

Calendar

Early deadline

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.

African American First Step

School days from 1930-1965 from a one room building to a three room building will be relived Sat., July 6 when those who attended Central Ward School and E.B. Evans school will celebrate their first African-American School Reunion in Haskell at the Occasions building. The celebration begins at 9:30 a.m. Over 30 ex-students of the two schools will make the first step, in returning, to reconnect with the school that recognizes and honors them as an important part of this community. Come join in this time to reflect on the long history and pay tribute to those who fought against a separate but equal 'education.'

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.

Singing school

The Haskell Praise Camp Singing School, held at the Church of Christ in Haskell, will run July 7-12 for ages 10 through adult. Register online at haskellchurchofchrist.org. A closing ceremony will be held Fri., July 12 at 6:30 p.m. for parents, family and friends.

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.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., July 20 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., July 20 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Homecoming set Sept. 27-28

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

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Have a safe and happy July 4th

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IT'S ABOUT THE WATER—City employees, l-r, Joseph Payne, Brandon Anderson, Matthew Duran and Gerald Stanford discuss the plan to repair a leaking fire plug at South 1st Street and Avenue D. Hot weather, causing the ground to shift, and aging infrastructure all contribute to water leaks. The City works to deal with the problem while complying with the Stage 3 Drought Contingency Plan.

Praise Camp Singing School to kick off July 7

by Caron Yates

There will be many new faces in town, along with some very familiar ones, as the forty-eighth annual Haskell Praise Camp Singing School kicks off July 7-12. The event is sponsored by the Haskell Church of Christ and is open to boys and girls age 10 years and older, as well as all adults.

Forty-eight years ago,

then church pastor T.J. Finley, along with other church leaders began researching and planning the possibility of hosting a singing school. At that time there were only a couple of the schools being offered in the state. The idea took hold and it soon became a reality.

Students of many different ages, and from many different parts will

begin arriving in town on Sunday afternoon, July 7. Classes begin on Monday, July 8, at 8:45 a.m. in the main auditorium.

Many will be attending for the first time, while others return year after year. The Singing School and Praise Camp focuses primarily on the rudiments of music, song leading, sight reading and the many other aspects of

music and its contribution to the worship service. It is however, about so much more. Students have the opportunity to meet, study and fellowship together, while the church membership has the opportunity to reach out and touch the lives of others, many of whom they have never met. Students coming from out of town will stay with host families from the Church of Christ.

Some things have changed since the first school in 1966. The school was originally planned and held, for some years, as a two week event. Also a mere \$5 fee was charged to attend the day classes, but as is true of most

everything, it has been necessary to increase the camp fee. Cost for Haskell students is \$35, which includes five noon meals and a book for the classes.

What hasn't changed throughout these forty-eight years however, is the dedication of the church and its members to organize and conduct another in a long line of successful singing schools.

Anyone interested in attending this year's Praise Camp and Singing School can drop by the Church of Christ office at 510 N. Ave. E to pick up an application. A closing program will be held on Friday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. for parents, family and friends.

Election identification certificates now available

Pursuant to a U.S. Supreme Court ruling issued June 25 new voting requirements passed by the Texas Legislature in 2011 will take effect immediately. Photo identification will now be required when voting in elections in Texas.

On June 26, 2013, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will begin issuing Election Identification Certificates (EIC) to individuals who do not already have an acceptable form of photo identification (ID) to present when voting. Applications for the EIC will be accepted at DPS driver license offices across Texas.

If an applicant already has any of the following documents, they are not eligible to receive an EIC:

- Texas driver license—unexpired or expired less than 60 days
- Texas personal identification card—unexpired or expired less than 60 days
- U.S. passport book or card—unexpired or expired

less than 60 days

- Texas concealed handgun license—unexpired or expired less than 60 days
- U.S. Military identification with photo—unexpired or expired less than 60 days
- U.S. Citizenship Certificate or Certificate of Naturalization with photo

To qualify for an EIC, applicants must be:

- A U.S. citizen;
- A Texas resident;
- Eligible to vote in Texas (show a valid voter registration card or submit a voter registration application when applying for the EIC); and
- 17 years and 10 months or older.

Beginning June 26, individuals may apply for an EIC by visiting a Texas driver license office and completing an EIC application (DL-14C). Applicants must also bring the following items to the office to verify U.S. citizenship and identity.

The EIC receipt an individual receives will include their photo and can

be used for voting until the permanent card is delivered by mail.

The EIC is free of charge to qualifying applicants and is valid for six years. There is no expiration date of an EIC for citizens 70 years of age or older.

The EIC can only be used for the purpose of voting in an election and may not be used as personal identification.

Residents with a documented disability may apply at their county voter registrar for a permanent exemption from the photo ID requirement. If approved, they will not need a photo ID to vote. Also, if individuals are voting by mail, they do not have to submit a photo ID.

For more information on the requirements, exemptions and process for obtaining an EIC, please visit: <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/electionID.htm>.

For more information on voting in Texas, visit the Secretary of State's website: <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/>.

DPS boosts DWI patrols for holiday

by increasing their patrols to keep our roadways safe."

The increased patrols that target impaired driving are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). During the 2012 July 4th enforcement effort, DPS troopers made 1,294 DWI arrests, and 361 of those arrests were the direct result of the increased patrols. DPS enforcement also resulted in nearly 13,700 speeding citations, more than 2,200 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 750 fugitive arrests and 518 felony arrests during this period.

According to TxDOT, Independence Day traditionally ranks among the deadliest holiday periods on Texas highways as a result of alcohol-related crashes.

FOR NEWS ITEMS OR TO SUBSCRIBE, CALL 940-864-2686

Zebra Mussels confirmed in Lake Bridgeport

Zebra mussel larvae, known as veligers, have been confirmed in Lake Bridgeport. The news comes days after the discovery of the invasive exotic in Lewisville Lake.

A zebra mussel population is suspected in Lake Bridgeport because zebra mussel DNA was found in the fall of 2011 and 2012, and some veligers were detected this spring in plankton tows. Samples collected by the Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) from Lake Bridgeport on June 6 were examined using cross polarized light microscopy and suspect veligers were detected. Dr. Bob McMahon with The University of Texas-Arlington (UTA) confirmed these results on June 17.

It is important to note that to date no settled juvenile or adult zebra mussels have been found in Lake Bridgeport to suggest a self-sustaining population. Given the high mortality rates of zebra mussel veligers it's not a guarantee that a population exists but given these results

and the DNA results from the past two years it is likely that the lake is infested.

