Football

HASKELL JV-V Indians vs Merkel Thurs., Aug. 24, 6:00 p.m. at Merkel (Scrimmage) PAINT CREEK **Pirates vs Woodson** Fri., Aug. 25, 6:00 p.m. at Paint Creek (Scrimmage) RULE **Bobcats vs Spur** Fri., Aug. 25 7:30 p.m. at Spur (Scrimmage) Calendar

Hunter ed course A Texas Hunter Education Course will be held Sat., Aug. 26 at the Rochester Vo-Tech Campus Cafeteria, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Dove season begins the following weekend and this is a good time to get those Texas hunters certified. Anyone that is not currently Hunter Education Certified and is a minimum of 9 years of age on Sat., Aug. 26 and desires to hunt in Texas is eligible for the course. Please contact Monty Moeller 940-841-1695 mmoeller@haskell.esc14. net or Dallas Willis 903-393-3273 dwillis@haskell. esc14.net for registration and requirements.

Pool hours

The Haskell City Pool will be open Sat., Aug. 26 and Sat., Sept. 2 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for ages 4 years to 17 years; and 3 and under free. For more information, call City Hall at 940-864-2333

Jamaica

St. George Catholic Church, Haskell, will hold their annual Jamaica fund-raiser Sept. 17 on the church grounds from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Some activities include bingo, silent auction, cake walk, volleyball tournament, cow pattie bingo, air castle and train rides. Sno-cones, funnel cakes, Mexican food,



Haskell CISD welcomes 550 students to school

by Caron Yates

While it may seem to many that school was just dismissed for the summer, those bells, signaling the beginning of the new school year, have rung. With that comes excitement and anticipation for another successful school year.

Haskell CISD, led by Superintendent Bill Alcorn, beginning his tenth year at the helm, reports a first day enrollment of 550 students, with 286 reported at the elementary, 108 junior high students and 156 in attendance at the high school.

Working in the central office again this year will be Brenda Turner, business manager; Lisa Teague, financial assistant; Billie Lindsey, PEIMS coordinator; and Michelle Thane, programs director.

Haskell Elementary principal Jim Lisle, now in his forty-second year in education, looks forward to another great year. There are several new faces on the elementary staff this year, including Mandy Hodnett, Barry McBroom and Kayla Woods, all in third grade; Kelly Buske, kindergarten; Mary Drury, fourth writing and fifth English; Tammie Boggs returns to fifth grade; and Leslie Crosson will be an instructional aide.

are Peggy Adams, PEIMS and continue with programs and attendance, Cristal Masias, strategies that have proven who will be taking care of encourage all parents to be medical needs and required paperwork for all Haskell CISD students. Vanessa Shiplett has moved into the counselor position, while Jacklyn Wheatley and Stacy Medford will work in the library on both campuses. Special programs personnel include Pam Gibson, music teacher; Debbie Miller, computer lab; Erin Watson, 4th & 5th science lab; Tiffany Thomas and Missy Burson, P.E.; and Burson also coaches; Vicki Bullard and Donita Hudgens are SpEd teachers and are assisted by Nora Andrada, Crosson and Creora Scheets; Patsy Blakley is overseeing the RTI program and is supported by Deanna Jordan and Becky

be teaching the Head Start Melissa Tatum, additionally Hodgin, Consumer Science Wittenborn serves as the Head Start Family Service Worker. Faye Urich, aided by Kayla Rodriguez, will teach the PPCD and Pre-K3 students, while Loutina White and Vickie Josselet continue in the Pre-K4 classroom.

Kindergarten teachers will be Susan Cox, Judy Washburn and Buske. Joni Bullock, Peggy Darden and Annette Cummings serve as first grade teachers, while Rhonda Hanson, LaKay Caparoon and Donna Waggoner have teaching duties in second grade. Hodnett, McBroom and Woods lead the learning for third grade.

Wendi Parks and Drury will instruct in the fourth grade classrooms, and rounding out the elementary are fifth grade teachers Jacy West, Boggs and Erin Watson who will also have a fifth grade homeroom, in addition to the science lab.

Tommy Rodriguez, custodian, will again keep the elementary campus in good running order. Preparing and serving two meals each day will be Belinda Guadalcazar, Mary Villerreal, Martha Ozuna and Julia Aguilar.

Lisle says, "We look forward Among the returning staff to another great year. We will

math; and Keith Medford.

sixth and eighth science, while Chet Forehand teaches seventh science and has coaching duties. Tully Brown, the boys' head basketball coach, will is taught by Kristi Gibson who instruct junior high computer classes.

Heading up the Special Education department is Tara Hollingsworth, who is joined by Shannon Eddleman and Michelle Edwards, as well as paraprofessionals Tammy Crosson, Karen Smart, Misti Bart Parham and is aided by Isbell and Janie Saucedo, who will also work in the jr. high library.

Vickie Bredthauer, include adding Chrombooks to more classrooms, going back to one lunch period and needs of students are met at the encouraging a closed campus for safety concerns.

forward to another great year here at Haskell Jr. High. We registration, will handle the have been fortunate enough the last few years to build a works in the ISS, or in-school positive and caring atmosphere. suspension program. John We pray that God will continue Rutkowski will once again to bless us in that way and give keep the network of computers, us direction for being positive servers, printers and phones in influences on young people. We want parents to see our school in a positive light as well, educators for children."

program, while Melyn teaching Theatre Arts and teacher is Laurie McBroom and computer teacher and Julie Alvarez will instruct head baseball coach is Kevin Compton. Amanda Hadaway is the information technology and accounting teacher.

