

Early voting underway

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Calendar

Elem. awards

Haskell Elementary awards programs will be held as follows: Kindergarten, Thurs., May 19 at 8:30 a.m.; first grade, Thurs., May 26 at 9 a.m.; second grade, Wed., May 25 at 8:30 a.m.; third grade, Tues., May 24 at 8:30 a.m.; fourth grade, Thurs., May 19 at 9:30 a.m.; and fifth grade, Fri., May 20 at 8:30 a.m.

BBQ benefit set Saturday

Sat., May 21 from 10:30 a.m., BBQ will be served by Global Wildfire Church of Abilene on the square in Haskell to benefit Greater Independent Baptist Church.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., May 21 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

Food distribution

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

Men's breakfast

A men's breakfast will be held Sun., May 22 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell High School Cafeteria. All men are invited.

Baccalaureate

Paint Creek High School will hold baccalaureate Sun., May 22 at 6 p.m. at the Paint Creek Baptist Church.

Bake sale to benefit church

On Fri., May 27 from 10:30 until sold out, a baked goods sale will be held at the home of Mae Lou Yeldell, to benefit the Greater Independence Baptist Church.

Church benefit

On Sat., May 28, BBQ plates will be sold at Greater Independence Baptist Church. Plates are \$8.00. Proceeds benefit the church.

Scholarship contest

The Wild Horse Prairie Days scholarship contest will be held at 4 p.m. Thurs., June 2 at the Haskell Civic Center. Young men and young ladies should pick up an application from their school counselor's office or in the Haskell County Judge's office on the second floor of the county courthouse. Application deadline is June 1 at 5 p.m. For more information, call Susan Cockerell at 940-864-2851.

Driver's ed class

Haskell High School will offer a driver's education class June 27-July 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Seating is limited. The class is open to all students. Cost is \$275. If you have any questions contact Keith Medford at kmedford@haskell.esc14.net or 940-864-8535.



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PLACES FOURTH—Haskell Indian Ezell Woods represented Haskell well by placing fourth at the UIL State Track & Field meet held Sat., May 14 in Austin with a jump of 21-06.25.

Mural artist is Haskell High graduate

by Jill Druesedow

For Haskell residents, watching a mural come to life on one of its downtown buildings is an unusual event, but knowing the painter is a professional Abilene artist is even more unusual, especially when she graduated from Haskell High School only about 10 years ago.

"I'm always 17 here," said Calina Kendall Johnson as she looked around at the surrounding buildings in town. "I'm glad where I grew up. A rural town offers freedom, opportunities to be close to nature, and sometimes even boredom. Many of the creative people I know are from small towns."

The Rule native and 2005 graduate of HHS has been in town almost everyday for 5 days to paint a 36x18-foot mural on the Texas Best Outfitters' building. The painting is the third project for Keep Haskell Beautiful.

"When I was approached about the project, I knew I wanted to try to do it because of the memories I have here. With the idea of hands and pairing with deep roots, I thought of small town values," she said.

For Calina, returning home brought back memories of playing softball and basketball. Although she lived in Rule, she changed to Haskell schools in seventh grade to play more sports and have more elective choices. After high school, many thought she would pursue an athletic career in college, but she didn't. Instead art had become her passion and reason for college.

"I can't remember not drawing. My love of painting began when I was five years old, and my grandmother framed a piece of my 'art' and put it above her bed," she said.

Calina spent a year at Texas Tech University and took as many art classes as she was allowed. The last one, however, proved to be both her undoing and her salvation.

"I loved art school until I took an abstract painting class," she said. The professor assigned 13 paintings due at the end of the course, and I didn't even know what abstract was. He simply kept saying, 'Let the painting paint itself,' but I didn't know what that meant. I dropped the class and ultimately dropped out of school."

Five years would pass before Calina would understand his words and translate them into her paintings and her mantra about art.

"A lot of family drama was going on during this time," she said. "I married, had two children, became a stay-at-home mom, moved several times with the family and, finally, ended up solo in Abilene. I tried to paint, lived on a friend's couch, got a job at a radio station and found a small house."

Life was not how she envisioned it nor did it include art.

"I came home crying everyday," Calina said. Eventually, I bought a small canvass. I was so desperate to paint I used my hands. I had such pent up creativity. I had been outside myself and my comfort zone. I needed to paint, and I did, a dark painting full of pain. To this day, I can put my hands on that canvass and feel my heart."

"Life gave me the emotion and passion to paint the abstraction and helped me to shut off and feel better," she said. "I had learned to 'let the painting paint itself'."

Calina likens art to other mediums such as cooking

and teaching, saying it is not the what but the why that makes someone an artist. Just because a person paints doesn't make the person an artist.

She went back to school and earned a bachelor's degree in arts and science from Midwestern State University, a master's degree in counseling from Hardin Simmons University and completed an 18-month behavior analyst program from Florida Tech University. She is a board certified behavior analyst and works part time as a behavior analyst with autistic children in Abilene.

She also paints professionally. Her commissioned works hang in homes and businesses throughout the Big Country and as far away as Pittsburg.

"My art became less about me after I worked out my pain," she said. "I don't have to live the pain to know the story."

Her education and her experiences also have given her ample opportunity to help others and share her knowledge, philosophy and passion.

"Art is something I was born to do. I have to do it; I need to. It is not about me any more—it's not for me—it's about other people. I want what I do to inspire," Calina explained.

She also believes many people don't know how to live any more.

"When working, I've seen people who have no fire, and I wonder when they gave up on life. They don't know how to be happy. Happiness is out there. People are insecure and want to keep their creative gifts to themselves, but the world needs them. It is easy for a creative person to be afraid to put themselves out there."

Calina went on to explain

Runoff election set May 24

by Caron Yates

Before the ballot can be set for the November 8 general election, a runoff in four different races must be decided.

The runoff election has been called for Tuesday, May 24. On the Democratic ticket, voters will choose the candidate, either Grady Yarbrough or Cody Garrett, to represent them for Railroad Commissioner.

The Republican primary runoff will include four races. Hoping to advance to the November general election are Jodey Arrington and Glen Robertson, District 19 U.S. Representative; Wayne Christian and Gary Gates, Railroad Commissioner; Mary Lou Keel and Ray Wheelless, Place 2 Judge Court of Criminal Appeals; Brent Walker and Scott Walker, Place 5 Judge Court of Criminal Appeals.

Early voting for both parties will be conducted from May 16 through May 20, at the Haskell County Clerk's office in the Haskell County Courthouse.

It is important to note

that you are only eligible to vote in the party runoff, in which you voted in the March primary. If you voted in the Democratic Primary, then you must vote in the Democratic Runoff, and the same is true for the Republican Party. If you are a registered voter and did not vote in the March Primary, then you may vote in either runoff election. All registered voters may vote in the general election.

On May 24, all Haskell County Republicans will cast their ballots at Haskell City Hall, 301 S. 1st St. in Haskell. Democratic polling places include: voting precincts 6 & 7, St. George Catholic Church, 901 N. 16th; voting precincts 2 & 8, Assembly of God Church, 1500 N. Ave. E; voting precincts 3 & 9, Haskell County Extension building, 101 S. Ave. D; and voting precincts 5 & 10, Experienced Citizens Center, 1404 S. 1st. All four polling places are in Haskell.

You must vote to be heard, so mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 24th and go vote.

that creative people need to lead the way and to show and inspire others to do the same.

For her, life is good. She has been married for three years to a B1 pilot, has two daughters and a 13-month-old son, three dogs, three chickens, a bunny, a cat, and, most recently, she rescued a dog she named Vega who travels with her.