Routine monitoring by the TRWD, UTA and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) will continue on the reservoir to determine if there is any growth or spread of the mussels. Also, because lakes Eagle Mountain and Worth are downstream of Lake Bridgeport they are also at risk and will continue to be monitored.

Zebra mussels can have economic and recreational impacts in Texas reservoirs. They can clog public-water intake pipes, harm boats and motors left in infested waters by covering boat hulls and clogging water-cooling systems, annoy boat-dock owners by completely covering anything left under water and can make water recreation hazardous because of their razor-sharp edges.

From the environmental perspective, zebra mussels are filter feeders, which mean they compete with baitfish such as shad for

available forage. Any impact on baitfish in turn can affect their predators—game fish such as bass, striped bass and catfish. Zebra mussels are also very harmful to native mussel populations because they will colonize on their shells and essentially suffocate them.

The spread can be slowed by making sure boats that operate in zebra mussel-infested waters are not used in any other body of water until they have been cleaned, drained and dried. In addition, TPWD adopted rules regarding the transfer of zebra mussel larvae in water from lakes Texoma, Lavon, Ray Roberts and Lewisville. To comply with these rules, boaters and anglers need to drain all water from their boats (including live wells) before leaving those lakes.

TPWD and a coalition of partners have been reaching out to boaters in Texas with an advertising campaign to educate them not to transport the tiny mussels or their microscopic larvae, which are invisible to the naked eye and can stay alive inside livewells, bait buckets and other parts of the boat for up to a week. These partners include: Tarrant Regional Water District, North Texas Municipal Water District, Trinity River Authority, City of Dallas Water Utilities Department, Upper Trinity Regional Water District, Sabine River Authority, Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, San Jacinto River Authority, Brazos River Authority, City of Grapevine, City of Houston, City of Waco and Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

Originally from the Balkans, Poland and the former Soviet Union, zebra mussels found their way to the Americas in the 1980s via ballast water of a ship. The small invaders were first found in 1988 in Lake St. Clair, Mich., and are currently known to have infested 29 states and more than 600 lakes or reservoirs in the United States.

Anyone wishing to receive a supply of informational brochures, wallet cards or posters about zebra mussels to distribute to boaters around lakes Bridgeport, Lewisville, Ray Roberts or Texoma, please contact marketing@tpwd.state.tx.us. For more information regarding zebra mussels visit www.texasinvasives.org.

Obituaries

Bessie May Green



BESSIE GREEN

Funeral services for Bessie May Green, 92, longtime resident of Paint Creek, were held Mon., July 1 at Paint Creek First Baptist Church with Rev. Jimmy Griffith officiating. Burial was in Howard Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mrs. Green passed away early Friday morning, June 28.

Bessie May and her twin

sister, Jessie Fay, were born Dec. 22, 1920 in Osage, Arkansas to John P. and Bertha Mertle (Bishop) McMillion. She married Larnce Otis Green in Haskell June 19, 1949. He preceded her in death in 2006.

Bessie and Jessie married the Green brothers, Larnce Otis and Durvin Raymond Green. Once married, the two couples lived across the street from one another. The four remained very close throughout their lives and spent as much time together as possible. She loved to shop with sister, Jessie, and their favorite spot was The Dollar General in Anson. She was a wonderful cook and took loving care of her children and grandchildren. She was a member of Paint Creek Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Bertha McMillion; husband, Larnce Green; son,

James Keith Edwards; twin sister, Jessie Fay Green; and three brothers, Floyd, Fred and Frank.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her three sons, Larry Edwards of Haskell, Rickie Green and wife Barbara of Sanger, Bill Green and wife Lura of Lake Dallas; eight grandchildren, Robby Edwards, Brian Edwards, John Edwards, Estelle Allen, Scott Green, Joshua Green, Cody Green and Dana Green; and 18 great grandchildren; and daughter-in-law, Linda Edwards.

Pallbearers were her grandchildren, Brian Edwards, Scott Green, Will Green, Joshua Green, Cody Green and Tyson Green.

Online condolences may be shared at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

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Garden Checklist

Haskell County Extension Office

•Supplemental irrigation is essential for all but the hardiest plants in times of extended drought. Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently. As a general rule, soak to a depth of 8 inches. Finish watering by early afternoon, to lessen the chance of disease.

•Check watermelons for ripeness regularly. They are usually ready when the bottom portion is definitely yellow green or even yellow in color.

•Take a critical look at your landscape while at the height of summer development. Make notes of how you think it can be better arranged, plants that need replacement, overgrown plants that need to be removed, and possible activity areas that can be enjoyed by family members.

•Check for insects and diseases. Destroy badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insecticidal soap.

•Especially during dry summers, soil moisture becomes extremely

important and essential for good plant production. Because continual watering is oftentimes costly and time consuming, it pays to conserve the moisture around plants. This is best done by mulching. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success. Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used. In general, the coarser the material, the deeper the mulch. For example, a 2-inch layer of cottonseed hulls will have about the same mulching effect as 6 inches of oat straw or 4 inches of coastal Bermuda hay.

•There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold and purslane. Be sure to water transplants as needed until roots become established.

•Removing faded flowers from plants before they set seed will keep them growing and producing flowers. A light application of fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks will also be helpful.

•House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from drying out so quickly; water pots, container

plants, and hanging baskets often. Monthly feeding with house plant fertilizer will encourage continued growth.

•Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the bulbs have matured and the foliage has turned brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.

•June and July is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom, continue to spray susceptible roses with a black-spot control such as Funginex every 7 to 10 days.

•Re-blooming salvias, such as Salvia greggii and S. farinacea, should be pruned back periodically during the summer. To make the job easier, use hedging shears, and remove only the spent flowers and a few inches of stem below. Fall-booming perennials, such as Mexican marigold mint, chrysanthemums, physostegia and Salvia leucantha, should be pruned in the same manner during the summer to keep them compact, reducing the need for staking. This type of pruning should be completed prior to September 1, since flower buds begin forming about that time.

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Mullins Cousins hold sixteenth annual reunion

The grandchildren of Will and Betty Mullins, early Haskell settlers, held their annual Mullins Cousins Reunion Sun., June 23, at the Occasions building in Haskell. Approximately sixty Mullins relatives and friends attended.

Registering guests was Norma Dale Mullins Linton. Giving the dinner prayer was Wayne Offutt. Traveling the longest distance to attend was Michael Smith, New York City. Oldest grandchild attending was Wallace Pack, San Angelo.

