

## Calendar

### Summer reading at the library

The Haskell County Library will sponsor a Summer Reading Program to run through July 28. Tuesdays, from 10 to 10:30 a.m., programs for readers ages infant to 4 years old will be held. On Thursdays, from 10 to 11 a.m., a program will be held for readers ages Kindergarten through fifth grade.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., June 18 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., June 18 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Volunteers are welcome.

### Band Boosters to meet today

Haskell Band Boosters will hold a meeting Thurs., June 9 at 5:30 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria to elect new officers for the 2016-2017 school year.

### Benefit lunch for Julian Estrada

A benefit lunch will be held Fri., June 10 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the St. George Catholic Church Hall in Haskell. Enchilada plates will be \$8 each. Take outs will be available. Proceeds will benefit Julian Estrada to help with medical expenses.

### 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.

### Al-Anon

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

### 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.



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## Sandhill Cattle Co. is WHPD ranch rodeo winner

by Caron Yates

It looked a lot like the old west again, as cowboys and cowgirls found their way to Haskell last weekend for the twenty-first production of the Wild Horse Prairie Days.

Twenty working ranch teams competed in the big event. Other events held in conjunction with the rodeo were the John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping, the Ranch Horse Competition and the WRCA team roping.

The first place overall team winner was the Sandhill Cattle Co. The Sandhill Cattle Co., established in 1998, is owned by Tripp Townsend and Riley Smith. Sandhill leases 15,000 acres of grass in Lamb County, which runs about 2000 head of yearlings in the summer. During the winter, 3000 head of yearlings are cared for on wheat pasture. They also own a 4000 head preconditioning lot. Team members are Trip Townsend, Riley Smith, Randy Knight, Tyler Rice and Trail Townsend.

Each member of the first place team received a saddle sponsored by Haskell County Realty, Central Texas Farm Credit, Larned Quarterhorses, Silveus Insurance Co. and Price Rite Realty. They also received custom hats from 5-D Custom Hats and Leather, D&S Aerial, LLC and Helena Chemical Co. In addition they will each get a shirt sponsored by Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative and a new pair of boots from Twisted X Boots.

Placing second was Swenson Land & Cattle. Today's ranch is owned by the Bruce and Parry Swenson families, both great-great grandsons of S.M. Swenson. The ranch started a new era of cattle marketing in 1903, with a unique mail order catalogue which marketed cattle in carload lots and was issued to Corn Belt farmers.

The ranch was represented by Mark Voss, Alan Rabel, Waylon Davis, Tel Good and Bonner Voss. Team members received custom spurs sponsored by Big Country Electric and PBH Oilfield Supply, shirts from God Loves You Ministries and King Saddlery Ropes by Haskell Feeds.

The Triangle/Veale Ranch located in Paducah, and founded in 1920 by Tom Burnett, was the third place team. Located between the North Wichita and Pease Rivers in Cottle, Foard and Hardeman counties, the 150,000 acre ranch is primarily a cow/calf and yearling operation.

The ranch was represented by Buster Frierson, J.B. Miller, Spicer Lewis, John C. Bryan and Skylar Flake. Each team member was given a custom pocket knife from Sanders Circle S Ranch, along with saddle blankets sponsored by Circle Bar Ranch.

Winning fourth place was Thompson Ranch from near Munday. With land in three counties, the Thompson



**WHPD RANCH RODEO WINNERS**—The Sandhill Cattle ranch team was the first place winner of the 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Presenting the awards were, Carl Hopkins, left, Kaycee Hooper, second from left, WRCA

representative, and Sammy Larned, far right. Team members accepting the awards were, center, Randy Knight and Tripp Townsend. Other team members were Riley Smith, Tyler Rice and Trail Townsend.

Ranch is a cow-calf and yearling operation. There are 6000 to 7000 head of yearlings run on wheat pasture in the winter. An 1100 head cow/calf operation is also run in Hardeman and Knox Counties. In addition the ranch has a set of mares and raises registered Quarter Horses for use on the ranch.

On the team were Tyler Thompson, Trey Propps, Chace Thompson, Chad Williams and Kolton Burnett. They won straw hats from Heads or Tails Hats.

Coming in at number five was the Tongue River Ranch located in King, Cottle, Motley and Dickens counties. Paramount to their cattle operation is their outstanding horse program. The ranch takes great pride in preserving the land for future generations. They received leather notebook holders from Isbell Longhorns and Isbell Farms. Team members were T.J. Roberts, Kye Brandon, Quentin Maburger, Josh Halsell and Braiden Obermier.

The sixth place team was the Slash B/3 Bar Ranch. The cowboys received King Saddlery Ropes courtesy of Haskell Vet Clinic. Slash B/3 Bar was represented by Matt Stockton, Wes Housler, Travis Alcorn and Sid Cervantes.

Named Top Hand was Matt Stockton of Slash B/3 Bar. He won a saddle sponsored by Shortes, Inc. Reserve Top Hand was Wes Housler riding for the Slash B/3 Bar ranch. He received a pocket knife and scabbard from Hargrove Crop Insurance Agency. Top Horse was Moose, ridden by T.J. Roberts of the Tongue River Ranch. He won a hand tooled headstall, bit and reins sponsored by Larned's Storage Center. He also received a bronze statue presented by Kaycee Hooper, WRCA representative. Reserve Top Horse was Royal Rock Handcock, off the R.A. Brown Ranch. He received

a belt buckle sponsored by RAL Cattle Co.

Winning the Ranch Horse Competition was Tripp Townsend of Sandhill Cattle ranch. The win earned him a saddle sponsored by First Bank Texas.

The bronc riding event was won by Tel Good from Swenson Land & Cattle. West-Go sponsored the saddle for this event.

Winning the Wild Cow Milking was the R.A. Brown Ranch. Saddle sponsors were Anipro XF and Forty-Five Quarter Horses.

Circle Bar Ranch won the sorting event and took

home a saddle sponsored by Larned Sales Center.

Ranch doctoring was won by the team from the Sandhill Cattle. Their saddle was sponsored by Trishia & Carson Horner, as well as Casey & Missy Larned.

Winning the ranch mugging were the cowboys from Swenson Land & Cattle, who took home a saddle from Haskell County Grain Ltd. Slash B/3 Bar took top honors in the ranch branding event, and received a saddle sponsored by West Texas Ford.

Winning one of the newer events, the Team Roping,

was Twister Vinson. He won a saddle sponsored by Hager Quarter Horses. Spur winners were Riggan Johnson and Rodie Goodwin. In all fifteen saddles were given away to these competitors.

Hay for the cattle was donated by Calloway Farms, while Quality Implement supplied the tractor and equipment for use in the arena.

Members of the remaining competing ranch teams include:

Driver Land & Cattle: Quentin Gass, Sonny Pate, Juan Bustos Portales and continued on page 2

## Howard is scholarship winner

The Committee to Help Haskell County, along with the Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee, held a scholarship contest open to all high school students that attend a Haskell County high school. This scholarship contest is also open to any student representing any of the participating ranches. Eight applicants competed this year.

Kourtney McKay Howard, sponsored by Hager Quarter Horses, was awarded the \$1,500 scholarship at the sponsors' meal.

Howard is the daughter of Bobby and Kim Howard and a graduate of Haskell High School. She plans to attend Tarleton State University in the fall to pursue a degree in Agricultural Education.

