Softball

Maidens Maidens vs Eula Fri., March 8, 5:00 p.m. at Eula **Snyder Tournament** Thurs.-Sat., March 7-9 **TBA at Snyder** Maidens vs Stamford Tues., March 12, 2:00 p.m. at Haskell Basebal Indians JV Haskell Tournament Thurs.-Sat., March 7-9 **TBA at Haskell Indians vs Winters** Fri., March 8, 4:00 p.m. at Winters **Indians vs Roby** Tues., March 12, 1:00 p.m. at Roby **V-JV Indians vs Anson** Wed., March 13, 1:00 p.m. at Haskell Calendar

Enchilada dinner Calvary Baptist Church, 600 S. 7th, Haskell will host

an enchilada dinner Sun., March 10 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Take outs are available.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., March 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ annex. Ruth Jackson, well known Abilene artist, will bring the program using pastels. She is very interesting and involved in teaching art in many areas of life. Will be a great program. No invitation is needed, come and enjoy.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Tues., March 12 from 1 to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the courthouse square. Recent changes have streamlined the donation process. Call 325-670-2799 for more information or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.



Larned, Crosson honored at Chamber banquet

by Caron Yates was the setting Monday, Feb. of songs prepared for UIL 25, for the 2013 Chamber of competition. Commerce banquet.

approximately 150 people, businesses, were distributed began with a chicken throughout the evening, with spaghetti meal catered by Modern Way Food Store.

Chamber manager Sally Rueffer welcomed everyone, report, the much anticipated and Mayor John Gannaway gave the invocation. Business of the Year awards About fifty members of the Haskell High School

Mike Aston, entertained the Ruth Larned. In announcing American Heart Association Fleming, who lives in Dallas

Door prizes, sponsored The event, attended by by many generous local the grand prize being a high school football package.

Following the chamber Volunteer of the Year and were presented.

Band, led by band director of the Year for 2013 was fund-raising efforts of the raised a daughter, Dr. Tamara

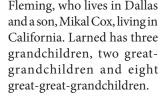
the scenes, often out of the homes. public eye. She gives of love for her fellow man.

Larned has assisted many through the years by driving them to out of town doctor's appointments, providing rides to the grocery store

The Haskell Civic Center group with a performance the honoree, John Rike and the American Cancer described her as one of those Society, as well as being a individuals whose activities regular visitor of the sick and contributions are behind in hospitals and nursing

Larned was born and her time and energy out of raised west of Rule, kindness, generosity and a graduating as valedictorian of Rule High School. She attended Durham's Business College in Fort Worth.

Her husband Curtis Cox was in the military, which required moving The Volunteer Citizen or church, helping with frequently. Together they



While she was busy raising a family, she was also busy with a career. Her employment began with Bill Wilson Motor Company. In the early 50's she worked at Haskell Memorial Hospital in the bookkeeping department, later moving to assistant administrator and then administrator. When Schlumberger Well Service opened a local office, she began work for them.

After the family moved to Stamford, she worked for the Stamford Hospital and then spent several years as secretary for St. John's Methodist Church.

Upon marrying Dee Larned, she returned to Haskell where she has made her home for the past thirtythree years. Through this marriage her family has grown to include two stepsons, Sammy and Jimmy Larned, and one stepdaughter, the late Sandra Wallace, as well as eight stepgrandchildren and twenty step-great-grandchildren.

Larned is an active member of the East Side Baptist Church, and is involved with the Experienced Citizens Center. Described as a "Mover and Shaker," she is most deserving of this honor. The 2013 Business of the Year Award was presented by Sally Rueffer to Haskell Early Learning Center, which is operated by Sheena Crosson. In October of 2011, Crosson assumed ownership and management of the day to day operation of the child care facility from Haskell CISD. She is a certified and licensed director, with several years experience in the field. The Early Learning Center, offers a specified teaching curriculum incorporated into the day for each age group, as well as breakfast, lunch and a snack. Crosson has expanded the operation to include an after school program for older children. They have over fifty children enrolled, and employ five people. The business is registered with the Texas Workforce Commission. Crosson and her husband mistake and your career and Chris, were raised in Haskell lavish lifestyle will be over. and graduated from Haskell High School. Their desire to stay in their hometown and will all find out about you. raise a family here, played an important role in her excuse, but they will know decision to take over the business. They have two sons, We are coming for you! Carter and Colton. Working parents are keenly every day and at every turn. aware of the importance We will see you, will see of deciding to whom they will entrust the care of their children. Haskell is fortunate to have this business where we will meet and destiny will children are loved and well cared for. Congratulations We are looking forward to Crosson and her staff, in being honored as the Business of the Year.



HONOREES-John Sam Rike, left, presented Ruth the Business of the Year award. Sally Rueffer, Larned, second from left, the Volunteer of the Year right, made the presentation to the Haskell Early

Quilting class

Quilting classes will be offered the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Church of God, 714 N. 1st East in Haskell. For more information, call Cathy at 864-3982.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., March 16 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m at 206S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., March 16 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Mom Prom

The Camo Chicks third annual Mom Prom fund-raiser benefitting the American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be held at Macias Ballroom April 6 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$20. Ladies, pull out your old prom dresses and come join in the fun! For more information contact Bette Enriquez at 864-2391 or Stacia Leach at 864-8138, after 5:00 p.m. No one under the age of 18 permitted.

Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson Weinert-Rochester homecoming will be held Sept. 27-28.

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Sheena Crosson, second from right, received and Visitor's Center.

award during the Haskell Chamber of Commerce Learning Center, run by Crosson. Rueffer is the banquet held Mon., Feb. 25 at the Civic Center. manager of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce

Two contested elections to be held in May

by Caron Yates

a position in the May 11 municipal and school board elections has come and gone. elections held in Rule, There are only two contested Rochester or Weinert. races county-wide.

elect three at-large aldermen. only the incumbents filed Incumbents Randy Bowers and Sue Medford have filed for re-election. Incumbent will continue to serve the Stacy Bridges chose not to run for another term. Challengers for the three council positions are Shane Whitt, Ernest Frye, Allen Morrow and Wes Strickland.

Early voting will take place at Haskell City Hall from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Extended hours on Thursday, May 2nd and Friday, May 3rd will run from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Rule ISD will also hold an election for three positions on the school board. Teresa Baiza and Elaina Mathis, both incumbents, have filed to retain their spots on the school board. Others vying for a position on the Rule school board are Terry Threet, Jeffrey Murray, Robert Saffel and Wade Gomillion.

school board election will take place in the superintendent's office during regular business hours.

The date for filing for have filed to run, with no Mayor Marvin Stegemoeller through May 7. challengers filing.

There will be no city

The City of Rule had three The City of Haskell will seats up for grabs, however to run. David Parr, Kenny Tanner and Jerry Cannon City of Rule.

In Rochester, incumbents

will retain their seats on the municipal government.

the city council for Weinert. the Rule City Hall.

March 12 is the first day to apply for early voting by bring an acceptable form mail. May 3 will be the last of identification. This day to receive an application can include your voter for a ballot to vote by mail. certificate, driver's license The first day for early voting or other personal photo Malinda Teague, Sandra by personal appearance is identification.

