

## Calendar

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., July 15 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., July 15 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

### Fellowship

A community summer event and homemade ice cream fellowship will be held Sun., July 16 from 3 to 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Weinert. Everyone is invited to join in the event offering games for the kids and a concert by the Earthman Family Fiddlers at 4 p.m.

### City of Rule City

### Wide Clean Up set July 24-28

The City of Rule City Wide Clean Up will be held July 24-28. This is for Rule residents only. Dumpsters will be located at the Rule VFD. One roll off will be available for tires only—no rims. Two roll offs will be available for trash and debris only. Freon in all appliances will need to be professionally removed and tagged by a licensed tech. For more information, call Rule City Hall, 940-996-2214.

### Fund established

An expense fund has been established at First Bank Texas to help pay for funeral expenses for Benito (Paco) Granda.

### Homecoming

Haskell-Mattson-Rochester-Weinert 2017 homecoming date has been changed due to UIL changes in the schedule. Homecoming will be held Oct. 20-21. If you have questions, call 806-773-8715. Make your plans to attend.

### Pool hours

The Haskell City Pool will be open Tues.-Sat. from noon to 6 p.m. Cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for ages 4 years to 17 years; and 3 and under free. Pool parties are two hours long and the cost is \$75 paid at City Hall. Two lifeguards are required at each party at a cost of \$20 each. Parties are after pool hours only Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call City Hall at 940-864-2333.

### Summer reading

The Haskell County Library, 300 N. Ave. E, is hosting a summer reading program titled "Build a Better World" through July 27. Storytime will be held on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for ages three to first grade. The reading program will be held on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. for ages second grade to fifth grade. For more information, call 940-864-2747.



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**ART LAB**—Kacy Latham presented Art Lab: Kids Create with painting Thurs., July 6 during the summer reading program at the Haskell County Library. Her helper, Skyler Rhoads, read *Why is Blue Dog Blue* by the belated George Rodrigue. Rodrigue, from Louisiana, formed George Rodrigue Foundation of the Arts (GRFA), a non-profit organization in 2009. The foundation advocates the importance of the visual arts in children's development. Latham donated *Why is Blue Dog Blue* to the library. Those who attended had the opportunity to create their own blue dog blue. Twelve students attended the program. Latham is a contemporary abstract painter, graphic designer and sculptor who lives in her small hometown of Munday. Latham received her BFA in Theatre from Midwestern State University where she discovered her knack for design and painting in her scene design classes. This was her third time to present at the library. If you would like more information, visit [www.kacylatham.com](http://www.kacylatham.com).



## Knox-Haskell Rural Leadership Program opens enrollment

The Knox-Haskell Rural Leadership Program is ramping up for its fourth year. This eight-month prestigious-leadership series will be packed with outstanding speakers, tours, workshops, networking and much more. The Knox County Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service and the Development Corporation of Haskell (DCOH) are sponsoring the Knox-Haskell Rural Leadership Program.

Each class will include curriculum elements such as communication, conflict management, dealing with difficult people/situations, diversity, leadership styles, customer service and team building to name just a few. In addition, there will be local tours of businesses, museums, and other places that make each county unique.

This class will also teach you the inter-workings of city, county and state governments, school boards, economic development and more. These tours will help participants learn more about their community and the region.

The leadership series will be open to 15 people. Those participating will attend an action-packed, team building orientation session Sept. 15. Monthly sessions will be held on the first Friday of each month from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting in October and going through April 2018 in Knox and Haskell County. The group will take a trip to Austin in February 2018. And, each group will launch a community project upon completion of the training in April.

The program costs \$275 and may be paid by the

employer or by individuals. Each participant will receive 4.8 CEUs from Vernon College. This fee includes all travel, food, a shirt, the overnight trip to Austin and all supplies.

Applications are available to Knox County residents at the Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service office in the Knox County Courthouse or downloaded at <http://knox.agrilife.org/>. For Haskell County residents, applications can be picked up at the Haskell County Courthouse at the DCOH office on the second floor or downloaded at [www.haskelltxasusa.com/edc](http://www.haskelltxasusa.com/edc). Application deadline is Sept. 1, 2017, but sooner is better because space is limited.