> Yearbook and graphic arts also moved to the high school campus from the elementary science lab, and all levels of band are led by band director Mike Aston, assisted by New. Belinda Lytle is the high school counselor.

Maintenance supervisor is Robert Acosta, Luz Diaz and Edie Strickland. Zef Perez is the grounds supervisor, while Plans for this school year Daryl McGhee continues as transportation supervisor.

Making sure the nutritional secondary will be Edgwyna Flores, Becky Howeth, Rayma Colley says, "We look Swinney and Minnie Camacho. Tina Adams, PEIMS and office duties, while Lupe Rivera working order.

York added, "Haskell High School had many successes as we are in a partnership as last year and I expect as many or more this year. Haskell has a very good school system. Principal Jeff York, in his We have great students, great secretary and Christi Wheat, successful." Lisle and his staff sixth year at Haskell High parents, and great teachers. School, says his staff is in place Our faculty really pulls together to ensure that an excellent educational experience is being provided for our students. We as Athletic Director. He comes encourage participation in extra curricular events, all the while knowing that a busy student is school, will be Blake Eddleman, a good student. We want every Billy Beddingfield, Hunter student to find a niche that is Dean and Medford. Eddleman, right for them and to pursue Dean and Beddingfield also it with vigor. We are proud of our students and proud of our Heading the Special school and we want to showcase them at every opportunity. Our vision statement says that 'we Michelle Edwards, Shannon are dedicated to becoming the Eddleman and Camin Pittman. envy of west Texas' and I believe They join Judy Foster, who we move closer to that mark

campus has proven to be a very successful endeavor. Monty Moeller continues as director of the program and is joined by Dallas Willis and Katherine Shannon, instructors.

Moeller says, "Students from Benjamin ISD, Haskell CISD, Knox City/O'Brien CISD, Munday CISD and Rule ISD traveled to the VoTech Center in Rochester to attend classes in Nursing and Welding/ Mechanical areas."

The VoTech Center will again offer students CPR and ten hour O.S.H.A. Safety Certifications. Nursing students will work towards Certified Nurse Assistant Certificates. Dual credit welding will again be offered to welding/ mechanical students as well as welding certifications.

The VoTech Center had eighteen seniors to graduate from the two combined programs last year. Six students graduated from the Nursing Program with a Certified Nurse Assistant Certificate. One of which worked Home Health and another as a CNA this summer. All six are enrolled to attend Vernon College School of Nursing this fall semester to continue their education.

Twelve seniors graduated from the welding/mechanical program. Three of these students are working locally in vocational/technical areas, another is working for a wind power company, another for a sign construction company in Houston, two are in the military, one is enrolled in the TSTC Diesel Program and all others will study in the TSTC Welding Program. Last year all welding/ mechanical students attending the VoTech Center graduated with O.S.H.A. Safety Certifications and some achieved Welding Certifications. All nursing graduates are CPR certified. "Making a difference in the lives of today's students and tomorrow's future," that's the goal of Haskell CISD. A goal that is attainable through the commitment of school staff, students and parents working together.

nachos and Frito pie are a few of the foods that will be available. Prizes and more prizes to win, so, come join us for a fun-filled family day.

laste of Country

The Noah Project's Taste of Country/Silent Auction will be held Tues., Sept. 19 at the Haskell Civic Center. Tickets are \$15. The auction will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The dinner will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. To purchase tickets, call 864-2551 or go by the office on the third floor of the Haskell County Courthouse.

Car seat check-up

A car seat check-up event will be held Thurs., Sept. 21 from10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church, 1600 N. 1st St., in Haskell.For more information, call TxDOT at 325-676-6808 or Texas A&M AgriLife Ext. Service-Darlene Hopkins at 940-864-2658.



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Molly Salazar, assisted by Olivia McGaughey, will

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child's education, by taking year. advantage of all opportunities to be involved.

According to Haskell Junior High principal Kent Colley, there are some personnel changes on the junior high campus as well.

Longtime teacher Cathy Bartley has decided to rejoin the teaching force and will teach language arts, along with April Colley and Amy Sloan.

Teresa New continues to run the junior high front office.

In the math department are Monica Shelton, Tracy Frierson and Teresa Martinez. Martinez will also be the junior high counselor. Instructing Social Studies are Jodi Andress, who also teaches the RTI program;



TEAM WORK-Haskell Indians work together to bring down the Seymour ball carrier.

active participants in their and ready for the new school

Brian Hodnett will take over to Haskell from Jacksboro ISD. Teaching social studies in high have coaching duties.

Education department is Sharla Skiles. She is assisted by will again run the ASPIRE everyday." program, which is a credit recovery program.

Bevel, who serves as head of the department, Jerry Cannon and William Russell. John Foster, head teacher, is joined by Betsy Coleman and Jerri Shelly, and will continue the push for the science department, while Jennifer Roewe who moves over from the elementary campus, Jill Druesedow and Caryl Compton are teaching English and journalism. Lolo Martinez continues as the Spanish teacher, but will also coach.

Other enrichment programs include Ag Science taught by Kenny Cockerell and Missy

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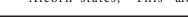
Superintendent Bill Alcorn says the Haskell CISD school board called for a bond election at their August 17 board meeting.

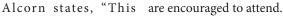
The bond election, if it is passed, will provide significant upgrades to the district's campuses.

A community bond meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 28th in the Haskell High School auditorium, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

will be the first of about four community meetings between now and the November 7 election. We expect to have informational flyers ready to hand out at this meeting."