In 1916 from Robertson County, Betty Meadors Mullins brought the family money to Haskell with it sewn into her petticoats for safekeeping. Will Mullins moved his cattle from Robertson County to the Haskell area by train by way of Abilene. Will and Betty bought farmland in the northern part of Haskell County and made their new home with their children.

Granddaughter Marjorie Amonett Reynolds shared stories of Great, Great Grandfather Edward McMillen fighting in the 1836 San Jacinto Battle to gain independence from Mexico.

Copies of the Land Grants given to Edward McMillen (Grandfather of

Will Mullins) for his service to the Republic of Texas were distributed to reunion attendees.

Granddaughter Norma Dale Mullins Linton distributed copies of the Ancestor Chart that listed Great, Great Grandfather Ezekiel Mullins, his 14 children and their statistical data. This included Great Grandfather Francis Marion Mullins from Tennessee, (father of Will Mullins.)

Gaylon Amonett, the family auctioneer, conducted the entertaining auction of family-donated items. Frank Clarkson assisted to add to the fun. Robbie Mullins Curry recorded bidding data.

Each family took a turn at the microphone to share 2012-2013 stories of family members. A barbecue dinner was catered.

Frank and Barbara Clarkson will chair the reunion for 2014.

Attending the reunion were:

Gaylon Amonett, Lubbock; R.W. and Judy Anderson, Abilene; Valerie Anderson, Abilene; Katie Boland, Altus, Oklahoma; Betty Burke, Alvarado; Arvil Lee and Wanda Faye Campbell, Ralls; Frank and Barbara Clarkson, Lubbock; Robbie Mullins

Curry, Lubbock; Denny (Mackenzie) Denniston, Panama City, Florida;

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Wayne and Shirley Offutt, Wichita Falls; Wallace and Millie Pack, San Angelo; Marjorie Reynolds, Lubbock; Don Sherman, Eastland; Donnie and Sharon Smith, Abilene; Matt and Kyera (Kaysalynn and Matt Jr.) Smith, Abilene; Michael Smith, New York City; Ricky and Samantha (Austin and Nathaniel) Stevens, Granbury;

Doris and Richard Thames, Eastland; Susanne Vickers, Irving; Janice Viola, Irving; Pam Voils, Abilene; Jimmy and Gayle White, Rochester; Gwen and Jim Williams, Haskell.

Haskell Class of 1963 celebrates 50th reunion

Haskell High's class of '63 celebrated its 50th reunion this past weekend. The festivities were held at the Haskell home of Jimmie and Sharon Isbell. They were the consummate hosts allowing us free use of their beautiful property.

Jimmie, the grandson of the late A.C. Piersons, was a part of the class in the early years and has remained connected over the years. His wife, the former Sharon Robertson, was in the class of '64 in Haskell.

Class members in attendance included Nancy Brite Smith, Joan Frazier, Elaine Phelps Campbell (also celebrating her 50th wedding anniversary), Lowell Wallace Baker, Bobbye Zalokar Carnes, Elaine Middleton Davis, Zella Solomon Moeller, Sharon Marr Murphy, Merilan Sue Crawford Holt, Frances Foil Palmer and Pam Baird Norton. Also present were Robert (Bobby) Herren, John Kimbrough, Phill Bowers, David Gannaway, David Anderson, W.O. Nanny and Jerry Stocks.

Part of the evening was devoted to a wonderful meal from the Pit and Grill, memory gifts from The Drug Store and Gifted, and certificates from Camacho and Charlie's and Mi Familia, as well as decorated muffins from DixieBZ.

A special letter was read from Coach Ray Overton. Memorabilia placed throughout the property brought back many happy occasions for all to enjoy. These included mounds of pictures, newspaper articles, school awards, letter jackets, band and pep squad uniforms, game tags and school annuals. There might have been some mention of beating Stamford 8 to 6 in 1963 in Stamford. This fact is only a minor entry for Stamford but it was and is still quite special for the class!

Coach Bill Blakley and

wife, Patsy (Robertson) joined the group and also accompanied them when they toured the high school earlier in the day. The classmates were so very impressed by the school's innovations and left with the feeling that the pride in the school experience is well justified. The facilities are so wonderful and so well maintained! Heartfelt thanks go to Bill Alcorn and his staff

for making this tour available to the class. Special thanks to Lucy Diaz.

The latter part of the program was devoted to remembering those who have passed. The class has suffered the loss of eight classmates, Don Stone, Gary Clopton, Vickie McClure, Nancy Lawson Fuller, Nancy Hodge Matthews, Addie Mae Brown Daniels, Betty Hill Riley and Jerry Kreger.

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'Don't Mess with Texas' litter campaign gets a new look

You might think Don't mess with Texas® is just a saying, but it's way more. It's a call to action created by the Texas Department of Transportation 27 years ago to stop litterers in their tracks. TxDOT has announced the state's anti-litter campaign is getting a makeover. With a new look, Don't mess with Texas® is designed to appeal to young adults between the ages of 16 and 34 who were not born when TxDOT first rolled out its now world-famous litter prevention program.

"Don't mess with Texas® is an iconic brand and campaign that we want people to be proud of and that helps keep our state clean," said Ted Houghton, Chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission. "It's our shared responsibility to prevent littering and to pick up after ourselves when travelling around our great state."

"We want to remind all Texans and visitors that trash belongs in a trash can and not along our roadways," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT's executive director. "That's why trash barrels are playing a key role in the re-launch of Don't mess with Texas®, our state's most critical and successful anti-litter campaign."

An estimated 1.1 billion pieces of trash are tossed along more than 80,000 miles of state-maintained roadways. In an effort to

reduce this growing volume of litter that includes fast-food packaging, cigarette butts, candy wrappers, small pieces of paper, plastic bags, and other items tossed from vehicles, TxDOT is taking Don't mess with Texas® back to its roots by resurrecting the iconic red, white, and blue trash barrels. In the coming months, the "CANpaign" will be visible to Texans everywhere as more than 300 of these barrels will appear across the state at travel information centers, popular tourist attractions, sports venues and other high-traffic locations to remind drivers to properly dispose of litter.

Texas is home to more than 25 million people, and an estimated 1,000 people move into the state every day who may not realize that littering is against state law. Litterers can be fined up to \$500 for the first offense. Repeat offenders can face fines of up to \$2,000 and 180 days in jail.