For more information call the DCOH at 940-864-3424 or Knox County at 940-459-2651.



LAURA FUENTES



RYANNA RODRIQUEZ

## Two Maidens named to All-Big Country Softball teams

The Abilene Reporter-News has announced its 2017 All-Big Country Softball Team. Two Haskell Maidens received a spot on the roster.

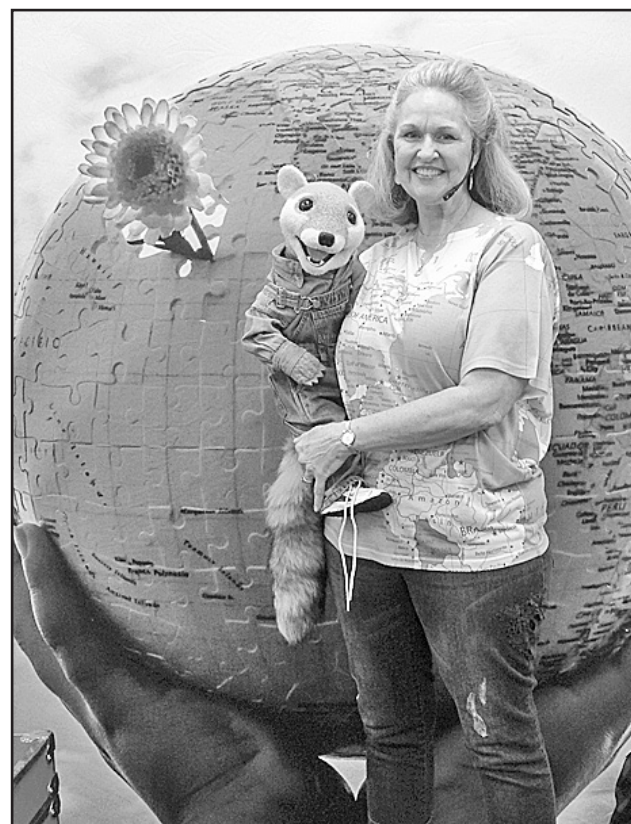
Area softball coaches submitted nominations for players they considered the best in the Big Country, All-State, as well as a large square mile area, but also schools of all classifications. Needless to say, the competition was tough. The sports staff at the Abilene Reporter-News then voted on the best of the best players.

Maiden Laura Fuentes, a four-year varsity pitcher, made the list as a starting pitcher. This honor is added to her already long list of accomplishments on the softball field.

Earlier she was named MVP in District 7-2A. As a senior pitcher, her record was 22-6 and 9-1 in district play. Fuentes pitched 108 innings with 82 strikeouts, only 22 walks and a district ERA of 1.48. She was chosen for the TGCA 1st Team All-State, as well as a TGCA Softball Legacy All-Star.

Sophomore Maiden Ryanna Rodriguez, was also listed on the All-Big Country team as an Honorable Mention Infielder. She was previously named to the District 7-2A All-District First Team.

Congratulations to these two Maidens representing themselves and their school so well.



**VENTRILOQUIST VISITS**—Nancy Burks Worchester, a storyteller ventriloquist visited the Haskell County Library Mon., July 10. This is the fourth year Worchester has presented a program. This year's theme is 'Build a Better World.' The Friends of the Library sponsored the event.

## Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of July 3-9:

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Baize, motion to revoke community supervision theft by check \$20,000 to \$100,000.

Thirty calls were made to 911.

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### Music Jubilee

The Haskell Country Music Jubilee will be held the second Monday of the month from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Those interested in playing and listening are encouraged to come and enjoy the fun. A practice session will be held the Thursday before the Jubilee.

### Operation Recovery

Operation Recovery, a faith-based 12-step meeting, will offer two meetings—an 'early bird' meeting on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and an evening meeting on Fridays at 7 p.m. at God Loves You Ministries on the west side of the square.

### Fourth Sunday

The public is invited to attend a fourth Sunday celebration at Hopewell Baptist Church, 908 N. Ave. A in Haskell, featuring a special speaker each fourth Sunday of the month.

