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Football

HASKELL

7 & 8 Indians vs Holliday

Thurs., Oct. 1, 5 p.m.
at Holliday

JV Indians vs Holliday

Thurs., Oct. 1, 5 p.m.
at Haskell

Indians OPEN Fri., Oct. 2

PAINT CREEK

JH Pirates vs Rule

Thurs., Oct. 1, 5:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Pirates vs Jayton

Fri., Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

RULE

JH Bobcats vs Paint Creek

Thurs., Oct. 1, 5:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Bobcats vs Aspermont

Fri., Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m.
at Aspermont

Calendar

Garage sale

The Haskell community wide garage sale will be held Sat., Oct. 3. Registration forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Disciple Now

The First Baptist Church Disciple Now is set Oct. 2-4 for seventh through twelfth grade students. All students are welcome to attend. Call 864-2581 to register.

Service projects

The Disciple Now weekend at First Baptist Church involves seventh through twelfth grade students seeking community service projects on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 3. The students are seeking yard work, clean up projects, painting, moving heavy furniture, etc. The service is provided for free by the students. If you need work done or know someone who does, call 864-2581 for details.

Study Club

The Haskell Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Hospital Education Building, 1 Ave. N for a program on home life and conservation. Kim Hutto, chairman of Haskell Co. Cancer Association will talk of breast cancer awareness and David Kuehler, general manager of NCTMWA will speak on water maintenance and operations tax. Members are encouraged to wear pink and bring wigs, scarves, turbans and hats for donation to cancer patients.

Bonfire

The Haskell High School seniors will host a bonfire Wed., Oct. 7 on Carmichael land, south of Haskell. For pick up or delivery of wood and brush, call Gideon Carmichael, 940-256-1781, Tyler Reese, 325-721-4466 or contact any senior class member for more information.

Vendors needed

The Haskell Young Homemakers are accepting vendor forms for their annual craft show to be held Nov. 21. Vendors interested in purchasing a booth at the craft show may contact Megan Cox at 325-370-6572.

Popcorn sales

The annual popcorn sale is underway by Haskell Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. To place an order, see any scout or call Sherri Morrow at 864-3624 or Leland Terry at 864-2916.

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Harley James named homecoming queen



HASKELL HOMECOMING QUEEN - HARLEY JAMES

Harley James, a junior at Haskell High School, was crowned Homecoming Queen Friday night during halftime activities.

Escorted by Ross Wittenborn, she was crowned by Homecoming president Jimmy Burson.

Contestants were elected by their represented class and the student body chose the queen. While the Haskell Indian Band provided the music, the contestants were presented to the homecoming crowd.

Senior contestants were Lynette Ortiz, escorted by Cody McLemore and Brië Torres, escorted by Gideon Carmichael.

Representing the junior class along with James was Pamela Walker, escorted by Nathan Meredith.

The sophomore class elected McKenzie Thomas, escorted by Jim Young and Claire Carmichael, escorted by Brady Leach.

Sidney Cassidy, escorted by Isaiah Llewellyn and Shelby Dunnam, escorted by Cole Ray Hutchinson represented the freshman class.

Carrying the crown and flowers for the homecoming queen ceremony were Landry Olsen and Abby Andress.

Haskell is winning Tribe in homecoming matchup

It was a sure bet that the Indians would win this final non-district football game. The question was which Indian Tribe would come out victorious.

Indian Field was packed with all manner of Indians, the Quanah Indians and the Haskell Indians. The Tribe south of the Wichita River won this battle. Haskell would take the opening possession and move the pigskin 59 yards in nine plays scoring on a one yard run by fullback James Williams. The kick try for the PAT sailed wide and was no good.

The southern most Indians would again score on their second possession of the football when tailback Tyler Rodriquez crossed the goal line on a two yard run. The two point conversion try was good on a run by quarterback Christian Myers.

Quanah would score on a five yard pass connection but would be unable to convert the PAT kick. Score at the end of the first quarter, Haskell 14, Quanah 6.

The home team Indians would again score on their next possession of the football. Moving the pigskin to the promised land on a 57 yard drive in 13 plays. Scottie Rodriguez would tack on the PAT kick to put Haskell up 21 to 6.

Not to be outdone, Quanah would score at the 4:15 mark of the second quarter on a 27 yard run and would pass for the two point conversion. On the ensuing kickoff, Haskell's deep back Tyler Rodriquez electrified the homecoming crowd with an 80 yard touchdown run. The PAT kick failed.

Haskell would take a 27 to 14 lead into the half-time locker room. The half-time activities included the crowning of the homecoming queen. Harley James, a junior at Haskell High School, claimed the honor.

As the third quarter of this warfare started, Quanah scored to gain new life and before the third quarter would play out, reached the Haskell Indian's eight yard line.

Haskell's defensive unit again, as in past games, rose to the occasion and put a stop to Quanah. Haskell took the ball on their own 15 yard line and began a 22 play, 85 yard drive to the south end zone. With only 1:27 left in the game on the game clock, Haskell's James Williams crossed the line on a one yard run. Scottie Rodriguez would close the scoring for the good Tribe on his successful PAT kick. Quanah had the football for only two plays during this final quarter. To end the game by taking a knee,

that's the way to go. The homecoming crowd loved it. This tribal battle belonged to the Haskell Indians.

