

## Basketball

### HASKELL

JVG-B, VG-B vs Stamford

Fri., Feb. 3, 4 p.m.

at Haskell

JHG-JHB vs Hamlin

Mon., Feb. 6, 5 p.m.

Boys at Hamlin

Girls at Rochester

JVG-B, VG-B vs Rotan

Tues., Feb. 7, 4 p.m.

at Rotan

### PAINT CREEK

VG-VB vs Woodson

Fri., Feb. 3, 6:30 p.m.

at Paint Creek

VG-VB vs Lueders-Avooca

Tues., Feb. 7, 6:30 p.m.

at Lueders-Avooca

### RULE

JVB-VG-VB vs Aspermont

Fri., Feb. 3, 5 p.m.

at Aspermont

JH vs District Tourney

Feb. 2, 4, TBA

at Throckmorton

JVB-VG-VB vs Throckmorton

Tues., Feb. 7, 5 p.m.

at Rule

## Softball

### HASKELL

Colorado City Scrimmage

Fri., Feb. 3, 4:30 p.m.

at Colorado City

Coahoma Scrimmage

Sat., Feb. 4, 2 p.m.

at Coahoma

## Calendar

### PC parent meeting

Paint Creek ISD will host a Parent Information Meeting Mon., Feb. 6, at 6 p.m. in the computer lab. Important information regarding the new STAAR and End-of-Course assessments will be presented. All parents of children in grades 3-9 are strongly encouraged to attend.

### Medical account

A medical expense account for Felix Cassidy of Haskell has been established at Haskell National Bank.

### Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Tues., Feb. 7 from 1 to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the courthouse square. Call 325-670-2798 for more information.

### Chamber banquet

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Mon., Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. This year's banquet will include a meal, entertainment provided by the Haskell Elementary fifth grade choir, the introduction of local candidates running for office, the candidates for the State Representative and door prizes. Tickets are \$10.00 each and may be purchased from the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, 510 S. 2nd or by calling 864-2477.

### Texas celebration

The Texas Independence Day Haskell County Style celebration will be held Sat., March 3 around the Courthouse and city square. Applications for food vendor and craft booth registration may be made by visiting the County Judge's office or by calling Susan Cockerell at 940-864-2851 or 940-256-3296.

### Enchilada lunch

An enchilada lunch will be held Sun., Feb. 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Haskell. Adult plates are \$7 and plates for children age 10 and under are \$3.50. Take outs will be available.

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## Joey Saucedo awarded Bronze Star

Sergeant First Class Joey R. Saucedo was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal for exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

He was recognized for personal courage, sound decision making and superb leadership, as well as commitment to mission accomplishment in a combat zone. His service was under the most extreme of circumstances and his efforts greatly contributed to the success of Operation Enduring Freedom.

During his deployment, Saucedo supervised the medical support of an entire

task force. In addition to serving as the Medical Platoon Sergeant, he served as the acting provider at Combat Outpost Soltan Kheyl, which treated and evacuated the most traumatic injuries in the Task Force. His platoon provided routine medical care for over one thousand personnel, treated over two hundred fifty traumatic injuries and supported four separate combat outposts in Wardak Province.

In addition, his platoon provided medical training to partnered Afghan National Army medics, which greatly enhanced their life saving efforts.

Saucedo, the son of

Rueben and Janie Saucedo of Rochester, is a 1997 graduate of Rochester High School. Joining the army soon after graduation, he is in his fourteenth year of service to his country.

Saucedo and his wife Michelle, have two sons. He is currently stationed at Ft. Polk, Louisiana, but will be transferred to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma in a few months.

In awarding him the Bronze Star Medal, the commander stated that Sergeant First Class Saucedo's performance reflects great credit upon himself, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Task Force Warrior and the United States Central Command.



SGT. FIRST CLASS JOEY SAUCEDO

## Relay for Life to host 5K run/walk Saturday, March 3

The Camo Chicks Relay For Life team is having a fund-raiser 5K run/walk in conjunction with the Texas Independence Day Celebration in Haskell. The 5K run/walk will start at 8:30 a.m. on the Haskell County Courthouse square Sat., March 3.

Registration forms may be picked up at the Haskell County Courthouse. Forms will be on a table on the first floor of the Courthouse.

Pre-registration fee is \$20. Registration fee on the day of the event is \$25, with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. To receive a registration form by email, contact Terri Fillmon at 940-256-0259 or Stacia Leach at 940-256-0685. First 100 participants will be guaranteed a t-shirt.

All proceeds of the event will go towards the Knox-Haskell County Relay for Life.

## Local weather data available

by Caron Yates

While those of us living in Texas already had a suspicion, the National Climatic Data Center made it official, 2011 was the driest calendar year on record for the state. Average rainfall for the year totaled just 14.88 inches, beating the previous low of 14.99 inches set in 1917.

2011 also went down in the record book as the second hottest calendar year on record with an average of 67.2 degrees, just under the 67.5 degrees set in 1921. In June, July and August, Texas had an average statewide temperature of 86.8 degrees, making it the hottest summer on record for any state. In fact as of Sept. 1, Abilene had recorded 78 days of over 100 degrees temperature and Wichita Falls had experienced 95 days over 100 degrees. Victor Murphy, manager of climate services at the National Weather Service's southern region headquarters in Fort Worth said, "Drought begets heat and then heat begets drought, and a feedback cycle develops. This is what we saw from May to September."

Dr. David Brown, a regional official with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration states, "La Nina was present for four years during the 1950s drought, which still ranks as the worst in Texas history due to its longevity. Unusually high surface temperatures in the tropical Atlantic Ocean also helped cause that drought, and those have been present in recent years."

According to the National Drought Mitigation Center at the University of Nebraska, the entire state of Texas is experiencing drought, with three-fourths of the state classified as exceptional drought. Our immediate area has been designated to be in severe to extreme drought.

National Weather Service spokesman Murphy said, "The drought started in fall 2010 with the arrival of the La Nina weather condition that causes below-normal rainfall, and now it's back." He adds, scant rainfall and scorching temperatures in 2011 hit ranchers and farmers the hardest. The most recent estimate shows crop and

livestock losses at \$5.2 billion, a number expected to rise.

The drought also led to some of the worst wildfires ever seen in Texas, destroying hundreds of homes and ravaging millions of acres. In addition, The Texas Forest Service estimated that as many as 500 million trees across the state died last year due to the drought.

Murphy also said another reason 2011 was so hot and dry was because no tropical storms or hurricanes made landfall in the state. While that may be good news for those along the coast, it could have brought much needed rain for other parts of the state.

Murphy continues, "Despite rainfall in December, many of the state's reservoirs and lakes remain well below normal levels. What happens in the springtime will be huge, not only for the summertime, but also for recharging the state reservoirs."

The Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District reports that a year end review of the weather data from the weather stations in Baylor, Haskell and Knox counties confirms what many already knew, the period from Oct. 1, 2010 to Sept. 30, 2011 was the driest in recorded times. Mike McGuire with the Groundwater Conservation District reminds citizens that you can access these weather stations and review the data at [www.mesonet.ttu.edu/](http://www.mesonet.ttu.edu/). You can also view valuable up to date weather information for our immediate area at this site.

McGuire says that since September, when most irrigation ceased, the levels have not dropped and have even come up a foot or so. The district will be measuring wells in a few weeks for water levels. You can access the online monitor wells for Haskell County at <http://midgewater.twdb.state.tx.us/twdbwells/haskell2135748.png>.

Because of recent rains east of our area, McGuire says that the lakes and wells in the Brazos system have gone from 63% to 78% capacity. While that is encouraging, he also knows that we must have a steady rain over a

period of time to recharge the reservoirs and lakes in our water system.

So what can we expect in the future? Like it or not, we really can't control the weather, we can only predict what we think it will do. Sometimes it follows those predictions and sometimes it doesn't. Joe Baskin of the National Weather Service says, "It takes an extended period of above normal rainfall, and the problem is you can't just put a time or date or amount of rainfall for coming out of drought. Unfortunately, predictions are for below normal precipitation statewide to continue into the springtime. Summer temperatures are also expected to be above normal."

While we can't control the weather, we can be as conservative as possible, to help ensure that we have a continued water supply. We also can talk to the one in charge of the weather, and pray for rain.



**CANDELARIA HONORED**—Haskell Police Chief Richard Candelaria is joined by his wife, Terissa, in Midland where Richard received recognition as Officer of the Year by the Crime Stoppers organization during a luncheon at the Midland Petroleum Club. Candelaria received a standing ovation during his ceremony. Haskell Mayor John Gannaway and wife Jan attended the event and was told what a good man Haskell was getting in Candelaria.

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# City Council report

The Haskell City Council met in a regular meeting Mon., Jan. 23 with Mayor John Gannaway, Mayor Pro Tem Randy Bowers, Councilmen Stacy Bridges, Sue Medford, Dan Hoover and Jill Druessedow in attendance.

A presentation to Director of Public Works and Safety Matthew Duran was given by business owner Lonnie Meredith on behalf of the Haskell City Police Department for dedication and hard work in quickly resolving a recent burglary.

The oath of office was given to Haskell Chief of Police Richard Candelaria by Municipal Judge Linda St. John.

Felix Rodriquez was appointed to the Housing Authority Board.

The general election was ordered. The investment policy was adopted.

The financial report supplied by the Chamber of Commerce was approved.

Designation of use of a fund balance was approved.

A proposal from Warren Cat on leasing equipment to be used at the landfill was approved.

A resolution authorizing the mayor of the City of Haskell to execute a letter of waiver for payment in lieu of taxes (pilot) was approved.

In the Administrator's report, Brandon Anderson said:

•Nine houses that have release of liability waivers signed are being torn down on the five properties for the County grant program.

•Two council member positions and the mayor's slot are up for election in

May. Those interested are encouraged to apply.

•The Fire Department has their election of officers and Mathew Cunningham was elected fire chief. The City looks forward to working

with Chief Cunningham and hope to continue to improve on equipment and training to get volunteers as prepared as possible.

•TML has filed an answer in the lawsuit that

the city is named in with the Rangel's, the city has received no information or been served anything in the lawsuit alleged in the Abilene Reporter-News by Mr. Sessions.

## Obituaries

### Horace Wayne Hatfield



**HORACE HATFIELD**

Funeral services for Horace Wayne Hatfield, 68, were held at the First Baptist Church in Rochester Wed., Feb. 1 with Rev. Cody Cochran officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Hatfield passed away in Lubbock Sat., Jan. 28.

Born July 18, 1943 in Knox City, he was the son of Cody Wayne Hatfield and Velma Jewel Reed. He attended Rochester High School prior to entering the U.S. Army. He was stationed

in Vietnam from July 1966 until July 1967. He belonged to the 10th Aviation Battalion and served in the 394th Attachment of the 129th Assault Helicopter Company which supported the 101st Infantry. He was a Crew Chief and also a member of the Periodic Inspection Team. Hatfield was discharged in 1972 and came home to his love of being a cowboy.

He worked at the 6666 Ranch in Guthrie and was also a jockey across the Texas, New Mexico and South Carolina circuit. His biggest interest came later when he developed a love for the cowboy chuck wagon. He restored chuck wagons back to their original life and once completed, he would pull them to cook-offs and compete for the best cowboy meal. He has won numerous ribbons for his historical cast iron and coal cooking. He has shared his authentic chuck wagon cooking with many, but his memorable hosting was The Rodeo National Finals in Las Vegas where he

cooked for all the cowboys during competition. He and his chuck wagon were invited to the open seas to cook for a Cowboy Cruise. He took the old cowboy way of cooking to heart and was known for many specialties, but his cast iron baked cobblers were a favorite to all. Hatfield wore many hats in his life, but all were laced as a cowboy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cody and Velma Hatfield; a brother, L.W. Cook; and two sisters, Mary Lee Thomas and Betty Jean Johnston.

Survivors include his two sons, Steven W. Hatfield and wife Tonya of Hewitt, and Michael Hatfield and wife Lisa of Plainview; five grandchildren, Chole Hatfield, Alana Hatfield, Jack Hatfield, Owen Hatfield, and Kaylie Hatfield; two sisters, Nina Richardson and husband Kent of Lubbock and Linda Tibbets of Haskell; his brother, Guy Cook and wife Deloris of Plainview and numerous nieces and nephews. PD. NOTICE

### Barbara Sue Brown

Memorial services for Barbara Sue Brown, 76 of Ranger, and formerly of Haskell, were held Sat., Jan. 28 at Occasions in Haskell. Arrangements were by Edwards Funeral Home of Ranger.

Mrs. Brown was called home by our Lord to be with the love of her life, Verle Brown, Tues., Jan. 24.

Born April 9, 1935 in Haskell County, she was the daughter of Thurman and Oleta Medford. She was a very longtime resident of Lake Stamford in Haskell County. In the most recent years, she resided in Ranger.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Rick Hudgens and Randy Hudgens.