## Obituaries

### Malcolm Dean Stocks



DEAN STOCKS

Graveside services for Malcolm Dean Stocks, 82, longtime resident of Arlington, were held Mon., July 10 at Parkdale Cemetery

in Arlington with Chaplain Harold Elliott officiating. Services were under the direction of Greenwood Funeral Homes-Cremation of Arlington.

Mr. Stocks passed away Thurs., July 6 in Arlington.

Born Dec. 6, 1934 in Haskell, he was the son of Audie E. and Lydia Stocks. He was a hard worker who retired from Gifford Hill Concrete after 33 years. He then went to work at UTA for five years. Dean and his wife, Dee Ann, enjoyed traveling after he retired and loved owning their lake house where they made lifelong friends, Patsy and Arbury Hicks.

He was a fine Christian man, but was unable to attend church due to ill health. He listened to Dr. Charles Stanley every Sunday morning.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Lisa Sullivan; his parents; brother; and two sisters.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Dee Ann Stocks; sons, Reagan Garrett and Chris Stocks and wife, Terri; daughters, Julie Marino and Amy Norris and husband Gene; brothers, J.D. Stocks of Grandfalls and Jerry Stocks of Haskell; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren; nieces and nephews. PD. NOTICE



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## Social Security and Medicare are lasting sources of independence

By Ray Vigil  
 Social Security Public Affairs Specialist  
 El Paso

In July, communities everywhere celebrate our nation's independence with fireworks, family, and friends. A strong community also creates independence as we help each other recognize our full potential.

Social Security has been helping people maintain a higher quality of life and a level of independence for over 80 years. And Medicare has been doing the same for over five decades. Most people first become eligible for Medicare at age 65. For many older Americans, this is their primary health insurance and without it, they might not enjoy an independent lifestyle.

Medicare can be a little confusing to newcomers so we've broken it down into segments. The four parts of Medicare are as easy as A, B, C, and D.

Part A (Hospital Insurance) helps cover inpatient hospital care, skilled nursing care, hospice care, and home health care. Most people get Medicare Part A premium-

free because you already paid for this protection while working and paying Social Security taxes.

Part B (Medical Insurance) helps cover services from doctors and other outpatient health care providers, outpatient care, home health care, durable medical equipment, and some preventive services. Most people pay a monthly premium for Part B. Some high-income individuals pay more than the standard premium. If you don't enroll in Medicare Part B during your initial enrollment period and then decide to do so later, your coverage may be delayed and you may have to pay a higher monthly premium for as long as you have Part B.

Part C (Medicare Advantage) allows you to choose to receive all of your health care services through a provider organization. This plan includes all benefits and services covered under Part A and Part B, usually includes Medicare prescription drug coverage, and may include extra benefits and services at an extra cost. You must have both Part A and Part B to enroll in Part C. Monthly

premiums vary depending on the state where you live, the plan you select and whether you select a health maintenance organization or a preferred provider organization.

Part D (Medicare prescription drug coverage) helps cover the cost of prescription drugs. Many people pay a premium for Part D. However, people with low income and resources may qualify for Extra Help to pay the premium and deductible. If you don't enroll in a Medicare drug plan when you're first eligible, you may pay a late enrollment penalty if you join a plan later. You will have to pay this penalty for as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. To see if you qualify for extra help visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/prescriptionhelp](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/prescriptionhelp).

Will you be age 65 soon? Even if you decide not to retire, you should apply for Medicare. You can apply in less than 10 minutes using our online Medicare application. Visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/medicare](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/medicare) to learn more about applying for Medicare.