The Haskell Indians had 59 rushes for 293 yards and added 13 yards on one reception for three attempts via the air.

Quarterback Myers had 15 carries for 76 yards and one touchdown. Running back

Tyler Rodriquez had 118 yards on 17 carries and also had an 80 yard touchdown run from a kickoff return.

Fullback James Williams had 97 yards on 24 carries and one touchdown. Marco Gonzalez would have one catch for 13 yards and defensive back Tyler Rodriquez would have two picks from Quanah's passing

attack.

The Indians will have an open date this week before taking on the Bulldogs of Stamford in the opening game of district play.

The seventh and eighth Warriors will play in Holliday Thursday. Games begin at 5 p.m. The JV will play Holliday Thursday in Haskell. Kick off is 5 p.m.



BATTLE OF THE INDIANS—Two Indian Tribes met Friday night during Haskell's Homecoming game. Quanah in the white jerseys and Haskell in the black waged a war with Haskell winning by a 34-14 score. Haskell's #66 Kimmel emerges from the fray in the battle above.

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Obituaries

Billy Paul Cypert Sr.


BILLY PAUL CYPERT

Funeral services for Billy Paul Cypert Sr., 81, of Munday were held Sat., Sept. 26 at the Munday Church of Christ with Adrin Fletcher officiating. Burial was in Johnson Memorial Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Cypert died Thurs., Sept. 24 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Born April 6, 1928 at the Cypert home place in Haskell County, he was the son of Ivy and Clara Cypert. He married Donna Gray of Knox City on Oct. 16, 1953 in Haskell.

He was a long time resident of Munday, a veteran of the U.S. Army, a member of the Munday Church of Christ, a volunteer fireman for the Munday Fire Department for 26½ years, and a die hard fan of drag racing.

His favorite colors were green and yellow...when it came to tractors, at least. He earned a living and many lifelong friendships through

his work as a John Deere tractor mechanic for Quality Implement in Munday. He retired after 31 years of service in 1993.

An avid fisherman, he enjoyed many fishing trips with his family and friends. Often times, the details of his latest fishing adventure were shared and stretched during his daily Dairy Queen coffee stop.

Bigger than his infamous fish tales was his heart—and his unfailing love for his friends and family. Although his heart became physically weak, his ability to love and to share that love never faltered.

Known for the terms of endearment and nicknames he lovingly bestowed upon his friends and family, he himself was affectionately known as “Pop,” not only to his own grandchildren, but also to the many neighborhood children. He was also warmly known as “Coach,” by a very special friend, Tommie B. Harper, Jr. and was a devoted friend and example to all.

Cypert cherished time with family and found his life's greatest joy in being with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He anxiously anticipated all family gatherings, in particular the annual Cypert Family Reunion and Christmas gatherings each year.

His infectious smile, quick wit, humorous pronunciation of words (or “Pop-isms” as

those close to him referred to them), and his legacy of genuine greatness will continue to be remembered and shared by all whose lives he touched. He was a true hero to all.

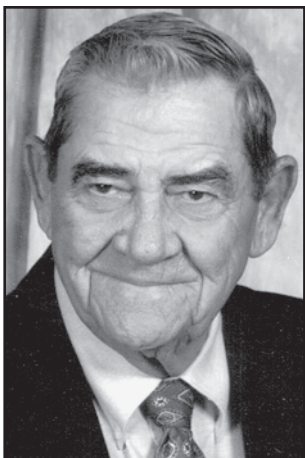
He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, T.B., Oscar and Bobby Cypert; one sister, Beda Cypert; and two granddaughters, Elizabeth McAfee and Whitney McAfee.

He leaves behind his wife of 55 years, Donna; one son, Buddy Cypert and wife Tonya of Haskell; two daughters, Donna Sue Cypert of Little Elm and Teresa McAfee and husband Montie of Garland; one brother, Ralph Cypert of Munday; three sisters, Rowena Hester of Haskell, Alice Yates of Weinert, and Dorothy Brown of Munday; seven grandchildren, Philip Smith and wife Dana of Katy, Cody Cypert and wife Breann of Lubbock, Jacy West and husband Brad of Haskell, Kyle Smith of Katy, Kristin Bishop and husband Russell of Wichita Falls, Kayla McAfee and Kameron McAfee of Garland; five great grandchildren, Ayden Smith, Colby and Caden West, Averie Cypert and Jathan Bishop; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association or to an organization of the donor's choice.

Pallbearers were his six grandsons. PD. NOTICE

Leon D. Jones


LEON D. JONES

Graveside services for Leon D. Jones, 76, of Haskell were held Wed., Sept. 30 at Willow Cemetery in Haskell followed by a memorial service at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Phil Christopher of Abilene and Mark Wallace of Haskell officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Jones went to be with his Lord and Savior Sun., Sept. 27 at Community Care Center of Stamford after a good fight against cancer for the last three years.