"Not only is it our responsibility to pick up our trash, but doing so reduces the amount TxDOT and taxpayers spend on litter prevention efforts," added Wilson. "In fact, our estimates show that these

programs are saving TxDOT and taxpayers some \$4.7 million annually."

More information on Don't mess with Texas® can be found at dontmesswithtexas.org. This website features background on the campaign, research information about litter on Texas roads and highways, and engaging content to help raise awareness about the importance of litter prevention.



Michelle Johnson RN

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Heat-related illness continued... Safety in the hot summer months

Because our bodies adapt to the current environment over time, heat illnesses do not usually occur in people who are accustomed to strenuous activity on hot days, or those who live in areas that routinely suffer high heat and humidity. Danger often occurs when, for example, severe heat affects a geographic area suddenly or at the beginning of sports seasons, when unconditioned athletes begin training in warm weather.

Heat illnesses are preventable with proper precautions. Here are a few ways to protect yourself from heat illnesses:

1. Remain in an air-conditioned environment during hot weather or go to an air-conditioned area if feeling overheated. If air conditioning is not available, using fans can help cool the body.
2. Wear lightweight, loose-fitting and light-colored clothing. This allows heat to escape the body and the light color does not absorb heat.
3. Drink plenty of water and other hydrating liquids throughout the day to help maintain the body's fluid balance.
4. Avoid activity during the middle of the day when the sun is at its highest point.
5. A cool bath or shower will help keep body temperature at a normal level in hot weather.

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Lawmakers stay for another special session

AUSTIN—Gov. Rick Perry on June 26 summoned lawmakers back to Austin for a second special session of the Texas Legislature to begin July 1. Perry ordered lawmakers to write and pass legislation to do three things:

- Regulate abortion procedures, providers and facilities.
- Fund transportation infrastructure projects.
- Establish a mandatory sentence of life with parole for a capital felony committed by a 17-year-old offender.

Perry's first called session ended on June 25 with Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, talking to death SB 5, legislation to increase state regulation of women's health care and access to abortion services in particular. Davis's 11-hour filibuster was augmented by motions and questions of parliamentary procedure by Sens. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio, Judith Zaffirini of Laredo, Kirk Watson of Austin, John Whitmire of Houston and other Democrats.

A crowd filled the gallery and corridors in support of Sen. Davis's filibuster, chanting loudly enough to create confusion on the Senate floor as midnight approached. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, called SB 5 to a vote just before midnight, but the 19-10 vote was not finalized until 12:03 a.m. on June 26. The filibuster—nonstop talking with no breaks—and the slowed-down vote had eaten up the clock, causing other legislation on the brink of final passage to die at midnight along with SB 5.

Davis's success in temporarily stopping SB 5 drew national and world attention, but Perry, determined to push through his agenda with the long-held advantage of a Republican-controlled Legislature, reissued his call for lawmakers to take up to another 30 days to pass the same set of bills that had just withered.

Voter ID law to take effect

On June 27, the U.S. Supreme Court released its ruling in Shelby County, Alabama v. Holder, Attorney General et al., a case calling into question the constitutionality of Section 4 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, a formula for determining which states or jurisdictions are held to a higher degree of scrutiny because of their history of racial discrimination.

Texas and other covered jurisdictions, as a result of the ruling, are no longer required to obtain federal judicial "preclearance" of election laws. Attorney General Greg Abbott hailed the ruling, saying the

Texas voter ID law and the redistricting maps passed by the Texas Legislature during the first special session and signed into law by the governor on June 26 immediately go into effect.

"Today's ruling does not abolish the Voting Rights Act," Abbott commented. "All states, including Texas, continue to be subject to Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the U.S. Constitution, which prohibit racial discrimination nationwide," he added.

Meanwhile, Texas' chief elections officer, Secretary of State John Steen, said photo identification will now be required when voting in Texas elections. A voter must show one of the following forms of photo identification at the polling location before being permitted to cast a vote: a Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety, a Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS, a Texas personal identification card issued by DPS, a Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS, a U.S. military identification card containing the person's photograph, a U.S. citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph, or a U.S. passport.

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented at the polling place, Steen added.

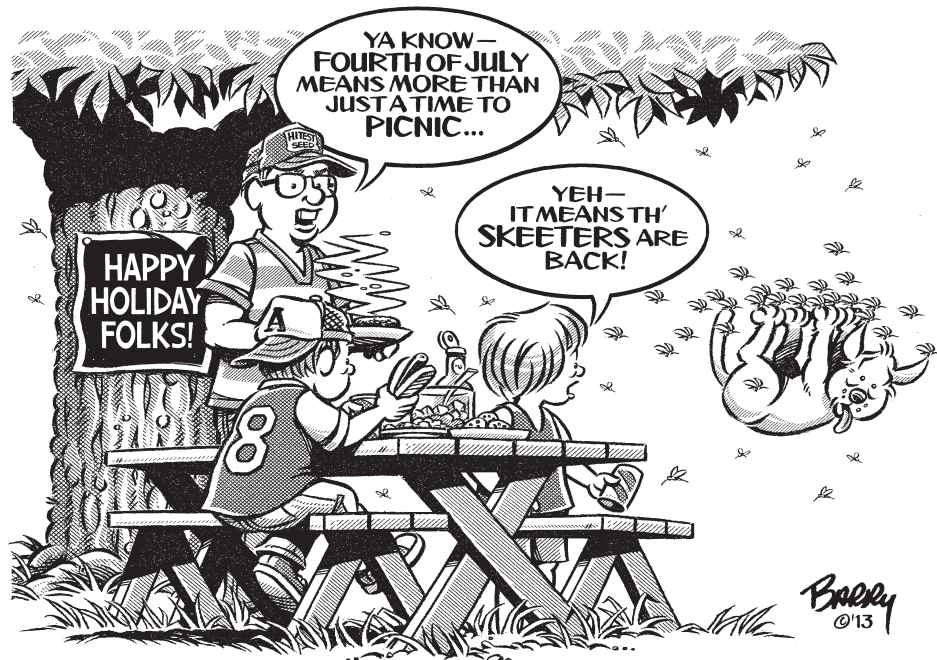
SCOTUS remands UT case

The U.S. Supreme Court, in a 7-1 decision published June 24 sent the civil rights case Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin back to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans for reconsideration.