The other applicants and their sponsors were:

Ashlyn Jo Bevel, sponsored by Bevel Farms; Kaelyn Brooke Bevel, sponsored by Kbthrive; Cody Wyatt Dutton, sponsored by Hager Ranches; Sarah Jane Fouts, sponsored by Fouts Law Firm; Hollyn Dee Hadaway, sponsored by The Drug Store; Bailey Hawkins, sponsored by Helena Chemical Company; Kameryn Renee Mathis,

sponsored by Nelson Farm & Ranch Properties, W.B. Harrison.

The committees would like to thank the contestants and their sponsors, as well as these scholarship sponsors: Bailey Toliver Chevrolet,

First Bank Texas, Haskell Chamber of Commerce, Haskell National Bank, Modern Way, Summit True Value, The Drug Store, The Committee to Help Haskell County and the Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee.



**CONTEST WINNER**—Kourtney Howard, sponsored by Hager Quarter Horses, was the winner of the 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days scholarship contest.

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# WHPD results

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 and Ray Bradley.  
 Dakota Holmes.  
 Spires Land & Cattle: Ron Redford, Buddy Thomas, Colton Overcash, Brady Biery and Kelly Butler.  
 Eakins/Brown: Justin Eakins, Garry Brown, Jeremiah Campbell and Dustin Pool.  
 Treadwell/McPhail: Ethan Treadwell, Dayton McPhail, Ethan Richardson and Tanner Snow.  
 Bonds Ranch: Colby Hunt, Kris Rinks, Dillon Crumpler, Dustin Shelton and Cody Ingram.  
 Cook Canyon Ranch: Kris Hubbard, Laramy Richardson, Marc Sanderson, Jake Saunders and Josh Gibson.  
 Stewart Ranch: Pate Stewart, Ryan Wakefield, Tres Campbell, Brady Clark  
 Pitchfork Ranch: Stoney Jones, Clint Jones, Pat Butler, K.C. Green and J.T. Shuringa.  
 Circle Bar Ranch: Jerry Bob Daniel, Colton Daniel, Kyle Everson, Randy Layton and Aaron Urich.  
 Rucker b Ranch: Tony Martinez, Clayton Henderson, Kasey Matthews, David Marino and Dean Wadsworth.  
 R. A. Brown Ranch: Myles Brown, R.A. Brown, Lanham Brown, Todd McCartney and Casey Mitchell.  
 Burns Ranch: Graham Johnson, Chad Johnston, Scott Hand, Jayson Castle and Colten Mayo.  
 Whitmire Land & Cattle: T.J. Mills, Jake McCall, Tanner Davis, Keith Sumner and Casey Piguet.  
 Goldsmith: Steve

Goldsmith, Chase Goldsmith, Chad Townsend, Scott Mackey and Stewart Urich.

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Committee would like to thank the many volunteers, as well as the sponsors, named and unnamed, who make this event possible. Local and area businesses and ranches have continued to generously support the WHPD for the past twenty-one years. A big thank you also goes out to Sammy and Casey Larned and their crew, who carry the load for organizing this popular and successful event each year. And now it is time to start making plans for Wild Horse Prairie Days 2017.

## Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of May 30-June 5:

- Jason Edward Aycock, driving while intoxicated.
- Ricky Lynn Wilson, motion to revoke driving while intoxicated third or more.
- Danny Carroll Green, driving while intoxicated third or more.
- Valentine Tafolla, family assault.
- Bennie Tafolla, family assault.
- Thirty-nine calls were made to 911.

## Haskell Summer Menu

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.

**June 6-July 1**  
 Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, whole grain breadstick, green beans, fruit  
**Tuesday:** Texas combo basket (steak or chicken fingers), oven fries, gravy, Texas toast, garden salad, fruit  
**Wednesday:** Whole grain cheese burger, potato rounds, western beans, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit  
**Thursday:** Whole grain beefy spaghetti, carrot coins, salad with ranch dressing, whole grain breadstick, chocolate or vanilla pudding, fruit  
**Friday:** Whole grain pizza dippers, spaghetti sauce, baby carrots, salad with ranch dressing, whole grain cookie, fruit

## Weather

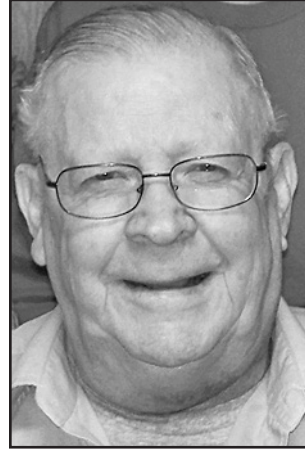
by Kim Hutto  
**National Weather Service Volunteer Co-op Observer**

**Temperature**  
 Mon., May 30 ..... 67°/84°  
 Tues., May 31..... 65°/75°  
 Wed., June 1..... 65°/77°  
 Thurs., June 2 ..... 62°/73°  
 Fri., June 3..... 67°/77°  
 Sat., June 4 ..... 67°/85°  
 Sun., June 5..... 69°/88°  
**Precipitation**  
 Mon., May 30 ..... .78" rain  
 Tues., May 31..... 1.11" rain  
 Wed., June 1..... .30" rain  
 Thurs., June 2 ..... .90" rain  
 Fri., June 3..... .33" rain  
 Sat., June 4 ..... .12" rain

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# Obituaries

## Audie Junior McMarion Stocks



**AUDIE M. STOCKS**  
 Graveside services for Audie Junior McMarion Stocks, 82, lifelong resident of Haskell, were held Thurs., June 2 at Willow Cemetery in Haskell with Dale Carroll officiating. Services were under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.  
 Mr. Stocks passed away peacefully Mon., May 30 in an Abilene hospital.  
 Born Aug. 8, 1933 in Haskell, he was the son of

Audie E. and Lydia Dake Stocks. He served in the U.S. Army. He married Wanda Ruth Cook June 23, 1956 in Stamford. She preceded him in death July 29, 2006. He was employed by West Texas Utilities as a mechanic in 1957 and worked at the Paint Creek Power Plant, retiring in 1992 after 35 years of service. He was a Little League coach and member of East Side Baptist Church.  
 He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two sisters.  
 Survivors include his daughter, Lisa and Randy Shaw of Haskell; sons, Danny and Tamara Stocks of Hughes Springs and Phillip and Joyce Stocks of Robinson; grandchildren, Jason and Sara Shaw of Abilene and sons, Seth and Max; A.J. and Sarah Shaw of Haskell and son, Audie; Stephanie and David

Boatman of Claremore, Oklahoma and daughters, Natyleigh and Brooklynn; Joshua and Sara Stocks of Owasso, Oklahoma and sons, Kyle and Tyler and daughter, Ava; Savannah Elkins of Hughes Springs, Aaron and Kara Loftin of Seymour and Lane and Chelsea Loftin of Mount Pleasant; Justin and Jess Stocks of Robinson and sons, Noah and Jonah; Brandon Butts of Robinson; brothers, Dean and DeeAnn Stocks of Arlington, J.D. and Karen Stocks of Grandfalls and Jerry and Betty Stocks of Haskell.  
 Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice, 1682 Hickory, Abilene, Texas 79601 or Haskell Volunteer Fire Department, 301 North 1st Street, Haskell.  
 Online condolences may be shared with Audie's family at [www.smithfamilyfh.com](http://www.smithfamilyfh.com).  
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## Dolores Ann Foster



**DOLORES FOSTER**  
 Graveside services for Dolores Ann Foster, 81, longtime resident of Haskell, were held Fri., June 3 at Willow Cemetery with Rev. Tony Grand officiating. Services were under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.  
 Mrs. Foster passed away Monday evening, May 30 at

