

Baseball

Indians vs Hasley
Fri., March 20, 7 p.m.
at Hawley
Indians vs Stamford
Tues., March 24, 5 p.m.
at Haskell

Softball

Maidens
Maidens vs Hawley
Fri., March 20, 5 p.m.
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Track

HASKELL
Indians-Maidens
Snyder Meet, Thurs., Mar. 19
JH Indians-Maidens
Stamford Meet
Mon., Mar. 23
PAINT CREEK
JH at Stamford
Mon., March 23
RULE
JH at Knox City
Thurs., March 19
HS at Knox City
Fri., March 20

Calendar

Dance

A country dance will be held at the American Legion, 507 S. Ave. E in Haskell Thurs., March 19 from 7 to 10 p.m. featuring Mike Porter. Admission is \$5. No alcohol is permitted. Bring your favorite potluck dish. All proceeds benefit the American Legion.

Gun & Knife Show

The Haskell Gun & Knife Show will be held Sat., March 21 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun., March 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 507 S. Ave. E in Haskell. Admission is \$5.00. Persons under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Proceeds benefit the Rogers-Cox Post 221.

Food distribution

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

Men's breakfast

A men's breakfast will be held Sun., March 22 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria. All men in the community are invited. There is no charge.

Alzheimer's support

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet March 23 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Haskell County Extension Office, 101 S. Ave. D, in Haskell. For more information, call DaLinda Black at 940-864-2546.

Safety seat checks

A free child safety seat inspection will be held Thurs., March 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church by certified and trained child passenger safety technicians.

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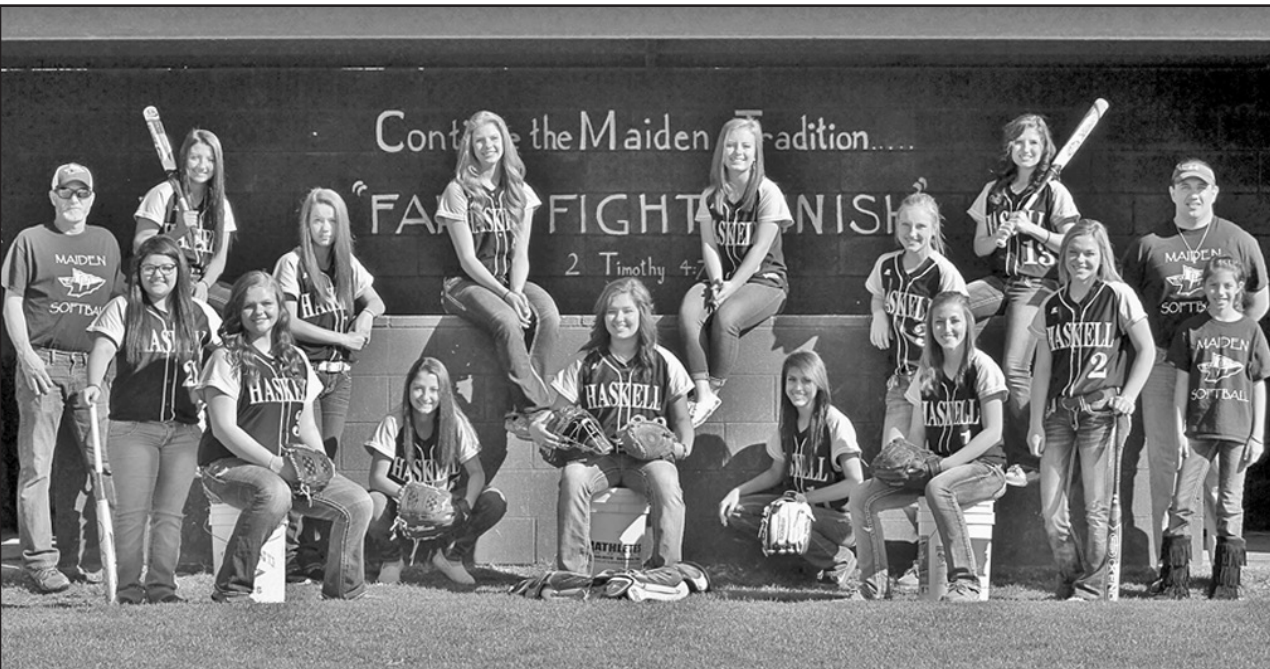
Welcome to the Gun & Knife Show

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2015 MAIDENS—The Haskell Maidens softball team members include, front row, l-r, Kelsey Guzman, Abby Blair, Julia Fuentes, Breezy Gibbs, Gabby Mendoza, Hannah Foster, Krysta Winegeart and Melody Martinez; back row, Coach John Foster, Laura Fuentes, Kasie Isbell, Jacie Klose, Daphni Leonard, Ashlyn Bevel, Briana Rodriguez and Coach Lolo Martinez.



REAGAN HADAWAY

Hadaway is All-State basketball team pick

Haskell High School Maiden, Reagan Hadaway, has been named to the 2014-2015 Class AA Texas Girls' Coaches Association's All-State Basketball Team.

The daughter of Shane and Amanda Hadaway, Reagan was listed numerous times this season on the Abilene Reporter-News Top Ten list. In addition, she was named the District 7-AA Most Valuable Player and Academic All-District.

Hadaway has been a standout for the Maidens throughout her high school career, earning many awards and recognitions. She has been chosen to play in the FCA All-Star ladies' basketball game in June.

After graduation, she plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in Exercise and Sports Science and become an athletic trainer.

March sales tax receipts are mixed

Comptroller Glenn Hegar said that state sales tax revenue in February was \$2.46 billion, up 11.7 percent compared to February 2014.

"This marks the 59th consecutive month of year-over-year growth—an encouraging sign that Texas' diverse economic engine continues to drive spending growth in households and businesses all over the state," Hegar said.

"Receipts from manufacturing and wholesale and retail trade showed strong growth,"

Hegar said. "And despite the decline in oil and natural gas prices, tax receipts from the oil and natural gas sector were once again up sharply over last year."

Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their March local sales tax allocations totaling \$590.1 million, up 6.7 percent compared to March 2014.

Haskell County had a 3.04 percent decrease for March 2015 of \$42,411.81 in comparison

to \$43,743.68 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$142,273.65 reflect a 1.72 percent increase over 2014 payments to date of \$139,862.95.

The City of Haskell had a 5.25 percent decrease for March 2015 of \$38,385.88 in comparison to \$40,516.99 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$130,489.29 reflect a .90 percent increase over 2014 payments to date of \$129,317.09.

The City of O'Brien had a 66.97 percent decrease for March 2015 of \$156.04 in comparison

to \$472.42 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$738.76 reflect a 30.62 percent decrease over 2014 payments to date of \$1,064.88.

The City of Rochester had a 5.05 percent increase for March 2015 of \$498.79 in comparison to \$474.78 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$1,806.39 reflect a 14.82 percent increase over 2014 payments to date of \$1,573.15.

The City of Rule had a 42.62 percent increase for March 2015 of \$3,163.17 in comparison to \$2,217.89 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$8,491.96 reflect an 18.82 percent increase over 2014 payments to date of \$7,146.80.

