

Basketball

HASKELL
JVG-B, VG-B vs Albany
 Fri., Jan. 13, 4 p.m.
 at Haskell
7-8 G vs Albany
 Mon., Jan. 16, 5:30 p.m.
 at Haskell
7-8 B vs Albany
 Mon., Jan. 16, 5:30 p.m.
 at Albany
JVG-B, VG-B vs Hamlin
 Tues., Jan. 17, 4 p.m.
 at Haskell
PAINT CREEK
VG-B vs Newcastle
 Fri., Jan. 13, 6 p.m.
 at Newcastle
JH G-B vs Newcastle
 Mon., Jan. 16, 6 p.m.
 at Newcastle
VG-B vs Woodson
 Tues., Jan. 17, 6 p.m.
 at Paint Creek
RULE
VG-VB vs Trent
 Fri., Jan. 13, 6:30 p.m.
 at Rule
JH vs Rotan
 Mon., Jan. 16, 6 p.m.
 at Rotan
VG-VB vs Rotan
 Tues., Jan. 17, 6:30 p.m.
 at Rule

Calendar

Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. in the First Bank Texas community room when TFWC State President, Pattie Poe, of Nocona, will present a program on "Why Federation?" A business meeting will follow with officers/committee reports to follow. The club will be voting on Best Progressive Study Club Program and Best Federation Program. Federation news will be presented by Dorothy Hartsfield. All members are encouraged to attend.

Martin Luther Day

The Greater Independent Baptist Church, 301 N. Ave. C in Haskell, will hold their annual Martin Luther King Jr. celebration Mon., Jan. 16 at 10:30 a.m. The program entitled "The Dreamer" will follow the theme Hope In Jesus Christ. Everyone is invited to attend.

Youth basketball sign-up

It's time for Haskell Youth Basketball! Haskell CISD students in grades third-sixth, with a maximum age of 13 by May 1st, are eligible to play in the Haskell Youth Basketball program. Students will be bringing home registration forms this week. Completed forms along with the \$25 registration fee must be turned in by 3:30 p.m. Fri., Jan. 20. Forms can be returned to homeroom teachers or to the Haskell Elementary or Jr. High Office. Additional forms will be available at the Haskell Elementary and Jr. High offices if needed. Parents that are interested in coaching your child's team should contact a board member, Lolo or Teresa Martinez, Holly Stocks, Belinda Lytle or Michelle Thane.

Fourth Sunday

The public is invited to attend a fourth Sunday celebration at Hopewell Baptist Church, 908 N. Ave. A in Haskell, featuring a special speaker each fourth Sunday of the month.



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Haskell Jr. Livestock Show and Sale Jan. 12-14

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2016 GRAND CHAMPION STEER-Ethan Drager, a member of the Haskell Co. 4-H Club, holds his American breed steer that took Grand Champion honors at the Haskell Co. Junior Livestock Show in 2016. This year's show will begin Thurs., Jan. 12 and end with the sale scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Come on out to the show barn and support our youth and their projects.

Jr. Livestock Show is this weekend

The annual Haskell County Junior Livestock Show and Sale will be held January 12-14, at the Haskell County Show Barn. Arrival time and weigh in time for steers, heifers, lambs, goats and swine is Thurs., Jan. 12, by 4 p.m. Poultry and rabbits need to arrive by 5:30 p.m. with the

rabbit and poultry show beginning at 7 p.m. On Friday, Jan. 13, the lamb show will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the goat and then swine show. The steer show is scheduled for 2 p.m., with heifers to follow. The premium sale will begin at 11 a.m. on

Sat., Jan. 14. To donate to any exhibitor, please contact the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658. 101 participants have entered the show this year with 181 entries. 57 participants will represent Haskell FFA, 31 will represent Haskell 4-H,

Paint Creek FFA will enter 7 and Rule FFA has 6 entries. 29 pens of meat rabbits, 11 pens of chickens, 6 market lambs, 9 meat goats, 13 gilts, 102 barrows, 1 heifer and 10 steers will show during the weekend event. Make plans to attend this year's show and support the youth of Haskell County.

Texas Education Agency releases A-F ratings

The Texas Education Agency and Commissioner Mike Morath released the new TEA A-F Ratings. This rating system was created during the 2015 Legislative Session and is to be a working project that is to become final in 2018. It attempts to give a letter grade to each district in Texas in regard to how a district performs in regard to absenteeism, college readiness, closing performance gaps, and performance on the STAAR

exams. "The new ratings do not give an accurate and fair evaluation of the school districts," said Superintendent Bill Alcorn. Haskell CISD along with all districts in the state received our State Report Card on Academic Performance in November 2016. "Haskell CISD received many distinctions for top academic performance in reading and math along with being named in the top sixteen

schools in the state in regard to college readiness and CTE instruction," according to Alcorn. The new A-F rating gave Haskell CISD a C rating this past week. There is one nationally recognized Blue Ribbon district in Texas that received an F with the new rating.

Two days after the report was released to all schools, Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath released a statement, "The ratings issued in November 2016 are the official academic accountability ratings for the 2015-16 year." The Commissioner also stated "No inferences about official district or campus performance in the 2015-16 school year should be drawn from these ratings."

I encourage all teachers and parents to contact your State Representative Drew Springer and Senator Charles Perry to share with them your feelings about the new A-F ratings. As Haskell CISD Superintendent, "I feel like this rating system does nothing but try to give public education a black eye."

Our State Legislators also will be facing a huge task this session to hopefully defeat school vouchers. If vouchers are successful, it will create more push for private education institutions in Texas. Public education is doing a great job under all of the mandates required, including all of the testing requirements. Private schools are not held to the same accountability standards as public schools.

Free smoke detectors

The American Red Cross serving Texas Big Country will be visiting Haskell, Texas as part of its Home Fire Preparedness Campaign to teach people how to be prepared for home fires and install smoke alarms where needed.

Seven times a day someone in this country dies in a home fire. Countless others suffer injuries. To combat these tragic statistics, the Red Cross has launched a nationwide campaign to reduce the number of deaths and injuries due to home fires by 25 percent over the next five years.

The Red Cross will be going through Haskell Sat., Jan. 14, starting at 10 a.m. to install smoke alarms in homes that need them and teach people about what to do now in case a fire breaks out in their home.

"Installing smoke alarms cuts the risk of someone dying from a home fire in half, so we're joining with groups from across our community to install smoke alarms," said Katrina Farmer, Executive Director of the Texas Big

Country Chapter. "We also will be teaching people how to be safe from home fire."

There are several things families and individuals can do to increase their chances of surviving a fire:

- If someone doesn't have smoke alarms, install them. At a minimum, put one on every level of the home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas. Local building codes vary and there may be additional requirements where someone lives.

- If someone does have alarms, test them today. If they don't work, replace them.

- Make sure that everyone in the family knows how to get out of every room and how to get out of the home in less than two minutes.

- Practice that plan. What's the household's escape time?

If you would like smoke alarms installed you can call us at 940-322-8686. They are free.

In the event that severe weather affects the region this Saturday, we will postpone the event to Sat., Jan. 21.



OATH OF OFFICE-Newly elected officials received their oaths of office Tues., Jan. 3 at the Haskell County Courthouse from District Judge Shane Hadaway. Officials are, l-r, Elmer Adams, Commissioner Precinct 2; Billy Wayne Hester, Commissioner Precinct 1; Connie Benton, Haskell County Tax Assessor-Collector; Kim Bassett, Constable; Winston Stephens, Sheriff; and Mike Fouts, District Attorney. Kenny Thompson, Commissioner Precinct 3 and Kris Fouts, County Attorney were unable to attend this session and will receive their oaths at a later date.

Sign up for city/school elections begins Jan. 18

by Caron Yates
 Have you ever contemplated serving on the city council or school board? If so, time is drawing near to throw your hat into the ring. The date for city elections, as well as school board elections has been set for Saturday, May 6, 2017. The first date to apply for a place on the ballot is Wednesday, January 18. The final day to add your name to the ballot is Friday, February 17 by 5 p.m. Applications to file may be obtained from the respective city hall or school administration offices.

In the city of Haskell, voters will elect three aldermen to two year terms. Positions currently held by Randy Bowers, Jason Isbell and Johnny Fuentes are up for election.

