

## Basketball

**HASKELL**  
**VB-VG Albany Tournament**  
 Dec. 8-10, TBA  
 at Albany  
**JHG-JHB vs Rotan**  
 Mon., Dec. 12, 5 p.m.  
 at Rochester  
**JVG-B, VG-B vs Holiday**  
 Tues., Dec. 13, 4 p.m.  
 at Holiday  
**PAINT CREEK**  
**VG-VB vs Bryson**  
 Fri., Dec. 9, 6 p.m.  
 at Paint Creek  
**JH vs Lueders-Avoca**  
 Mon., Dec. 12, 6 p.m.  
 at Paint Creek  
**VG-VB vs Benjamin**  
 Tues., Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m.  
 at Benjamin

**RULE**  
**VB Guthrie Tournament**  
 Dec. 8-10, TBA  
 at Guthrie  
**JH vs Throckmorton**  
 Mon., Dec. 12, 6 p.m.  
 at Throckmorton  
**VG-VB vs Vernon Northside**  
 Tues., Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m.  
 at Rule

## Calendar

### Santa letters

Hey kids! Santa is getting ready to make his trip to Haskell on Christmas Eve. It's time to get your Christmas letters written and sent to him. Letters to Santa may be dropped off at the Free Press office at 420 N. First St., mailed to P.O. Box 555, Haskell, Texas 79521 or emailed to hfpnews@lycos.com. Deadline for having your letter printed in the newspaper is Thurs., Dec. 8 at 4:30 p.m. Letters will be printed on Dec. 22.

### Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., Dec. 29 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Dec. 22 at 4:30 p.m.

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., Jan. 5 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Dec. 29 at 4:30 p.m.

### Medical fund

A fund has been established at Rule Banking Center, P.O. Box 10, 523 5th St., Rule, Texas 79547, for Jack and Charlotte Coker to assist with medical expenses.

### Christmas lunch

Residents of the Rochester area are invited to celebrate a community wide Christmas lunch in the Rochester School Cafeteria Sun., Dec. 11 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings will be provided, serving as long as there is food available. Minimum donation is \$3.00 per plate. All proceeds will go to benefit the community of Rochester. For more information, call Rochester City Hall 940-742-3411.

### Christmas cantata

A Christmas Cantata will be presented Sun., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell by the Haskell County Community Choir.

### Filing deadline

The filing window for candidates to file for a place on the Democratic Primary ballot begins Nov. 28 and ends Dec. 15. For more information contact Sharon Mullino, Haskell County Democratic Chairman at 940-742-3559.

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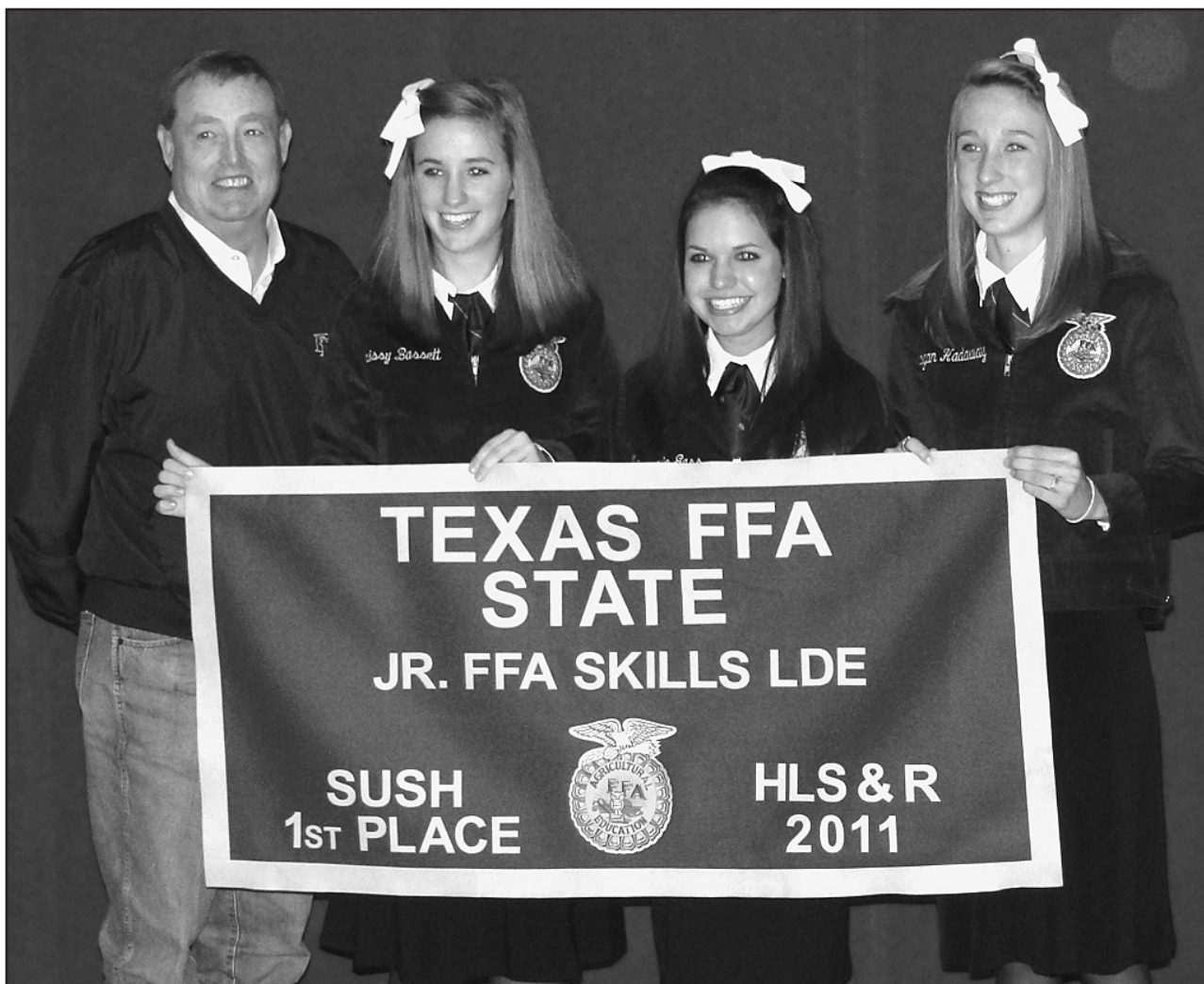
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## Haskell Jr. FFA Skills team wins state contest