It is important for voters to have all the facts concerning the bond election. This is your opportunity to learn the specifics and have your questions answered. All individuals living in the Haskell CISD school district





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Child Find

Attention parents: If you are a resident of any of the following school districts: Benjamin ISD, Knox City-O'Brien CISD, Munday CISD, Paint Creek ISD or Rule ISD Haskell-Knox Shared Service Arrangement (HKSSA) in cooperation with the school districts it represents (see above) are holding some screenings for children 3-5 years of age whose parents have concerns of the developmental level(s) where their child functions.

If you have concerns in any of the following areas with your child who is 3 or older and not yet in kindergarten: *Mental, *Learning, *Speech, *Motor, and/or *Emotional skills please call HKSSA to set up an appointment. The office number is 940-658-3587.

Once an appointment time is set, you will be asked to bring your child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record with you and the child on the day of the appointment.

If your child is under the age of 3 years old and you have concerns with their development; then you are encouraged to contact Little Lives-ECI at 1-800-852-2193 for their program.

GARY JOHNSON

Funeral services for Gary Eldo Johnson, 61, longtime resident of Haskell, were held Sat., Aug. 19 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Robert Wingrove officiating. Burial was at New Hope Cemetery in Jones of Smith Family Funeral Homes, Haskell.

Obituaries

Gary Eldo Johnson

Aug. 17.

Born Oct. 20, 1955 in Temple, he was the son of Franciene (Baker) and Elbert Ruffin Johnson. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelors Degree in Business and followed with DPS Training. He married the love of his life, Charlotte Smith, Jan. 1, 2009 in Stamford. Gary was appointed as a DPS Special Ranger upon his retirement. He enjoyed playing golf, watching football, playing with his grandkids and spending time with friends and family. Gary was a member of Haskell Co. Country Club and Retired Trooper's Association.

He is preceded in death County under the direction by his father, Elbert Johnson.

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte Johnson of Mr. Johnson passed away Haskell; mother, Franciene

peacefully at home Thurs., Johnson of Haskell; brother, Jerrell "Judo" Johnson and wife Emily of Marble Falls; four sons, Toby Johnson and wife Alexandra of Jackson, Tennessee, Blade Johnson of Lexington, Tennessee, Justin Arendall and wife Amanda of Haskell, and Matthew Arendall and wife Natasha of Weatherford; daughter, Audra Arendall of Stamford; 12 grandchildren, Casey Arendall, Garrett Arendall, Makayla Arendall, Ethan Arendall, Levi Arendall, Brooklynn Johnson, Vaydin Arendall, Cam Arendall, Kaylee Johnson, Macey Arendall, Hannah Arendall, and Brayden Johnson; aunt, Nelwyn Johnson of Temple, and a host of cousins and lifelong friends.

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

Helen 'Mammie' Allison

Sun., Aug. 20.

Born Dec. 27, 1927 in Colorado City, she was the daughter of Floy (Humphries) and John James Griggs. Roddy. She married Wallace Allison Feb. 12, 1948 in Stamford. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, and she enjoyed playing bridge with the Golden Girls. She loved to cook and wrote three cookbooks: Happiness is Homemade, Mammie's Feeding the Flock, and Mammie's Home Cookin'. Helen always helped others by doing good deeds whenever possible.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Floy (Humphries) Roddy; father, Family Funeral Homes, Rule. John Roddy; husband,

Mrs. Allison passed away Wallace Allison; daughter, Brenda Griggs; greatgranddaughter, Blakelee Allison; brother, Rusty Roddy; and son-in-law,

> Survivors include her son, John Allison and wife Celinda of Gardendale; daughter, Jan Briles and husband Art of Horseshoe Bay; three grandsons, Craig Griggs and wife Connie, Johnathan Allison and wife Sharla, and Kendal Briles and wife Sarah; four granddaughters, Kayla Allison, Jancy Briles, Brooke Griggs, and Staley Lebby and husband Jeff; and six greatgrandchildren.

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NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED **PROPERTY TAX RATE** FOR **CITY OF RULE**

HELEN ALLISON Funeral services for Helen

'Mammie' Allison, 89, a long time resident of Rule, were held Wed., Aug. 23 at First Baptist Church, Rule with Rev. Scott Hensley officiating. Burial was at Rule Cemetery under the direction of Smith

This Week's Devotional Message:



There is no greater expression friendship. Visit the old and the of faith than the translation of sick; talk to them, read to them,

it into good deeds; the sharing run errands for them, give a ride of our blessings with those less fortunate than ourselves. However, Remember that the finest gift of all the concept of sharing goes far beyond the mere distribution of our material wealth to the poor; it also includes the gift of your true spirit of giving by attending time, patience, understanding and your church.

to someone who is in need of it. is that of yourself, given quietly and without fanfare; and you will be the better for it. Learn more about the

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

Greater Independent ·---HASKELL---· **Baptist Church East Side Baptist Church** Terry Bunch, pastor Ollie Johnson, pastor Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a.., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p. Sun. 9:30 a, 11:00 a, 6:30 p; Wed. 7 p 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell 600 N. 1st East, Haskell 940-863-4405 Christian Church **New Covenant Foursquare** Sun. 10:45 a.m. Bill and Renee Glass, pastors 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

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.

