

Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., Aug. 22 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Aug. 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., Aug. 9 at noon in the jury room of the Haskell County Courthouse. Officers for the upcoming fiscal year will be elected and they shall take office as of Sept. 1. The budget for the new fiscal year will also be discussed. Please plan to attend if at all possible.

Rochester homecoming

Rochester homecoming will be held Oct. 11-12. A homecoming meeting will be held Mon., Aug. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Rochester School cafeteria.

Hamburger meal set Aug. 16

Haskell Co. 4-H Club will hold a hamburger meal fund-raiser Fri., Aug. 16 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Haskell High School football field concession stand. The meal will include a grilled hamburger/cheeseburger, all the trimmings and homemade fries. Drinks and candy will be available from the Haskell Indian Booster Club, also at the concession stand. The Haskell JV and varsity football squads will hold their first scrimmage.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Aug. 15 in Haskell. DSHS is offering immunizations for children with Medicaid and no health insurance or health insurance that does not pay for vaccines. If your child is eligible for vaccines, you must call 325-773-5681 for an appointment.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Aug. 17 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., Aug. 17 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Spaghetti lunch

Haskell National Bank will hold a chicken spaghetti lunch Wed., Aug. 21 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00. Proceeds benefit Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation. Please drop by and purchase your tickets in advance.

Paint Creek School addresses needed

Addresses of Paint Creek High School graduates, faculty, employees or administration are sought by the Paint Creek homecoming committee members. Please send your information to Homecoming Chairman, Phyllis Coleman at philly5030@yahoo.com. Paint Creek High School's homecoming will be held Sept. 28.

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SAME MAIN, DIFFERENT JOINT—The City of Haskell experienced a major water leak Thursday morning, Aug. 1 on the same main line, but in a different joint, of the eight inch pipe that runs along S. Ave. F, just south of the Haskell Sheriff's Office. City workers, left, Aaron Armendariz and, far right,

David Gonzales Jr. help Kelly Williams of Williams Backhoe & Trenching Service with a tap for a service line for a customer that had to be replaced when the new line was installed. Some water customers experienced the loss of water or low water pressure for a time while repairs were made.

Citizens reminded of weed/trash ordinance

The City of Haskell is putting special emphasis on the following ordinance:

"Health and Sanitation, Division 4. Weeds and Wild Growth Sec. 8-151. Weeds, trash, rubbish on premises constitutes a public nuisance. It shall be unlawful for any owner, lessee, occupant or person in charge of any premises in the city to allow weeds to grow above 12 inches upon the premises, or to allow trash or rubbish to accumulate upon the premises to such an extent that a fire hazard is created or that it has become injurious to the health of other citizens. Either act is hereby declared to constitute a public nuisance."

The City of Haskell is encouraging citizens to abide by the ordinance to help beautify the city and also for the health and safety of all citizens.

The recent rains, while beneficial, have caused a great growth in weeds and grass and have also created areas for fleas, ticks and mosquitoes to multiply.

If your property is found to be noncompliant of the ordinance you may receive a notice in the mail. If compliance is not met then the City will proceed to the next action.

Thank you for your assistance in complying with the ordinance.

Jason Westbrook is new Haskell Co. Agent



JASON WESTBROOK

by Caron Yates

Beginning his official duties on August 1, Jason Westbrook is now the Agricultural and Natural Resource Agent for Haskell County. He replaces Wes Utley who earlier transferred to another county extension office.

Although this is his first official extension job, his background and training has him well prepared for the job.

Born and raised in Stephenville, he graduated from high school in 1988. He studied at Tarleton State University, graduating with a degree in Agriculture Extension and Industry. He completed a Master's of Science Teaching in 1993 from Tarleton. Westbrook did a training internship in extension work with the Erath County extension agent.

During his high school and college years, he was very active in 4-H and FFA as well as judging teams.

He began his working career with a steel buildings company for about eight

years. He then worked approximately six years with a biotech company where his duties included research, development and establishing crop input products.

Going back to his "roots," Westbrook's next stop on the career ladder was as an Adjunct Professor at Tarleton State University. In fact, his father is a retired professor, who taught forty years in the Animal Husbandry Department at Tarleton, while his mother worked at the university as a librarian.

While on staff at TSU, he taught classes in Agriculture Education, and worked with researchers on campus dealing with natural resources. He also developed the State FFA Natural Resource Contest which is conducted each year.

Looking for other opportunities, Westbrook decided to apply for the Haskell County job. He is excited about the possibilities. He says he has no preconceived agenda, but instead plans to develop programs and offer help in the areas the county feels is most important. He expects to spend a significant amount of time and energy on wheat, cattle and cotton programs.

Many of the programs offered on the county level are "sent down" from the A&M Research Extension Service. Haskell County is a part of the Rolling Plains District 3 Extension Service. He will also offer programs for continuing education units, as well as supervise the 4-H program.

Westbrook has four children, which are his number one priority. His two oldest sons ages 18 and 19, will be attending Texas Tech in the fall. He has a daughter who will be a sophomore at Stephenville High School and a nine year old son,

who will also attend school in Stephenville. In his free time he enjoys hunting, fishing and working with animals.

Westbrook looks forward to the new opportunities this career change offers. He is ready and willing to get to work for Haskell County.

Annual Texas sales tax holiday is Aug. 9-11

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs reminds shoppers they can save money on certain items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Fri., Sat. and Sun., Aug. 9-11.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales tax, which could save shoppers about \$8

on every \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"Texas families can take advantage of the sales tax holiday when doing their back-to-school shopping," Combs said. "The tax holiday applies to a variety of items ranging from pens to jeans to help shoppers around Texas save some of their hard earned money."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax

free can be found on the Comptroller's website at www.TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$74.1 million in state and local sales taxes during the Sales Tax Holiday.