Thirteen members of Haskell FFA competed in the Texas FFA State Leadership Development Contest in Huntsville Dec. 2-3. The Jr. FFA Skills team consisting of freshmen Makenzie Gass, Reagan Hadaway, and Crissy Bassett were named state champions placing first in the contest overall. These students compete against other schools by presenting the proper steps in completing a variety of agriculturally related tasks. Jr. Skills members from Haskell present the proper procedure for installing electric fences.



**STATE CHAMPION JR. FFA SKILLS**—The Haskell FFA Jr. Skills team placed first in the Texas FFA State Leadership Development Contest held in Huntsville Dec. 2-3. Team members were, l-r, Kenny Cockerell, advisor; Crissy Bassett, Makenzie Gass and Reagan Hadaway.

Also competing was the Agricultural Issues team consisting of Kymbre Kupatt, Carson Hadaway, Shelby Dunnam, Maci Colley, Cailey Foster and Emily Fouts. The Ag Issues team finished sixth place in their heat and eleventh or twelfth in the state.

The Jr. FFA Quiz team finished in 19th place. Team members were Dakota Baumbach, Henry Smith, Reed Lee and Galin Petty.

Haskell FFA members compete with schools all across the state regardless of their size. The top 20 teams in the state from 6 man schools to 5A schools were all in attendance. Across the state there were 241 Jr. Farm Skills teams, 181 Agricultural Issues teams, and 525 Jr. Quiz teams.

## Christmas Cantata to be presented Sunday

by Caron Yates

Christmas brings joy! It is an almost contagious feeling that we all seem to catch this time of year.

The Haskell County Community Choir will once

again present its annual Christmas musical. This year's performance is entitled "Joy, Joy, Joy." It is scheduled for Sun., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Haskell.

The cantata presents the idea that there are many kinds of Christmas joy including the simple joy of celebrating the season, the happy anticipation of coming together with loved ones, the

giddy excitement of children on Christmas morning, the contentment that comes from reliving Christmas memories or the delight in creating new traditions for the future.

The most important message of course, is the joy of celebrating the Savior, Immanuel, God with us. The Father's greatest joy was sending us His only Son and our greatest joy is believing in Him.

For several years, talented singers from across the county, have come together to share the message of Christmas. This year's forty-two voice choir is made up of members from Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church, East Side Baptist Church, Faith Chapel, First Assembly of God Church, First Baptist Church, First Christian Church, First United Methodist Church, Haskell Church of Christ, Iglesia Bautista El Calvario, Paint

Creek Baptist Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, St. George Catholic Church and Weinert Foursquare Church.

In addition, a Children's Choir made up from several churches will be featured in two selections. Altogether, over sixty people will be singing of the "Joy of Christmas," through contemporary arrangements, as well as familiar Christmas carols.

The group, under the direction of Jason Daniels, Youth and Music Minister at First Baptist Church, has been rehearsing weekly since September.

Following the cantata, everyone is invited to take part in a Christmas fellowship in the First Baptist Church family activity center.

Don't miss this opportunity to worship with others, celebrate the birth of our Savior, and catch the true joy of Christmas.

## Annual Haskell Christmas parade is set Saturday at 6 p.m.

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the 2011 Christmas parade to be held Sat., Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Enrollment forms and waivers are available at the Haskell Chamber

office. This year prizes will be awarded. The first place prize is 75 Haskell Dollars, second place is 50 Haskell Dollars and third place is 25 Haskell Dollars.

The parade will not have a specific theme other than Christmas. Santa Claus will arrive on the last float of the parade.

Remember the more lights, the better the float! After the parade the Lions Club will be serving hot chocolate, and Santa Claus will be in the gazebo to take pictures.

For more information, call the Haskell Chamber of Commerce office at 940-864-2477.

## Goodfellows donations to help families in need

The Haskell Goodfellows will distribute Christmas packages to needy families again this year. The project will be conducted as it has in previous years and a sincere effort will be made to provide a Christmas package of useful items to those who might not otherwise have provisions for Christmas.

On Sat., Dec. 10, the names of those who qualify for the Goodfellows project may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall between 1 and 3 p.m.

This year's Goodfellows project will be a joint effort between the Haskell Lions Club, the Haskell Co. Child Welfare Board and the

Haskell Fire Department. The Lions Club will take care of the food portion of the project; the Child Welfare Board will handle the toys and clothes and the Fire Department will handle delivery.

Haskell Lions Club officers are John Hicks, president; Donnie Rieger, vice president; and Tommy Watson, secretary-treasurer.

To donate, contact any member of the Lions Club. All cash donations may be made at the Haskell Free Press office at 420 N. First, or mailed to the Free Press at P.O. Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.



**HASKELL FFA STATE LDE PARTICIPANTS**—Haskell FFA students competing at the Texas FFA State Leadership Development Contest in Huntsville Dec. 2-3 are, l-r, Dakota Baumbach, Cailey Foster, Galin Petty, Emily Fouts, Shelby Dunnam, Makenzie Gass, Henry Smith, Reagan Hadaway, Reed Lee, Carson Hadaway, Crissy Bassett, Maci Colley and Kymbre Kupatt.

