

Texas Chiefs Fly-in set Saturday

The Texas Chiefs Model Airplane club will hold their annual open house fly-in Sat., June 29 at the Haskell Model Airport.

On display will be all types of radio controlled models, sailplanes, electric power, methanol power and gas power. A mock combat event is planned for electric foam wings.

Spectators are welcome from 8 a.m. until close.

This event is sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., July 4 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., June 27 at 4:30 p.m.

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Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., July 18 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., July 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Puppet treat

The Dallas Puppet Theater will present a string variety, magical, musical marionette treat for the whole family at the Haskell Co. Library, Fri., June 28 at 10 a.m. Contact the Haskell County Library for more information.

Fiddler's contest

The TCR Old Timers' Association will hold its annual Fiddler's contest Sat., July 6 at the Round Up Hall next to the Rodeo Grounds in Stamford. The event begins at 10 a.m. and divides the contestants into age groups. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call 325-773-3582.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will hold a blood drive Mon., July 8 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked at the courthouse square. Call 325-670-2798 for more information or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Quilting class

A quilting class will meet 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 940-864-3982.

Library reading

The summer reading program "Dig Into Reading" will be held at Haskell County Library through July 30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program will not be held on Tues., July 2 and Thurs., July 4. The program will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. for ages K-third grade. Children are invited to come enjoy reading, crafts and cookies.

Summer lunches

Haskell CISD announces the summer food service program. Meals will be provided at the Haskell Elementary School cafeteria 306 S. Ave. G, Monday through Friday through July 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. No meals will be served Thurs., July 4. Anyone ages 6 months through 18 years of age is invited to eat free. Adults are also invited to eat for \$3.00 per plate.

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Rutkowski wins Championship Bull Fight Competition

BULL FIGHT WINNER—Weston Rutkowski, son of Glenda Gayle and John Rutkowski and grandson of the late Jack and Joy Chapman, all of Haskell, won the Chickasaw Nation World Championship Bull Fight Competition held in Ardmore, Oklahoma April 26-27. An "Invitation Only" competition against 15 of the "Best of the Best" in two nights of competition included five returning past World Champions. Rutkowski won the first go-round with a score of 90 points and had one of the highest scores in the second go-round which put him in the finals. Rutkowski won the finals and the Championship Trophy with a score of 93 points; which was the highest score of the entire competition. Rutkowski is also the first bullfighter to ever win all three rounds. He will compete for the World Title at the World Championship Bullfight Finals to be held in Ardmore, Oklahoma in September.



School reunion set Sat., July 6

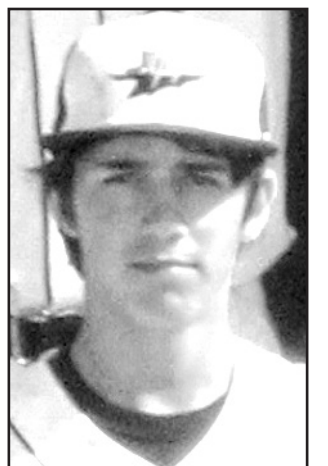
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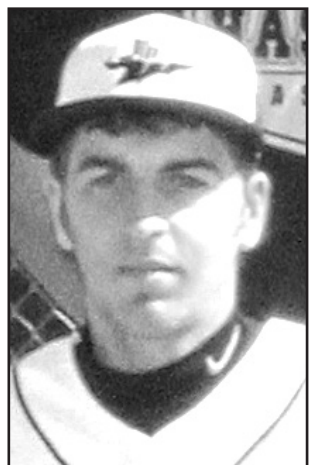
Join us, take time to reflect on the long history and pay tribute to those who fought against a separate but equal 'education.'



PLANT SALE—Those helping with the Noah Jarred, Debbie Earles, Nelda Lane, Loutina White, Ben McGee and Pat Jenkins. Plants were donated by ABC Greenhouse in Haskell.



DAKOTA SILVAS



AARON WAGGONER

Two Indians named to All-Big Country baseball team

The All-Big Country baseball team for 2013 has been announced by the Abilene Reporter-News.

Area coaches nominated players, provided stats and praise for their best performers, and then the sports staff of the Reporter-News chose the 30-player roster they consider to be the Big Country's best players.

The Haskell Indians placed two on the honorable mention list. They include junior pitcher, Aaron Waggoner and junior infielder Dakota Silvas.

Congratulations to these two young men on their efforts and accomplishments.

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Start preparing for the 2013 tax year now

With the 2012 tax year recently put to rest, now is an ideal time to begin preparing for April 15, 2014. It's never too early to get ready for next year's taxes. By implementing a few strategies today, you can make the 2013 tax year less of a bother—and maybe even save yourself some money.

Reduce Your Taxable Income

Review your 401(k) or 403(b) retirement plans to ensure you are making the most of the contribution limits to your tax-deferred retirement accounts. This will reduce your taxable income, meaning you won't pay taxes

on what you save for the future. If you are over the age of 50, you may be able to take advantage of an additional \$5,000 "catch-up" retirement plan contribution. See a tax advisor for additional information.

A traditional IRA is another way to reduce your taxable income and save for the future. With a traditional IRA, you get a tax deduction for the amount of savings you contribute to the account. For the 2013 tax year, IRA contributions are limited to \$5,500 if you are age 49 or younger and \$6,500 if you are age 50 or older. If you

also make contributions to an employee-sponsored retirement plan such as a 401(k) or 403(b), your traditional IRA contributions may be fully deductible, partially deductible or not deductible at all. You can find all of the information you need about this from the IRS in its Publication 590—Individual Retirement Accounts.

Stay Organized

A concerted organizational effort will certainly make things easier the night before your tax return deadline. If you deduct mileage and travel expenses for business or medical reasons, keep a small notebook in your vehicle or in your travel bag to record these numbers. While you may be able to deduct medical expenses next year, you will need to keep track of those expenses either way. It's a good idea to buy a folder or a small accordion file to hold all of your potential tax deductions in 2013. If you plan to take deductions, you must have the documentation to

support them and a separate "tax file" is a great way to stay organized.

Plan a Charitable Contribution

Do you have an old car that you want to get rid of? Many local organizations will take that car off your hands and give you a valuable tax deduction for it. It's a great way to support a worthy cause and lose that old clunker! You will need to keep written records of all charitable deductions, including the name of the organization, the date and the value or amount of your contribution. Most organizations will provide donors with a written letter or receipt for each donation, and these go in your "tax file."