Survivors include six children and their spouses, Carla and Rodney Crutchfield of Keller, Darla Davis of Ranger, Jenny and Roger Harrington of Midland, James Earl and Becky Brown of Stephenville, Julie and Brent Childers of Spring, and Jill Brown of Snyder; three brothers, Leroy Medford of Trinity, James Medford of Blackwell, and Danny Medford of Haskell; two sisters, Margaret Kemetz of Pearland and Debbie Merchant of Haskell; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The family would like to express a special thanks to Encompass Home Health of Eastland and Alpha Omega Hospice Care. PD. NOTICE

## Haskell Co. Gin Report

January 30, 2012  
Final report  
Haskell  
Haskell County Gin..... 662  
O'Brien  
O'Brien Co-op..... 7,712  
Rule  
Rule Co-op Gin..... 2,892  
Weinert  
Griff's Gin..... 305  
Weinert Gin..... 570  
Total bales..... 12,141

## Area basketball scores

Girls	Boys
Adams 1.	Leach 16, Llewellyn 13, Bird 7, Martinez 7, Newton 3, Shelton 2, Torres 2, Silvas 2.
JV: Haskell 27, Hamlin 22	JV: Haskell 51, Roscoe 25
Roscoe 34, Haskell 29	Woodson 61, Rule 32
Scoring for Haskell: C. Hadaway 10, Shelton 7, Johnson 4, Burson 4, R. Hadaway 3.	Scoring for Rule: Perez 8, Grindstaff 7, Rogers 6, Taylor 5, Lewis 4, Caddell 2.
JV: Haskell 25, Roscoe 21	Paint Creek 31
Haskell 59, Hamlin 41	Rule 29 (OT)
Scoring for Haskell: Llewellyn 20, Leach 13, Martinez 7, Bird 6, Torres 4, Newton 4, Shelton 2, Bell 2.	Scoring for Paint Creek: McCord 7, Pannell 7, McTasney 6, Gardner 6, Barnett 4, Masias 1.
JV: Hamlin 39, Haskell 38	Scoring for Rule: Quintero 10, Lewis 10, Grindstaff 5, Hardeman 5, Perez 4, Rogers 2.
Haskell 69, Roscoe 31	
Scoring for Haskell: Bell 17,	



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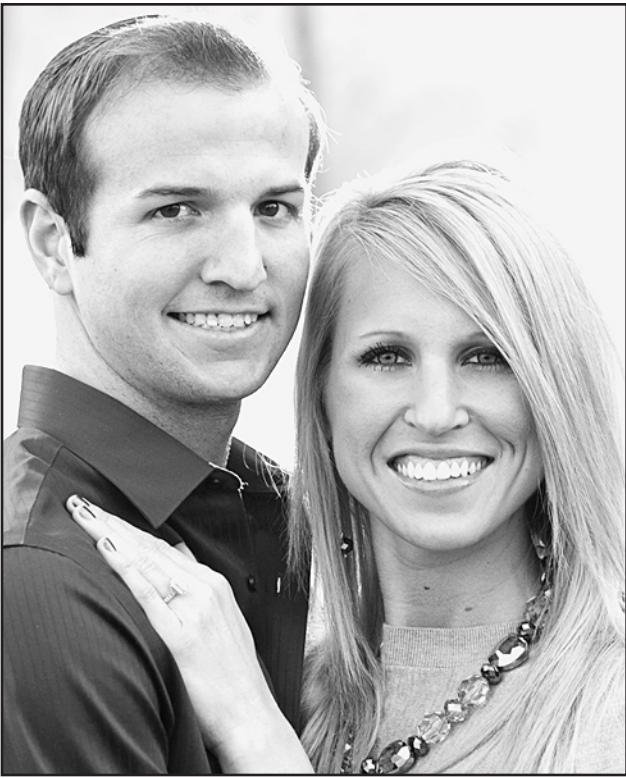


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BLAKE REID-ROBBYN TRIBBEY

## Tribbey, Reid to wed

Robert and Lynette Tribbey of Haskell, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Robbyn Dyamond Tribbey, to Robert Blake Reid, son of David and Beverly Reid of Blanket.

Tribbey is the granddaughter of Luther Meier of Haskell, and the late Frances Meier and Roy and Florence Tribbey.

Reid is the grandson of Kenneth and Colline Nabers of Blanket and Preston and Emma Jo Reid of Blanket.

The bride-elect is a 2006 graduate of Haskell High School, and a 2009 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance. She earned a Master

of Business Administration degree from Hardin-Simmons University in May of 2011. She is employed by Double Eagle Development in Fort Worth as the Vice President of Operations.

The prospective groom is a 2006 graduate of Early High School, and a 2010 graduate of Sam Houston State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics. He is employed by RadioShack Corporation in Fort Worth as a tax consultant. Reid is also a licensed real estate agent in the State of Texas.

The couple plan to be married Oct. 6 at The Cliffs Resort on Possum Kingdom Lake.

## Snow to present caregiving roles

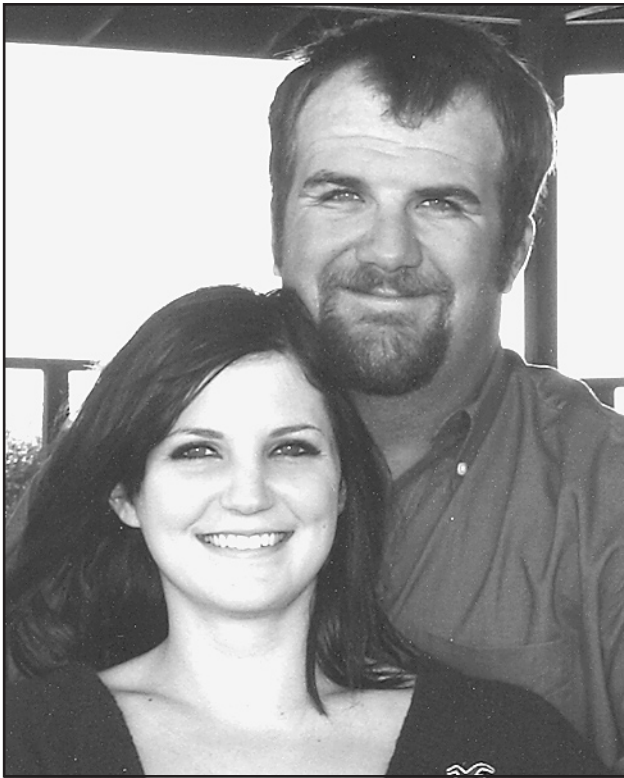
The Alzheimer's Association-North Central Texas Chapter announces the annual Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Seminar, entitled Adapting to the Changing Roles of Caregiving. The half-day event will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Tues., Feb. 14, at Southern Hills Church of Christ, 3666 Buffalo Gap Rd., in Abilene.

Professional and family caregivers are invited to hear Teepa Snow, one of the most qualified and engaging speakers the Alzheimer's Association has ever brought to North Central Texas. Snow has over 28 years experience in geriatrics and dementia care and is a strong voice and advocate for people living with dementia. Throughout her long and varied career as occupational therapist, professional caregiver, lecturer, researcher and clinical specialist in geriatrics, she has focused on helping care providers, family members and professionals better understand the experience of the person living with dementia. An excellent actress, Snow keeps the audience glued to her every word as she adopts the voices of the fictitious people she uses as examples.

Currently, Snow works with dementia service providers throughout the U.S. to improve and optimize programs and services for people with dementia. She has developed training videos, published articles, and made presentations on a variety of topics and to a wide variety of audiences and has received awards for her clinical and teaching skills from numerous organizations.