Abilene Regional Medical Center in Abilene.  
 Born Jan. 9, 1935, in Colorado City, she was the daughter of E.H. and Edna (Wilson) Burnett. She graduated from Haskell High School, attended West Texas State University and Hardin-Simmons University and received a Master's Degree in English. Dolores married James "Cotton" Foster in 1956. He preceded her in death in 1966. She taught elementary school for 33 years; 28 of those years for Haskell Elementary.  
 She was preceded in death by her parents, E.H. and Edna Burnett; husband, Cotton Foster; nephew, Randell Lacey; and daughter-in-law, Shadella Foster.  
 Survivors include her sons, Craig Foster of Haskell

and Steven Foster and wife Gina Foster of Corpus Christi; grandchildren, Savannah Foster Powers and husband Brandon of Quanah, Kory Foster of San Marcos, Ashley Foster of Haskell, and Koby Foster of Balmorhea.; great-grandchildren, Joshua Powers and Briley Powers, both of Quanah; and brother, Charles Burnett and wife Joetta of Haskell.  
 Memorials may be given in Dolores' name to the American Cancer Society, 3402 N. 1st St., Abilene, Texas, 79603, 325-672-0994 or the American Heart Association, 2630 West Fwy. #250, Fort Worth, Texas, 76102, 817-698-5400.  
 Online condolences may be shared with the Foster family at [www.smithfamilyfh.com](http://www.smithfamilyfh.com).  
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**TEAM ROPING**—Twister Vinson, right, was the winner of the saddle in the Team Roping competition at the 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days. Making the presentation is Shorty Martin, left.



**TEAM ROPING**—Shorty Martin, center, presented spurs to Riggan Johnson, left, and Rodie Goodwin, right, winners of the spurs in the Team Roping competition at the 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days.

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# Rule ISD releases honor and perfect attendance rolls

Rule ISD has released the names of students on the A honor roll, the A-B honor roll and Perfect attendance lists for the sixth six weeks of school.

**Pre-K:** Perfect attendance, Layne Hertel and Callie Sorley.

**Kindergarten:** Perfect attendance, Jazmin Amaya, Jonah Flores, Joshua Flores, Hannah Hertel, Kynzleah Hertel, Lezli Manske and Tyreike Vanderbilt.

**First grade:** A honor roll, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Natalie Murray, Conner Russell and Haylee Stone; A-B honor roll, Brylee Teague; Perfect attendance, Arena Caldwell, Leslie Caldwell, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Conner Russell and Brylee Teague.

**Second grade:** A honor roll, Lacoste Navarrette and Kaitlyn Saffel; A-B honor roll, Waylynn Caldwell, Dylan Campbell, Samantha Farquhar, Juliana Flores, Octavious Guzman, Skylor Kreger, Skylar Leek and Abigail Watson; Perfect attendance, Waylynn Caldwell, Kaitlyn Saffel, Leland Short and Abigail Watson.

**Third grade:** A honor roll, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia and Jelena Alvarez; A-B honor roll, Kyle Adkins, J.R. Green, Max Hollabaugh, Kyleik Mason, Frankie Olivera, Julio Tapia and Tristan Watson; Perfect attendance, Jelena Alvarez and Tristan Watson.

**Fourth grade:** A honor roll, Shelby Saffel; A-B honor roll, Zachary Campbell, Astrid Guzman, Zachary Ingram and Geneva Pauley; Perfect attendance, Astrid

Guzman and Shelby Saffel.  
**Fifth grade:** A-B honor roll, Karcin Smith; Perfect attendance, Karleigh Hertel, Patrick Lightfoot and Ragen Thompson.  
**Sixth grade:** A honor roll, Lenzi Manske; A-B honor roll, Jaella Alvarez, Abigail Ortiz, Macy Rogers and Jaci Watson; Perfect attendance, Lenzi Manske and Abigail Ortiz.  
**Seventh grade:** A-B honor roll, Christian Speck.  
**Eighth grade:** A honor roll, Kennedy Fritzler and Ian Sotelo; A-B honor roll, Fabian Hollingsworth, Danny Kreger, Madalyn Navarrette and Bobby Nieto; Perfect attendance, J.W. Eppler, Kennedy Fritzler and Ian Sotelo.  
**Ninth grade:** A honor roll, Del Fritzler, Kourtney Hertel and Leann Manske; A-B honor roll, McKenzie Gray and Chase Thompson; Perfect attendance, Del Fritzler, Leann Manske and Angelica Navarrette.  
**Tenth grade:** A honor roll, Thomas Short; A-B honor roll, Kaysen Barnett; Perfect attendance, Thomas Short.  
**Eleventh grade:** A-B honor roll, Chase Helms, Alysia Hollabaugh and Austin Redden; Perfect attendance, Jacob Navarrette.  
**Twelfth grade:** Perfect attendance, Gabriel Baiza.  
 Rule ISD has also released the names of students on the A honor roll, the A-B honor roll and Perfect attendance lists for the entire school year.  
**First grade:** A honor roll, Madisyn Hollabaugh, Jayde Leek, Natalie Murray, Conner Russell and Brylee Teague; A-B honor roll, Arena Caldwell, Leslie

Caldwell, Rylan Green and Haylee Stone.  
**Second grade:** A honor roll, Kaitlyn Saffel; A-B honor roll, Waylynn Caldwell, Dylan Campbell, Samantha Farquhar, Juliana Flores, Octavious Guzman, Skylor Kreger, Skylar Leek, Lacoste Navarrette, Kaylee Silvas and Abigail Watson.  
**Third grade:** A honor roll, Diego Amaya, Hailey Garcia and Jelena Alvarez; A-B honor roll, Kyle Adkins, Max Hollabaugh, Kyleik Mason, Frankie Olivera and Tristan Watson; Perfect attendance, Tristan Watson.  
**Fourth grade:** A honor roll, Shelby Saffel; A-B honor roll, Zachary Campbell, Astrid Guzman and Zachary Ingram.  
**Fifth grade:** A-B honor roll, Karleigh Hertel and Karcin Smith.  
**Sixth grade:** A honor roll, Jaella Alvarez; A-B honor roll, Lenzi Manske, Abigail Ortiz, Macy Rogers and Jaci Watson.  
**Seventh grade:** A-B honor roll, Kayla Hollingsworth, Jysela Alvarez and Christian Speck.  
**Eighth grade:** A honor roll, Kennedy Fritzler, Danny Kreger and Ian Sotelo; A-B honor roll, Madalyn Navarrette; Perfect attendance, J.W. Eppler and Kennedy Fritzler.  
**Ninth grade:** A honor roll, Del Fritzler and Kourtney Hertel; A-B honor roll, McKenzie Gray and Leann Manske; Perfect attendance, Del Fritzler.  
**Tenth grade:** A honor roll, Thomas Short; A-B honor roll, Kaysen Barnett.  
**Eleventh grade:** A-B honor roll, Alysia Hollabaugh and Austin Redden.



**RECEIVE AWARD**—Two Paint Creek faculty members were presented “The Lamar Award of Excellence for Personal Achievement” by Orient Lodge #905 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Knox City. This award is given in honor of Mirabeau Buonaparte Lamar, who was the second president of the Republic of Texas and known as the “Father of Education in Texas.” He is given credit with the state of Texas setting up a public school system. Counselor Valiene Bullinger, left, and third grade teacher, Tammi Hawkins, received this award in recognition of their outstanding work as educators within Paint Creek ISD.