The dates for the tax holiday weekend are established by the Legislature in the state tax code. The sales tax holiday has been an annual event since 1999.



DIRT WORK—The City of Haskell and Haskell County employees began work on the parking lot located just north of Haskell County Insurance Co. on Thurs., Aug. 1.

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

Hannsz attends shooting competition

Felicity Hannsz, 13 year old daughter of Keith and Derinda Hannsz of Haskell, was the first lady shooter of Haskell County 4-H to compete at the state shooting

meet. She represented Haskell County 4-H with pride and was the only Haskell County participant.

With 934 qualified shooters from all over Texas

the State Shoot was the fourth largest in the world. 164 lady shooters competed in her Intermediate Division. Hannsz shot in five disciplines. In the Lady's Immediate Division, she placed fifth in the Sporting Clays, seventh place in International Trap, eighth place in Whiz Bang, fourteenth in American Trap, and seventeenth in American Skeet.

In the International-Intermediate Gun-Smoke HOA, she placed thirteenth. She placed twelfth in the Intermediate International HOA, fifteenth in the Intermediate International-Shotgun Shootout HOA, and fifteenth in the Intermediate American HOA.

Hannsz is a three year member of the Haskell County 4-H. She started shooting in the 4-H shotgun sports April 1, 2013. On May 18, Hannsz and her 4-H shooting sports team went to the District 3 Competition in Iowa Park. Hannsz received High Overall Intermediate Lady Shooter, and placed fourth in the 2 man team competition, pairing with Hayden Leech.

Hannsz will be an eighth grader at Paint Creek ISD and a junior high cheerleader. She is an A honor student. Her hobbies include shooting, spending time with her family, traveling, camping, reading, writing, hanging out with friends, swimming, dancing and singing.

She will continue shooting with NSCA, ATA, and 4-H practices, competing in district meets and other meets as well. She will continue to shoot in 4-H American Events and 4-H International Events.

During her experience at the state shooting competition, she visited with Beretta Pro Team Manager for the State of Texas and had the privilege of Shooting American Skeet with Megan Harrington of Corpus Christie. Harrington is sponsored by Beretta Pro Team and shoots for the Beretta Pro Team.

Hannsz is looking forward to working hard and setting her personal goal to make the Texas Beretta Pro Team in the future.



COMPETES AT STATE—Haskell 4-H'er Felicity Hannsz attended the State 4-H Championship Shoot held at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio July 16-20.



RECEIVES AWARD—Airman 1st Class, Colton Young, center, recently received his Airman of the Wing award for the 72nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron from Commander of the 72nd Air Base Wing, Colonel Christopher P. Azzano, left, and Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 72nd Air Base Wing, Brian D. Lavoie, right.

Young honored as one of five finalists for Airman of the Base

Airman 1st Class, Colton Young was honored to be one of five finalists for the Airman of the Base for the second quarter, April-June 2013 at Tinker Air Force base, located in Midwest City, Oklahoma.

Young was nominated for the honor by his supervisor and had been honored at three other levels before being considered for this top honor.

He received his Airman of the Wing award for the 72nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron. His application for these honors included the following information,

“From the Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Airman 1st Class Colton Young, during this period, Airman Young initiated an emergency water response, ensuring the safety of 1.7 thousand personnel. He also completed nine credit hours resulting in the completion of his CCAF degree in Bioenvironmental Engineering. Furthermore, he and 3.3 thousand of his hometown residents donated three tons of supplies to Tinker's EFAC, aiding 350 families in tornado relief.”

Young is the son of the

late Rocky Young and Penny and Brandon Anderson of Haskell. He was a 2008 graduate of Haskell High School. He has two younger brothers, Jim, 20, who is a student at Cisco Junior College in Abilene and Cade, 11, who is an incoming fifth grader at Haskell Elementary.

On a personal note Airman Young would like to thank the citizens of Haskell who donated items for the tornado victims in Moore, Oklahoma.

Tinker Air Force Base is the second largest Air Base in the Air Force.

Women's workshops to focus on farm risk management, planning

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.
Getting a grip on today's agriculture business and becoming an effective farm partner and decision-maker is the focus of Annie's Project, a women's workshop series, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialist.

The mission of Annie's Project is to empower farm women to be better business partners through networks and by managing and organizing critical information, said Dr. Jason Johnson, AgriLife Extension economist in Stephenville and state coordinator for

Annie's Project.

“Often farm women do not feel comfortable in the coffee shop network that is so familiar to farm/ranch men,” Johnson said. “Annie's Project provides a place where farm women can learn both from the perspectives of local agricultural professionals, as well as the experiences of other class members.”

The series will be offered in six sessions, from 6-9 p.m. each Tues., Sept. 17 through Oct. 29, with the exception of Oct. 8, at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd. in Amarillo. Class size is limited to 30,

he said. Registration slots will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information on cost, call your local County Extension Office. The conference is sponsored by AgriLife Extension, with program support provided by Farm Credit Bank of Texas.

A brochure and registration form is available by contacting Johnson at 254-968-4144 or DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo, 806-677-5600. The registration form is available at <http://bit.ly/12HTxJ4>.

According to the 2007 Census of Agriculture, there was a 30 percent increase in the number of farms principally operated by women since 2002. Women now manage 14 percent of the nation's 2.2 million farms. Gaining confidence to understand the complex agricultural business surrounded by other farm women is the foundation of Annie's Project, Johnson said.

