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## Basketball

**HASKELL**  
**JV at Knox City JV Toruney**  
 Jan. 7-9 at Knox City  
**7-8 Girls vs Stamford**  
 Thurs., Jan. 7, 5 p.m.  
 at Stamford  
**7-8 Boys vs Stamford**  
 Thurs., Jan. 7, 5:30 p.m.  
 at Haskell  
**JVG, VG-B vs Stamford**  
 Fri., Jan. 8, 5 p.m.  
 at Haskell  
**7-8 Boys vs Albany**  
 Mon., Jan. 11, 5:30 p.m.  
 at Albany  
**7-8 Girls vs Albany**  
 Mon., Jan. 11, 5:30 p.m.  
 at Haskell  
**JVG-B, VG-B vs Albany**  
 Tues., Jan. 12, 4 p.m.  
 at Albany  
**PAINT CREEK**  
**VG-B vs Rule**  
 Fri., Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m.  
 at Rule  
**VG-B vs Aspermont**  
 Tues., Jan. 12, 6:30 p.m.  
 at Paint Creek  
**RULE**  
**VG-B vs Paint Creek**  
 Fri., Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m.  
 at Rule  
**JH G-B vs Roby**  
 Fri., Jan. 8, 6 p.m.  
 at Rule  
**JH G-B vs Aspermont**  
 Mon., Jan. 11, 6 p.m.  
 at Aspermont  
**VG-B vs Trent**  
 Tues., Jan. 12, 6:30 p.m.  
 at Trent

## Calendar

### Music Jubilee

The Haskell Country Music Jubilee will be held the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at HTS in Haskell. Those interested in playing and listening are encouraged to come and enjoy the fun. Practice sessions are held on Thursday nights at HTS. Parris Pittman will sing at the Music Jubilee Tues., Jan. 12.

### Jr. Livestock Show

The annual Haskell County Junior Livestock Show and Sale will be held Jan. 14-16.

### iPhone/iPad class

The Abilene iPhone/iPad Group will begin 2016 classes Thurs., Jan. 14, at 1 p.m. at the Mockingbird Branch of Abilene Public Library, 1214 N. Mockingbird Lane, Abilene. Classes are free and open to the public. Tom Miller, Mac consultant, trainer and facilitator will present valuable information for new and experienced users of the devices. He is in his fourth year of narrating slide presentations to help users get the benefit of the many functions available for the iPhone and iPad. Other January classes will be Jan. 25 and 28. Sign-in begins at 12:30 p.m. and participants are urged to arrive early because seating is limited to 75. Individual help is available before (12:00) or after (2:30) the class. To receive email notices for future classes, from three to four a month, please send email address to abilenemacuser2@gmail.com or call Barbara Craig Kelly at 325-692-1087. The classes are not library-sponsored. Volunteers are Miller, Kelly, Bob Kolquist and Bill Emery.

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**WATER LEAK**—City crews had a large water leak to repair on the north side of the square Saturday evening, Jan. 2. The break in the 8 inch main line was due to the aging infrastructure and stresses of weather. The City wishes to thank the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department for their help, and the citizens for being understanding during these unpredictable events.

## Haskell Jr. Livestock Show set Jan. 14-16

The annual Haskell County Junior Livestock Show and Sale will be held January 14-16, at the Haskell County Show Barn.

Arrival time and weigh in time for steers, heifers, lambs and goats is Thurs., Jan. 14, by 4 p.m. Poultry and rabbits need to arrive by 5:30 p.m. with the rabbit and poultry show beginning at 7 p.m.

This is the first year there will be a market goat show. Fourteen market goats have been validated for this year's show.

On Friday, Jan. 15, the lamb show will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the goat

and then swine show. The steer show is scheduled for 2 p.m., with heifers to follow.

Judge this year for the swine, lambs, goats and cattle will be Borden County Agricultural Extension Agent Cody Hill. Chris Beard, Ag Science Instructor from Albany ISD, will judge the rabbits and chickens.

Auctioneers and announcers for this year's show will be Keith Medford, John Foster, Kent Colley and Mike Fouts of Haskell and Rex Ford of Stamford.

The premium sale will begin at 11 a.m. on Sat., Jan. 16. Pre-bid sheets may be picked up at the Central

Texas Farm Credit Office at 550 S. 2nd St. in Haskell or call Justin Cox at (325) 370-6571 for sale information.

The Haskell County Judge and Commissioners' Court will again be serving hamburgers both Friday and Saturday. In addition, the Haskell County Extension Education Association (EEA Club) will have a concession stand serving

food and drinks all three days of the show.

Last year's show finished up with a total of ninety-eight exhibitors. The 2015 premium sale brought in \$62,000 to the youth of our county. The 2016 show and sale is expecting 98 exhibitors.

Justin Cox, 2016 president of the Haskell County Junior Livestock

## FD elects officers

Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department held an election of officers Mon., Jan. 4.

Mathew Cunningham was elected Fire Chief. Casey Moeller will serve as Assistant Chief.

Eddie Klose, A.J. Shaw and Jake Alexander will serve as captains. Lieutenants are Alan Merchant, Steven Wright and Tim Wilson.

Jeremy Kirk will be secretary. Assistant secretary is Kim Hutto.

Stephen Wright will serve as treasurer. Jason Isbell will be assistant treasurer.

Felix Rodriguez will be the training officer. Chance Strickland is the assistant training officer.

Donald Cunningham is the safety officer. Kim Hutto will serve as the assistant safety officer.

Jason Isbell was elected chaplain. Assistant chaplain is Jeremy Kirk.

Trustees are Kenny Bullard and Jose Contreras.

Equipment manager is Bobby Scheets. Assistant equipment manager is Chance Strickland.

## Ag Conference to beheld Jan. 19 at Haskell Civic Center

by Jason Westbrook  
 CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

The Rolling Plains Ag Conference is set for Jan. 19 in the Haskell Civic Center, 200 S. Ave. B, Haskell. The program is being presented by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service offices in Haskell, Jones and Knox counties.

The program will begin with registration at 8 a.m. and conclude shortly after 4 p.m. There will be a \$20 registration fee, which includes lunch.

Attendees can earn five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units—one integrated pest management, one drift, one laws and regulations, and two general.