Registration is required for all participants. The program cost for professionals is \$35; there is no charge for family caregivers. Continuing education credit is available for activity professionals, assisted living administrators, long-term care administrators, social workers and nurses. Respite assistance is available for qualifying family caregivers through the West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging. Registration check-in begins at 12:00 p.m.; walk-ins will be admitted space permitting.

For more information about the Caregiver Seminar or to request a brochure, call 325-672-2907 or toll-free at 1-800-272-3900, or visit <http://www.alz.org/northcentraltexas/>.



MELISSA RAYLS - CASEY MOELLER

## Rayls, Moeller to marry March 31

Melissa Rayls and Casey Allen Moeller, both of Haskell, are announcing their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Rayls is the daughter of Terri Rayls of Haskell and Paul Rayls of Del Valle. She is a 2008 graduate of Basha High School in Chandler, Arizona. She is enrolled in

nursing school at TSTC in Sweetwater.

Moeller is the son of Allen and Rhonda Moeller of Haskell. A 2002 graduate of Haskell High School, he is employed by Moeller Seed Cleaning of Haskell.

A March 31 wedding is planned at the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

## Wichita Brazos Musuem

Plans are about complete for the annual Knox County Museum Barbeque at the Benjamin Memorial Building Sun., Feb. 5 at 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Take-out plates will be available. Barbeque brisket, sausage, baked turkey, homemade potato salad, coleslaw, special pinto beans, deviled eggs and homemade pies will be on the menu.

Bids on dozens (over 100 last year) of silent auction items, including antique dishes, jewelry, tools, gift certificates to many popular businesses and many items donated by businesses and individuals interested in supporting the Wichita Brazos Museum will be taken.

Starting at 11:00, door prizes will be announced every 30 minutes.

As the day draws to an end, if you need some delicious food to feed your Super Bowl football guests, check out the serving tables after the meal. Prices will be posted and containers provided to help you take some home.

Those who want to visit the Wichita Brazos Museum, beneficiary of the fund-raiser, will find it open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 5. This year's theme is "Knox County Entertainment." See what your community has displayed. You or a family member may be featured in the exhibit area.

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### HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

#### Abbott sues to speed approval of voter ID law

AUSTIN—Attorney General Greg Abbott on Jan. 23 filed a lawsuit in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals to push the U.S. Department of Justice to approve the voter I.D. law enacted by the Texas Legislature last spring.

The law has not been given the required preclearance by the Department of Justice. Abbott said his intent is to spur a ruling that would allow the new law to take effect. The lawsuit dovetails with the state's efforts in the U.S. Supreme Court and the D.C. Court to have the Texas Legislature's contested House, Senate and U.S. congressional redistricting maps pre-cleared under Section 5 of the U.S. Voting Rights Act in time to meet deadlines for the April 3 party primaries.

On Jan. 20, the Supreme Court said the U.S. District Court Western District of Texas in San Antonio erred in its remedial redistricting plans created last year and ordered the three-judge panel of the San Antonio court to revise the plans. The San Antonio court on Jan. 27 asked opponents in the redistricting cases to work together and present them with agreed-upon solutions in hopes of speeding the process.

Texas is among several states and other jurisdictions subject to Section 5 because of a history of discriminatory election practices.

Texans, if the law takes effect, would have to show a government-issued photo I.D. along with their valid voter registration card in order to cast a ballot, and those who do not have a driver's license, passport, military I.D. card or other approved form of identification can get a state-issued voter I.D. free of charge from the Texas Department of Public Safety. And anyone who is disabled or over 65 can vote by mail, a method that does not require photo identification.

Supporters of the voter I.D. law said during the legislative process that it would help stop election fraud. Opponents said the legislation, if passed, would discriminate against minorities, the disabled and citizens who live in rural areas of the state.

Abbott last week said the law is not discriminatory and to support his position quoted a U.S. Supreme Court ruling: "The inconvenience of making a trip to the (Bureau of Motor Vehicles), gathering the required documents and posing for a photograph surely does not qualify as a substantial burden on the right to vote, or even represent a significant increase over the usual burdens

of voting."

Several other states passed voter I.D. laws last year, but more than 30 states do not have voter I.D. laws.

#### Comptroller unveils info site

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on Jan. 25 announced the launch of TheTexasEconomy.org, a website featuring state revenue and spending data, and more than a dozen economic indicators.

Combs said the site uses info-graphics, video interviews, tables and snapshots of key data to present information on an array of topics, such as Texas industries and jobs, the effects of drought on the economy and the impact of obesity on businesses and taxpayers.

#### Grain indemnity fund is goal

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples on Jan. 26 said a discussion on grain warehouse failures and what can be done to avoid them was the focus of the first meeting of the agency's newly appointed Texas Grain Producer Indemnity Board.

Bryan Black, a spokesman with the Texas Department of Agriculture, said that the word "failures" in this context means bankruptcies caused by grain market volatility. The board is looking at ways to set up a grain indemnity fund that would help cover losses for producers caught up in a warehouse bankruptcy, he said.

A grain warehouse operator who is unable to cover the open contracts he or she has purchased can get caught in margin calls. "With the amount of grain some of these warehouses trade, one or two big margin calls can sink them pretty fast," Black said.

#### More reward money is offered

Gov. Rick Perry on Jan. 25 announced his decision to increase rewards for the Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders program to \$2,000, with some rewards reaching up to \$5,000.

Managed by Texas Crime Stoppers and the Texas Department of Public Safety, the rewards are meant to encourage citizens who have information to bring it to the attention of law enforcement.

Previously, any person who provided information that led to the arrest of one of the listed sex offenders received \$1,000 cash. According to the DPS, since the Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders program began in July 2010, 12 arrests have been made, with seven arrests coming from tips, and the governor's office has paid out a total of \$13,300 in rewards.

#### 10 Years Ago January 31, 2002

Haskell veterinarian, Dr. Tom Hairgrove, was named Veterinary Diagnostician of the Year, by the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratories. He has served as Haskell's veterinarian since 1976.

Amber Bingham showed the Grand Champion European steer at the Haskell County Livestock Show. This marked the second year in a row for the 4-H'er to show a grand champion.

Duane Gilly, Ag Science teacher at Haskell High School, who is retiring at the end of the school year, was presented a plaque and a rocking chair during the Livestock Show. It was given in appreciation of his many years of guiding students.

#### 20 Years Ago January 30, 1992

Haskell National Bank announced more promotions this week. Upon the retirement of Bettie Wainscott, Betty Sue McDermott will become assistant vice president and cashier; Ann Johnston is promoted to assistant cashier and Janet Earle becomes loan officer. Faye Bledsoe will

become supervisor of the CD and IRA department, assisted by Mary Dewey.

Robert Star II of Haskell, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Baylor University. Wade Welborn of Rule, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University.