Born Dec. 26, 1932 in Woodson, he was the son of A.T. ‘Buster’ and Maud

Mae Scott Jones. He married Delight Ash Harris Dec. 21, 1957 in Haskell. He was a member of Haskell First Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon. He graduated from Woodson High School and attended and played football for Ranger Junior College and McMurry College. He was an avid fan of the Haskell Indians and Maidens and Wylie Bulldogs. He had a welding shop in Haskell with a natural talent and gift of being able to keep all the farmers working. He was known by most farmers in Haskell as ‘Doc,’ Dr. of the Plow, because he could fix anything they brought him. He worked at Haskell Co-Op for 17 years retiring in 2008.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, A.T. ‘Pete’ Jones Jr. and Eugene Jones.

Those left behind to carry on his legacy are his wife, Delight Jones of Haskell; children, Ed and Jill Harris of Abilene, Cynthia Jones of Spur, Mynea and Cliff Short of Haskell; grandchildren, Evan and Colin Harris, Cameron Short, all of Abilene, Peyton

Harris of Dallas and Ashlee Short of Haskell; brothers, Dale and Delbert Jones of Breckenridge, Judd and Babe Jones of Woodson; sister Lenda Morris of Fort Worth; many nieces and nephews; close family friends including Anna Rieger Doan and Jessica Rieger.

The family would like to thank Community Care Center of Stamford and all their staff for the loving care he received these last five months, to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Dr. Christopher Trauth and Dr. George Dawson and all of each of their staff members. Also thanks to Big Country Hospice for their care and love for Leon and his family the last week of his life.

Memorials may be made to A.T. and Maud Jones Scholarship Fund, c/o Lenda Morris, 10230 Holly Grove Dr., Fort Worth, Texas 76108; First Baptist Church, 301 North Avenue E, Haskell, Texas 79521; God Loves You Ministries, P.O. Box 602, Haskell, Texas 79521; and Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas 79605.

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Billie Jack Ray


BILLIE JACK RAY

Funeral services for Billie Jack Ray, 82, of Haskell were held Sat., Sept. 26 at the Church of Christ with Larry Suttle and Phil Sims

officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Ray passed away Wed., Sept. 23 in Irving.

Born March 26, 1927 in Haskell County, he was the son of the late Fred Herbert Ray and Mary Olive Fields. He married Billie Juanell Collins Feb. 4, 1950 in Haskell. He was the office manager of the Exxon Bulk Station for 35 years. He is a member of the Church of Christ. He proudly served our country in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Fred Herbert Ray Jr., Olin Max Ray; sisters, Evelyn Marr, Audra Holsapple and Annabelle Funk.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years Juanell Ray of Haskell; nieces, Debbie Brantley of Irving, Cené Dean of Iowa Park and Kara Kelley of Wichita Falls; a nephew, Craig Johnson of Iowa Park; brothers, LeArval Ray and Anna of Stephenville, D.J. Ray and Adah of Gardendale; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of dear friends. PD. NOTICE

Robert Lee Culpepper


ROBERT CULPEPPER

Funeral services for Robert Lee Culpepper, 55, of Haskell will be held Thurs., Oct. 1 at 2 p.m.

at Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church in Haskell. Burial will follow at 5 p.m. at City Cemetery in Abilene under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Culpepper's precious soul was transported by holy angels into the heavenly presence of His Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ of Nazareth Sunday morning, Sept. 27.

Born June 21, 1954 in Fort Worth, he was the son of Troy Lee Culpepper and Kay Miller Culpepper (a former Miss Abilene). He was a 1973 graduate of Haskell High School and earned a

BBA degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1979. He retired Sept. 25, 2009 from AT&T in Dallas after 28 years of service. He was a member of Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Dec. 19, 1982.

Survivors include his father, Troy Culpepper and step-mother, Gene of Haskell; his brother, James Culpepper and wife, Irene, and twin nieces, Katie and Melissa, of Abilene; step-brother, Ronnie Jeter and step-sister, Judy King; several cousins; step aunts and uncles; and a host of friends. PD. NOTICE

Emily Oliene Wilson

Graveside services for Emily Oliene Wilson, 94, of Haskell were held Wed., Sept. 23 in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Born Nov. 5, 1914 in Velma, Oklahoma, she was the eldest of five children born to Solomon and Deanie Moore Hook.

Her parents moved from Oklahoma to Rochester shortly after her birth. She and her siblings attended school at Rochester where she graduated in 1932. In January of 1935 she married Fay L. Wilson. He preceded her in death in 1990. She was a

lifelong member of the Church of Christ. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from Hardin-Simmons University in 1951. She was a school teacher by profession, having taught in Knox City, Bradshaw, Wylie and in Weed, New Mexico. After her retirement she moved back to the family farm in Rochester.

Survivors include four sons, Kay Leon, Marlin Sol, James Joel and William Jeffery; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; a sister, Lois Charles of El Paso and many nieces and nephews.

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Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in a regular meeting Sept. 14 with all members present.

The County Treasurer's report was accepted.

Jessica Zavala was hired as dispatcher at the Sheriff's Office.

The burn ban was lifted.

A motion was approved to replace the sound system in the District Courtroom at an approximate cost of \$2,000.

A motion to pass the Excessive Force Resolution for the Sagerton Water Project was approved.

The sale of property by the Appraisal District to Jesus and Christina Anguiano in the amount of \$120 was approved.

The Archives and Technology Fees for the County and District Clerks was approved.