Meinzer. Both incumbents Bass, Bobby O'Neal and April 29 and it will continue

Election Day, May 11, voting for the City of Haskell Leonard Mahan, Stanley will take place at City Hall. Hager and Caron Yates will Voting for the Rule ISD continue to have a place on school board will be held at

Voters are reminded to

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Sheriff Stephens issues warning to those who are involved in drugs

Winston Stephens has offered sign, mile marker, rest area, know what we know. the following words to those who are involved in drugs:

Smuggling and dealing drugs is not a victimless crime, just ask any father or mother who has had a child that was affected by drugs. It is simply an excuse to justify your illegal actions.

You are part of a major criminal organization causing Early voting for the Rule untold deaths and chaos in America. This affects all of the American people.

officers, we have taken an Haskell CISD had two oath to protect the American positions, single member people. This year of 2013 district 1, held by Joel Torres we plan on stepping it up a

Haskell County Sheriff look for you at every stop heart rate will increase. You convenience store, gas station, drive through and motel.

We want to make sure you watch your mirrors until Your neighbors, friends, your neck cramps up. Watch children, wife, dad, mom over your shoulder at every moment. Think about who You will tell them every is in the next stall in every rest stop. Sleep light as we may come knocking on your door at home or at your motel room during the middle of the night.

Watch your speed, stay you sometime-maybe today, As law enforcement alert, that next call may be maybe next month. Some day from us-you figure it out. We are coming for you! One be upon you. day when you least expect it, you will see one of us pull and single member district notch! We will not sit around in behind you and our red to meeting you...no, really 6, currently served by Tyke waiting on you. We plan to and blues will come on. Your

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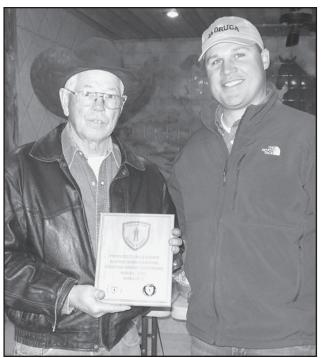
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SAFETY CITY VISIT-The Paint Creek third graders made their annual trip to Safety City in Abilene Thurs., Feb. 28. The students learned about bicycle, pedestrian, fire and traffic safety. Those making the trip were, seated, I-r, Tori Blake and Ivy Cumby; standing, Dakota Daniels, Chris Acosta, Ethan Jenkins, Jordan Mlenak, Tyler Dawson, Donovan Rodriguez and Joshua Blake. Their teacher is Tammi Hawkins.



EVENT WINNERS-Winners of the Operation: Varmints for Veterans was the team of I-r, John Trammel of Breckenridge, Jon Van Winkle of Graham, Rex Davis of Monticello, Arkansas and Mike Roberts of Abilene. Davis is a disabled veteran who served three tours in Afghanistan. He was a door gunner for a MH67 Chinnock helicopter. The group brought in five coyotes, one fox and a bobcat.



Hee Haw tickets now available

The Sagerton Community has begun making preparations for the annual Sagerton Hee Haw, which will be held March 21-23



SHOW STEER-Cheyenne Buerger, right, of Paint Creek placed fourth in the Heavy Weight Angus division at the Fort Worth Stock Show. Shown are, I-r, his parents, Gina and Kenny Buerger and Kourtney Howard.

Obituaries

James 'Jack' Ewell Kittley, Jr.

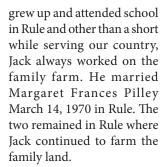


JACK KITTLEY

Funeral services for James 'Jack' Ewell Kittley, Jr., 84, lifelong resident of Rule were held Thurs., Feb. 28 at First Baptist Church in Rule with John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Kittley passed away at his home early Monday morning, Feb. 25.

Born Mon., Dec. 13, 1928 in Rule, he was the son of Mildred Kittley (Guinn) and and was a member of the First James Ewell Kittley, Sr. He Baptist Church of Rule.



He was a quiet, kind man and never had much to say unless the subjects of the weather, farming, or oil wells were brought up. He was happy to join in the conversation at that point, but if the subject changed, Jack was done conversing.

He earned the Family Land Heritage Award for being an owner and operating the same farm land as his predecessors' for more than 110 years. He was very proud of this award, proud of the family farm, and continued to honor both to his last davs

Kittley enjoyed genealogy

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mildred and James Kittley, Sr.

He will be missed by his wife of 43 years, Margaret Kittley of Rule; a step-son, Donald Wylie of McKinney; step-daughter, Tina Wylie of Azle; a brother, Pete Kittley of Rule; two nephews, Billy Dave Kittley, Jr. and wife Pat of Rule, and James Ray Kittley of Rule; great nieces and nephews, Sarah Heidenhammer and husband J.G. of Oahu, Hawaii, Steven Kittley of Abilene and their sons, Zack and Ryan, Tre Ann Krupnick and husband Matt of Fairfax, Virginia and their son, Cooper, and Billy Dave Kittley, III of Rule.

If desired, memorial contributions may be given in Jack's name to the Salvation Army, 1726 Butternut St., Abilene, Texas 79602.

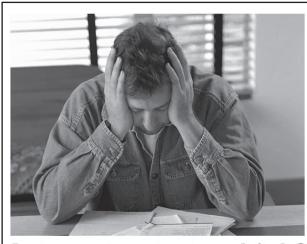
Online condolences and memories may be shared with the Kittley family by visiting www.smithfamilyfh. com. PD. NOTICE

Timothy Curtis 'Tim' Burson

One of four children, Tim was born Jan. 5, 1947 in Haskell to Raymond Herbert and Dorthy Estelle (Curtis) Burson. He married Linda Sampson Aug. 7, 1965. Burson proudly served on the Board of Directors for Haskell County Farm Bureau and Farmers Co-op Gin of Haskell; he fulfilled a four year term as Haskell County Commissioner; was a passionate and loyal minister Beach, Joey Kimbrough, for Treasures of Grace Ministries; and faithfully worked the Cross Country Emmaus Walks.

47 years, Linda Burson of Haskell; two sons, Jimmy Burson and wife Missy of Haskell and their children, Jordan, Taylor, Lane and Logan; and Patrick Burson and his wife Angela of Clyde

IN APPRECIATION–Jon Van Winkle, right, of the Freedom Care Warrior Project, presented Jacky (left) and Sandra Sanders of the Circle S Ranch a plaque in appreciation of their being the hosts for the Varmints For Veterans event in Haskell. The event was held March 2-3.



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beginning at 8:00 p.m. each evening. An hour of music and singing will be held before the Hee Haw program begins.

The program for Thurs., March 21, is especially for groups. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances will go on sale Thurs., March 7 at 8:30 a.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. After the completion of ticket sales at the Community Center March 7, orders may be made by calling 940-997-2688 or come to 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton, for tickets. A limit of 10 tickets will be sold per person March 7. If more tickets are needed, you may enter the line again.

Tickets are \$5.00 each.



TIM BURSON

Funeral services for Timothy Curtis 'Tim' Burson, 66, lifelong resident of Haskell were held Sat., March 2 at First Baptist Church farmer and a member of in Haskell with Rev. Randy the First Baptist Church of N. Ave. E, Haskell, Texas Packwood and Rev. Jim Haskell. McCurley officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Smith Estelle Burson; a son, Scotty Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Burson passed away Wednesday evening, Feb. 27 at Haskell Memorial Hospital with his family at his side.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Burson; daughter, Andrea Burson; and a brother, Tony Burson.