The high court ruled the Fifth Circuit erred in granting summary judgment to the university, and, attorneys for the plaintiff argued that the university's use of race in its student admissions policy violated the "equal protection" clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Crime rate drops in 2012

Texas Department of Public Safety on June 26 announced that the overall major crime rate in Texas has dropped, while the actual number of violent crimes committed in Texas increased. Statistics in the agency's 2012 uniform crime rate report show the number of crimes per 100,000 people in Texas decreased by 3 percent in 2012 compared to 2011 but the actual number of crimes compared from one year to the next reflect a 1.2 percent increase in violent crimes over the same period.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago July 3, 2003

Haskell High School athlete Brittany Lindsey, daughter of James and Billie Lindsey, has signed a letter of intent to run track at Wayland Baptist University.

Haskell High School cheerleaders and mascot won several awards while attending the National Cheerleaders Association camp at Tarleton State University. Cheerleaders are Erin Hise, Brittany Bird, Stephanie Grand, Shannon Bird, Kerri Newton, Brittany Rutkowski, Amber Bingham, Jasmine Thomas and Kellye Tidrow.

Haskell graduates playing on the winning even-year Exes Survivors basketball team were Harper Stewart, Cliff McGuire, James Rike, Mik Everett, Zac McGuire, Paul Cox, Loren Cole and Terry Chapman.

20 Years Ago July 8, 1993

Rule High School graduate Rene McAden, has been named the new head coach of the Abilene Lady Eagles' track team. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney of Sagerton.

Clif and Annie Bess Cobb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception held at the Cobb family reunion. It was hosted by their children and families.

This year's Haskell Little League All-Stars are Joseph Plemister, Coy Hise, Gavino Ortiz, Jason Hobgood, John Abila, Chad Brendle, T. Nichols, Mitchell Cox, Nathan Gonzales, Cody Stone, Eric Everett, Chris Hernandez, Casey Riley and

Jason Trammell.

30 Years Ago June 30, 1983

Two Rule High School graduates have earned Distinguished Student status at Texas A&M University. They are freshman Dennis Cloud, agricultural economics major and senior James Cloud, agronomy major.

Lewis Corzine, president of the Old Glory Hermann Sons Lodge No. 228, announced the lodge will be presented a 75th anniversary plaque at the annual July 4th picnic.

The Chamber of Commerce presented the first performance of the Haskell Community Chorus, "Mine Eyes Have Seen." Choral director is Brian Burgess, pianist is Ellen Rieger, narrator is Nancy Toliver and program coordinator is Wanda Dulaney.

40 Years Ago July 5, 1973

R.C. Couch, Jr., Elsie Eastland and Grace Bisbee were honored with an appreciation party upon their retirement from the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. They had a combined total of eighty years with the organization.

"Look Your Best" is this year's sewing project for the Haskell Jr. 4-H girls. Jr. leader helpers are Kim and Kay Campbell, Melissa Roberson, Kerry Kemp and Bennita Jackson.

Congressman Omar Burleson announced that six school districts in Haskell County will receive Office of Education grants. They

include Haskell ISD, Rule ISD, Carney ISD, Rochester ISD, Weinert ISD and Paint Creek ISD.

50 Years Ago July 4, 1963

Mrs. J.M. Betts celebrated her 100th birthday with ninety-nine relatives of the six generation family. She has four children, twenty-four grandchildren, sixty-four great-grandchildren, thirty-seven great-great-grandchildren and four great-great-great-grandchildren.

Sonny Everett, an all-state end and a starting tackle at Rice University, has been named line coach for the Haskell Indians, Supt. Hooper Wilkinson announced.

Mrs. Charles Redwine has been installed as president of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Haskell, succeeding Mrs. Myron Biard.

100 Years Ago July 5, 1913

After years of efficient service in his post as postmaster, Mr. John B. Baker retired from that office and has been succeeded by his democratic successor, S.G. Dean.

Miss Mildred Liles of Aurora, MO, who has been in town visiting, will return to her home accompanied by her cousin Homer Lisle. He has accepted a position as bookkeeper in the bank of his uncle.

The average farm in Haskell County contains 212.5 acres and in each farm the average number of acres of improved land in 101. We now have 2210 farms in this county and 1348 are operated by tenants.

Tips to control calories while grilling

As grilling season fires up, UT Southwestern Medical Center nutritionists have cooked up a few tips to keep calorie counts in control.

"There are plenty of tricks and tips that offer alternatives to full-throttle calorie binging," says Lona Sandon, a clinical nutritionist at UT Southwestern.

Among the best tips for controlling the calorie count:

- Eat a lower-calorie meal just before going or a salad prior to higher-calorie selections so you already feel full.

- Drink water instead of other drinks to help you feel full during the party. Add a little flavor with a squeeze of lime, lemon, or orange.

- Drink water instead of beer when eating salty foods. Remember moderation when it comes to alcohol: one drink for women, two drinks for men. One 12-ounce beer equals one drink.

- Instead of depriving yourself of favorite foods, eat smaller portions. You're less likely to binge eat if you don't feel deprived. Wait 15 to 20 minutes before going back for seconds or dessert. Ask yourself if you are still hungry.

- Think Tapas. Take a small sampling of the items you would like to taste.

- Make your selections, then move away from the serving table rather than standing nearby and eating continuously without thinking.

- Ask for a smaller plate, allow yourself one serving. Don't pile on more food than fits on the smaller plate. If going back for seconds, pick the veggies: grape tomatoes, celery sticks, red pepper sticks, baby carrots.

Teach children sun protection habits

Children should be taught from an early age to be aware of the problems associated with sun exposure and the need to use sun protection. Parents can teach their children early sun protection techniques that will help prevent skin cancer throughout their lives.

Skin cancer rates in the United States are increasing at epidemic levels. One in 55 people will now be diagnosed with melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, during their lifetime. This is particularly important for children because one blistering sunburn in childhood more than doubles a person's chances of developing melanoma later in life.

"We believe the rise in melanoma is due to sun exposure and sunburns in childhood, increased sun exposure over time and the use of tanning beds," said Perry Robins, MD, President of The Skin Cancer Foundation.

The vast majority of skin

cancers are preventable with good sun protection habits.

The foundation recommends the following methods of protection for different age groups.

Babies

An infant's skin possesses little melanin, the pigment that gives color to skin, hair and eyes and provides some sun protection. Therefore, babies are especially susceptible to the sun's damaging effects. In fact, babies under six months of age should be kept out of the sun. Follow these tips for babies older than six months:

- Take walks early in the morning or late afternoon and use a stroller with a sun-protective cover.