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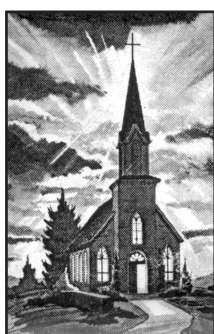
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## This Week's Devotional Message:



### 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

<p>—HASKELL—</p> <p><b>East Side Baptist Church</b> Terry Bunch, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell</p> <p><b>Christian Church</b> Sun. 10:45 a.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>Church of God</b> Bruce Ray, pastor Sun. 10:30 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m. 714 North First East, Haskell</p> <p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> Rev. David White, pastor Sunday 9:30 a., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell</p> <p><b>Iglesia Bautista El Calvario</b> Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p. 607 S. 7th, Haskell</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> Rev. David Johnson, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 10:50 a., 6 p.; Wed. 6 p. 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Assembly of God</b> Rev. J.C. Amburn Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>St. George Catholic Church</b> Father Angelo Consemينو Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> Philip Sims, minister Sun. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b> Kelly Pigott, interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>Trinity Baptist Church</b> Larry White, pastor Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 6:30 p. 114 S. Ave. D, Haskell</p> <p><b>Hopewell Baptist Church</b> Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a.; Wed. 7 p. 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell</p>	<p><b>Greater Independent Baptist Church</b> Ollie Johnson, pastor Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell 940-863-4405</p> <p><b>New Covenant Foursquare</b> Bill and Renee Glass, pastors Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Ollie Pierson, pastor Juddson Smith, Family Life Pastor Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church</b> Sun. 9:30 a., 10:45 a., 5 p., Wed. 6 p. 1600 N. First St., Haskell</p> <p><b>God Loves You Ministries</b> Mark Wallace, pastor Church Service 10 a.m. West side of square, Haskell</p> <p>—WEINERT—</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Dan Bullock, pastor Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p. Weinert</p> <p><b>Weinert Foursquare Church</b> Rev. Robert Harrison Sunday 11 a.m. Weinert</p> <p>—ROCHESTER—</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> Mitchell Greer, minister Sun. 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m. West on Main Street, Rochester</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Terry Mockett, Interim 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</p> <p><b>Union Chapel Baptist Church</b> Clovis Dever Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. Rochester</p>	<p><b>Faith Chapel of Rochester</b> Randy Hollingsworth, minister Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m. Hwy. 6, Rochester</p> <p>—SAGERTON—</p> <p><b>Sagerton Methodist Church</b> Cory Graham, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m. Sagerton</p> <p><b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> Anna Robbins, pastor Sun. 10:30 a.m. Sagerton</p> <p>—RULE—</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Scott Graham, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p. 1001 Union Ave., Rule</p> <p><b>Primitive Baptist Church</b> Dale Turner Jr., pastor First &amp; Third Sundays 10 a.m. Corner of 8th &amp; Robins, Rule</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> Paul Leonard, minister Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. 811 Union, Rule</p> <p><b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b> Alfa y Omegas Manuel Marin, pastor Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.; Wed. 6 p. 500 Elm Street, Rule</p> <p><b>Sweet Home Baptist Church</b> Russell Stanley, pastor Sunday 10 a.m. Gladstone Ave., Rule 940-997-2296</p> <p><b>West Bethal Baptist Church</b> Rev. Clovis Dever Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.; Wed. 7:30 p. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule</p> <p>—PAINT CREEK—</p> <p><b>Paint Creek Baptist Church</b> Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Paint Creek</p> <p>—O'BRIEN—</p> <p><b>O'Brien Baptist Church</b> Jim Reid, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p. O'Brien</p>
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## Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

by Darlene Hopkins, CEA-FCS, Haskell Co.

### Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to offer Professional Food Manager Certification Training Course

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in six Americans will become sick, 128,000 will become hospitalized, and 3,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

Texas Food Establishment Rules state that each food establishment is required to have one certified food manager on site.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor, Jones and Haskell Counties, is offering a professional food manager certification training course. This

two day program will be offered for \$125.00 on Aug. 21 and Aug. 22 at the Taylor County Extension Office. Cost includes training, materials, and the Prometric food manager certification examination. The food manager's certification will be valid for five years. Registration deadline is Aug. 7.

This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers

safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance, and medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential. The benefits of improved food safety include:

- Increased customer satisfaction
  - Improved relationships with health officials
  - Prevention of bad publicity and law suits due to foodborne illness
- By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about:
- Identifying potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling
  - Preventing

contamination and cross-contamination of food

- teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees
- complying with government regulations
- maintaining clean utensils, equipment and surroundings
- controlling pests

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Professional Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, called "Food Safety: It's Our Business," call the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048. You may also access a downloadable registration form at <http://taylor.agrilife.org>.