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 Omegs 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 **O'Brien**

You live your faith when you share with others

Rev. David White, pastor unday 9:30 a Worshin 10: 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 Consemino Sat. Mass 7 p.m.: Sun. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, 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

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

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 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** Terry Moffect, Interim 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

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A tax rate of \$.566558 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Rule.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$.566558 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$.525800 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$.566558 per \$100

This rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the City can adopt before requiring voter approval. The City will conduct two public meetings at city hall, one at 7:00 a.m. on September 8, 2017 and the other at 7:00 a.m. on September 14, 2017. The City is scheduled to vote and/or adopt the proposed tax rate in a public meeting at city hall on September 21, 2017 at 7:00 a.m.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS: property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

> For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact: Leah Robertson City of Rule tax assessor-collector P.O. Box 467, Haskell, TX 79521 940-864-3805 lrobertson@haskellcad.com



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

by Darlene Hopkins, CEA-FCS, Haskell Co.



MADILYN MOORE Silver Star Award

Haskell Co. 4-H Awards Banquet On Sat., Aug. 19, Haskell County 4-H held its annual Awards Banquet at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center. Over seventy-five 4-Hers, adult leaders and supporters were in attendance with County Extension Agents Jason Westbrook and Darlene Hopkins. Senior 4-H Club President, Kenna Ferguson, was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

Haskell Co. 4-H Club officers for the 2016-17 year are Kenna Ferguson, Senior 4-H Club president; Bailey Hawkins, vice president; Jaycee Ferguson, secretary; Riley Sloan, reporter; Jami Leonard, parliamentarian; and Zhenia McTasney, health & safety officer. Hadley Sloan, Junior 4-H Club president; Grant Ferguson, 1st vice president; Madilyn Moore, 2nd vice president; Shalee Dunnam, 3rd vice president; Nathan Martin, 4th vice president; Colton Gober, secretary; Evan Enriquez, reporter; Spencer Martin, parliamentarian; and Colton Hopkins, health & safety officer.

4-H'ers receiving Project Pin Awards for completing project record forms for their respective projects were Public Speaking, Hadley Sloan; Rabbits, Shelby Miller; Poultry, Madysen Salinas, Spencer Martin and Nathan Martin; Leadership, Madilyn Moore; Swine, Grant Ferguson; Health, Bailey Hawkins and Colton Hopkins; Goats, Madilyn Moore; Foods & Nutrition, Colt Moore, Shalee Dunnam, Codie Salinas and Madysen Salinas; Personal Development, Hadley Sloan; Shooting Sports, Evan Enriquez and Colton Hopkins: Photography, Shalee Dunnam; Citizenship, Shalee Dunnam. Haskell County 4-H members recognized for completing Record Books with trophy plaques were Colton Hopkins, Health; Shalee Dunnam, Citizenship; Madilyn Moore, Leadership; Hadley Sloan, Personal Development; Riley Sloan, Public Speaking; Bailey Hawkins, Health; Nathan Martin, Poultry; Spencer Martin, Poultry. Also receiving certificates of recognition for their involvement in the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Project were Madilyn Moore, Colton Hopkins, Shalee Dunnam, Nathan Martin, Kenna Ferguson, Jaycee Ferguson, Grant Ferguson, Spencer Martin, Evan Enriquez and Bailey Hawkins. Without the enthusiasm, support and dedication of our 4-H leaders the 4-H program would not be as successful as it is. Dale Bullinger, Joey Kimbrough, Leiza Morales, Terri Klose, Cherie and Darrel Dutton, Amy and Lance Sloan, Tammi Hawkins, Keith Hannsz, Shawn and Jamie Ferguson, Michelle Thane, Wes Alsabrook, Carl Hopkins, Randall and Amy Martin, Steve King, Michelle Moore, Eric and Marissa Drager, Joey and Elaina Mathis, Hew Carmichael, Paul and Jami Leonard, Misty Addington, Bette Enriquez, Sara Salinas and Megan Cox were recognized. The Friend of 4-H Award is given annually to an individual or group of individuals who have shown dedication and support to the Haskell County 4-H program. This year's recipient is Dale Bullinger. The Outstanding 4-H Leader Award was presented to Lance Sloan for his dedication and hard work as a 4-H leader. He is always willing to lend his time and expertise to the 4-H program.



SHALEE DUNNAM Silver Star Award

where both the parents and the 4-H members are actively involved in several areas of the 4-H program. The Marc and Michelle Thane family were recognized for all their support, dedication and faithfulness to the Haskell County 4-H program with the Outstanding 4-H Family Award.

Each year the Rookie of the Year Award is given to one first year 4-H member who has shown excellence in 4-H work. The 2016-2017 Rookie of the Year Award was given to Spencer Martin.

To be eligible for the Bronze Award, the member must have completed at least two years in 4-H,



SPENCER MARTIN Rookie of the Year



COLTON HOPKINS Bronze Star Award

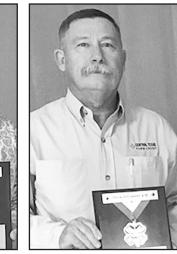
submit a record book, completed at least two projects, exhibited leadership skills and participated in one or more community service opportunities. Colton Hopkins has exceeded these criteria, therefore is the Bronze Star winner.

The Danforth "I Dare You" Award is offered to 4-H members as recognition of excellence in character and well-balanced personal development as well as leadership skills. This year's Danforth "I Dare You" Award went to Bailey Hawkins.

The Silver Star Award is the second highest award a 4-H member can receive from the county and



LANCE SLOAN Outstanding 4-H Leader



DALE BULLINGER Friend of 4-H

Notice of Effective Tax Rate 2017 Property Tax Rates in Haskell County Hospital District

This notice concerns 2017 property tax rates for Haskell County Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes



BAILEY HAWKINS Danforth "I Dare You Award"

can be awarded only once in a member's 4-H career. Shalee Dunnam and Madilyn Moore have shown excellence in leadership and citizenship as well as excelling in many other areas of 4-H as the winners of the Haskell Co. 4-H Silver Star Award.