When in Haskell, her presence drew people daily to watch her paint—both day and night. She first made a small painting then used a projector to project the image on the building which had to be done at night. Calina used spray paint to map the lines, get the proportions correct and also the undertones.

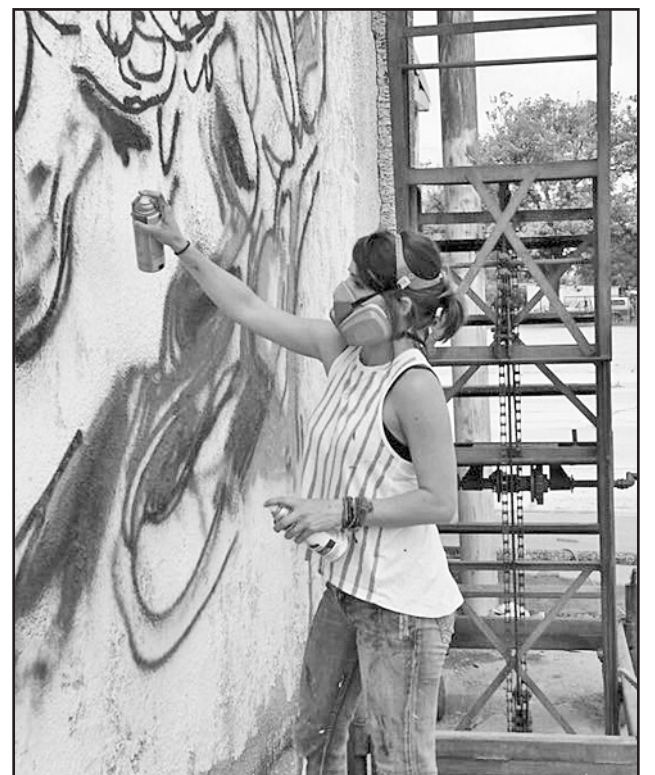
"I then could add layers during the daylight hours using brushes and latex paint to add details and shadows for textured color," she said.

Many people stopped by to watch her work. Whether perched atop the 18-foot lift, somewhere in between or on the ground playing with her dog Vega, she was rarely without company.

"It gave a sense of togetherness and the demographics were diverse. From high school students to an 80-year-old man who brought his coffee, to people I had known and many I didn't know," she said.

The mural is the largest she has painted, but with a quick smile she says it won't be her last.

Calina is a contemporary expressionist. As an artist she often uses her first and middle name as a signature, Calina Mishay, and her business card reads Paintings by Cal. But here in Haskell and Rule, we know her simply as Calina, artist extraordinaire.



ARTIST AT WORK—Abilene artist Calina Kendall Johnson dons a ventilator mask to filter fumes as she spray paints the first layer of the mural. She then used brushes for layering the color and painting the details and shadows.

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Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Potential Income Losses in Harvesting Dry Wheat Grain

by Dr. Calvin Trostle, Professor & Extension Agronomist, Lubbock, ctrostle@ag.tamu.edu; Dr. Clark Neely, Assistant Professor & State Extension Small Grains Agronomist, cbneely@tamu.edu

The standard moisture for wheat grain at harvest time is 13.5%. If your wheat moisture is above 13.5% you will be docked for the moisture. If you are too much above standard moisture content for wheat your delivery point may reject the grain, especially if they do not have the capacity to dry grain.

Common incentives that drive harvesting wheat as soon as possible include

minimizing potential storm damage every day wheat remains in the field, avoiding increasing weed issues, and possible double cropping scenarios where the sooner the next crop is in the more time it has for growth and maturation.

There is another potential downside to harvesting dry wheat—or any grain—when the crop remains in the field too long. Delayed harvest leads to further drying and final moisture percentage well below the standard content. Namely, the drier the grain, the more grain it takes to make a 60-lb. pay unit, or bushel. In effect, being able to deliver wheat grain as close as you can up to 13.5% enables you to “sell water.” Conversely, as noted above, if grain moisture is

above 13.5%, you don't get paid—you get docked.

But how much is the potential income reduction in selling wheat grain that perhaps you could have harvested sooner at slightly higher moisture? Is it a little? Is it a lot?

We have compiled a table for wheat grain with different moisture contents at a range of wheat prices (\$/bu) to help you understand what the potential reduction in your effective per-bushel wheat price is as you sell further and further below 13.5%. A link to this table, entitled “Wheat Grain Moisture Calculator-Potential Income Loss” is posted under the Marketing section at <http://varietytesting.tamu.edu/wheat/index.htm>.

You can estimate your potential reduction in effective per-bushel price for wheat <13.5% moisture from the table. Also, you can use the calculator to determine reduction in potential income per bushel with your actual %moisture and market grain price (\$/bu). Furthermore, with grain yield (actual or estimated) you can also calculate your potential reduction in income per acre and per field or farm.

Example:

You harvested wheat at 11.0% moisture at a price of \$4.50/bu. From the table above you find that you have effectively reduced your price \$0.13/bu. At 40 bushels per acre, this is a loss of potential income of up to \$5.06 per acre. And if you have 500 acres of wheat, then you could have “sold water” to the tune of \$2,528.

Weather, availability of harvest equipment, etc. will dictate when you can actually harvest wheat, and no, you can't hit 13.5% most of the time. But if by timely harvest you can sell wheat at 12.0% moisture instead of 10.0% moisture, you can preserve some income. The difference is enough to factor in your harvest management decisions to put that money in your pocket. When in doubt on moisture content take a test sample to the elevator prior to harvest.

Obituaries

Mary Helen Capetillo



MARY CAPETILLO

Funeral services for Mary Helen Capetillo, 54, long-time resident of Haskell,

were held Fri., May 13 at the Church of Christ in Haskell with Phillip Sims officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Home.

Ms. Capetillo passed away Mon., May 9 at Haskell Healthcare Center in Haskell.

Born Sept. 1, 1961, in Lockhart, she was the daughter of Gabriel Capetillo, Sr., and Gregoria “Gloria” (Ruiz) Capetillo. She enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles and watching TV.

She was preceded in death by her father, Gabriel Capetillo, Sr.

Survivors include her mother, Gloria Capetillo of Haskell; two sisters, Rachel Flores and husband Pete of Hickory, North Carolina and Christina Anguiano of Haskell; brother, Gabriel Capetillo, Jr. of Haskell; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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

PD. NOTICE

Paul A. Kuenstler, Sr.

Graveside services for Paul A. Kuenstler, Sr, our family rock, were held at the Alpine Community Cemetery in Alpine, Arizona.

Mr. Kuenstler passed away Mon., April 11.

Born Aug. 11, 1922 in Haskell, he was the son of Samuel Paul and Lou (Arnold) Kuenstler. He was raised in Haskell. After an illustrious Air Force career, Paul continued to serve his community through volunteerism on the Tru-West Credit Union board, White Mountain Regional Medical Center board, Alpine Action Alliance board and homeowners board for Chapache subdivision. He served with these groups

as president/chairman/member for many years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife of 50 years, Virginia.

Survivors include his second wife, Rachel; daughter, Sandra Greer (Jon); son, Paul Jr.; granddaughter, Cristeen Stover (Chris) and grandson Garret Greer (Carrie); four great granddaughters, Keelee Greer, Brynna Greer, Allie Stover and Rachel Stover.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Alpine Action Alliance, P.O. Box 187, Alpine, AZ 85920.

PD. NOTICE

Jogging for Jillian, Sprinting for Spence event set June 4

The families of Jillian Thomas and Spencer LaBrie are again honoring the memory of their children with the 4th Jogging for Jillian, Sprinting for Spence event, to be held Sat., June 4.