The City of Weinert had a 237.54 percent increase for March 2015 of \$207.93 in comparison to \$61.60 for March 2014. 2015 payments to date of \$747.25 reflect a 1.81 percent decrease over 2014 payments to date of \$761.03.

Alzheimer's caregiver support group to meet in Haskell Mar. 23

The Alzheimer's Association—North Central Texas Chapter announces the first meeting of the newly-formed Haskell Caregiver Support Group. The meeting is scheduled Mon., March 23 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., at the Texas AgriLife Extension Office, 101 S. Ave. D, in Haskell. Subsequent meetings will follow on the fourth Monday of each month, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The Alzheimer's Association—North

Central Texas Chapter sponsors numerous support groups in our forty-county service area. Support Group meetings are free and are open to caregivers, family members and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Support Group members share knowledge and experiences, listen to informative speakers, provide emotional support and learn practical coping skills and strategies in

matters relating to Alzheimer's disease and caregiving. The Chapter also provides other services at no charge to caregivers such as case management, education, a toll-free 24/7 Helpline for information and referral, conferences and numerous resource materials.

For further information about the Haskell Caregiver Support Group, call DaLinda Black at 940-864-2658 or the Alzheimer's Association's Helpline at 800-272-3900.

Hee Haw tickets available, production runs Mar. 26-28

The Sagerton Community has begun making preparations for the production of the Sagerton Hee Haw. The dates are March 26-28 beginning at 8:00 p.m. each evening. There will be music and singing before the program beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Larry LeFevre is the Hee Haw director and Randy Hise is in charge of

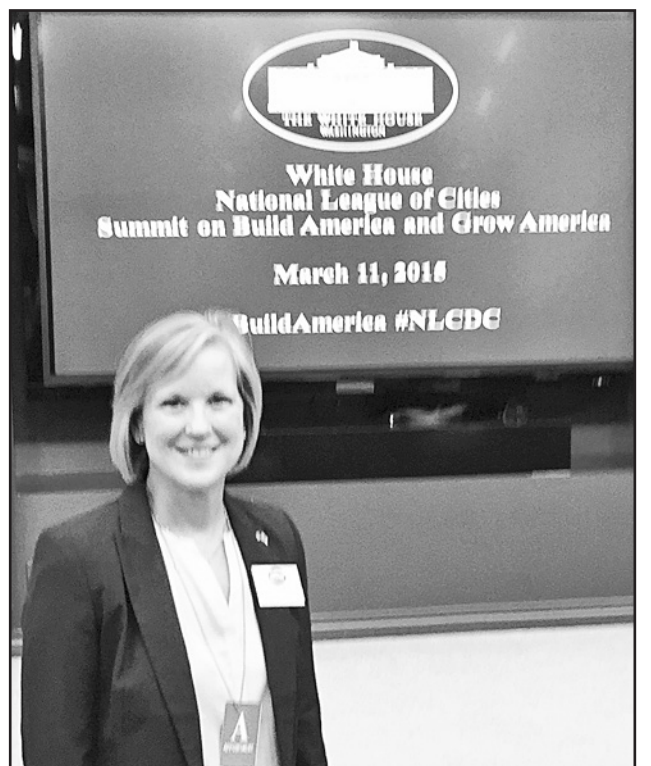
the music. Proceeds from the Hee Haw program are used for scholarships for each graduating senior on the Sagerton mail route, upkeep of the community center and community projects.

The Hee Haw program for Thurs., March 26, is designated for groups, but is open to everyone. If a group is interested in tickets on group night, call

940-997-2688 for more information.

Tickets may be ordered by calling 940-997-2688 or come to 1825 FM 1661, Sagerton, for tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

Sandwiches and pies will be available in the cafeteria on Thursday evening; barbeque plates, sandwiches and pies on Friday and Saturday evenings.



ATTENDS SUMMIT—Linda Calhoun, daughter of Dorothy and the late Hess Hartsfield, of Haskell attended the White House National League of Cities Summit on Build America and Grow America in Washington, D.C. March 11. Calhoun is serving her third four year term as Mayor of Red River and is President of the New Mexico Municipal League.

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Obituaries

George William Fouts



GEORGE FOUTS

Funeral services for George William Fouts, 97, longtime resident of Haskell, were held Wed., March 11 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Dusty Garrison officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Fouts passed away Sunday morning, March 8.

Born December 14, 1917 in Haskell, he was the son of John Elijah and Georgia Mae (Taylor) Fouts. George attended Haskell schools and graduated in 1936. He went on to attend Texas Technological College (now Texas Tech University). During these years, he worked as a bellhop at Hotel Lubbock to put himself through college. On June 22, 1941, George married Helen Mabel Baldwin of Haskell and the young couple began their married life in Fort Worth. They soon moved to Wichita Falls where George worked for Western Electric as a telephone switchboard

installer. In May of 1943, George was inducted into the United States Army and served with the Army's Signal Radio Intelligence Company in England, France and Germany. George was awarded the EAME Campaign Medal with two Bronze stars and Good Conduct Medal before his discharge in December, 1945. After the war, George and his family returned to Haskell to go into partnership with his dad at Fouts Dry Goods. George spent the next 37 years running the business until his retirement in 1983.

George was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church. He taught Junior High boys in Sunday School for 35 years, and later was a member of the Business Men's Bible Class. George and Helen split their Sundays between the Baptist Church and the First Christian Church, where Helen was a life-long member. They managed to faithfully attend services and activities at both churches throughout their 67 and a half years of marriage.

George was also active in the business community. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce for many years and held the office of Chamber President. He was active in the Lion's Club and in 2009 was honored by area Lion's for 60 years of service as a member of that organization. At that time, George told those present that he had loved the Lion's Club and the members through all those years.

George loved people and never met a stranger. He is remembered by many for his happy disposition. He also loved Haskell and often said it was the best place in the world, and he couldn't imagine living anywhere else. Throughout his life, George lived out his love for the Lord, his family and his home.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Helen; his brother, John E. Fouts, Jr.; and his parents, John and Georgia Fouts.

Survivors include three children, George William Fouts, Jr. (Bill) and wife Susan of Mission Viejo, California, Betsy McManamon of Haskell, and John Fouts and wife Bonnie of Haskell; seven grandchildren, Nathan Fouts and wife Forteen, Allison Fouts, Sarah Oliver and husband Matt, Meg Petty and husband Lee, Lyle Fouts and wife Kelly, Dan Fouts, and Tom Fouts; eight great grandchildren, Nic Fouts, Angela Oliver, Nolan Oliver, Tanah Petty, Ty Petty, Law Petty, Gage Fouts and Lexy Fouts; one nephew, Jack Baldwin and wife Janice; and one niece, Pat Wees and husband Ken.

Memorials may be given in George's name to First Baptist Church, 301 North Avenue E, Haskell, Texas, 79521, or the charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be shared with George's family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

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Milford Eugene 'Gene' Mullins



GENE MULLINS

Funeral services for Milford Eugene 'Gene' Mullins, 75, of Marlin were held Thurs., March 12 at Adams Funeral Home in Marlin with Rev. Clement Gordon officiating. Interment was Fri., March 13 in Willow Cemetery in Haskell with his longtime friend, John Sam Rike, conducting the service. Military honors were provided by Fort Hood Honor Guard.