We live in a loving and giving town that thrives when the youth are active and strong. Without these businesses, the banquet would not have been possible, Central Texas Farm Credit, Haskell National Bank, First Bank Texas, Vista Bank, Capital Farm Credit and Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District.



OUTSTANDING 4-H FAMILY Michelle and Marc Thane and Shalee



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We are very fortunate in Haskell County to have several 4-H families as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 property value.

LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$	923,361.00	
Last year's debt taxes	\$	0.00	
Last year's total taxes	\$	923,361.00	
Last year's tax base	\$ \$	464,467,485.00	
Last year's total tax rate	\$.1988/\$100	
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	923,361.00	
+ This year's adjusted tax base		,	
(after subtracting value of new property)	\$	400,970,025.00	
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.230281/\$100	
(Maximum rate unless taxing unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)			
In the first year a hospital district collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.			
- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$	0/\$100	
= Effective tax rate	\$.230281/\$100	
 THIS YEAR'S ROLL BACK TAX RATE: Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures) This year's adjusted tax base This year's effective operating rate x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate 	\$	957,668.00 400,970,025.00 .238837/\$100 .257943/\$100	
+ This year's debt rate	\$	0/\$100	
= This year's rollback rate	\$.257943/\$100	
A hospital district that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:			
- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$	0/\$100	
= Rollback tax rate	\$.257943/\$100	
For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:			
+ Additional rollback rate for pollution control	\$	0/\$100	
= Rollback tax rate	\$.257943/\$100	

STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If Haskell Memorial Hospital District adopts a 2017 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.230281 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2017 taxes by \$3.14.

SCHEDULE E – ENHANCED INDIGENT HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURES

The Haskell County Hospital District spent \$69,563.00 from 8/1/16 to 7/31/17 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$34,307.00.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:

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Haskell School Menu

Aug. 28-Sept. 1 Breakfast

1% milk, fat-free flavored milk, 100% fruit juice variety and fruit are available at every meal.

Weekly: Cereal, toast, PBJ, muffin, yogurt, cereal bar Monday: Pancakes, sausage Tuesday: Sunrise sandwich Wednesday: French toast, sausage

Thursday: Breakfast bread Pre-K, Breakfast strudel K-12, yogurt Friday: Breakfast burrito, hash browns

Lunch

Milk variety is available at every meal.

Monday: Steak fingers, carrot coins, strawberries and bananas, roll Tuesday: Spaghetti bowl,

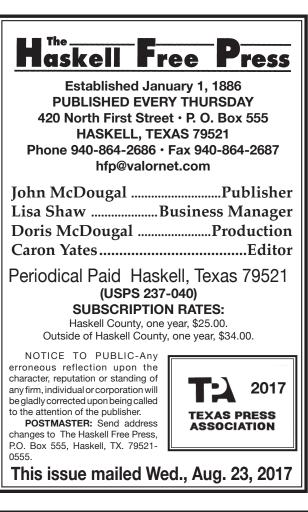
breadstick, garden salad K-12, California blend veggies, sliced peaches, Fruit, juice and milk are pudding K-12

Wednesday: Boneless chicken wings, celery sticks, carrot sticks, orange smiles, brownie K-12 Thursday: Chicken quesadilla, corn, refried beans, salsa, lettuce and tomato garnish, peaches

Friday: Popcorn chicken, broccoli bites, roll, oven fries, fresh fruit

Fourth Sunday

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



NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR

Rule School Menu

Aug. 28-Sept. 1 Breakfast

offered daily. Monday: Kolache, yogurt

Tuesday: Breakfast taquitos Wednesday: Waffles, sausage Thursday: Pizza Friday: French toast, sausage Lunch

Milk is served daily. Monday: Chicken drumsticks, baby carrots, corn, grapes,



by Jimi Coplen, DCOH safely. Our goal is to feature

your building for **Possibilities Tour**

Haskell Homecoming is slated for Oct. 20-21. During this memorable weekend, the DCOH will be hosting a Possibilities Tour to showcase available buildings around town. We would like for our visitors to be able to walk about the endless business possibilities available right here in Haskell.

and building owners to participate with the DCOH and answer questions about cost, square footage, and showing their building during this time. If you are unable to show your building, we will help find people to do that for you. Also, don't worry too much about how the space looks. hometown and many dream We aren't expecting every space to be in tip-top shape. But we will need some room for people to move around

cookie, Texas toast Tuesday: Frito pie, veggie cup, charro beans, salsa, apple pineapple delite, salad Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, roll, salad,

veggies, pears Thursday: Hot dogs, French

fries, baby carrots, orange smiles Friday: Pulled pork sliders,

coleslaw, green beans, pineapples



DCOH needs

or lease; however, even if a building is not for sale, but an owner/manager would like to showcase it on the tour, we

are happy to add them. An example would be someone who has done renovations, or changed up the space in some way that people who through buildings and think have ties to Haskell would enjoy seeing.

buildings that are for sale

The tour is scheduled for Saturday afternoon (Oct. 21) In order to prepare for from 2-5 p.m. We will create this event, we need realtors a map that people can pick up prior to going on the tour. We would also like some of our older population in town to be in each building to tell the stories about what was there before. These stories and history are the reason some people invest in these spaces. They love the back-story.