The 5K Run/Walk will be held at Red Bud Park in Abilene, beginning at 9 a.m. Proceeds will go towards scholarships established at Wylie ISD and Texas Tech ROTC in Spencer's name and at Haskell CISD and ACU Speech Pathology in Jillian's name.

Last year, 52 generous sponsors and 150 participants helped make the 3rd Run/Walk a huge success, enabling them to award six scholarships.

Both Spencer and Jillian had a strong love for running, working out and living a healthy lifestyle.

Jillian, a Haskell High School honor graduate, was a cheerleader for four years, enjoyed cross country and track and was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. After high school, Thomas attended Angelo State University for two years, before transferring to

Abilene Christian University. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Speech Pathology, as well as a Master's Degree. She was a very determined young woman, who worked hard to obtain her goals.

LaBrie graduated from Wylie High School. He not only excelled in sports, but was also a strong student. A very disciplined young man, he competed in baseball, basketball and football. He began his college work at Lubbock Christian University, later transferring to Texas Tech University.

In addition to playing college baseball, he received a full scholarship from the ROTC and was working toward obtaining his pilot's license.

There is still time to become a sponsor, a participant or buy a t-shirt.

The event is required to have a not for profit sponsor and the families are very pleased that Haskell CISD has agreed to be that sponsor this year.

Medals for the winners in the under 17, 18-25, 26-35 and over 36 categories will be presented. There are also

gifts and prizes to be given away.

Registration fee for adults is \$25, seventeen and under is \$20 and T-shirt only is \$18. Sponsors are needed for this event. Each sponsorship helps to ensure that 100% of the proceeds go to the scholarship funds.

For more information on sponsorship or to register to participate, go to www.active.com or find them on Facebook. Forms may also be obtained at local gyms and businesses or by contacting Eden by phone at (325) 721-3348 or online at eden.thomas@abileneisd.org. To ensure you receive a t-shirt, entries must be received by May 27.

You may pick up packets early on Friday, June 3 from 3-6 p.m. at Red Bud Park.

The families of Jillian and Spencer invite everyone to come out to Red Bud Park on Sat., June 4 and be a part of the “Jogging for Jillian, Sprinting for Spence.” It will be a time to remember and celebrate the joy for life these two held, while helping to provide scholarships for others.

WHPD scholarship contest applications being accepted

The 21th annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo is fast approaching.

An important part of the activities is the WHPD Scholarship Contest. This contest is open to any student, male or female, who attends a Haskell County high school. High school age students that are associated with one of the participating ranches, are also eligible to enter. If the winners are not graduating seniors, the scholarship money will be held by their high school.

To apply, you must fill out and turn in an application by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1. Each applicant will be interviewed at 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 2 at the Haskell Civic Center. The Sponsor Meal will be held the same evening, and all applicants will be introduced and winners announced at that time.

Each contestant will need a sponsor, which can be parents, grandparents or a business. Attire for this

event is western or something equally appropriate for a ranch rodeo.

Winners will ride in the WHPD Parade on Friday and be introduced at both performances of the rodeo.

Applications may be picked up at the counselor's office of all Haskell County high schools, as well as the Haskell County Judge's office on the second floor of the county courthouse.

For more information call Susan at 940-864-2851.

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READING CAFE—Rule first graders' Reading Cafe was open for business Wed., May 11. It was a packed house as thirty-five family, friends, community members, ex-teachers, and faculty and staff listened to the students read a book of their choice. Ellen Rieger's readers are Arena Caldwell, Leslie Caldwell, Rylan Green, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Natalie Murray, Conner Russell, Haylee Stone, Brylee Teague and Fabian Valdez.

Project Fair, new event for WHPD, set June 3-4

The Wild Horse Prairie Days event coming up the first weekend of June, has an added attraction this year.

New this year will be the First Annual WHPD Project Fair. Three categories including food, textile, as well as hobbies, arts & crafts will be offered for both youth and adult divisions. The age divisions are grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12 and adult (19 years and older).

The WHPD Project Fair is open to all Haskell County residents and school students as well as employees/family members of participating ranch teams in the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. All entries must have been made by the exhibitor within the last twelve months. First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in over 120 classes.

All entries will be accepted at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center on Thursday, June 2 from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m., as well as on Friday, June 3 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Judging will begin at 10 a.m. on Friday. Entries will be on display Friday and Saturday of the WHPD event.

First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in the more than 120 different classes. Rosettes will be awarded in Youth Combined and Adult categories. Blue Rosette recipients are eligible for the Best of Show Youth Combined Award and Best of Show Adult Award. Each of the Best of Show

winners will be presented a championship belt buckle and two free WHPD Ranch Rodeo tickets for the Saturday night performance.

All entries must be picked up from 5 to 6 p.m. on Sat., June 4. Only one entry per person per class, names will be displayed after judging and superintendents will have the final say in all category interpretation.

All canned foods must be properly sealed and labeled using standard canning jars with the name of the product and date of preservation. All baked goods must be wrapped in plastic wrap and displayed on a disposable container. It is requested that a copy of your recipe be exhibited with your product. No refrigerator pies or cakes will be accepted.

All textile entries must be clean and clothing on hangers. Machine division consists of items made using some type of machine, while handwork division must be done entirely by hand.

Paintings must be finished for hanging or display and photography entries must be 8x10 in picture size and be inserted in a clear plastic sheet protector. There should be no over mat, framing or writing on the front of the poster board.

Project Fair superintendents are Darlene Hopkins and Michelle Thane. For questions or more information on specific classes for the project fair, call (940) 256-3625.

Start now gathering your entries of handwork, clothing, canned and preserved goods, baked goods, photography and arts and crafts projects, and the list goes on. It's just one more reason to look forward to the Wild Horse Prairie Days event in Haskell.

Food preservation workshops set

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will be offering a "Food Preservation Workshop" Wed., June 1. The workshop will be held from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Taylor County Extension Office.

The workshop will be repeated the following day, Thurs., June 2. It is also scheduled from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. and will be held at Trinity Baptist Church in Sweetwater.

Participants will learn the science behind why canning works and the methodology of the process. Sessions of the workshop will cover: Introduction to Home Food Preservation; Canning Basics; Using A Pressure Canner; Jams and Jellies (including reduced and no-added sugar jams and jellies); Pickles; Tomatoes and Salsas; and Freezing and Drying Foods

Study Club installs officers

The Haskell Progressive Study Club met Thurs., May 12 in the Community Room of the First Bank Texas, with the theme, Let's Celebrate New Beginnings, "Out with the Old-In With the New." President Julia Harrell called the meeting to order and the prayer was given by Oleta Cornelius. Kathryn Schonerstedt led pledges to the American and Texas flags. Special guests were Sandi Conway, TFWC president, and Bennie Parker, District Scholarship Chairman, both from Albany. Introductions of guests were given by Schonerstedt.

Conway spoke on the many functions of TFWC and how it has affected many of the laws we have now in Texas. The striping of highways in Texas was an example. Parker installed officers for the 2016-2017 year.

Officers for the club are Julia Harrell, president; all club members, first vice president; Kathryn Schonerstedt, second vice president; Oleta Cornelius, recording secretary; Nelda Lane, corresponding secretary; Connie Benton, treasurer; Ruby Turner, board member; Dorothy Hartsfield, Federation counselor; Susan Turner, parliamentarian; Evelyn Cobb, historian; and

Judy Burnett, telephone. A white rose was presented to each officer installed.

Tables were decorated with various colored cloths and an arrangement of different flowers were on each table. A salad

supper was enjoyed by all attending. Following the meal, Franciene Johnson led the group in singing all the verses of "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain," to illustrate the new year coming in for members.