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## Window contest

The Chamber invites business owners to compete in the third annual Decorated Store Window Contest. The cost to enter the contest is \$5 and only those who have paid the entry fee will be judged.

Winners of the Decorated Window Contest will be selected Dec. 9 and announced during the parade. After the parade the Lions Club will be serving hot chocolate, and Santa Claus will be in the gazebo to take pictures.

For information or to enter, call the Haskell Chamber of Commerce office at 940-864-2477.

## SRTC scholarships

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The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) College Scholarship Program 2012 is a national scholarship program awarding 30 scholarships at \$2,500 each. These scholarships are made available in cooperation with FRS, National Telecommunication Cooperative Association (NTCA) and Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Please ask your high school counselor for a copy of the SRTC scholarship application as well as a FRS College Scholarship Program 2012 application or, contact Donna Moore at the Santa Rosa Telephone Vernon office at 1-888-886-2217 ext 38. The completed applications are due in the SRTC Vernon office on or by Feb. 1, 2012.



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**SNOWFALL**—Haskell and the area awoke Mon., Dec. 5 to a snow covered scene, setting the tone for the Christmas season. Most folks didn't seem to mind, saying that the moisture was very welcome and the temperatures were at least not in the 100s.

## Obituaries

### Kathryn 'Kathy' Diane Manske



**KATHY MANSKE**

Funeral services for Kathryn 'Kathy' Diane Manske, 61, of Sagerton were held Thurs., Dec. 1 at Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton with lay ministers Dean and Patsy Quade officiating and the Rev. Jacob West of Stamford assisting. Burial was in Sagerton Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Tankersley Funeral Home in Stamford.

Manske's kind, nurturing spirit departed this life Nov. 29 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. She was a loving wife and mother, special friend and nurse extraordinaire.

The oldest child of Wayne and Melba White Harris, she was born in Odessa Sept. 10,

1950. She was a 1969 graduate of Haskell High School. She married Tommy Manske Aug. 4, 1971 in Sagerton. They made their home there for 40 years.

After finishing nursing school in 1987, Manske began her medical career in nursing as an LVN. She worked at the Stamford Clinic, and in 1988 began working for Dr. Neil Gibson and remained his nurse for 24 years.

Raising three sons and a menagerie of animals, she reveled in the fun of her sons' pranks. Her remedy for any situation was always, "let's eat." An excellent cook, she loved to feed her family and friends, whether at the lake cabin or her home in Sagerton. An abundance of food and laughter accompanied mealtime at the Manskes. Her patient and caring ways coupled with a selfless spirit endeared her to those who called her wife, mother, grandmother, friend or nurse.

When the "Sisters by Heart" group congregated on the weekends to do home improvement projects on each other's houses, they hammered, painted and sawed to the oldies, especially

Patsy Cline songs, a favorite of Manske's. When not remodeling with her friends, she enjoyed planting flowers, working in her yard and playing with grandchildren.

Her parents, a brother Mike and middle son, Michael, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Philip and wife Jenna Lea of Lorenzo and Brian and wife Joni of Sagerton; stepmother, Lavonne Harris of Glen Rose; one aunt, Delight Jones of Haskell; five grandchildren, Tyler, Hunter, Leanne, Lenzi and Lezli, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Tommy Casey, Ernie Manske, Jace Manske, Jerry Manske, Johnny Manske, Monty Martin, Garland Medford and Eric Strand.

Honorary pallbearers were Julie Casey, Christy Green, Kay Perry, Donna Saffel and Pam Thigpen.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Online condolences may be viewed at [www.tankersleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tankersleyfuneralhome.com). PD. NOTICE

### Dela Faye Massengale Tibbets McLain



**DELA MCLAIN**

Funeral services for Dela Faye Massengale Tibbets McLain, 87, of Trinity were held Mon., Dec. 5 at the Church of Christ in Rule with John Greeson and Tommy Scarmardo officiating. Burial was in the Rochester Cemetery in Rochester under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes of Haskell.

Mrs. McLain passed away Fri., Dec. 2 in Houston.

Born Sept. 2, 1924 in Flo, she was the daughter of Bill and Lois Massengale.

She married Ozzie Jessie Tibbets in Benjamin April 28, 1942 and lived more than 40 years in Rochester. Ozzie passed away in June of 1983. They owned 200 acres in Haskell County which they farmed and raised cotton. McLain also worked as a manager and bookkeeper at The Ridge & Maridee Motel in Breckenridge. She was a member of the Church of Christ and spent many years as a Sunday School teacher.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ozzie Tibbets and second husband, Bob McLain; her parents, Bill and Lois Massengale; her sister, Nadine; three brothers, Merle, Alvin and Lloyd Earl; and a step-son Bobby J. McLain.

Survivors include her daughter, Darlene McKinley of Trinity; two sons, Buddy Tibbets of Haskell and Travis Tibbets of Pampa; step-son, Pat McLain of Irving; two sisters, Anita Giles and husband Gary of Arroya

Grande, California and Mary Brock and husband Harold of Bakersfield, California; 10 grandchildren, Cami Scarmardo and husband Tommy of Cypress, Heath Tibbets and wife Shanna of Idalou, Karen Ivy and husband Johnny of Trinity, Sheila Been and husband Mike of Pampa, Angela Mitchell and husband Steven of Baird, Jerred Tibbets and wife Tina of Pampa, Amy Easterling of Anson, Laura Macias and husband Nathan of Anson, Cody Tibbets of Haskell and Steven Tibbets and wife Katie of Amarillo; 25 great grandchildren, Hillary, Haley Tre, Chelsea, Colton, Josh, Jeremy, Brian, Brittany, Skyler, Madison, Ty, Katelynn, Tate, Lauren, Sheldon, Taylor, Ashlynn, Courtney, Regan, Haley, Lauren, Ethan, Seth and Bryce; and one great great grandchild, Raylen.