Mr. Mullins passed away at his home in Marlin Tues., March 10.

Born Sept. 23, 1939 in Compton, Calif., he was the son of Freeman Mullins and Bessie Patterson Mullins. Gene was nicknamed "Stick" in his hometown of Haskell, where he was a well-known football and track star, graduating Haskell High School in 1959.

After graduation, Gene enlisted in the United States Army and served until 1973. He achieved the rank of Sergeant First Class, and his service included a tour in France, two tours in Vietnam and assorted stateside assignments. He volunteered for his second tour in Vietnam (as a Team Chief Assignments SFC for the Dept. of the Army at the Pentagon) because he couldn't abide sending others to war while he stayed back.

Mullins received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in ground operations against hostile forces, six Army Commendation Medals, five Good Conduct Medals, the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medals, and a Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with Device. During his time in the service, he met and married Bertha Estevez, who was also serving in France. They were blessed with two sons, Lance in 1970 and Stuart in 1975. Gene and Bertha separated in 1979 and divorced shortly thereafter.

Gene put himself through college at Texas State University with the help of the GI Bill, graduated with highest honors and then began a new chapter in his life as a Texas high school teacher and coach. He coached football teams at New Braunfels High School in 1978, Navasota High School in 1979-81, Marlin High School in 1981-82 and again in Navasota 1982-89. He was fortunate to coach with outstanding staffs, teams and players and almost yearly entered post season play. His teams reached semi-finals state championships several times. The final game he coached was for the Texas State 3A Football Championship in 1988. During Gene's coaching stint in Marlin, he married Beth Wasserman Kirkpatrick, who taught English and Journalism at Marlin High School. Together Gene and Beth enjoyed a life centered around high school activities in Marlin and Navasota. Students remember Gene for his sense of humor, making Government and Economics classes fun, where he included such mantras as "There's no such thing as a free ham sandwich."

In 1991, Gene suffered the loss of his oldest son Lance in a horrific car accident involving most of the University of Texas San Antonio golf team who were hit by a drunk driver on the way home from a tournament. Soon after, Gene retired from coaching and began writing fiction to ease his heart. His love of history, especially the lore of his native north Texas area culminated in historical western adventures. A creative storyteller and humorist, Mullins had a real knack for writing dialog. He published "Dog Bark" and "Bear Paw," two of his five novels, and was inducted into the Western Writers of America and Texas Historical Society in 1994. Gene conducted writing seminars at the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock and throughout Texas and in Boulder, Colo.

Throughout his life, Gene was an avid golfer and you could find him most afternoons and weekends with his sons and friends at the nearest courses. He enjoyed the Waco Senior Golf League and membership at the Marlin Country Club. He won the Cottonwood Creek Waco City Senior Championship in 1998 and collected numerous other tournament wins throughout the state. Gene loved to rescue homeless animals of any kind, especially cats and dogs. He rescued numerous cats and dogs as well as some injured wild animals throughout his life, and he loved providing food and shelter for all creatures at his home in Marlin. He leaves behind seven beloved dogs who became his therapy and constant companions during his extended illness.

Gene was pre-deceased by his son, Lance; his parents, brother, Clint Melton; and sister-in-law, Wynette Mullins.

Survivors include his wife of 33 years, Charlotte Beth Mullins of Marlin; son, Stuart Mullins of San Antonio; his daughters and sons-in-law, Kara and John Kenny of Austin and Katherine and James Stone of Pilot Point; granddaughter, Chloe Mullins of San Antonio; granddaughter, Kristen Kenny of Fort Worth and grandson, Matthew Kenny of Austin; brother, Franky Don Mullins and wife, Gaynell of Sweetwater; sister and brother-in-law, Myrtis Marie Mullins Ivey and L.B. Ivey of Haskell and sister and brother-in-law Darlene Hill and Dennis Hill of Caterbury, New Hampshire; brother, Ben Melton of San Angelo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Honorary pallbearers were sons-in-law, John Kenny and James Stone; grandson, Matthew Kenny; and golfing buddies, Johnnie Felps, Weldon Josey and Fred Tomchesson, all of Waco, and Weldon Reneau, Tommy Tate and Rockney Terry, all of Marlin.

For anyone wishing to make a memorial donation in Gene Mullins' honor, the family suggests the Marlin Public Library, 400 Oakes St., Marlin, TX 76661; The Allen House, c/o Byrleen Terry, 753 Westwood, Marlin; Alzheimer's Association, 6605 Sanger Ave., Waco, TX 76710; or the Haskell Homecoming Association, P.O. Box 32, Haskell, TX 79521.

The Mullins family is grateful for the compassionate care shown by the staff of Hospice Compassus during the final days of Gene's life on earth and to the wonderful "Angels" from Visiting Angels Living Assistance Services who have assisted in his care for several months.

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Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of March 9-15:

Billy Ray Thomas, failure to comply with bond company possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.

Ezekiel Cortez Mooney, probation violation theft of property by check enhanced.

Cody Devon McGee, unlawful possession of a firearm by felon, also surety driving while license invalid.

Thirty calls were made to 911.

Student in the News

James C. Bowers of Haskell was named to the Vice President's Honor Roll List for the Fall 2014 semester at Texas State Technical College in Waco. The TSTC Vice President's Honor Roll recognizes the accomplishments of full-time students who achieved a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.99 in a semester.

Bowers is a third-year student pursuing a degree in Computer Networking and Systems Administration.

Weather

by Kim Hutto
National Weather Service
Volunteer Co-op Observer
Temperature

Mon., March 9.....48°/56°
Tues., March 10.....43°/63°
Wed., March 11.....37°/63°
Thurs., March 12.....40°/66°
Fri., March 13.....43°/67°
Sat., March 14.....45°/71°
Sun., March 15.....45°/71°

Precipitation
Mon., March 9..... 1.24"

Elton George Klose



ELTON KLOSE

Funeral services for Elton George Klose, 87, longtime resident of Haskell were held Wed., March 18 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell with Pastor David White and Brian Burgess officiating. Burial was at

Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Klose passed away Sun., March 15 at Hendrick Hospice in Abilene.

Born Feb. 7, 1928, in Haskell, he was the son of George Frederick Klose and Dora Alvena (Eschberger). He served in the U.S. Army from 1950 to 1952. On June 26, 1955, Elton married Ruth Ann (White) in Haskell. He was a member at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Haskell, Texas and a 70 year member of ODHHS.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Dora Klose; son, Roy Don Klose; and grandson, K.C. Klose.

Survivors include his wife of nearly 60 years, Ruth Ann (White) Klose of Haskell;

two sons, Eddie Lynn Klose and wife Terri of Haskell, and Kelly Wade Klose and wife Connie of Burleson; three grandchildren, Beau Klose and wife Andrea of Austin, Jasmine Klose of Red Oak and Jacie Klose of Haskell; one sister, Vernell Lester of Abilene; niece, Lori Hobbs and husband Gary; and nephew, Bennett Driver.