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Student in the News

Faith Carmichael of Haskell was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. Carmichael was initiated at Texas Tech University.

Carmichael is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors, having at least 72 semester hours, are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent

of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society. The Society has chapters on more than 300 college and university campuses in North America and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
May 18, 2006

Haskell legend, Jarrin' John Kimbrough passed from this life this week. A football player, movie star, gentleman and friend, he was one of the most celebrated athletes in Texas history. He was recognized with many awards and honors, including a unanimous selection for All-American in 1939 and 1940.

Michelle Raynes Johnson of Weinert, received an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing from Vernon College in a recent commencement ceremony.

Recognized as the top Bluebonnet/AR readers at Haskell Elementary were Reagan Hadaway, 3rd grade; Aaron Waggoner, 4th grade; Kalyn Wheatley, 5th grade; and Garrett Brueggeman, 6th grade.

20 Years Ago
May 16, 1996

Haskell High School Vice-Principal Bryan McCulloch, was awarded the FFA Honorary Chapter Farmer Award at the annual FFA Parent and Member Banquet.

Haskell High School juniors Sarah Cothron and Casey Burgess brought home silver medals from the State UIL Academic Meet in Austin. Burgess placed second in prose, while Cothron took second in feature writing.

Janna Brendle of Haskell recently graduated Magna Cum Laude from Abilene Christian University, with

a Master's Degree as an Educational Diagnostician.

30 Years Ago
May 15, 1986

Seven HHS seniors and five juniors were inducted into the Lon Pate Chapter of the Quill and Scroll Society. They included Lynn Dewey, Lance Hanson, Rebecca Holt, Jill Jennings, Tina Lacey, Michael Wallace, Pam Weise, Doug Davis, Mickey Dunnam, B.J. Mitchell, Lori Peiser and George Watson.

HHS graduates receiving Bachelor's Degrees from Tarleton State University in commencement exercises were Carl Hopkins, BS in Animal Science; Monty Moeller, BS in Agricultural Education; and Cam Klose, Bachelor of Science.

Shannon Forehand was named "Most Consistent Player" and Kelly Earp was selected "Most Dedicated Player" at the Weinert High School Awards Banquet.

40 Years Ago
May 13, 1976

Linda Hilliard has been named valedictorian of the Haskell High School graduating class. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hilliard. Suzanne Frierson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Frierson is salutatorian, while Roy Klose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Klose, is high ranking boy.

11 & 12 year old Little Dribblers All-Stars are Emily Cox, Laurie Reynolds, Cam Klose, Melinda Blakley, Mynea Jones, Beverly Barksdale, Shannnon Lane, April Turner, Tina

Morris and Leann Turnbow. Coaches are Bill Blakley and Jimmy Browning.

50 Years Ago
May 12, 1966

Randy O'Neal and Anita Thigpen were awarded the American Legion Citizenship Award, presented by Mr. Henry Druessedow. The award is given annually to the most outstanding 8th grade boy and girl.

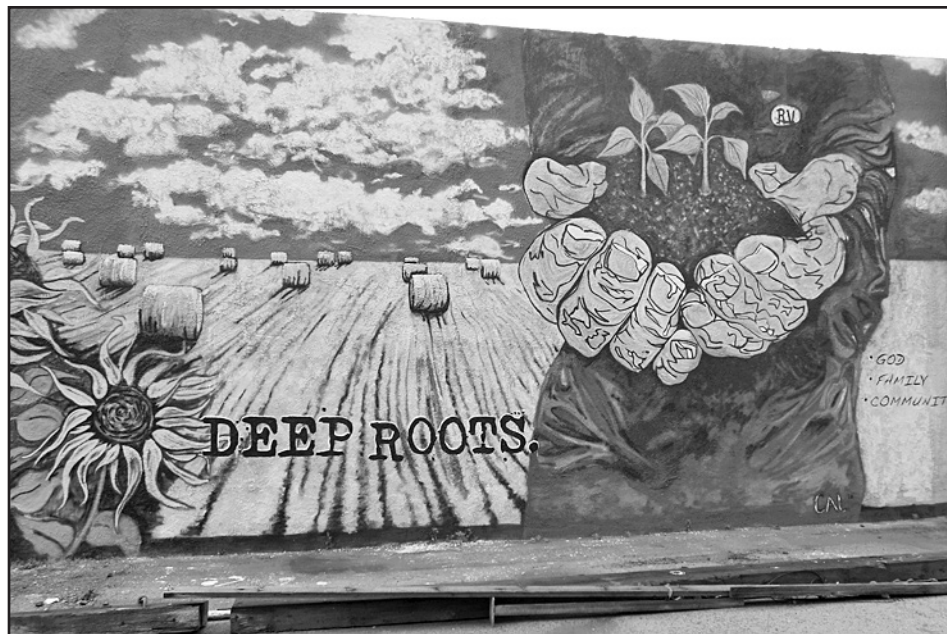
Dianna Underwood of O'Brien showed a two to five year old gelding to the Grand Champion at the Haskell County 4-H Horse Show held at O'Brien. Joey Yates of Weinert showed the Reserve Champion.

Mattson High School principal, coach and math teacher, Bill Anders, has been selected to attend a summer mathematics institute, sponsored by the National Science Foundation at the University of Alabama.

100 Years Ago
May 13, 1916

There has been a big demand for Haskell city property for some time, and is hard to find a vacant house in town. The new buildings and other substantial improvements that are now going on in Haskell show the prosperous condition of the city as well as the country.

A new Sanitary Iceless Soda Fountain has been installed at the drug store of John W. Pace this week. This is one of the largest and most complete fountains in this part of the country. Its sanitary features alone are worthy of note.



IT'S FINISHED—The new mural on the Texas Best Outfitters Building, painted by Abilene artist and Rule native Calina Kendall Johnson, is finished. The nine day project is sponsored by the newly formed Keep Haskell Beautiful organization.

Getting married soon? Give Social Security your new name

By Ray Vigil
Social Security Public
Affairs Specialist
in El Paso

Every year, June marks the beginning of two busy seasons: summer and "wedding season." With joyful expectation, many of us have already marked our calendars and started wrapping up our plans for the vacations, ceremonies, and honeymoons. While the betrothed work out the details, Social Security wants to remind them about one detail that's extremely important: the "record" Social Security keeps of your life's earnings.

For many people, a wedding often means a name change is in order. If you are legally changing your name, you need to apply for a replacement Social Security card reflecting your new name. If you're working, also tell your employer. That way, Social Security can

keep track of your earnings history as you go about living your wonderful new life.

If you have reported income under your former or maiden name, and didn't inform us of a change, we might not have received an accurate W-2 and your earnings may have been recorded incorrectly. This is easier to fix now—when you first change your name—than years from now when you retire, when it may cause delays in receiving your benefits. This is important because we base your future benefits on your earnings record. So, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber, or call us at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778), to find out what specific documents you need to change your name and to apply for a replacement card.

Last year, the Supreme Court issued a decision in Obergefell v. Hodges, holding that same-sex couples have

a constitutional right to marry regardless of where they live within the United States. As a result, Social Security recognizes same-sex couples as married for purposes of determining entitlement to Social Security benefits or eligibility for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. We recently updated instructions for employees to process claims and appeals when a determination of marital status is necessary.

With these changing rules, we encourage anyone who believes they may be eligible for benefits to apply now. You can learn more about our policies for same-sex couples at www.ssa.gov/people/same-sex-couples.

After the honeymoon, you can focus on your career or starting a family, moving to a new home, and securing a well-deserved retirement. Now, you're all set. Let the celebrations begin!