Prepare for Affordable Care Act Changes

Beginning in January 2014, every American will be required to have some form of health insurance. For taxpayers that don't already have health insurance, they may qualify for help from the government, part of which is based on the 2012 tax year return information. If you do

not buy health insurance by January 2014, you will face penalties of \$95 or 1 percent of your household income, whichever is greater. The penalty amount will increase to \$695 or 2.5 percent of household income in 2016. At the same time, writing off healthcare expenses other than insurance will become tougher.

Beginning with the 2013 tax year, only medical expenses in excess of 10 percent of your adjusted gross income can be

deducted. A great resource for information about how the Affordable Care Act will affect you can be found at www.healthcare.gov.

While the 2013 tax year poses many challenges, preparation can help ease your burden. Time flies and before you know it, April 15, 2014 will be upon us. Start thinking about the 2013 tax year today—while the pressure is off—and you might be able to save yourself considerable headache and a few dollars.

Central Texas Farm Credit stockholders re-elect board member

Stockholders of Central Texas Farm Credit have re-elected Kenneth Harvick to the cooperative's board of directors. As a member of the six-person board, he will represent the interests of his fellow stockholders in central and north-central Texas.

A member of the co-op since 1999, Harvick has served on the board since 2012. He is the former president of Gore's, Inc., an agricultural business consisting of dairy cows, beef cattle and a feed-manufacturing business, and is the current owner of a cow/calf operation in Comanche County. Previously, Harvick was president of the Texas Holstein Association, a member of the Comanche School Board, the Comanche County and Texas Dairy Herd Improvement Association boards, and the Select Milk

Producers board. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Comanche and the Lions Club.

Harvick will serve a three-year term on the Central Texas Farm Credit board, which also includes Chairman Jerry Don Klose, Vice Chairman Robby A. Halfmann, Mike Finlay, Philip W. Hinds and Burl D. Lowery.

Central Texas Farm Credit finances farm and ranch land, agribusiness operations, rural land and homes, and recreational property in its 20-county area.

The Coleman-headquartered cooperative has branch offices in Brady, Brownwood, Coleman, Comanche, Haskell and San Angelo. It is part of the nationwide Farm Credit System.

Texas lake and river swimmers reminded of potential health risks

With summer starting to heat up, people across the Brazos River basin are heading to nearby rivers and lakes. However, the conditions that make the water temperature so delightful can also encourage the growth of a rare but dangerous microorganism.

The Brazos River Authority encourages visitors to enjoy the water, while being aware of health risks associated with swimming in or around stagnant or slow-moving water.

Primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM), which is most common during the summer, is a rare disease caused by naegleria fowleri, an amoeba found in almost all untreated, fresh surface water and in soil. The amoeba thrives in low levels of fresh water that is warmer than 80 degrees and stagnant or slow-moving. The PAM infection occurs when water containing the organism is forced into the nasal passages—usually from diving or jumping into water or from water skiing. The amoeba makes its way into the brain and spinal cord, destroying brain tissue.

Symptoms of the almost always fatal infection include severe headache, high fever, stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, seizures and hallucinations as the condition worsens. Although PAM is rare—affecting about one to three

people a year in Texas—those infected usually succumb to the disease within a week.

There were 10 known cases of PAM in Texas between 2000 and 2010, according to state health officials. No cases have been diagnosed in Texas since the beginning of 2011. Worldwide, only a few hundred cases have been reported over the last 30 years.

To prevent infection, it is recommended that those taking part in warm, fresh water-related activities use nose clips or hold their noses shut while jumping into water. With the amoeba often found in soil, it is best to avoid stirring up underwater sediment. The Texas Department of State Health Services recommends that people avoid stagnant or polluted water and take "No Swimming" signs seriously.

While the BRA tests for a variety of contaminants, such as E. coli at more than 100 sites, no testing is conducted for the PAM microbe.

PAM cannot be spread person to person nor by drinking water. Swimming pools and hot tubs that are properly cleaned, maintained and chlorinated are generally safe, as is salt water.

For more information contact the Texas Department of State Health Services Public Information Office at 512-458-7400.

Ways to Conserve Water...

- When washing dishes by hand, don't let the water run while rinsing. Fill one sink with wash water and the other with rinse water.
- Some refrigerators, air conditioners and ice-makers are cooled with wasted flows of water. Consider upgrading with air-cooled appliances for significant water savings.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk, or street.
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Choose shrubs and groundcovers instead of turf for hard-to-water areas such as steep slopes and isolated strips.
- Install covers on pools and spas and check for leaks around your pumps.
- Use the garbage disposal sparingly. Compost vegetable food waste instead and save gallons every time.
- Plant in the fall when conditions are cooler and rainfall is more plentiful.
- For cold drinks keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator instead of running the tap. This way, every drop goes down you and not the drain.
- Monitor your water bill for unusually high use. Your bill and water meter are tools that can help you discover leaks.
- Water your lawn and garden in the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler to minimize evaporation.
- Wash your fruits and vegetables in a pan of water instead of running water from the tap.
- Spreading a layer of organic mulch around plants retains moisture and saves water, time and money.
- Use a broom instead of a hose to clean your driveway and sidewalk and save water every time.
- If your shower fills a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds, replace the showerhead with a water-efficient model.
- Collect the water you use for rinsing fruits and vegetables, then reuse it to water houseplants.
- If water runs off your lawn easily, split your watering time into shorter periods to allow for better absorption.

Every Drop Counts!

Reduce tax time stress with good recordkeeping

Whether you are an individual taxpayer or a business owner, you can avoid headaches at tax time by keeping good records during the year. Although the next federal income tax filing season is not far off, it's never too late to start gathering records and setting up a beneficial system to help stay organized for years to come.

"In most cases, the IRS does not require you to keep records in any special manner, but you should keep any and all documents that may have an impact on your federal tax return," said Clay Sanford, an IRS spokesman in Dallas. "It's important to get into this routine, because you may forget expenses when you prepare your tax return unless you record them when they occur." You should usually keep the records supporting items on your tax returns for at least three years. This includes records to support deductions or credits you claim on your returns, such as invoices, receipts, mileage logs and cancelled checks, or any other proof of payment. Small business owners must keep all employment tax records for at least four years after the tax becomes due or is paid, whichever is later.