Haskell scout leader Marvin McFadden received the coveted Founders' Award, at the annual Order of the Arrow banquet. He began working with scouts in 1986.

#### 30 Years Ago February 4, 1982

Dr. Eddie Harris, a Haskell High graduate held an Open House at his new dental clinic. After receiving his DDS, he has returned to Haskell to practice dentistry.

James Powell was recognized during the Premium Sale at the County Livestock Show. He has served as auctioneer for Premium Sales held in conjunction with the Junior Livestock Show since 1969.

Kyle Darden's blue racer out-distanced Craig Hanson's silver streak in the championship heat

during the annual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby races. Coming in third and fourth were Kevin Mitchell and Davis Chapman.

#### 40 Years Ago February 3, 1972

Haskell County youngsters brought home many awards from the Fort Worth Livestock Show. Showing and winning in the various classes were Cindy Thomas, Calvin, Kyle and Joe Wilfong, Les Lane, Melissa Roberson, Sue, Kim and Stanley Hager.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Ab Strickland of Rochester, honored their parents with an Open House in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Starring in Haskell High School's Senior Play, "Twelve Angry People," as the jurists were Jeleta Blankenship, Judy Lehde, Ann Watson, Rob Isbell, Pat Harris, Sandra Josselet, Denia McDonald, Connie Berry, Karen Pippin, Doris Wootan, Beth Lowrey and Betty Steele. Nancy Middleton played the part of the guard and Bob Shea was the judge.

#### 50 Years Ago February 1, 1962

Dale Pennington, a 1957 Haskell High School graduate, received his Bachelor's Degree from Texas A&M University, where he was also commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

During the Haskell High School athletic banquet, sponsored by the Booster Club, Sue Christian was named Basketball Sweetheart, while Patricia Chrietzberg was chosen Football Sweetheart.

#### 100 Years Ago February 3, 1912

T.C. Cahill is having a concrete sidewalk put down in front of his office. Let the slogan be "On to the Depot."

Jud Robertson of Jud, was in Haskell the first of the week. He is a pioneer of Haskell County.

John D. Hughes, who has a large ranch on the Paint Creek southeast of town, was here last week. The oil men are trying to lease all the ranch lands they can, so we suspect he was up here on business of that nature.

## Letter to the Editor

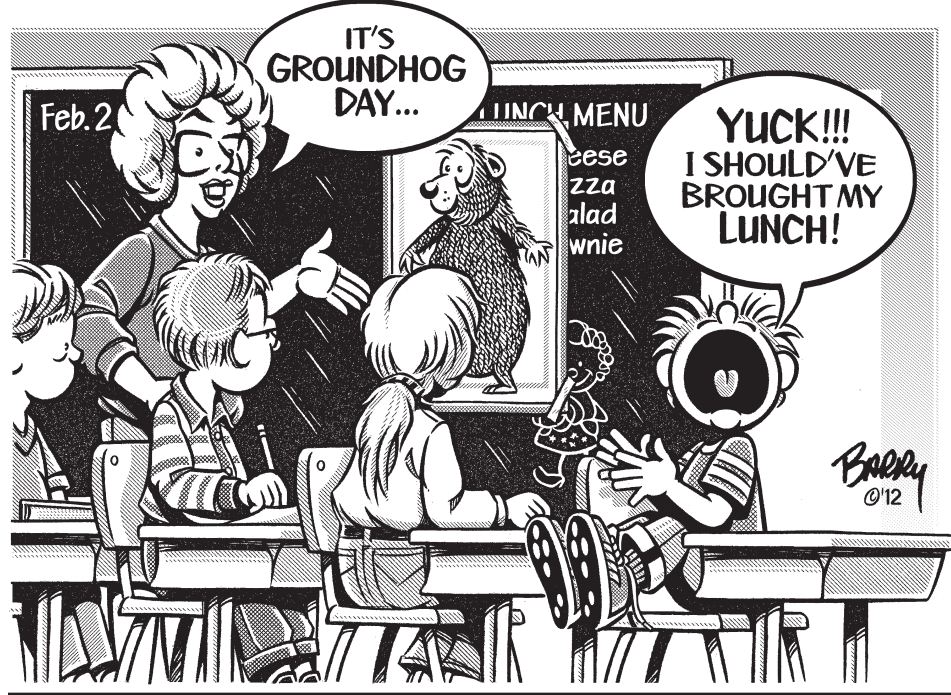
Dear editor,

I would like to take this time to thank those people who called my daughter this morning, in regards to her children's missing Pomeranian dog. Signs had been placed all over town and I had even posted it on my Facebook page about him missing.

These tips led to finding him, and he is now back at home, safe and secure.

Once again, thanks everyone who helped with this.

Thanks,  
Carolyn McDaniel



## Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

The wife and I took Chief Richard Candelaria to Midland on Friday and joined in the luncheon at the Petroleum Club where he was recognized as 'Police Officer of the Year' by the Midland Crimestoppers. I believe six individuals/organizations were recognized and presented with a plaque along with some very nice accolades; however, our honoree was the only one to receive a standing ovation. I can promise you that our new chief of police is well-loved and respected by the citizens of Midland. I was told numerous times just how lucky Haskell is to have a man of his caliber. Haskell is also getting lots of good PR as we were asked to stand and be recognized.

While we were at the luncheon, a lady came up and introduced herself and told me just how much she loved Haskell, "I don't know, there's just something about that little quaint town." She and her father travel through here on their way to Kansas to visit kinfolks, veer off from Merkel and she was not happy about the bypass. I was wishing Brandon Anderson had been with us since he is a native of Kansas—they could have shared stories about the state in which they were born. But I digress. This lady who thought so much of Haskell said she just might retire here. I launched into my 'Haskell Is The Best' speech; we'll see if I convinced her.

Saturday afternoon Jan and I attended the 90th birthday party for Eula Faye Crawford.

I hope I'm as mentally sharp as she is when I reach 90, that is, if I make it that far. She had lots of out-of-town folks here to help her celebrate. I didn't miss the opportunity to invite them to move to our fine city and add at least 15 years to their lives. The way they talk about the hustle, bustle and stress of big city life surely it is worth 15 years to move to a quiet, peaceful small town. Eula Faye we'll be here to help you celebrate your 100th!

One of our own, Coach Ray Overton, was nominated and selected to the Big Country Hall of Fame. This encompasses 19 counties and, as you can imagine, there are many very fine individuals who are nominated for this prestigious honor. Coach Overton taught and coached for well over 45 years. His career started in Paint Creek, then Haskell, next was Abilene Cooper and he finished his career in Irving McArthur. A couple of months ago, I had the opportunity to visit with Coach Overton over the phone concerning some youth problems and I knew that he would have tried and true advice. He helped me out which I knew he would. He told me at that time that he and Margaret still consider Haskell as home. I am glad that you do, Coach Overton, because all of us in Haskell still claim you and Margaret as ours. You have had a tremendous impact upon the lives of so many men—all of whom have the utmost respect for you and hold you in the highest regard. Congratulations,

Coach Overton, on a well-deserved honor.