On the Haskell CISD school board, places #2 and #3, currently held by Debbie Earles and Joey Thomas, will be voted on. Both are three year terms.

The city of Rule will vote on four council seats. Serving the city presently are David Parr, Bob Clark and Kenny Tanner. These are two year terms. Voters will also elect someone to fill the one year unexpired term of Jim Kowalski.

The Rule ISD school board has two spots up for election. Incumbents are Shane LeFevre and Jeffrey Murray.

In the Weinert city government, places held by Stanley Hager, Bill Walker and Caron Yates will be on the ballot, as well as the office of mayor, now served by Ed Murphy. These seats are for two year terms.

If you have not registered to vote, you may want to do so as soon as possible. Early voting by personal appearance, runs from April 24 through May 2. Early voting will take place during regular business hours at the city hall of each city, as well as the respective school administration office for the school elections.

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

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Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Jan. 2-8:

Thomas James Trevino, warrant judgment NISI prohibited substance in correctional facility.

Demarias Treshad Delce, assault Class C and resisting arrest search and transport.

Justine Aten Harris, burglary of habitation.

Jose Jaquin Ariz, failure to appear possession of marijuana under 2 oz.

Twenty-eight calls were made to 911.



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Obituaries

Betty Ruth Russell White



BETTY WHITE

Memorial services for Betty Ruth Russell White, 80, a lifelong resident of Rochester, were held Sat., Jan. 7 at Foursquare Church in Knox City with Rev. Gary Schnable officiating. Services were under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes, Knox City.

Mrs. White passed away Tues., Jan. 3.

Born July 11, 1936 in Rochester, she was the daughter of Sallie Ruth (Davenport) Russell and William Paul Russell. She attended school in Rochester and later graduated from Knox City High School in 1954. She moved to Oklahoma City for many years before returning to Rochester in 1974. Betty married Ray White June 29, 1997 in Rochester. She worked at Sears for many years, was a Census Taker and later worked for Smith Family Funeral Homes. However, working with her husband as campground hosts and managers at national parks in Colorado was her favorite occupation. She was a member and pianist of the Foursquare Church in Knox City.

Survivors include her two grandchildren, Jason Paul Jones of Andrews, and Megan Tamara Wilson and husband Brian of Kansas City, Missouri; her three great grandchildren; her sister, Barbara Russell Lee of Odessa; her brother, Ricky Ray Russell and wife Margaret of Rule; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Knox City Foursquare Church or your favorite charity.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

PD. NOTICE

James Edgar Walling III

Memorial services for James Edgar Walling III, 61, of Waco, were held Fri., Jan. 6 at St. Catherine's Chapel in Waco.

Mr. Walling passed away peacefully Fri., Dec. 30 in Waco.

He was born Jan. 18, 1955, with his twin sister, Jane Ellen Walling Rieger. Ed and Ellen were adopted at birth by James Edgar Walling, Jr. and his wife Ida Neinast Walling. He was raised in Haskell, where he earned his Eagle Scout. Ed graduated from Haskell High School in 1973. He was also a graduate of Texas State Technical Institute in Waco. Ed married Mary Callaway in Waco Aug. 12, 1978. Ed was a partner in Walling-Rieger Oil Company, an Exxon distributorship and the owner of Radio Shack in Haskell. After moving to Waco, he worked at St. Elizabeth Assisted Living Center as a medication aide for over ten years. Ed was a member of St. Jerome Catholic Church in Waco.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Mary L. Callaway Walling of Waco; his children, Emily L. Walling of Dover, Delaware, and James (Jay) Edgar Walling IV of Lorena; his grandchildren, Peyton Bowers, Evan Sharp and Brooklyn Walling; sister, Ellen Walling Rieger of Haskell, and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

PD. NOTICE



Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Rolling Plains Cotton & Agricultural Conference

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Haskell and Jones Counties will hold the Rolling Plains Ag Conference Thurs., Jan. 19 at the TCR Bunkhouse located at U.S. Hwy. 277 in Stamford.

Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. followed by the program starting at 8:30 a.m. The cost of the program is \$10, which includes lunch.

3 CEU's will be available. 1 IPM, 1 Drift and 1 Laws and Regulations will be

given. Great information will be available at the program. Please take advantage of this time to ask our specialist any questions you have related to your production needs.

A RSVP for a head count on the meal is needed by Fri., Jan. 13 to the Haskell County Extension office 940-864-2658. Please feel free to contact me with any further questions you might have.

Program topics and presenters include:

- Updates on New Herbicide Technology and Optimizing Inputs by Gaylon Morgan, State Extension Cotton Specialist-College Station

- Cotton Variety Trial Discussion by Gaylon Morgan, State Extension Cotton Specialist-College Station; Steve Estes, County Extension Agent-Jones County; and Jason Westbrook, County Extension Agent-Haskell County

- Grain Sorghum Production & Management by Calvin Trostle, Extension Agronomist-Lubbock

- Managing the Sugarcane Aphid and other Field Crop Pests by Charles Allen, Extension Entomologist-San Angelo

- Commodity Market Projections for 2017 by Bill Thompson, Extension Economist-San Angelo

- Future of Farm Policy and New Farm Bill by George Knapek, Extension Economist, Agricultural & Food Policy Center-College Station

- Pesticide Laws and Regulations by Texas Department of Agriculture-Lubbock

Haskell Co. Gin Report

January, 9, 2017
Haskell

Haskell Co. Gin..... 5,000
Haskell Co-op Gin..... 11,087
O'Brien
O'Brien Co-op..... 10,664
Rule
Rule Co-op Gin..... 11,136
Weinert
Weinert Gin..... 5,561
Total bales 43,448

HASKELL CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 2,451,152	\$ 140,342	\$ 2,591,494
State Program Revenues	4,536,684	33,069	4,569,753
Federal Program Revenues	6,386	696,516	702,902
Total Revenues	6,994,222	869,927	7,864,149
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction	3,939,930	440,796	4,380,726
Instructional Resources and Media Services	90,071	-	90,071
Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	76,803	-	76,803
School Leadership	525,574	20,467	546,041
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	159,403	-	159,403
Health Services	48,760	-	48,760
Student (Pupil) Transportation	131,000	-	131,000
Food Services	11,166	377,394	388,560
Extracurricular Activities	307,806	-	307,806
General Administration	438,829	-	438,829
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	939,044	60,111	999,155
Security and Monitoring Services	40,575	-	40,575
Data Processing Services	221,285	-	221,285
Debt Service:			
Principal on Long Term Debt	71,851	70,000	141,851
Interest on Long Term Debt	40,870	14,923	55,793
Capital Outlay:			
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	81,780	-	81,780
Intergovernmental:			
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	105,667	-	105,667
Other Intergovernmental Charges	71,645	-	71,645
Total Expenditures	7,302,059	983,691	8,285,750
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(307,837)	(113,764)	(421,601)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Non-Current Loans	-	51,747	51,747
Transfers In	-	95,664	95,664
Transfers Out (Use)	(95,664)	-	(95,664)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(95,664)	147,411	51,747
Net Change in Fund Balances	(403,501)	33,647	(369,854)
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,410,124	136,686	1,546,810
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 1,006,623	\$ 170,333	\$ 1,176,956



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STUDENT OF THE SEMESTER—Samantha Snell, left, is the Rule High School Student of the Semester and Yesenia Moreno, right, is the Rule Junior High School Student of the Semester.



BLAKELY STULIR Rule Elementary Student of the Semester



STUDYING IN COSTA RICA—E'bone Williams, daughter of Edith Williams and granddaughter of Mae Lou Yeldell, visited in Haskell during the Christmas holidays. She is studying dance at Pace University in New Jersey, where she joined her Latin class to travel to Costa Rica for a month. They will study the language firsthand.



Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Darlene Hopkins, CEA-FCS, Haskell Co.

Vegetables A to Z: A Fresh Start to a Healthier You

My Plate, at choosemyplate.gov, suggests making half your plate fruits and vegetables. A healthy plate includes a variety of foods in portions that give us the nutrients we need without eating more food than we should. Vegetables come in a variety of colors and add fiber and beneficial vitamins to your diet. Meals rich in vegetables can help prevent high blood pressure and digestive disorders. For extra nutrition, choose vegetables that are green, orange or yellow.