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## Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

by Darlene Hopkins, CEA-FCS, Haskell Co.

### Vegetables A to Z: Green beans

#### Did you know?

Green beans are available all year round. Green beans are a good source of Vitamin C and Vitamin K. Green beans are a good source of fiber to help you stay fuller longer.

#### Fun fact!

To test their freshness, snap a green bean in half. The snap should be clean and clear.

#### What am I looking for?

Look for fresh, young green beans with good color. Select green beans that are firm and crisp in condition. Wash green beans well before use. Avoid green beans that are wilted, flabby, or show signs of decay.

#### Garlic Basil Green Beans

2 pounds fresh green beans

2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 clove garlic  
1 teaspoon dried basil  
Salt and pepper to taste  
Slice off stems, ends, and strings from beans. Boil a large pot of water and place in beans. Add garlic and basil. Cook, stirring frequently, about 4 to 5 minutes or until desired consistency. Season with

salt and pepper.  
Preparation time: 10 minutes. Cook time: 6 minutes. Serves: 10.  
Nutrition facts: Calories: 62. Total fat: 3 g. Cholesterol: 0 mg. Sodium: 18 mg. Total carbohydrate: 9 g. Protein: 2 g.  
For a copy of this recipe or more information on healthy and nutritious

recipes go to [www.haskell.agrilife.com](http://www.haskell.agrilife.com) or like us on Facebook at: Haskell County 4-H and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Also, contact Darlene Hopkins - the Haskell County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences at 101 S. Ave D, Haskell, phone 940-864-2658.

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# Bright Horizons

Updates from the DCOH, Chamber and KHB

by Christina Isbell  
**Keep Haskell Beautiful president**  
*Texas A&M Agrilife Extension & Keep Haskell Beautiful*  
**Home water conservation tips**

Water conservation begins at home, and we must all do our part. We need to develop an attitude of conserving water so we will be conscious of using less water in all aspects of our lives.

- Stop leaks. The first step is to make sure your home is leak-free. Check indoor water-using appliances and devices for leaks. Many silent leaks allow water and your money to go down the drain. Dripping faucets that are leaking at a rate of one drop per second can waste 2,700 gallons of water per year. Toilet tank leaks account for much of the water wasted in homes. A leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons per day.

- Change behaviors. Examples of possible behavior changes that could save water in the bathroom include: taking 4-minute showers; turning the water off while shampooing your hair in the shower; turning water off while shaving or brushing teeth; and never using the toilet as a waste basket.

- Reduce water use in the landscape. From 50 to 75 percent of a home's total water use during the growing season may

be for outdoor purposes. It's important that you develop a plan or convert your current landscape to include plants and design that are appropriate for your climate conditions. If you have an irrigation system, it also needs to be regularly adjusted and checked for leaks. Select plants that are appropriate for your local climate conditions. Having a yard with 100 percent lawn turf area in a dry climate uses significant amounts of water. Also consider Xeriscape™ and a more natural landscape. Use only the amount of water that your plants need. Water during the coolest part of the day. Use soaker hoses or trickle irrigation for trees and shrubs. Don't need the water. Be attentive to your watering time. Maintain your irrigation system. Make sure your irrigation controller has a rain shutoff device. Water trees and shrubs longer and less frequently than shallow-rooted plants. Mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation from the soil surface and to cut down on weed growth.

For more information on ways to conserve water contact our local Texas A&M Agrilife Extension at 101 S. Ave. D, Haskell, TX 79521, 940-864- 2658, or visit <http://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/>. Keep Haskell Beautiful.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago July 12, 2007

Ken and Claudette Wolsch of Rochester, celebrated 50 years of marriage with a dinner and reception hosted by their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department practiced rappelling skills during their Monday night drills. A rappelling tower has been built out by the airport.

### 20 Years Ago July 10, 1997

Lonnie Meredith, a member of the Haskell Kiwanis Club, has been named Layman of the Year by Nancy Miller, Lt. Gov. Texas/Oklahoma District, Div. 35. He was chosen for his work with the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, service to his community and service to his club.