Everyone in town must live on a street that is choked full of chug holes and yours is worse than any others in town—same song, second verse. Our employees are doing their best to repair them, but for the repairs to last any amount of time, the pot hole must be dry before it is repaired. I really don't want to wish for no rain so we can get the road work done because I think we all would prefer a pot hole rather than a drought. My wife shared with me a statement from one citizen: "He keeps saying, 'We're working on it, but I don't see them working.'" Well, 'We are working on them, please be patient.' Someone was giving me directions to a street that was 'horrible' and I agreed that it needed some work like all the others. I said, "Would you consider a bond election to repair the streets?" She said, "Oh, I don't live in the city." Hmmm!

I received an interesting e-mail from Mary Frances Gipson Binns last week concerning shopping at home. A town about our size was having the troubles that all towns this size are having—not enough shopping at home. They started a program where one Saturday a month one store in town was selected and everyone would do their best to go by that store on that given Saturday and spend at least \$10. I know that the business owners will gladly support this. I would certainly like

to initiate this program but not before I hear from all citizens.

I'm often asked in wonder, "Why are you mayoring in your retirement?" Most often this comes from old colleagues who saw me in quite a different light during my career. I've tried to explain that this is a completely different direction from my science/agriculture background and jokingly added, "It keeps me busy and out of Jan's hair." But this last week I heard an explanation that fits better than any I've come up with. Rocky Smart who grew up in Clyde and had been coaching in Seymour got the opportunity to return to Clyde and coach there. And I quote: "It's extremely exciting to have the opportunity to come back and make a difference in your hometown." That's it!

### Box Tops drive

The Haskell Elementary PTO and students are collecting Box Tops for Education. Box Tops for Education are found on many grocery and other items. Each box top turned in equals 10 cents for our school. Over \$500 in box tops for the fall semester were turned in. Box tops from anyone will be accepted to help us beat the amount collected in the fall semester. If any businesses would like a collection jar for Box Tops, one can be provided. For more information, email haskellelementarypto@gmail.com or leave a message with the elementary school secretary.

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# 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.

## Haskell Indians

**JVB-VB vs Stamford  
Fri., Feb. 3, 4 p.m.  
at Haskell**

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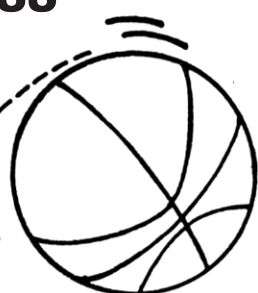


HASKELL MAIDENS—Front row, l-r, #35 Delecia Garcia, #25 Ashley Adams, #21 Myra Rodriguez, #5 Jacie Klose and #23 Sidney Cassidy; back row, #53 McKenzie Shelton, #31 Maci Colley, #33 Dana Rodriguez, #43 Caitlin Johnson, #11 Taylor Burson, #15 Reagan Hadaway and #41 Carson Hadaway.

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# Haskell School Menu

## Feb. 6-10 Breakfast

Milk is offered daily.

**Monday:** Biscuits with sausage gravy or Berry Puffs cereal, peaches, apple juice

**Tuesday:** Cinnamon toast or Lucky Charms cereal, majestic pears, orange juice

**Wednesday:** Scrambled eggs with sausage or Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, mixed fruit, fruit punch juice

**Thursday:** Pancakes with syrup or Cocoa Puffs cereal, sour green applesauce, apple juice

**Friday:** Cinnamon roll with sausage or Trix cereal, pears, 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:** Choice of one: Italian beefy macaroni with roll or Italian antipasto salad with salami or energy meal with bologna and cheese; Choice of up to three: glazed carrots, sweet corn, fresh kiwi fruit, cinnamon apple slices, white slushy

**Tuesday:** Choice of one:

Chicken nuggets with gravy and roll or fajita chicken salad or energy meal with turkey and cheese; Choice of up to three: mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat crackers, majestic pears, white slushy

**Wednesday:** Choice of one: Chicken fajita enchiladas or garden pasta salad or energy meal with ham and cheese; Choice of up to three: Mexicali corn, charro beans, fresh orange, mixed fruit, white slushy

**Thursday:** Choice of one: Baseball Park hot dog or zesty tuna salad or energy meal with tuna salad; Choice of up to three: Scalloped potatoes, whole wheat crackers, sour green applesauce, peaches, white slushy

**Friday:** Choice of one: Tony's pizza or chef salad or energy meal with po-boy sandwich; Choice of up to three: tater tots, pork and beans, grapes, chocolate chip cookie, white slushy

## Deadlines

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

# Rule School Menu

## Feb. 6-10 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.

**Monday:** Sausage biscuits, Berry Puffs cereal, mixed fruit

**Tuesday:** Biscuits with sausage, gravy, Lucky Charms cereal, peaches

**Wednesday:** Breakfast taco, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, green applesauce

**Thursday:** Waffles with syrup, Cocoa Puffs cereal, pears

**Friday:** Breakfast biscuit, Trix cereal, applesauce

## Lunch

Milk and slushy are served daily.

**Monday:** Ravioli with roll, sweet corn, green beans, mixed fruit, peaches

**Tuesday:** Frito chili pie, glazed carrots, crackers, fresh fruit, lettuce and cheese

**Wednesday:** Turkey roast with gravy, roll, mashed potatoes, peas, blushing pears

**Thursday:** Steak fingers with gravy and roll, scalloped potatoes, fresh fruit, crackers

**Friday:** Pizza, tater tots, baked beans, applesauce, chocolate chip cookie



**SCHOOL BOARD LUNCHEON—Members of the Paint Creek ISD School Board were honored with a luncheon Mon., Jan. 23. Pictured are, l-r, Vern and Laurel Howard, Steffi and Waller Overton, Alice and Superintendent Don Ballard, Jeanie and Bruce Waters, Brenda Reel, Gina Buerger, Kendall Medford, Susan and Randy Emert.**

# Paint Creek school board honored

With January being School Board Recognition Month, the students and staff at Paint Creek School honored their board members during lunch Jan. 23. The students' character theme for January is "Responsibility" so the elementary students were read a book about a young girl who took on the responsibility of taking care of her aunt's feisty chicken. The job was much more difficult than what she had expected. The students were then explained the roles of a school board and the huge responsibility involved.

They thanked the board members for "taking care of all their baby chicks" then entertained them with the chicken dance. High school students introduced the board members then presented them with a small token of appreciation.

Paint Creek School Board members are:

Gina Buerger who currently serves as president of the school board. She has served on the board since 1997 making this her fifteenth year. Buerger has two children attending Paint Creek School—Katrina, a senior, and Cheyenne, a junior. Her oldest daughter, Courtney, graduated from Paint Creek in 2004. Buerger and her husband, Kenneth, are actively involved in the farming and ranching industries. Buerger enjoys serving on the board because she likes being around kids.