People love their of coming back someday. We want to provide them with information to help them make that decision. Some will simply want to take a trip down memory lane, and that is also fantastic. They will tell their friends and help us about Haskell.

After the event, we will have a gathering point with refreshments for a discussion Hospital Clinic, Haskell's about what people saw and newest medical facility. Dr.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago August 23, 2007

Homer T. Melton will be honored by a Texas Ranger Memorial Cross ceremony, in commemoration of his service rendered and sacrifices made. Texas Ranger Melton was born in Goree and lived most of his life in Benjamin. A peace officer for many years, he served as a Texas Ranger for thirteen years.

Dana Billington of Haskell graduated from the Vernon College Department of Vocational Nursing. The program prepares students to take the licensing exam.

Jane Rowan, Haskell County Extension Agent, presented a program on "What to Keep and What to Throw Away: A Guide to Keeping Food Safe" to members of the Haskell Co. EEA Club.

20 Years Ago August 21, 1997

James Bevel, agricultural science teacher at Haskell High School, has met a milestone. Bevel received the 35 year Tenure Award by the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas. He has taught at Haskell 15 of those 35 years.

Craig Rogers of Rochester, operator of Brazos Irrigation, is now the Valley dealer for Haskell and Knox Counties and the surrounding area.

30 Years Ago August 20, 1987

They were born a few minutes apart, and they haven't been far away from each other since. Speck and Rody Sorenson will celebrate birthday number 82 next week. They moved with their family to Haskell County in 1919. The brothers farmed in generate some positive buzz the Mattson area, being close enough to help each other.

> An open house has been scheduled for the new

Henderson of Haskell, received a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education during commencement at McMurry College.

Mrs. J.N. Cornelius, assisted by Dale Lewis, Mrytle Kutch, Verna Neal and Sammie Ellis, hosted a "come as you are" coffee for the ladies of the Rule First United Methodist Church.

Steve Harper, a 1966 graduate of Haskell High School, a 1970 graduate of McMurry College, and a 1973 graduate of Asbury Theological Seminary, has been awarded a John Wesley Fellowship to pursue doctoral studies in theology at Duke University.

50 Years Ago August 24, 1967

Patricia Jewell, eighteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jewell of Haskell was crowned Miss Hey-Day of 1967. First runner-up was Deborah Darnell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Darnell of Haskell, while second runner-up was Kay Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Newton of Weinert.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stark of Perry Motor Company of Haskell, were in Dallas for a preview of the 1968 Dodge, Chrysler and Plymouth lines.

Jill Adkins, seven-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Adkins of Haskell, was crowned "Little Miss Hey-Day." Sherry Sloan, ten-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sloan of Rochester was first runner-up and Deborah Sears, eight-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sears of Haskell was second runner-up.

90 Years Ago August 25, 1927

By far the best game that has been played in Haskell in several years between Woodson and Haskell, was witnessed by a good crowd. Rogers on the mound for

PROPOSED **PROPERTY TAX RATE** FOR **CITY OF O'BRIEN**

A tax rate of \$0.494493 per \$100 valuation has been

proposed by the governing body of City of O'Brien.

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.494493 per \$100 PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE \$0.504184 per \$100 \$0.494493 per \$100 EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

This effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of O'Brien from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS: property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

> For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact: Haskell County Appraisal District Leah Robertson, tax assessor-collector 604 N. 1st Street, Haskell, TX 79521 or P.O. Box 467, Haskell, TX 79521 940-864-3805 Irobertson@haskellcad.com www.haskellcad.com

envisioned in those spaces. We will also be sharing photos and articles after the event. We will continue to answer follow up questions received a Master's of that people have long after Education degree from the weekend is over. We want Abilene Christian University. to get people talking and dreaming about possibilities Tri-County Consortium as in these spaces.

We will have a meeting with interested parties in September to go over more details. If you have a building in Haskell that you would like to feature on the tour, please call the DCOH at 940-864-3424 to get on our list-even if you aren't 100% decided, still get on our list. Also, if you would like to be a person who shares the history of a certain building, let us know. Milk, juice, fruit, This is going to be a fun event cinnamon toast and cereal and a great opportunity to are served daily. feature Haskell.

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.

Joe Thigpen and Dr. Bill Woodson, allowed only four the new clinic.

Leesa Drinnon Toliver She will be working for the an educational diagnostician. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleatus Drinnon.

> 40 Years Ago August 25, 1977

of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur

McSmith will practice out of singles, but three of them came in the fifth inning, which gave Haskell the one run of the game. Richard Bischofhausen, on the mound for Haskell, was the sensation of the game. His good mound work aided by his broad smile won the game. He allowed only four scattered singles and was credited with 11 strike-outs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Cox Janie Stone, daughter have returned from a visit of several weeks in Sweetwater.

Paint Creek School Menu

Aug. 28-31 Breakfast

Monday: Pancakes, bacon Tuesday: Sunrise sandwich

Wednesday: French toast, sausage

Thursday: Maple brown smiles brownies sugar oatmeal

Lunch

Milk is served daily. Monday: Steak fingers,

gravy, dinner roll, mashed potatoes, carrots, strawberries and bananas Tuesday: Spaghetti bowl, breadstick, garden salad, California blend veggies, pudding

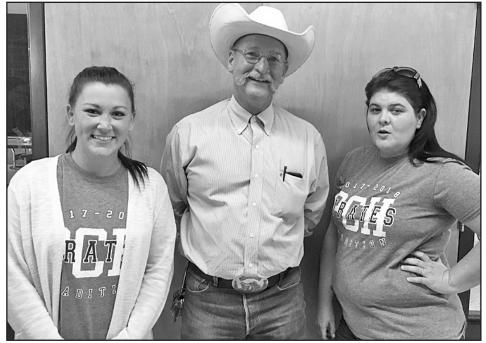
Wednesday: Pirate chili, cornbread, celery sticks, carrot sticks, orange

Thursday: Chicken quesadilla, Spanish rice, Mexicali corn, refried beans, salsa, sliced peaches





NEW TEACHERS-New teachers at Paint Creek school this year include, I-r, Malcolm Carpenter, math teacher and coach; Evan Cardwell, Junior High English, history and coach; Amy Cardwell, Junior High and High School English Language Arts; and Brooke Davis, third grade.