Haskell Co. Arrest Report

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

Patrick Allen Garrett, DWI second.

Trenton Ty Rhoads, deadly conduct and public intoxication.

Fifty-one calls were made to 911.

Haskell CISD will sponsor summer food program

Haskell CISD announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service program.

Meals will be provided at Haskell Elementary School cafeteria, 306 S. Ave. G, and will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00

p.m. Monday through Friday beginning June 8 and ending July 1.

Anyone ages 1 year through 18 years of age is invited to come eat free. Adults are also invited to come and eat for the price of \$3.50 per plate.

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.

Storm sirens

The Haskell Fire Department will conduct storm siren tests on Monday nights from 6-6:30 p.m. Siren tests will not be conducted on days that have a chance of severe weather.

Project fair

A Project Fair will be held during the Wild Horse Prairie Days celebration in Haskell June 2-5. Start gathering your entries! For more information, call Darlene Hopkins at 256-3625.

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

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Al-Anon

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

Vacation Bible school

Weinert First Baptist Church will hold a one-day Expedition Norway! Vacation Bible School Thurs., June 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for kids age 3 through sixth grade. Snacks and lunch will be provided. Call Bro. Dan Bullock at 940-673-8310 or Mary Murphy at 940-673-8269 for more information.

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.

Deadlines

All deadlines for issues of the Haskell Free Press are at noon on Mondays.

Mixed sales tax receipts reported by Comptroller

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced he sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$767.7 million in local sales tax allocations for May, 1.1 percent more than in May 2015. These allocations are based on sales made in March by businesses that report tax monthly, and sales made in January, February and March by quarterly filers.

"The cities of Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso and Fort Worth saw noticeable increases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said. "Energy-centric cities such as Houston, Odessa and Midland continue to see decreases in sales tax allocations."

Haskell County had a 2.76 percent increase for May 2016 of \$57,018.31 in comparison to \$55,481.65 for May 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$245,852.50 reflect a 3.16 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$238,307.15.

The City of Haskell had a 3.77 percent increase for May 2016 of \$52,210.06 in comparison to \$50,311.46 for May 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$227,629.31 reflect a 4.26 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$218,318.43.

The City of O'Brien had a 39.15 percent decrease for May 2016 of \$347.13 in comparison to \$570.52 for May 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$1,413.46 reflect a 30.93 percent decrease over 2015 payments to date of \$2,046.51.

The City of Rochester had a 16.16 percent increase for May 2016 of \$995.55 in comparison to \$857.04 for May 2015.

2016 payments to date of \$3,473.76 reflect a 12.95 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$3,075.24.

The City of Rule had a 10.45 percent decrease for May 2016 of \$2,924.24 in comparison to \$3,265.81 for May 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$11,821.06 reflect a 11.89 percent decrease over 2015 payments to date of \$13,416.48.

The City of Weinert had a 13.52 percent increase for May 2016 of \$541.33 in comparison to \$476.82 for May 2015. 2016 payments to date of \$1,514.91 reflect a 4.44 percent increase over 2015 payments to date of \$1,450.49.

Player of the week

Haskell Indian Ezell Woods was named to the Abilene Reporter-News Big Country Player of the Week Other Top Performers list Tues., May

17. Woods, a junior, is a long jumper and took fourth place at the Class 2A state track meet with a jump of 21-6.25.



Texas A&M University AgriLife Extension Service

by Jason Westbrook, CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Controlling the Pecan Nut Casebearer

by Allen Knutson
and Bill Ree

Extension entomologist
and Extension agent-
entomology

One of the most important nut-in festing insect pests of pecan is the pecan nut casebearer. It is found in all pecangrowing regions of Texas and in south eastern New Mexico. Casebearer larvae tunnel into nutlets shortly after pollination, often destroying all nutlets in a cluster.

The most effective and reliable control method is a well-timed insecticide application(s) made in spring to kill hatching larvae before they tunnel into the nutlets. However, insecticides should be applied only if infestations and nut load justify treatment.

Description

The adult casebearer is a gray to almost black moth about 1/3 inch long. A ridge of dark scales followed by a band of lighter color runs across the fore-wings. Moths are active only at night, when they mate and lay eggs on pecan nuts. Each female lays 50 to 150 eggs during her 5- to 8-day life.

Eggs are oval, flat and tiny, just large enough to be seen with the unaided eye. When first laid, eggs are greenish-white or white. Tiny red spots soon appear on the egg, giving it a pink color before hatch. Casebearer larvae are olive-gray to jade green and grow to about 1/2 inch long.

Biology

First-generation casebearer eggs are typically deposited on pecan nutlets soon after pollination. Eggs hatch in 4 to 5 days. Young larvae crawl to nearby buds to begin feeding, leaving empty white egg shells on the nut. The tiny larva feeds for a day or two on a secondary bud at the base of a compound leaf before it enters the pecan nut. Larvae generally tunnel in at the base of the nutlet. Silk and black frass (excrement) are often visible outside infested nuts.

Casebearer larvae feed for about 4 to 5 weeks, depending on the temperature. Fullgrown larvae then enter the pupal stage inside the nut. The moth emerges 9 to 14 days later.

Seasonal cycle

The pecan nut casebearer completes two to four generations a year. Overwintering larvae develop into moths that emerge in April and May and lay eggs on pecan nutlets soon after pollination. These eggs result in first-generation larvae, which feed on nutlets and generally cause the most damage.

Second-generation larvae attack the nuts in midsummer about 6 weeks after first-generation larvae enter the nut. Third-generation eggs are deposited on nuts from late July to early September. These larvae feed only in the shucks if the pecan shells have hardened.

Many third- and, if present, fourth-generation larvae do not feed, but crawl to the base of a dormant bud where they build a tough, silken cocoon (hibernaculum) in which to spend the winter. In spring, these immature larvae leave their cocoons and feed by tunneling into shoots. Full-grown larvae pupate in shoot tunnels or in bark crevices. Moths from these overwintering larvae lay first-generation eggs on nutlets.

When to scout

First-generation larvae

usually can cause the most economic loss. For this reason, control is directed primarily at this spring generation.

Insecticide applications must be timed accurately to control newly hatched casebearer larvae before they enter the nuts. Once inside, larvae are protected from insecticide treatments.

In spring, examine nutlets carefully for casebearer eggs to determine:

- Whether egg infestations are high enough to justify treatment; and
- When to apply insecticide.

Often, most eggs are laid during a two-week period in late April to early May in the southern and coastal areas of Texas, and late May and early June in north Texas.

Weather affects when eggs are laid, because spring temperatures determine how quickly the overwintering generation develops. Pecan producers often know from years of experience when casebearer eggs are likely to be found in their orchards. However, eggs can be laid earlier in warm springs and later in cool springs.

To anticipate when eggs will be laid, growers can trap moths using pheromone traps, or determine daily heat units in the spring. To determine the number of heat units accumulated per day, add each day's high and low temperatures (F degrees) and subtract 38. Begin accumulating heat units 10 days before 50 percent budbreak occurs. The first significant nut entry is expected to occur once 1,831 heat units have accumulated.

Begin scouting for eggs at least a week before this anticipated date, as local weather conditions near the spray date can influence egg laying. Scout the orchard for eggs and nut entry to determine if infestations justify treatment and to confirm the predicted spray date.

Using pheromone traps

Pheromone-baited traps can help determine when to begin scouting for first-generation casebearer eggs. The casebearer pheromone is the unique chemical that the female moth releases to attract the male moth. The pheromone is synthesized and placed inside a trap to attract male casebearer moths. To detect and monitor the emergence of male casebearer moths, record the trap catch periodically. This information can be used to predict when eggs will be laid and when nut entry will occur.