## Food manager training course set

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in six Americans will become sick. 128,000 will become hospitalized, and 3,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

Texas Food Establishment Rules state that each food establishment is required to have one certified food manager on site.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension service in Taylor, Jones and Nolan Counties, is offering a professional food manager certification training course. This two day program will be offered for \$125 on Aug. 15 and Aug. 16 at the Taylor County Extension Office. Cost includes training, materials and the ServCafe food manager certification examination. The food manager's certification will be valid for five years. Registration deadline is July 25.

This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied. Foodborne illnesses are

estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential. The benefits of improved food safety include:

- Increased customer satisfaction
- Improved relationships with health officials
- Prevention of bad publicity and lawsuits due to foodborne illness

By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about:

- identifying potentially hazardous foods and common error in food handling
- preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food
- teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees
- complying with government regulations
- maintaining clean utensils, equipment and surroundings
- controlling pests

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Professional Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, called “Food Safety: It's Our Business,” call Jane Rowan at 325-672-6048. You may also access a downloadable registration form at <http://taylor.agrilife.org>.

## Chikungunya case

The Texas Department of State Health Services has confirmed the first locally acquired case of chikungunya, a mosquito borne illness. A Cameron County resident got sick with the illness in November 2015 and was diagnosed with a lab test in January 2016. The case, however, was not reported to the local health department until last month. The investigation performed by the Cameron County Department of Health and Human Services determined the patient had not traveled, and the case was confirmed last week by testing at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Chikungunya disease is a viral illness spread by mosquitoes and was first detected in travelers returning to Texas from areas with local transmission in 2014. All previous Texas residents who contracted the illness were infected while traveling abroad. Because this case was contracted more than six months ago

and mosquito surveillance has not found chikungunya in local mosquitoes, the primary risk of infection remains related to travel. DSHS encourages people to protect themselves from mosquito bites at home and while traveling to stop the spread of chikungunya, Zika and West Nile virus.

Chikungunya and most other viruses transmitted by mosquitoes are required to be reported to the local health department or DSHS regional office within one week. DSHS reminds laboratories and health care providers to report cases promptly so health officials will have the information they need to make decisions that will protect public health.

Chikungunya illness is rarely fatal but can cause severe joint pain, high fever, head and muscle aches, joint swelling and rash. Most people feel better within a week, though some may develop longer-term joint pain.



**HAND-PAINTED SADDLE**—This saddle, donated by Kenneth Baker of Munday, was hand-painted by Mary Rike of Haskell and auctioned at the Wild Horse Prairie Days sponsors' meal. Proceeds benefitted the scholarship contest.

## Hand-painted saddle benefits scholarship fund

by Caron Yates

Longtime Haskell business owners John and Mary Rike have been strong supporters of the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo for many years. Upon retiring and selling their business, they found themselves without the same avenue for support of the event.

After thinking about this for a while Mary, who is well-known for her painting, came up with an idea. Several years ago she mentioned to Joy Baker of Munday, also a painter, that she would like to try painting on a saddle. Before long Kenneth and Joy Baker of Baker Farms, located in northeast Haskell County, brought her a couple of old saddles.

Baker who is well-known for his expertise as a wheat farmer and cattleman, found the old saddle in a building he owns. Rike said, “This particular saddle had been sitting in a barn for many years-sorta like an old horse that has been put out to pasture. We are unaware of what kind of horse it was on or if it ever went on an extended trail drive.” Rike however, saw

some value in it.

She began work and soon a beautiful picture of an experienced looking cowboy, his horse and a patch of cactus took shape. To complete the total effect, a worn and torn catch rope was donated by Haskell native Todd Harris and a saddle blanket was made from an old woven blanket belonging to Earnestine Herren and donated by her family. Larned Sales Center donated the stand.

Rike made the contribution to the Wild Horse Prairie Days to be used however they thought best. The saddle was auctioned off Thursday night at the Sponsor's Dinner and brought six hundred dollars.

Proceeds will go to the Wild Horse Prairie Days Scholarship contest, which offers a \$1500 scholarship each year to a Haskell County high school student.

Not only did the Rikes come up with a way to support the Wild Horse Prairie Days event, but they also found a way to highlight the tradition and legacy of the American cowboy and cowgirl.

# Master of Memory series begins June 16 in Abilene

by Jane Rowan  
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.

Many people believe that memory loss and aging go hand-in-hand: as a person gets older his or her memory begins to fail. While some change may be expected as you age, that doesn't mean you can't do something about it, in the absence of a brain disease, such as Alzheimer's Disease—you can be proactive in using some strategies and lifestyle adaptations.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will be offering Master of Memory, a two part series, that will help you understand how your memory works and what may affect your memory. Medical conditions, medications, diet and exercise, among other things, may all play a role in how your memory works. Master of Memory will also help you identify and use strategies to improve your


memory function.

Part 1 of the series will be held Thurs., June 16 with Part 2 scheduled the following week, Thurs., June 23. Participants may choose to attend either the morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. to noon, or the evening sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Classes will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office located at 1982 Lytle Way in Abilene.

Cost of the two part series is \$10 per person. To participate, you must pre-register by June 10 by calling the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048.

If memory is a concern for you or someone you know, consider attending the Master of Memory series. For more information about the Master of Memory Series contact Jane Rowan—County Extension Agent/FCS at the Taylor County Extension Office, 325-672-6048 or email: [l-rowan@tamu.edu](mailto:l-rowan@tamu.edu).

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Some restrictions may apply. Services where available. Up to three (3) connections waived. Additional connections \$20.00 each. Three (3) sets of four (4) tickets will be given away to the Texas Rangers game on August 13, 2016.





**MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE**—Two displays with white crosses adorned with American flags and a flag lined entrance to the Haskell County Courthouse helped Haskell County residents remember the meaning of Memorial Day. The display was provided by the Craig McCormick family as a tribute to those who lost their lives defending our freedom.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
**June 8, 2006**

Bob and Loretta Gray of Haskell were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Kerri Newton, Cameron Short and Josh Barbee represented Haskell High School on the North team during the Myrle Greathouse All-Star Classic of Christian Athletes game.

The team of Ty Coleman, Jacie Klose, Reagan Hadaway and Hollyn Hadaway won the WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo hosted by Pokey the Clown, which took place during the Wild Horse Prairie Days event.

**20 Years Ago**  
**June 6, 1996**

Tonya Burson, daughter of Judy Chapman and Tony Burson, was crowned Miss Haskell County, during WHPD activities. Sponsored by The Drug Store, she presided over the festivities and led the Grand Entry at the Ranch Rodeo. First runner-up was Kelli Moeller, daughter of Allen and Rhonda Moeller, and second runner-up was Misti Henson, granddaughter of Sue and Cecil Bingham.

Haskell High School band members winning gold medals at the UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition were Philip Huff, piano solo; Jessica Bridwell, Shannon Jordan and Vanessa Miller, three medals for their twirling trio.

**30 Years Ago**  
**June 5, 1986**

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced a one-time, 30-day extension to the June 1 deadline for recording farm organization structures related to Actively Engaged in Farming determinations. This date is used to determine the level of interest an individual holds in a legal entity for the applicable program year. Farming operations will now

Haskell fourth grader Cynthia Halliburton was a grand prize winner in the Texas Trails Art Contest, sponsored by Dr. Pepper Co. In addition to prizes for Halliburton, her teacher and her school, the drawing of an old wagon, will be displayed at Dr. Pepper retail outlets.

Five 4-H members from Haskell County will participate in the State 4-H Roundup. They are Chad Ballard, illustrated talk on electricity safety; Dalyn Gilly and Penny Peden, illustrated talk on water conservation; Michelle Scoggins, public speaking; and Jill Jennings, Food Show.