Vegetables A to Z is a series of nutrition facts and recipes to help you explore different vegetables and their health benefits. Each article will feature a different vegetable and hopefully encourage you to make "a fresh start to a healthier you" by increasing your intake of vegetables, instead of choosing high-fat foods. This may make it easier to control your weight and reduce the risks of heart disease, diabetes, developing kidney stones, certain types of cancers and help to decrease bone loss.

Acorn squash will kick off this vegetable nutrition series so get ready to explore vegetables from A to Z and their health benefits.

Did you know?

Acorn Squash, also known as winter squash, is best during the fall and winter months. Acorn squash is an excellent source of Vitamin A. Acorn squash is also a good source of Vitamin C! A fun fact is that acorn squash is one of many different types of winter squash in addition to butternut and spaghetti squash.

What am I looking for?

- Look for squash that is tender but firm.
- Squash should be heavy in relation to size and looks fresh.
- Avoid squash with a dull appearance.
- Avoid over mature squash with a hard or tough surface.

Baked Winter Squash

- 1/2 cup onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup part-skim mozzarella cheese
- 1 tablespoon margarine
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 3 cups winter squash, cooked and mashed (acorn, butternut or spaghetti)

Preheat oven to 400° F. Cook onions on low heat with margarine until tender. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl—place in a 1 quart baking dish. Bake for 35 to 45 minutes.

Preparation time: 10 minutes. Cook time: 35 minutes. Serves: 6

Nutrition: Calories: 80,

Total Fat: 4 g, Cholesterol: 5 mg, Sodium: 80 mg, Total Carbohydrate: 11 g, Protein: 3 g.

Pink Out set Jan. 17

Once again, the Haskell Maidens and Hamlin Lady Pipers are joining forces to battle breast cancer.

The Haskell Pink Out the Gym fund-raiser will be held during the varsity basketball games at Haskell Tues., Jan. 17.

Everyone is asked to wear pink to the game—a shirt, a scarf, a hat, a ribbon—just sport your pink.

At half time of both varsity games, baked goods from FCCLA, a Haskell Indian & Maiden wall hanging and other great items will be auctioned by Mike Fouts auctioneer.

All proceeds will be given to Hamlin to put with their fund-raising efforts. Hamlin asks Haskell fans to do this each year in support of their girls' basketball assistant



WALL HANGING—This wall hanging will go up for auction during the Haskell Pink Out Tues., Jan. 17.

coach Kelly Jeffrey and her fight against breast cancer. Everyone knows someone affected by breast cancer so let's take this opportunity to raise some money in their honor!

Spread the word and come ready to bid on anything or everything at both places.

Don't forget to wear PINK!!!

Paint Creek ISD honor rolls listed

Paint Creek ISD has released the names of students appearing on the A and A-B honor rolls for the third six weeks of school.

First grade: A honor roll, Brianna Clary and Kamryn Delmasso; A-B honor roll, Lukas Jones, Jenna Scheets, Payton Stanford and Alexa Yanez.

Second grade: A honor roll, Cort Rogers; A-B honor roll, Colton Blair, Carissa Elkin, Urijah Livingston and Adrianna Ramos.

Third grade: A honor roll, Alyssa Anguiano; A-B honor roll, Harry Boyd, Aaron Gonzales, Zak Jones, Aubrie Payne, Sonny Payne, Maddy Tucker and Blandyn Whisenhunt.

Fourth grade: A-B honor roll, Andrew Castorena, Adrian Cisneros, Melanie Clary, Eden Graham, Katie Perez, Cayden Rogers, Audie Shaw and Alisa Walburg.

Fifth grade: A honor roll, Adrian Anguiano, Sirena Baiza, Mark Hall and Cowan Rogers; A-B honor roll, Stetson Blair and Zaebrion Mays.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Levi Rhoads.

Seventh grade: A honor roll, Ethan Jenkins; A-B honor roll, Ana Hall and Dylan Souther.

Eighth grade: A honor roll, Haylee Garcia; A-B honor roll, Zak Elkins and Ashton Grand.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Desiree Acosta, Madilyn Davis and Bailee Thomas; A-B honor roll, Jaclyn

Snelling.




Tenth grade: A-B honor roll, Manuel Acosta, George Bogle, Bailey Hawkins, Angelique Steele.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Felicity Hannsz; A-B honor roll, Katelyn Jenkins and Ariel Wolf.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Corey Mengwasser; A-B honor roll, Devon Benitez, Angel Chavez, Sabrina Conn, Sara Edwards, Hannah Grand, Catherine Lemond, Autumn Rogers and Buddy Trotter.

Music Jubilee

The Haskell Country Music Jubilee will be held the second Monday of the month from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Those interested in playing and listening are encouraged to come and enjoy the fun. A practice session will be held the Thursday before the Jubilee.

<p>Three Big Reasons why the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show is so successful:</p>		
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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
January 11, 2007
Receiving Oaths of Office were county officials Lynn Dodson, Justice of Peace; Penny Anderson, District Clerk; Janis McDaniel, County Treasurer; Rhonda Moeller, County Clerk; Bobby Smith, Commissioner Pct. 4; Kris Fouts, County Attorney; Shane Hadaway, District Judge; Tiffen Mayfield, Commissioner Pct. 2; and David Davis, County Judge.

Lorene Ardell Beason of Rochester, celebrated her 90th birthday with an open house reception hosted by her family. She moved to Haskell County in 1928 and graduated from Rochester High School in 1934.

Paint Creek FCCLA chapter members placing in the junior high division, in the Computer Generated Art category at the King Co. Fair were Nathan Edwards, first; Michael Burger, second; and Shana Armstrong, third.

20 Years Ago
January 9, 1997
Kenneth Hilliard, son of Bernice Hilliard of Haskell, has been awarded Cyanamid's top honor, the 1996 Golden Oval Award. The award is based on net sales achievement, leadership, innovation and teamwork. He is a senior sales representative for the Dallas District in Cyanamid's Crop Protection Products Department.

Haskell Maidens Shane McKenzie and Wendy Gray were named to the All-Tournament team during the Haskell Holiday Hoop Classic. The Maidens won first place in the tournament held during the Christmas holidays.

Haskell Indians named to the Class 2A All-Big Country football team were Michael Rodriquez, defensive lineman and Will Trammell, punter.

30 Years Ago
January 8, 1987
Beulah Persons, fifty-eight year resident of Haskell, celebrated her 100th birthday with a party held at Rice Springs Care Home. Born Beulah Boatwright in Searcy, Arkansas, she married David Persons, July 4th, 1918.

County and district officials sworn in to new terms by Ben Charlie Chapman were Woodrow Frazier, County Clerk; Buck Everett, Justice of the Peace; B.O. Roberson, County Judge; Charles Chapman, District Judge; Ronnie Chapman and Bud Turnbow, County Commissioners; Carolyn Reynolds, District Clerk; Jane Short, Justice of Peace for Rochester; and

Elaine Holcomb, JP for Rule.
40 Years Ago
January 13, 1977

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Hewitt of O'Brien, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Rhonda, to Allen Moeller, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moeller of Haskell.

Judy Cleo Lehde of Haskell was among 180 Angelo State University students earning degrees. She was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree.

50 Years Ago
January 12, 1967

Upon approval of the city council and commissioners' court, Haskell County has been chosen as a civil defense safety area. The purpose of a community shelter plan is to develop a plan to tell the people of Haskell County "where to go" and "what to do" in the event this country is attacked with nuclear weapons.

Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Sorenson entertained several members of the Mattson community with a Christmas social and supper. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Therwhanger, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alvis, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Guess, Mr. and Mrs. Lindo Guess, Rev. and Mrs. Jess Root, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Aycock, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Weise, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis and Mrs. Janice Stewart.

90 Years Ago
January 6, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Bland of the Center Point community entertained a host of young people with a party. After several games were played, a course of hot chocolate and cake was served. At a late hour the young people departed, thanking the host and hostess for a splendid time.

The beautiful growing evergreen tree on the southeast corner of the courthouse yard, that has come to mean Haskell's Christmas Tree, seemed to be more beautiful than ever this year. It shed a brighter, clearer glow from the red and green lights than ever before. The entire city is grateful to West Texas Utilities Co. and the city council.

Weekly story time

The Haskell County Library, 300 N. Ave. E, will host a weekly story time every Friday from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Any age children, with parental supervision, are invited to listen and participate in stories, songs, rhymes and activities. For more information call 940-864-2747 or visit <https://www.facebook.com/HaskellCountyLibrary/>.

