.

Eligible producers who are interested in grazing CRP under the emergency authorization and current CRP participants who choose to provide land for grazing to an eligible livestock producer, must first request approval to graze eligible acreage; obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to include grazing requirements, leave at least 25 percent of each field or contiguous CRP field ungrazed for wildlife, or graze not more than 75 percent of the stocking rate as determined by NRCS.

For more information on emergency grazing of CRP acres contact the Haskell County FSA office at 607 N. 1st East Suite B in Haskell or call 940-864-2617 ext. 2.



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# TRICK OR TREAT TIME

## Safety Rules for Ghosts and Goblins

Halloween is a fun time for children of all ages.

Unfortunately, many accidents occur on this holiday that could be avoided.

Here are some helpful hints for a safe Halloween:

- Keep children away from lit jack-o'-lanterns.
- Make sure costumes are not so long that your child could trip on them. Reflective tape should be put on all costumes—especially dark-colored ones. Also, painted faces are better than masks since masks almost always affect vision.
- Instruct children not to eat any treats before you have inspected them.
- Trick or treat only in well-lighted neighborhoods—preferably only at homes where you know the occupants personally.
- Carry a flashlight and walk on sidewalks, not on streets. Warn children not to run between parked cars to cross the street.
- Inspect treats closely. Candy with torn wrappers or any packaging that looks like it has been tampered with should be immediately thrown away.
- Fruit should be washed and cut into small pieces before eating.

### Trunk-or-Treats:

Sat., Oct. 29:  
City of Rule, 6-7:30 p.m.,  
Rule School parking lot

Sat., Oct. 29:  
City of Haskell, 6-8 p.m.,  
Haskell City Park

Mon., Oct. 31:  
First United  
Methodist Church,  
Haskell, 6-7 p.m.,  
church parking lot

### Fall Festival:

Sat., Oct. 29:  
6-9 p.m.,  
Courthouse lawn



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**ALL ONES**—The Haskell Indian Band received all ones at the competition held in Wichita Falls last weekend. Drum majors Sara Duncan, left, and Lisa Hibbetts proudly show their marks.

## Haskell School Menu

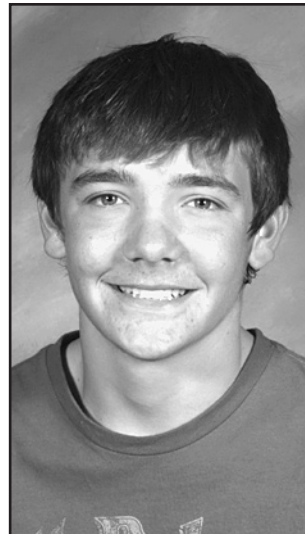
**Oct. 31-Nov. 4 Breakfast**

Milk is offered daily.  
**Monday:** Pork sausage biscuit or Berry Puffs cereal, mixed fruit, apple juice  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits with sausage gravy or Lucky Charms cereal, peaches, juice  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast taco or Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, cinnamon apple slices, juice  
**Thursday:** Golden waffles with syrup or Cocoa Puffs cereal, majestic pears, juice  
**Friday:** Breakfast biscuit with egg or Trix cereal, strawberry applesauce, juice

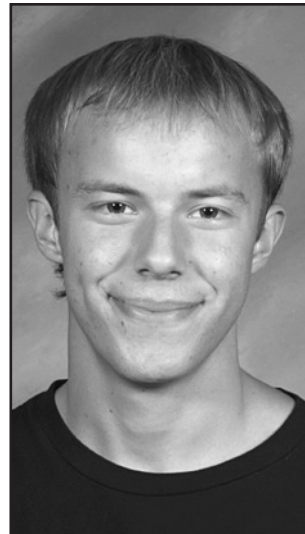
**Lunch**

Milk is offered daily at all cafeterias. Iced tea is offered at the high school cafeteria only. An energy meal includes a sandwich and a cookie.  
**Monday:** Choice of one: Spaghetti de Italiano with roll or Italian antipasto salad with salami or energy meal with bologna and cheese; Choice of up to three: sweet corn, green beans, mixed fruit, original

applesauce, blue slushy  
**Tuesday:** Choice of one: State Fair corndog or fajita chicken salad or energy meal with turkey and cheese; Choice of up to three: glazed carrots, pork and beans, fresh banana, whole wheat crackers, blue slushy  
**Wednesday:** Choice of one: Crispy beef tacos or garden pasta salad or energy meal with ham and cheese; Choice of up to three: Mexicali corn, refried beans, cinnamon apple slices, lettuce and cheese, blue slushy  
**Thursday:** Choice of one: Chicken strips with gravy and roll or zesty tuna salad or energy meal with tuna salad; Choice of up to three: mashed potatoes, whole wheat crackers, fresh watermelon, peaches, blue slushy  
**Friday:** Choice of one: Tony's pizza or chef salad or energy meal with po-boy; Choice of up to three: tater tots, baked beans, strawberry applesauce, chocolate chip cookie, blue slushy



**BRADY LEACH**



**JIM YOUNG**

## Students visit Rotary Club

Brady Leach is the son of Kevin and Stacia Leach of Haskell.