“The program is based on the experiences of farm wives who spend their lifetime learning how to be an involved business partner with their farm husbands,” Johnson said. “The reality is that over 90 percent of farm women usually end up managing their personal and farm business finances at some point in their lives as a result of death, divorce or disability.”

Participants will receive training in critical decision-making and information areas addressing: production risk management, marketing risk management, financial risk management, estate planning resources, legal risk management and human resources risk management.

Additional information about the program and how other farm women nationally have benefited is available at www.extension.iastate.edu/annie.

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- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close closet doors.
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
- Air-dry dishes in the dishwasher.
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VISIT WASHINGTON D.C.—Mindy Howard, left, Ag teacher at Troy, and Kourtney Howard, a Haskell FFA member, attended the Washington Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. July 16-21.

Howards attend FFA Washington Leadership Conference

by Caron Yates

More than eighteen hundred FFA students and their advisors converged on Washington D.C. for the 2013 Washington Leadership Conference, the second-largest student experience that the National FFA Organization hosts each year.

Among that group were Mindy and Kourtney Howard. They are the daughters of Bobby and Kim Howard of Haskell.

Mindy Howard of Temple, an Agricultural Science teacher for the past ten years, five of which have been at Troy ISD, sponsored a freshmen group from the school. She or one of the school's other Ag Science teachers take a group of students each year to the leadership conference. This year she invited her younger sister Kourtney, a sophomore member of the Haskell FFA to go along.

While Mindy has made the trip before, the group had many "firsts." Five of the seven students had never flown, making for an exciting flight. By the time they reached their destination, the entire plane was enjoying the students' reactions to flying for the first time.

"Students who attend the Washington Leadership Conference learn their purpose, how to value people, how to take action and the importance of serving others," said National FFA Organization CEO Dr. Dwight Armstrong.

Kourtney, who feels this was an experience of a lifetime, returned home ready to share her training and experiences with her local FFA chapter.

country."

Throughout the week students attended workshops, seminars and interactive small groups, where they focused on identifying and developing their personal strengths and goals. They underwent comprehensive leadership training that will help them guide their local FFA chapters.

In addition to the leadership training, the FFA members also experienced the history of the nation's capital, touring landmarks including the Washington Monument, War Memorials, the National Mall, Arlington National Cemetery and the U.S. Capitol among others. One of the most meaningful things Kourtney experienced was observing the "Changing of the Guard."

The Troy group also had the opportunity to witness the legislature in session, travel through the underground tunnel and see the magnitude of our legislative branch in action.

The conclusion of each weekly session of the conference is a Day of Service. This year the group put together over 1,000 backpacks filled with school supplies. They will be distributed to schools in underprivileged areas. The group also had the task of creating games that could be played with little or no equipment or supplies.

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4-H Club to host hamburger meal

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

The Haskell County 4-H Club will sponsor their yearly fundraiser hamburger meal Fri., Aug. 16 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The hamburger meal will be held at the Haskell High School football field's concession stand.

The cost of the meal will include a grilled hamburger/cheeseburger with all the trimmings and homemade fries.

This will be held during the first Haskell JV and varsity football scrimmage/game. Drinks and candy will be available from the Haskell Indian Booster Club which will be on one side of the concession stand.

Call the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658. Jason Westbrook or Tammy Parham will be glad to answer any questions that you may have.

Scheets family reunion set Aug. 18

The Scheets family reunion will be held from noon Fri., Aug. 16 until noon Sun., Aug. 18 at the Haskell Civic Center.

A pot luck meal will be served at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Families are asked to bring their favorite foods and desserts, along with tea

Simulcast, hosted by Seymour church, to feature Moore

LifeWay Christian Resources is slated to bring well-known Bible teacher and best-selling author Beth Moore to Harvest Christian Fellowship, 211 N. Main, Seymour, via simulcast on Sept. 14. Harvest Christian Fellowship is serving as a host location for the Seymour and surrounding area.

Living Proof Live, sponsored by Nashville-based publishing company LifeWay Christian Resources, will feature Moore's dynamic storytelling and passionate Bible teaching.

"Beth's teaching is some of the most profound I've ever heard," Kim Trobee, associate pastor to women at New Life Church in Colorado, said. "Her knowledge of the Word and her passionate delivery never fail to get right to the heart of the matter."

The event, which is now in its 15th year, both challenges and encourages women to grow deeply in their faith. Join 250,000 women around the world for this live, global, Internet streaming event. The simulcast gives your church a front-row seat to one-of-a-kind Bible teaching and life-changing worship.

"I have served in women's ministry for over 20 years now, and there is just no other event like Living Proof Live," women's ministry leader Missy Kintzel said. "It is one event our women do not want to miss."

Moore has authored dozens of published Bible studies, books, and devotionals specifically for women for nearly two decades. Her latest LifeWay-published release, James: Mercy Triumphs, is a Bible study that equips women to put their faith in action. Moore's organization, Living Proof Ministries, is based out of Houston.

Dove-award winning musical artist Travis Cottrell, who also serves as worship pastor of Englewood Baptist Church in Jackson, Tenn., is slated to lead worship for the event.

Living Proof Live starts Sat., Sept. 14. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m., with the simulcast starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 4:15 p.m. Ticket information is available by calling Jeannie Allbritton. The event is covering one full day of music and worship led by Travis Cottrell; sessions led by Beth Moore; and opportunities for fellowship with other women

from the area communities. Women may purchase tickets by calling Jeannie Allbritton, 940-256-0988. Check out our FB page, Beth Moore Simulcast.



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DORIS BARBEE

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Our community is just buzzing. We have so many activities planned and places to go. Every other Saturday, the ladies are invited to get their nails done and for our men, on Sundays, they are all invited to Sports and Treats in our TV room. Of course, we also know a lot of our women folks enjoy the game too, so all are welcome.