SUPPORT STAFF-Paint Creek ISD welcomes three new support staff members this fall. Kasey Delmasso, left, will serve as an aide. Stan Terrell, center, will serve as maintenance director. Annie Blair, right, will also serve as an aide.

Triple Threat Tournament rescheduled for Sept. 16

Due to storms moving fee of \$20 per team, teams of through the area last two will compete for a first at the park in Haskell. It is Saturday, Keep Haskell Beautiful rescheduled the Triple Threat Tournament for Saturday, September 16th beginning at 2 p.m. at the Haskell City Park.

Events scheduled will include a volleyball tournament, with teams of six. Entry fee is \$60 per team and the first place team will receive trophies made and sponsored by Steele Fire & to enter one or all three Apparatus.

will be a horseshoe tournament. With an entry

see the Texas Rangers play. City of Haskell.

The triple threat will be a cornhole tournament. Entry 4:30 p.m. or you can prefee is also \$20 for teams of two. First place winners will receive four tickets to see the Texas Rangers, donated by First Bank Texas.

Teams are encouraged competitions, with the team The second competition having the most points from all three events winning a cash prize.

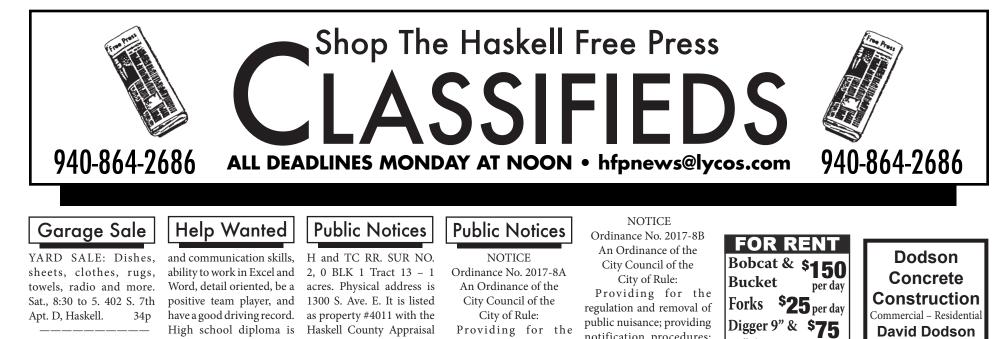
All events will take place place prize of four tickets to recommended that teams bring tents and chairs. A Prizes are donated by the concession stand will be available.

> Registration opens at register online at www. haskelltexasusa.com. For more information call (940)207-1729.

> This will be a great opportunity for competitors and observers as well, to aid the efforts of Keep Haskell Beautiful, which is working to make Haskell better in many different areas.



INDIANS SCRIMMAGE-Yards are gained on a quarterback keeper in Friday night's scrimmage against Seymour. The Indians scrimmage Merkel Thurs., Aug. 24 at 6 p.m. at Merkel.



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Public Notices

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Moeller at 325-668-2033 or Haskell County Judge, David Davis at 940-864-2851. We reserve the right to refuse any and all bids. 33-34c

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at Paint Creek ISD **32 Pirates enroll**

by Caron Yates are ringing across Haskell County. In the southeastern part of the county, Paint Creek ISD is gearing up for another successful year. They had a first day enrollment of 132.

Cheryl Floyd is Education. beginning her second year as superintendent, Roy Gardner continues as principal and Valiene Bullinger serves as counselor.

The office is manned by Sarah McCord, business manager; Jeanie Waters, PEIMS; and Becky Thomas, secretary.

Ready or not, school bells for the elementary level includes Kira Poteet, Pre-K; Amy Jimenez, kindergarten; Chelsea Bullard, first; Tracy Graham, second; Brooke Davis, third; Rene Black, fourth; Victoria Chavez, fifth; and Tammi Hawkins, Special

> Teachers new at the junior high and high school levels are Evan Cardwell, Athletic Director, coach and social studies; Malcolm Carpenter, math and assistant coach; and Amy Cardwell, Language Arts. Completing the teaching staff are Stan Black,

The experienced staff computer classes; Robert Hawkins and Kirk Waters will Cummings, science; Selina carry out custodial duties. Salinas, P.E. and Spanish; Emily Olson, sixth grade and Family and Consumer Science; Jennifer Prichard, history and girls' coach; and Alexis Ender, Ag Science.

> Paraprofessionals helping in the education of students are Annette Stanford, Casey Delmasso and Annie Blair. Charlene Murray is the school nurse.

Preparing and serving meals will be Sheila Terrell and Shanda Southerland, while Stan Terrell will head up maintenance and

Paint Creek ISD met standard on the state accountability ratings and expects to continue that success. Woodworking and welding will be offered this year. They are also planning increased student recognition throughout the year. The school is looking forward to homecoming, which is held every four years, and its related activities on September 30.