Other important documents you should keep include records for gross receipts, such as cash register tapes, bank deposit slips, receipt books, invoices, credit card charge slips and forms 1099 miscellaneous.

Proof of purchases—for

instance, cancelled checks, cash register tape receipts, credit card sales slips and invoices.

Expense documents—like invoices, cancelled checks, cash register tapes, account statements, credit card sales slips and petty cash slips for small payments.

Documents to verify your assets—such as purchase and sales invoices, real estate closing statements and cancelled checks.

Also, you should normally keep records relating to your business assets until at least three years after you sell or otherwise dispose of the property. Examples of these assets include building, machinery, equipment, and office furniture or fixtures purchased and used in your business. You need these records to determine the annual depreciation in gain or loss when you sell the assets.

"You need accurate records to monitor the progress of your business," Sanford added. "Records can show whether your business is improving, which items are selling or what changes you need to make."

For more information about recordkeeping, check out IRS Publication 552, Recordkeeping for Individuals; Publication 583, Starting a Business and Keeping Records; and Publication 463, Travel, Entertainment, Gift and Car Expenses.

These publications are available at www.irs.gov.

City of Haskell Residential Yard Watering Schedule

DAY TO WATER:	HOUSE NUMBER ENDING IN:
Monday.....	0 or 1
Tuesday.....	2 or 3
Wednesday.....	4 or 5
Thursday.....	6 or 7
Friday.....	8 or 9

Residential yard watering is restricted to the period from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

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



LAKSHMI CHALLA AND BRUCE ALLEN

Couple assumes leadership of Majestic Senior Living

by Caron Yates
Majestic Senior Living of Haskell, formerly Memory Lane, is now under new management. Bruce Allen and Lakshmi Challa of Georgia, have assumed leadership of the assisted living community.

The owner of the building, Dr. Challa, M.D., a geriatric specialist from Florida, has seen the importance of providing familiar, home-like surroundings and activities for patients as they deal with the effects of aging. His daughter Lakshmi and her husband Bruce, share the same philosophy. Although they took a more circuitous route, first earning a Master's Degree in Business Administration and working for a while in that field, both soon realized their passion was working with people within the health industry. Consequently they each pursued and earned a Master's in Health Administration.

Although they make their home in Georgia now, they were raised in Florida. The enthusiastic young couple is very excited about the opportunities Majestic Senior Living can provide for local and area seniors who may need assistance in meeting their daily care needs.

Drawing on their health care and management knowledge, they have already implemented changes, both small and large to make the resident center even better.

The goal is to keep residents involved with daily activities, while maintaining a sense of awareness, encouraging independence and increasing self-esteem.

They believe socialization and community involvement, is very important in enhancing the lives of their residents.

Majestic Senior Living, licensed for thirty residents, still offers a secured Alzheimer's and Dementia wing, along with private and semi-private rooms. Short term respite care and Senior Day Care are also available. Staff will assist with activities of daily living for residents, tailored to their specific needs.

They will continue to provide housekeeping and laundry services, transportation to appointments as well as other excursions, an on-site beauty salon, emergency call system and a community garden.

The new managers have overhauled the food program, with new menu options, fresh produce and variety. They are also contracted with a Senior TV cable provider which specializes in providing programming for assisted living communities.

Lakshmi, a self described perfectionist, says that while the management and daily operation is evolving, the most important standard to meet is "What would I want for my loved one?" She feels it is essential for family members to be engaged and seeks feedback from residents and their families. They do expect to be in touch daily with their staff at the living center and will be in Haskell as often as possible.

They invite everyone to come by 1302 N. 1st in Haskell for a tour. For more information call (940)864-2727.

Squash cook-off is a great success

The 8th annual Squash Cook-Off held by the Village Primitive in Rule Fri., June 21, proved to be a great success with numerous entries in the 11 categories.

Following the judging by Butch Brannon of Hendrick Medical Center Trauma Unit and Susan Castle, RN. also of Hendrick, persons attending enjoyed eating the entries as well as other dishes that were brought.

Towns represented were Abilene, Rochester, Haskell, Sweetwater, Comanche, Old Glory, Rowlett, Wylie, Munday, Anson, Electra, Sagerton, Rule, and out of state, Arizona and New Mexico.

Winners in different categories were Pat Laughlin, Tonya Miller, Franciene Johnson, Mary Rike, Phyllis Coleman, Ada Pope, Frances Davis, Jean Donald, Frances Clark, Margie Casey, Irene Richardson, Joyce Turner, Lela Bowles, Barbara McDaniel, Amelia and Emily Moore, Mario Gonzales, Malinda Teague, Delores McDuff, Jetty Worley, Beverly Cervic, and Yvonne and Jose Gonzales. The overall grand prize winner was Lela Bowles.

Following the judging, those attending enjoyed eating the entries along with pot roast and blackberry cobbler brought by Butch Brannon and other dishes brought that were not in the judging.

Approximately 60 attended and enjoyed the contest, good food, fun and fellowship.

Food manager training course set

by Jane Rowan, CEA-FCS Taylor Co. Extension Office

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

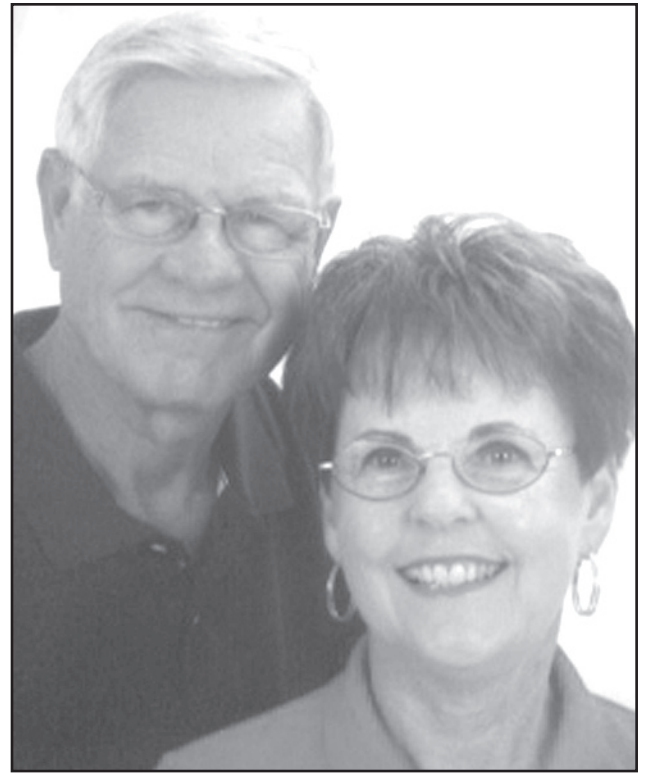
Each food establishment permitted by the Texas Department of State Health Services is required to have one certified food manager on site.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County is offering a professional food manager certification training course. This two day program will be offered for \$125.00 on July 15 and 22 at the Taylor County Extension Office located on the Taylor County Expo Grounds. Cost includes training, materials, and National Restaurant Association's ServSafe certification examination. The food manager's certification will be valid for five years. Registration deadline is July 1.