Those left behind to honor Tim's memory are his wife of

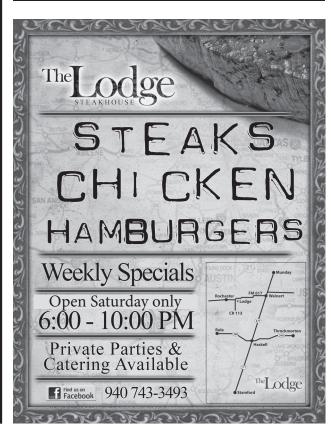
and their children, Mason, Brynn and Luke; two sisters, Wanda Rogers of Haskell and Sherry Carter and husband Chick of Abilene.

Pallbearers were Joe David Adams, James Ivy, Stacy Bridges and Andy Griffith.

Memorials may be made Burson was a retired in Tim's honor to the Haskell Hero Scholarship Fund, 605 79521; or to the Treasures of Grace Bible/Prison Ministry, P.O. Box 664, Haskell, Texas 79521.

> Online condolences and memories may be shared with the Burson family by visiting www.smithfamilyfh. PD. NOTICE com.

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TURNING ROPES-Paint Creek Troop 148 demonstrated the art of rope making during the **Celebrate Texas Independence Haskell County** Style on Saturday. Turning the crank is Seth Rock. Gabe Todd holds the guiding stick. Jon Townsend waits for his turn to help.



DIGGING FOR DOLLARS-Children under age 9 enjoyed digging for dollars during the Celebrate Texas Independence Haskell County Style on Saturday. The event allowed kids to keep what they found, except all were limited to one gold dollar coin. The fun was sponsored by Haskell National Bank.



Josselet reunion to be held March 30

The Josselet reunion will be held Sat., March 30 at the Haskell Civic Center. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. with donuts and coffee. A luncheon of steak, sausage, beans and bread will be provided. All attendees are asked to furnish salads, vegetables and or desserts. An auction will be held again, so family members are asked to bring items for the auction. A bouncy house and an Easter Egg hunt will be held for the children. A group picture will be taken and any family group pictures will be available upon request. Families are asked to bring old family pictures with names to be scanned to put on a disc. Each of the nine families represented will get a disc made. Send your updates/ changes to Julia Harrell at tti@valornet.com. If you have any questions, contact Robbie Drinnon or Julia Harrell.





HAMBURGER FEED-Haskell Volunteer Fire Department members feed the crowd their famous hamburgers and french fries during the Celebrate Texas Independence Haskell County Style on Saturday. The veterans were registering for the Operation: Varmints for Veterans hunt at the gazebo.

Easter Cantata set Sunday, March 24

Community Choir practice for the Easter Cantata will be held each Sunday from 4 to 5 p.m. in the First Baptist Chapel. Everyone is welcome. The cantata will be presented Sun., March 24 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. For more information, contact Martha Jarred.





WASHER PITCHING-Kids tried their hand at mastering the art of washer pitching during the **Celebrate Texas Independence Haskell County** Style on Saturday.

Haskell Lodge #241

The winds of March blew in and members braved the elements to attend the Lodge #241.

order by president, Jerry Don Klose and he lead the group in the pledge of allegiance to the USA flag.

A memoriam was offered up for the passing of Tim Burson, who had been a member since July 13,1975, and expired on Feb. 28. Our the heat of the day. condolences are extended to his family.

had good news as the members who have been on the sick list are now home and doing much better, even in the future.

T.J. Brueggeman and Harry Koehler have birthdays in the month of March.

Herbert Dale Fischer of Waco will receive his 50-year membership pin in March. Fischer became a member March 22, 1963.

Klose, Brueggeman and Koehler won door prizes.

Conversations centered in harmony. upon days gone by. Farming was the general way of life.

For most of the work on the farm, it seems it was done Charlie's.

by hand. (This was the hard way). Gathering grain and storing it was a hot, dusty and meeting of Sons of Hermann itchy chore. Some cultivating, which was supposed to be The meeting was called to time saving, ended up as time costly, as the hired hand was not watching and covered up a row as it cultivated the row next to it. This meant going by foot and uncovering by hand held device, to restore the damaged row. All of this work was being done during

One member recalls being told that to be initiated into Our Cheer Committee the lodge, you would be required to ride a donkey. Of course that never happened, but when the lodge was young, there were passwords though more surgery may be and secrecies that are no longer in existence.

Time changes everything. The customs enjoyed in the past are now disregarded by the new generation, and sometime the new customs are not understood by the older generation. The delight is when all generations learn from each other and learn to live along side of each other

The meeting for next month will be April 7 at 5:00 p.m. at Camacho and

St. Patrick's Day - March 17 We have American Greetings St. Patrick's Day cards!

> Baby Shower Registry **Leslie and James Jeans**

Bridal Shower Registry Courtney Vaughn and Kyle Kittley

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HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

Sequestration happens, effects to be felt

AUSTIN-Fri., March 1, was the deadline for Congress and the White House to agree on how much to tax and how much to spend to avoid "sequestration"-automatic across-the-board cuts to federal programs in the current federal fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30, and beyond.

No agreement came. Now, budget reductions totaling \$85 billion will come, resulting in fewer federal dollars meted out to the 50 states for education. social programs, environmental funds, civilian jobs linked to defense functions, and more.

According to Texas' 10-member Legislative Budget Board, however, key safetynet programs are exempted from federal cuts, such as Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, National School Lunch Program, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. Also, certain transportation programs are exempted, including those administered by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. The Airport Improvement Program is also exempted, the LBB said.

On Feb. 25, F. Scott McCown, executive director of the Austin-based Center for Public Policy Priorities, said, "Sequestration will be extremely damaging to our economy and to American families." McCown listed possible effects in Texas resulting from sequestration, such as:

•Loss of \$68 million in funding for primary and secondary education, putting around 930 teacher and aide jobs at risk.

•Loss of \$51 million in funding for about 620 teachers, aides, and staff who help children with disabilities.

•Around 4,720 fewer low

Legislature pressed forward with its tasks in the weekdays leading up to March 1.

On Feb. 27, the Senate Finance Committee tentatively approved SB 7, legislation funding education and health and human services. The House on Feb. 21 passed House Bill 10, a patch that funds Medicaid until Sept. 30 coupled with partial restoration of the \$5 billion hit suffered by public Rusty Howard, Frank Elementary fourth grade new minister, Jim Crain. education in 2011. The bill quickly moved through the Senate Finance Committee, where it was substituted and passed. CSHB 10 is on the Intent Calendar, awaiting consideration by the full Senate.

SB 7, by Senate Health and Human Services Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, redesigns the Medicaid longterm care system for individuals with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities, as honoring Maurice Boles of will be active in leasing new well as Texans 60 and over, she said

"We cannot continue to fund the same inefficient, unsustainable Medicaid system and expect a different result, especially given the significant increases in our populations of seniors and individuals with developmental disabilities who are living longer, healthier lives than ever before," Nelson said, adding, "SB 7 ensures that those currently being served continue to be served-but in a more efficient, coordinated manner. It also lays the groundwork to extend services to those currently waiting for them."