Pallbearers were Leonard Howard, Wayne Hutchinson, Benny Bredthauer, Sam Watson, Wilton Weise and James Wittenborn.


Memorials may be given in Elton's name to Trinity Lutheran Church, 7630 U.S. Highway 380 East, Haskell, Texas 79521, 940-864-2670.

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Knox-Haskell Texas Rural Leadership program held



MILLS COUNTY VISIT-TRLP students visited a \$2 million community development project in Goldthwaite. Pictured are, l-r, Carl Milburn, Jimi Coplen, Laura Bowers, Mary Drury, Mitzi Welch, Joy Lynn Pool, Lorrie Coop, Tatiana Nchotu, DaLinda Black, Erin Dunnam, Parris Pittman and Scott Bearden.



ROCHESTER CAMPUS-TRLP group visited the Rochester Vocational School to learn more about its program and students. Pictured are, l-r, Erin Dunnam, Jimi Coplen, Tammy Cunningham, Lorrie Coop, Tatiana Nchotu, Scott Bearden, Anita Williams, Parris Pittman, Laura Bowers, Monty Moeller and Rick Ake.



KNOX CITY CLINIC-TRLP students meeting at the Knox City Clinic during the March session were Mitzi Welch, Sheena Crosson, Tammy Cunningham and Teresa Martinez.



AUSTIN TRIP-TRLP visited in Austin with state legislators and agency liaisons. Pictured are, l-r, DaLinda Black, Parris Pittman, Rick Rhodes (Texas Department of Rural Affairs), Laura Bowers, James Frank (Texas State Representative), Erin Dunnam, Drew Springer (Texas State Representative), Lorrie Coop, Scott Bearden, Carl Milburn, Joy Lynn Pool, Mitzi Welch, Tatiana Nchotu and Mary Drury.

The Knox-Haskell Texas Rural Leadership Program (TRLP) has held three sessions in 2015, including two, day-long classes in both Haskell and Knox Counties as well as a two-day trip to Austin to meet with Texas state agencies and each county's state legislators.

The TRLP, which is in its first year, began in October 2014 and is a combined effort between Knox and Haskell counties to encourage individuals to become better educated about resources and community leadership roles in rural communities. The Knox Haskell TRLP 2014-2015 class has a total of 12 participants from both Knox and Haskell counties. The participants have met once a month since October 2014 and will continue to meet once a month until their graduation in May.

The January 9 TRLP class—which was the fourth class in the eight class series—was held at Haskell City Hall. The topics for the day included Organizing and Group Dynamic as well as City and County Leadership. Karen Kaigler-Walker led the group through curriculum to better understand Organizing and Group Dynamics by using role playing as well as informational charts and case studies. Next, the class heard from Haskell City Manager Brandon Anderson and Haskell Mayor John Gannaway regarding the City of Haskell's planning, operations and leadership. After lunch, the group met with Haskell County Judge David Davis and members of the Haskell County Commissioners Court as well as elected Courthouse representatives to discuss their responsibilities at the County level. Last, but not least that day, the TRLP participants met with City of Haskell Chief of Police Scott Kennedy as well as the Committee to Help Haskell County representative Lynn Dodson and the Haskell Noah Project representatives Janis Brozowski and Cynthia Alvidrez.

The fourth session was held Feb. 3-4 in Austin. The TRLP participants departed as a group from Haskell City Hall on the morning of Feb. 3 and made a stop in Goldthwaite to visit the Texas Botanical Gardens and Native American Interpretive Center. During the visit to the center, the TRLP group met with Jan Fischer, who was the catalyst for the nearly \$2 million dollar

center which has brought national recognition to their community and a partnership with the Washington, D.C. Smithsonian Museum. After leaving Goldthwaite, the TRLP participants continued on to Austin. The group's prescheduled meetings began on the morning of February 4 and included a private meeting with Texas State Representatives Drew Springer and James Frank as well as Texas State Senator Charles Perry. Later on in the day, the TRLP group also met with the following individuals in five 20-minute sessions: Leadership Austin's Programs Manager, Ashley Phillips; Texas Department of Agriculture's Administrator for Rural Affairs, Rick Rhodes; Keep Texas Beautiful's Senior Programs Director, Christine Chute Canul; Texas Target Communities' CEO, Dr. John Cooper; Texas Rural Leadership Program's Executive Director, Ronnie McDonald; and Texas Commission on the Arts' Program Administrator, Chuck Winkler. From these meetings, the TRLP participants heard about programs and grant opportunities that are available for rural communities and how they can be applied for.

The fifth session was held March 6 in Knox City. The topics for the day included Leading Together as well as a focus on local Health Care, Social Services and Education. Karen Kaigler-Walker and Bud Walker led the group through the curriculum on Leading Together which included lecture material as well as group discussion and application. Next, the TRLP group met with the Knox City Hospital Administrator, Stephen Kuehler as well as Doctor Ezekiel Duke.

After lunch at Pepper's Dry Goods, the group toured the new Knox City Clinic and Pharmacy, heard from Aging Center Administrator, Maggie Maghee, Double Mountain Coach Director, Rick Ake and Ministerial Alliance member, Gary Schnable. To finish out the day, the group traveled to Rochester to tour the Vocational Tech School. While at the Rochester campus, the group met with the Vo-Tech's Director, Monty Moeller and discussed the programs available through the school and its future.

The group will participate in one more leadership meeting in Haskell the first part of April. During this meeting, the TRLP participants will choose a community development project to complete. The projects will be announced during their May 4 graduation ceremony. The Knox County Visioning Group and the Development Corporation of Haskell are sponsoring the TRLP. Partnering organizations are the Knox and Haskell County Extension Offices. Applications for the next leadership course will start in August of 2015. For more information, call 940-459-4121 or 940-864-3424.

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OPINION

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
March 24, 2005

Venus Holmes of Littlefield, who has a place at Lakeshore Sites on Lake Stamford, caught a record-breaking 8.5 pound big-mouth bass using only a small piece of bologna for bait. Joyce Qualls from Lake Stamford confirmed it was the largest big-mouth bass ever caught at Stamford Lake.

Anita Herren was honored on her 91st birthday with a luncheon, attended by her "Koffee Klatch" friends. It was hosted by her daughter Jan Gannaway and niece Carolyn Dycus.

Haskell County 4-H'er Stephen Pace of Rule, captured one of the 14 elusive calves and pulled it into the winner's square during the Houston Rodeo Calf Scramble. He received a \$1000 calf purchase certificate.

20 Years Ago
March 23, 1995

Cody Cooley, a junior at Haskell High School and Leigh Ann Reel, a junior at Paint Creek High School were both named to the Abilene Reporter-News All Big Country Super Team for the year.

John Hicks, a Rochester native, has been promoted to Vice President of Haskell National Bank. A graduate of Tarleton State College and Southwestern Graduate School of Banking, Hicks has been with the bank since 1983.

Gina Whitaker Woodard, a 1983 graduate of Haskell High School, has been nominated for Teacher of the Year for the Wichita Falls ISD. She is the daughter of Louis and Gladys Whitaker of Haskell.