Bright Horizons

Updates from the DCOH, Chamber and KHB

by Mynea Short
Chamber Manager

January 30-
ACU Springboard Challenge will be held at Haskell City Hall from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

What is a Springboard Challenge? Have you ever thought in your mind of an invention, actually put it together and now use it. If so, bring your invention, a two minute or less pitch on what it is/how it works to the judges on the 30th of January. The judges will pick the winners to advance to the next round which is a workshop to help you develop your business model. The workshop helps you prepare for the Community Semi-Finals where the winners from all the communities give their pitch. A week later is the finals where the winner will be announced and awarded \$15,000. That

BCEC 2017 Youth Tour applications due Jan. 26

Do you know an outstanding or deserving teenager who would enjoy and benefit from a fun and educational trip to Washington, D.C.? Encourage them to apply for Big Country Electric Cooperative's 2017 Government-in-Action Youth Tour!

Big Country Electric Cooperative requests your help spreading the word about the Government-in-Action Youth Tour, a weeklong, all-expense-paid trip to the nation's capital. Big Country EC will send three students on the 2017 Youth Tour, scheduled for June 7-16. The statewide trade association, Texas Electric Cooperatives, coordinates the trip. The three winners and one runner-up will each receive \$1,500 scholarships as well. Students' parents/guardians do not have to be members/customers of Big Country Electric Cooperative in order to compete in and win the Youth Tour contest.

Students selected for this opportunity join more than 100 of their peers from Texas and another 1,700 from across the U.S. on this trip of a lifetime. Inspired by Lyndon B. Johnson's desire to give young people insight into national government, Youth Tour expands participants' horizons while educating them about government and cooperatives. Electric cooperatives in Texas have participated in Youth Tour since 1965.

The trip starts with a day in Austin, where students begin by touring the Texas State Capitol, Capitol Visitors Center, Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum and Texas State Cemetery. Activities include seeing a show at the Bullock IMAX and Texas Spirit Theater and dining at the famous food trailers in South Austin.

Once in Washington, students partake in guided tours of historic sites, museums and congressional offices, where they meet with their U.S. representatives. Entertainment opportunities on the trip include seeing a performance at the Kennedy Center and going on a dinner and dancing cruise on the Potomac River. Participants also attend Youth Day, hosted by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, for a day of learning and inspiration.

Please encourage

is the Springboard Challenge in a nut shell.

It is free to register at <http://blogs.acu.edu/springboard/competitions>.

March 25: Second Annual Mud Mania. They will also be adding a Mini Rod Tractor Pull to the event this year. For more information please contact Tim Judd at 940-256-2133 or 940-864-2900.

March 27: Haskell Chamber of Commerce Banquet. If you have a nomination for Volunteer of the Year or Business of the Year please send your nomination and the reason why you would like to nominate them to the Chamber, P.O. Box 316 Haskell 79521 or email to chamber@haskelltxasusa.com. We will have more information about the banquet to come. If you have questions please call the Chamber at 940-864-2477.

students from your school to apply by Jan. 26, 2017 by submitting their application and uploading their video. Go to bigcountry.coop and click on the Youth Tour link for complete information about the contest including topic and instructions. Applications will be judged by employees of other cooperatives, and Big Country EC will announce winners Feb. 3.

Big Country EC will donate a grant in the amount of \$500 to the school that has the most students submit videos (minimum of 5).

Separate from the Youth Tour, four scholarships are available through Big Country EC and affiliates:

- Big Country EC Academic Scholarship: Two \$4,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors whose parent(s)/guardian(s) are members of Big Country EC. Deadline: February 28, 2017.

- Directors Memorial Scholarship, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative: \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to selected recipients who are 1) entering freshmen college or university students and; 2) child or spouse of a Big Country EC member. Deadline: March 1, 2017.

- Texas Rural Electric Women's Association (TREWA) Scholarship: Twenty (20) TREWA scholarships of \$1,500 each will be awarded to CURRENT TREWA members and their children. Applicant or applicant's parent or guardian must also be a current member or an employee of a Texas electric cooperative such as Big Country EC. Scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors, full-time college students or adults, who have been accepted as a full-time student to attend any accredited college, university, junior college, community college, trade/technical school or business school of their choice. Deadline: March 15, 2017.

- Western Texas College Lineman Training Program Scholarship: BCEC will award two \$1,500 scholarships to students enrolled in the program. Deadline August 17, 2017.

Information is available at bigcountry.coop - click on Scholarships and/or Youth Tour link. Please contact Sarah McLen at 325-776-3803 or smclen@bigcountry.coop with any questions.



CATHERINE LEMON



COREY MENGWASSER

Students visit Rotary Club

Catherine Lemond participates in FFA, One Act Play, UIL, basketball and cheerleading at Paint Creek High School. After high school, she plans to attend Cisco College and major in nursing. After nursing school she hopes to continue her education to become a surgeon with ambitions of having her own practice.

Corey Mengwasser is currently the Paint Creek FFA Chapter President and previously served as Chapter Secretary. He shows rabbits and lambs in local stock shows. He also is active in UIL, One Act Play, National Honor Society, Student Council and basketball. He plans to attend Tarleton State University and major in Agribusiness.

Haskell School Menu

Jan. 16-20 Breakfast
1% milk, fat-free flavored milk, 100% fruit juice variety and fruit are available at every meal.
Weekly: Cereal, toast, muffin, yogurt, PBJ, animal crackers, cheese stick
Monday: Pancakes, bacon
Tuesday: Sunrise sandwich
Wednesday: Breakfast burrito, hash browns
Thursday: Breakfast strudel, yogurt
Friday: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage
Lunch
Milk variety is available at every meal. Sandwich

available daily at elementary.
Monday: Corn dogs, tots, baked beans, broccoli bites, apple-pineapple d'lite
Tuesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, soup, cucumber dippers, tiny tomato cup, pears, lime sherbet cup
Wednesday: Pizza, baby carrots with ranch, crunchy broccoli salad, fresh grapes, cookie
Thursday: Salisbury steak with biscuit, brown gravy, roasted potatoes, garden salad, fruity gelatin
Friday: X-treme burrito, lettuce and tomato garnish, fresh veggie cup, Mandarin oranges

Rule School Menu

Jan. 16-20 Breakfast
Fruit, juice and milk are offered daily.
Monday: Pancake wraps, yogurt
Tuesday: Biscuit, sausage
Wednesday: French toast, sausage
Thursday: Breakfast pizza
Friday: Dutch waffles
Lunch
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Chicken nuggets, roll, mashed potatoes, salad,

Tuscan vegetables, fresh fruit
Tuesday: Pizza, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, pineapple, cookies
Wednesday: Tex-Mex stack, lettuce/tomato garnish, refried beans, salsa, tomato cup, hot cinnamon apples
Thursday: Hamburger/cheeseburger with garnish, fries, veggie cup, orange smiles
Friday: Pulled pork slider, chips, coleslaw, green beans, apple

Paint Creek School Menu

Jan. 16-20 Breakfast
Milk, juice, graham crackers, fruit and cereal are served daily.
Monday: Blueberry muffins
Tuesday: Pancakes, bacon
Wednesday: Kolache
Thursday: Oatmeal, toast
Friday: No school
Lunch
Milk, juice and fruit are

served daily.
Monday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, veggie cup, pineapples
Tuesday: Burritos, pinto beans, salad, salsa, fruit
Wednesday: French bread pizza, salad, baby carrots with ranch dressing, apples
Thursday: Baked potatoes, ham, salad, cookies, rolls
Friday: No school

Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met Tues., Dec. 27 with County Judge David Davis and commissioners Elmer Adams, Kenny Thompson and Neal Kreger present.

Commissioner Adams gave his road maintenance report. Judge Davis reported that the safe room grant had been extended and that a part to repair the elevator has been ordered.

A motion to approve preparation of TxCDBG 2017/2018 application on behalf of the Paint Creek Water Supply Corporation passed.

A motion to approve Procurement of professional services including engineering and grant administration and the appointment of the selection/review committee for the 2017/2018 TxCDBG

application passed.

A motion to adopt a Citizen's Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures for Haskell County was approved.

A sealed bid for a parcel of land of 2.78 acres by Robert Charles Simmons to the Haskell County Appraisal District was accepted.