Military vote effort starts

Texas Secretary of State John Steen on Feb. 25 launched an initiative, The Boots and Ballots Tour, by the Elections Division in the Office of the Texas Secretary of State, to prepare and provide military voters with additional resources to register to vote and participate in local, state and federal elections. As part of the effort, military

10 Years Ago March 6, 2003

Carmel Pace of Rule and Bill Markunas of Haskell, both competed in the 26.2 mile Motorola Marathon, held in Austin. Pace's time qualified her to compete in the Boston Marathon in April.

Members of the Haskell Agriculture Mechanics team won a blue ribbon with the hog/sheep trailer they planned and constructed as a show project. The team consisted of Ross Bullinger, Pueschel and Sean Jeanes.

Representing Haskell County at the District Paige Hagadone, Jonathan Food and Nutrition Quiz Dowl Contest were Aubrey Bassett, Molly Dudensing, Brooke Bullinger and Jenny Dudensing. They won 3rd place at the contest.

20 Years Ago March 11, 1993

A reception was held

Rule, upon her retirement as cars, vans and light trucks head cook for the Experienced through the Engage-A-Car Citizens Center. She has been program. with the ECC for almost twelve years, preparing an Currency in Washington average one hundred meals, D.C. has granted permission three times weekly.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

to organize a new bank in

The Church of Christ

in Haskell is happy to

40 Years Ago

March 8, 1973

star Randy Ivey, received the

Feather Award this week

for his performance in the

Haskell High School track

Haskell High School boys' Haskell. The five organizers golf team won first place in include Joseph Thigpen, the Haskell Invitational Golf Doyle High and Burnell Tournament. Among the Gilleland, all of Haskell, sixty-five golfers competing along with Frank Head of in the tournament, were Matt Houston and Don Johnson Perry, Cody Cypert, Mik of Eden. Everett, Brian Brzozowski and Patrick Middleton.

Among the Haskell announce the arrival of their electrical safety program son Benjamin, have moved were Deshea Phemister, to Haskell from Dallas. Gholson, Clayton Buker, Kristi Christian, Cassie Flores and Jeff Blanks.

30 Years Ago March 10, 1983

announces the opening of his was the high point man in "Engage-A-Car" brokerage the meet with 39 points, in Haskell. The company finishing 2nd in high jump, broad jump and mile relay,



Ask the Mayor

and first in the high hurdles and intermediate hurdles.

Jeff Denson, son of Mr. The Comptroller of the and Mrs. Sonny Denson of Rule, exhibited the first place spotted Poland China in the heavy weight class of the 1973 Houston Livestock Show.

Weinert Mayor J.E. Jetton and Aldermen Lester Hutchinson and Melvin Vojkufka have all filed for reelection in the Weinert city election, slated for April.

50 Years Ago March 7, 1963

Ira Hester was elected Robledo, T.J. Yates, Dax students participating in the Crain, his wife Karen and Haskell Rotary Club president. Other officers were Roy Johnson, vice president; Desmond Dulaney, secretary; Henry Withers and Alvin Sherman, directors; and Brooks Middleton, sergeantat-arms.

> Members of the Haskell Eldon "Andy" Anderson Bulldog Relays in Spur. He High School FHA attending the Region IV Future Homemakers of America's annual meeting at Tarleton State College, were Betty Bruton, Anita Sotelo, Teresa Galvan, Judy Hudson and Francis Foil.

> > Howard Liles, Jr., member of the faculty of the Mattson School in the Mattson community, reported for duty at Ft. Polk, Louisiana, to begin training with a National Guard unit there.

100 Years Ago March 15, 1913

The inaugural speeches of President Wilson and Vice President Marshall are printed from plate in this issue of the Free Press.

Mrs. Meek and Mrs. Clough have opened up a stock of jewelry at Spencer and Richardson's.

In a rabbit round up in the Roberts community last Saturday, there were 102 of the destruction causing pests killed.

income students would receive aid to help them finance the costs of college and around 1,450 fewer students will get work-study jobs that help them pay for college.

•Head Start and Early Head Start services would be eliminated for about 4,800 children.

•Loss of \$8.5 million in environmental funding to quality, as well as prevent pollution from pesticides and hazardous waste.

Department of Defense employees would be furloughed, reducing gross pay by around \$274.8 million in total.

Lawmakers here march on

Even with the prospect of no agreement in Washington to avoid sequestration, the Texas

and overseas voters are also being reminded the Federal Post Card Application they can fill out and return permanently registers them to vote and serves as a ballot request for a calendar year so they do not have to request a ballot each time an election is held.

There are two Uniform ensure clean water and air Election dates in Texas this year: May 11, 2013 and Nov. 5, 2013.

"No one does more to •Some 52,000 civilian protect our freedom and right to vote than the men and women of our armed services," Steen said. "So we must do everything we can to ensure they can participate in the very process they are serving and fighting to protect and defend."



Speaking of the Larneds-if you were sitting at the same table as that family, your chances of winning a door prize were increased exponentially. Congratulations to all who won door prizes–a good time was had by all.

Sally Rueffer also announced that this would be her last Chamber banquet because she and Jack are moving to Brazoria County to assist her Dad in taking care of the family owned golf course. However, they did announce they were not selling their house which tells me they don't plan on staying away forever. Also, when they return, they probably both will be cracker jack golfers. Anyway, while you are down South, don't forget about us.

Stuck my head in to say 'hi' to the folks at Farm Girl Divathe last time I visited them they were in the midst of painting, stocking, arranging and just getting ready for their grand opening. It's good to see people willing to 'take the dive' and open a new business. I wish them the best of luck and hope they are in business here for many a year to come.

As I sit here looking out my window, the weather looks like it would be absolutely

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

work. However, after I went out and walked around awhile I found out it was not as pleasant as it looked. I will be glad when the temperature and wind are conducive for me to do some modifications 42 years of breeding cotton, to my sprinkler system. When I retired in 2008 and we moved here, I was absolutely ecstatic to know that I had a sprinkler system to water the yard. The days of moving the sprinkler and dragging hoses would be long gone. You jest!! Well not completely. I no longer have to move the hoses and sprinklers to water the yard and almost all of our flower beds are watered with a drip system and these are good things. However, I wish I could just leave our sprinkler system alone. I keep finding ways to modify it, trying to make it better. As I am learning, modifications can get expensive. Maybe, just maybe, these current changes will be the last ones I make. Sure would make my bride happy if I would just leave it alone.

I hope everyone who has back. Jan trimmed ours back about three weeks ago so they should be ready to just bloom their hearts out this spring and summer. The rose breeders of the world have done a wonderful job of producing new roses that are longer lasting, hardier, more disease resistant, somewhat drought tolerant with magnificent petal color. However, while they were developing these new roses, they forgot to concentrate on the sweet smell that many of the older varieties possessed. I find that the majority of these

wonderful to do some yard newly developed roses are completely lacking in sweet aroma or only have a very faint odor. The aroma factor is the number one consideration when we plant roses in our yard. Hmm, I retired after wonder how difficult it would be to develop roses that were not only pretty but smelled good? Maybe some day when I get the sprinkler system to perfection. And that brings up another point, do not let the water spray directly onto the roses.