30 Years Ago
March 21, 1985

Charles Swinson, well known for his many benevolent contributions of self, service and substance in the community, was named Outstanding Citizen of the Year at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Charles Chapman was appointed judge of the 39th Judicial District, by Governor Mark White. He is replacing the late Judge Joe Williams. He graduated from Baylor Law School and returned to Haskell to join a partnership law firm with Royce Adkins.

Kerry Therwhanger,

son of Truman and Charlene Therwhanger of Haskell, recently won the national indoor long jump championship for Division II schools. He is a senior at Angelo State University.

40 Years Ago
March 20, 1975

Charlie Franklin, a Haskell Indian standout, completed his senior year of football with the Angelo State Rams with several records to his credit. He has signed a contract to play professional football with the New York Giants.

Kenneth Lane has been named the 1975 Outstanding Conservation Farmer of the California Creek Soil and Water Conservation District.

Ed Walling, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Walling, has been named to the Vice President's Honor Roll at Texas State Technical Institute. He had a GPA of 3.8 to receive the honor.

50 Years Ago
March 25, 1965

Tommy Cathey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cathey and a 1959 HHS graduate, has accepted a teaching position with Stinnett ISD. He is a recent graduate of West Texas State University in Canyon.

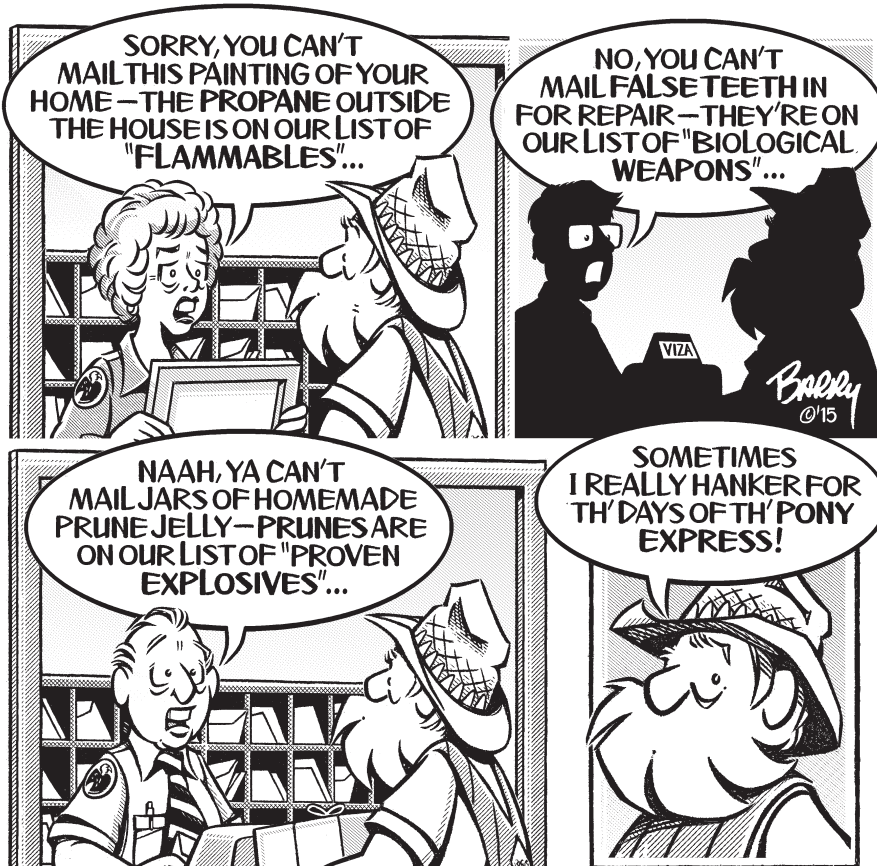
HHS juniors Joy Bergstrom, Dianne Cadenhead, Gerre Colbert, Doris Pace and Diana Summers have been chosen by the high school faculty as candidates to Blue Bonnet Girls' State.

Luther Walker, Haskell Chamber of Commerce manager, and Bud Lane, chairman of the agriculture committee, will be in Fort Worth to attend the West Texas Chamber of Commerce "Infocade '65."

100 Years Ago
March 20, 1915

Friends of W.H. Cousins, a boy who grew to manhood in the county, will be proud to know that he has attained national celebrity as an ad writer and humorist.

The Board of Trustees of the Haskell ISD petitioned the Haskell City Council and the County Commissioners' Court to reinstate the quarantine in town and throughout the county. There are cases of smallpox among the children of the public school and the chances are good for the number of cases in school to increase rapidly.



Tips to teach children fiscal responsibility

April is National Financial Literacy Month, which makes now an ideal time to start planning activities that will support the national focus on financial education. The Independent Bankers Association of Texas encourages parents, teachers and community leaders to shine a spotlight on this important topic in April and throughout the year.

By making financial education a family priority, children learn the value of budgeting, saving, investing and using credit wisely. For many, the path to financial success starts in the home, often by watching their parents' buying decisions for the household. The following tips can provide the foundation necessary to help children make sound financial decisions for the rest of their lives.

Teach children about savings from a young age

During the month of April, encourage young children to save for 30 days. This could mean finding loose change tucked in the sofa cushions, collecting birthday money or earning cash by helping around the house. Gather the money in a piggy bank or shoe box, and have them count it at the end of the month. Set an achievable goal for those 30 days and then another goal for when it will be time to open a children's savings account, which most

community banks offer. Encourage them as they get older and have their first jobs to put a portion of each paycheck in their savings account.

Let your children help with the bills in April

Let your kids be active participants when you pay the April utility bill. Children learn by watching so explain to them the importance of paying bills on time, checking the balance in your account to avoid overdrafting and having a household budget. Use this opportunity to talk with them about the family budget and answer any questions they may have.

Open a checking/debit card account for older children

High school students often have part-time jobs, which means there is money for both savings and checking accounts. This is a great time to discuss how to track every deposit and withdrawal to watch savings grow and avoid unnecessary overdraft fees in a checking account. Help them set longer-term goals for how much they want to have in their savings account by a certain date and what they need to have in their debit/checking account for small, everyday purchases.

Help your teen establish a credit identity

Credit cards, when used responsibly, are often the best way for a young person

to begin establishing credit. Once young adults have opened a credit card, help them learn to manage what they put on it, pay it off in full each month and pay it on time. Talk about interest rates and show them how much more they'll pay if the bill isn't paid in full monthly. Since the length of one's credit history is factored into the credit score, it is important to start establishing credit as soon as possible. Late teens is a perfect time for a first credit card.

The budget mindset

Once your children are close to leaving home and living on their own, they'll need to understand how to budget. Create a simple, realistic budget with them that includes all expenses (rent, car payment, groceries, etc.) and money coming in. Emphasize the importance of living on less than what you make to avoid debt and have money to cover unforeseen expenses that will always arise. Discuss ways to use credit wisely, look for low interest rates on major purchases and avoid late fees by paying bills on time.

March is a great time to map out your strategy for Financial Literacy Month in April.

Many schools, local groups and community banks offer financial education programs in April.