A motion to install a transmission to a Sheriff's Department pickup was approved.

Con Edison has notified the County that the Alamo 7 Solar project is complete.

Support group

The Jones County Alzheimer's Association Support Group meets the second Monday of the month at 4 p.m. at Country Elegance, 1700 Columbia St., Stamford. For information, contact Patsy Richards at 325-773-5511.

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BASKETBALL '17

Indians



Haskell Indians

JVB, VB vs Albany
Fri., Jan. 13, 5:15 p.m.
at Haskell

JVB, VB vs Hamlin
Tues., Jan. 17, 5:15 p.m.
at Haskell



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, Tanner Thomas, Austin Alsabrook, Kellen Parks, Ezell Woods and Caleb Wheat; back row, Aaron Skiles, Alec Roewe, Lane Burson, Kyler Hoover, RJ Chavez and Rocky Haggard.



Maidens



HASKELL MAIDENS—Sitting, l-r, Landry Hanson, Courtney Whitt and Makinzie Garvin; standing, C'Era Taylor, Ariel Martinez, Ashlyn Bevel, Jordan Garvin, Hollyn Hadaway and Taylor Manske.

Haskell Maidens

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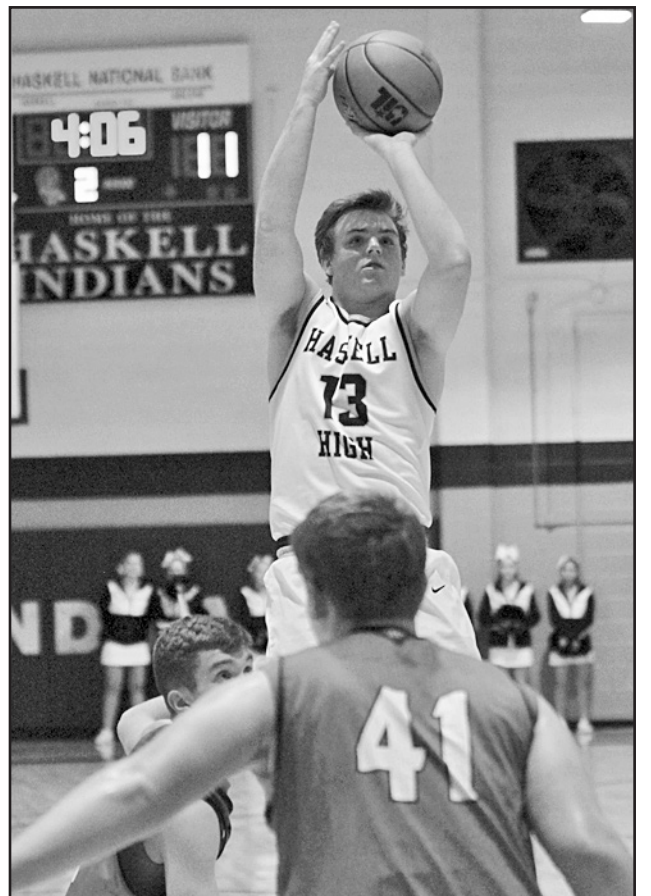
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INDIAN ON THE MOVE—Haskell Indian #3 Kellen Parks drives past the Anson defender in the Indians' win over Anson.



IN THE PAINT—Haskell Indian #13 Lane Burson goes up in the paint over the Anson defense.



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Indians fall to Hawley 53-39

Haskell	8	14	6	11	= 39
Hawley	15	16	19	3	= 53

Indians beat Anson Tigers 50-38

The Haskell Indians entered Friday night's district match-up with Anson in a bit of a shooting funk. On Tuesday night, the Indians failed to reach the 40-point mark for only the third time this season.

On this night, any questions about the Indians ability to score would be answered early. Haskell would open the first quarter by connecting on four 3-point attempts (Kellen Parks 3, Tanner Thomas 1). The Indians' defense, led by Alec Roewe and Aaron Skiles, would limit the Tigers to only 2 first-quarter points and Haskell would take an 18-2 advantage heading into the second quarter of play. Kyler Hoover carried the scoring load in the second quarter by adding six points of his own and the Indians

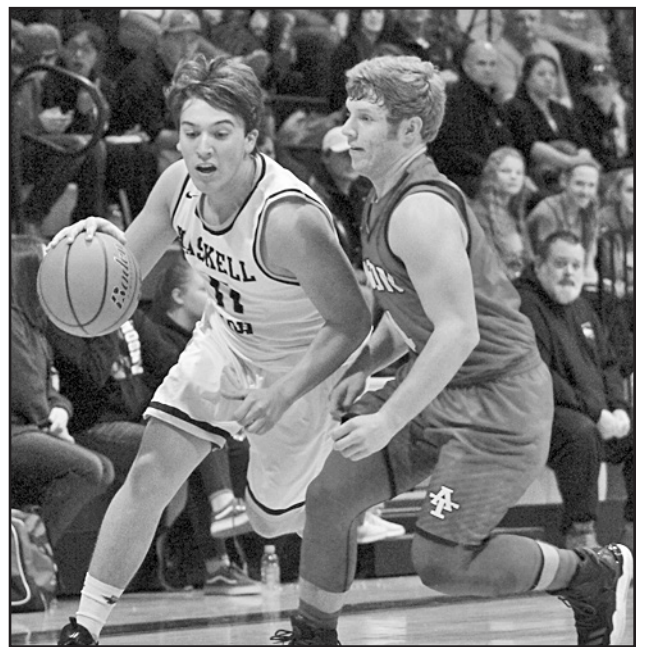
lead 28-13 at the half.

The Indians' lead grew to as many as 20-points in the second half, but Anson would end the game on a 6-0 run to make things a little closer.

Coach Tully Brown credited the win to his teams' defensive effort and quick start offensively, "I felt like our guys did a great job disrupting their offensive rhythm early on. Obviously, we shot the ball well in the first half, but I can't say enough for our defensive effort. Alec Roewe, Aaron Skiles, Austin Alsbrook and Tanner Thomas all were assigned to their two top scorers and I felt like we did a great job of keeping those guys in check."

The Indians were led in scoring by Kellen Parks (23), Kyler Hoover (14), Rocky Haggard (8), Tanner Thomas (3), R.J. Chavez (2).

The Indians will travel to Roscoe Tuesday night, Jan. 10 to take on the Plowboys. Tip-off is at 8:00.



DRIVES AROUND—Haskell Indian #14 Aaron Skiles drives to beat the defender from Anson.

City Council report

The Haskell City Council met Mon., Nov. 28 with Mayor John Gannaway, Mayor Pro

Tem Jill Druessedow and council members Randy Bowers, JoNell Roberts, Johnny Fuentes and Jason Isbell present.

The 2017 holiday schedule was approved.

The Pavilion/Expo Center was discussed but more information is needed on the ownership to decide if rent will be applied.

Fire Chief Casey Moeller gave the quarter report for the fire department. Winston Stephens Jr. gave the public works report and the City Administrator's report was given by Janet Moeller.

An executive session was entered into to discuss the legal issues related to the verbal agreement with David Anderson.

Returning to general session, no action was taken regarding the verbal agreement issues with David Anderson.

TeamKID

TeamKID, for children ages 4 years old to sixth grade, meets on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell. If your child needs a ride, call 864-2581.

Calendar

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Jan. 21 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., Jan. 21 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

Vet office open

The Veterans Service office in Haskell is now open. The office, located on the first floor of the west wing of the courthouse, will be open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to

noon. For information, call 940-256-1125 any time or email Haskell_vaso@yahoo.com.

Operation Recovery

Operation Recovery, a faith-based 12-step meeting, will be held Fridays at 7 p.m. at God Loves You Ministries on the west side of the square.

AWANA

Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church will begin the AWANA program for children age 5 through fifth grade Mon., Jan. 9. AWANA meets each Monday from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., through March, except on school holidays. Call 940-864-3004 for more information.