I know all of the employees at Encore-Vision are looking forward to moving into their new office space starting this Friday and plan to be finished moving by Sunday afternoon. I am probably just as excited as they are because the old bank building or Sherman building needs to be occupied. It will be so nice to have that building full of enthusiastic young people who while performing their duties for which they are paid will also bring some increased levels of enthusiasm to our community. I have already begun to ask for their roses remembered to cut them ideas and assistance as we continually strive to make Haskell even better.

> I hope all of you took time to participate in our Texas Independence Day Celebration on the square this past weekend. It would be wonderful if we had some type of activity scheduled for the square at least two weekends of each month. The only way we could ever make something happen that often is if different organizations or groups of people would assume the responsibility for making it happen. We cannot and do not expect the same folks to

be the only ones responsible. We all have to come up with ideas and suggestions and then find a way to bring them to fruition. Met a couple who live between Albany and Throckmorton who came to enjoy the festivities. Of course, I tried to get them to move to Haskell. They already come several times a year to our dentist.

Matthew Duran told the members of the City Council at our last meeting that he was going to start using a different method of repairing our number one nemesispotholes. It is something that contains some epoxy that should hopefully make our street repairs last longer. Duran is constantly researching new techniques and methodology for repairing potholes. Like I mentioned at the citywide forum, if there was some way we could come up with 'only' \$60,000,000 we could solve a whole slew of our infrastructure problems. As you can imagine, I haven't had anyone knocking on my door with a handful of money to help solve our problem.

I was told by friends who live at the lake that they attended a meeting in Paint Creek about the water situation. The person leading the meeting, and they couldn't remember a name, had said we had enough water in Miller Creek Reservoir for one year. I said, "I thought it was only for 6 months." They reported the man said this last rain did some filling in the reservoir. Must remember rain in Haskell goes to Lake Stamford; rain up north east of us fills Miller Creek. Still prudent to keep praying for that rain.

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Haskell Co. 4-H Fashion Show results

by Jane Rowan CEA/FCS, Haskell Co. The 2013 Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show was held

Sun., March 3 at the Paint Creek School auditorium. The Haskell Jr. and Sr. 4-H Clubs hosted the annual event.

Emily Fouts, Mistress of Ceremonies, welcomed the 4-H members, parents and guests to the show. Jacie Klose led everyone in the American Pledge and the 4-H Motto and Pledge. The invocation was given by Madison Homeyer. Fouts introduced special guests, and judges for the event were recognized. Serving as judges for the fashion show were Ann Guess of Jayton and Michelle Dunnam of Haskell. Fashion Storyboard judge was Tracie Pribyla of Seymour. Appreciation was expressed to the Haskell County TEEA Club and the Haskell County 4-H and Youth Development Committee for sponsoring the 2013 fashion show awards.

4-H Clothing & Textiles project members participating in the fashion show presented their outfits in the style show, "Haskell County 4-H Fiesta." Jim Jordan, Haskell, first place. McTasney of Paint Creek narrated the show giving details about each outfit as well as information about each model.

Results of the fashion show competition were Bailey Hawkins, Haskell, first announced by Jane Rowan-County Extension Agent Sciences. Assisting with the presentation of awards was Paint Creek 4-H member, Zhenia McTasney. All first place winners will advance to the District 4-H Fashion



INTERMEDIATE ENTRIES-Intermediate entries in the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show include, I-r, Lori Beth Rodgers, Sarah Fouts, Bailey Hawkins and Felicity Hannsz.

hosted by Jack County 4-H in Jacksboro.

Fashion show results Jordan, first place. include:

Fashion Story Board

Junior Accessory, Blessing Junior Pet Clothing, Adaline Utley, Haskell, first

place. Junior Wearable, Faith

Jordan, Haskell, first place. Intermediate Pet Clothing,

place.

Intermediate Wearable, for Family & Consumer Sarah Fouts, Sagerton, first refreshments were served by place.

Fashion Show Junior Buying

Casual Wear, Adaline Utley, first place.

Show on April 6. The 2013 Oliver, Stamford, first place; district fashion show will be Faith Jordan, Haskell, second place.

> Specialty Wear, Blessing Intermediate Buying

> Casual Wear, Lori Beth Rodgers, Haskell, first place; Felicity Hannsz, Haskell, second place.

Dressy Wear, Sarah Fouts, first place.

Speciality Wear, Bailey Hawkins, first place.

Senior Buying Specialty Wear, Emily Fouts, Sagerton, first place.

Prior to the style show the Haskell 4-H Clubs while guests viewed the fashion storyboard exhibit.

For more information about the 4-H Clothing Dressy Wear, Gracie project and/or the Fashion

Show, contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/ FCS, in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. The telephone number is 940-



FASHION SHOW-Emily Fouts had the Specialty Wear entry in the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show.



The Haskell County Jr./Sr. 4-H Clubs held their monthly meeting Sunday afternoon, Extension Office. Twenty-4-H Motto and Pledge was led by Felicity Hannsz. The 4-H Clubs had a short business meeting, past events covered were the Fort Worth, San Antonio and San Angelo Stock Shows. The

held in Rule Feb. 2 was also Speaking, Educational discussed.

4-H Club news

The upcoming events Bowls (Horse and Beef). Feb. 24 at the Haskell County discussed were the Houston and Star of Texas Stock the meeting and took four 4-H'ers and leaders Shows, the Clothing and pictures for a "H-A-S-K-Eattended. The meeting was Photography Awards L-L 4-H" collage, with their led by Bailey Hawkins. The Program to be held March bodies forming the letters. Pledge of Allegiance was led 3 at the Paint Creek School Door prize winner was Brody by Tillie McGuire and the cafeteria. Special guest at the Stanfield. meeting was Jane Rowan, CEA-FCS, who spoke to refreshments furnished by the 4-H members about 4-H Round-Up, a District contest coming up May 1 in set March 24. For more Vernon.

Presentations, and Quiz

The 4-H'ers went outside

864-2546.

Clothing Lock-In that was as Share-The-Fun, Public 2658 or 864-2546.

The 4-H'ers enjoyed Cherie Dutton.

The next meeting is information, contact the There are such events Extension Office at 940-864-

March Garden Checklist

plants started outdoors from seed will grow so quickly they will catch up with commercial plants in size within a few weeks. For many gardeners, this is the only way to obtain rare or heirloom varieties. But because this has been a winter with erratic weather patterns, it's best to keep an eye on young tomato transplants so that they may be covered if the threat of a late frost occurs.

•Don't be in a hurry to set out young pepper plants. Wait until the temperatures seem to be settled.

•Pruning of evergreens and summer flowering trees and shrubs should be completed in early March. Prune spring flowering trees and shrubs as soon as they finish blooming.

•Start hanging baskets of petunias, ferns and others for another dimension in landscape color. One attractive begonia plant can yield a number of others through careful rooting of stem cuttings.

•Plant dahlia tubers in fertile, well-drained soil.

•In North Texas there is still time to plant seeds of

is past.

•Select and order caladium tubers as well as coleus plants for late April and early May planting. Do not plant caladiums until soil temperature reaches 70 degrees.