Mark Bailey fired a hole-in-one at the Haskell Country Club golf course last Tuesday. The shot came on the 180 yard 15th hole.

**40 Years Ago**  
**June 3, 1976**

Leesa Drinnon and Brian Toliver were honored with an old fashioned pounding in the backyard of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Turner. Other hosts and hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gilly and Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Richardson.

Rule Young Homemakers have elected officers for the upcoming year. They include Judy New, president; Sonja Parr, vice-president; Alice Jones, sec./treas.; and Anita Weaver, reporter.

The Haskell County 4-H Gold Star Girl and Boy are Bennita Jackson and Mark Lewis. They were recognized at the annual Home Demonstration Achievement Day held at the Haskell Steak

House.

**50 Years Ago**  
**June 9, 1966**

Frank W. Martin, Haskell County Agricultural Agent for the past twenty-two years, announced his retirement. He has conducted very effective programs in field crops, livestock and 4-H club work.

HHS students Pamela Druessedow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Druessedow, and Joyce Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook, have been nominated to attend the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State to be held in Austin.

Phillip Bowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bowers of Haskell, is the vice-president of the Longhorn Pharmaceutical Association. He is a pharmacy student at the University of Texas.

**100 Years Ago**  
**June 3, 1916**

Following the trail from Haskell County, through Stonewall and Scurry Counties and then into Borden County, Sheriff Allen brought back the man who stole two horses in Rule, one from Charley Miller and the other from C.C. Smith. He also stole a saddle from J.M. Hidkey.

Mr. Slight and Mr. Browning came over from Stamford, driving one of the Big Bull plowing tractors. They have been giving demonstrations with this machine. It will pay any person interested in tractors to go and see this wonderful little machine work in actual field test.

## McCormick family pays tribute on Memorial Day

If you were in downtown Haskell over the Memorial Day weekend, you may have noticed the display of crosses and flags on the north side of the courthouse.

The memorial was put in place by the Craig McCormick family, as a tribute to those who lost their lives defending our freedom.

Janet McCormick says, "As we were traveling through Paducah on Saturday, we noticed their display and thought how

meaningful it was. Since my children had been studying about Memorial Day, we decided it would be a good project for us. It is important to remember that the holiday has a meaning."

So Sunday afternoon the whole family got busy. After gathering supplies, Craig, Seth and Tucker worked on cutting the crosses, while Abigail, Lilee-Grace, Lauren, Emmalee and Janet did the painting. In all they constructed and placed one hundred

and seventy-six small white crosses. They added a small American flag to each, as well as larger flags lining the sidewalk entrance to the courthouse.

They are already planning for next year. The McCormicks hope to expand the project. They would like to have names and maybe even a picture, of those from this area that lost their lives fighting for our country.

It was a very touching expression of gratitude to those who have served.

## Weed battle continues for farming operations

It's an annual battle to address range and pasture weeds, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Cool-season weeds have fully matured, and warm-season weeds are emerging amid wet spring conditions and creating problems for some forage producers, said Dr. Vanessa Corriher-Olson, AgriLife Extension forage specialist, Overton.

The wet weather in East Texas and other parts of the state is also preventing producers from entering

fields with equipment to fight unwanted plants, she said. Bermuda grass is starting to grow but recent cooler temperatures have slowed its progress in some areas and provided growth opportunity for weeds.

These weeds compete with forages like Bahiagrass and Bermuda grass for moisture and nutrients from fertilizer, she said. Their presence can also reduce forage quality. Some weeds are toxic to livestock.

Corriher-Olson said the best way to beat back weeds is to promote forage growth. It starts with the soil pH balance and fertilizing according to soil analysis and the needs of desired forages.

Herbicides are an effective option for weed control when applied correctly, she said. Identifying the weed is the most important consideration when applying herbicides.

"Plant type determine the most effective control approach," she said. Determining if the weed is a perennial or annual plant and the most effective time to spray are critical to successful application.

"There's a wide variety of herbicides for pastures and hay meadows," she

said. "It can be hard to make a decision. Once we've identified the plant we can find the best recommendations."

"The plant varieties in Texas are so vast," Corriher-Olson said, "even knowledgeable forage producers have identification questions." She said photographs or fresh plant samples can help AgriLife Extension agents and specialists determine what landowners are dealing with.

"Mowing can reduce the presence of unwanted plants, but it's not the most economical or effective control method," she said. It takes several cuts throughout the year to control or eliminate weeds by mowing. Forages are also mowed down with each cutting.

Corriher-Olson said there are also several excellent websites, including online AgriLife Extension and Texas A&M AgriLife Research publications, and books that help identify weeds found in Texas. "Toxic Plants of Texas," "Brush and Weeds of Texas Rangelands" and "Know Your Grasses" are all available on the AgriLife Bookstore website at [www.agrilifebookstore.org](http://www.agrilifebookstore.org).

## USDA extends recording deadline

have until July 1 to complete their restructuring or finalize any operational change. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued the extension in response to farmers and ranchers who requested more time to comply, and to assure that everyone has enough time to provide their information under the new rules.

"Most farming and ranching organizations have been able to comply with the actively engaged rule," said Vilsack. "This one-time extension should give producers who may still need to update their farm structure information the additional time to do so."

The 2014 Farm Bill provided the Secretary with the direction and authority to amend the Actively Engaged in Farming rules related to management. The final rule established limits on the number of individuals who can qualify as actively engaged using only management. Only one payment limit for management is allowed under the rule, with the ability to request up to two additional qualifying managers operations for large and complex operations.

The rule does not apply to farming operations comprised entirely of family members. The rule also does not change the existing regulations related to contributions of land, capital, equipment or labor, or the existing regulations related to landowners with a risk in the crop or to spouses. Producers that planted fall crops have until the 2017 crop year to comply with the new rules. The payment limit associated with Farm Service Agency farm payments is generally limited annually to \$125,000 per individual or entity.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has also provided \$5.6 billion of disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; expanded risk management tools with products like to Whole Farm Revenue Protection; and helped farm businesses grow with \$36 billion in farm credit. The Department has engaged its resources to support a strong next generation of farmers and ranchers by improving access to land and capital; building new markets and market opportunities; extending new conservation opportunities. USDA has developed new markets for rural-made products, including more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and invested \$64 billion in infrastructure and community facilities to help improve the quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/results](http://www.usda.gov/results).

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor:

The 2016 Haskell Girls Basketball Shootout was a huge success!

The JV Maidens won the JV Round Robin tournament and the varsity Maidens went undefeated both days and won the Varsity Tournament.

The girls and I would like to thank all the people who volunteered their time to make this year's

Shootout successful. We would also like to say a special thank you to Shane Hadaway for being the Tournament Director for the sixth year in a row!

We greatly appreciate everyone's support and commitment to the Maiden basketball program!

Blake Eddleman  
Haskell Head Girls  
Basketball Coach

# 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days event winners



**SECOND PLACE**—The Swenson Land & Cattle team won second place at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Tel Good, Bonner Voss, Waylon Davis, Alan Rabel and Mark Voss.



**THIRD PLACE**—The Triangle/Veale team won third place at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Jerry Bob Daniel, left, Eugenie Daniel and Sammy Larned, far right were team members, l-r, Skylar Flake, John C. Bryan, Spicer Lewis, J.B. Miller and Buster Frierson.