Calendar

Chamber banquet

The annual Haskell Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be Mon., March 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Please help us by nominating "The Business of the Year" and "The Volunteer of the Year" by calling the chamber office at 940-864-2477 or email www.haskellcc@srcaccess.net. All nominations have to be received no later than 1:00 p.m. Tues., March 10. Banquet tickets are \$15 per plate. The meal is a steak dinner. Pam Gibson's third graders will provide the entertainment. Russell Graves of Childress will share authentic Texas stories with his camera and words. Tickets are available from board members or at the Chamber office.

Hee Haw set

The annual Sagerton Community production of Hee Haw will be March 26-28 at 8 p.m. each evening. Tickets are available by calling 940-997-2688. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

CFBC Wed. programs

Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church invites the community to new Wednesday night classes for all ages beginning March 18, from 7 to 8 p.m. Kids Club, for children attending 4 year old Pre-K through fifth grade, will include music, missions and Bible lessons. Adults will study "Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis" with topics including: the origin of the universe, the age of the earth and dinosaurs. Childcare will be provided for younger children of parents attending the adult study. For more information call 940-864-5557 or email pastor@cornerstonehaskell.org.

Storm siren tests

The City of Haskell Emergency Management will test the tornado sirens every Friday at 11:30 a.m. barring bad weather during storm season. The tornado sirens will be used in conjunction with storm watchers and the Code Red phone notification system. Should you have any questions please contact Matthew Duran, Public Safety/Works Director at 940-864-2333. You can read more in the City's Emergency Handbook located at www.city-of-haskell-texas.org.

Golf scramble

An Easter two person golf scramble will be held Sat., April 4 at the Haskell Country Club. Tee time is 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$50. Team prizes and a meal is offered. Call Thomas at 940-481-0303 for more information.

Aggie Moms

The Abilene Area Aggie Moms' Club will meet Tues., April 14 at 6:45 p.m. at the Coldwell Banker Panian & Mash building, 2500 S. Willis, Abilene. A light meal will be served. For more information, contact Tammy Crowe at 325-518-3464.

Sunday singing

The First Baptist Church of Rule will host a community wide Fifth Sunday Singing Sun., March 29 at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church. Anyone wishing to participate with special music, solos and readings are welcome to participate.

Calendar

Easter Cantata

The Cross Changes Everything is the name of the Easter Cantata to be presented by the Haskell community choir Sun., March 29 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Haskell under the direction of Martha Jarred. All in the community and surrounding area are welcome to attend.

Men's bible study

A men's bible study will be held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at God Loves You Ministries on the west side of the square. The men are studying the life and times of Paul in the book of Acts. The study is open to all. For more information call 940-481-0495.

Support group

The Haskell Alzheimer's Association Support Group will meet March 23 at the

Haskell Co. Extension Office, 101 S. Ave. E, in Haskell, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call DaLinda Black at 940-864-2658 or the Alzheimer's Association, North Central Texas Chapter 325-672-2907 or 1-800-272-3900.

TeamKID

TeamKID will meet at the First Baptist Church in Haskell on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. The program is for children ages 4 years pre-K through sixth grade. If your child needs a ride, call 864-2581.

Vet office open

The Veterans Service office in Haskell is now open. The office, located on the first floor of the west wing of the courthouse, will be open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call 940-256-1125 any time or

email Haskell_vaso@yahoo.com.

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.

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SNAGS FLY BALL—Haskell Maiden Krysta Winegeart snags the fly ball in centerfield in the district win over Albany.



HASKELL LONG JUMPER—Haskell Indian Justice Dever hits the pit at the Hamlin track meet with the winning long jump.



INDIANS VS ALBANY—Haskell Indian pitcher Kade Colley throws the runner out to first baseman Henry Smith.



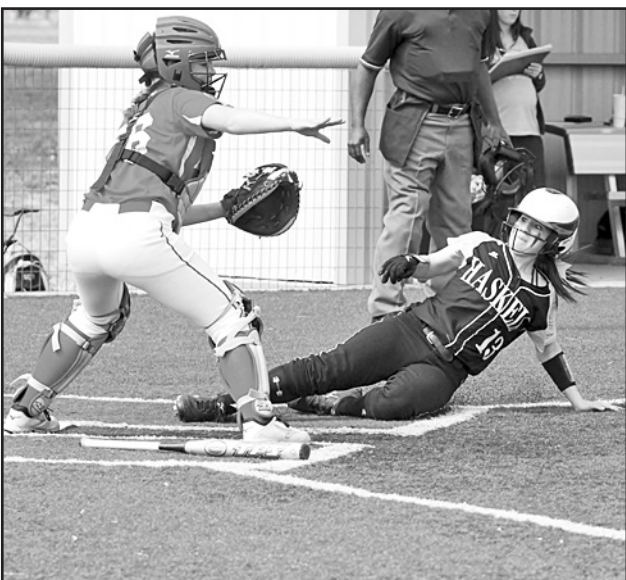
MAIDEN BATTER—Haskell Maiden Ashlyn Bevel connects at bat against the Albany pitcher.



INDIAN RUNNER—Haskell Indian Henry Smith out in front in the 400m run at the Hamlin track meet. He placed first.



INDIANS VS ALBANY—Haskell Indian Kadin Seeliger throws to first for the out.



MAIDEN SCORE—Haskell Maiden Briana Rodriguez slides in to home scoring another run in the Maidens 20-0 victory over Albany.



HAMLIN TRACK MEET—Haskell Indian Lane Burson reaches for the sand in the triple jump event at the Hamlin track meet. He placed sixth.

Players of the week

Haskell Maidens senior catcher Breezy Gibbs was named to the Abilene Reporter-News Big Country Player of the Week Top Ten Tues., March 17.

She posted a .739 average on the week, with five doubles, a homer and 13 RBIs.

Defensively, she threw out all four base runners who attempted to steal on her.

Named to the Other Top Performers list for the week were Maidens Gabby Mendoza and Kelsey Guzman.

Mendoza, a sophomore outfielder, hit .722 on the week with a double and a triple.

Guzman, a sophomore infielder, hit .555 on the week with two doubles, two homers and eight RBIs.