Al-Anon

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

Haskell County Stock Show
 Thurs., Fri., Sat., Jan. 12-13-14
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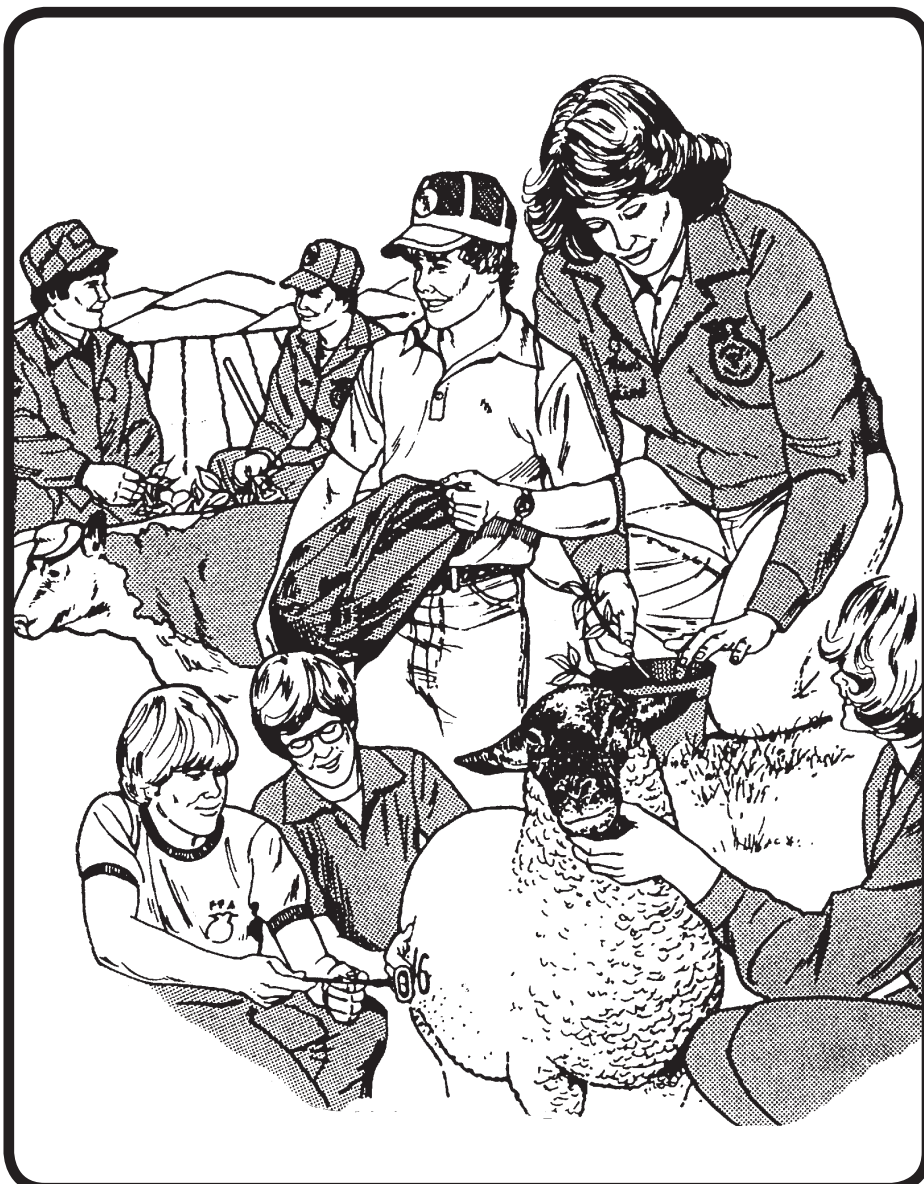


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SHOW SCHEDULE

<p>THURS., JAN. 12 by 4 p.m. Arrival of Steers, Heifers, Lambs, Goats, Swine Poultry, Rabbits Arrive by 5:30 p.m. Show at 7 p.m. Poultry, followed by Rabbits</p>	<p>FRI., JAN. 13 9 a.m. Lamb, followed by Goats, followed by Swine 2 p.m. Steers, followed by Heifers</p>	<p>SAT., JAN. 14 11 a.m. PREMIUM SALE</p>
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Rule ISD honors students for academics and attendance



PERFECT ATTENDANCE—Rule Elementary students who have perfect attendance for the first semester are, l-r, Layne Hertel, Elijah Nicholson, Lucas Pippin, Astrid Guzman, Amanie Graciano, Diego Amaya, Achilles Martinez, Juan Hernandez, Brayden Vance, Julio Tapia, Jazmin Amaya, Cheyenne Guzman, Geneva Pauley, Kynzleah Hertel, Lezli Manske, Emma Vance, Tyreike Vanderbilt, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Waylynn Caldwell, Nevaeh Frazier, Juan Hernandez and Blakely Stulir.



A HONOR ROLL—Rule Elementary students on the A honor roll for the third six weeks are, l-r, Jazmin Amaya, Savannah Farquhar, Lezli Manske, Natalie Murray, Jayde Leek, Conner Russell, Kaitlyn Saffel, Shelby Saffel and Alanna Parnell.

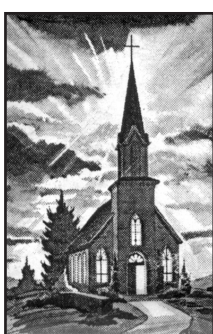


PERFECT ATTENDANCE—Rule secondary students who have perfect attendance for the first semester are, l-r, Karleigh Hertel, Lenzi Manske, Marissa Mora, Abigail Ortiz, Kayla Hollingsworth, Michael Medford, Danny Kreger, Madalyn Navarrette, Ian Sotelo, Del Fritzier, Chase Thompson, Thomas Short, Ron Mitchell and Austin Redden.



A-B HONOR ROLL—Rule Elementary students on the A-B honor roll for the third six weeks are, l-r, Cheyenne Guzman, Hannah Hertel, Emma Vance, Dylan Campbell, Samantha Farquhar, Diego Amaya, Bradley Parnell, Tyreike Vanderbilt, K.K. Vasquez, Donna Green, Leslie Caldwell, Zachary Campbell, Rylan Green, Jelena Alvarez, Astrid Guzman, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Nevaeh Frazier, Lillian Penman, Jason Hernandez, Ryleigh Thompson, Kaylee Silvas, Octavious Guzman, Blakely Stulir, Skylor Kreger, Skylar Leek, Juan Hernandez and Lacoste Navarrette.

This Week's Devotional Message:



Faith is the bridge between hope and despair

At times we have all undergone some period of despair, during which our outlook could not have seemed more dismal. It could have come from any number of causes: the loss of a job, a severe financial setback, a protracted illness, the end of a romance, and so on. Some have even contemplated suicide as the only way out of the abyss. Of all times, this is when faith is most important, to teach us that there is always hope as long as the sun will rise tomorrow morning. Every day should be looked upon as a brand new adventure, where some blessing may await us right around the next corner. Learn this lesson at your house of worship, where God's love and guidance will show you that there is no hopeless situation. Receive hope, all ye that enter here.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—
- East Side Baptist Church**
Terry Bunch, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a.; 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Sun. 10:45 a.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Rev. David White, pastor
Sunday 9:30 a., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Rev. David Johnson, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:50 a., 6 p. Wed. 6 p.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Assembly of God**
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- St. George Catholic Church**
Father Angelo Consemينو
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
- Church of Christ**
Philip Sims, minister
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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.; Wed. 6:30 p.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a.; Wed. 7 p.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
Ollie Johnson, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
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- New Covenant Foursquare**
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p. Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Ollie Pierson, pastor
Juddson Smith, Family Life Pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.;
Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:45 a., 5 p., Wed. 6 p.
1600 N. First St., Haskell
- God Loves You Ministries**
Mark Wallace, pastor
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West side of square, Haskell
- WEINERT—
- First Baptist Church**
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Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
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- Foursquare Church**
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- ROCHESTER—
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Mitchell Greer, minister
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- First Baptist Church**
Jim McCurley, pastor
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Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;
Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.
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- Union Chapel Baptist Church**
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Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
Hwy. 6, Rochester
- SAGERTON—
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- Faith Lutheran Church**
Anna Robbins, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- RULE—
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Rule ISD has released the names of students appearing on the A and A-B honor rolls, along with the names appearing on the perfect attendance record for the third six weeks of school.

Pre-K: Perfect attendance, Amanie Graciano, Coral Hernandez, Achilles Martinez and Brayden Vance.

Kindergarten: Perfect attendance, Teddy Graciano, Layne Hertel, Rylan Johnson, Elijah Nicholson, Jordan Olivera, Lucas Pippin, Jayden Scheffler and Casen Thompson.