**FOURTH PLACE**—The Thompson Ranch team won fourth place at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Kolton Burnett, Trey Propps, Chad Williams, Chace Thompson and Tyler Thompson.



**FIFTH PLACE**—The Tongue River Ranch team won fifth place at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Josh Halsell, Quentin Maburger and Kye Brandon. Other team members are T.J. Roberts and Braiden Obermier.



**SIXTH PLACE**—The Slash B/3 Bar team won sixth place at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards for the team are Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned. Team members are Matt Stockton, Wes Housler, Travis Alcorn and Sid Cervantes.



**RANCH MUGGING**—The Swenson Land & Cattle team won the Ranch Mugging event at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Alan Rabel, Tel Good, Waylon Davis and Mark Voss. Not pictured is Bonner Voss.



**RANCH SORTING**—The Circle Bar Ranch team won the Ranch Doctoring event at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Jerry Bob Daniel, Aaron Ulrich, Randy Layton, Kyle Everson and Colton Daniel.



**RANCH DOCTORING**—The Sandhill Cattle team won the Ranch Doctoring event at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right are team members Randy Knight and Tripp Townsend. Other team members are Riley Smith, Tyler Rice and Trail Townsend.



**WILD COW MILKING**—The R.A. Brown Ranch team won the Wild Cow Milking event at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Accepting awards from Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned, right, are team members, l-r, Casey Mitchell, R.A. Brown, Myles Brown, Lanham Brown and Todd McCartney.



**TOP HORSE**—T.J. Roberts of Tongue River Ranch rode the Top Horse, Moose, at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. He accepted awards from Kaycee Hooper, WRCA representative, left, and Sammy Larned, right.



**RESERVE TOP HORSE**—Myles Brown of the R.A. Brown Ranch rode the Reserve Top Horse, Royal Rock Handcock, at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. He accepted awards from Sammy Larned, left.



**RANCH HORSE COMPETITION**—Tripp Townsend of Sandhill Cattle won the Ranch Horse Competition at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. He accepted awards from Sammy Larned, right.



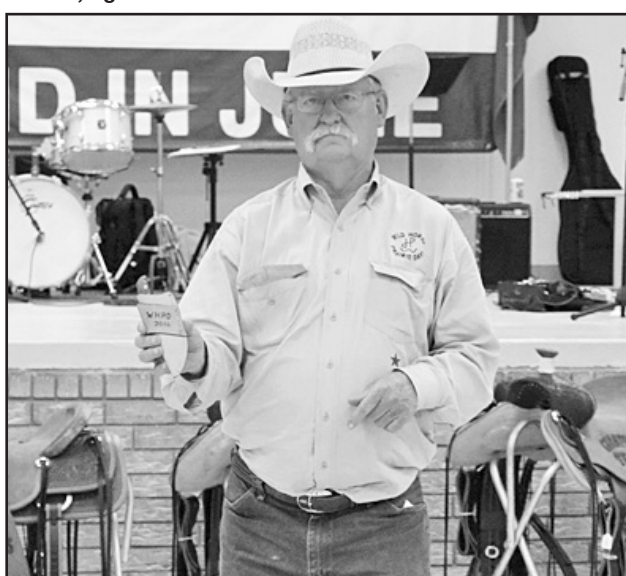
**TOP HAND**—Matt Stockton of the Slash B/3 Bar was the Top Hand at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. He accepted the saddle from Sammy Larned, left.



**SADDLE BRONC**—Tel Good of the Swenson Land & Cattle ranch won the Saddle Bronc competition at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. He accepted the saddle from Sammy Larned, right.



**RANCH BRANDING**—The Slash B/3 Bar team won the Ranch Branding at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Carl Hopkins, left, and Sammy Larned presented the saddle. Team members are Matt Stockton, Wes Housler, Travis Alcorn and Sid Cervantes.



**RESERVE TOP HAND**—Wes Housler of the Slash B/3 Bar was the Reserve Top Hand at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. Sammy Larned holds his award.

**Wild Horse Prairie Days**  
HASKELL, TEXAS

**Wild Horse Prairie Days**  
pictures courtesy of Haskell Free Press

# Paint Creek ISD honor rolls

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

First grade: A honor roll, Urijah Livingston and Cort Rogers; A-B honor roll, Adrian Castorena, Zander Elias, Carissa Elkin, Sean Townsend and Wyatt Walburg.

Second grade: A honor roll, Harry Boyd and Zak Jones; A-B honor roll, Alyssa Anguiano, Abigail Castorena and Aubrie Payne.

Third grade: A honor roll, Andrew Castorena, Adrian Cisneros, Melanie Clary, Natalya Mays and Cayden Rogers.

Fourth grade: A-B honor roll, Adrian Anguiano, Sirena Baiza, Mark Hall, Matthew Howard, Cowan Rogers and Phaiden Spikes.

Fifth grade: A honor roll, Levi Rhoads; A-B honor roll, Austen Sanford.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Joshua Blake and Ethan Jenkins.

Seventh grade: A-B honor roll, Jasmine Boyd, Zak Elkins, Haylee Garcia and Zamantha Ramos.

Eighth grade: A honor roll, Desiree Acosta, Sarah Calvillo, Jaelyn Snelling and Bailee Thomas.

Ninth grade: A-B honor roll, George Bogle, Bailey Hawkins, Christian Lieb, Antonio Yanez and Brittany Yanez.

Tenth grade: A honor roll, Felicity Hannsz; A-B honor roll, Gauge Guadalcazar.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Corey Mengwasser; A-B honor roll, Devon Benitez, Sabrina Conn, Sara Edwards and Buddy Trotter.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Everett Priddy; A-B honor roll, Sebastian Acosta, Dalton Einhaus, Jarrett Lopez, Dakota Mayor and Paige Ramirez.

Paint Creek ISD has also released the names of students appearing on the A and A-B honor rolls and perfect attendance list for entire school year.

Pre-K: Perfect attendance, Kyle Delmasso.

First grade: A-B honor roll, Adrian Castorena, Zander Elias, Carissa Elkin, Urijah Livingston and Cort Rogers.

Second grade: A-B honor

roll, Jasmine Anguiano, Harry Boyd and Zakarey Jones.

Third grade: A-B honor roll, Andrew Castorena, Zeke Cisneros and Melanie Clary.

Fifth grade: A-B honor roll, Levi Rhoads; Perfect attendance, Augustus Blair and Steelyn Blair.

Sixth grade: Perfect attendance, Dylan Souther.

Seventh grade: A-B honor roll, Zak Elkins and Haylee Garcia; Perfect attendance, Steven Crain, Haylee Garcia and Brianna Yanez.

Eighth grade: A honor roll, Desiree Acosta; A-B honor roll, Sarah Calvillo, Jaelyn Snelling and Bailee Thomas; Perfect attendance, Jaelyn Snelling.

Ninth grade: Perfect attendance, Brittany Yanez.

Tenth grade: A-B honor roll, Felicity Hannsz; Perfect attendance, Felicity Hannsz.

Eleventh grade: A-B honor roll, Devon Benitez and Corey Mengwasser; Perfect attendance, Devon Benitez and Corey Mengwasser.

Twelfth grade: A-B honor roll, Jarrett Lopez, Dakota Mayor and Everett Priddy.



**POKEY'S LAST RODEO**—Pokey the Clown is retiring after the 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days. He is joined by Sammy Larned, center, and Jeff Gore, right, who wish the rodeo clown well.

## Military to conduct annual training

Citizen-Soldiers and Airmen with the Texas Military Department will begin conducting annual training in various cities across Texas, now through the end of August.