Rebecca Unger of Haskell, a freshman at Howard Payne University, is among the students serving as summer missionaries with the North American Mission Board. The

daughter of Ervin and Gwen Unger of Haskell, she is serving in Alabama.

The Men's Breakfast was held at the Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton, with ten present. Chefs for the day were Lewis Corzine, Marvin Stegemoeller and Marchel Nauert.

### 30 Years Ago July 9, 1987

Haskell Girl Scouts Sheila and Teresa Unger are among the twelve senior Girl Scouts selected to represent the West Texas Girl Scout Council in Mexico. Their main purpose is to promote international friendship.

Haskell FFA Chapter officers attending a leadership conference were Dalyn Gilly, Gia Henshaw, Penny Peden, Brad Bevel, Kirk High, Mark Young and Mike Bailey. Ag teachers James Bevel and Duane Gilly also attended.

Texas State Representative Rick Perry of Haskell, is one of 17 members of the House of Representatives listed on the honor roll of Young Conservatives of Texas.

Haskell Church of Christ enrolled 96 students for their 22nd annual Haskell Singing School.

### 40 Years Ago July 14, 1977

The Haskell City Council accepted the resignation of Police Chief James E. Toland. Toland stated he had enrolled at Hardin-

Simmons University full time with plans to enter the ministry full time.

Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Reid, Jr. of Rochester, celebrated their 50th anniversary with a reception hosted by their seven children and families. They moved to Haskell County in 1945 and have farmed since moving here.

At the 4-H District Horse Show, Haskell County was represented by Carl Hopkins, Stacy Hager, Johnnie Morrow, Casey Hannsz, Carey Hannsz and Shawn Chambers. Hopkins placed 9th out of 80 entries in Pole Bending.

### 50 Years Ago July 13, 1967

Doug Altom, Elouise Watson, Jerrie Sue Couch and Diane Cadenhed, young people from the First Baptist Church, presented the program at the noon-day meeting of the Rotary Club. They sang several popular songs.

Announcement was made this week that Bennie Harvey is employed at Cook's Barber Shop, south side of the square. He invites his customers, friends and the general public to visit him for their barber work.

James Lee Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Norman of Rule, graduated from Texas University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. He will enter Texas University Medical School in Galveston.

### 90 Years Ago July 14, 1927

Rev. and Mrs. H.R. Whatley and children are at the Lueders Encampment this week.

Mrs. Carlton Couch was the hostess to the Golf Widows Club this week. Out of town guests came from Farmersville, Chillicothe and Vernon.

Rev. Lewis J. Sherrill of Louisville, Kentucky, will preach at the morning service of the Presbyterian Church on Sunday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Sherrill of Haskell.

## ECC Menu

### Mon., July 17

Hamburgers and trimmings, pinto beans, potato chips, lemon cake, tea or coffee

### Wed., July 19

Tacos, salad on side, pinto beans, peanut butter cookie, ice cream, tea or coffee

### Fri., July 21

Chicken spaghetti, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, banana pudding, tea or coffee

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

## Drivers warned of dangers of distracted driving while texting

Stacey Riddle knows the pain of every parent's worst nightmare. On the way home from a spring break trip last year, her teenage daughters were killed when the car in which they were riding collided with an 18-wheeler. Brianna Robinson, 19, and Jade Robinson, 17, died when the car's driver lost control and veered into oncoming traffic while checking her phone.

"I keep waiting for Brianna and Jade to walk through the front door, but I know they never will again," Riddle said. "People are constantly on their cell phones. They don't consider that using their phones while driving can have tragic consequences and forever change their lives, the lives of their loved ones and the lives of people they don't even know."

As the busy summer driving season continues, the Texas Department of Transportation is urging motorists to avoid distractions and give driving their full attention. With 1 in 5 crashes in Texas caused by distracted driving, TxDOT is encouraging safe summer driving.