The topics and speakers will be:

- Area Cotton Variety Race Trial Results, Dr. Gaylon Morgan, AgriLife Extension state cotton specialist, College Station.
- Fertility With Crop

Rotation in Cotton, Sesame, Sunflowers and Milo, Dr. Emi Kimura, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Vernon.

- Resistant Weeds, Residual Herbicides and Drift Minimization, Morgan.

- USDA Comments, Shawn Ferguson, U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency county executive director, Haskell

- Integrated Pest Management and the Sugarcane Aphid, Dr. Pat Porter, AgriLife Extension entomologist, Lubbock.

- Economic Outlook and Budgets for Cotton, Sesame, Milo and Sunflowers, Stan Bevers AgriLife Extension economist, Vernon.

- Laws and Regulations, Paul Weiser, Texas Department of Agriculture inspector.

Please RSVP to Haskell County Extension office at 940-864-2658, Jones County Extension office at 325-823-2432 or Knox County at 940-459-2651 by Jan. 13.



**WIN AT COMPETITION**—Rochester VoTech Center welders, I-r, Toby Salazar of Haskell CISD, Briana Rodriguez of Haskell CISD and Alfredo Martinez of Knox City/O'Brien CISD placed in the welding competitions held at Holliday High School Tues., Dec. 8.

## Rochester VoTech welders compete at Holliday meet

On Tues., Dec. 8, several members of the Rochester VoTech Center traveled to Holliday High School Agriculture Department to compete in the annual Holliday FFA welding competition.

Briana Rodriguez of Haskell CISD was the only female in the competition and placed third in the speed cutting competition. Alfredo Martinez of Knox City/O'Brien CISD placed fifth in the pipe welding competition. Toby Salazar of Haskell CISD placed sixth in the flux-core welding competition.

Wed., Dec. 9, the Rochester VoTech Center hosted a tour of the facilities for Region 9 Educational Service Center. Approximately 40 superintendents, principals, and employees from the Region 9 educational area attended.

The VTC partners in education with Vernon College and TSTC to educate students. Representatives of these colleges were also there to explain partnership requirements. Bill Alcorn, superintendent of Haskell CISD, explained how the VTC was formed and

operational procedures. VTC instructors Monty Moeller, Sherri Oseletto and Wes Wicker explained their programs of instruction.

Thurs., Dec. 10, the welding classes of the VTC traveled to TSTC/Breckenridge and toured the campus and welding facility. Students were able to meet TSTC counselors and instructors. Several VTC seniors applied for admissions to TSTC for the Fall 2016 school year during the visit. The VTC of Rochester offers dual credit with TSTC in the welding curriculum.

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## Clear Fork Crime Stoppers 1-800-222-TIPS



## Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Dec. 28-Jan. 4:

Thomas Daniel Tidrow, burglary and assault.

Justin Dewayne Meier, driving while license invalid.

John Edgar Diers, driving while license invalid with previous convictions.

Carlos Rocha Rojas, DWI third or more.

James Rogers Bradley, DUI possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, Throckmorton County.

Thirty-nine calls were made to 911.

## Weather

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

Mon., Dec. 28.....	27°/36°
Tues., Dec. 29.....	30°/41°
Wed., Dec. 30.....	29°/36°
Thurs., Dec. 31.....	29°/36°
Fri., Jan. 1.....	29°/36°
Sat., Jan. 2.....	35°/40°
Sun., Jan. 3.....	35°/54°

## Aggie Moms to meet Jan. 19

The Abilene Area Aggie Moms' Club will meet Tues., Jan. 19 at 6:45 p.m. at the Coldwell Banker Panian & Mash building, 2500 S. Willis, Abilene. A light supper will be served. Dub Prichett will be guest speaker. For more information, contact Shelley Hughes at 325-669-6271 or Emily Meador at 325-864-3902.

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## Obituaries

### Horace Randolph Crawford



**RANDY CRAWFORD**

Memorial services were held Sat., Jan. 2 at St. Peter's United Methodist Church, in Katy, followed by a celebration and remembrance of Randy's life at Bradshaw-Carter Funeral Home in Houston.

Horace Randolph Crawford died of congestive heart failure Dec. 16 in his home with his wife of sixty years and children by his side.

Born March 4, 1928, he was the sixth child of John and Annie Maude Crawford of Haskell. Randy was a man of wisdom, humor, intellect and love. He lived his life with gratitude, grit and grace. He encouraged the people in his life in countless ways and would often say, "be kind to yourself."

After graduating Salutatorian from Haskell High School, he attended Texas Tech University and

earned a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. He was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was selected to teach Radiological Defense to U.S. officers in Gifu, Japan. After being discharged, he worked for Sun Oil briefly, then attended the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated with a Masters and a PhD in Chemical Engineering. More importantly, while at UT, he met his wife to be, Mary Louise Holcomb. She was working in the Chemical Engineering Building, as she pursued her degree in Costume Design at UT. They married in 1955.

Randy and Louise moved to Dallas where Randy went to work for the Western Company followed by Lone Star Gas, then finally in 1979, Conoco in Houston where he worked for 15 years. He retired from Conoco in 1994 but continued to find great joy in his work as a financial analyst and investor. Randy believed that the best investment one could make is in their education. Strong advocates for education, Randy and Louise provided scholarships for over 100 students to attend college. Randy received numerous patents, awards and commendations, including the honors of being named a Legend by

the Society of Petroleum Engineers and Distinguished Engineer by Texas Tech. Randy was an optimist and in 1963 was president of the Richardson Optimists Club. Randy grew up tending family cotton farms in West Texas. The farms continued to be a source of pride for him throughout his life.

Randy traveled to many countries for work and with his family. Randy loved connecting with people, especially from other walks of life and cultures. Randy delighted those who knew him. While working in Slovakia, he was supervising a crew of oil riggers and their days began at sunrise. One morning he handed out song lyrics to the Slovakian crew and much to their amusement led them in a round of, "Oh What a Beautiful Morning."

Randy reveled in the love of his family. He was a man who reached out to others and showed up. He was the friend or family member who would give the eulogy.