•As camellia and azalea plants finish blooming, fertilize them with three pounds of azalea-camellia fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed area. Check mulch on azalea and camellia beds and add where needed.

•Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks from now until September.

•Beware of close-out sales on bare-root tees and shrubs. The chance of survival is rather low on bare-root plants this late in the season. Your best bet at this time of year is to depend on container-grown or balledand-burlapped plants for landscape use.

•Plant Blue Plumbago (Plumbago capensis) now for season long low maintenance color. It is usually cold hardy to Zone 8 and sheltered places elsewhere. Although tolerant of sunny conditions, blue plumbago prefers a your favorite annuals in flats little protection from the to be transplanted out-of- hot afternoon sun. It is quite

•Often, tomato and pepper doors when danger of frost drought tolerant and blooms from spring till frost.

•Now is a time to thin larkspur, zinnia cockscomb, and cosmos seedlings. Plants will bloom much better if thinned to about 4" apart. Transplant or share the extras with gardening friends.

Water conservation in Haskell

The City of Haskell has implemented stage two of the Drought Contingency Plan for the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority. Stage two calls for a voluntary 15% reduction in water use by all City of Haskell Water Customers. Please make every effort to conserve and help secure our water supply as long as possible. Water conservation in the City of Rule

The City of Rule has implemented Stage Three of its Drought Contingency Plan. Stage Three calls for a mandatory 25% reduction in water use by all City of Rule water customers. For information on specified restrictions, contact or go by Rule City Hall or call 940-996-2214.

JUNIOR ENTRIES–Junior entries in the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show include, front, Blessing Jordan; back row, Faith Jordan, Adaline Utley and Gracie Oliver.

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The Texas Department drinking driver or finding of Public Safety (DPS) will increase DWI patrols from March 8-March 17, one of the most active Spring Break periods in Texas. DPS troopers will focus DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent. The enhanced patrols that target intoxicated drivers are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

"Too frequently people choose to drink and drive during Spring Break, which is an extremely dangerous decision that often leads to senseless tragedy," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Getting impaired drivers off the roads during Spring Break is a major priority for the department, and we also urge the public to make responsible decisions, such as designating a non-

alternative transportation if they are impaired."

During last year's Spring Break enforcement period, DPS troopers made more than 1,000 DWI arrests, and approximately 300 were the direct result of the increased patrols funded by the grant. DPS enforcement also resulted in more than 9,400 speeding citations, 1,500 seat belt/child safety seat tickets and 12,500 other citations. In addition, troopers made 545 fugitive arrests and 402 felony arrests during routine patrol operations.

The drinking age in Texas is 21, and any driver under that age with any detectable amount of alcohol in their system can be charged with breaking the law. Additional troopers will also be patrolling in areas with high concentrations of Spring Break activity.

E-mail your news, photos and ads to The Haskell Free Press at hfpnews@lycos.com or hfp@valornet.com

tips for safe travel during the Spring Break holiday:

•Slow down-especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic and unfamiliar areas.

•Eliminate distractions while driving, including the usage of mobile devices.

•Buckle up everyone in the vehicle-it's the law.

•Don't drive fatigued, and allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

•Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.

•Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

•Slow down or move over for tow trucks and

Haskell Co. **Arrest Report**

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell during the week of Feb. 25 through March 3:

Luis Aguilar, driving while intoxicated, 3rd or more. Forty-three calls were

made to 911.

DPS offers the following police, fire and EMS vehicles stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated-it's the law.

 Avoid travel to Mexico. (U.S. citizens who do travel to Mexico should always check the U.S. Department of State website for the latest information regarding security issues in Mexico, and they should register with the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program by visiting http://travel.state. gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/ cis_970.html.).

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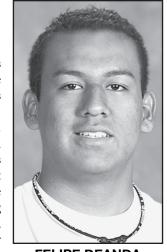
Mon., March 11 Creamy mushroom steak with cream gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli and rice, carrot cake, tea or coffee

Wed., March 13 Taco and trimmings, pickles, onions, jello, brownie, tea or

coffee Fri., March 15

County Sheriff's Office Bar-B-Q sausage, potato salad, pinto beans, carrots, peaches, cookies, tea or coffee

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



FELIPE DEANDA HUNTER IVY Students visit Rotary Club

Felipe Deanda is the son Haskell. of Felipe and Maria Deanda of Haskell.

He attends East Side Baptist Church.

Deanda is a student at Haskell High School and enjoys working out.

He plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in Science of Exercise and Nutrition and minor in Business Management.

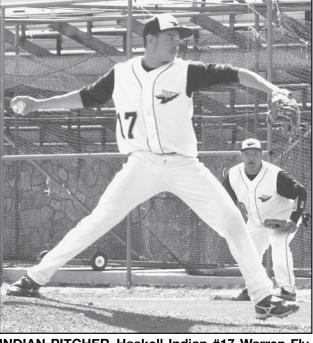
Hunter Ivy is the son of Volly and Frieda Ivy of

He attends First Baptist Church.

At Haskell High School, he is active in golf and journalism. He enjoys golf, hunting and camping.

He was been awarded the Buck Everett golf award and numerous awards for his pictures.

He plans to attend South Plains College or a school where there is a golf team. He wants to become a game warden.



INDIAN PITCHER-Haskell Indian #17 Warren Fly works on the mound during a game against Olney. The Indians were victorious.



This Week's Devotional Message:



Those of us who pray regularly know tomorrow, when our opponents have how easy it is to turn a prayer into a 'wish list' of material advantages, and then we are disappointed when our wishes aren't granted. All too often we pray for silly, trivial things, or things that would be harmful to us, or even those that would benefit us at the expense of others. For example, we may pray that our team will win the game we happen to be.

just as much right to a victory. We should pray for good health, wisdom, and self-improvement, some of which may require a little cooperation on our part. The best prayer simply affirms our belief that God knows what's best for us and will provide it. We can learn this at our house of worship, or wherever

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** 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**

Rev. Earnest Flanders., Jr., pastor Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare Bill and Renee Glass, pastors Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wed. 7 p 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell **First Baptist Church Rev. Jim McCurley** Jason Daniels, minister of Youth and Music Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell **Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church** Morris R. Johnson, pastor Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. 1600 N. First St., Haskell **God Loves You Ministries** Mark Wallace, pastor Church Service 10 a.m. West side of square, Haskell -WEINERT---• **First Baptist Church** Dan Bullock, pastor Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert Weinert Foursquare Church **Rev. Robert Harrison** Sunday 11 a.m Weinert •—ROCHESTER—• **Church of Christ Mitchell Greer, minister** Sun. 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m. West on Main Street, Rochester **First Baptist Church Bishop Helsley, 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 Paimquist, pasto Sun. 10:30 a.m. Sagerton •---RULE-

First Baptist Church Scott Hensley, 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

Choice"

DOUBLE PLAY TRY-Haskell Indian #3 Mathew Martinez makes the out at second base and tries for the double play.



INDIAN CATCHER–Haskell Indian Jarred Escobedo works behind the plate for the Indians.



SAFE AT HOME–Haskell Indian #7 Dakota Silvas slides safely into home.