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**PENNIES FOR PATIENTS**—Rule FCCLA sponsored a Pennies for Patients contest Nov. 7-18, challenging each grade in Rule ISD to raise the most money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The top three grades were given an ice cream party Tues., Nov. 22. First place was Kindergarten with \$248; second place was fifth grade with \$88 and third place was first grade raising \$63. The total amount donated to the organization was \$705. Pictured are, front row, l-r, Kindergarten, Timothy Moore, Michael Erwin, Donna Green, Shelby Saffel, Harley Sears, J.R. Green, Sirena Baiza, Astrid Guzman, Lani Richards and Kindergarten teacher, Shannon Deen; second row, second grade, Sean Gatlin, Mason Whitehead, Cory Mathis, Kelly Lowack, Jilian Trevino, Austen Sanford and Wayland Isabell; third row, fifth grade teacher, Leigh Sims, fifth grade students, Del Fritzler, Joseph Chavez, Daniel Cassal, Isiah Castillo, Courtney Hertel, Leann Manske and Avery Tanner; standing, FCCLA Sponsor, Fonda Newton and second grade teacher, Ellen Rieger.

## Students visit Rotary Club



**KATIE BOSNJAK**

Katie Bosnjak is the daughter of Jim Bosnjak and Jamie Bosnjak and a senior at Paint Creek School.

Bosnjak's activities include basketball, track, and cross country. She was named to the All-District Honorable Mention basketball team her junior year and was a regional qualifier in track her sophomore year. She also received the Coach's Award the past two years for her participation in athletics. She served as co-editor of the yearbook last year and is the current editor. She is a member of FCCLA, FFA, Fellowship of Christian Pirates, and the Vice-President of Student Council.

She has participated in UIL academic events each year and is a member of last year's third place team in the district in Calculator. Bosnjak has served as a class officer and has been a member of the PC Pep Squad. She has received the Presidential Award for Outstanding Performance each year.

Her hobbies include playing basketball, dancing, computer designing, and



**FELYSHA WALKER**

hanging out with friends.

After graduation, Bosnjak plans to attend the University of North Texas and major in Communication Design.

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Felysha Walker is the daughter of Amy Jimenez and Barry Walker and is a senior at Paint Creek School.

Walker is an active member of FFA and serves as the Chapter President and Area Sentinel. She has gone to the state level competitions three years in Creed Speaking and is a member of the Senior Quiz Team which placed third in Area the past two years. Walker has received both the Star Agriculture Award and the FFA Star Greenhand Day award. Walker plays basketball, runs cross country and competes in field events in track. She was named as a First Team All-District Basketball member her junior year and has been a recipient of the Star Basketball Award and the Kay Overton Memorial Basketball Award.

Walker serves as Senior Advisor in FCCLA, Secretary of Fellowship of Christian Pirates, and has been a class

## Paint Creek School Menu

**Dec. 12-16  
Breakfast**

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Breakfast bagels

**Tuesday:** Waffles

**Wednesday:** Biscuits, gravy

**Thursday:** Pancakes

**Friday:** Hot pockets

**Lunch**

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Salisbury Steak, mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, apple crisp

**Tuesday:** Tacos, refried beans, salad, pineapples

**Wednesday:** Baked potatoes, ham, cheese, salad, bananas

**Thursday:** Pizza, corn, salad, fruit cups

**Friday:** Chicken patty sandwiches, salad, fries, cookies

## Calendar

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Dec. 17 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.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Dec. 17 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

### Movie showing

A free showing of "Courageous," the movie will be held Sat., Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Activity Center in Haskell.

### Christmas eve service

A candlelight Christmas Eve service will be held at First Baptist Church Sat., Dec. 24 at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome.

officer. She participates in One Act Play and was a member of the All-Star Cast her junior year. She was chosen by the faculty last year for the Citizenship Award and has received the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence each year.

She is a member of NHS and participates in UIL academic competitions placing in Calculator and Poetry. She was crowned as Homecoming Queen her sophomore year and selected as Class Favorite her ninth and eleventh grade years. Walker was a Big Country Electric Speech Contest and Scholarship winner her sophomore year which won her a trip to Washington, D.C. and a \$1500 college scholarship. This past summer she served as a delegate at Girls State.

After graduation, she plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in political science then attend law school.

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# OPINION

## TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State Capital



### HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

#### High-level bickering continues in redistricting

AUSTIN—Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott last week accused the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division of delaying the requisite preclearance of new state House and Senate electoral maps adopted last spring by the state Legislature.

In a Dec. 1 letter to Assistant U.S. Attorney General Tom Perez of the Civil Rights Division, Abbott said that such delays harm Texas voters. Perez responded, attributing the delays to Abbott's legal maneuvers on behalf of the state.

In November, Abbott requested that the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, hear the case in mid-December so district lines would be set, candidates could file the necessary forms and the way to normal primary elections in March would be cleared. But the federal Civil Rights Division requested five additional months of discovery in litigation brought by opponents of the maps.

Abbott said the request "can only be construed as a misguided effort to further postpone an expeditious resolution of this case."

Also, on Dec. 2, Abbott and the state's chief litigator, Solicitor General Jonathan Mitchell, filed a U.S. Supreme Court brief in support of the state's earlier petition for an emergency stay of the U.S. district court's redrawn redistricting maps and asserted again that the state had fulfilled requirements for preclearance under the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

With the state and federal justice systems operating on separate timetables and political urgencies, pressures are mounting. Dec. 15 is the last day to file for a place on the ballot and three months remain until the March 6 primary election date.

#### Panels to study border issues

Lt. Gov. Dewhurst, who presides over the state Senate, on Dec. 1 issued charges to three Senate committees to study border security and human trafficking.