Survivors include his wife, Louise Crawford; son, Michael and his wife Sarah; son, Don; daughter, Nan; daughter, Barbara and her husband Garth Mueller; grandsons, Gray, Miles and Benjamin; his brother, Duffer Crawford; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### Minnie Selma Blair



**MINNIE BLAIR**

Funeral services for Minnie Selma Blair, 97, of Lubbock were held Sat., Jan. 2 at First United Methodist Church in Plains with Pastor Rick Doyle officiating and Pastor Wesley Holland assisting. Burial was at Plains/Yoakum County Cemetery in Plains.

Mrs. Blair went to be with

the Lord Mon., Dec. 28 in Lubbock.

Born March 4, 1918 in Throckmorton County, she was the daughter of August and Selma Steinfath. She met and married the love of her life, Barron Blair, on March 16, 1944 in Sagerton. Together they moved to Plains in the summer of 1955. She was always running to get Barron parts for one thing or another. He preceded her in death on March 16, 1998.

Minnie was active in the church bazaars and the church dinners. She was also a member of the Plains Cancer Group.

Her family remembers how she loved to sew, cook, do crafts, and baby sit her grandchildren. Everyone will miss her great coffee cake.

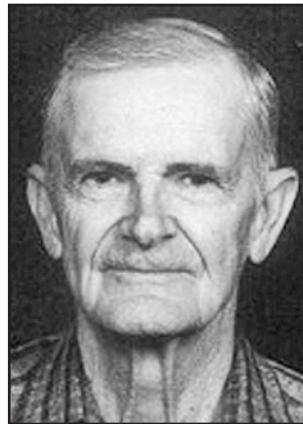
She was preceded in death by her parents; four sisters, Annie Gobel, Freida Steinfath, Alma Zelisko and Selma Follstaedt; and three brothers, Fritz, Henry and August Steinfath.

Those left to cherish her memories are son, Royce Blair (Cynthia) of Plains; two daughters, Brenda Canada (Dwayne) of Plains and Linda Stanford (Donny) of Waco; one brother, Albert Steinfath of Lubbock and one sister, Lena Steinfath of Levelland. She also leaves behind seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family requests, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First United Methodist Church of Plains, P.O. Box 396, Plains, Texas 79355 or your favorite charity.

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### Oscar Boyd Baird



**BOYD BAIRD**

Oscar Boyd Baird, 97, passed away Fri., Jan. 1 at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa.

Mr. Baird was born in Oxford Mississippi Jan. 30, 1918, the son of Charlie Baird and Minnie Elizabeth (McNeil) Baird. He attended John Tarleton College and graduated from Texas A&M University in 1941.

He taught Agricultural Education before entering the Army Air Corp Aug. 3,

1942 during World War II. His total time in service was 3 years, 2 months, and 15 days, of which 2 years and 7 months were in the South Pacific. He was in the 18th Combat Mapping Squadron, and then the 17th Photo Recon Squadron at time of his discharge in August, 1945.

In 1945 and 1946, he was instrumental in establishing the Haskell Co. Veteran Vocational School, where he was employed until 1957, at which time he began farming and working at the Rule Co-op Gin.

On Nov. 21, 1948, he married Oleta Norman in the Baptist parsonage in Rule.

He was a member of Gideons International, active in Emmaus community, and very active in the Methodist Church in Rule.

He will be greatly missed by his loving wife Oleta;

a son, Bill and his wife, Debbie Baird of Odessa; his daughter, Lisa and her husband, Will Ivey of Spokane, Washington; three grandchildren, Jennifer and husband, Manuel Frausto of Aurora, Colorado, Rebecca Baird of Washington D.C., and Reagan Ivey of Spokane, Washington; three step-grandchildren; Michelle and husband, Kevin Wright and Nathan of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Michael, Mason and Tim Ivey, all of Lubbock; two great-grandchildren, Gavin Frausto of Boulder, Colorado, and Megan Frausto of Aurora, Colorado.

If desired, memorials may be given to the Gideons International, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, Tennessee 37214-0800.

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

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## HASKELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL and HASKELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CLINIC

Welcome

# Dr. Leon Joplin

Dr. Leon Joplin will join our medical staff January 5, 2016 and will begin seeing patients on Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

Dr. Joplin has been a physician since 1992 and practicing in the Stamford Hospital clinic since 2007. He has many years of experience in both the clinic and emergency room setting and we are very excited to have him join us at our clinic and hospital.

Dr. Joplin will see patients on Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hospital Clinic located at 1400 South 1st.

Appointments are currently being taken by calling the clinic at 940-864-8513.



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**DOOR PRIZE**—Helping Jerry Don Klose, right, with the door prize drawing at the recent meeting of the Haskell Lodge #241, is Rosie Acosta, left.



**ATTENDS MEETING**—Attending the recent meeting of the Haskell Lodge #241 were Dr. M. Rueffer, left, and his sister, Dorothea Rueffer Monroe, right.

## Haskell Lodge # 241

Haskell Lodge #241 of ODHS held a meeting at Camacho and Charlie's Sun. Jan. 3.

One new member was welcomed into the Lodge. On Dec. 9, Melissa Ann Moeller of Haskell signed on by David Wolf, became eligible.

One birthday for the month of January, being Ruth Ann Klose who turns 80 Jan. 17.

The topic of the day was the installation of officers to be held in Abilene Jan. 16. The lodges involved are numbers 40, 60, 216, 228, 241 and 257 of Districts 25 and 26.

Lodges will convene Jan. 16 at noon at the La Quinta Inn in Abilene. Those members involved in leading the installation are asked to be there about thirty minutes prior to noon, for preparation.

A door prize was awarded to Phyllis Klose.

Much discussion, following the business meeting, concerned the recent ice storm which left many without power, and destroyed elements and trees around the area. Loss of power to rural members left them without water, as they rely on water pumps from their wells. Without

water there are no showers or flushing of toilets. Some in the area went to local motels until power could be restored.

Phyllis and Jerry Don Klose's granddaughter, Emily Hise and her partner, won grand champion with their original BBQ pit of a circular design, which they made in welding class. The honor was given at the Archer County Stock Show. She plans to enter it in the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show this month.

Following food and fellowship, the group adjourned, to meet on Feb. 7 at same restaurant.



**WINS PRIZE**—Phyllis Klose was the door prize winner at the Haskell Lodge #241 meeting.

## Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met Fri., Dec. 18 with County Judge David Davis, and Commissioners Billy Wayne Hester, Kenny Thompson and Neal Kreger present.