The Digitizing HB 3637 fee for the County Clerk was approved.

The motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with

the City of Haskell for the purpose of authorizing and allowing the County to assist the City in the repair and routine maintenance of City streets and further authorizing and directing County Judge David Davis to act on behalf of Haskell County to execute said Interlocal Agreement and any other documents necessary or appropriate with the City of Haskell regarding the agreement passed.

A resolution with the City of Haskell authorizing the County to assist the City in the repair and routine maintenance of Avenue B from Highway 380 to 6th Street in the City of Haskell pursuant to the terms of the Interlocal Agreement and further authorizing and directing County Judge David Davis to act on behalf of Haskell County to execute said resolution and any other documents necessary or appropriate with the City of Haskell regarding the agreement passed.

A line item was added to the budget as required by SB 1685 for the District Clerk. A public hearing concerning this fee will be held Oct. 13 at 9:45 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom.

The annual salaries of the following Haskell County elected officials, effective Oct. 1 was approved: The Sheriff for 2009-10 only, present salary \$31,782.72—proposed salary \$43,282.72, amount of increase \$11,500. Sheriff, each year after, present salary \$31,782.72—proposed salary \$37,782.72, amount of increase \$6,000. The increase is a result of fees paid to Haskell County Sheriff's Department by Emerald Correctional Management, L.L.C. pursuant to the sale of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail & Detention Facility by the County to Emerald Correctional Management, L.L.C. The fees will be used to increase the salary of the Sheriff and his deputies.

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Local retired teachers join voices to be heard

by Caron Yates

In today's world of big government, it so often takes a "big voice" to be heard. Long ago, special interest groups realized that to be heard by those we have elected to represent us on

the state and federal level, we must join our voices and efforts as one.

Founded in 1953, Texas Retired Teachers Association, is that voice for retired public school and higher education employees. Anyone who has

played a roll in the education of Texas students is invited to be a member of TRTA. Membership state-wide has reached over 70,000, with the goal of increasing membership to 100,000.

One of the main purposes of the organization is to "watch out" for the interests of retired school employees concerning legislative actions, insurance, TRS and other related areas. However, it is made up of members who continue to be involved in local public school education and in the well-being of their communities. In 2008, TRTA members donated almost 5 million volunteer hours in their communities. In addition, the TRTA Children's Book Project which began in 1999, has placed more than 330,000 books into the hands of children who otherwise might never have a book of their own.

The Haskell County TRTA would like to encourage any retired school employee, no

matter the school district, to join them. Currently they have forty-eight members. They meet six times a year, three times in the fall and three times in the spring. Included with your membership, is The Voice magazine and Inside Line updates on the issues, especially in Austin, that concern retirees.

Local meetings not only provide pertinent information for its members, but also often include guest speakers covering a variety of subjects.

The next meeting of the Haskell TRTA will be Oct. 21 at the Red Rooster Restaurant. Come at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and visiting, followed by the business meeting and program at 12 noon. Contact Jo Cox for additional information.

As a group, teachers are aware of the benefits of belonging to a professional organization. Even in retirement, we can continue to reap those benefits.

Health Fair is Oct. 30

Everyone is invited to attend the fifth annual Haskell Community Health Fair Fri., Oct. 30 at the Haskell Memorial Hospital's Education Building, sponsored by the Haskell Health Net, a group of individuals concerned about the health and well being of our communities. This group is comprised of healthcare providers, professionals, private citizens, ministerial representatives and county officials planning on the future of the Haskell community. The purpose of the health fair is to provide the community at large with information about services available in our community regarding aspects of health care. Information and

materials will be provided for every age group.

The Health Fair will begin at 11 a.m. and close at 2 p.m. Vendors will provide education, brochures about services and free items.

Flu shots will be given by Haskell Memorial Hospital and the Texas Department of State Health Services. Someone from the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank will be available to help with enrollment into the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIPs) as well as Medicaid.

If you have any questions, contact Susan Cockerell at the County Judge's office at 940-864-2851 during office hours of 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Deadline to enter quilts is Oct. 20

The third annual "Stitches in Time" quilt show will be held Oct. 24 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Weinert School building in Weinert. Located just off of Highway 277 between Haskell and Munday, the site is easily accessible. Sponsored by the Committee to Help Haskell County, the event will feature both hand quilted and machine quilted creations. The deadline for entering quilts is Tues., Oct. 20.

Goodie bags will be given to the first 100 people, door prizes will be awarded throughout the day and everyone gets to cast a vote for their favorite entry.

Attendees are invited to enjoy a delicious noon meal, shop from vendors and attend educational demonstrations.

Exhibitors, vendors and anyone wanting more information should contact Susan Cockerell at 940-864-2851.

Sagerton annual bazaar set Nov. 7

The Sagerton Hobby Club's twenty-seventh annual bazaar will be Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. Proceeds from the bazaar will be used for the scholarship fund and community projects.

Arts, crafts, baked goods, candies and Thanksgiving and Christmas items will be available for sale. Lunch will be available.

Booths are available. For more information call 940-997-2103 or 325-773-3832 or 940-989-2966.

Admission is free.