At Haskell High School, he is active in football, basketball, FFA and UIL Prose. He was named to the Top 6 UIL Prose in the state and had the champion pig at the Haskell County Show is 2010.

He enjoys hunting, fishing and showing pigs.

He plans to study the basics at South Plains College in Levelland graduating with a bachelor's in Wildlife Management from Texas Tech University and enroll in the Texas Game Warden Academy.

Jim Young is the son of Penny Anderson of Haskell.

At Haskell High School, he was junior class president, and a class officer both his freshman and sophomore years.

He was named Best Sense of Humor, Area Sophomore of the Year in the two mile, ran in the cross country regional event his junior year and has show pigs.

He enjoys hanging out with his friends and reading fiction.

He plans to attend Cisco Junior College and transfer to a four year college or university.

## Paint Creek School Menu

**Oct. 31-Nov. 4 Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Pancakes  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits, sausage, gravy  
**Wednesday:** French toast  
**Thursday:** Hot pocket  
**Friday:** Donuts

**Lunch**

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Lasagna, green beans, salad, garlic bread, fruit  
**Tuesday:** Fish sticks, corn, coleslaw, hushpuppies, jello  
**Wednesday:** Tacos, refried beans, salad, pineapples  
**Thursday:** Corn dogs, pork n beans, chips, peaches  
**Friday:** Hamburgers, cheese, pickles, salad, fries, rice krispies

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### Faith and service can help us forget all our woes

We all have times when either things go wrong or else we're afraid they will, and these real and potential calamities seem to come all at once. We worry about our health, our job security, bills, taxes, and so on. This can throw us into a real fit of depression, and we often wonder if it's all worth it. But take heart; there are some constructive things you can do while

you're waiting for the answers. First, go out and help someone who needs you. This will give you a good feeling and take your mind off your own troubles. Second, attend your house of worship and pray for God's guidance. Talk to your clergyman, who will also pray for you. Remember that he is there to help you whenever you need him, so just let him do it.

## 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 Slayton, 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. Dustin Wilhite, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.  
 Wed. 6 p.m.  
 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell

### First Assembly of God

Rev. J.C. Amburn  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

### St. George Catholic Church

Father George Roney  
 Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.  
 901 N. 16th, Haskell

### Church of Christ

Philip Sims, minister  
 Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.;  
 Wed. 7 p.m.  
 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

### First Presbyterian Church

Kelly Pigott, interim pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

### Trinity Baptist Church

Larry White, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
 114 S. Ave. D, Haskell

### Hopewell Baptist Church

Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
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Bill and Renee Glass, pastors  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.  
 Wed. 7 p.  
 200 S. Ave. F, 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  
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### 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  
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### —ROCHESTER—

### Church of Christ

Steve Willis, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 West on Main Street, Rochester

### First Baptist Church

Joseph Barrett, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.;  
 Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;  
 Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.  
 500 Main, Rochester

### Union Chapel Baptist Church

Clovis Dever  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 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

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

### Faith Lutheran Church

Rev. Dr. Keith Palmquist, pastor  
 Sun. 10:30 a.m.  
 Sagerton

—RULE—

### First Baptist Church

Russell Stanley, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 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

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 Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 500 Elm Street, Rule

### Sweet Home Baptist Church

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

### West Bethal Baptist Church

Rev. Clovis Dever  
 Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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### Paint Creek Baptist Church

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

—O'BRIEN—

### O'Brien Baptist Church

Jim Reid, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.  
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## Rule School Menu

**Oct. 31-Nov. 4 Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Choice of pork sausage biscuit or Berry Puffs cereal, mixed fruit

**Lunch**

Milk served daily.  
**Monday:** Choice of corn dog, spaghetti with roll or antipasta salad with salami or bologna and cheese sandwich, sweet corn, green beans, mixed fruit, applesauce, blue slush

## ECC Menu

**Mon., Oct. 31**

Lunch—Sloppy Joes on bun, northern beans, onions, pickles, chips, strawberry

cake, tea or coffee  
 Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

## Major stock show sign-up set Nov. 9

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

It is time for Haskell County 4-Hers to sign up for the upcoming major stock shows. The major stock shows to sign up for are Odessa (Sand Hills), Fort Worth (Southwestern), San Antonio, Houston, San Angelo and Star of Texas.