All bills presented to the court were paid along with an additional bill from George Morgan for caliche for Precinct 1.

Road work has begun on the roads that were allotted grant money. The wind turbines are moving on a positive note.

Thomas Rodriquez is working part time for Precinct 4.

Roxanne Chavez will begin working full time for the Tax Assessor-Collector

Jan. 1. A motion to accept the performance statement modification/amendment to the County's 2015 TxCDBG Disaster Grant for Paint Creek Water Supply Improvements Contract #7215017 passed.

A motion to accept the resolution from the Texas Department of Agriculture Texas Feeding Texans home delivered meals grant program passed.

A motion to approve the repair work on the roofs at the Courthouse and ECC building by Booe Roofing was accepted.

Kenny Thompson and Terry Klose will represent the County on the Board of Directors of the Haskell

County Appraisal District. A motion to permit the sale of fireworks passed.

The matter of renaming of County Roads in Precinct 2 was tabled.

## Calendar

### 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.

### TeamKID

TeamKID will be held

Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. for 4 year old Pre-K students through sixth grade at First Baptist Church in Haskell. Drop children off at west parking lot door of main building. Call 864-2581 if your child needs a ride.

### Al-Anon

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

### PAINT CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2015

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 1,302,234	\$ 11,380	\$ 1,313,614
State Program Revenues	1,022,975	22,192	1,045,167
Federal Program Revenues	-	149,656	149,656
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,325,209</b>	<b>183,228</b>	<b>2,508,437</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
Instruction	892,141	87,211	979,352
Instructional Resources and Media Services	29,000	-	29,000
Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	480	-	480
Instructional Leadership	66,604	-	66,604
School Leadership	46,714	-	46,714
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	52,866	-	52,866
Health Services	14,556	-	14,556
Student (Pupil) Transportation	116,723	1,294	118,017
Food Services	-	98,307	98,307
Extracurricular Activities	65,555	-	65,555
General Administration	159,446	-	159,446
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	270,175	-	270,175
Data Processing Services	64,749	-	64,749
<b>Debt Service:</b>			
Principal on Long Term Debt	-	87,107	87,107
Interest on Long Term Debt	-	44,845	44,845
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>			
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	32,288	-	32,288
Other Intergovernmental Charges	22,177	-	22,177
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>1,833,474</b>	<b>318,764</b>	<b>2,152,238</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	491,735	(135,536)	356,199
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
Transfers In	-	135,537	135,537
Transfers Out (Use)	(135,537)	-	(135,537)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(135,537)</b>	<b>135,537</b>	<b>-</b>
Net Change in Fund Balances	356,198	1	356,199
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	863,108	-	863,108
<b>Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)</b>	<b>\$ 1,219,306</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ 1,219,307</b>

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# From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

## 10 Years Ago January 5, 2006

Fire destroyed a downtown business, Conner Floral, located on the east side of the square. The business, owned by Don and Shirley Welch of Weinert, was a total loss. Assisting the Haskell VFD were Stamford, Munday, Throckmorton, Weinert and Anson fire departments.

The Haskell Indians defeated the Jim Ned Indians 58-46, to advance to the championship game in the Eula Holiday Classic. Top scorers were Augustine Lara, 17 pts.; D.J. McCulloch, 16 pts.; and Travis Adams, 12 pts.

In a proclamation issued Dec. 30, Haskell County Judge David Davis, declared a state of disaster for Haskell County, which has resulted from the potential threat of wildfires due to drought and adverse weather conditions.

## 20 Years Ago January 4, 1996

Contested races for the March Primary in Haskell County are County Judge-David Davis, James Raughton and Bill Perry; Precinct 3 Commissioner- Cliff Morris, Kenny Thompson and Tim Everett; Constable-Kim Bassett, Greg Hearn and Duward Campbell.

Winners in the business division of the Lighting/Christmas Decoration Contest, sponsored by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, were Boggs & Johnson Furniture, first; The Personality-Slipper Shoppe, second; Hometown Furniture, third; and

Nemir's Antiques, honorable mention.

Otis T. Johnson, son of Rev. L.C. Johnson, Sr. and the late Alice Johnson, received a Bachelor of Applied Arts & Sciences degree from Dallas Baptist University. He graduated Magna Cum Laude.

## 30 Years Ago January 2, 1986

Pauline Hines Couch, vice president and cashier at Haskell National Bank has retired after forty-four years in the banking industry. She began her career with Farmers National Bank in Rule in 1942.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Campbell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children. They have lived all their married life in Haskell County.

Bill Stone has been named head football coach at Paint Creek High School. A native of Abilene, he is a graduate of Cooper High School and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Howard Payne University.

## 40 Years Ago January 1, 1976

Floyd McGuire, Sr. of Weinert, brought to the Free Press some winter onions. The odd thing about the onions is that on Jan. 1, 1926, while his dad was buying some hogs from Paul Zahn, he was given some winter onions. Each year for the past 50 years, he has kept some of the buttons and replanted them. A string of 50 year old onions is something.

Leslie Wittenborn and his family were able

to spend time with his parents and siblings, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wittenborn of the Irby community, during Christmas. The family arrived in Texas from Subic Bay Naval Base in the Philippine Islands, where he has been stationed for six years.

## 50 Years Ago January 6, 1966

The formal opening of Cobb Lumber Co., located at 111 N. Ave. D, was held recently. Glenn Crosby, manager, said the business has been remodeled inside and out.

Nancy Bernard, twenty year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Bernard of Lubbock, was crowned National Maid of Cotton. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Bernard of Haskell and Mrs. W.R. Moore of Munday.

## 100 Years Ago January 1, 1916

At 11 a.m. a "Every Member Present Rally" will be held at the Baptist Church. All except the sick are most earnestly urged to be present at the laying of the Financial Cornerstone of the new church building. We are hoping Bro. Sam Davis of Rule and Bro. D.R. Couch of Aspermont will speak.

Haskell now has the best prospects yet for the bringing in of a paying oil field. Experts at work in the present field anticipate that the oil strata will be reached at from 1200 to 1500 feet.

## Rule School Menu

### Jan. 11-15 Breakfast

Fresh fruit, juice or milk are offered daily.