Pheromone lures and traps can be bought from several distributors of pecan supplies.

The following guidelines describe how to use pheromone traps and scouting for eggs and nut entry to determine whether you need to apply insecticide to prevent economic damage from pecan nut casebearer:

- Pheromone lures and traps are commonly sold together as kits. There are many different trap designs, but kits sold for pecan nut casebearer use either the Pherocon 3 Delta trap, the Pherocon 1C wing trap or the Intercept-A trap. All three designs determine moth activity patterns effectively. The Intercept-A trap has a removable liner that makes it easier to use than the Pherocon 1C or similar wing-style trap. Keep pheromone lures frozen until used. Replace lures every 6 to 8 weeks; remove old ones from the orchard and discard them.

• Three pheromone traps are enough to determine the pattern of moth activity at a given location. As a general guide pending further research, consider 3 to 5 traps for orchards smaller than 50 acres and 5 or more traps for those larger than 50 acres. Consider additional trapping locations where orchard conditions vary, such as between river bottom sites and upland sites.

• Separate traps at a location by at least several trees. Place traps near the terminal of a nut-bearing limb at a convenient height. Traps placed in the lower canopy accurately reflect moth activity. Although data indicate that traps placed higher in the canopy capture more moths, the activity pattern is the same, so the extra effort to place traps high in the canopy is not rewarded.

• Place pheromone-baited traps in the orchard four weeks before the expected spray date. Traps must be in the orchard before moth flight begins to ensure that the date the first moth is captured represents the beginning of moth activity. In South Texas, traps should be in the orchard by April 1; in Central Texas by April 15; and in North Texas, May 1.

• Monitor traps at least every 3-4 days and three times a week if possible. Frequent monitoring is necessary to detect the first flush of moth activity. Each time you check the trap, count and record the number of casebearers captured. Also record the trap location and sample date. Remove all moths, other insects and any leaves or twigs from the trap.

Do not confuse pecan nut casebearer moths with pecan bud moths or other imposters sometimes captured in pheromone traps. Replace traps or trap liners when the sticky material becomes covered with moth scales, dust or other debris. To avoid contaminating the lure, use forceps or the tip of a pocketknife blade to transfer the pheromone lure to the new trap or liner.

• Begin scouting the orchard for casebearer eggs 7 to 10 days after the first pecan nut casebearer moths are captured in the pheromone traps. The first male casebearer moths are usually captured two weeks before the optimum time to apply an insecticide. During this time, trap catches usually increase and then begin to decline over a 2- to 3-week period. You may be tempted to apply an insecticide during peak moth capture, but such an application would be a week or more before a properly timed treatment, if needed, should be applied.

Research indicates that numbers of captured moths accurately reflect patterns of moth activity. At this time, trap catches cannot be used to predict the threat of damage by casebearer larvae or the need to apply an insecticide. For this reason, you need to scout nutlets closely for eggs and nut entry. Use the sampling plan described below to determine if an infestation is damaging enough to justify an insecticide application.

• Pheromone traps can also be used to monitor flights of later casebearer generations. A second moth flight can be detected about 6 weeks after the spring flight and follows a similar pattern of increase and decline during a 2- to 3-week flight. Nut entry, and thus optimum timing of an insecticide application for second summer-generation casebearer, if needed, occurs about 12 to 16 days after the

second moth flight begins.

As with the first summer generation, base your decision to treat the orchard on the presence of eggs and larvae and not the number of moths captured. The pheromone trap is very attractive and will capture casebearer moths even when an economic infestation of larvae does not develop. Pheromone traps continue to capture moths of the third and fourth generations throughout the summer into November. However, these later generations rarely threaten nut production.

Orchard scouting and treatment

Most casebearer eggs are found at the tip of the nutlet, either on the top (stigma) or hidden just under the tiny leaves (sepals) at the tip of the nutlet. You need a good hand lens to identify casebearer eggs and determine their development (hatched, white or pink). Also, look for bud feeding just below the nut cluster to detect the presence of newly hatched larvae.

As described above, begin scouting for eggs 7 to 10 days after the first casebearer moths are captured in pheromone traps, or 7 to 10 days before the date of first nut entry as predicted by heat unit accumulations. Use the following sampling plan to determine if infestations warrant applying insecticide. The plan is based on the assumption that treatment is justified when infestations are large enough to destroy 5 percent or more of the nuts expected to be harvested.

About 2 to 3 days before the predicted first significant nut entry date, examine 10 nut clusters per tree. A cluster is considered infested if it has a casebearer egg or nut entry. If, on this date, you find two or more infested clusters before 310 nut clusters are sampled, the casebearer population is large enough to damage more than 5 percent of the harvest. Apply an insecticide within the next few days.

If you find fewer than two infested clusters, sample again 2 to 3 days later. If you find two or more infested clusters before 310 clusters are examined, apply an insecticide treatment without delay.

If no treatment is indicated, sample again two days later. A third sample is especially important if cold, rainy nights have occurred, which can delay egg-laying. If you find fewer than three infested clusters, treatment is not warranted. Infestations of three or more infested clusters at this time indicate some damage may occur. Consider the effect of rainy weather on egg-laying and crop load in making treatment decisions at this time.

Nut clusters with eggs can be tagged with a piece of ribbon and checked each day to determine when hatch occurs. Apply the insecticide 1 to 2 days after the first eggs hatch, or as soon as nut entry by larvae is first observed. Delaying treatment maximizes the insecticide's residual activity. However, consider the time required to treat the orchard and possible delays caused by weather, so that the insecticide can be applied before many larvae tunnel into nutlets.

Insecticide selection

Backyard trees—urban areas: Be careful when applying insecticide sprays in backyard and urban areas, because spray may drift onto nearby gardens, pets and living areas. In home landscapes, use only products containing spinosad (Green

Light Lawn and Garden Spray with Spinosad®), carbaryl, malathion or Bacillus thuringiensis and that are labeled for pecans.

Before purchasing and applying any insecticide, always read the label to determine if the product is labeled for use on the target plant or site. Follow mixing instructions and safety precautions.

Commercial pecan production: Many insecticides are labeled for controlling pecan nut casebearer on pecan. Base your insecticide choice on applicator safety, grazing restrictions if livestock are present, and potential impact of the insecticide on beneficial insects and other pests.

Thorough spray coverage, accurate timing to treat hatching larvae, using recommended insecticide rates, and proper sprayer calibration are critical for achieving good control of the pecan nut casebearer.

The use of pyrethroid (e.g., Asana®, Ammo®, Warrior®) or carbaryl (e.g., Sevin®) insecticides has sometimes been followed by outbreaks of aphids or spider mites in pecans. For this reason, using these insecticides for the pecan nut casebearer is discouraged, especially if the orchard has a history of aphid or mite problems. If you use pyrethroid insecticides, apply them no more than

once per season.

Insecticide labels can change from year to year so it is the user's responsibility to follow current label directions for worker safety, grazing restrictions and application rates for target pests. Commercial growers should refer to E-125, "Managing Insect and Mite Pests of Commercial Pecan in Texas," available at <http://tcebookstore.org>.

Biological control

Many kinds of insects and spiders occurring naturally in pecan trees feed on pecan nut casebearers. Some of the most important natural enemies are tiny parasitic wasps that sting and kill the larvae. More than 25 different species of wasps attack casebearer larvae; although little is known about these beneficials, they help reduce casebearer populations.