The committees on Transportation & Homeland Security and Criminal Justice, in addition to the Joint Interim Committee to Study Human Trafficking, will examine a variety of topics, such as the economic impact of violence and illegal commerce, the effectiveness of law enforcement, and the availability of assistance for victims.

"In the last decade, Texas has seen a disturbing influx of drugs, human trafficking and transnational gangs. As lawmakers, our most important responsibility is to ensure the physical safety of all 25 million men, women and children who

call Texas home. That's why we must continue to improve our border security and stop deadly spillover violence from coming across our borders," Dewhurst said in issuing the charges.

#### Program aims to add jobs

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples on Nov. 29 made an announcement about Jobs for Texas, a new program meant to build the state's economy by fostering private job creation and business expansions.

Through "J4T," Staples said, the state has awarded \$17 million to Advantage Capital Partners and \$10 million to Enhanced Capital Partners, firms that are tasked with investing those dollars in entrepreneurs and small businesses that will employ more Texans.

Also, Staples announced, small businesses seeking financial input through traditional lending may apply for the J4T Loan Guarantee Program, which has \$10.5 million available to guarantee business loans.

#### Input on lizard will continue

Comptroller Susan Combs, Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson and Railroad Commissioner Barry Smitherman expressed satisfaction in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Dunes Sagebrush Lizard announcement last week.

The federal agency on Dec. 1 extended the timeline by six months for input before deciding whether the lizard should be listed as protected under the Endangered Species Act.

In separate announcements, the state agency chiefs agreed that if the lizard is named to the endangered species list, oil and gas production in the Permian Basin would be hampered and jobs would be lost.

Information posted by The Fitzgerald Lab, Texas A&M University, says the lizard's preferred habitat is in bowl-shaped depressions called "sand dune blowouts."

#### Disaster proclamation renewed

Even with the recent precipitation and cooler weather, most of Texas is in a state of extreme drought and the fire risk is high, very high or exceptional, according to statistics made public by the Texas Water Development Board.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, acting governor, on Nov. 30 extended Gov. Rick Perry's Dec. 21, 2010, emergency disaster proclamation of a statewide wildfire and drought emergency. When Perry is out of the state, Dewhurst serves as acting governor. Perry has been campaigning to be the Republican nominee for president in 2012.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago December 6, 2001

Haskell County football players named to the All-District teams were Eddie Loyd, first team defense and second team offense; James Jeanes, second team offense; and Arturo Arebalos received the Fighting Heart Award. Named in six-man were Will Smith of Rule, first team offense and defense; Dewayne McGhee of Rochester, and Jason Custer of Rule both to the first team offense; Billy Sanchez of Rochester, Bobby Flores of Rule, and Josh Hearn of Rochester were named to the first team defense.

Andrew Sammons, son of Steve and Paula Sammons of Haskell, caught a ten pound bass on a rod and reel at Miller Creek.

The Haskell Maidens and Haskell Indians basketball teams both took the championship in the Haskell Invitational Tournament.

The Maidens are coached by David Middleton and Shawna Faircloth, while the Indians are coached by Darrel Hunt and Mark Adams.

#### 20 Years Ago December 5, 1991

Bill Jones of Rule, was sworn in as an attorney-at-law by District Judge Charles Chapman. He graduated with a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Texas Tech School of Law.

Joe B. and Ima Lee Smith celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary.

The Haskell Maidens defeated the Munday Moguls 50-36 in basketball action. Teresa Diaz, Misty Bartley and Shana McKenzie all scored in the double figures. Tommy Isbell paced the Indians with 25 points and Jonathan Tatum had 13 points for the 47-40 win over the Moguls.

#### 30 Years Ago December 3, 1981

Mr. and Mrs. J.T.

Alexander were honored with a 50th wedding anniversary reception at the Foursquare Church in Weinert. It was hosted by their children, Mrs. W.D. Harlan and J.W. Alexander.

Gladys Mae Cozby, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Conner of Haskell, has been selected as a member of Alpha Chi honor society at Abilene Christian University. She is a 1956 graduate of Haskell High School and is a junior art major.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kennedy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at the Haskell Country Club. They moved to Haskell in 1952, when they bought out Drew Lumber Company. They have two children, Jodie and Lucy, along with four grandchildren.

#### 40 Years Ago December 9, 1971

Keith Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chapman of Haskell, has been honored

by The Southwestern Company. A student at Texas A&M University, he won special recognition in competition with more than 4,000 outstanding college students who were chosen to participate in the Southwestern Summer Program.

Army Second Lieutenant Wendell F. Coston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Coston, completed an Adjutant General Officer Basic Course at the U.S. Army Adjutant General School, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

Haskell Indians named to the District 7-AA All-District first team were Jim Bob Mickler and Jackie Young, offense; Bob Shea, Forest Mayfield and Young, defense; and Coach Tommy McAdams was named Coach of the Year.

#### 50 Years Ago December 7, 1961

Among the businessmen attending the West Texas Chamber of Commerce day long meeting in Abilene were Dr. T.W. Williams, R.C. Couch Sr., Jetty V. Clare and Alvis Ballard, all from Haskell.

Shirley Jean Young was elected Band Sweetheart for the 1962 Haskell Indian Band. She is a senior and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Young.

#### 100 Years Ago December 9, 1911

Henry Johnson, the insurance man, says he can now insure livestock against death from any cause.

Marr Brothers have announced they will auction off their restaurant in Weinert on Dec. 23.



## Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

I am completely overwhelmed by the season...just looking at our calendar and seeing everyday an activity. Don't you wish you could sometimes yell, "Stop!" We're involved in putting together floats for the Christmas parade this Saturday...also participating in Christmas parties of several clubs, city organizations. Waiting for that moment after the tree is decorated and we can sit in the dim light and truly discern the meaning of the season... followed by all the sentiment of remembering Christmases past, and all the loved ones gone. It is a joyous season, but there are times when I can fully understand why there are more suicides around the Christmas season than any other time of the year. If you are alone and have lost many of your loved ones, it must be the loneliest, most depressing experience. However, it can also be one of the most joyous and happy times of the year especially if you have little ones around.