Our Family has grown, as Kim Hutto has joined us as our Life Enrichment Coordinator and my assistant. She has our clients up singing and having socials in the living room and getting everyone active. She has found many artists among our clients, as she handed them art supplies.

In September, we have formed a group to join the Alzheimer's Walk in Abilene. We are looking for sponsors and any donations for the Alzheimer's Association. Come challenge yourself and help this great cause. You may also go to, Abilene Alzheimer's Walk online and look up Majestic Memory Walkers and make a donation from there or contact Kim at 940-864-2727.

Watch for additional happenings at Majestic Senior Living!
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OPINION

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

2nd special session ends, 3rd begins

AUSTIN—A second special session of the Texas Legislature ended July 30 without the House and Senate accomplishing the governor-ordered task of passing legislation to fund future public transportation projects.

House Joint Resolution 2 failed on July 29. Had the proposed constitutional amendment passed, Texans would have voted yes or no to a plan to tap the state's \$12 billion Economic Stimulus (rainy day) Fund to the tune of \$1 billion every year for use in transportation projects. On the House floor, Rep. Joe Pickett, D-El Paso, the primary author of HJR 2, asked Gov. Rick Perry not to call another special session on transportation right away and suggested lawmakers might do a better job next spring, after party primaries.

But on the 30th and final day, Gov. Rick Perry called a third special session to begin immediately. "When it comes to transportation," Perry explained, "the stakes facing our state could not be higher and a failure to act now could take years if not most of a decade to correct as traffic congestion increases and harms our quality of life."

In the third special session, some lawmakers appear ready to act in accordance with the governor's wish for a quick and permanent method to fund transportation projects, while others will keep with constituents who are in less of a rush, possibly seeing enough at stake to warrant a longer look at the funding question and how it might dovetail with other areas of the state budget. In any case, the Legislature has about four weeks to continue working on the problem.

Combs reports condition

In a July 31 letter to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the House and members of the Legislature, Comptroller Susan Combs reported the state's oil and natural gas production taxes are performing better than expected this year.

Combs projected those taxes to generate an additional \$900 million in fiscal 2013, one quarter of which is available for general purpose spending. And that amount is in addition to the \$683.1 million available for general purpose spending and not appropriated in the 2014-2015 biennium.

The additional remaining \$675 million of severance tax revenue available in the current year will be part of a \$2.37 billion transfer into the Economic Stimulus (rainy day)

Fund in November, Combs said.

Federal relief to come

President Barack Obama on Aug. 2 signed a major disaster declaration and in doing so overruled the Environmental Protection Agency's June decision to reject Texas' request for relief for the town of West.

A fertilizer plant in West exploded on April 17, causing the loss of 15 lives and widespread damage to buildings and infrastructure.

Gov. Perry, members of Congress and others appealed the EPA's ruling. On Aug. 2 Perry released a statement saying, "This, along with the disaster relief funding provided by the Texas Legislature, will help this community rebuild their infrastructure, school district and public works as quickly as possible."

Justice Hightower dies

Retired Texas Supreme Court Justice Jack Hightower, 86, died Aug. 3 in Austin.

Hightower was born in Memphis, Texas, and started his law practice in Vernon after graduating from Baylor Law School in 1951. He went on to serve as a state representative, state senator and assistant attorney general. In addition to his seven years (1988-1996) on the state Supreme Court, Hightower also served 10 years as a member of Congress.

Burial was set in the Texas State Cemetery on Aug. 7.

Race attracts candidates

Three current officeholders have entered the race for Texas attorney general: Railroad Commissioner Barry Smitherman, state Sen. Ken Paxton, R-McKinney, and state Rep. Dan Branch, R-Dallas.

Smitherman's law degree is from the University of Texas, Paxton's is from the University of Virginia, and Branch's is from Southern Methodist University.

Attorney General Greg Abbott, a Republican who has served as the state's chief legal officer since 2002, on July 14 announced his candidacy for governor after Gov. Perry on July 8 said he would not seek another term.

DPS report DWI arrests

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Aug. 1 announced Highway Patrol troopers made 1,124 driving-while-intoxicated arrests, June 28 through July 7, the agency's holiday-related special enforcement period.

During the 10-day period, enforcement resulted in more than 15,700 speeding citations, more than 2,400 seat belt and child safety seat citations, 720 fugitive arrests and 602 felony arrests.



Troopers arrest 1,100 drunk drivers during July 4th

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) troopers made more than 1,100 DWI arrests during a 10-day special enforcement period, which included the July 4th holiday. The DWI enforcement effort from June 28-July 7 included funding from a Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) grant.

"These patrols are aimed at taking drunk drivers off Texas roadways and protecting the lives of all travelers," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The men and women of the Texas Highway Patrol dedicate their careers to keeping our communities safe, and I'm certain troopers prevented potentially deadly crashes by removing these dangerous drivers from our roads."

DPS Highway Patrol troopers made 1,124 DWI arrests during the July 4th enforcement effort. The TxDOT grant allowed increased patrols in high-risk locations during the times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent, which directly resulted in 173 of the arrests.

DPS enforcement also resulted in more than 15,700 speeding citations, more than 2,400 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 720 fugitive arrests, and 602 felony arrests during this time period.

ECC Menu

Mon., August 12

Creamy mushroom steak with cream gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, carrot cake, tea or coffee

Wed., August 14

Taco and trimmings, pickles, onions, jello, brownie, tea or coffee

Fri., August 16

Bar-B-Q sausage, potato salad, pinto beans, garlic bread, white cake, tea or coffee

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

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago August 7, 2003

Haskell students Ryan Anderson and Nathan Meredith participated in Hardin-Simmons University's Threshold Program for gifted and talented students.

Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Lance Adams, of Haskell, has released an independently produced CD, "Life's Good, Life's Great," featuring ten of his original songs.

20 Years Ago August 12, 1993

Juan Munoz proudly displayed a fourteen pound catfish he caught with a rod and reel in Rice Springs Creek at the City Park.

Ernestine Herren was presented a walnut plaque from the National Weather Service in recognition of more than 50 years of service her late husband, Sam Herren, gave as official weather observer in Haskell.

Haskell native Jerry Larned is one of thirteen public school superintendents who are nominees for the 1993 "Superintendent of the Year" award sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards. He is superintendent of the Monahans-Wickett-Pyote Independent School District.

30 Years Ago August 11, 1983

Robert Geilhausen, a Haskell student, has been awarded a Carr Academic Scholarship for 1983-84 at Angelo State University.

Monty Holcombe, eleven

year old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watson and Mrs. Maye Holcombe, all of Haskell, represented Rolling Plains District 3 in the Texas State 4-H Horse Show. He and his mare, "Wreckless Talker" won the Grand Champion Mare competition.

40 Years Ago August 9, 1973

Rev. Dudley Bragg, along with his wife Bobby and their four children, have moved to Haskell to assume duties as pastor of First Baptist Church. He comes here from Sharon Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas.

The Haskell Lions Club enjoyed a very informative program on the State Rehabilitation and Vocational Program, by its coordinator James Ross Mickler. The program covers five counties, including Haskell.

Haskell Home Demonstration Council met to install new officers for the 1973-74 club year. Officers will be Mrs. J.P. Perrin, president; Joyce LeFevre, vice president; Verlene Corzine, secretary; Mrs. J.R. Perry, treasurer; Mrs. Henry Smith, parliamentarian; and Ethel Phea, reporter.

Gary Gavlik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bowers, has been promoted to sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. He is a member of the Air Force Communications Service.

50 Years Ago August 8, 1963

Weinert School Superintendent Douglas Myers has announced the

faculty for the upcoming school year. They include Mabel Derr, first & second; Betty Sanders, third & fourth; Sue Yeary, fifth & sixth; Sarah Jones, seventh & eighth; Don Lamb, social studies; Mary Abbott, math; Ila Moody, English; Louise Chambers, homemaking; and Sam Adams, science and coach.

The Haskell Livestock Auction is set to open this week. Tommy Ray Foster, 35 year old Haskell cattleman and farmer says, "they have all been mighty cooperative," when speaking of the efforts of members of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce in assisting his culmination of plans to build the auction facility.

Two Haskell County Marines have completed combat training at Camp Pendleton, California. They are Pvt. Henry Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Force and Pvt. Don Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowman.

100 Years Ago August 9, 1913

Little Max King and Herbert Arbuckle have the exclusive right of selling peanuts at "Ferguson of Troy."

Judge H.G. McConnell and J.W. Collins went to Munday on business. They drove through in Collins' car. The return run was made from Munday to Weinert in 45 minutes. At Weinert, J.E. Robertson joined them and the run on to Haskell took about 45 minutes also.

Take advantage of new health insurance exchanges

As major portions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act—commonly referred to as Obamacare—are set to roll out beginning this fall, it's an important time to understand how these changes will affect a significant number of currently uninsured Americans.

Unless Congress takes action to delay the implementation of the "individual mandate," Americans who fail to purchase insurance coverage by January 1, 2014 are subject to a fine of \$95 per uninsured person or 1 percent of the household income. Fines will increase in 2015, eventually maxing out at \$695 per uninsured person or 2.5 percent of household income in 2016.

To assist consumers in avoiding fines for non-compliance with the individual mandate, the department of Health and Human Services is launching a national Health Insurance Marketplace,

also known as a "health insurance exchange," on October 1 of this year (more information at www.healthcare.gov). The Marketplace will provide consumers with a central point to apply for health insurance and view a variety of options for purchase. It will also alert you if you qualify for free or low-cost coverage available through Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program. If you live in the United States, are a U.S. Citizen or national (or lawfully present), and are not currently incarcerated, you qualify to enroll in program.

The new insurance programs offered through the Health Insurance Marketplace are different from what you might have experienced in the past. Many consumers who have been denied insurance coverage previously due to preexisting conditions will notice the biggest change. Beginning in 2014, health

insurance plans can't refuse to cover you or charge you more just because you are currently sick. Further, all plans offered through the Marketplace must cover many preventative care services at no out-of-pocket cost to you, including blood pressure, cholesterol, depression, diabetes and HIV screening, as well as immunization vaccines, among others. Preventative care services for children, including autism screening and behavioral assessments, will also be offered without cost to the insured.

If you are a small business owner (50 or fewer full-time employees) and are interested in offering or changing your employees' health insurance coverage to a plan in the Health Insurance Marketplace, you can enroll through the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP). If you secure employee coverage through the SHOP marketplace and pay

at least 50% of your full-time employees' premium cost, you could qualify for the Small Business Health Care Tax Credit, which can add up to 50% of your contribution to employees' premium costs (35% for tax-exempt employers).

It's important to note that, as all of these changes are currently underway, now is an ideal time for scammers to capitalize on the opportunity. If you receive a phone call from anyone claiming to represent a government agency, do not give out your social security number or banking information. Doing so will not enroll you in the Health Insurance Marketplace or allow you to purchase insurance and could jeopardize your personal financial information.

When enrollment begins on October 1, please visit www.healthcare.gov, call 1-800-318-2596 or contact a health insurance broker for more information.