**Monday:** Pancake wrap, yogurt  
**Tuesday:** Chicken-n-biscuit  
**Wednesday:** French toast, sausage  
**Thursday:** Breakfast pocket  
**Friday:** Dutch waffle, bacon

### Lunch

Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Lasagna with meat sauce, salad, fresh fruit, roll  
**Tuesday:** Pesto chicken, flatbread, carrots with ranch, pineapples, cookie  
**Wednesday:** Pulled pork slider, chips, coleslaw, tomato cup, hot cinnamon apples  
**Thursday:** Pig in a blanket, oven fries, western beans, diced pears  
**Friday:** Italian pasta bake, green beans, fresh apple slices

## Paint Creek School Menu

### Jan. 11-15 Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily.

**Monday:** Sausage roll  
**Tuesday:** Omelet, toast  
**Wednesday:** Waffles  
**Thursday:** Cinnamon rolls  
**Friday:** No school

### Lunch

Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Taco salad, beans, rice, salad, applesauce  
**Tuesday:** Chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, breadsticks, apples  
**Wednesday:** Frito pie, corn, salad, oranges  
**Thursday:** Hamburgers, cheese, salad, pickles, fries, peaches  
**Friday:** No school

# Maidens' basketball

## Maidens buzz past the Lady Hornets, 49-29

Haskell outscored 21st ranked Lorenzo 11-1 in the third quarter to help secure the 49-29 win on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 29 at the Jayton holiday basketball tournament. Haskell moves to 9-7 overall and Lorenzo falls to 12-6 on the season.

The Maidens were led by junior Ashlyn Bevel who finished with 20 points followed by Jordan Garvin with 7, Destiny Benavides 5, Hollyn Hadaway 5, C'Era Taylor 4, Courtney Whitt 4, Mackenzie Garvin 2 and Taylor Manske 2.

Haskell was (16-60) for 26% from the field, (7-22) for the 31% from the three point line, and (10-12) for 83% from the free-throw line. "Offensively, we did not shoot very well from the field but I was pleased with our high free-throw percentage," head coach Blake Eddleman said. Bevel and M. Garvin led the team in assists with 3 each followed by Hadaway with 2.

Haskell outrebounded Lorenzo 30-16. Leading the team in rebounds were Manske with 8, followed by Whitt with 5, J. Garvin 5, and Bevel 4. M. Garvin and Manske had a team high 3 steals followed by Bevel and J. Garvin with 2 each. "Defensively, I was really proud of our man to man defense. The girls did a great job talking, pressuring the ball, and playing physical without fouling," Eddleman said.

"Overall, I thought it was a solid non-district win for us. Lorenzo has a pretty good team this year and they have beaten some quality opponents throughout the season. The girls did a great job on the defensive end and I thought that was the biggest factor in the outcome of the game," Eddleman added.

Haskell	7	17	11	14	= 49
Lorenzo	11	7	1	10	= 29

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## Maidens take down the Lady Dragons

The Haskell Maidens used tough man to man defense and determination to take down the 24th ranked Paducah Lady Dragons 40-27 on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 30 at the Jayton holiday basketball tournament. The Maidens opened up with a 23-15 half time lead and never looked backed to win their fifth game in a row. Haskell moves to 10-7 overall and Paducah falls to 8-6 on the season.

Haskell was (17-54) for 31% from the field, (2-14) for the 14% from the three point line, and (4-9) for 44% from the free-throw line. Freshman Taylor Manske led all scorers with 10 points followed by Ashlyn Bevel with 8, Courtney Whitt 8, Jordan Garvin 6, C'Era Taylor 4, Destiny Benavides 2 and Hollyn Hadaway 2. Leading the team in assists was J. Garvin with 3 and Benavides and M. Garvin had 2 each.

"Offensively, we should have scored a lot more than 40 points. Unfortunately, we just did not do a very good job finishing around the basket. We normally make those type of shots and I am confident we will moving forward," head coach Blake Eddleman said.

The Maidens held the Lady Dragons to only 28 field goal attempts and out rebounded them 27-17. Manske had a team high 7 rebounds followed by Taylor with 6, J. Garvin 5, and Whitt 4. Jordan Garvin had a career high 8 steals and Manske finished with 3 steals. "Defensively, we made things extremely tough on



**MAKES JUMPER**—Haskell Maiden #5 Taylor Manske takes the jumper under the basket in the Maidens' district win against Albany.



**DRIVES IN**—Haskell Maiden #25 Jordan Garvin takes the ball in on a drive to the basket in the Jayton tournament.

Paducah during the second, third and fourth quarter. Our guards did a great job pressuring the ball and our post defenders played very physical down low. It is awesome to watch five Maiden defenders moving, helping, and acting as one on the defensive end," Eddleman said.

"Overall, we have played pretty well over the past five games and it is always nice to have momentum on your side as was we start up district play again. We are looking forward to our game with Anson at home on Saturday night starting at 6:30 p.m. If we keep defending and rebounding, we may have a chance to do very well in district again this year," Eddleman added.

Haskell	15	8	6	11	= 40
Anson	10	5	5	7	= 27

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## Maidens tame the Lady Tigers

The Haskell Maidens showed some mental toughness and perseverance at home last Saturday night in a 40-33 victory over the Anson Lady Tigers 14-4 (2-1). The Maidens held a one point lead at the end of the first, second and third quarters. Haskell outscored Anson 12-6 in the fourth quarter to get their sixth win in a row as they move to 11-7 (3-0) and remain undefeated in district 7 2A.

The Maidens had a well balanced scoring attack throughout the game. Ashlyn Bevel had 12 points, C'Era Taylor 8, Taylor Manske 7, Jordan Garvin 5, Ariel Martinez 4 and Courtney Whitt 4. Haskell was (14-51) 27% from the field, (2-22) 9% for three pointers, and (10-20) 50% from the free-throw line.

Freshman Taylor Manske had a team high 3 assists.

"Offensively, we definitely did not play up to our potential. We had too many turnovers and we did not shoot the ball well from the 3 point line or free-throw line. Manske, Taylor and Whitt did a great job coming up with 15 offensive rebounds and a lot of second chance points. Their effort and production really saved us on the offensive end," head coach Blake Eddleman said.