- Make sure babies are covered up with clothes. (Long-sleeved unbleached cotton clothing is cool and comfortable, while also highly protective). Clothing with an Ultraviolet Protection Factor (UPF) listing on the label offers extra security. UPF is similar to the SPF for sunscreen, and

The Skin Cancer Foundation recommends UPFs of 30 or higher for superior protection.

- Choose a wide-brimmed hat or bonnet that protects the baby's face, neck and ears. A baby who wears a hat during the first few months will get used to having it on.

- Sunglasses are not very practical for a young baby. To protect your baby's eyes, seek the shade between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

- Apply a broad-spectrum, SPF 15+ sunscreen to areas left uncovered such as baby's hands.

- Shield the baby from direct sunlight coming in through the windows of your car.

Toddlers and School-Age Children

Protecting toddlers from the sun requires a little more thought and effort. It is important to educate not only your child, but caregivers as well.

- Make sure your child seeks the shade between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Check the

outdoor area where your child plays to make sure there is adequate shade.

- A broad-spectrum, SPF 15+ sunscreen should be applied every morning, 30 minutes before leaving the house. Keep sunscreen in the bathroom where children brush their teeth, and eventually it will become routine.

- Two tablespoons (one ounce) of sunscreen must be applied every two hours and more often if your child is swimming or sweating.

- Children should wear sun-protective clothing whenever possible, including shirts, hats and sunglasses, for protection against ultraviolet radiation. Make sure your child wears a wide-brimmed hat, long-sleeved shirt and pants during prolonged periods in the sun.

Children should enjoy the outdoors safely. Teach them how to protect themselves and tell others about the importance of sun protection.

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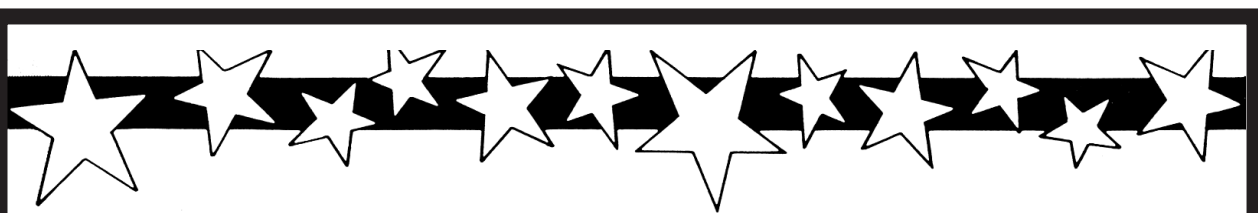
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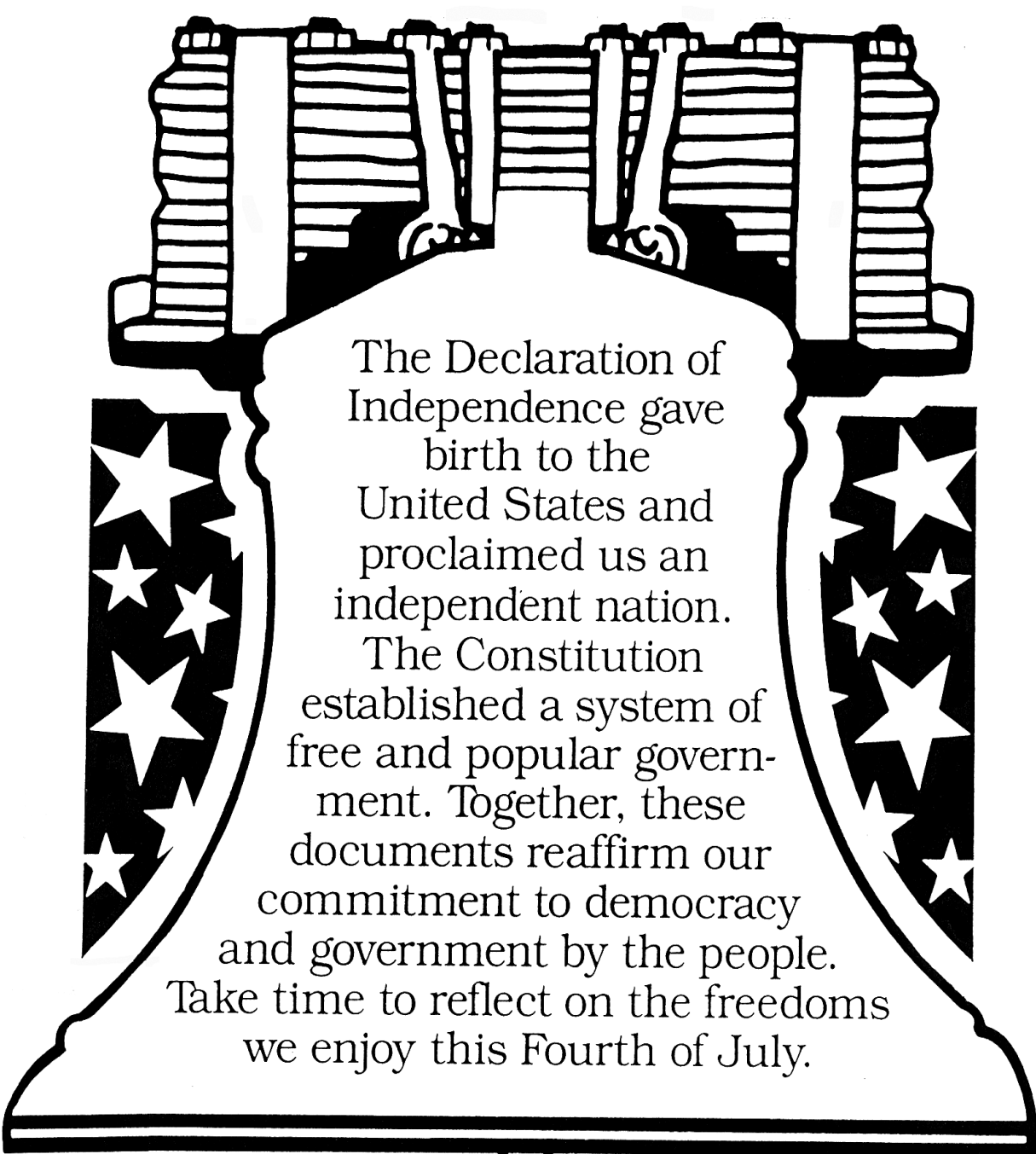
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JULY 4th



The Declaration of Independence gave birth to the United States and proclaimed us an independent nation. The Constitution established a system of free and popular government. Together, these documents reaffirm our commitment to democracy and government by the people. Take time to reflect on the freedoms we enjoy this Fourth of July.