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SUMMER READING PROGRAM—Attending the Haskell County Library's Summer Reading program on July 11 were, front row, l-r, Tessa Eddleman, Rebecka Cunningham, JoJo Tidrow, Ryan Cox, Jayden Carver and Raegan Adkins; back row, Brayden Tidrow, Cassidy Phemister, Calee Phemister, Mary Murphy, and Kenley Cox. Mary Murphy, a former teacher, was the reader for the day.



READERS—Marijane Cunningham and Sherry Adams, back row, were the readers of the day July 23 at the Summer Reading Program at the Haskell County Library. Young readers attending were, front row, l-r, Jayden Carver, Cassidy Phemister, Hope Evans and Tessa Bridges; back row, Caden West, Jameson Daniels, Colby West, Paige Scheets, Reagan Daniels, Madilyn Moore, Civana Evans and Destiny Evans.



READING MONSTERS—Mary Drury, far right, was the presenting reader of the day July 25 for the Summer Reading Program at the Haskell County Library. Kids transformed into monsters for the day were, l-r, Kaycie Price, Jayden Carver, Lyric Pittman, Paige Scheets and Savannah Pierce. It was a fun day with an awesome craft.



LIBRARY READERS—Parris Pittman, assistant librarian, was the reader for the last day July 30 of the Summer Reading Program at the Haskell County Library. She read "You are Special" by Max Lucado and wrote a song and sang it on her guitar just for the kids! They loved it! She also read "My Piggy Bank" and the kids made their very own piggy banks! Pictured on the floor, l-r, are Raegan Adkins, Colton Gober and Matthew Gober; middle row, Lillian Penman, Ryan Cox, Jayden Carver, Paige Scheets, Rebecka Cunningham, Parris Pittman, Lyric Pittman, K'lee Mlenak and Autumn Mlenak; back row, Kenley Cox, Aubree Ramos (helper), Madyson Moore (helper), Colby West and Caden West.

Cattle Trails Wheat and Stocker Cattle Conference set

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Southern Oklahoma and North Texas has experienced a difficult three years of dry conditions. While no one knows what the environmental conditions hold for the area, agricultural producers continue to plant crops and grow cattle. New research and technology based on these enduring conditions will be the focus of the Cattle Trails Wheat and Stocker Cattle Conference, a joint effort between Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service, to be held Aug. 13 in Lawton, Oklahoma.

This annual conference provides wheat growers and stocker cattle operators the most up-to-date information on topics that influence profits, said Stan Bevers, AgriLife Extension economist in Vernon.

The slogan of the conference is "driving your cattle to profits," although Bevers said the last couple of years have made it tough to generate any profit.

The conference, which alternates between Texas and Oklahoma each year, will be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Comanche County Coliseum, 920 South Sheridan, in Lawton. Registration per person will include educational materials, a noon meal and refreshments.

The keynote speaker for the event will be Bart Fischer, Chief Economist for U.S. Rep. Frank Lucas from Oklahoma. Lucas is the current House Agriculture Committee Chairman. It is anticipated that Congress will complete work on the new Farm Bill this fall. Fischer will provide valuable insight into what the new Farm Bill will look like and how its impact will influence are wheat producer's income.

Two speakers will address

NRCS LWG meeting set Aug. 16 in Haskell

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Haskell County and the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District cordially invite the public to attend their 2013 Local Working Group (LWG) meeting Aug. 16, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Haskell USDA Service Center.

The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to set local conservation priorities and bring conservation stakeholders together to discuss conservation topics and issues relevant to helping Haskell County farmers and ranchers better conserve on-farm natural resources.

The agenda of the meeting is to update attendees on recent conservation efforts and to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities. Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investment can continue to benefit Haskell County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private land in Haskell County are invited to participate.

For more information, contact Cody Mathis, District Conservationist, at 940-864-8516 ext. 4. For more information, visit the NRCS Web site at <http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/>.

new research and technology, he said. Dr. Gerald Horn, Professor with the Department of Animal Science at Oklahoma State University will discuss current results from the Marshall Stocker Cattle program. Dr. David Worrell, Wheat Breeder and Product Manager for AgriPro/Syngenta at Lockett will provide an update on his wheat breeding program.

What to do with the stocker cattle prior to wheat being ready and still have the cattle gain will be discussed by Dr. Ted McCollum, Professor and Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension,

Amarillo. Further, Stan Bevers, Professor and Extension economist with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will provide his expectations for the wheat and stocker cattle markets.

Industry sponsors also will have their products on display during the event. For more information on the event, go to <http://agrisk.tamu.edu>.

Producers are encouraged to pre-register by contacting their local AgriLife Extension county agent, Jason Westbrook at the Haskell County Extension Office 940-864-2658, or by contacting the Southwest Oklahoma Area Extension Office at 580-255-0546.

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New video raises awareness of benefits of prescribed burns

Less than two years removed from the worst wildfire season in Texas history, it's no wonder that when fire is mentioned the first thing that comes to most Texans' minds is fear.

However, fires aren't always bad. In fact, as they can boost the health of the land.

For generations, Texans have used prescribed—or "good"—fire to help manage the landscape, depending on the flames, to clear brush, control vegetation, maintain wildlife habitats and even boost nutrients in the soil.

This week, Texas A&M Forest Service is joining with Texas Department of

Agriculture, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to release A Land in Balance: Benefits of Prescribed Fire, a new video designed to raise awareness about the benefits of deliberate burning. The 15-minute video illustrates the utility of prescribed burning across different regions of Texas, how these fires are conducted and the benefits derived from the process.