Randy Emert has served on the school board for twelve years. His wife, Susan, is employed by the school as the cafeteria manager. The Emerts have lived in the Paint Creek community almost 19 years. They have three children who graduated from Paint Creek, Bonnie in 2004, Todd in 2006, and Dillon in 2011. Emert works at Quality Implement in Stamford. He enjoys doing his part to make sure the students at Paint Creek receive a quality education.

Vern Howard has lived in Paint Creek most of his life. He grew up a mile and a half from the school and graduated as a Pirate in 1964. He moved away for 15 years then returned in 1984. He and his wife, Laurel, have four children that attended Paint Creek—Toby and Cindy Howard and Rodney and Capella Tsoodle. The Howards own and operate Beggs Wholesale in Stamford. Howard has served on the school board 21 years and has held the office of secretary each year. He most enjoys doing his part to keep Paint Creek School alive and the doors open.

Brenda Reel is a long-time resident of the Paint Creek community and a Paint Creek graduate. After graduating from college, she taught kindergarten and first and second grades at Paint Creek then stayed home with her kids for 8 years. Reel has three children, Leigh Ann who graduated from Paint Creek in 1996, Jodie, a 1999 graduate, and Lindsey Hernandez who was recently hired as the fourth grade teacher at Paint Creek. Reel currently teaches kindergarten in Stamford. She served on our school

board 8 and one half years. She feels she can contribute as a member from a teacher's perspective and wants to make sure the teachers are well taken care of. Reel recently resigned from her position and will be greatly missed.

Waller Overton is a 1957 graduate of Paint Creek. After college and serving in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany, he returned to Paint Creek to farm and ranch in 1963. He met his wife, Steffi, while in Germany. They have two sons, Hans who graduated from Paint Creek in 1994 and Marcus in 1996. Overton has served on the board for a total of thirty years. He was board president fourteen of those years. Overton most enjoys contributing to education and likes the camaraderie formed with his board mates.

Bruce Waters is in his fourth year of serving on the school board. He and his wife, Jeanie who is the school secretary and PEIMS coordinator, decided to pack their bags 10 years ago and leave the city of Burleson and move to Lake Stamford. Waters retired in 2004 from SAP, a computer software company that installs business management software for major companies and firms. They have one son, Kirk. In serving on the school board, Waters most enjoys the opportunity to have a small part in kids' lives.

Dana Pendergraft is also a long-time resident of the Paint Creek community and a graduate of Paint Creek School. He and his wife, Gayla, have a daughter, Jessica, who graduated from Paint Creek in 2010. Pendergraft owns and operates a rock quarry and kindly donated the rock structures outside the school that states "No dream too tall for a school so small." Being an alumnus, Pendergraft takes pride in Paint Creek School and appreciates what the small school environment can do for kids.

Kendall Medford was recently appointed to the school board to take the place of Brenda Reel. Medford, otherwise known as "Kendall" to the staff and students worked for Paint Creek School as the maintenance and transportation director for six years. He recently took the position of Operator/Manager for Paint Creek Water Supply. He has a daughter, Caitlin, who is a sophomore at Paint Creek and a son, Brennan, who graduated in 2010. Medford looks forward to making an impact in the students' education at Paint Creek.

# This Week's Devotional Message:



## When it's time for a change, God helps you make it

Once in a while, we all have to make a change of some kind. It might be the retirement from a job of long standing, a move to a different area, or any number of other things. Whatever it is, you will be starting a new chapter in your life, and you must adopt a cheerful and constructive attitude about it. There is no better time than this to start or continue to attend your house of

worship, or if the change is geographical, to find a new one. The comforting word of God will help you bring order and serenity into the present chaos of your life, and point you in some positive directions. You are always where God wants you to be, and He will move you when the time comes. Thus, an apparent catastrophe can prove to be a blessing in the long run.

# 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.  
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### Weinert Foursquare Church

Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m  
Weinert

## —ROCHESTER—

### Church of Christ

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

### First Baptist Church

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

### Union Chapel Baptist Church

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

### Faith Chapel of Rochester

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

## —SAGERTON—

### Sagerton Methodist Church

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

### 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

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## Feb. 6-10 Breakfast

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**Monday:** Waffles

**Tuesday:** Breakfast bagels

**Wednesday:** Biscuits, sausage, gravy

**Thursday:** Muffins

**Friday:** Donuts

## Lunch

Milk is served daily.

**Monday:** Salisbury steak,

mashed potatoes, corn, gravy, rolls, apple crisp

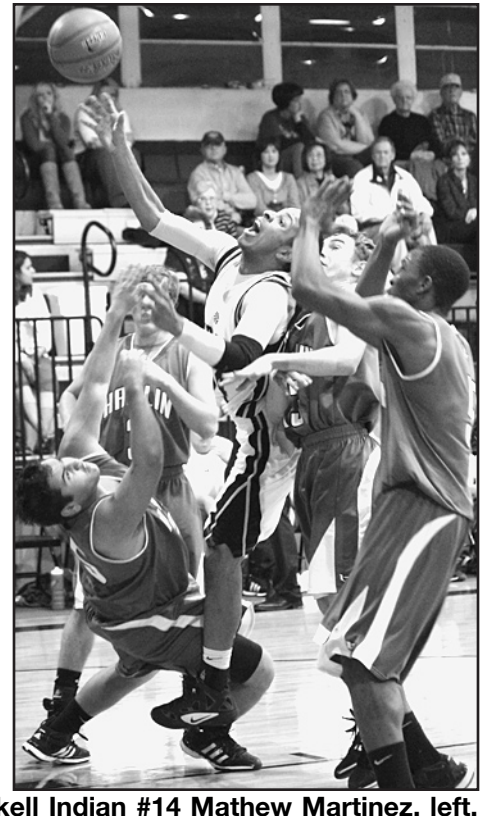
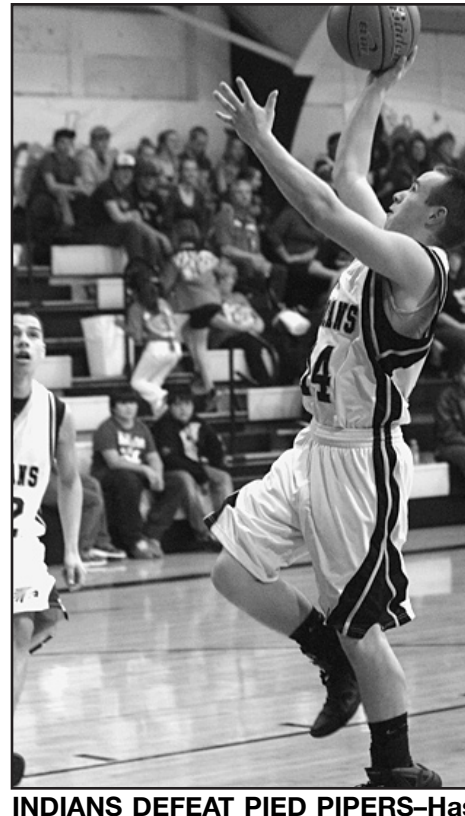
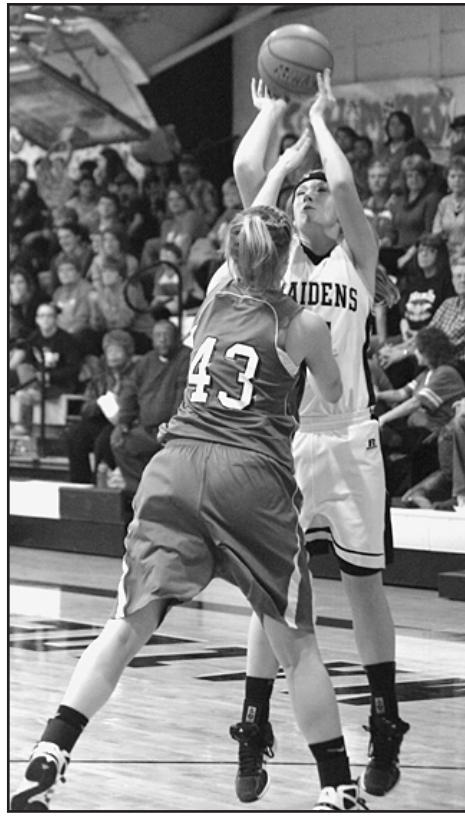
**Tuesday:** Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese, peas, salad, pears