Whatever your circumstance, I hope and pray you will find reason to truly enjoy the season.

I was involved in a conversation just the other day where we were wondering what people did during the Christmas season who had very little or no family. It was interesting to sit and listen to the suggestions put forth. If you find yourself in this situation, you might want to adopt a family into whose lives you could bring some joy. You could be a 'secret Santa' to one or several folks whom you could really surprise. You could volunteer to help with the local Christmas meal or you might find someone who has to work on Christmas Day and offer to 'sit-in' for them while they take a break. You might be able to help out at the local hospital or nursing home or retirement center. You might find someone in a situation similar to yours that is unable to be 'out and about'—go spend some time with them so that neither of

you is lonely. If you adopt the attitude that you intend to make another person's day a little brighter, I can almost guarantee you that your day will also be brighter.

I feel that we are in the final stages of filling the vacant positions on our police force. I hope when I write this article next week, I can tell you whom we have hired as our new chief of police as well as the new officer. We are making good progress concerning filling these two positions.

I am truly amazed at the positive comments I keep getting concerning how clean our town looks compared to many others. I'm going to have to work on my 'outlook' when it comes to what all we (emphasis on we) have accomplished. When the wife and I get out and make a mayoral run, I can easily see the things that need to be done and that's okay. What I really need to concentrate on is what has been done—and it has been a bunch. I am well aware that progress comes in 'small steps'; however, I am a 'giant leap' person. Let's keep up the same mind-set of cleaning up our town in 2012.

I have noticed in the news media of late that our 4-H'ers, the FFA students and some TxDOT employees have been participating in various types of competition. I am always proud of our citizens when they enter the competitive arena. I know winning is important to those of you who enter the event, but I am proud of you just for entering. It takes lots of time in preparation for these events and I applaud

your efforts.

As you start shopping for gifts for all of your family and friends, do your best to fill that list with items that you purchase locally. We have lots of businesses with lots of items from which to choose so make your choices here if at all possible.

I know that as I approach maturity (I use that term rather than saying "getting old") sometimes my memory is not as sharp as it once was. Am I seeing more elaborate decorations for Christmas this year than in years past? It sure seems so to me.

Yesterday was the Tour of Homes sponsored by the Noah Project. I always try to make the rounds to see what other people have done. However, this year I got busy doing some more decorating outside and just flat forgot. My apologies to one and all because I know how much time and effort it takes to participate in this project because we have done it. I was told there was an excellent turnout even though the weather was not the best. I feel certain all of the homes on the tour were beautiful and I will do my best to remember next year.

Does anyone else have as much trouble buying Christmas presents for their spouse as yours truly? It is so much fun to find something that is a complete surprise and really makes her happy. Best get busy on that as the time is rapidly approaching.

Mark it! Christmas parade Sat., Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Christmas Cantata First Baptist Church Sun., Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.

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## Alzheimer's workshop

The Alzheimer's Association—North Central Texas Chapter will present a free educational program entitled "The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia & Alzheimer's Disease," Tues., Dec. 13 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Abilene Regional Office, located at 301 S. Pioneer Drive, Suite 105, in Abilene.

This workshop is designed for anyone who would like to know more about the difference between the changes that can accompany normal aging and Alzheimer's disease and related

dementias.

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's research, care and support. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Seating is limited. To reserve a seat or for more information, contact Mindy Bannister at 325-672-2907 or 1-800-272-3900.



# 2011 Haskell Indians ★ Maidens Basketball



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, #20 David Newton, #32 Gabriel Torres, #14 Mathew Martinez and #12 Kelby Bell; back row, #34 Sterling Bird, #30 Brett Shelton, #22 Brady Leach, #24 Isaiah Llewellyn and Coach Tate Thompson.

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Indians  
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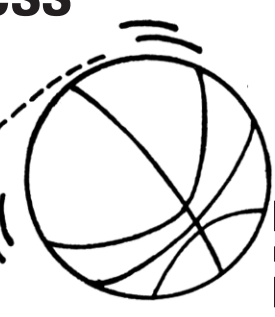


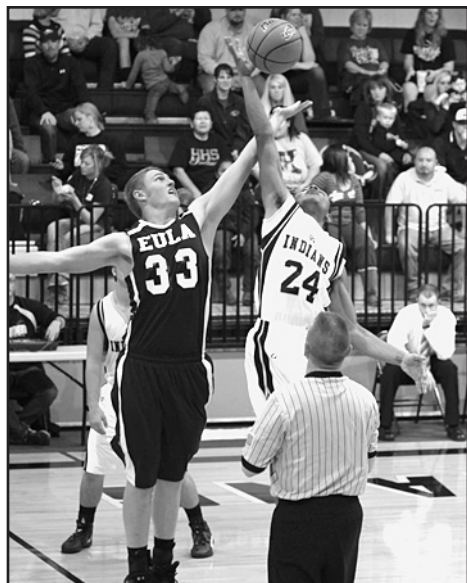
HASKELL MAIDENS—Front row, l-r, #35 Delecia Garcia, #25 Ashley Adams, #21 Myra Rodriguez, #5 Jacie Klose and #23 Sidney Cassidy; back row, #53 McKenzie Shelton, #31 Maci Colley, #33 Dana Rodriguez, #43 Caitlin Johnson, #11 Taylor Burson, #15 Reagan Hadaway and #41 Carson Hadaway.

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Haskell Indian #24 Isaiah Llewellyn on the tipoff.



Haskell Indian #20 David Newton drives to the basket.



Haskell Maiden #25 Ashley Adams on defense.



Haskell Maiden #15 Reagan Hadaway drives in to score.