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Star Gazing Party set at Ft. Griffin Sat., March 9

Site presents their monthly Star Gazing Party: Stars and Skies of Texas, scheduled for March 9 at 7:00 p.m. This event will provide education and entertainment for the entire family, no matter the age. This is one of their monthly star gazing parties planned for the spring and summer months, as weather permits.

If you're wondering how the skies are at Fort Griffin, just know that they are described by many astronomers as being some of the darkest and clearest in Texas. In fact, Fort Griffin is considered one of the premiere hot spots for astronomy and is one of the three best public areas in Texas.

Each month, near the new moon, astronomers from all over Texas travel to Fort Griffin to take advantage

Fort Griffin State Historic of these night skies. This month, Jason Holland, Tom Pugh, and other local astronomers will share their telescopes, laser pointers, and knowledge of the night skies with the public. The star gazing program will begin after dark in the baseball field of the Fort Griffin campground.

> For the basic cost of general admission to Fort Griffin State Historic Site, a family can create a memorable experience for both kids and adults alike. General admission to the site is \$4 for adults, \$3 for students (ages 6-18), and ages 5 and under are free.

For more information about this event, camping fees, facilities, or other activities Fort Griffin has to offer, visit their website at www.visitfortgriffin.com. For camping reservations call 325-762-3592.



SAFE!-Haskell Maiden #33 Megan Gonzalez slides safely at home plate during last Friday's matchup with Baird on the Maiden's home field.

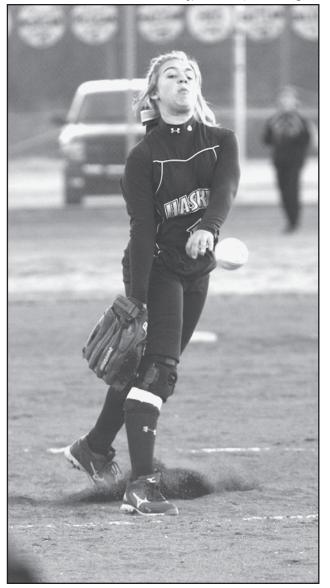
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TeamKid

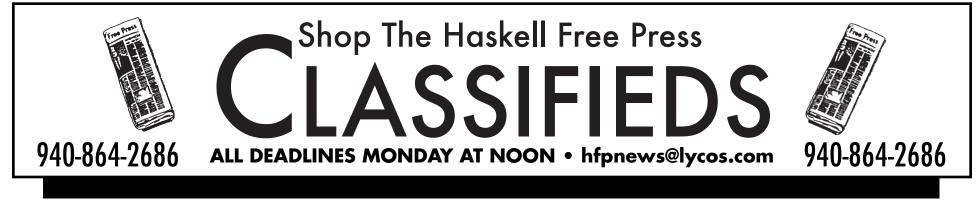
TeamKid "Character Challenge" is held Wednesdays from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the First **Baptist Church Family** Activity Center for children 4 year old Pre-K through sixth grade. If your child needs a ride, call the church office at 864-2581.

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.



MAIDEN PITCHER-Haskell Maiden Madison Homever on the mound for the Maidens.



For Sale

BALES: Heavy bales of irrigated, fertilized, fresh horse quality coastal. This is excellent hay. Delivery available. I have 1,000 bales left. 325-439-6261.10-13p



INDOORFLEAMARKET: Fri., March 8-Sat., March 9. 10 to 4. 518 5th St., Rule. Too much to list.

Miscellaneous

Help Wanted

COASTAL SQUARE Class A or B CDL for our mixer, agg, and tanker trucks. Please apply in person to SCM at 175 Bus. Hwy. 277 South, Haskell. 6tfc

> COOK SPECIALIST needed. Responsible for the preparation of all facility meals in accordance with pre-planned menus. High school diploma or equivalent required. Applications can be picked upRollingPlainsDetention Center or online at www. emeraldcompanies.com.

> > 9-10c

Help Wanted

MANAGER WANTED: Haskell Chamber of Commerce is taking applications for the position of Chamber manager. Apply with resume at 510 S. 2nd. 9-10c

Public Notices NOTICE OF DRAWING

FOR PLACE ON BALLOT

Notice is hereby given of a drawing to determine the order in which the names of candidates are to be printed on the ballot for the election to be held on May 11, 2013 in Haskell, Texas. The drawing will be held at 10 a.m. on March 8, 2013, at 301 South 1st Street, Haskell, Texas. Carolyn Graston Officer Conducting

Public Notices

Por lo presente se da aviso que habrà un sorteo para determinar la orden en que apareceràn los nombres de los candidatos en la boleta para la elección que se celebrarà el 11 de mayo, 2013 en Haskell, Texas. El sorteo tendrà lugar a las 10 a.m. el 8 de marzo, 2013 at 301 South 1st Street, Haskell, Texas. Carolyn Graston Oficial Manejando 10c

el Sorteo NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON

Public Notices

will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five-Year Plan and Annual Plan. The meeting will take place in the Community Center located at the Haskell Housing Authority at 702 S. Avenue H, Haskell, Texas.

The draft plans and all supportingdocumentation are available to the public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 702 S. Avenue H, on weekdays during the hours of 9:00 a.m. through

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester Homecoming will be held Sept. 27-28



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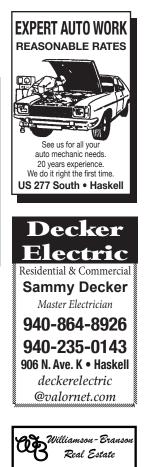
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AGENCY PLANS On March 19, 2013 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m.-5 at 2 p.m., the Board of p.m., Mon.-Thurs., Fridays Commissioners for the 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.10-11c Haskell Housing Authority Haskell County REALT 103 N. Ave. E Haskell, TX 79521 940-864-2665 1-800-658-6342 www.haskellcountyrealty.com Chan Guess, Rhonda Lisle – agent Bridget Guess – broker FEATURED LISTINGS **RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY** 1306 N. AVE. L-VACANT LOT-\$2,500. SOLD • S. AVE. P–37 +/- ACRES. WOULD DIVIDE IN 1 OR ½ ACRE TRACTS! SOLD 200 S. AVE. L-COMFORTABLE AND WELL MAINTAINED. 3/2. \$49,900. NEW 505 N. AVE. E-RENOVATED & GORGEOUS. 3/1. \$64,500. **SOLD** 604 N. 15TH-IMMACULATE, ON CORNER LOT! 3/2. \$69,000. NEW • 504 N. 7TH-SURPRISINGLY SPACIOUS! 3 (or) 4/2. \$76,500. • 1605 N. AVE. E-NEW IMPROVEMENTS! 3/2. \$95,500. • <u>1009 N. AVE. H</u>-2010 BUILT! MOVE IN READY! 4/2. \$99,500. • <u>5131 FM 2163</u>-COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS BEST! 14 +/- ACRES 3/1.5 \$125,000. **UNDER CONTRACT** 231 CR 105-PICTURE PERFECT ON 12+/-ACRES! 3/3 \$225,000. 903 U.S. HWY. 277 S-SHOWCASE COUNTRY PROPERTY ON 2.5 +/- ACRES. \$225,000. UNDER CONTRACT

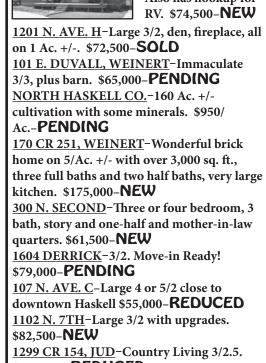
7485 HWY. 380E-RANCH LIVING, LOG HOME ON 40+/-ACRES! 5/2 \$235,000.