"Last year, 455 people were killed and more than 3,000 were seriously injured in crashes due to driver distractions," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "These crashes are highest among young drivers, and we're grateful to parents like Stacey Riddle who are willing to share their stories

in the hope of sparing other families the grief they've endured. We ask all drivers to always keep their eyes and attention on the road, and avoid distractions of any kind."

Safety experts warn that using a phone to make a call, text, check messages or perform other smartphone functions is particularly dangerous when behind the wheel. In 2016, there were 109,658 crashes in Texas related to distracted driving—up 3 percent over 2015. Research shows that holding a phone and even using a Bluetooth or other hands-free device is a distraction that can cause a crash.

While cell phone use may be one of the most common driving distractions, any behavior that takes a driver's attention away from the road—including eating, reading, grooming, programming a GPS or adjusting the radio—is dangerous. TxDOT reminds drivers to:

- Give driving 100 percent of your attention, 100 percent of the time.
- Put your phone away—or turn it off—before getting behind the wheel.
- Pull off the road to a safe location before texting or talking on the phone.
- Tell friends, family and coworkers you will not respond to calls or texts when driving.
- Use a smartphone app that sends auto-reply texts when you're behind the wheel.

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## 2017 INDIAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

### VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 18	Seymour (Scrimmage)	Haskell	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 24	Merkel (Scrimmage)	Merkel	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 1	Roscoe	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 8	Anson	Anson	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	Baird	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22	Stamford	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	Olney	Olney	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	Open		
Oct. 13	*Electra	Electra	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 20	*Quanah (Homecoming)	Haskell	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 27	*Munday	Munday	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 3	*Archer City	Haskell	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 10	*Petrolia	Petrolia	7:00 p.m.

### 7TH, 8TH, JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 18	Seymour (JV Scrimmage)	Haskell	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 24	Merkel (JV Scrimmage)	Merkel	6:00 p.m.
Aug. 31	Roscoe (JV)	Roscoe	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 7	Anson (7th, 8th, JV)	Haskell	4:00 p.m.
Sept. 14	Baird (7th, 8th, JV)	Baird	4:00 p.m.
Sept. 21	Stamford (7th, 8th, JV)	Stamford	4:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Olney (7th, 8th, JV)	Haskell	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 5	Open		
Oct. 12	*Electra (7th, 8th, JV)	Haskell	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 19	*Quanah (7th, 8th, JV)	Quanah	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 26	*Munday (7th, 8th, JV)	Haskell	4:00 p.m.
Nov. 2	*Archer City (7th, 8th, JV)	Archer City	4:00 p.m.
Nov. 9	*Petrolia (7th, 8th, JV)	Haskell	4:00 p.m.

\*District Game





## Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

by Darlene Hopkins, CEA-FCS, Haskell Co.

### Tips for finding time for self while raising grandchildren

Taking care of your grandchildren can sometimes seem to take all your time and energy.

However, in order to take good care of them, it is important to take care of yourself as well. You will always fall short of time for yourself, unless you intentionally plan time for your own self. This may seem okay most of the time, however, you can end up feeling resentful of those in your care and may not be able to be your best. If you are feeling drained,

unappreciated about all you do or feeling useless, then it may be time to make a self-care plan. Here are some simple tips:

1. Make a "to-do" list every day. Begin with the hardest, most unpleasant task first. This leaves time to get easier, more enjoyable things done later. Be sure to put at least 15 minutes of "me time" to do whatever you want time on the list. It would be nice to have a lot of time, but begin with 15 minutes. It can be anything such as reading, quiet time, listening to music, or anything.
2. Delegate tasks.

Just because you are the grandparent, doesn't mean you have to do everything. Children who do chores learn that they are important as well as showing how a family functions as a group. Chores help them learn responsibilities and how to take care of themselves, others, and things as well. After all, someday they will have to do their own laundry, clean their own toilets and cook.

3. Learn to say "No." Be conservative about how you spend your time. Avoid feeling pressured into quick decisions, say: "Let me check my

calendar and get back with you." Then get back with them. Be sure you are only agreeing to things you enjoy and have meaning to you.