**Wednesday:** Ham, mac and cheese, green beans, salad, bread, oranges

**Thursday:** Hot dogs, chili, cheese, chips, jello

**Friday:** Chicken patty sandwiches, chips, salad,

brownies



**MAIDENS IN ACTION**—Haskell Maiden #15 Reagan Hadaway, left, drives past a Hamlin Lady Pied Piper. Maiden #41 Carson Hadaway, right, puts one up against the Lady Pipers. Reagan posted 5 points and Carson had six points for the evening.

**INDIANS DEFEAT PIED PIPERS**—Haskell Indian #14 Mathew Martinez, left, aims for the backboard against the Hamlin Pied Pipers. Indian #24 Isaiah Llewellyn, right, is determined to add another basket to the total. The Indians defeated the Pipers 59-41. Llewellyn had 20 points and Martinez had 7 points for the night.



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**PTO PRESENTS CHECK**—Haskell Elementary PTO presented a check for \$9,772.00 to Principal Jimmy Lisle for the purchase of document cameras for the classrooms. The PTO wants to say thank you to the community, parents, and everyone else who purchase items from fund-raisers. The money is put right back into the school and utilized where needed. Pictured, l-r, are Deon Turner, Emmalee Phemister, Christi Beerley, Amy Martin, President Laramie Letz presenting the check to Lisle, Michelle Moore, Judy Washburn, Donna Waggoner, Tammie Wallace, Vickie Bredthauer, Amy Sloan and Betsy McManamon. Not pictured are Jacy West, Julie Aguilar and Creora Scheets.

## Board begins work toward state grain indemnity fund

Members of the newly appointed Texas Grain Producer Indemnity Board met for the first time last week in Austin to begin work on grain indemnity fund policy.

The nine-member board was appointed by Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples in Dec. 2011. The representatives from grain producers, storage facilities and grain buyers are:

- Dale Artho, Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Association
- Daniel Berglund, Texas Soybean Association
- Guy Brady, Jr., Texas Grain and Feed Association
- John Cowan, Non-Warehouse Grain Buying Industry

•Mitchell Harris, Expertise in Production Agriculture Financing

•Charles Huddleston, Texas Farm Bureau

•Brian McCuiston, Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council

•Ben Scholz, Texas Wheat Producers Association

•Dee Vaughan, Corn Producers Association of Texas

The members were sworn onto the board Jan. 18. The board members elected Vaughan as the board chairman, Artho as vice chairman, McCuiston as secretary, and Harris as treasurer.

“I commend these individuals and others for working with the Legislature to address the need for

developing self-funded solutions to benefit the Texas grain industry,” Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said. “Protecting grain producers from losses due to (grain buyer) failures is a smart investment toward protecting our overall economy and ensuring consumer demand is met.”

The board began work on determining procedures, discussed the goal date for the producer referendum, and other related items to get the fund in place so producers will be covered from losses when they are not paid for grain they deliver to a buyer or a storage facility.

“The board is working hard to efficiently determine the operations of the indemnity fund so we can work to get the fund in place and provide the protection producers need,” Vaughan said.

Once the board establishes its procedures, producers will have 90-day notice before the referendum is held. The cost of the referendum will be paid by producer organizations and agricultural financing institutions.

The board’s establishment is the result of legislation passed by the 2011 Texas legislature and signed into law by the governor. Rep. Larry Phillips of Sherman and Sen. Craig Estes of Wichita Falls introduced the legislation after a series of grain elevator financial failures in recent years resulted in millions of dollars in losses to Texas grain producers.

## Haskell Co. style Texas Independence Day set

It’s almost that time again—time to celebrate “Texas Independence Day Haskell County Style.” This year’s celebration will be held Sat., March 3 around the Courthouse and city square.

All the old favorite attractions, a Native American flint knapper with his Tepee, the different forts with Calvary, the cannon and soldiers, Drummer Boy Ice Cream will be back. Also back will be Native American games, which were a big hit with the kids last year and many others. This year some new attractions and even some contests are planned.

Applications are now being accepted for vendor registrations for food or crafts. All food vendors must have food handler safety certificates. Applications can be picked up in the County Judge’s office or by calling Susan Cockerell at 940-864-2851 or 940-256-3296.

### ECC Menu

**Mon., Feb. 6**

Meatballs with tomato gravy, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, rolls, peach cobbler, tea or coffee

**Mon., Feb. 8**

Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salsa, chips, strawberry cake, tea or coffee

**Mon., Feb. 10**

Creamy mushroom steak, cream potatoes, blackeyed peas, cornbread, jello, brownie, tea or coffee

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

### Cantata rehearsals

Community wide Easter cantata rehearsals will be held Sundays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the East Side Baptist Church. Child care is provided. For more information, call 864-2738.



**TEXAS FLAG PROGRAM**—Citizens are invited to sponsor a Texas flag for the Celebrate Texas Independence Day—Haskell County Style. The Committee to Help Haskell County needs sponsors for 40 flags which will be flown March 2, Texas Independence Day and March 3. Flags may also be used on other special days like Wild Horse Prairie Days and 4th of July. For more information contact Susan Cockerell at 864-2851 or Billie McKeever at 864-4814 or any committee member.

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