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BEST HARDWARE STORE–Richardson's True Value in Haskell was recognized as the "Best Hardware Store in Town" and one of the top 13 stores among thirteen locations. On hand for the presentation in Atlanta were, I-r, Brian Webb, Chairman of the Board True Value; A.C. Richardson owner; Jean Richardson, Lisa Milburn; Carl Milburn, general manager; and Lyle Heidemann, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) True Value.

Richardson's named 'Best Hardware Store in Town' True Value Company the backbone of the business," supporting them in return,

recently recognized 13 True Value hardware stores, selected from each of the coop's retail regions, as winners of its sixth annual "Best Hardware Store in Town" international recognition. Carl Milburn of Richardson's True Value in Haskell, was one of the winning retailers honored at True Value's 2013 Spring & Rental Market, held in Atlanta Feb. 23 through Feb. 25.

Although Richardson's focus has altered its original emphasis on tractor supply when it opened as an International Harvester Truck and Tractor dealer in 1964, the store has always found a way to support the rural Haskell community, first adding a True Value Hardware in 1992, and a NAPA Auto Parts in 1995.

General Manager Carl Milburn, who took over the store from owner and president A.C. Richardson in 2000, said he sees the award win as an indication that he and his team are on the right track. Milburn gives his team members, many of whom have been with Richardson's for nearly 20 years, much has a history of giving back

he said.

Customer service is a high priority at Richardson's, and one of the reasons why consumers regard the store so highly.

'The owner, A.C. Richardson, has given me the freedom to use his resources to create a store that's become as great as it is," Milburn said. "Richardson's True Value is here to meet the needs for Haskell and the surrounding communities. We are focused on helping our customers get the product they want and need, which will help keep them shopping in our town. They depend on us to handle their hardware needs, and we go above and beyond to help them."

"We greet every customer when they enter the store, and personally assist them in finding what they need," he continued. "If we don't have a particular item, we'll find it elsewhere. It's this type of above-and-beyond service that keeps customers coming back."

In addition to helping their customers inside the store's four walls, Richardson's also

community.

we're not working as a team."

Sponsored by True Value Company, the "Best Hardware Store in Town" program recognizes True Value retailers who exemplify successful retailing. Stores are self-nominated, or nominated by a peer or retail manager, and go through a series of selection processes until regional managers narrow down the top candidates. Mystery shoppers then visit each selected store to gain a customer's perspective. Stores are evaluated based on physical appearance, product selection, competitive pricing, promotional sales and customer assistance.

"Richardson's True Value provides the best shopping experience for its customers," said Lyle Heidemann, president and chief executive officer of True Value Company. "They consistently deliver on the five principles of successful retailing: people, place, product, price and promotion. And when they do that, they meet customers' needs and expectations, creating a profitable and sustainable business."

True Value Company, of the credit for the store's to the Haskell community headquartered in Chicago, will attempt to work during success. The combined team in other ways. The store is one of the world's largest non-peak traffic hours, retailer-owned hardware Project, area schools and cooperatives with sales of \$1.9 billion in 2011. The True Value cooperative fund-raisers within the includes approximately 4,600 "The community supports independent retailer locations worldwide operating under the store identities of True Value, Grand Rental Station, Taylor Rental, Party Central, Home & Garden Showplace

> and Induserve Supply. Additional information on

True Value Company and its

retail identities is available at www.truevaluecompany.

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storms? Would you know what to do? Did you know that Texas leads the nation in flash flood fatalities?

Two Safety Rules that **Could Save Your Life**

Safety rule number 1: Know what to do. Be sure you can receive warnings from the National Weather Service.

sirens. Have more than one way to receive your warnings

TxDOT to refresh pavement markings

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will begin a project in early March to refresh pavement markings on roadways in seven counties.

About 550 miles of pavement in Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Nolan, Shackelford and Taylor Counties will receive new thermoplastic pavement markings. The reflectivity of the markings diminishes over time due to wear and tear from traffic, sunlight and weather conditions and must be refreshed periodically. TxDOT will use a new, more durable material for marking high-traffic concrete intersections. The new material will last longer and reduce the need for workers to replace the markings over time.

Total Highway Maintenance of Cedar Hill will complete the work for about \$958,000 and should be finished by the end of May.

Although the contractor drivers are urged to be aware of the striping truck and wet paint in the work zones and avoid crossing fresh pavement markings.

March 3-9 is National like your cell/smart phone or is available, lie flat in a nearby weather radio.

Sirens are used to warn may not be loud enough to awaken you in the middle of the night. NOAA Weather Radio is like a smoke detector Would you be able to that can warn you anytime, survive one of these killer both indoors or outdoors. This radio will produce a loud sound when a tornado warning is issued by the National Weather Service for your area.

Safety rule number 2:

The safest place to survive violent, killer tornadoes is in an approved underground Don't just depend on storm shelter or in an above ground storm shelter.

The next safest place is on the lowest floor of your home, school or business in an interior room like a closet, hallway, or bathroom. Stay low to the ground and cover yourself with blankets, pillows, and/or mattresses.

If a tornado approaches and you live in a mobile home, abandon it for a more substantial shelter. If nothing

ditch covering your head and neck.

Tornadic storms can also produce flash flooding. Watch out when you come to a flooded low water crossing. Always Turn Around, Don't Drown!

In 2007, about 45 Texans drowned when they tried to walk or drive into flooded areas.

When severe weather threatens West Central Texas, your National Weather Service closely coordinates with local emergency managers, volunteer fire fighters, law enforcement officials, SKYWARN storm spotters, storm chasers, and the media to help keep you safe. But you can be your best source for protection when you get a warning from the National Weather Service if you are "weather ready."

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your nearest local emergency manager or you can call us the National Weather Service at 325-944-9445.

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has more than 98 years of currently supports the Noah experience.

"It's my staff, those people youth groups, and many who are putting the stock on the shelf, keeping it arranged, greeting the customer and ringing the tickets-they're us," Milburn said. "If we're not

March 9 is Passport **Day in Seymour**

210 N. Washington in Seymour is hosting a special passport event on Sat., March 9 from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m., to provide passport information to U.S. citizens and to accept passport applications. The Seymour Post Office is joining the U.S. Department of State in celebrating Passport Day in the USA 2013, a national passport acceptance and outreach event.

U.S. citizens must present a valid passport book when entering or re-entering the United States by air. U.S. citizens entering the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda at land borders and sea ports of entry must present a passport book, passport card, or other travel documents approved by the U.S. government.

Cost for a regular adult passport, including photos (available at the post office) is \$150. Expedited passport applications cost more and the charges for children's passports are slightly lower. A birth certificate and positive photo ID are required.

Information on the cost and how to apply for a U.S. passport is available at travel.state.gov. U.S. citizens may also obtain passport information by phone, in

The Seymour Post Office, English and Spanish, by calling the National Passport Information Center toll-free at 1-877-487-2778.

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