Garage sale benefit for museum successful

The Wichita Brazos Museum garage sale at Munday was successful as always. The sale netted around \$1,600, which will be a big help in meeting the 2009-10 budget needs.

It seemed like more furniture than usual was donated, and it went pretty fast. Looks like plans are for putting a garage sale on the schedule for next year at the same time and place.

Everyone who donated or bought articles, or ate a hamburger on the porch is to be thanked for making the sale a success and special thanks to those who donated

their time and labor. It is not a simple thing to gather items, price them, and arrange them for the sale, nor to prepare the food and serve the delicious hamburgers that we are so famous for.

The next event will be the celebration of Veterans Day, Wed., Nov. 11, at the Knox County Veterans Memorial, with a hamburger meal, following the program. The museum will be open all day with special emphasis on our veterans. Individuals are invited to set up exhibits related to Veterans Day, so be thinking about what your family can bring.

Seymour Medical Supply receives accreditation

Seymour Medical Supply, Inc., a durable home medical equipment company, has achieved the Award of Accreditation from the Healthcare Quality Association on Accreditation, based in Waterloo, Iowa. This award is achieved only when home medical equipment companies demonstrate a high level of quality practices in their business operations and patient care techniques. Seymour Medical Supply, Inc., earned the three-year accreditation after completing a comprehensive application that focuses on patient care, financial stability, and a commitment to quality operational practices and procedures. Accreditation by the Healthcare Quality Association on Accreditation assures Medicare and other

payers that the highest levels of quality are practiced within all areas of the company.

"We sought accreditation by the Healthcare Quality Association on Accreditation to demonstrate that our company is committed to providing excellent patient care and safety in a financially solvent environment," says Denise Allen, Chief Operating Officer of Seymour Medical Supply, Inc. "This award also reinforces that our commitment to quality is ongoing."

Established in 2003, Seymour Medical Supply, Inc. offers a wide range of home medical equipment and supplies and provides service to thirteen area counties, expanding the service area daily.

Moeller reunion to be held

The 45th annual Moeller reunion will be held Sat., Oct. 10 at the Weinert High School building with registration beginning at 3 p.m.

Games and visitation will follow at 3:30 p.m. A meeting will begin at 4 p.m. to elect officers and select the location and dates for next year's reunion.

An auction will be held

to help with expenses for next year's reunion. Those attending should bring items such as canned goods, cookies or hand made items for the auction.

A meal will be served and all are asked to bring a basket of food for everyone to share.

Family and friends are invited to attend.

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OPINION

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Stimulus funds ready for renewable energy installations

AUSTIN—Comptroller Susan Combs announced Sept. 25 that local and state governmental bodies may apply to compete for \$30 million in grants from the Distributed Renewable Energy Technology Program.

These are federal stimulus funds. Grant monies received can be used to install solar panels, small wind turbines or other types of renewable energy directly at a public facility to generate electricity for the place.

The idea is to reduce demand on power plants and to cut greenhouse gas emissions from those power plants.

Governmental bodies that receive grants "could look at using these grants at city halls, county courthouses or school campuses, and energy saving opportunities may also exist in places such as libraries and public zoos," Combs said.

The grants are capped at \$2 million each and can be used for projects that use biomass, geothermal, solar, water and wind installations. Governmental bodies have until Oct. 30 to apply.

In other energy news, Gov. Rick Perry on Sept. 22 said proposed federal cap and trade legislation would increase the cost of living for Texas families and "crush Texas and the nation's energy producing sectors."

The governor made the comment while speaking at a forum hosted by the Public Utility Commission, the Railroad Commission and the Commission on Environmental Quality.

The cap and trade bill, or the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, is sponsored by U.S. Reps. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., and Edward Markey, D-Mass. Primarily, the bill requires a 17 percent cut in greenhouse gas emissions from 2005 levels by 2020.

ACORN receives no state funds

State Rep. Debbie Riddle, R-Humble, on Sept. 17 concluded from her own investigation that ACORN, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, does not receive any dollars from state-controlled funds.

"It is my understanding from conversations my office has had with the Legislative Budget Board, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, and the Secretary of State's office, that ACORN is not receiving any taxpayer dollars directly from the state," Riddle said.

Some county and city governments, however, may have agreements with ACORN

that allow it to receive funding on a more localized level, Riddle suggested.

"There's a clear direction from both the Census Bureau and Congress that governments at every level need to put some distance between themselves and this group's illegal activities," Riddle said.

"If your local governments are giving money away to an organization that supports voter fraud, prostitution, and money laundering, then they need to hear from you!" she added.

On Sept. 21, the U.S. Senate voted to halt the funding ACORN receives from Housing and Urban Development grants.

Transportation projects OK'd

The Texas Transportation Commission met on Sept. 24 and approved 10 projects valued at a total of \$273 million to be funded by the Texas Department of Transportation's pass-through finance program.

A state highway department news release states, "The program is often referred to as the Pass-Through Toll Finance program. While the term 'toll' in the program's title denotes a fee associated with travel on a particular facility, it does not imply that a physical toll collection will take place on a transportation facility that becomes part of the program."

Municipalities and private entities, under the program, pay for a transportation project up front and get reimbursed from the state as the transportation project becomes operational. It lets local officials reprioritize and accelerate projects important to the region, TxDOT said.