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

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

- Increased customer satisfaction
 - Improved relationships with health officials
 - Prevention of bad publicity and law suits due to foodborne illness
 - By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about:
 - identifying potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling
 - preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food
 - teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees
 - complying with government regulations
 - maintaining clean utensils, equipment and surroundings
 - controlling pests
- Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Professional Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service called "Food Safety: It's Our Business," and how to register, call the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048.



MR. AND MRS. TRUMAN MURPHY

Couple celebrates 50th anniversary

Truman and Sharon retired high school teachers and live in Denton. They have a daughter Renee Beckham (husband Kyle) and a son Basil Murphy III (wife Lisa), four grandchildren and one great grandson.

They celebrated in May by cruising the Hawaiian Islands.

African American school reunion set

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

House vote clears way for new abortion regulations

AUSTIN—Legislation to revise redistricting maps, regulate abortion and change punishment guidelines regarding youths convicted of a capital felony occupied state lawmakers in special session last week.

Called by Gov. Rick Perry on May 27, the 30-day session ends on June 25. Drawing the House floor spotlight through Sunday night and early Monday morning was Senate Bill 5, relating to the regulation of abortion procedures and providers. Citizens for and against crowded Capitol corridors and the House gallery. SB 5, tentatively approved on a 97-33 vote at 3:24 a.m., faces a final vote before moving back to the Senate.

The legislation proposes to amend the Health and Safety Code and the Occupations Code regarding regulation of abortion procedures, providers and facilities, prohibiting abortions at or after 20 weeks post-fertilization and adding a violation related to abortions performed after the same time window to the list of prohibited practices by physicians or license applicants. Included is an exception that allows an abortion in the physician's reasonable medical judgment that so complicates the medical condition of the woman, to avert the woman's death or substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function, other than a psychological condition.

The legislation also directs the Texas Medical Board to assess penalties on physicians for improperly distributing or prescribing abortion-inducing drugs. And, the legislation would create a new minimum standard for abortion facilities licensed by the Department of State Health Services. Such a facility would be required to meet the new standards by Sept. 1, 2014.

Republican members, leveraging a 40-seat majority over Democrats, moved bills forward to comply with the wishes of Gov. Perry, but Democrats brought their arguments to the fore through proposed amendments, although all failed on votes to table them.

Two among many arguments were the adverse and disproportionate effects of the great distances women from rural and remote areas would have to travel to get to one of five facilities that currently could be qualified to perform abortions under the bill and that 26 percent of Texas women do not have health insurance.

The House on June 24 preliminarily passed SB 23,

relating to the punishment for a capital felony committed by an individual younger than 18 years of age. The bill proposes to allow a 17-year-old offender serving a life sentence the eligibility to apply for parole after serving 40 years.

The House also tentatively approved SJR 2, a proposed constitutional amendment to change how dollars are moved from the state's general revenue fund to the so-called rainy day fund on transfers based on oil and natural gas production taxes.

Votes on the preponderance of special session legislation have been along party lines, with Democrats voting in opposition. Some lawmakers who challenged bills said that ultimately the abortion-regulating legislation would not stand up to scrutiny by the courts, nor would bills revising certain redistricting maps and limiting a jury's ability to mitigate parole in capital murder convictions of certain juveniles.

One bill already on its way to the governor's desk is SB 3, relating to the composition of Texas House districts. Tentatively approved by the Senate earlier in the week, the bill came back to the Senate with several amendments passed to allow certain Democratic members in abutting House districts to tweak boundary lines in small and mutually beneficial ways. In a vote on final passage, the Senate accepted the changes adopted by the House.

Jobs rate stays positive

Texas' seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment expanded by 19,500 jobs in May for a total of 324,700 jobs added since May 2012, the Texas Workforce Commission reported on June 21.

Positive every month since May 2010, the state's annual job growth rate in May stood at 3.0 percent and the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose slightly in May to 6.5 percent, from 6.4 percent in April.

"The addition of 324,700 jobs over the past year, with private sector employers adding 299,800 during this period, is good news for Texas," Texas Workforce Commission Chairman Andres Alcantar stated in an agency news release.

Offer: feral hog grants

Texas Department of Agriculture on June 18 announced it is accepting grant applications to assist regional efforts to control feral hog populations through its new County Hog Abatement Matching Program. Selected applicants will receive funding on a cost reimbursement basis of up to \$30,000.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago June 26, 2003

Haskell native, Hilee Mulligan, Miss Brownfield 2003, will compete in the 2003 Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant to be held in Fort Worth. She is the daughter of Lynn and David Dodson of Haskell and David Mulligan of Houston.

Members of Haskell FFA participating in the Area II FFA Convention at Angelo State University were Ryan Burgess, Alexis Reed, Ross Bullinger, Sydney Brueggeman, Wendy Proctor and Chase Cockerell.

Mindy Howard of Haskell, daughter of Kim and Bobby Howard, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Ag Services and Development at the commencement exercises of Tarleton State University.

20 Years Ago July 1, 1993

Representing Haskell at the American Legion Auxiliary Bluebonnet Girls State in Seguin were Cynthia Halliburton and Janeen Jordan.

Haskell High School varsity twirlers earned a third consecutive Division I at the UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition in San Marcos. Twirlers are Cindy Henry, Nichole Cothron, Andrea Bridwell and Kelly Nanny.

Representing Haskell County at the Texas Farm Bureau's Citizenship Seminar in San Angelo were Wayne Hodgin, Nacole Lefevre and Casey Coleman.

30 Years Ago June 30, 1983

Martha Garcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith of Rochester, a 1983 Rochester High School graduate, is scheduled for enlistment in the U.S. Air Force. She will receive basic training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio.