Haskell's tough man to man defense forced Anson to shoot 15% from the field and they controlled the rebounds 43-20. "Defensively, the girls did a great job throughout the entire game. They were locked in and focused. We were able to come up with three shut down quarters (below 10) and we dominated them in rebounding. The girls understand the importance of defense and rebounding," Eddleman said. Taylor Manske had a career high 12 rebounds. J. Garvin finished with 8 rebounds followed by Taylor with 7 and Whitt 7. Leading the team in steals were Manske with 3 and J. Garvin 2.

"Overall, I was very proud of the girl's effort, determination, and defensive focus. This was a big district win for our young team. I credit our success against Anson to our team's character, preparation and the strength of our non-district schedule. We just need to stay on an even keel and keep improving," Eddleman added.

Haskell	10	11	7	12	= 40
Anson	9	11	7	6	= 33

**JV Maidens (11-1, 3-0) beat Anson 40-24**

## Haskell School Menu

### Jan. 11-14 Breakfast

Milk variety and 100% fruit juice; and muffin, yogurt, PBJ, animal crackers and cheese are offered at every meal.

**Monday:** Sausage roll, yogurt or cereal variety and toast

**Tuesday:** Cheese omelet wrap or cereal variety and toast

**Wednesday:** Breakfast pizza or cereal variety and toast

**Thursday:** Cinnamon roll and bacon or cereal variety and toast

**Friday:** No school

### Lunch

Milk variety is available at every meal.

**Monday:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, savory green beans, roll, fruit cup

**Tuesday:** Enchiladas, Spanish rice, salsa, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce

**Wednesday:** Pizza choice, garden salad, vegetable medley, apple slices, cookie

**Thursday:** Cheeseburger or hamburger, zesty cucumbers, sweet potato fries, sliced peaches

**Friday:** No school

## ECC Menu

### Mon., Jan. 11

Hamburger steak, brown gravy, au gratin potatoes, turnip greens, rolls, dessert, tea or coffee

### Wed., Jan. 13

Chili and wieners, pinto beans, onions, pickles, cornbread, dessert, tea or

coffee

### Fri., Jan. 15

Savory beef stew, pimento and tuna sandwiches, carrot salad, cornbread, dessert, tea or coffee

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

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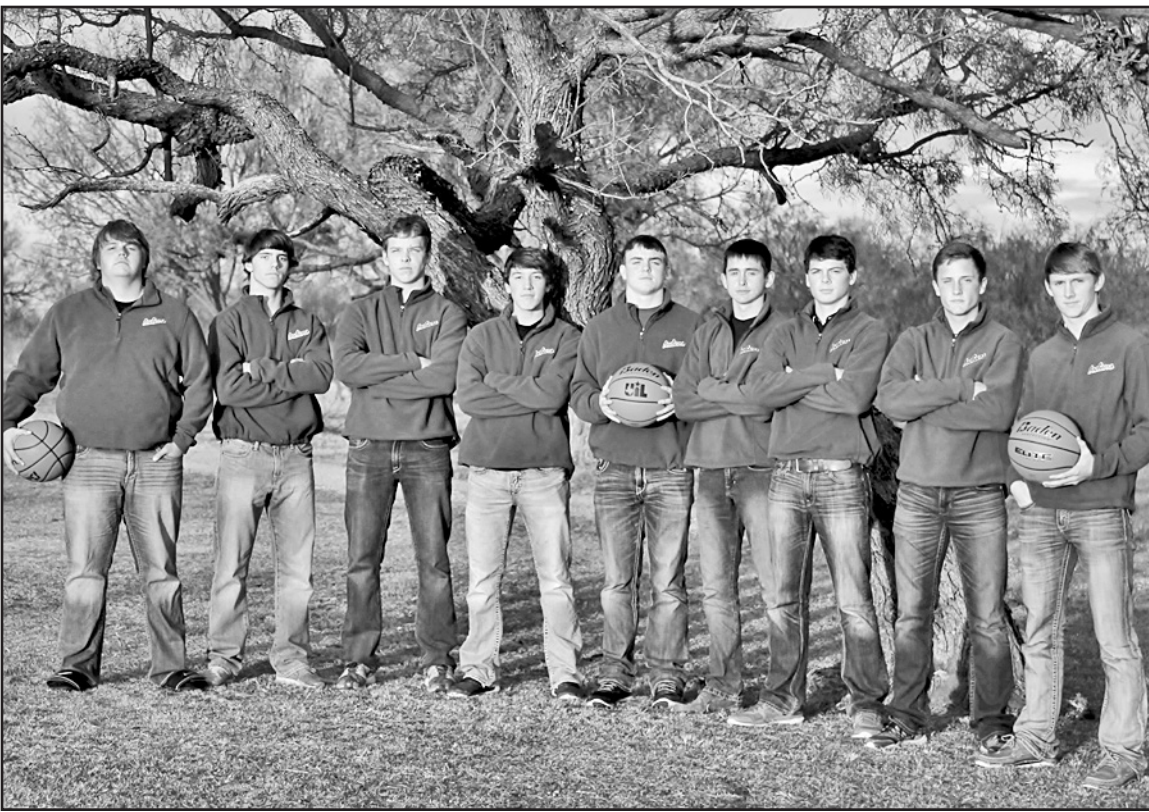
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# Haskell

## Indians ★ Maidens

# Basketball



HASKELL INDIANS—Members of the Haskell Indians basketball team include, l-r, Chase Gibson, Rocky Haggard, Kyler Hoover, Aaron Skiles, Lane Burson, Kellen Parks, Alec Roewe, Kadin Seeliger and Dylan Hanson.