Flu classified as widespread

The Texas Department of State Health Service's latest flu report, for the week ending Sept. 19, classifies flu activity in Texas as widespread.

The term "widespread" is used when there are increases in flu-like illnesses and recent lab-confirmed flu cases in at least half of the state's regions.

The Department of State Health Services said it has confirmed 15 flu-associated pediatric deaths in Texas from the start of the 2008-2009 flu season last fall.

1960s campaigner dies

Donald Yarborough, 83, the Houston lawyer and Democrat who ran for governor three times in the 1960s, died Sept. 23.

Yarborough ran for lieutenant governor in 1960 and lost. He lost against incumbent Gov. Price Daniel and John Connally, both Democrats, in 1962. Connally won.

Yarborough lost again to Connally in 1964 and lost to Preston Smith in 1968.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago October 7, 1999

City of Haskell crews this week began clearing space for additional camper hookups for RVs at the City Park. Offering one free night of camping, the RV Park attracts dozens of travelers who stop in the city each year.

Work began this week in preparation for a brushless car wash being constructed on Ave. E. A November opening is planned.

Winning floats for the annual Rule Jubilee included first place to the Luther Meyers Family with "What Happened to the Good Ole Days." Second place went to Village Primitives with "Dr. Tate's Traveling Medicine Show, while Rule Banking Center took third place honors.

Twirling for the Haskell High School Indian Band will be Katie McKnight, Kristi Christian, Reena Harris, Bergen Peiser, Hilee Mulligan and Paige Hagadone. Drum majors for the band are Christina Markunas and Patricia Fuentes.

20 Years Ago October 5, 1989

Haskell County Gold Star recipient for this year is Jennifer Shaver, seventeen year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Shaver III of Rochester.

State Representative Rick Perry announced that he had changed his political party affiliation from Democrat to Republican. It came amid speculation that the three term legislator from Haskell will seek a higher political office.

Haskell eight graders Heather Stewart, Allison Thornhill and Trece Burson captured the runner-up honors in the "down under" division of the Hoop-D-Do in Wichita

Falls. The event is a three on three playground basketball contest and serves as a fundraiser for the Texas Special Olympics.

30 Years Ago October 4, 1979

Excite America '79 comes to Haskell as the Haskell County Jaycees and Jaycee-ettes, for the first time ever, host the Texas Jaycees Region I-C Convention.

Indian Monnie Hise scored five touchdowns, gained two hundred and two yards and had thirty carries as the Indians defeated the Stamford Bulldogs 41-23.

Kenneth Hilliard was recently presented with a plaque naming him Optimist of the Year during the club's annual installation and awards banquet.

40 Years Ago October 2, 1969

The Candy Stripers display, sponsored by the Candy Stripers and Pink Ladies of the Haskell Memorial Hospital, attracted more than usual attention at the annual fair last week. A feature of the display was a film, "A Halo For A Cap."

Paula Wooten, a freshmen at Hardin-Simmons University, has been chosen as one of the Six White Horse Riders for the 1969-70 year. Wooten is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Wooten of Haskell.

Sue Hager of Weinert, won fourth place with her show calves in the middleweight division and fourth in the heavyweight division at the County Fair.

50 Years Ago October 1, 1959

Bates Thornton was guest speaker for the 1959 Haskell High School Homecoming. Thornton, Class of '31, is termed by Fortune Magazine as one of the nation's rising young executives in the electronic field. He was

having, in his own words, "The time of his life; wouldn't have missed it for the world."

Clyde Cook of Borger has been appointed field assistant for the 1959 Census of Agriculture. He will direct a force of 17 crew leaders and 219 census takers in Haskell.

The '59 Census of Agriculture will collect information on the number and size of farms, acreage and harvest of crops, livestock and products.

A campaign to rid the community of rats, particularly in the business section, will be launched during the coming week. It is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and City of Haskell.

The "Fall Festival of Fashion" style review, presented by the Personality Shoppe, will be sponsored by the Haskell Business and Professional Women's Club in the Elementary School auditorium. The public is cordially invited to this event and the social hour following.

100 Years Ago October 2, 1909

Last year it took about four bales of frost-bitten cotton to bring eighty dollars. Now one bale will bring that price.

Mrs. C.D. Long has returned from Austin where she went to place her nephew, Brevard Long in the Whittis Preparatory School, so he can prepare to enroll in the University of Texas.

A mass meeting of all the citizens of Haskell will be held in the courthouse Monday evening for the purpose of taking necessary steps to present this city's claims for a new railway depot before the Railroad Commission in Austin on Oct. 12.

Teaching applications sought

Applications for the Region 14 Education Service Center's 2010-11 Alternative Certification Program for Special Education, Math and Science teachers are being accepted through Nov. 13.

The program allows college graduates wanting to be teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete training in the spring and summer prior to entering the classroom. During the internship year, training is continued.

Applications are selected from those who have received a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

For additional admission requirements, contact Region 14 ESC Alternative Certification Program.

Financial reimbursement is available if grant requirements are met. This program is made possible by a 1.4 million dollar federal Transition to Teaching Grant.

The teaching certificate enables recipients to teach anywhere in Texas. Reciprocity is available in some other states.