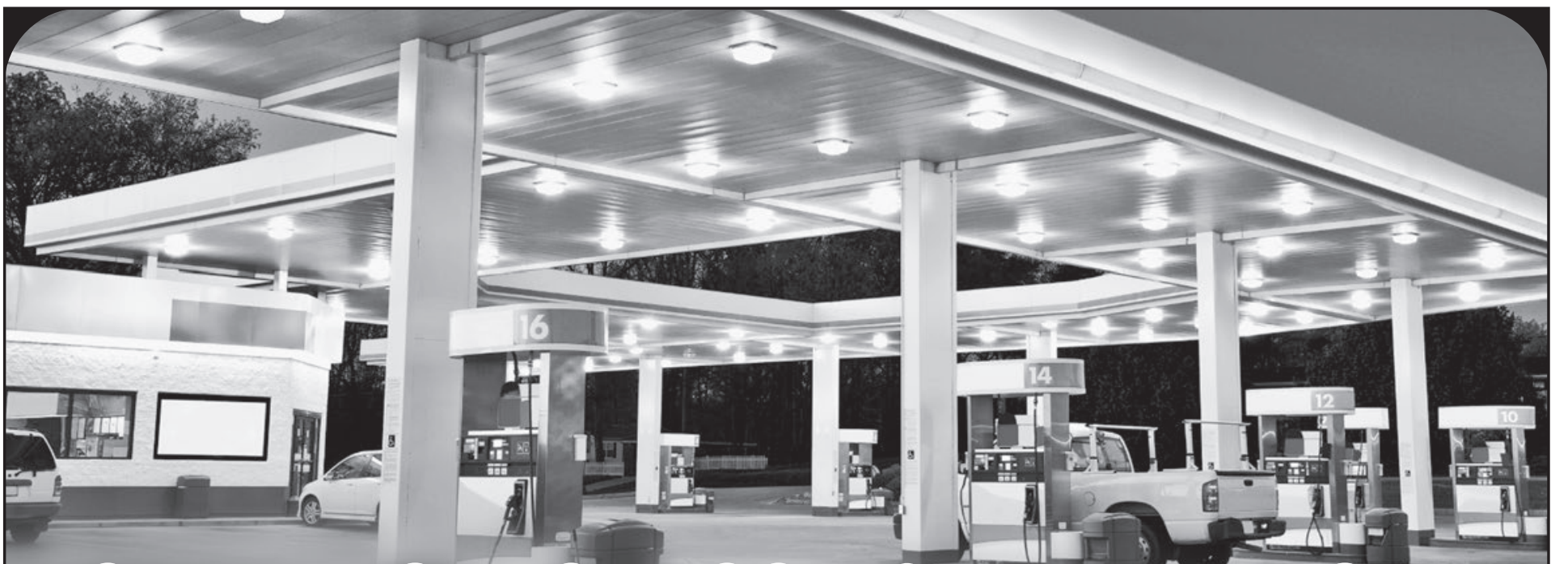
Indians-Maidens track

The Haskell Indians and Maidens competed in the Hamlin Pied Piper Relays over the weekend with the following results posted:

Girls
Team total: 18. Haskell, 4.

Boys
Team total: 5. Haskell, 76.

Long jump: 1. Dever, 20-8-1/2.
3200: 2. Pena, 1:05.46; 3. Goette, 11:14.64.
800: 1. Smith, 2:04.78.
110 hurdles: 3. Pace, 17.05.
400: 1. Smith, 53:67.
300 hurdles: 2. Dever, 42.20.
1600: 1. Pena, 5:01.22.



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Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Early Rust Pressure in Texas Wheat

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

February is typically a time of year that wheat growers are more concerned with topdressing nitrogen and controlling weeds than controlling diseases; however, this topic has been on the minds of many growers in recent weeks. It is not uncommon to see small amounts of leaf rust in the fall, particularly on early planted wheat for grazing, however, rust presence generally declines throughout the winter months for most of the state as freezing temperatures will often subdue the disease. The exception being South Texas where rust consistently overwinters. Typically, it is this overwintering rust in South Texas that then migrate northward with warming temperatures during the spring.

In the past month there have numerous reports of both stripe rust and leaf

rust throughout Texas and Louisiana. Limited information exists on the impact of early fungicide applications (growth stage Feekes 5-7) on winter wheat yield, but in most cases it is generally accepted as uneconomical and has little impact on yield. This is based on the premise that rust pressure is generally low in January through early March for most of the state and there is little disease to control. With the higher than average disease pressure present in fields, it may be prudent to apply an early fungicide application. A study conducted in Louisiana (Edward and Hunger, <http://pods.dasn.okstate.edu/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5602/PSS-2138.pdf>) showed a significant yield increase on winter wheat by applying an application of propiconazole followed by a second fungicide application after flag leaf emergence.

With high presence of rust around the state this early in the season, the stage

will be set for high rust infection rates later in the spring if weather conditions are favorable. Wheat growers are encouraged to scout fields often to detect "hot spots" and spread of disease throughout the remainder of the growing season, particularly if they have planted leaf or stripe rust susceptible varieties. The most current resistance ratings for wheat varieties can be found in the 2014 Texas Wheat Variety Trial Results publication (<http://varietytesting.tamu.edu/wheat/docs/2014/2014%20Final%20Wheat%20Pub.pdf>). For proper disease identification refer to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension publication titled "Identifying Rust Diseases of Wheat and Barley" (<http://amarillo.tamu.edu/files/2010/11/RustDiseasesTexas.pdf>). Additional information on fungicides and diseases in wheat can be found at <http://amarillo.tamu.edu/amarillo-center-programs/extension-plant-pathology/wheat-publications/>.

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Public Notices

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL PERMIT NO. WQ0010728001 APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Haskell, P.O. Box 1003, Haskell, Texas 79521, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0010728001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 700,000 gallons per day. The existing permit also authorizes the disposal of treated domestic wastewater via irrigation of 68 acres of non-public access land. TCEQ received this application on August 14, 2014.

The facility is located approximately one mile south and 0.25 mile east of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 and U.S. Highway 380 in Haskell County, Texas 79521. The treated effluent is discharged to Rice Springs Branch; thence to Mule Creek; thence to Lake Stamford in Segment No. 1235 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is high aquatic life use for Rice Springs Branch. The designated uses for Segment No. 1235 are high aquatic life use, public water supply, and primary contact recreation. All determinations are preliminary and subject to additional review and/or revisions.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Haskell City Hall, 301 South 1st Street, Haskell, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=33.145166&lng=-99.730545&zoom=13&type=r>

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit

comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address phone number; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing

on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

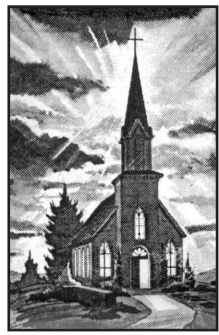
All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.texas.gov.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Haskell at the address stated above or by calling Brandon Anderson at 940-864-2333.

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This Week's Devotional Message:



Faith reveals the unlimited facets of love

To many of us, the word 'love' usually signifies romantic adventure, happy marriage or the care and anxiety of a parent; but while all of these are good examples of it, they by no means tell the whole story. Love is an act of kindness for one's neighbor; an anonymous donation to a worthy cause; food and supplies sent to starving native children or the victims

of a disaster; a regular visit to the sick, the elderly or the lonely of any age; and so on indefinitely. Whatever form it takes, the main ingredients of love are thoughtfulness and unselfishness, and you will find the recipe for it at the church of your choice. It will be served with a generous portion of happiness for you as well as for the recipients of it.

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**
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Rev. Weston Pendergrass, 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**
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., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Jim Reid, interim pastor
Jason Daniels, minister of Youth and Music
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**
Morris R. Johnson, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:45 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
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., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
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**
Jim McCurley, 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.; Wed. 7 p.
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**
Cory Graham, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Anna Robbins, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton
—RULE—
- First Baptist Church**
Scott Hensley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
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**
Paul Leonard, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
811 Union, Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista Alfa y Omegas**
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.; Wed. 6 p.
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Russell Stanley, pastor
Sunday 10 a.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
940-997-2296
- West Bethal Baptist Church**
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.; Wed. 7:30 p.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule
—PAINT CREEK—
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11 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.
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Get Ready for a Fight: Glyphosate Resistant Waterhemp and Palmer Amaranth are Here!