## Haskell Indians

JV Indians  
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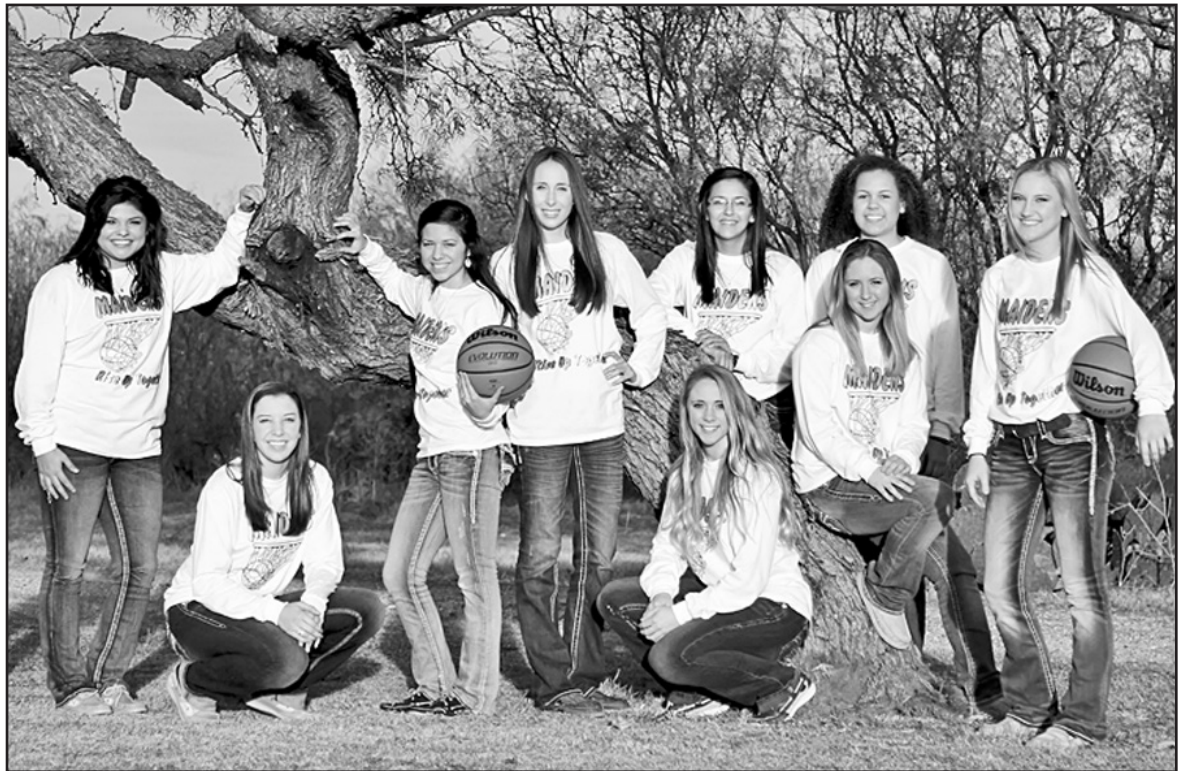
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at Haskell  
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Tues., Jan. 12, 4 p.m.  
at Albany

## Haskell Maidens

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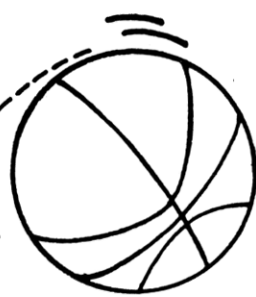


HASKELL MAIDENS—Members of the Haskell Maidens basketball team include, l-r, Destiny Benavides, Taylor Manske, Ariel Martinez, Hollyn Hadaway, Jordan Garvin, Courtney Whitt, Mackinzie Garvin, C'Era Taylor and Ashlyn Bevel.

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# Indians' basketball

## Indians fall to Clyde, 52-62

The Indians began their holiday break with a tough loss to a very physical and talented 3A Clyde team. The Indians went into halftime down by five, but were out scored 35-30 in the second half and were unable to complete the comeback.

The Indians were led in scoring by Dylan Hanson with 23, Kellen Parks with 11, Alec Roewe with 8, Aaron Skiles with 6 and Lane Burson with 4. Haskell finished the game shooting 63% (10-16) from the charity stripe while being out rebounded 38-24 (8 offense and 16 defense).

Coach Tate Thompson stated, "We played a physical and very good 3A team tonight that helped us prepare for our very tough district. We got down early and made a great push at a comeback that fell short. I was very proud of the way our kids competed tonight and showed class. We now will have five days off and go back to work at the Jayton tournament before starting district play."

Haskell 10 12 12 18 = 52

## Clyde 20 7 18 17 = 62 JV Indians 47, Clyde 53 OT

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**Indians beat Lorenzo, 50-18**  
The Indians opened up the Jayton tournament on Tuesday with a convincing win over the Lorenzo Hornets. The Indians would use their stifling defense to keep the Hornets from ever scoring double digits in any quarter.

The Indians were led in scoring by Dylan Hanson with 16, Kellen Parks with 14, Kyler Hoover with 10, Lane Burson with 4 and Alex Roewe, Chase Gibson and Caleb Wheat with 2 each.

The Indians out rebounded the Hornets, 42 to 30 (20 offense and 22 defense). Haskell also had a great day at the charity stripe going 8 of 12 (67%).

Coach Tate Thompson stated, "I felt like this was the most complete game we have played to this point in the year. Giving up too many offensive rebounds comes along with having six days out of the gym and

something we will be able to fix over the next few days with another game and two more days of practice."

Haskell 8 14 13 15 = 50  
Lorenzo 3 5 6 4 = 18  
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## Indians fall to Snyder, 42-52

The Indians finished their preseason on Wednesday afternoon Dec. 29 versus the 4A Snyder Tigers at the Jayton tournament. Haskell was set to face Whitharral, but due to weather on Monday, Whitharral was unable to make the trip and Snyder was placed in the tournament in their spot.

Although the Tigers were two classifications higher than the Indians, the Indians played right with them. Haskell took a six point lead at the end of the first quarter and the Tigers would answer with a strong second quarter to put the halftime score 23-26 Snyder.

The Indians would get the ball to open the third quarter and would immediately tie the game at 26-26 when Kellen Parks hit a 3. It would be a back and forth game throughout the third quarter

with three lead changes and two ties.

The third quarter would end with the Tigers being up by 2. The Indians would then tie the game up with seven minutes to play, when Kyler Hoover got a put back 2 pointer off a Dylan Hanson missed layup. This would be the last tie or lead for the Indians as the Tigers would use a 17 point fourth quarter to put the Indians away.

Coach Tate Thompson had this to say about the game, "We played really well against a very quality 4A basketball team. I am very pleased with where we have come from since we started the season and feel that these nine guys will put up a fight for 14 district games."

The Indians were led in scoring by Hanson with 17, Parks with 11, Roewe and Hoover with 6 each, and Gibson with 2.

The Indians will open district play Sat., Jan. 2 when they faceoff against the Anson Tigers at the Teepee. Game is set for a JV boys tip

off at 5 and a varsity boys tip off at 8.