Shanna and Sherry Mueller, daughters of Bobby and Zona Medford, won several trophies at the Miss Hub of the Plains Pageant and Twirling Festival. Seven year old Sherry brought home 14, and twelve year old Shanna won 12.

40 Years Ago June 28, 1973

Gene Long, president of the Haskell Little League, has announced the 1973 All-Star team. They include Thomas McAdams, Ricky Drinnon, Daniel Riley, Jeff Frierson, Mark Wallace, Monnie Hise, Randy Harper, Joseph McCoy, Greg Gideon, Eddie Klose, Gabriel Capitillo, Ken Herring, Roger Bryan and Thomas Long.

Calvin Stegemoeller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Stegemoeller of Sagerton, has been selected for Who's Who in American High Schools for both his junior and senior years. He is a recent graduate of Rule High School.

Officials and members of the board of Rule Co-Op Gin, honored Mr. Grady Bristow, who has retired from the gin after 46 years of work.

Haskell County youths Carol Dudensing and Kyle Wilfong, will represent the local 4-H at Texas' first 4-H Congress to be held in Houston. They are sponsored

by Haskell National Bank, Bill Wilson Motor Co., Furrh-Lane Agency, Federal Land Bank Association and Haskell Co-Op Gin.

50 Years Ago June 27, 1963

Elaine Phelps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Phelps, and Kenneth Campbell, son of John Campbell and the late Mrs. Campbell, exchanged wedding vows at the Haskell Foursquare Gospel Church. The Rev. Kathryn Byrd officiated.

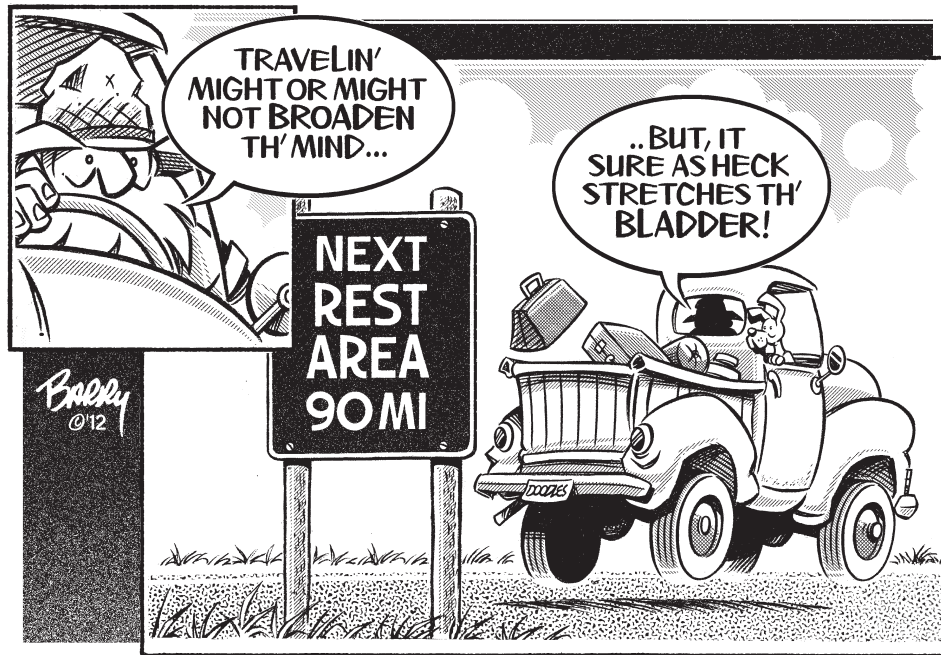
Weinert's five-digit ZIP Code number has been assigned, Postmaster R.S. Sanders announced Wednesday. "Everyone in Weinert will use this ZIP Code on all their correspondence to speed mail deliveries."

Haskell County Agent Frank Martin, reports seeing a lobo wolf in the northeastern section of Haskell County, on the Leon Newton farm, during a crop inspection tour. It was about two-thirds grown, dark red with a long squared head.

100 Years Ago June 27, 1913

Cotton prospects are the best in years. The Rochester country has an immense corn crop. Both J.W. Collins and J.S. Boone have fine crops on their ranches.

G.W. Von Bischofhausen of the southeast side, was in the city and gave the Free Press a description of a grasshopper catcher he saw on J.M. Riley's farm. Made with boxing plank and filled with oil and water, the trough is dragged down the rows, scaring the 'hoppers and causing them to fall into the oil and water. He says he got two bushels of grasshoppers in this manner.



Ask the Mayor

By John Gannaway, Mayor of the City of Haskell

Summer is really here. The busy-ness of the season is in full swing. We had company stop by and spend the night which is always a good thing, cooked outside and finished off the weekend with a trip to Lubbock to celebrate good friends' 50th anniversary. You can tell you're getting old when you realize your social life is restricted to funerals and 50th anniversary celebrations. I prefer the anniversaries. Lubbock was in its usual fine form of blustery winds, sand and heat. I noticed the farmers were driving their sand-fighters fast and furiously. Our friend from Tulia who is a huge cotton farmer is trying to replant some blown out cotton ground to grain sorghum in hopes there will be enough rainfall to make a crop. Sometimes I'm really glad I retired when I did.

The 50th anniversary gathering was for my last boss and his lovely wife. So, as you would expect, most of the guests were involved in the field of agriculture one way or another. Had the opportunity to visit with a good friend who spends a fair amount of time in Washington with federal legislators cussing and discussing the Farm Bill. He has done this for several years and expressed his disdain at how our senators and representatives are much more concerned about getting re-elected than accomplishing anything of significance. If bipartisanship means they might not get to serve a few more terms, it goes out the window. His experience has made him

a strong believer in term limits.

Also had the opportunity to observe the cotton crop from the highway as we were on our way to Lubbock. The only decent patch of cotton I saw was near Southland and it had not yet begun squaring.

Most of the cotton is just barely out of the ground and these hot, dry winds are literally cooking those plants. Needless to say, there was definitely not much optimism concerning the likelihood of making a good cotton crop.

I had an email from Salado friends whose family was initially from Benjamin and they'd driven the in-laws back I guess for "life review" and passed through Haskell. They said our town was the neatest and nicest of all they passed through. Thanks, guys! See, it is worth the effort; people are noticing. Also thanks to Citibank employees and other volunteers who were scheduled to clean up the park on Saturday morning. I have to confess we were racing out of town and I didn't actually see it, but thanks all the same.