First grade: A honor roll, Jazmin Amaya, Savannah Farquhar and Lezli Manske; A-B honor roll, Cheyenne Guzman, Hannah Hertel, Bradley Parnell, Emma Vance, Tyreike Vanderbilt and K.K. Vasquez; perfect attendance, Jazmin Amaya, Cheyenne Guzman, Hannah Hertel, Kynzleah Hertel, Lezli Manske, Marley Thomas, Emma Vance, Tyreike Vanderbilt and K.K. Vasquez.

Second grade: A honor roll, Jayde Leek, Natalie Murray and Conner Russell; A-B honor roll, Arena Caldwell, Leslie Caldwell, Rylan Green, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Lillian Penman, Haylee Stone and Ryleigh Thompson; perfect attendance, Arena Caldwell, Rylan Green, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek and Natalie Murray.

Third grade: A honor roll, Kaitlyn Saffel; A-B honor roll, Waylynn Caldwell, Dylan Campbell, Samantha Farquhar, Nevaeh Frazier, Octavious Guzman, Jason Hernandez, Skylor Kreger, Skylar Leek, Lacoste Navarrette, Kaylee Silvas, Blakely Stulir and Abby Watson; perfect attendance, Waylynn Caldwell, Dylan Campbell, Nevaeh Frazier, Jason Hernandez, Lacoste Navarrette, Leland Short, Blakely Stulir and Abby Watson.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Alanna Parnell; A-B honor roll, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia, Juan Hernandez, Jelena Alvarez and Frankie Olivera; perfect attendance, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia, Juan Hernandez, Kyleik Mason and Julio Tapia.

Fifth grade: A honor roll, Shelby Saffel; A-B honor roll, Zachary Campbell, Donna Green and Astrid Guzman; perfect attendance, Astrid Guzman, Zachary Ingram, Timothy Moore and Geneva Pauley.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Karcin Smith and Trinity Whorton; perfect attendance, Karleigh Hertel, Karcin Smith and Trinity

Whorton.

Seventh grade: A honor roll, Lenzi Manske and Abigail Ortiz; A-B honor roll, Daena Diaz, Jaella Alvarez, Marissa Mora, Macy Rogers and Jaci Watson; perfect attendance, Lenzi Manske, Marissa Mora, Abigail Ortiz and Bryson Silvas.

Eighth grade: A-B honor roll, Kayla Hollingsworth, Jysela Alvarez, Taylor Silvas and Christian Speck; perfect attendance, Kayla Hollingsworth, Dean Kreger, Michael Medford and Taylor Silvas.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Danny Kreger and Ian Sotelo; A-B honor roll, Kennedy Fritzier and Madalyn Navarrette; perfect attendance, J.W. Eppler, Fabian Hollingsworth, Cheyenne Kreger, Danny Kreger, Madalyn Navarrette and Ian Sotelo.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, McKenzie Gray and Kourtney Hertel; A-B honor roll, Del Fritzier, Leann Manske and Angel Navarrette; perfect attendance, Del Fritzier, McKenzie Gray, Kourtney Hertel, Leann Manske and Chase Thompson.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Kaysen Barnett and Christina Moore; A-B honor roll, Brandon Mitchell, Thomas Short, Samantha Snell, Emily Speck and J.J. Walters; perfect attendance, Jonathan Marrs, Brandon Mitchell and Thomas Short.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Alysia Hollabaugh; A-B honor roll, Chase Helms, Devin Martinez, Ron Mitchell, Jacob Navarrette, Austin Redden, Cole Tabb and Hunter Threet; perfect attendance, Ron Mitchell and Austin Redden.

Students listed on the first semester honor rolls and perfect attendance list include:

Pre-K: Perfect attendance, Amanie Graciano, Achilles Martinez and Brayden Vance.

Kindergarten: Perfect attendance, Layne Hertel, Elijah Nicholson, Jordan Olivera and Lucas Pippin.

First grade: A honor roll, Jazmin Amaya, Savannah Farquhar and Lezli Manske; A-B honor roll, Cheyenne Guzman, Hannah Hertel, Bradley Parnell, Emma Vance, Tyreike Vanderbilt and K.K. Vasquez; perfect attendance, Jazmin Amaya, Cheyenne Guzman, Kynzleah Hertel, Lezli Manske, Emma Vance and Tyreike Vanderbilt.

Second grade: A honor roll, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Natalie Murray and Conner Russell; A-B

honor roll, Arena Caldwell, Leslie Caldwell, Rylan Green, Lillian Penman, Haylee Stone and Ryleigh Thompson; perfect attendance, Madisyn Hollabaugh and Jayde Leek.

Third grade: A honor roll, Kaitlyn Saffel; A-B honor roll, Waylynn Caldwell, Dylan Campbell, Samantha Farquhar, Nevaeh Frazier, Octavious Guzman, Jason Hernandez, Skylor Kreger, Skylar Leek, Lacoste Navarrette, Kaylee Silvas, Blakely Stulir and Abby Watson; perfect attendance, Waylynn Caldwell and Jason Hernandez.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Alanna Parnell; A-B honor roll, Kyle Adkins, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia, Juan Hernandez, Jelena Alvarez, Kyleik Mason and Frankie Olivera; perfect attendance, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia, Juan Hernandez and Julio Tapia.

Fifth grade: A honor roll, Shelby Saffel; A-B honor roll, Zachary Campbell and Astrid Guzman; perfect attendance, Astrid Guzman and Geneva Pauley.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Karcin Smith and Trinity Whorton; perfect attendance, Karleigh Hertel.

Seventh grade: A honor roll, Lenzi Manske and Abigail Ortiz; A-B honor roll, Jaella Alvarez, Macy Rogers and Jaci Watson; perfect attendance, Lenzi Manske, Marissa Mora and Abigail Ortiz.

Eighth grade: A-B honor roll, Kayla Hollingsworth, Jysela Alvarez, Taylor Silvas and Christian Speck; perfect attendance, Kayla Hollingsworth and Michael Medford.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Ian Sotelo; A-B honor roll, Kennedy Fritzier, Danny Kreger and Madalyn Navarrette; perfect attendance, Danny Kreger, Madalyn Navarrette and Ian Sotelo.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Del Fritzier, McKenzie Gray and Kourtney Hertel; A-B honor roll, Leann Manske, Angel Navarrette and Chase Thompson.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Kaysen Barnett, Thomas Short and Samantha Snell; A-B honor roll, Brandon Mitchell, Christina Moore and Emily Speck; perfect attendance, Thomas Short.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK—Rule Elementary students of the third six weeks are, l-r, Casen Thompson, Kindergarten; Amanie Graciano, Pre-K; Lezli Manske, first grade; Natalie Murray, second grade; Kaitlyn Saffel, third grade; Max Hollabaugh, fourth grade; and Zachary Campbell, fifth grade.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK—Rule secondary school Students of the Week for the third six weeks are, l-r, Abigail Ortiz, seventh grade; Kayla Hollingsworth, eighth grade; Kennedy Fritzler, ninth grade; Angel Navarrette, tenth grade; Christina Moore, eleventh grade; and Devin Martinez, twelfth grade.



A HONOR ROLL—Rule secondary students on the A honor roll for the third six weeks of school are, l-r, Lenzi Manske, Abigail Ortiz, McKenzie Gray, Kourtney Hertel, Kaysen Barnett and Christina Moore.



A-B HONOR ROLL—Rule secondary students on the A-B honor roll for the third six weeks of school are, l-r, Kennedy Fritzler, Del Fritzler, Leann Manske, Madalyn Navarrette, Angel Navarrette, Brandon Mitchell, Thomas Short, Samantha Snell, Emily Speck, Devin Martinez and Austin Redden.

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to Kendall Medford, Operator/Manager with Paint Creek Water Supply Corporation. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Courthouse for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the County Courthouse at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. For further information, contact Kendall Medford, Operator/Manager at the Paint Creek Water Supply Corporation, 325-773-3319.