The County Extension Office will accept entries all day Wed., Nov. 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will remain open that same evening of Nov. 9 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All 4-Hers with an animal project wishing to participate in any of the above named major stock shows need to come in Wednesday night, Nov. 9 to sign up, pay appropriate fees

and have a parent also sign papers.

New this year is the Quality Counts test. This test has to be taken on-line before Nov. 9, the day of the major stock show sign up. If you do not have a computer at home that has internet hook up, call our office and set up a time to come in and take the test on one of our computers.

If there is a conflict with this date or time please contact Wes Utley, County Extension Agent or Tammy, Secretary at 940-864-2658 before Nov. 8.

The Haskell County Extension Office will be closed Tues., Nov. 8 for Election Day and Fri., Nov. 11 in observance of Veteran's Day.

## Applications being accepted for teachers

Region 14 Education Service Center is accepting applications for a 2012-13 Alternative Certification Program for Special Education, Math and Science teachers through Nov. 11, 2011.

The program allows college graduates wanting to be teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete training in the spring and summer prior to entering the classroom. During the internship year, training is continued.

Applications are selected from those who have received a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

For additional admission requirements, contact Region 14 ESC Alternative Certification Program or visit [www.esc14.net](http://www.esc14.net).

Financial reimbursement is available if grant requirements are met. This program is made possible by a 1.4 million dollar federal Transition to Teaching Grant.

The teaching certificate enables recipients to teach anywhere in Texas. Reciprocity is available in some other states.

For more information contact, Gay Ann Walts, Special Education, 325-675-7017; Donna Ray, EC-6 Generalist, 325-675-8670; Vern Popelka, Science, 325-675-8684; or Sandra Carter, Math, 325-675-7006.

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# New sales tax exemption registration for ag operators

by Wes Utley  
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.  
Beginning Jan. 1, 2012, farm, ranch and timber operators who produce agricultural and timber products for sale will need a special registration number to claim a sales tax exemption on taxable products used in those businesses. Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced they can get a registration number through either a mail-in application or an online application that started Oct. 3.

Registration is required by House Bill 268 passed in the recent legislative session and supported by retailers and agriculture

groups. "Beginning Jan. 1, anyone who wants to claim the agriculture or timber sales tax exemptions for qualifying products will need a registration number to show retailers, instead of simply signing an exemption certificate at the time of purchase," Combs said. "The new registration process takes the burden off retailers to verify whether a purchaser is eligible for exemption. And it narrows the pool of purchasers claiming the sales tax exemption to those actually involved in production of agriculture and timber products for sale."

The new legislation

requires a registration number to claim tax exemptions when buying items such as machinery and equipment; fertilizers; insecticides; irrigation equipment; and off-road motor vehicles used for farming and timber production. Those entitled to make tax-free purchases of taxable qualifying products include groups such as:

- farmers and ranchers who raise agricultural products to sell to others;
- fish farmers and bee keepers who sell the products they raise;
- custom harvesters;
- crop dusters;
- commercial nurseries engaged in fostering

growth of plants for sale; and

•timber producers, including contract lumberjacks.

Products such as feed for livestock and wildlife, seeds and annual plants are always tax-exempt and would not require a registration number.

The primary owner or operator of a farm, ranch

or timber operation may obtain one registration number that can be used by anyone authorized by the registrant—including family members or employees—to make tax exempt purchases of qualifying products for the business.

The application for a registration number should take less than 10

minutes to complete.

Online registration is available at [www.GetReadyTexas.org](http://www.GetReadyTexas.org). Online applicants will receive a registration number immediately. If you prefer, you may download a paper application form from the website or call 1-800-252-5555 to receive a form by mail.

## Transition Fair set Nov. 3

If you are the parent of a high school student with a disability you are invited to attend the fifth annual Transition Fair Nov. 3 at Region 14 Education Service Center, located at 1850 Hwy. 351 in Abilene.

The fair is an event

designed to assist students with disabilities and their parents, make connections with a variety of agencies, technical schools, and junior college representatives. The goal is for all students to be prepared for life after High School.

Sessions will focus on education/training, employment, independent living, and community involvement.

Lunch will be provided. To register, call Patti Tessen at 325-675-7019.