Key note: Dylan Hanson has scored in double figures in all 13 games this season.  
Haskell 13 10 10 9 = 42  
Snyder 7 19 9 17 = 52  
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## Indians fall to Anson, 41-42

The Indians opened up district 7-2A play on Saturday with a 41-42 hard fought loss to the Tigers of Anson. Haskell would have an explosive first quarter and gain an 8 point lead over Anson and extend it to a 9 point lead at the break (22-13).

The Indians would give up and re-gain the lead in the third quarter, but were outscored by 8 points in the quarter while still holding a two point advantage over the Tigers at the end of the quarter (31-29).

Haskell would be unable to hold off the surging Tigers in the fourth quarter, as they put up 13 points with their final bucket coming with just 2.5 seconds left,

leaving Haskell down by 1. The Indians would call time out and would get one last chance to tie or win the game. An inbound pass from Kyler Hoover to Kellen Parks would be over Parks' head and would tip off the hand of Alec Roewe and go out of bounds as time expired.

The Indians were led in scoring by Dylan Hanson with 14 points, Parks with 7 points, Lane Burson and Caleb Wheat with 5 points each, Chase Gibson with 4 points, Roewe and Aaron Skiles would end with 3 each.

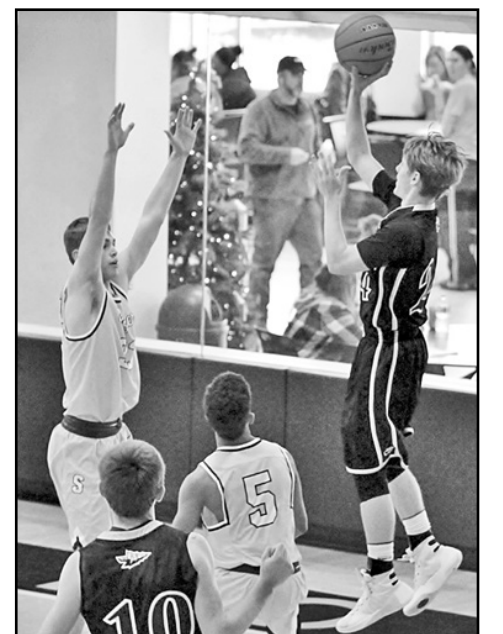
Coach Tate Thompson had this to say about tonight's game, "We just didn't get the job done and finish them off. I thought we got comfortable with a 9 point lead and we let that get to us. We are going to have to learn quickly to put teams away. Each night we step out on the floor in this district will be a dog fight."

Haskell 12 10 8 10 = 41  
Anson 4 9 16 13 = 42

**JV Indians 50, Tigers 16**

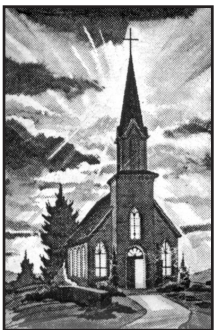


**DRIVES TO BASKET**—Haskell Indian #10 Kellen Parks drives to the basket against Anson in the Indians' district opener.



**UP FOR TWO**—Haskell Indian #24 Dylan Hanson goes up for two in the Jayton tournament.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### Your resolutions can't help you unless you keep them

A brand new year is underway, And just one week ago you say You made a comprehensive list Of what temptations to resist; Along with projects to be done, Including those not yet begun: Like writing letters you've postponed, To people whom you should have phoned.

You'll clean that closet out for sure, And give those things to help the poor. But most of all, you've vowed to heed The lessons of your chosen creed, And each and every Sabbath day Attend the services and pray; Then thank the Lord with all your heart You gave this year a flying start.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—
- East Side Baptist Church**  
Terry Bunch, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**  
Sun. 10:45 a.m.  
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**  
Bruce Ray, pastor  
Sun. 10:30 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.  
714 North First East, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Rev. David White, pastor  
Sunday 9:30 a., Worship 10:30  
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**  
Rev. David Johnson, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:50 a., 6 p. Wed. 6 p.  
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Assembly of God**  
Rev. J.C. Amburn  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- St. George Catholic Church**  
Father Angelo Consemينو  
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m.  
901 N. 16th, Haskell
- Church of Christ**  
Philip Sims, minister  
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- First Presbyterian Church**  
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Trinity Baptist Church**  
Larry White, pastor  
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 6:30 p.  
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**  
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a.; Wed. 7 p.  
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

- Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
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**  
Ollie Pierson, 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.  
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**  
Rev. Robert Harrison  
Sunday 11 a.m  
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- Church of Christ**  
Mitchell Greer, minister  
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West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**  
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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  
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- 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**  
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- O'BRIEN—
- O'Brien Baptist Church**  
Jim Reid, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.  
O'Brien

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# Paint Creek ISD salutes businesses

Big Country Electric Cooperative, OCI Solar Power, Mortenson Construction, Richardson's TrueValue Hardware, Pendergraft Farms and Paint Creek Water Supply Cooperation were honored Dec. 18 by the district leaders for their outstanding support of

the students and school in Paint Creek ISD. "We are grateful for the generosity of each of these businesses and their commitment to help make a real difference for our kids and community," said Rick Moeller, district superintendent. This year these community leaders

provided generous contributions toward various organizations, scholarships and donated services, which made a significant difference for our district.

"Our students, parents and teachers directly benefit from companies such as these that are willing to stand up for

public schools, not just in words but in their actions. We applaud these community partners for their participation and hope that this will continue to be a strong relationship in years to come," he said.

The district serves 137 students at one campus and employs 30 people.



**RECEIVE HONOR**—Pendergraft Farms was honored by Paint Creek ISD recently. Representing the company at the awards presentation were, l-r, Gayla and Dana Pendergraft.



**HONORED**—Richardson's TrueValue Hardware was honored by Paint Creek ISD recently. Accepting the award for the company was Carl Milburn.



**HONORED**—Paint Creek Water Supply Cooperation was honored by Paint Creek ISD recently. Kendall Medford represented the company at the awards presentation.



**BUSINESS HONORED**—Big Country Electric Cooperative was honored by Paint Creek ISD recently. Representing the company at the awards presentation were, l-r, Mark McClain, Cary McClintoch, Sarah McLen and Will Duniven.



**HONORED**—Mortenson Construction was honored by Paint Creek ISD recently. Representing the company at the awards presentation was Mike Haga.

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