"Prescribed burns save lives and are critical tools for private landowners to protect property," Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said. "In Texas, we must be strategic with stewardship of the land and resources. It takes everyone coming together—first responders,

local and state officials, public land managers and private landowners—to keep our landscapes healthy, and our citizens and communities safe."

According to state officials, prescribed burning isn't just good for the land, it's also good for people. Prescribed burning doesn't eliminate wildfires, but the strategic reduction of brush and other vegetation can decrease the intensity of wildfires when they do ignite.

"Prescribed burning helps reduce the risk of potential wildfires that may threaten lives and damage communities, crops, livestock and wildlife," Sonora AgriLife Extension Center Superintendent Butch Taylor said.

Texas A&M Forest

Service supports the use of prescribed fire and conducts burns on public lands. Landowners interested in learning more about prescribed fire and its applications may visit the Prescribed Burn Alliance of Texas website at <http://pbatexas.org>.

"Our goal here at Texas A&M Forest Service is to provide information and tools to residents across the state so that they can learn to better protect themselves," Texas A&M Forest Service Director Tom Boggus said. "That's what we are doing with this video. If we can help Texans better protect themselves, we can help Texans better protect Texas."

Watch the video and find other prescribed burning resources at <http://TexasPrescribedFire.com>.

Orders due Aug. 23 for FFA or 4-H lamb validation tags

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

It is time to order lamb/goat validation ear tags. If joining FFA or 4-H and planning to show a lamb as an animal project, that lamb must have a Texas Validation Ear Tag.

The Haskell County Extension Office will be taking orders for the validation ear tags, until Fri., Aug. 23.

The Texas Lamb/Goat Validation Tags will be received in October and then there will be a date set in October for validating.

You may come by the Haskell County Extension Office, located at 101 S. Ave. D. in Haskell to order the tags. If you have any questions, call Jason Westbrook, Haskell County Agent-Ag at 940-864-2658.

Orders due Aug. 9 for 4-H entries to West Texas Fair

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

The fall show season is fast approaching. If you are a 4-H member and have an animal project, entries for the West Texas Fair & Rodeo and the State Fair of Texas are due in the Haskell County Extension Office this month.

The entries for West Texas Fair & Rodeo are due Fri., Aug. 9 by 4:30 p.m. The

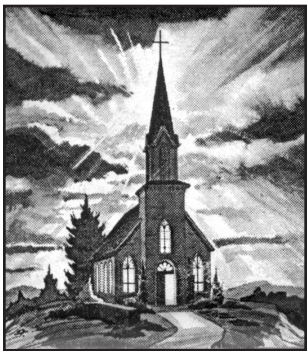
entries for the State Fair of Texas are due Thurs., Aug. 22 by 5:00 p.m.

The entry forms are available at the Haskell County Extension Office, located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell.

If you have any questions on animal projects, or the upcoming fairs and show call Jason Westbrook, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.

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This Week's Devotional Message:



The family structure remains the best human relationship

Many households are quite diversified these days in the lifestyles and interests of the members, as well as in the biological sense because of stepchildren and half brothers and sisters living under one roof. Indeed, many families find it hard to remember the last time they all had dinner together. Some of this is unavoidable, as in the case of a father who must travel on business or a mother involved in committee

work for a worthy cause. However, the family members should make an effort to be together whenever possible, to discuss problems or just to have some kind of fun that spans the generation gap. Moreover, they should attend their house of worship regularly, for this will help to cement the bonds. The family circle should be an unbroken one; a center of love and a haven of refuge from the outside world.

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**
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 Omegas
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

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

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.

Homecoming

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

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

City of Haskell Residential Yard Watering Schedule

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Garage Sale

WEINERT COMMUNITY WIDE garage sale: Sat., Aug. 10. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Maps available at Baptist Church in Weinert. Furniture, home decor, much more. 32p

GARAGE SALE: 1107 N. 5th. Fri., Aug. 9 and Sat., Aug. 10. 7:30 a.m. til? Lots of toddler, girls and boys clothes and shoes and girls infant clothes. Also, daybed, dining table and much more. 32p

Wanted

RESPONSIBLE non drinker 42 years old looking for deer lease for me and my 10 year old son for 2013/14 season. Would like to have 1,000 acres exclusively to ourselves. Please call or email Brent Davis 214-405-5497 auxnir@gmail.com. 13tfc

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JOB NOTICE: The City of Haskell, Texas is taking applications for an administrative assistant. Applications and job description may be picked up at City Hall between the hours of 8-5. Base salary will be \$20,000 plus benefits, which include employee medical insurance, retirement and workers compensation insurance. Salary could be negotiable with prior experience in related area. The City of Haskell is an equal opportunity employer. Applications and resumes will be accepted until a suitable applicant is determined. For more information contact City Administrator, Brandon Anderson at 940-864-2355. 31-32c

BRAZOS VALLEY Care Home is now accepting applications for LVNs and nurse aides. Please apply in person at 605 S. Ave. F, Knox City. 32-35c

Help Wanted

FULL-TIME and part-time vegetable farm positions available. Duties include hand weeding, hand harvesting, washing and packing, drip tape set up. O'Brien, TX. 940-742-4155. 32-35c

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE
A request has been received from Maureen Dunivan to change the following described property: Block 3, Lot 9, 10, 11, Addition, Cottage Lawn Addition, address 500 N. Ave. M, other description, ID #2173, from zoning district to Specific Use Permit zoning district. If zoning is achieved, the

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applicant proposes to use the property for single wide mobile home.