For more information call, Gay Ann Wals, Special Education, EC-6 Generalist at 325-675-7017; Charlotte Taggart, Science at 325-675-8684; or Sandra Carter, Math at 325-675-7006.

Crime of the Week

Sometime during the night of Sept. 22 or morning of Sept. 23 in Haskell, person or persons unknown tried to burn a Texas Highway Patrol car. A fire was also set in a dumpster behind Modern Way Food Store. Authorities believe these crimes are connected.

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers, in cooperation with the Texas Rangers and Texas Highway Patrol, is offering a cash reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons involved in these offenses. Information may be given on the tipline 800-222-TIPS or texted to CFCS at CRIMES. All callers will remain anonymous.

Clear Fork Crimes Stoppers offers rewards of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest of persons committing crimes in Haskell, Jones, Fisher, Stonewall, Shackelford or Kent counties. Remember—We want your information, not your name.

Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,

The Haskell Lions Club would like to thank all the volunteers, t-shirt sponsors, individuals and businesses who helped to make the Warpath 5K a success. Sixty-one runners and walkers participated in the Warpath 5K on a perfect fall morning.

Donnie Rieger
Vice-President
Haskell Lions Club

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USDA to study wheat practices

Wheat growers across the United States will soon be contacted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to participate in the Agricultural Resource Management Survey (ARMS).

"Virtually every federal farm program and policy is based on ARMS data," said Doug Rundle, director of the NASS Texas Field Office. "The information from ARMS reveals important links between what farmers produce and how they produce it, and the financial state of their production agriculture."

Conducted every fall, ARMS is USDA's primary source of information on production practices, resource use and the

economic well-being of America's farm households. "Survey results help agricultural leaders and decision-makers better understand how operators cope with risk, adapt to policy changes, and make decisions about labor, new technologies and many other aspects of farming," added Rundle.

The 2009 ARMS will focus on wheat, including durum, spring, winter and, for the first time ever, organic wheat varieties. This will be the first time since 2004 that ARMS has focused on wheat production.

Beginning in September, NASS representatives will conduct personal interviews with nearly 5,000 wheat growers nationwide, including over 170 in Texas.

Producers will be asked to provide information on their fertilizer, nutrient and pesticide applications, as well as their pest management and irrigation practices. In early 2010, NASS will follow up with some of the participants to obtain additional economic data.

As with all NASS surveys, information provided by respondents is confidential by law. NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents and publishes data only in aggregate form, ensuring that no individual operation or grower can be identified.

For more information on NASS surveys and reports, visit www.nass.usda.gov, or call the NASS Texas Field Office at 1-800-626-3142.



WARPATH 5K OVERALL WINNERS—Overall winners of the Haskell Lions Club Warpath 5K run held Saturday were front row, l-r, Shanna White of Stamford, Kelli Moeller Dixon of Crowley, Terri Fillmon of Haskell, Terry Hurt of Abilene and Cathy Bartley of Haskell; back row, River McTasney of Haskell, Cash Bassett of Haskell, Jim Pratt of Rule, Van Josselet of Dalhart, Francisco Salazar of Albany and Jim McTasney of Haskell. Not pictured are Aubrey Bassett of Haskell, Briè Torres of Haskell, Kalyn Wheatley of Haskell, Paul Cox of Houston and Robert Baker of Haskell.



READY, SET—Haskell Lions Club president John Hicks, far right, readies to start the Warpath 5K run held last Saturday.

61 enter Warpath 5K fun run

The First Haskell Lions Club Warpath 5K fun run and walk was held Sat., Sept. 26. Sixty-one runners and walkers participated in the 5K.

Francisco Salazar of Albany was the overall



WARPATH 5K WINNER—Francisco Salazar of Albany crosses the finish line first with a time of 20:59.

winner with a time of 20:59. Aubrey Bassett of Haskell was the second place winner with a time of 23:07.

In the men's division, Van Josselet of Dalhart was second and River McTasney



WARPATH 5K SECOND—Aubrey Bassett of Haskell crosses the finish line second with a time of 23:07.

of Haskell was third. In the women's division, Briè Torres of Haskell was second and Kalyn Wheatley of Haskell was third.

Winners in each age group are as follows:

10 and under: Cash Bassett, Haskell.

20's: Kelli Moeller Dixon, Crowley.

30's: Shanna White, Stamford and Jim McTasney, Haskell.

40's: Terri Fillmon, Haskell and Paul Cox, Houston.

50's: Terry Hurt, Abilene and Van Josselet, Dalhart.

60's: Cathy Bartley, Haskell and Jim Pratt, Rule.

70's: Robert Baker, Haskell.



COURSE COMPLETED—City officials of Weinert and Munday completed the final required NIMS training courses held in Abilene last week. Attending were, l-r, City of Weinert Mayor Julian Estrada, City of Munday Mayor Buddy Norville, course instructor Jerry Huffman, and City of Weinert secretary Patricia Horan.

Deadline to register to vote is Oct. 5

by Caron Yates

Deadline to register to vote in the upcoming November election is Oct. 5.