While in the old stomping grounds we had the opportunity to buy a paper and enjoy one of our favorite columnists. Burle Pettit is a retired editor of Lubbock Avalanche Journal and usually writes a Sunday column for the paper. He grew up in Moran and we so enjoy his work that we purposely drove through Moran (don't blink) on our

way home from Fort Worth one time just to see where his roots were. He writes in the vein of Erma Bombeck and Sharon Randall so if you enjoy those two you'd love Burle. This week's column was "Reflecting on Father's Day..." I was impressed with the similarities of our two dads...products of their time, and I bet you'd see your dad in these reflections as well.

This week I'll hit the #72 mark in this life. Gee, it's gone fast. I continue with my daily prayers for good health and rain.

The questions posed last week concerned annexation into the city limits. What would be the advantages and disadvantages? Any city less than 5,000 population cannot annex property into the city limits unless the citizens request to be annexed; over 5,000, I believe the city can annex into the city limits without their request. Obviously city water and sewage privileges are available to annexed areas. However, in Haskell I believe most of our outlying areas outside the city limits do enjoy the water for an extra fee. City taxes will be imposed on those inside the city limits whereas outside the city limits this is not the case. From the mayor's vantage point: We have many fine, capable, intelligent citizens who are actively involved with improving our city who cannot run for city offices for instance, city council, mayor and cannot be appointed to any elected city office. Maybe that's why they

live outside the city limits??? I hope not. Personally I see the draw to live outside the city limits with acreage "on a farm"; that's where I was reared, but I surely wish we could tap all that talent I see.

I talked with David Kuehler and he advised that the two most recent rains raised the level of Miller Creek Reservoir ten inches, which puts us back to the level of about May 1. Historically, the water level goes down about one foot per month this time of the year. However, if these 100 degree days and high winds persist, we could easily lose that new ten inches of water in just two weeks. In Abilene talk was that Fort Phantom Lake was raised 9" after their huge rain and wind episode, but it was noted the level was still 13' down. These recent rains are helping but the problem is not yet solved.

Water conservation

The City of Haskell has implemented stage three of the Drought Contingency Plan of the City of Haskell Water Conservation Plan. Stage three calls for a mandatory 25% 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. For more information or a copy of the water conservation plan, contact Haskell City Hall.

Homecoming

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

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2012 Annual Consumer Report on the Quality of Tap Water

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Julie Solano

Our goal at the City of Haskell is to provide you with high-quality, safe drinking water that exceed every federal and state standard. As mandated by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), this "Consumer Confidence Report" (CCR) details our water sources, the results of our water tests and other information. For quality tap water, you can count on the City of Haskell to provide its citizens with only the best.

We are glad to report that the water provided by the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority (NCTMWA), water treatment plant meets or exceeds water quality standards.

Overview

The City of Haskell receives its water supply from the Miller Creek Reservoir located in Baylor and Throckmorton Counties on FM 1608 approximately 10 miles southeast of Goree.

This CCR report is based on test conducted in the year 2011 by the City of Haskell. The City of Haskell collects samples each month which is 48 per year. One random sample was taken for a business and results were good. This is to ensure the safety and quality of our water. These samples are to ensure that the City of Haskell is providing a safe drinking water to our customers. We are checking for microbiological contaminant. Lead and copper tests are conducted every three years.

Additional Health Information

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminant in bottled water. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminant. The presence of contaminant does not necessarily indicate that hot water poses a health risk. More information about contaminant and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

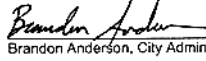
The City of Haskell along with North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority is proud to announce that we do have "A Safe Water for Drinking". This CCR was developed in accordance with part 40 CFR parts 141 and 142, National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Consumer Confidence Reports. This CCR documents was prepared as requested by the City of Haskell.

Terms used in Water Quality Table and in other parts of this CCR are defined as follows.


Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level or AL: The concentration of Copper and/or Lead which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.



Brandon Anderson, City Administrator



Matthew Duran, Director Public Works

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which as by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, odor, or color of drinking water, please contact the system's business office.

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly, or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; persons who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Sources of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pickup substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES
City Council Meeting
 Date: Second and Fourth Monday of each month
 Time: 7:00 A.M.
 Location: City Hall, 301 S. 1st, Haskell, Texas 79521
 Phone Number: 940-864-2333

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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2012

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

CITY OF HASKELL is Purchased Surface Water from North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority (NCTMWA)

For more information regarding this report contact:
 Name: Brandon Anderson; Phone: 940-864-2333

Este reporte incluye información importante sobre el agua para tomar. Para asistencia en español, favor de llamar al telefono (940) 864-2333.

Information about Source Water Assessments

The TCEQ has completed a Source Water Assessment for all drinking water systems that own their sources. The report describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The system from which we purchase our water, North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, received the assessment report. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, contact David Kuehler, NCTMWA, 940-422-4051.

For more information about your sources of water, please refer to the Source Water Assessment Viewer available at the following URL: <http://gis3.tceq.state.tx.us/swav/Controller/index.jsp?wtrsrc=>
 Further details about sources and source-water assessments are available in Drinking Water Watch at the following URL: <http://dww.tceq.texas.gov/DWW>

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
SW FROM NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS	CC FROM TX1380009 NORTH	SW	Complete

2012 Regulated Contaminants Detected--LEAD AND COPPER

Lead and Copper

Definitions:
 Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.
 Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	08/04/2010	1.3	1.3	0.405	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	08/04/2010	0	15	12.6	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MFL: million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
 na: not applicable.
 NTU: nephelometric turbidity units (a measure of turbidity)
 pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
 ppb: picograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.
 ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,550 gallons of water.
 ppt: parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter (ng/L)
 ppq: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter (pg/L)

Regulated Contaminants Detected in the City of Haskell Distribution System

Disinfectants and Disinfectant By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)*	2012	44	32.1 - 44.3	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2012	96	41 - 95.6	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2012	0.25	0.25 - 0.25	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Type of Treatment	Year of Range	Disinfectant Used	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Source of Chemical
MRDL	2012	Chloramines (ppm)	1.5	0.6	2.2	4.0	4.0	Disinfectant used to control microbes

Type of Contaminant	Year of Range	Contaminant	Highest Monthly % of Positive Samples	MCL	Unit of Measure	MRDL	Source of Contaminant
Total coliform	2012	Total Coliform bacteria	0	*	Presence	No violations	Present in environment

*Presence of Coliform bacteria in 5% or more of the monthly samples.