Staff, parents and students working together equal another successful year, a technology coordinator and transportation. Sharry worthy goal for every school.

Homecoming Haskell-Mattson-

Rochester-Weinert 2017 homecoming will be held Oct. 20-21. If you have questions, call 806-773-8715. Make your plans to attend.

Operation Recovery

Operation Recovery, a faithbased 12-step meeting, will offer two meetings-Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and Fridays at 7 p.m. at God Loves You Ministries on the west side of the square.



"Home Town SCrVI

ule ISD by Caron Yates

The halls and classrooms at Rule ISD were buzzing with anticipation, as school bells rang signaling the start of a new school year. 142 students were in attendance for the first day of classes.

In the leadership roles are Rick Moeller, in his second year as superintendent, and Tim Holt, also his second year with the district.

Charged with instruction for the elementary grades are Angela Isbell, early childhood and Pre-K; Stephanie Blackburn, kindergarten; Ellen Rieger first grade; Amanda Adkins, second grade; Jessica Hughey, third grade; Vickie Holt, fourth grade; and Leigh Sims, fifth grade.

Haskell Co. **Arrest Report**

No arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of August 14-20:

Forty-one calls were made to 911.

Teaching duties for junior high and high school include Douglas Hughey, social studies and boys' coach; Jimmie Kay Peters, girls' coach and Special Education; Kristi Moeller, junior high English; Shannon Livingston, English; William Barlow math and credit recovery; Katie Nemir, science and Stacie Teague, junior high math and counselor.

Colin Montgemery will teach social studies, P.E. and serve as assistant girls' coach, while Joni Manske teaches Family and Consumer Science and secondary art. Leslie Kupatt will serve as testing coordinator, along with Title I and 504 programs' director.

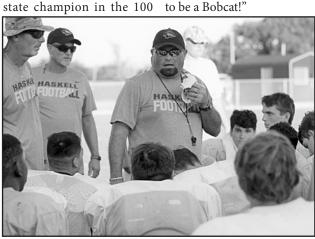
Luis Ramirez will be working maintenance. Paraprofessionals assisting with instruction and other duties are Sally Macias, Kay Lisle, Beverly Adkins and Norma Rios, who will also act as cafeteria director. Preparing and serving meals will be Lisa Saffel and Mary Menchaca.

Central office business manager is Sandy Flores,

while Misty Fritzler serves as the principal's secretary.

Jerry Cannon handles technology for the school district and Charlene Murray is the school nurse.

Principal Holt said, "The school year has started off with a bang. Last year was an awesome year. Boys' football and basketball made the playoffs. The girls' teams showed a tremendous amount of improvement. State qualifiers in track and field resulted in Chase Thompson being crowned state champion in the 100 and 400 meter dashes. Leann Manske qualified in the triple jump and competed very well. Academically Rule continued their climb to the top by finishing in the 2nd quartile of their comparison group, meeting state accountability and having their secondary receive a distinction for postsecondary readiness. Our goal this year is to earn distinctions in every category we can receive an A rating, as well as advance all of athletics and UIL to post-district competition. It is a great time



COACHING INSTRUCTION–Haskell's new athletic director, Brian Hodnett, center, talks with his Indians mid scrimmage Friday night.



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CORRECTED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON TAX INCREASE**

"Haskell County will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 7.99% percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED **PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR**

"The first public hearing will be held on August 28, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Commissioners Courtroom in the Courthouse.

"The second public hearing will be held on August 31, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Commissioners Courtroom in the Courthouse.

"Each of the following Commissioners and Judge voted for the tax increase, Commissioner Bill Hester, Commissioner Kenny Thompson, Commissioner Elmer Adams and Commissioner Neal Kreger. Judge David Davis was absent.

"The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Haskell County last year was \$38,302.92 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.59432 (preceding year's adopted tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$227.64 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

"The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Haskell County this year is \$39,296.93 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.521881 (effective tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$205.08 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

"If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.563579 (proposed tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$221.47 (tax on the average taxable value of a residence in the taxing unit for the current year disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

"Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views."

NOTICE OF TAX REVENUE INCREASE

"Haskell County will conduct public hearings at 5:30 p.m. on August 28, 2017 and at 5:30 p.m. August 31, 2017 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of Haskell County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.99 percent.

"The total tax revenue proposed to be raised last year at last year's tax rate of .5943 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$2,458,087.

"The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.563579 (this amount is corrected) for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$2,651,101.

"The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.563579 (this amount is corrected) for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$2,654,601.

"Haskell County is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 5, 2017 at Haskell County Courthouse at 10 a.m.

'The Haskell County proposes to use the increase in total tax revenue for the purpose of funding unfunded mandates passed as Legislation by the Texas Legislature and unforeseen additional expenses due to the jail closing and the price of services and equipment required to maintain the County Offices and Roads."

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A tax rate of \$.56238 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of City of Haskell. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate. The governing body of City of Haskell proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of performing the duties required by the Texas Constitution, Statues and the citizens of Haskell.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$.56238 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$.56238 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$.589177 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$.827476 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Haskell from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Haskell may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS: property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

> For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact: Leah Robertson, Chief Appraiser Haskell County Appraisal District 604 N. 1st, Haskell, Texas 79521 940-864-3805 www.haskellcad.org

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First Hearing: Monday, August 28, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. at The Council Chambers at 301 South 1st, Haskell, Texas.

Second Hearing: Monday, September 11, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. at The Council Chambers at 301 South 1st, Haskell, Texas