During this time, citizens may notice an increase of military personnel within their communities and at businesses, as well as vehicles and convoys passing through town and travelling major thoroughfares, like I-10 and I-20. In fact, some convoys may travel across state lines in and out of Texas.

"This designated training will put a lot of service members on Texas roads and highways as they convoy to and from training," said Texas Adjutant General Maj. Gen. John F. Nichols. "We ask our fellow Texans to take care in passing these convoys and even single military vehicles on our roads. Please be aware that our equipment has the same blind spots and longer stopping distances common to all large trucks so we ask that you give them a little extra space."

The annual training by the Texas Army and Air National Guard and the Texas State Guard is designed to give military commanders the opportunity to take their staff and units to the field to hone service members' proficiency and maintain a high level of mission readiness. Additionally, annual training conducted in a joint environment with local and state agencies enables the Texas Military Department to test its ability to react and help improve communication and coordination with its civilian partners.

"We pride ourselves in standing ready to serve the citizens of Texas when needed and called upon," said Nichols. "We are thankful to the citizens for welcoming us into their communities and could not be successful without their continued support."

Over the last ten years, the Texas Military Department has trained and mobilized more than 30,000 Soldiers across the state of Texas in support of combat operations and natural disaster relief. Most recently, these citizen-guardsmen have responded to fires and floods throughout portions of the state.

For more information regarding the organization's annual training, contact the state public affairs office at 512-782-5620 or email ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.



**SUPER PEEWEE TEAM**—Competing in the Super Peewee division of the Pokey the Clown Junior Ranch Rodeo were Olivia Williams, Aleyah Benavides, Jolee Hodgin, Rory Pittman and James Cunningham. They are pictured with Sammy Larned and Pokey the Clown.



**FIRST PLACE**—Competing in the Peewee division of the Pokey the Clown Junior Ranch Rodeo and winning first place were Zander Coker, Santos Montanez, Ryan Cox and Layla Solano. They are pictured with Sammy Larned and Pokey the Clown.

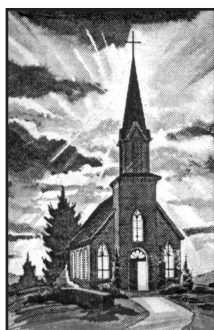


**SECOND PLACE**—Competing in the Peewee division of the Pokey the Clown Junior Ranch Rodeo and winning second place were Kennedy Buchanan, Noah Robledo, Grace Robledo and Teagen Hodgin. They are pictured with Sammy Larned and Pokey the Clown.



**THIRD PLACE**—Competing in the Peewee division of the Pokey the Clown Junior Ranch Rodeo and winning third place were Scout Dickson, Stone Dickson and Lyric Pittman. They are pictured with Sammy Larned and Pokey the Clown.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



Even the busiest families can find time for prayers

Despite their best intentions, today's family members spend a lot more time apart than together. Dad is at work all day, and if he has to travel, for even longer periods. Mom may also work, or if the children are old enough to fend for themselves, she may get involved in community service or some other volunteer effort. The children have school, football

practice, piano lessons, paper route, and you name it. Family vacation? Yes, if it can be fitted in around summerschool, year round school, campouts, etc. However, the one thing that families should try to do together is attend their house of worship, so that they can bridge the chasm of all that time they must spend apart with a lasting bond of understanding and love.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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

- Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
Ollie Johnson, pastor  
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell  
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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- 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**  
Clovie Dever  
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.  
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- Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
Randy Hollingsworth, minister  
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.  
Hwy. 6, Rochester
- SAGERTON—
- 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  
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- Primitive Baptist Church**  
Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
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Paul Leonard, minister  
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**JUNIOR DIVISION**—Haskell 4-H Junior Division trapshooters took first place at the 4-H District 3 Shoot Sat., May 14 in Iowa Park. Members of the Junior team were, l-r, Austen Sanford, Colton Hopkins and Cory Mathis.



**COMPETE AT DISTRICT SHOOT**—Seventeen Haskell County 4-H trapshoot competitors shot in the 4-H District 3 Shoot, Sat., May 14 in Iowa Park on a very cold spring day. Attending were, front row, l-r, Jami Leonard, Kolby Tidrow, Cory Mathis, Austen Sanford, Ethan Drager, Maddox Drager, Luke Leonard, Taylor King, Colton Hopkins and Garret Dutton; back row, Steve King, Hadley Sloan, Cody Dutton, Halee Alsabrook, Riley Sloan, Nate King, Austin Alsabrook and Cherie Dutton.

# Safety tips: Avoid burns, scalding when grilling

Grilling can provide some tasty dishes, but it also can cause unexpected burns, scalding, and fires. To help avoid unintended consequences, UT Southwestern Medical Center physicians urge caution for those who are grilling as well as socializing. “When you’re smelling the barbecue, it’s easy to forget that grills—both

gas and charcoal—are an open source of flame and a potential danger,” says burn surgeon Dr. Brett Arnoldo, Professor of Surgery at UT Southwestern. Some common precautions to prevent burns include: •Don’t pour water directly on coals. Beware of steam that can rise up unexpectedly and scald.

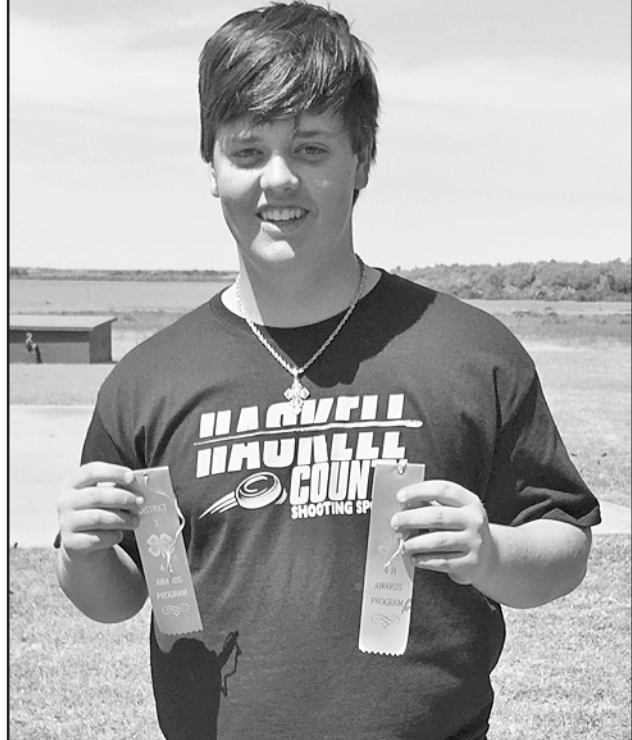
•Use baking powder to help contain grease fires. •Always have an extinguisher nearby in case flames get out of control or something else nearby catches fire. •Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and pets and away from any source of heat, including grills and fire pits. Never use gasoline as a source of ignition.

•Never leave a lit grill unattended and designate an area around the grill for children to avoid. Children and pets should remain at least 3 feet from a grill to help avoid burns or accidentally knocking over the grill.

•Don’t lean directly over the grill. Be aware of clothing such as scarves, shirt tails, or apron strings that can catch fire when bending over. Consider flame-retardant oven mitts and long utensils to avoid burns.

•Never try to move a hot grill. Be sure to wait for coals to cool off before disposing.

Also remember to avoid toxic fumes from charcoal. Burning charcoal produces carbon monoxide, a colorless and odorless gas. Never burn charcoal indoors or in garages, tents, RVs, campers, or other enclosed spaces.