4. De-clutter and get organized. The saying is true, "There is a place for everything." Sometimes our stress comes from being in a hurry and not being able to find your purse, car keys, permission slips, and appointment cards. Having your grandchildren live with you means more stuff to keep track of, yours and theirs. Decide on a filing system for important

papers and forms, get and use a family bulletin board or calendar to keep track of activities and appointments. When it comes to picking up clutter, look around you. Go through one room at a time. Make three piles: keep, throw away and donate. It is amazing how quickly things can pile up. You may want to do this every month or two.

5. Find a support group. You may not realize it, but many people are in the same situation as you, a grandparent raising a grandchild. Although the reasons may be different, you

may find you share many of the same thoughts, feelings, challenges and joys that others do. It can be comforting just to have someone else to talk to who understands. You may find yourself comforting someone else too.

6. Learn some relaxation techniques. This may include: deep breathing exercises, yoga, Tai chi, walking, biofeedback, and even medication if necessary. If it becomes too stressful and you don't feel yourself getting any better, please seek counseling or professional help.

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We are so grateful for all the love and support our family has been shown during the passing of our mom and wife. We appreciate all the calls, texts, cards, flowers, food and hugs. We will miss her deeply but her suffering is over and she now has her reward in Heaven. We are so thankful for Hendricks Hospice Care in Abilene, Smith Family Funeral Home, East Side Baptist Church, Buds For You, Rev. Terry Bunch, Rev. Paul Chambers, Teresa New and Donna Byrd, Birdie Goudeau, thank you for loving Tinka every day. We were honored and moved to have the grandkids serve as her pallbearers. The family of Tinka Nelson  
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We truly appreciate all the participants that came to shoot. We would also like to thank those that helped with all the behind the scenes management. Kole would be so proud to see everyone come together to make this happen in his honor. We can't wait for the 5th Annual Big Country Clay Shoot.

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**OVERALL WINNER**—The overall winner of the 4th Annual Big Country Clay Shoot held Sat., July 8 was Richard Ooten, left. Terry Gray, right, heads the event.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Big Country Clay Shoot winners listed

The Fourth Annual Big Country Clay Shoot, held in loving memory of Kole Gray, took place Saturday, July 8, east of Goree.

Winners of the event include:

Highest Overall Shooter - Richard Ooten; Class A-Cody Dutton, first place and Ben Bowman, second place; Class B-Johnny Urbanczk, first place and Gary Birkenfeld, second place; Class C-Pete Rister, first place and Dustin Birkenfeld, second place; Class D-Arnold Wayman Kruger, first place and

Reno Livingston, second place.

Other winners were Women's-Addison Pira, first place and Donna Ritchie, second place; Over 60-Richard Ooten, first place and Dickie Dixon, second place; Juniors-Cody Dutton, first place and Ben Bowman, second place.

Organizers appreciated all the participants, volunteer helpers and sponsors, which helped make this year's shoot another success. They look forward to the 5th Annual Big Country Clay Shoot.

## Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in their regular meeting place Tues., June 27 with all members present.

All bills were paid including an additional bill for materials received for Precinct 4.

The county will be receiving \$7500 back from a grant that was paid for the Sheriff's office.

Tara Myers was appointed to the Helen Farabee Center's board of trustees.

A motion was made to hire two experienced

men (at \$14 hourly and \$12 hourly) to repair the second floor northwest office windows at the courthouse and get an estimate on repairing all the windows. Commissioners will consider the purchase of a man lift for this job.

Debbie Graves reported that the sewer system at the Anchor is being repaired. She also requested extra help from the Sheriff's office during the 4th of July to deter fireworks near the camping trailers. No action was taken on the extra help.

## Student in the News

Dona Kirkes of University. Kirkes is one of 167 graduates receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Science from McMurry P.E. Center Sat., May 13.

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### Al-Anon

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### Vet office open

The Veterans Service office in Haskell is now open. The office, located on the first floor of the west wing of the courthouse,

will be open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call 940-256-1125 any time or email Haskell vaso@yahoo.com.

### Support group

The Jones County Alzheimer's Association Support Group meets the second Monday of the month at 4 p.m. at Country Elegance, 1700 Columbia St., Stamford. For information, contact Patsy Richards at 325-773-5511.

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