Tiny parasitic wasps of the genus Trichogramma lay eggs inside the casebearer egg. The wasp eggs hatch and the Trichogramma larvae consume the casebearer egg and complete their entire development inside it, turning the egg black. Trichogramma wasps occur naturally, but little is known about their importance in controlling pecan pests. Trichogramma wasps can be bought for release in orchards, but so far, studies indicate that currently available species and release methods do not control casebearer effectively.

Weinert VBS set June 9

A summer kids' event called Expedition Norway VBS will be hosted at First Baptist Weinert Thurs., June 9. Expedition Norway is like taking a trip to Norway! Kids will sing catchy songs, play high-energy games, dig into yummy Norwegian treats, experience cool Bible adventures, learn Bible verses and explore what daily life is like for kids in Norway. Plus, kids get to watch a video visit with real kids in Norway! This

is a day of fun that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Meet on the patio of the church fellowship hall on the north side of the church.

Expedition Norway VBS is for kids from age 3 to sixth grade and will run from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for this one-day Bible school.

For more information, call Bro. Dan Bullock at 940-673-8310 or Mary Murphy at 940-673-8269.



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Students in the News



JAMES BOWERS

James Bowers of Haskell graduated Fri., May 6, from Texas State Technical College in Waco with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Computer Networking and Systems Administration.

The spring commencement ceremony was held at the Waco Convention Center.

Bowers resides in Waco

where he is employed by Sam's Club.

Dona Kirkes of Haskell TX is one of nine McMurry University students, faculty, alumni and staff who will be traveling to Haiti for a mission trip on May 15-22.

This is the fifth time a McMurry group has gone to Haiti to work with Partners In Development, a faith-based agency that works toward "whole life transformation."

The organization provides micro loans to individuals to create sustainable income. As the recipients repay their loans, they get something done for their home as an incentive to keep paying. There is also a health clinic available for the residents. The team will have the option to do construction work or clinic work each day.

Haskell School Menu

May 23-27

Breakfast

Milk variety and 100% fruit juice is available at every meal.

Monday: Sausage roll, yogurt or cereal variety and toast
Tuesday: Waffles, sausage or cereal variety and toast
Wednesday: Breakfast pizza or cereal variety and toast
Thursday: Cheese omelet or cereal variety and toast
Friday: Cinnamon roll, bacon or cereal variety and toast

Lunch

Milk variety is available at every meal.

Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, savory green beans, roll, fruit cup
Tuesday: Soft taco, baby carrots, corn, salsa, orange smiles, cookie
Wednesday: Pizza, garden salad, veg. medley, apple slices
Thursday: Deli sandwich, salad, tomato and cucumber, graham snack, fruit
Friday: Deli sandwich, salad, tomato and cucumbers, graham snack, fruit

Elementary readers treated to Bluebonnet Breakfast

A Bluebonnet breakfast was held Tues., May 3 in the Haskell Elementary library. This event is held each year in May to recognize those students who have read the current year's Bluebonnet books and passed the required number of Accelerated Reading tests on those books.

The Texas Bluebonnet Award is a state-wide reading program and is the largest children's choice reading program in the country. Each year students in third through sixth grades have an opportunity to read from the twenty books on the master list for that year. If they read a minimum of five books they will be able to vote for their favorite title during the month of January. The book that receives the most votes state-wide is declared the winner of the Texas Bluebonnet Award. This year's winner is *When The Beat Was Born: D.J. Kool Herc and The Creation Of Hip Hop*, by Laban Carrick Hill, illustrated by Theodore Taylor III.

This year 23 students from grades three through six attended the breakfast. Also in attendance were Jimmy Lisle, Haskell Elementary principal; Kent Colley, Haskell Junior High principal; teacher representatives from the four grades, and elementary and junior high library staff.

The delicious breakfast included blueberry pancake sausage-on-a-stick, blueberry and banana nut muffins, assorted fresh fruit, milk, and juice.

Nine Bluebonnet books were given away as door prizes, and the top readers from each grade were recognized and each presented with a book from the new 2016/2017 Bluebonnet list.

The Top Bluebonnet/AR readers for each grade were Caden West, third grade; Colton Hopkins, fourth grade; Madilyn Moore, fifth grade; and Kailee Benton, sixth grade. Madilyn Moore, top overall reader, was presented with a hardback copy of this year's winning book, autographed by the author and illustrator. All students were given an official Texas Bluebonnet Award certificate and Bluebonnet pencil.

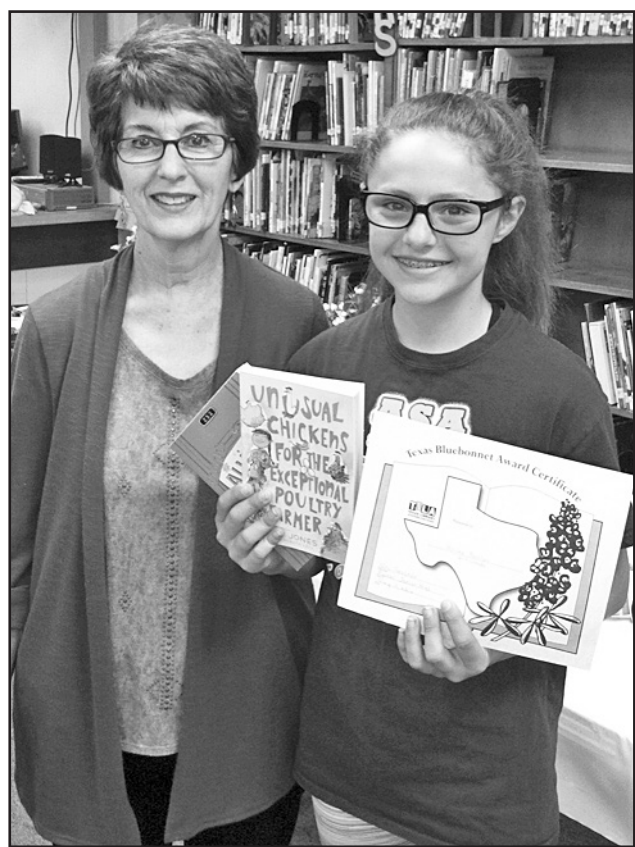
We want to thank everyone who helped with this event. We appreciate the great food provided by the Haskell Elementary

food service and Fonda Newton and her culinary arts students. We thank the teachers who helped during the breakfast, the students who helped register and serve food, and the principals who

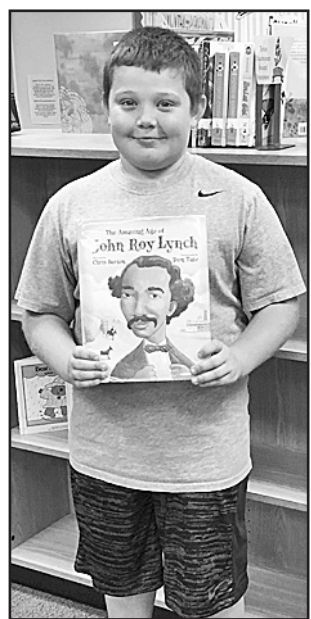
support this program. Special thanks goes to the third through sixth grade teachers who help us promote this reading program by encouraging their students to read these fine books each year.



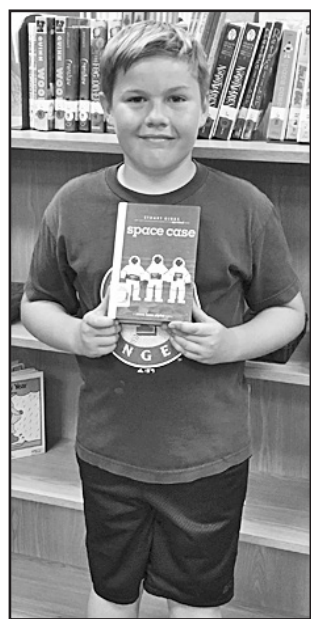
OVERALL TOP READER—Haskell student Madilyn Moore, right, was the top reader for fifth grade and the top overall Bluebonnet reader. She is holding the winning Bluebonnet book. Librarian Betsy McManamon, left, presented the award.