**SENIOR DIVISION**—Haskell 4-H Senior Division trapshooters took fourth place at the 4-H District 3 Shoot Sat., May 14 in Iowa Park. Members of the Senior team were, Riley Sloan and Jami Leonard (not pictured).

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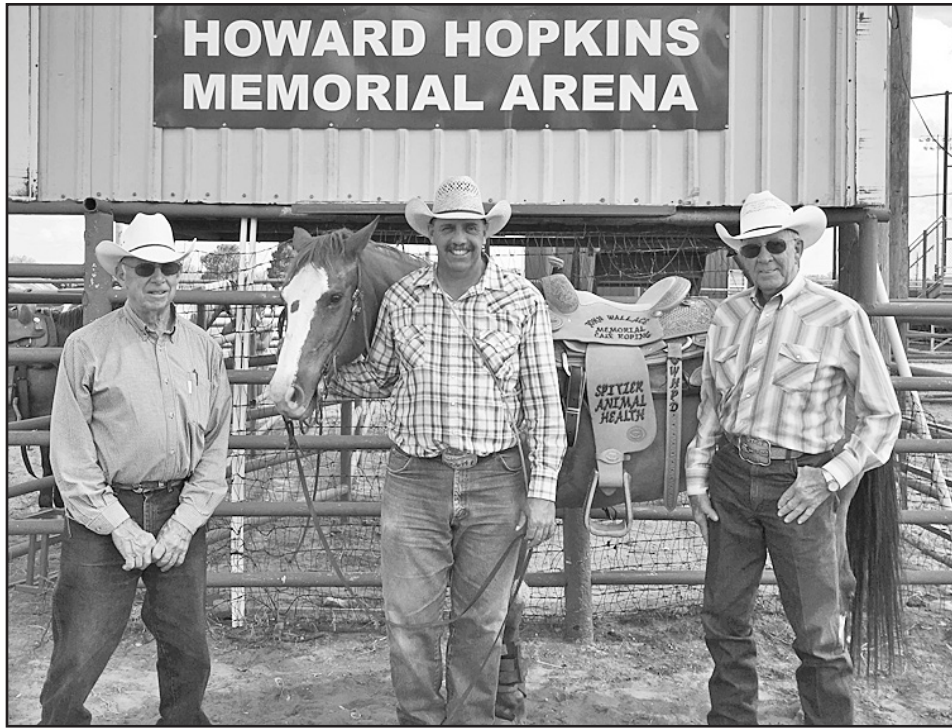
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**ROPING WINNER**—The overall champion and saddle winner at the Wild Horse Prairie Days John Wallace Memorial Roping held at the Howard Hopkins Memorial Arena Sun., May 29 was Carl Hopkins, center, of Haskell. In the photo is, J.W. Wallace, left, and Kenny Spitzer, right.

## Hopkins wins John Wallace Memorial Roping event

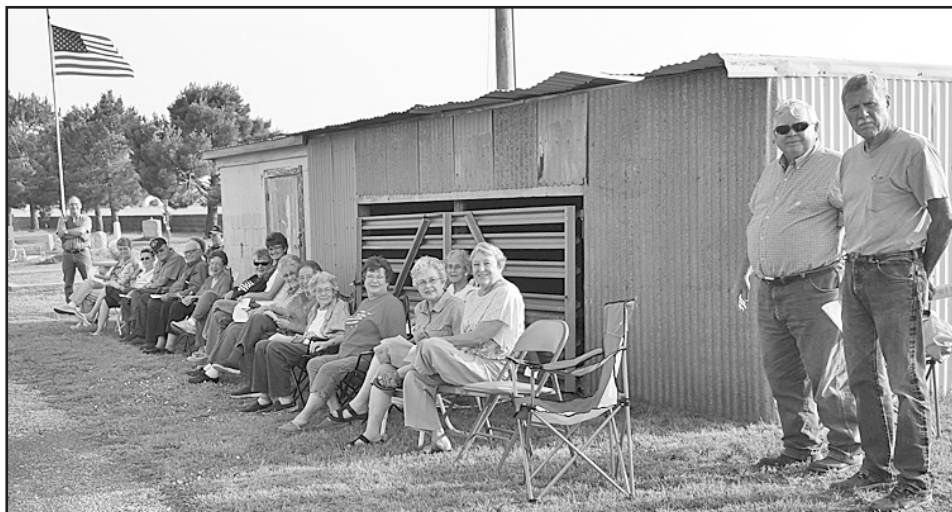
The 2016 Wild Horse Prairie Days John Wallace Memorial Roping was held Sun., May 29 at the Howard Hopkins Memorial Arena in Haskell.

Results include:

First round: 1. Lane Dudley, 10.9. The overall champion and winner of the saddle, Dudley of Comanche, 9.9.  
 Second round: 1. Seth Mahaffy of Sweetwater, 9.6.  
 Third round: 1. Spencer Webb of Anson, 11.0.  
 Fourth round: 1. Lane Dudley, 10.9.  
 The overall champion and winner of the saddle, donated by Spitzer Animal Health, was Carl Hopkins of Haskell with a score of 45.0 on 4.



**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**—Contestants for the \$1,500 Wild Horse Prairie Days scholarship were, front row, l-r, Hollyn Hadaway, Sarah Fouts, Kourtney Howard and Bailey Hawkins; back row, Kameryn Mathis, Ashlyn Bevel, Cody Dutton and Kaelyn Bevel. The 2016 scholarship winner was Kourtney Howard.



**MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM**—The Rule Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Memorial Day program at the Rule Cemetery. John Pike and Scott Hensley provided the program with 27 people in attendance.

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**COOKOFF DIVISION WINNERS**—Division winners at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Cook-off include, l-r, Cayla Hoch, Cale Hoch, Bubba Garrett, Chris Eaves, Richard Lett, Kevin Conrady, Johnny Campbell, Chris Heffernan and Carlos Carmack.

## WHPD Cook-off winners listed

The winners of the 2016 WHPD cook-off were:

**Steaks:** 1. Cayla Q, Cayla Hoch; 2. Twisted Pitsters, Bubba Garrett; and 3. Draggin Ass Cookers, Justin Stevens.

**Bloody Mary's:** 1. 5C Cookers, Johnny Campbell; 2. 22 Smoke, Chris Heffernan; and 3. Draggin Ass Cookers, Justin Stevens.

**Beans:** 1. Twisted Pitsters, Bubba Garrett/ Kevin Conrady; 2. Smokin Mafia, Rance Hogue; and 3. 5C #6, Carlos Carmack.

**Chicken:** 1. 22 Smoke, Chris Heffernan; 2. 5C #6, Carlos Carmack; and 3. BBQ Buds, Richard Lett.

**Ribs:** 1. Twisted Pitsters, Bubba Garrett; 2. Jarhead Q, Cale Hoch; and 3. BBQ Buds, Richard Lett.

**Brisket:** 1. Blistered Pig, Chris Eaves; 2. 5C Smokehouse, Ray Don Campbell; and 3. BBQ Buds, Richard Lett.

The grand prize winner was Richard Lett. Reserve prize winner was Bubba Garrett.



**COOKOFF WINNERS**—Richard Lett, right, was the Grand Prize winner of the Wild Horse Prairie Days Cookoff. Bubba Garrett, left, was the Reserve Prize winner.



**YOUNGEST WINNER**—Cayla Hoch, 11 years old, of Lawton, Oklahoma won the steak competition Friday night at the Wild Horse Prairie Days cook-off. She picked her own steak and rubs to compete in a contest complete with tough competitors who have qualified for the World Championships in the past.

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