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You've all seen the horror stories about glyphosate (Roundup) resistant pigweed infestations in the Southeastern United States. Texas farmers largely dodged the bullet until 2005, when reports of resistance started to trickle in. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Research first confirmed glyphosate resistant common waterhemp in Central and Southeast Texas. This was followed by the confirmation of resistant Palmer amaranth on the Southern High Plains in 2010.

Since that time, these researchers have conducted numerous field studies to provide recommendations for managing glyphosate resistant weeds as these populations have become more widespread. Given the fact that a single waterhemp or Palmer amaranth plant can shed 500,000 to 1 million seed, one weed left in the field is too many. What follows are recommendations for managing these weeds early in the season.

Often, the most competitive weeds are those that emerge prior to, or at the same time as the crop. These weeds are quite effective at competing for the same consumable environmental resources such as water, nutrients, and sunlight that the crop seedling needs for healthy growth. This is particularly important in cotton, which tends to have a slower growth rate as a seedling compared to other crops. This early-season competition is also highly

detrimental to sorghum and corn seedlings as well. If these weeds are not controlled, significant yield losses can be expected. By controlling early-season weed infestations, the yield potential of the crop is protected. Additionally, emerged weeds are easier to control with post-emergence herbicides at this point. Later in the season, weeds can become "hardened-off" due to hot, dry conditions, and will be more difficult to control.

Prior to planting, emerged weeds should be controlled with preplant burndown herbicides or tillage. Due to widespread problems with glyphosate resistant weeds in Texas, consider using a tank mix partner when applying glyphosate as a burndown, especially if the field has a history of glyphosate resistant weeds. Adding a soil residual tank-mix partner to burndown applications will provide some insurance against early season weed competition from later emerging weeds. Remember that rainfall, irrigation, or mechanical incorporation is required to move residual herbicides into the soil and "activate" them. When using soil residual products, keep in mind the planting interval and crop rotation restrictions of the product(s) used, if planting intentions change. Also, the plant-back residual activity may not start until after an inch of rainfall or irrigation.

As planting time approaches, the application of residual herbicides prior to, or at planting is critical. Figures 1 and 2 below show the vast difference in weed density between a non-treated cotton plot and one that has received

a pre-plant application of a residual herbicide. Ideally, these applications will overlap the pre-emergence weed control provided by pre-plant burndown applications that included a soil residual herbicide. This will extend pre-emergence weed control longer into the season, and lessen the pressure placed on post-emergence herbicides such as glyphosate, thus reducing the risk for developing glyphosate-resistant weed problems. If these programs still don't adequately control waterhemp or Palmer amaranth, there are many options for managing them with post-emergence (POST) products. The key to POST herbicide efficacy is treatment timing; most applications will require treatment of pigweeds species less than four inches in height. Many times, farmers have assumed that failures in control are due to application errors, and will follow up with another application of glyphosate. By the time that application has had a chance to work yet still doesn't control the weeds; it's too late for treatment with any other post-emergence herbicide. Because of these problems, it has become more important than ever to diligently scout fields for weed escapes and treat them with alternative products. Please understand, we are not recommending the elimination of glyphosate from your herbicide program, it is still very effective on many of our weed species. However, if glyphosate resistant weeds are a possibility on your farm, partner glyphosate with other pre-plant, pre-emergence, and post-emergence herbicides.

TFWC Spring Convention set March 28 in Abilene

The Texas Federation of Womens Clubs Mesquite District will hold the Spring Convention Sat., March 28 at the MCM Elegante Suites, 4250 Ridgemont Dr., Abilene, with Haskell Progressive Study Club as hostesses. Registration is

\$7.00 and will be at 8:30 a.m. Executive session will also be at 8:30 a.m. The general session will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Lunch will be Dutch treat at the Remington Restaurant at noon, located in the MCM Elegante Suites. The Mesquite District is composed of clubs

from Merkel, Stamford, Albany, Cisco and Haskell. District president is Carolyn Waller of Albany.

Kim Huggins from the Noah Project will be guest speaker, speaking on "Teen Dating Awareness Relating to Domestic Violence." District Awards for club projects and programs for the 2014 year will be awarded.

A memorial celebration will be held in memory of club members deceased in 2014.

Josselet reunion set

The Josselet family reunion will be held at the Haskell Civic Center Sat., April 4.

Registration will be held at 9:00 a.m., beginning a time of fellowship.

Children can enjoy a bouncy house, stick horse rodeo (bring stick horse), and an Easter egg hunt.

Those attending should bring items for the auction.

This year if your family has a registered brand, send a photo of it to Cory Green, 907 N. 10th, Haskell, TX 79521 or Robbie Drinnon/Julia Harrell or text to 940-256-2538.

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Tuesday: Cheese omelet wrap
Wednesday: Cereal choice, toast
Thursday: Waffles, sausage
Friday: Cinnamon roll, bacon

Lunch
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Country fried steak with gravy, roll, mashed potatoes, green beans, strawberry cup
Tuesday: Beef and cheese chalupas, salsa, salad, refried beans, applesauce
Wednesday: Pizza, salad, California blend, veggies, apple slices
Thursday: Chicken fajita tacos, salsa, baby carrots with ranch, corn, oranges
Friday: Popcorn chicken, roll, zesty cucumbers, sweet potato fries, sliced peaches

Paint Creek School Menu

March 23-27 Breakfast
Milk and juice are served daily.
Monday: Strudel
Tuesday: Biscuits, eggs
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls
Thursday: Pancake sticks
Friday: Breakfast burritos

Lunch
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Hamburgers, fries, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Baked potatoes, ham, cheese, salad, snowball salad
Wednesday: Pizza sticks, salad, baby carrots, fruit
Thursday: Meatloaf, green beans, mashed potatoes, rolls, pineapples
Friday: BBQ on bun, chips, beans, brownies

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Haskell School Menu

March 23-27 Breakfast
Milk variety and 100% fruit juice is available at every meal.
Monday: Chicken-n-waffles or cereal variety and toast
Tuesday: Breakfast club or cereal variety and toast
Wednesday: Texas toast, scrambled eggs or cereal variety and toast
Thursday: Muffin, yogurt or cereal variety
Friday: Breakfast pizza or cereal variety and toast

Lunch
Milk variety is available at every meal.

Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, carrot coins, sliced peaches, breadstick, chocolate or vanilla pudding
Tuesday: Two crispy tacos with Spanish rice, garden salad, charro beans, salsa, cinnamon apples
Wednesday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, savory green beans, roll, strawberries and bananas
Thursday: Teriyaki beef sandwich, baked potato chips, broccoli bites, garden salad, orange smiles
Friday: Hot dog, sweet potato fries, cucumber dippers, fresh fruit

ECC Menu

Mon., March 23 Meatballs with tomato gravy, creamed potatoes, pinto beans, hot rolls, triple fudge with white icing, tea or coffee
Wed., March 25 Baked fish, hush puppies, blackeyed peas, corn, misc.

dessert tea or coffee
Fri., March 27 Hamburger steak, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, misc. dessert, tea or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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