## Haskell Co. Gin Report

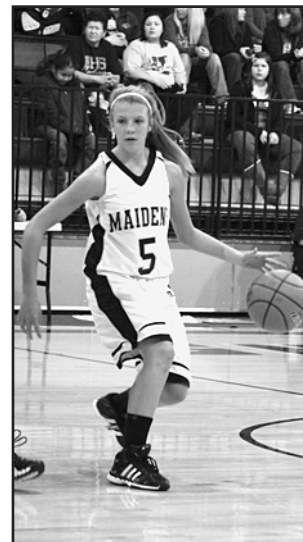
December 5, 2011  
 Haskell  
 Haskell County Gin.....45  
 O'Brien  
 O'Brien Co-op..... 4,217  
 Rule  
 Rule Co-op Gin..... 1,635  
 Weinert  
 Griff's Gin..... 295  
 Weinert Gin..... 189  
 Total bales..... 6,381  
 Note: Haskell Co-Op Gin is not going to gin this year and will send their cotton to Rule Co-Op Gin.



Haskell Indian #14 Mathew Martinez looks to pass.



Haskell Indian #34 Sterling Bird lays the ball up.



Haskell Maiden #5 Jacie Klose dribbles down court.



Haskell Indian #30 Brett Shelton attempts a free throw.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



God's love appears in the sparkling white of winter

When autumn colors fade away  
 And skies aren't overcast with gray,  
 The brightest stars are on display  
 To brighten up the night;  
 And meanwhile, on the earth below,  
 The ground and trees are all aglow,  
 They're blanketed with ice and snow,  
 To everyone's delight

The icicles adorn the trees  
 And all the world would seem to freeze;  
 However, everyone agrees  
 It is an awesome sight.  
 Each lesson of our faith implies  
 A blessing we should recognize;  
 The love of God before our eyes,  
 With winter's sparkling white.

## 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.  
 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

**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

**Weinert Foursquare Church**  
 Rev. Robert Harrison  
 Sunday 11 a.m  
 Weinert

**—ROCHESTER—**  
**Church of Christ**  
 Steve Willis, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 West on Main Street, Rochester

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

**Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
 Clovis Dever  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Rochester

**Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
 Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
 Sun. 10:30 a.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

**Church of Christ**  
 John Greeson, minister  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 811 Union, Rule

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
 Alfa y Omegs  
 Manuel Marin, pastor  
 Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 500 Elm Street, Rule

**Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
 Russell Stanley, interim pastor  
 Sunday 9 a.m.  
 Gladstone Ave., Rule

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

**—PAINT CREEK—**  
**Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
 Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Paint Creek

**—O'BRIEN—**  
**O'Brien Baptist Church**  
 Jim Reid, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.  
 O'Brien

## Area basketball scores

**Girls**  
 Haskell 47, Eula 22  
 Scoring for Haskell: C. Hadaway 13, C. Johnson 9, R. Hadaway 9, M. Rodriguez 5, K. Shelton 4, J. Klose 3, T. Burson 2, A. Adams 2.

**Paint Creek 11**  
 Harrold 40, Paint Creek 38  
 Scoring for Paint Creek: Buerger 24, Bosnjak 8, Reed 2, Lopez 2, McCord 2.

**Roby Roundball Classic**  
 Anson 18, Haskell 17  
 Scoring for Haskell: Shelton, 8, Johnson 4, Klose 2, Garcia 2, Rodriguez 1.

**Post 55, Haskell 52**  
 Scoring for Haskell: Garcia 19, Shelton 16, D. Rodriguez 6, M. Rodriguez 4, Billington 3, Burson 2, Johnson 2.  
 JV: Eula 33, Haskell 16  
 Sterling City 32, Haskell 28

**Boys**  
 Chilocoth 39, Rule 31  
 Scoring for Rule: M. Perez 10, Grindstaff 6, Hardamon 6, Quintero 5, Lewis, 2 Rogers 2.

**Cowboy Classic**  
 Gold-Burg 34, Paint Creek 30  
 Scoring for Paint Creek: McCord 7, McTasney 6, Matthies 3, Burnett 2, Pannell 2, Masias 1.

**Aspermont Tournament**  
 Knox City 53, Rule 23  
 Scoring for Rule: Hardaman 8, Quintero 4, Taylor 3, Perez 2, Grindstaff 2, Lewis 2, Rogers 2. Three point goals, Hardaman and Taylor.

**Aspermont Tournament**  
 Rotan 36, Rule 26  
 Scoring for Rule: Hardamon 6, M. Perez 5, J. Perez 5.

**Cowboy Classic**  
 Northside 57, Trent 47, Rule 12  
 Scoring for Rule: M. Perez 5, Quintero 4, Taylor 3.

## 4-H bellringers aid Salvation Army

The Salvation Army kettle has been set up during the Christmas holiday season for years at Modern Way's front entrance. The Haskell Ministerial Alliance and Haskell Salvation Army branch officers have asked the Haskell County 4-H Club to help out again this year. The 4-H members will man the bell through Dec. 11, and on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The money donated at the Salvation Army kettle is kept in Haskell, 100% of the cash, but the checks received are sent to Dallas, and then they return 25% of the checks back to Haskell County. The money is given to the Haskell Ministerial Alliance to help people that are in special need of help.