Regulated Contaminants Detected in the Source Water--North Central Texas MWA

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	03/05/2008	Less than detection limit	Less than detection limit	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	05/18/2011	0.177	0.177	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2012	0.58	0.58	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2012	0.31	0.31	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	03/05/2008	Less than detection limit	Less than detection limit	50	50	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Gross beta particle activity	06/06/2007	16	16	0	50	pCi/L *	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

*EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles.

Combined Radium 226/228	02/27/2013	1.0	1.0	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
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SUMMER READING PROGRAM—Tues., June 18 Tom Bassett was the reader at the Haskell County Library's summer reading program. Thirty-four children attended.

FSA County Committee nomination period underway

Haskell County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Glenn R. Brzozowski, announced that county committee election nominations began on June 17. Farmers, ranchers and landowners are encouraged to nominate candidates to serve on their local FSA county committee by the Aug. 1, 2013 deadline.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues. County committees are comprised of three to 11 members.

"County Committees are unique to FSA and are instrumental in all aspects of federal farm program implementation at the local level," said Brzozowski.

Producers may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Organizations that represent minority

and women farmers and ranchers may also nominate candidates. Nominees must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area (LAA) in which the person is a candidate. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and more information about county committee elections are available online at: www.fsa.usda.gov/elections.

"It is important that county committees are comprised of members who fairly represent the diverse demographics of production agriculture for their community," said Brzozowski. "All producers,

including women, minority and beginning farmers and ranchers are encouraged to participate in the nomination and election process."

Nomination forms must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on Aug. 1, 2013.

FSA will mail ballots to eligible voters beginning Nov. 4. The ballots are due back in the local county office by mail or in person no later than Dec. 2. All newly elected county committee members and alternates will take office Jan. 1, 2014.

For more information about county committees, please contact the Haskell County FSA office at 940-864-2617 ext.2 or visit www.fsa.usda.gov.

Calendar

Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group will hold the next meeting Tues., Aug. 27 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell Memorial Hospital Educational Building. For more information, call 325-864-4466.

Deadlines

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

Al-Anon

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

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 Haskellvaso@yahoo.com.

Water conservation for Rule residents

The City of Rule has implemented Stage Four of its Drought Contingency Plan Emergency Water Shortage/Water Allocations. Please contact Rule City Hall or call 940-996-2214

Student in the News



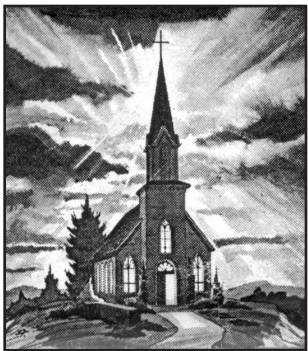
LAUREN NEWTON

Lauren Newton graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies, with certification in teaching Early Childhood through grade 6. Commencement ceremonies were held May 10.

A 2009 graduate of Haskell High School, she is the daughter of Phillip and Fonda Newton of Haskell.

This Week's Devotional Message:

Faith dispels our fears about the future



The future is something we view with alarm,
When we think what tomorrow might bring;
For we all are concerned with our safety from harm
That could come from some terrible thing.
Yet through faith and your church you develop a trust,
Then the future can bring what it may;
For you'll learn through each lesson that will be discussed
That the Lord will protect you today.
So, forget all those things that may never appear,
Such as poverty, sickness or crime;
You can go all through life and have nothing to fear,
If you'll live it one day at a time!

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

East Side Baptist Church

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.m., 10:45 a.m., 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.m., 10:45 a.m., 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, 940-863-4405

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 Palmquist, pastor
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—

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TORNADO SAFETY RULES

- Have more than one way to receive warnings via local TV or Radio, NOAA Weather Radio, local Code Red or Delta Alert or Cell Phone App
- Get as low as you can and put as many walls as you can between you and the tornado if you don't have a storm shelter. Abandon mobile homes or manufactured homes for a more sturdy building.



These rules saved lives during the Moore Oklahoma Tornado.



Save WATER Now! Ways to Conserve Water...

- We're more likely to notice leaks indoors, but don't forget to check outdoor faucets, sprinklers and hoses for leaks.
- Check the root zone of your lawn or garden for moisture before watering using a spade or trowel. If it's still moist two inches under the soil surface, you still have enough water.
- When buying new appliances, consider those that offer cycle and load size adjustments. They're more water and energy efficient.
- Shorten your shower by a minute or two and you'll save up to 150 gallons per month.
- Upgrade older toilets with water efficient models.
- Adjust your lawn mower to a higher setting. A taller lawn shades roots and holds soil moisture better than if it is closely clipped.
- When cleaning out fish tanks, give the nutrient-rich water to your plants.
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25-26c

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The North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority is taking applications for the position of treatment plant operator. Water treatment experience is preferred but not essential. Must be willing to work toward obtaining Class C water license and work shift schedule.

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Real Estate

FOR SALE or lease: Service station in Rule. Call 940-997-2412. 21tfc

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RFP

The City of Haskell, in conjunction with the Haskell Chamber of Commerce and the Development Corporation of Haskell (DCOH), is seeking request for proposals from any building owner on or

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around the square for the future site of the Chamber and DCOH office.

The City would like to sign a long term lease agreement for the office space. Ideally, the space would have at least two private offices and a large board/meeting/multipurpose room that would be comfortable for meetings of ten or more individuals.

Some items that should be included in your proposal are: square footage, layout, heating and air conditioning, average utility costs (if available), history of property, lease arrangement details (term and cost) and landlord's obligations.

The purpose of combining the Chamber and DCOH offices is to offer residents, visitors and businesses (both established and prospective) a more accessible and better equipped location for information and resources during Monday through Friday business hours and during special events.

Proposals should be submitted in writing to City Hall by Friday, July 5th at 12:00 noon. 25-26c

NOTICE

The Development Corporation of Haskell will be accepting sealed bids for the following property until July 8, 2013 at 12:00 noon.

Property 4096, Fairland, OL 58 B & R, Block 2 & 3.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 12:00 noon on July 8, 2013 at which time bids will be opened. Bids will be accepted or rejected at the regular scheduled board meeting of the Development Corporation of Haskell on July 12, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.