This July 4th holiday, please be extra careful in your summer activities . . . and please don't drink and drive.

Remember to buckle your safety belt.

We want you to have a safe holiday this year!



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Landscaping chores raise risk of summer accidents

With the weather warming up, practice some basic safety measures as you pull out the mower and the electric shears to refresh your landscape.

More than 200,000 people a year are injured in accidents related to lawn and garden

tools, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Of that total, about 16,000 of those injured (8 percent) are younger than 19 years of age. The U.S. Amputee Coalition reports that lawn mower accidents remain the

No.1 cause of amputations for children under 10.

"If people concentrate on the task at hand and use common sense when operating machinery, many of these injuries can be prevented," says Dr. Maureen Finnegan, an orthopaedic surgeon at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

Start by wearing sturdy shoes rather than sandals or flip-flops. Before mowing, check the yard for potential problems like rocks and sticks that could be ejected by the whirling blades.

"Always turn off the mower before you clear the blades if something is caught, so it doesn't end up being your fingers that are caught," Dr. Finnegan says.

"If you do accidentally sever a finger or toe, it's important to cleanse the amputated part with saline water, wrap it in gauze, and put in a watertight bag," she says. "Place the bag over ice and take it with you to the emergency room."

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.

Weather Whys

Blue Sky

Q: Why is the sky blue and not some other color?

A: From space, the Earth is seen totally surrounded by blackness, says Texas A&M University's Michael Hammer. "But the blue sky and white clouds we see are the result of light being scattered in all directions. We know that light is coming from the sun, and this light contains all of the colors within the spectrum.

The colors of light travel in waves of different lengths, and about 18 miles up, light encounters air molecules. These air molecules allow

most of the light to pass through. But blue and violet travel at small wavelengths which get scattered by these very small air molecules across the sky. This is also known as Rayleigh scattering, which makes the sky look blue.

During a sunrise or sunset, the sunshine has to pass through more atmosphere, so the shorter wavelengths are almost completely scattered away, allowing a reddish color to be seen."

Q: So why does the sky look gray during a hazy day?

A: On hazy days, large

particles in the air make the sky appear gray or even white, Hammer explains. "These larger particles tend to scatter more wavelengths of light in the color spectrum," he says. "Hazy air has a lot of water molecules, and these molecules can scatter light of all wavelengths, not just blue. In heavily polluted air, the sky may appear yellow or brown, and this is due to the particles being able to scatter the light to produce these colors. This phenomenon is called Mie scattering. To sum it up, the way light is scattered determines the color of the sky."

Take time to acclimate to the heat

Are you ready to face the heat of summer?

The first few weeks of hot weather can be key to helping your body adjust to the heat. Doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center say gradual acclimatization and taking precautions can help you prevent heat-related injuries as the summer progresses.

The body starts to adjust to warmer temperatures

early in the summer, when temperatures begin to rise. Dr. Craig Crandall, a UT Southwestern expert in exercise and environmental medicine, says you can gradually expose yourself to higher temperatures over a period of one or two weeks to adjust to the heat. You don't want to rush straight from living in the cool indoors to doing strenuous activities outside in the heat without a period of adjustment.

The other key to summer survival is hydration. Your body cools itself by sweating, so it needs more fluids to stay cool. Water is the best fluid to drink

to keep yourself hydrated. Avoid sugary drinks and beverages containing caffeine or alcohol. Alcohol and caffeine can leave you even more dehydrated.

No matter how well adjusted you are to the hot weather, and no matter how much water you drink, it's still best to avoid intense activity outdoors during the hottest part of the day.

Be aware of the symptoms of heat exhaustion. Look for nausea, headache, dizziness, weakness and pale skin. If you notice these symptoms, get to a cooler environment—preferably indoors and air conditioned—and get some water to drink.

Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of June 24-30:

Raul Jordan, criminal mischief.

Charles Kenneth Casey, Parker Co. warrant non-payment of child support.

Antonia Marie Barrera, warrant seat belt no operators license.

Jeremy Casillas, driving while license invalid

or suspended/failure to maintain financial responsibility.

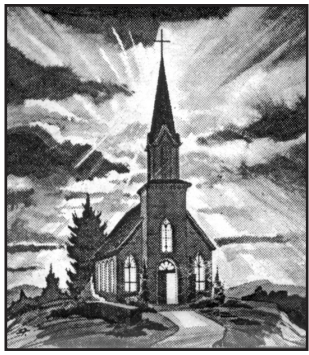
David Lee Williams, motion to revoke Throckmorton charge.

Jeannie Pardo, public intoxication ran stop sign and no operators license.

Ricky Wade Powers, public intoxication/failure to appear/ public intoxication/disorderly conduct.

Fifty-three calls were made to 911.

This Week's Devotional Message:



Their faith and courage gave us One Nation Under God...

Over two centuries ago, a small group of men with everything to lose and possibly nothing to gain stood firm in their faith and their convictions when they affixed their signatures to a document the like of which has never been seen in all the history of mankind. Disregarding fear for their safety and, in some cases, their children's

safety, they literally pledged "their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor" in exchange for the many freedoms which you enjoy today, including the right to worship God in any way you choose. Avail yourself of this privilege for which they gave everything they had. Attend and support your church.

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., 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
Phillip 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
Clavis 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

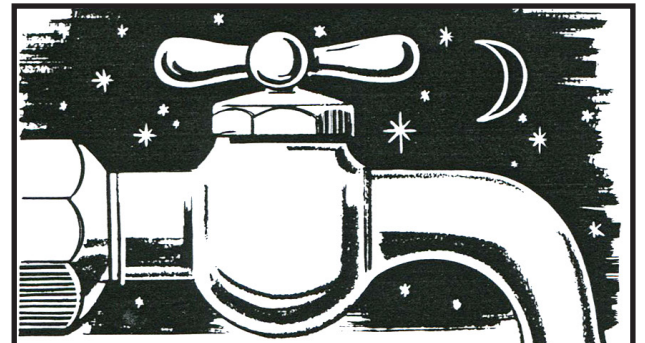
West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

—PAINT CREEK—

Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek

—O'BRIEN—

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



Tips for saving water inside your home

You can make a difference

Bathroom

Bathroom use accounts for about 75 percent of the water used inside the home.