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# Indians lose to Stamford, to play Olney

The Stamford Bulldogs defeated the Haskell Indians 42 to 7 in this district 4-A game. The dogs used a big second quarter of play to put the game nearly out of reach of the Indians. Stamford's quarterback Hutchinson was involved in four scoring plays, two touchdowns by rushing and two touchdowns by passing.



**YARDAGE STRUGGLE**—Haskell Indian #2 Kiefer McNelly struggles to gain yardage during Friday's game against the Bulldogs. Haskell lost 42-7. McNelly had 46 yards on 15 rushes during the game. The Indians play Olney Friday night at 7:30 p.m. on Indian Field.



**INDIANS TACKLE**—Haskell Indians #10 Ryan Markey, #22 Payne Utley and #62 Stewart Ulrich gang up to tackle a Stamford Bulldog during last Friday night's game.



**INDIAN TACKLE**—Haskell Indian #59 Cole Hutchinson tackles a Stamford Bulldog. The Indians lost to Stamford 42-7.



**TORRES TACKLE**—Haskell Indian #33 Gabriel Torres gets a Bulldog tackle during last Friday's game against Stamford.

The Indians also gave up a safety to add to the Dogs scoring during this quarter of play.

Haskell would score during the third quarter using a four yard pass play from Indian quarterback Brett Shelton to receiver Ryan Markey. Kicker Omar Mexicano would split the uprights on the PAT kick to give the Indians seven points on the scoreboard.

Stamford moved their district 4-A record to 1-2 while the Indians are 0-2.

If you could wipe out the second quarter of play, you would have a 14 to 7 ball game. We all know that football is a game of four quarters and each quarter counts in the final outcome.

Haskell had 45 rushes for 145 yards and the Indians had 74 yards passing, getting one touchdown via the air. Quarterback Brett Shelton got 32 yards on eleven carries.

Running back Matthew Martinez had 62 yards on sixteen carries. Running back Kiefer McNelly got 46 yards on 15 rushes and Isaiah Llewellyn had three carries for five yards. Quarterback Shelton had 74 yards passing, going ten completions for 18 attempts. Shelton teamed up with receiver Markey for the Indians lone touchdown.

The seventh grade lost their game to Hamlin, while the eighth grade defeated the eighth grade Dogs. The JV lost to Stamford.

The seventh and eighth Warriors will play in Olney on Thursday. Kickoff is 4 p.m. for the seventh and the eighth grade will play at 5 p.m. The JV Indians are TBA for Thursday. Haskell will host the Olney Cubs for 4-A play Friday evening, Oct. 28. This contest will be at Indian Field and will be the last regular season game at home for the Indians.



**CARRIES THE BALL**—Haskell Indian #1 Mathew Martinez fights off a Stamford Bulldog for a yardage gain. Martinez had 62 yards on sixteen carries Friday night.

## City of Haskell to host Halloween in the Park on Sat.

The City of Haskell will host the first annual Halloween in the park Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Haskell youth and adults alike are urged to dress up in Halloween costumes and join us in the park for fun and trick or treating.

The City's Police, Fire, Public Works and Administration will be on hand to celebrate and take part in the events. Several businesses from the community have committed their time and resources to make this a successful and safe Halloween in the park. Businesses and community members who wish to pass out candy in the park may contact the City for a table and location assignment. We hope this effort will help in keeping our youth safe and out of the traffic on the city streets.

We will have Police and Fire vehicles on display for the kids to look at and we will provide cotton candy along with other treats.

For more information or table assignments, contact

Matthew Duran, Director of Public Safety/Works at 940-256-0774 or Judge Linda St. John at 864-3996.

We look forward to seeing you all at the City of Haskell's Halloween in the Park.

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**November 2, 2011**

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Dr. Capt grew up in Austin and attended medical school at Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Lubbock. He attended a residency in Diagnostic Radiology at the University of Oklahoma and an Internal Medicine Internship at Texas Tech HSC in Amarillo. His interests outside of medicine include fishing, hunting and cheering for the Texas Rangers.

He has practiced in Dalhart, Amarillo and has done ER coverage at numerous Texas rural hospitals. Dr. Capt enjoys providing medical care in a rural community for the entire family.

He has been married to Robin Capt for 23 years and they have three grown children Liz, Emily and Bill.

Dr. Capt will be accepting new patients starting November 1st and appointments can be made starting October 24th by calling the hospital at 864-2621. Beginning November 1st appointments can be made by calling 864-2621 ext. 320.

Clinic location will be in the Hospital Clinic located on the north side of the hospital.