The Development Corporation of Haskell receives the right to reject any or all bids. 25-26c

NOTICE

The City of Haskell will be accepting sealed bids for the following property until July 5th, 2013 at 12:00 noon:

Property # 6598, Brown & Roberts Addition, Haskell BLK 29 Lot South part of 3.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 12:00 noon July 5th, 2013 at which time bids will be opened. Bids will be accepted or rejected at a Regular City Council Meeting on July 8th, 2013 or July 22nd, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 25-26c

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of Rochester, Texas until 10:00 A.M., July 18, 2013 and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud. This project consists of the reconstruction of the liners at the City of Rochester WWTP ponds. The project includes approximately 4,122 CY of Cut and Fill pertaining to the reshaping of the existing berms, removal of approximately 3,254 CY of Sludge as well as the lining of approximately 153,000 sf of ponds with HDPE liners. The project also includes 4" PVC by pass piping as well as a 2" perforated PVC leak detection system with associated valves and fittings.

The Contract Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Contract, Supply or Warranty Bond, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications, Addenda (if any) and Project Contracting and Compliance Provisions may be examined at the following locations:

CITY OF ROCHESTER CITY HALL, 214 Carothers Avenue, Rochester, TX 79544, and

JACOB & MARTIN, LTD., Consulting Engineers, 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606

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Bids will not be received from bidders who have not obtained original plans and specifications from the City of Rochester or Jacob & Martin. Bids shall be submitted on original documents and the entire specification book must be returned with bid. No faxes or copies of bid sheets will be accepted.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the contract.

Copies of the Contract Documents and half size (11 X 17) plans may be obtained from Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 (325-695-1070), upon payment of \$40.00 (non-refundable) for each set.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the CITY OF ROCHESTER negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the

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Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid.

Bidder's attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Adherence to the grant recipient's Section 3 Policy is required for contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$100,000.00. All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

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RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS—Haskell FFA members receiving FFA scholarships this year include, l-r, Maci Colley, Shelby Dunnam, Madison Mayfield, Ashley Adams, Carson Hadaway and Morgan Frierson.

Haskell FFA students receive scholarships

Haskell FFA members finished off their year bringing home \$94,000 in Texas FFA scholarships from the Texas FFA State Degree Check in Waco on June 13.

These FFA scholarships are based off of four years of activities in the FFA and only 145 are given away across the state each year. Haskell FFA had six students that received scholarships. These students started off with filling out the applications,

interviewing at the area level, making it through the "cut" in Austin, and then having a final interview in Waco.

Scholarships received were as follows:

\$20,000 San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo Scholarship, Madison Mayfield;

\$18,000 Houston Stock Show and Rodeo Scholarship, Shelby Dunnam, Carson Hadaway, Maci Colley and

Morgan Frierson; \$2,000 Young Farmers Scholarship, Ashley Adams.

In total, Haskell FFA members earned over \$96,000 in scholarships this year just from National and Texas FFA Scholarships.

Haskell FFA wants to thank all of those who have supported the FFA program and that helped to make it possible for these young ladies to receive these scholarships.

Crime Stoppers seek tips

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When you call the Clear Fork Crime Stoppers tip line, no one ever knows who you are! In fact your call is actually answered by an operator in Canada. She will take the information about the crime and give you a code number. She will not let you identify yourself.

Your information then

goes to the CFCS coordinator who contacts the appropriate law enforcement agency.

If an arrest is made based on your tip, you will be instructed to pick up your reward money at a drive-through bank in Abilene. There are never any face-to-face meetings.

If you text in a tip, your identity is protected by a series of scrambled computer systems. Again no one ever knows who you are.

The courts have ruled that the identity of crime stopper informants can not be subpoenaed and that crime stopper records can not be used in court.

If you have information about a crime or crimes committed in Jones, Haskell, Fisher, Stonewall, Shackelford or Kent counties, call 800-222-TIPS or text CFCS@CRIMES. If your tip leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

If you should receive a reward, you should not tell anyone. This is for your own safety. Remember, it's a secret.

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Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of June 17-23:

Stacie Lynn Sorrells, motion to withdraw surety burglary of habitation.

Tiffany Laurine McKinney, possession of

marijuana less than 2 oz.; possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Gerald Lynn Reid, expired drivers license, no insurance and expired registration.

Thirty-eight calls were made to 911.

Hadaway visits Washington D.C.

Four area students who were the winners of Big Country Electric Cooperative's (BCEC) annual speech contest represented the co-op on the 2013 Government-in-Action Youth Tour June 13-21 in Washington, D.C. Zach McMeans of Gail, Brittany Birkenfeld and Blair McCowen, both of Ira, represented BCEC and Carson Hadaway of Haskell represented Golden Spread Electric Cooperative (GSEC), BCEC's power supplier. These students joined over one hundred students from Texas and more than 1,000 students from across the nation representing their respective co-ops.

While in D.C., the group toured the Pentagon City Mall, Old Town Alexandria, Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Museums, National Cathedral, Air & Space Museum, Ford's Theatre and Museum and the Capitol. They also toured many memorials including the Lincoln Memorial, World War II Memorial, Holocaust Museum, Vietnam Memorial, Korean Memorial, Washington Monument, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial and Jefferson Memorial, watched the Sunset parade at Iwo Jima and participated in a Wreath-Laying Ceremony



VISITS D.C.—Carson Hadaway of Haskell joined the 2013 Government-in Action Youth Tour June 13-21 in Washington, D.C. Hadaway represented Golden Spread Electric Cooperative after winning a speech contest.

at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. As you can tell, they had a very eventful stay in D.C.

The youth tour has been hosted annually since 1957 by local electric co-ops, their statewide organizations and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). Each year, BCEC hosts a speech contest from which winners are selected to receive a 9-day, all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. and \$1,500 scholarship.

BCEC representatives will be visiting local high schools late this fall to present information about the 2014 contest. Participation is a fun learning experience—who knows, we could send you to Washington, D.C. next summer!

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Notice of Public Hearing on Haskell County Appraisal District's 2014 Budget

The Haskell County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2014 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on July 10, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at the appraisal district office, 604 North First Street, Haskell, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$393,557.75
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 3,317.75
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget	4/1 (full-time/part-time)
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	5 (full-time)

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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