- Check regularly for any leaks in your toilet, faucets and water hose bibs and fix them.
- *Water saved: up to 200 gallons per day.*
- Install a low-flow showerhead.
- *Water saved: about 2 gallons per minute.*

- Replace older, larger-use toilets with the newer higher efficiency toilets.
- *Water saved: .5 to 5 gallons per flush.*
- Take short showers and save the baths for special occasions.
- *Water saved: 2 to 5 gallons per minute.*

Kitchen

About 8 percent of in-home water use takes place in the kitchen.

- Don't rinse dishes before loading dishwasher.
- *Water saved: 20 gallons per load.*
- Wash only full loads in the dishwasher. An efficient dishwasher usually uses much less water than washing dishes by hand.
- Install a low-flow faucet aerator, which can cut water use in half. *Water saved: 1 to 2 gallons per minute.*
- When buying a new dishwasher, consider purchasing a water-saving model. (New models use up to 25 percent less water than older ones.) *Water saved: 3 gallons per load.*

Around the house

- Wash only full loads in the clothes washer. Washing small loads uses over twice as much water per pound of laundry.
- When buying a new clothes washer, consider purchasing a water-saving model. *Water saved: up to 40 gallons per load.*
- Insulate hot water pipes where possible to avoid long delays (and wasted water) while waiting for the water to "run hot." When building a new home, keep the distance short between the hot water heater and showers and other places that hot water is used.

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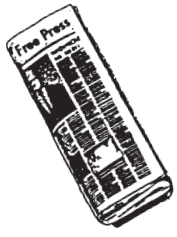
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existing berms, removal of approximately 3,254 CY of Sludge as well as the lining of approximately 153,000 sf of ponds with HDPE liners. The project also includes 4" PVC by pass piping as well as a 2" perforated PVC leak detection system with associated 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, L.T.D., Consulting Engineers, 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 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 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 Bidder and an acceptable

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Is your car ready for summer vacation travel?

If you are planning a road trip this summer, it's important to remember that you shouldn't just put gas in your car and go. A pre-trip vehicle check is the best way to avoid the inconvenience and potential safety hazards of breaking down miles away from home.

By conducting a thorough vehicle inspection, you can determine how road-ready your vehicle is so you can have any problems fixed before hitting the road.

•Check the brake system and make sure the battery connection is clean, tight and

corrosion-free.

•Check filters and fluids, including engine oil, antifreeze/coolant, windshield washer and power steering, brake and transmission fluids. Dirty air filters can waste gas and cause the engine to lose power.

•Check the hoses and belts and replace if they become cracked, brittle, frayed, loose or show signs of excessive wear. These are critical to the proper functioning of the electrical system, air conditioning, power steering and the

cooling system.

•Check the tires, including tire pressure and tread. Under inflated tires reduce a vehicle's fuel economy and uneven wear indicates a need for wheel alignment. Tires should also be checked for bulges and bald spots.

•Schedule a tune-up to help the engine deliver the best balance of power and fuel economy.

Following a routine maintenance program can help you drive smart, save money and make informed decisions this summer and throughout the year.

TxDOT says to share the road with motorcycle riders

As Texas roadways become increasingly crowded, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is asking drivers to Share the Road and Look Twice. The message is aimed at car and truck drivers who often report a lack of visibility as the reason for crashes and near-misses involving motorcyclists.

"Safety should be everyone's primary concern when sharing the road with other drivers," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT executive director. "Motorcyclists are not only some of our most vulnerable drivers, but they often can be more difficult to see than other vehicles. We ask that car and truck drivers always pay extra attention to their mirrors and blind spots, use signals when changing lanes and give plenty of space to motorcyclists."

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 in Haskell

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.

Last year, 460 people died on Texas roadways while riding motorcycles and scooters. In 2011, that number was 488. The 6.1 percent decrease may be attributed to an increase in helmet use and heightened awareness by other motorists through TxDOT led-campaigns, such as Share the Road.

"The numbers are trending in the right direction, yet we still have more work to do to save more lives in 2013," reiterated Wilson.

According to a survey conducted by Texas A&M Transportation Institute,

more than half of motorcycle crashes last year involved another driver who reportedly never saw the motorcyclist.

Data also show that:
•In 2012, 89 percent of motorcycle crashes resulted in the death or injury of the motorcyclist.

•In 2012, 53 percent of motorcyclists killed in traffic crashes were not wearing helmets.

•In 2012, Texas motorcycle deaths were higher in urban areas than rural ones. In fact, 44 percent of motorcyclists who lost their lives were riding in rural areas, while 56 percent died in cities.

Calendar

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 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.

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.

Water conservation

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 for more information.

Cancer support

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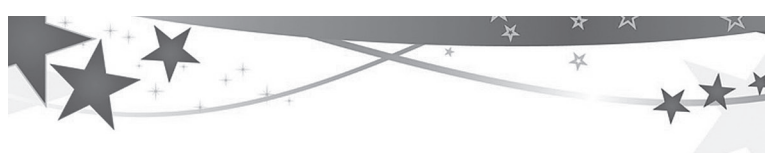
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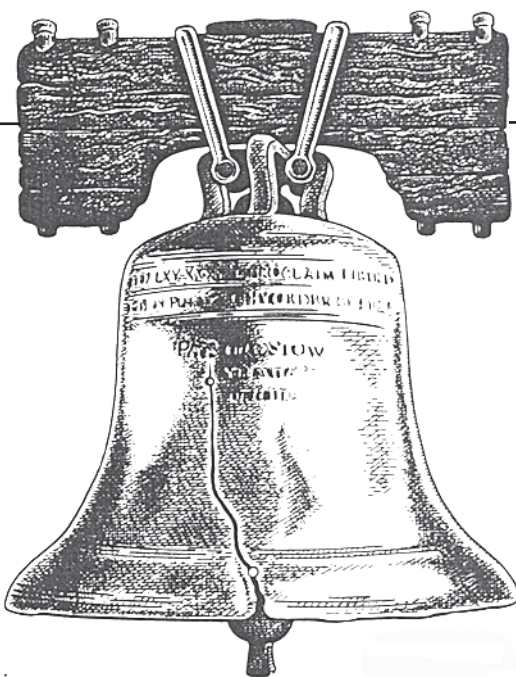
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