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**Dec. 12-16 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, orange juice  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast taco or Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, sour green applesauce, fruit punch juice  
**Thursday:** Golden waffles with syrup or Cocoa Puffs cereal, majestic pears, apple juice  
**Friday:** Breakfast biscuit with egg or Trix cereal, original applesauce, orange

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:** Chef Boyardee ravioli with roll or Italian antipasto salad with salami or energy meal with bologna and cheese; sweet corn, green beans, mixed fruit, peaches, red slushy  
**Tuesday:** Frito chili pie or fajita chicken salad or energy meal with turkey and cheese; glazed carrots, whole wheat crackers, fresh honey dew, lettuce and cheese, red

slushy.  
**Wednesday:** Beef and bean burrito or garden pasta salad or energy meal with ham and cheese; Mexicali corn, refried beans, sour green applesauce, majestic pears, red slushy.  
**Thursday:** Steak fingers with gravy and roll or zesty tuna salad or energy meal with tuna salad; scalloped potatoes, green beans, fresh cantaloupe, whole wheat crackers, red slushy.  
**Friday:** Tony's pizza or chef salad or energy meal with po-boy; tater tots, baked beans, original applesauce, chocolate chip cookie, red slushy.


## Rule School Menu

**Dec. 12-16 Breakfast**  
Juice and milk are served daily.  
**Monday:** Pork sausage, biscuits, Berry Puffs cereal, mixed fruit.  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits with sausage, gravy, Lucky Charm cereal, peaches.  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast taco, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, applesauce.  
**Thursday:** Waffles with syrup, Cocoa Puffs cereal, pears.  
**Friday:** Biscuit with egg, Trix cereal, applesauce.  
**Lunch**  
Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Ravioli with roll, bologna and cheese sandwich, sweet corn, green beans,

mixed fruit, peaches, red slushy  
**Tuesday:** Frito chili pie, turkey and cheese sandwich, glazed carrots, crackers, fresh fruit, lettuce and cheese, red slushy  
**Wednesday:** Beef and bean burrito, ham and cheese sandwich, Mexicali corn, refried beans, fresh fruit, lettuce and cheese, red slushy  
**Thursday:** Steakfinger with gravy and roll, tuna sandwich, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fresh fruit, crackers, red slushy  
**Friday:** Pizza, po-boy sandwich, tater tots, baked beans, applesauce, chocolate chip cookie, red slushy

## Experienced Citizens Center Menu

**Mon., Dec. 12**  
Beef a roni, mixed veggies, beets, Parmesan toast, tea or coffee  
**Wed., Dec. 14**  
Christmas special with all the trimmings, peach cobbler, tea or coffee  
**Fri., Dec. 16**  
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Contract 6236-58-001 for ONCALLMBGF in TAYLOR County, etc. will be opened on January 4, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$378,245.00.  
Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
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**SERVICE AWARDS**—Receiving service awards at the annual Haskell Volunteer Fire Department banquet Monday night were, l-r, Randy Shaw, Fire Chief, 30 years of service; Donald Cunningham, Captain, 30 years of service; and Casey Moeller, Lieutenant, 5 years of service. The men received service badges from the Fire Department and framed certificates from the City. Shaw and Cunningham also received jackets from the City of Haskell.

## Haskell Fire Dept. holds annual awards banquet

The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department members held their annual banquet Mon., Dec. 5.

Response to calls reports listed 18 structure fires, 51 wildfires, 14 landing zones, six motor vehicle crashes, four vehicle fires, and one each cotton, hay bale, power

pole and dumpster fire. Three firemen were recognized with service awards. Randy Shaw and Donald Cunningham each have 30 years of service and Casey Moeller has served the department five years.

## Rule ISD Employee Spotlight



LEIGH SIMS

Leigh Sims is in her fourth year of teaching at Rule ISD, and in her first year as the fifth grade teacher. She lives in Haskell with husband Philip, who serves as the Church of Christ minister.

The Sims have one grown son, Paul. They also have two cats, Zebulun and Callie.

She enjoys reading and watching sports in her spare time. Sims's favorite quote is "I can do everything through him who gives me strength. Philippians 4:13."

## Calendar

### Bible study

A non-denominational and bilingual Bible study will be held every Tuesday 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.

### Christmas parade

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade is set Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. To enter, go by the Chamber office for an enrollment form and a waiver. Prizes are, first place 75 Haskell Dollars, second place 50 Haskell Dollars and third place 25 Haskell Dollars. The Lions Club will serve hot chocolate at the gazebo after the parade. Santa Claus will be at the gazebo after the parade for pictures. For more information, call the Chamber office at 940-864-2477.

### 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.

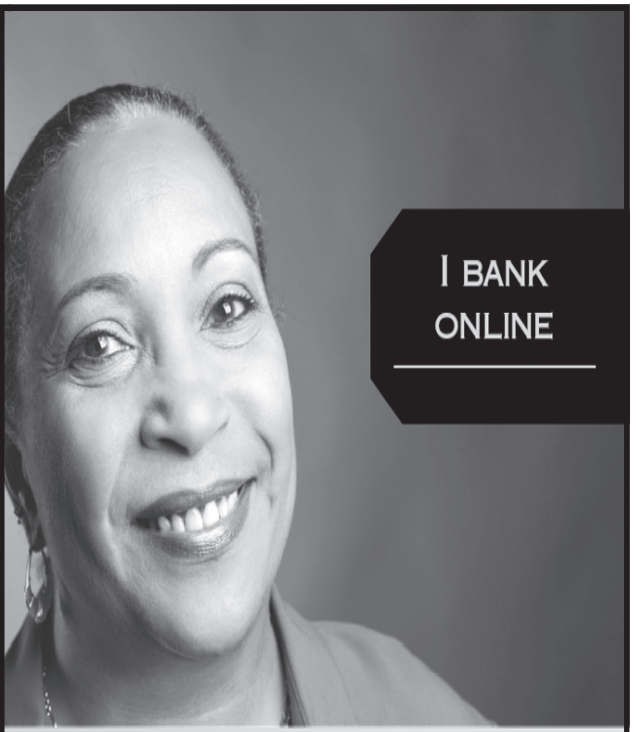
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Anonymous.....	\$50
Robert Tribbey family.....	\$100
Kenneth and Doris Larned.....	\$200
Gift in recognition of Haskell VFD and local law enforcement .....	\$1000
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