TOP READER—Haskell student Kailee Benton, right, was the top Bluebonnet reader for sixth grade. Librarian Betsy McManamon, left, presented the award.



THIRD GRADE—Caden West was the top Bluebonnet reader in the third grade at Haskell Elementary.

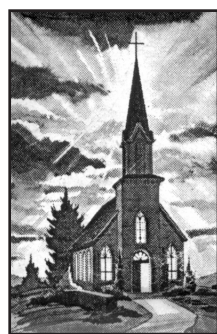


FOURTH GRADE—Colton Hopkins was the top Bluebonnet reader in the fourth grade at Haskell Elementary.

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The Haskell Free Press

This Week's Devotional Message:



The learning process is a lifetime curriculum

Your education began the day you were able to notice all the shapes, colors and sounds of the world which you had just recently entered. It continued through school, and culminated during a ceremony when someone handed you a sheepskin scroll which proclaimed that you were ready to step out into the world on your own. However, there is much more to education

than just the skills of your everyday life, as you will learn at your house of worship. It also means a study of the faith we live by and the word of God, who put us here and endowed us with the intelligence to wonder about these things. There is no graduation from this course, because it continues throughout our lives and enriches them in the process.

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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Foursquare Church

Rev. Robert Harrison
Sunday 11 a.m
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—ROCHESTER—

Church of Christ

Mitchell Greer, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church

Jim McCurley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.;
Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;
Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church

Clovis Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester

Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
Hwy. 6, Rochester

—SAGERTON—

Sagerton Methodist Church

Cory Graham, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton

Faith Lutheran Church

Anna Robbins, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton

—RULE—

First Baptist Church

Scott Hensley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
1001 Union Ave., Rule

Primitive Baptist Church

Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule

Church of Christ

Paul Leonard, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
811 Union, Rule

Primera Iglesia Bautista

Alfa y 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.
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Wed., May 25

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Fri., May 27

Pulled pork on a bun, ranch beans, onions, pickles, chips, pinto beans, tea or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

Paint Creek School Menu

May 23-27

Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily.

Monday: Cook's choice
Tuesday: Cook's choice
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Thursday: Cook's choice
Friday: Cook's choice

Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: Cook's choice
Tuesday: Cook's choice
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Thursday: Cook's choice
Friday: Cook's choice

Rule School Menu

May 23-26

Breakfast

Fresh fruit, juice or milk are offered daily.

Monday: Manager's choice
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Lunch

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION NO. 4,584

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HASKELL I, Belia Abila, County Clerk of County Court for Haskell County, Texas do hereby certify that the attached pages contain a true document and correct copy of the following:

To: The unknown heirs of Peggy D. Hudson, deceased

Greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear before the County Court of

Public Notices

Haskell County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of ten (10) days from the date of publication of this citation by filing a written answer to a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of February, 2016 in Cause No. 4,584, styled, In the Interest of the Estate of Peggy D. Hudson.

A brief statement of the nature of the petition is as follows, to-wit: James Willard Hudson, filed a petition for dependent administration upon the Estate of Peggy D. Hudson, deceased.

as is more fully shown by the petition on file in this cause.

The officer executing

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this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the day of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Said original documents and probate proceedings are on file in Cause Number 4,584, styled Peggy D. Hudson, deceased on the Probate Docket and of record in the Probate Minutes of the County Court of Haskell County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 11th day of May, 2016.

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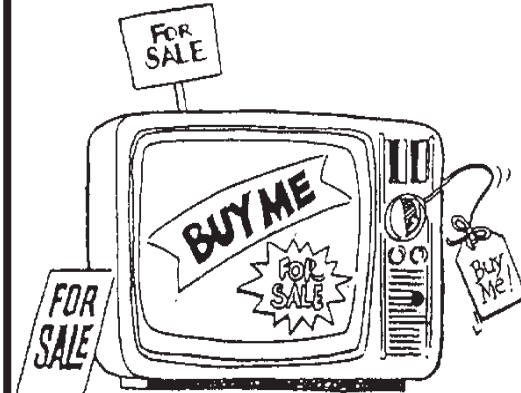
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- 807 RAILROAD. ROCHESTER - 3/2. \$74,000 - **PENDING**
- 1004 UNION. RULE - 3/2. \$44,900 - **REDUCED**
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FOOD DRIVE—The Haskell Post Office collected 531 lbs. of food during the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive, hosted each year by the National Association of Letter Carriers. Among those helping with the drive were, I-r, Norva Smith, Deward Gordy, Layne Norman and Teresa Briles. More food is being collected as rain on Saturday prevented some customers from leaving their items by the mail box.

Operation Round Up accepting applications for financial assistance

Big Country Electric Cooperative (BCEC) believes in the power of working together to make good things happen. We work hard to take care of people and our local communities. Each of us has the ability to do good but, when we band together that ability multiplies, turning good things into great things. The Operation Round Up program allows the cooperative and its members to partner together to provide financial assistance to those in need locally. This program is supported by co-op members whose electric bills are "Rounded Up" to the nearest dollar. The "Round Up" amount goes into the Operation Round Up fund for distribution to

individuals and organizations with demonstrated financial need in the counties served by BCEC: Borden, Fisher, Garza, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and Throckmorton. Applications are handled with the utmost confidence and respect. Applications are evaluated and funds disbursed by the trust's Board of Directors—your peers and neighbors—who volunteer their time, hearts and consideration to making decisions that will positively impact lives in our communities. Food needs and food banks, shelter, health and medical needs, rescue organizations, educational projects, child care programs and other

special needs are just a few of the causes Operation Round Up can provide assistance for and help strengthen our communities. Every penny stays right here at home, in the counties served by BCEC. Applications for assistance will be accepted through Tues., May 24 at 5:30 p.m. For more information about the program or to download an application for assistance and instructions, go to www.bigcountry.coop and click on the Operation Roundup icon right on our home page. Please contact Sarah McLen at 325-776-3803 or at smclen@bigcountry.coop with any questions about Operation Roundup.

Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met Tues., May 10 at the regular meeting place with all members present.

A motion to accept the treasurer's monthly report and the Experienced Citizens Center report was accepted.

Commissioner Billy Wayne Hester volunteered to bring the sand to the City Park for a volleyball court area. The City of Haskell would need to request assistance from the County in writing before Commissioner Hester can help as per instructions from the County Attorney.

Kennedy Redder has been hired as a part time dispatcher by Sheriff Winston Stephens.

A motion to sign a letter of intent to participate in the WCTCOG 2016 Hazard Mitigation Plan update passed.

A motion to enter into the

cloud seeding program for five months passed.

A motion to renew the contract between the County Clerk's office and the Department of State Health Services for access to the Texas Electronic

Registration Remote System was approved.

A motion to approve the resolution agreement to move forward with the County Tax Abatement Application and Petition for Willow Springs Wind passed.

Music and memory seminar set tonight

Haskell Healthcare Center will provide an educational seminar on an amazing new approach to treating dementia and Alzheimer's—using the patients' favorite music Thurs., May 19 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Haskell Hospital

Education Building. If someone you know suffers from dementia, or if you just want to be inspired, amazed, and educated, please come out. Snacks will be provided. For more information call Steve King at 940-256-1742.

Weather

by Kim Hutto
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Temperature

Mon., May 9 67°/88°
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