AVISO PÚBLICO HASKELL COUNTY TEXAS COMUNIDAD DESARROLLO BLOQUE DE PROGRAMA

Condado de Haskell celebrará una audiencia pública en 18:30 en 16 de enero de 2017 en pintura Creek Baptist Church, 4520 concesión de 600 FM, Haskell, Texas con respecto a la presentación de una aplicación para el Departamento de agricultura de Texas para un programa de

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subvención de desarrollo de comunidad Texas (TxCDBG). El propósito de esta reunión es para que los ciudadanos la oportunidad de discutir el plan de participación ciudadana, el desarrollo de desarrollo local de la vivienda y la comunidad necesita, la cantidad de TxCDBG fondos disponibles, todas las actividades elegibles de TxCDBG y el uso de fondos de TxCDBG pasados. El Condado recomienda a ciudadanos a participar en el desarrollo de esta aplicación de TxCDBG y

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dar a conocer sus puntos de vista en esta audiencia pública. Los ciudadanos no puedan asistir a esta reunión podrán presentar sus opiniones y propuestas a Kendall Medford, operador/administrador con pintura Creek Corporación de suministro de agua. Las personas con discapacidad que deseen asistir a esta reunión deben comunicarse con el Juzgado del condado para asistencia. Personas que requieren ayudas

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Maidens' basketball

Haskell Maidens capture the Lady Bearcats

The Haskell girls traveled to Hawley last Tuesday night, Jan. 3 for another District 8-2A match-up. The Maidens outscored the Lady Bearcats 35-14 the first half and 34-16 the second half to get the dominating win 69-30. Haskell improves to 18-5 (3-0) and Hawley falls to 9-10 (2-2).

The Maidens were led by senior Ashlyn Bevel who finished with 19 points and freshman Landry Hanson who finished with 13 points. Once again, every player on the Haskell team contributed to their point total. C'Era Taylor had 8 points, Taylor Manske 7, Jordan Garvin 7, Ariel Martinez 6, Hollyn

Hadaway 6, Courtney Whitt 2 and Makinzie Garvin 1. Leading the team in assists were Bevel with 3, M. Garvin 3, Martinez 3, Hanson 2, Mankse 2 and Whitt 2.

Haskell shot (24-56) 42% from the field, (7-23) 30% from three point land, and a season high (14-18) 77% from the free-throw line. "Offensively, we shot the ball extremely well and that is always a great thing when you are playing on the road. As a basketball coach, you never know for sure if the offense will travel and that is one reason we try to hang our hat on defense. You can always count on the defense to get on the bus with you," head coach Blake Eddleman said.

The Maidens controlled the rebounds 47-17 and they forced the Lady Bearcats to shoot (10-37) for 27% from the field. "Defensively, I thought Taylor, Jordan and Makinzie did an awesome job denying Samantha Newton the ball and not letting her get offensive rebounds. She is one of the best players in our district and in the area. I was really proud of those three individual girls and our team collectively. It was a total team effort against her and they a great job defending the rest of their team as well," Eddleman said.

Senior Courtney Whitt led the team rebounds with 8 followed by C. Taylor with 7, M. Garvin 6, Hadaway 5, Mankse 5, Hanson 4 and J. Garvin 4. Leading the team in steals were the Garvin sisters—Jordan had 3 and Makinzie 2.

"Overall, I thought we played at a very high level on both ends of the floor and that is what you want to see this time of year. The girls are taking a lot of pride in their overall play on offense, defense, and rebounding. I really believe our tough non-district schedule is playing a role in our success so far in district and that is what I was hoping for," Eddleman added.

Haskell 12 23 16 18 = 69
Hawley 8 6 7 9 = 30

The Christmas break did not slow down Coach Melissa Burson and the JV Maidens. They defeated Hawley 48-31 and remain undefeated at 18-0 overall and 3-0 in district.

Maidens take down the Lady Tigers

The Haskell Maidens took on the Anson Lady Tigers 14-8 (3-1) last Friday night, Jan. 6 at home in another District 8-2A match-up. The Maidens outscored the Lady Tigers 19-5 the third quarter to pull away and get a district win. Haskell won their eleventh game in a row and they move to 19-5 overall and 4-0 in district play.

The Maidens were led offensively by junior Ariel Martinez with 11 points and junior Hollyn Hadaway with 10 points. Haskell continues to have a well balanced

scoring attack. Ashlyn Bevel had 8 points, Taylor Manske 8, C'Era Taylor 6, Jordan Garvin 4, Landry Hanson 3, Makinzie Garvin 3 and Courtney Whitt 2. Leading the team in assists were Bevel with 4, Hanson 4, J. Garvin 2 and Martinez 2.

Haskell was (21-56) 37% from the field, (6-21) 28% from three point land, and (7-13) 53% from the free-throw line. "Offensively, we did a pretty good job for the most part handling their full court and half court press. I thought we did a solid job reading the defense and getting the ball to the open shooters," head coach Blake Eddleman said.

The Maidens dominated the Lady Tigers in rebounding 37-23 and they forced them to shoot (12-33) for 36% from the field. "Defensively, I thought the girls were focused and locked in on the defensive game plan. They did an awesome job taking away their individual offensive strengths and making their other kids have to make plays. I am blessed to have really smart players and they all take pride in their defense individually and collectively," Eddleman said.

C'Era Taylor had a team high 11 rebounds followed by Manske with 7, Hanson 5, Bevel 4, Hadaway 3 and Whitt 3. Leading the team in steals were Hanson with 5, Bevel 3, M. Garvin 3, Manske 2 and Whitt 2.

"Overall, I was pleased with our play offensively and defensively. The girls prepare hard for these district games and they do a great job doing the little things that allow us to be successful. They are fun to coach and I think they complement each other

extremely well on both ends of the floor. We have a lot of momentum right now and we are playing with a lot of confidence. We just need to stay focused, stay disciplined, and stay determined as we progress throughout district," Eddleman added.

Haskell 11 16 19 9 = 55
Anson 8 8 5 10 = 31

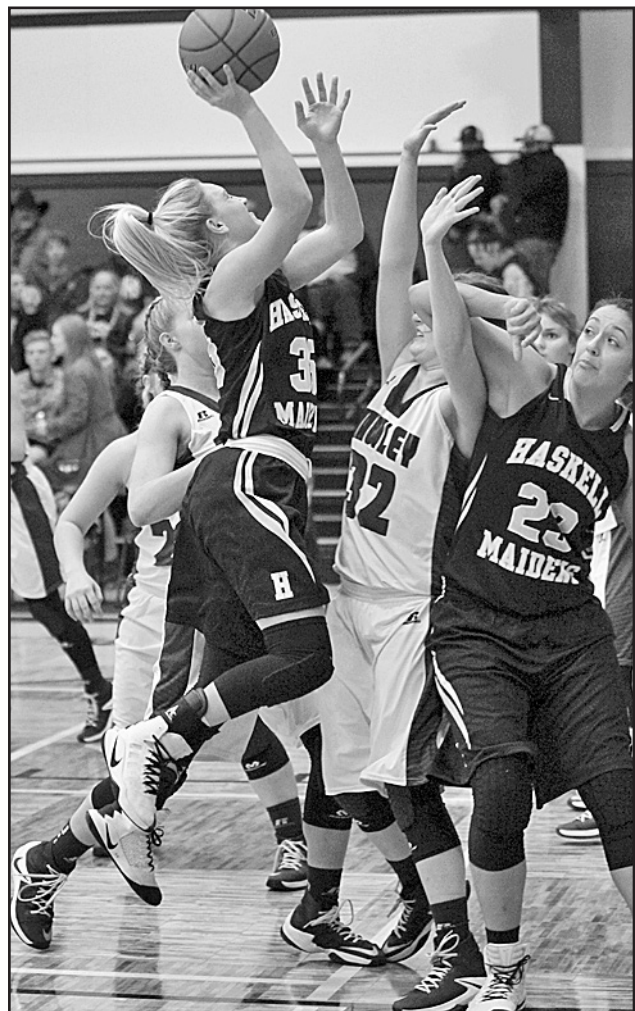
Coach Melissa Burson and the JV Maidens continue their dominance over everyone. They defeated Anson 33-9. They remain undefeated at 19-0 overall and (4-0) in district.



TWO POINTS—Haskell Maiden #3 Landry Hanson goes up for two points in the Maidens win over Anson.



LOOSE BALL—Haskell Maiden #45 C'Era Taylor gets after the loose ball on the defensive end of play.



GOES FOR A LAYUP—Haskell Maiden #35 Ashlyn Bevel takes it in for a layup in the Maidens win over Hawley.


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