The planning and zoning commission of the City of Haskell, Texas, will hold a public hearing pursuant to this request on August 23, 2013, at 12 noon in the City Hall Meeting Room. 32c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Wilcox Petroleum Operating, LLC, P.O. Box 580, Rule, TX 79547 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Sojourner Sand Formation Middlebrook Lease, Well Number 2. The proposed injection well is located 4 miles SW of Haskell in the Sojourner Field, in Haskell County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5190 to 5215 feet.

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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O.

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Schools list registration, back-to school events

Haskell Elementary

Haskell Elementary School will hold registration for new students to the district Mon., Aug. 12, Tues., Aug. 13 and Wed., Aug. 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the elementary office. This registration is also for any students that did not pre-register in the spring for Prekindergarten or Kindergarten and for students that have attended Haskell Elementary in the past, but did not finish the 2012-2013 school year at Haskell Elementary.

Parents should bring their drivers license and their child's birth certificate, immunization record, social security card and last report card.

Registration and Back to School Night for all Haskell Elementary students will be held on the following days and times:

Tues., Aug. 20: third grade

at 5:30 p.m., fourth grade at 5:30 p.m. and fifth grade at 6:30 p.m.

Thurs., Aug. 22: Head Start at 5:30 p.m., PPCD at 5:30 p.m., Prekindergarten from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Kindergarten at 5:30 p.m., first grade at 6:30 p.m. and second grade at 6:30.

Parents are encouraged to attend registration with their child/children so they can meet the teachers and fill out necessary paperwork. Homeroom lists will be posted at the time of registration.

School begins Mon., Aug. 26. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. Kindergarten through fifth grade will dismiss at 3:15 p.m.

Haskell Junior High

Haskell Junior High School will hold registration for grades six through eight Tues., Aug. 20 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Junior High building, on the north end of the high school.

Paint Creek

Paint Creek ISD will hold registration for all students for the 2013-2014 school year Tues., Aug. 13. Please come by the school office between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to complete needed paperwork. Schedules for high school students will be given at this time.

To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2013. To attend Pre-K, a child must be 4 on or before Sept. 1, 2013.

For all new incoming students, parents should bring their driver's license, their child's immunization record, birth certificate, and social security card to registration.

The first day of school is Aug. 26.

If you have any questions, please call the school at 940-864-2868.

Rule

Rule ISD will hold registration for junior high and high school students Mon., Aug. 19 and Tues., Aug. 20 in the school cafeteria.

Mon., Aug. 19 will be for seniors at 1 p.m. and juniors at 2 p.m. Tues., Aug. 20 will be for sixth through eighth grade students at 10 a.m., sophomores at 1 p.m. and freshmen at 2 p.m.

Parents or legal guardians of students in grades sixth through eighth, as well as parents of all students new to the district for the upcoming school year, are required to attend. Parents of high school age students are also encouraged to attend.

Registration for elementary students will be held Tues., Aug. 20 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. in the classrooms of each grade level. Parents or legal guardians of students in grades Pre-K through fifth, as well as parents of all students new to the district for the upcoming school year, are required to attend.

Parents of students who are new to the district should bring the following items with them to registration:

- A copy of the child's Social Security card.
- A copy of the child's birth

certificate.

- Current immunization records.

- Any records from the child's previous school district.

- A copy of the parent or guardian's driver's license.

For more information about registration, call Rule ISD at 940-997-2246 or 940-997-2521.

Rule ISD will host "Meet the teachers and Meet the Bobcats" night for all students and their parents Thurs., Aug. 22 from 6 to 7 p.m.

This event will give students and parents the opportunity to enjoy ice cream and meet the 2013-2014 Bobcats, returning teachers and new teachers at Rule ISD.

After a short assembly in the auditorium about the upcoming school year and the Title I program, students will be able to visit their classrooms and drop off their supplies to be ready for the first day of school.

Teachers and staff members will be on hand to meet and greet parents and answer questions regarding the upcoming school year.

There will be information about Booster Club and sign up forms for booster club activities.

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Crime of the Week

Around 11:00 p.m. on Fri., July 26, the clerk at Stamford Beverage Barn was robbed at gunpoint by two, large Hispanic females. The suspects were dressed in black sweatpants and hoodies, with ski masks and black face paint. One suspect was carrying a black back pack. Items taken included cash, credit card receipts and the clerk's cell phone, an AT&T Optimus G with a purple case.

Anyone with information about this crime is urged to

call the Clear Fork Crime Stoppers' tipline 800-222-TIPS or text CFCS@CRIMES. All callers remain anonymous.

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Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of July 29 through Aug. 4:

Roberto Muniz Jr., motion to revoke burglary of a building state jail.

Johnathin William Kraatz, controlled

substance offenses felony driving while intoxicated 1st and open container.

Paul Ortiz, DWI 1st.

Alberto Adan Vazquez, possession of cocaine surety withdrawal.

Robert A. Jorgensen, DWI 3rd felony.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Haskell Consolidated ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. August 20, 2013, in Rochester School, Main Street, Rochester, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.17/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$0.04960/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	3.47% increase or	% (decrease)
Debt service	0% increase or	76.0% (decrease)
Total expenditures	0% increase or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 394,744,621	\$ 380,013,673
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 797,470	\$ 443,360
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$ 200,139,492	\$ 182,576,652
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 775,520	\$ 341,000

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$751,472.69
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* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue	State Revenue
Last Year's Rate	\$1.12550	\$ 0.03450*	\$ 1.16	\$3,614	\$7,083
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.44959	\$ 0.04713*	\$1.149672	\$4,301	\$6,923
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.04960*	\$ 1.21960	\$3,504	\$6,980

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 45,179	\$ 46,410
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 30,579	\$ 31,936
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.17689	\$ 1.2196
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 359.88	\$ 389.49
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 29.61

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.2196. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.2196.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 1,880,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 3,600