Early voting in person, begins Oct. 19 and will continue through Oct. 30. Early voting will take place at the County Clerk's office located in the Haskell Co. Courthouse. Requests for mail-in ballots from the County Clerk's office must be received by Oct. 27.

There will actually be four elections held on Nov. 3. The first is for all registered voters in the county, and concerns the eleven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution.

To vote in the second and third elections, voters must live within the city limits of Haskell. On the ballot for voters consideration will be a Local Option Election to legalize the sell of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only. Being held at the same time is an election called by the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority to establish a Maintenance and Operations Tax.

The fourth election concerns only those voters living both in Haskell Co. and within the city limits of Stamford. Voters who fit into this category, should contact the County Clerk's office for specific information.

Due to the tremendous expense of maintaining voting at ten different polling places, the commissioners' court voted to combine all voting into four boxes. All voting for the county will take place in Haskell. Citizens in Haskell will cast their ballots at their regular polling places. Box 1 will be at St. George Catholic Church and is the designated place for O'Brien and Rochester registered voters

to vote. Box 2, located at the Assembly of God Church, is where Weinert residents should cast their votes. Paint Creek residents will vote at the Extension office in Box 3, and the Experienced Citizens Center will hold Box 4. Registered voters from Rule and Sagerton will vote at this location.

Each person wishing to vote will be required to present a voter registration certificate that an election judge will check for the effective date, to determine if the voter is qualified to vote. If the voter does not have a valid registration

certificate, they must present identification. Acceptable forms of identification include a birth certificate, United States citizenship papers, a U.S. passport, official mail addressed to the person by name from a government agency, a copy of a current utility bill, a bank statement, government paycheck, or other government document showing the name and current address of the voter.

Voting, regardless of the issue on the ballot, is a privilege each Texan should take seriously. It is, after all, our voice, which will only be heard when we vote.

Program to help teens aim for success

Aim for Success, Inc. will present their nationally acclaimed program to students and parents of Haskell CISD sixth through twelfth grade. The Aim for Success, Inc. motivational programs have educated over a million young people across America during the past fifteen years on topics such as sex, drugs and alcohol.

The parent program will be held Oct. 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Haskell High School's Auditorium. Childcare will be provided for children through fifth grade.

The student programs are scheduled Oct. 6 from 9 to 11 a.m. for the sixth through eighth grade students; and from 1 to 3:15 p.m. for the ninth through twelfth grade students.

These programs address the problems of teen

pregnancies, the escalating STD epidemic and the traumatic, emotional pain that is often associated with teen sexual activity. The program will clearly demonstrate to the students that avoiding sexual activity until marriage provides freedom from pregnancies, STDs and regret while giving them the freedom to fulfill their dreams and goals.

The parent program is a preview of the student presentation where parents will learn creative ways to talk about sex with their children and encourage them to avoid sexual activity until marriage. "This is a must see event for anyone concerned about the problems associated with teen sexual activity," said Marilyn Morris, president of Aim for Success.

Community guests are welcome to attend.

NOTICE

On June 10, 2010, the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority will make the last payment on the NC70 and NC74 Bonds which were used to finance the construction of Millers Creek Reservoir and the distribution system to service the Member Cities of Goree, Haskell, Knox City and Munday. With the payment of these Bonds, the authority of the NCTMWA to levy and collect taxes will expire. Along with the authority to collect taxes, we will lose our ability to maintain our current rate structure.

As a means to retain our current rate structure and to enable planning for the future of the NCTMWA, we are proposing the adoption of a Maintenance and Operations Tax. This taxing authority, if enacted, will allow us to maintain our rate structure. The NCTMWA foresees collecting this tax, at a maximum rate of \$.10/\$100.00 valuation, to build and maintain an emergency fund for repairs and replacement of system components as necessary. Once the fund reaches the designated amount, the NCTMWA will not collect taxes until depletion of the fund makes this action necessary.

We will be posting additional information in the weeks to come on our reasoning behind this proposed tax. We think this method of maintaining an emergency fund will cost the citizens of the Member Cities less than a change in water rates and will make our long-range planning more accurate and dependable.

For any questions on this proposal, please contact your Board representative:

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Haskell: John Gannaway or Joey Thomas
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Munday: M. M. Booe or Ray Lynn Hardin

or, feel free to call me at any time to discuss this proposal individually, or at any group meeting.

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HASKELL COMMUNITY wide garage sale Sat., Oct. 3. Map pick up on the square at 7:30 a.m. 39-40c

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 Dist/Div: Abilene
 Contract 6109-91-001 for LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE in STONEWALL County, etc. will be opened on October 15, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$29,179.68.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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1607 N. AVE. F. Large brick home on corner lot built in 1953. Dwelling has four bedrooms, two baths, large closets, wood floors, fireplace, C/HA, large living and dining rooms, kitchen with dining area, a large two-car garage and a fenced yard. The driveway to the garage is cement. Home has been well cared for through the years and has had only one owner.

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4-H WEEK—Haskell County Judge David Davis, center, proclaimed Oct. 4-10 as National 4-H Week in Haskell County in a ceremony attended by Haskell County 4-H members, and front row, l-r, Emily Fouts, Sam Fouts, Jacie Klose and Brooke Bullinger; middle row, Cody Dutton, Kadin Seeliger, Jaylea Seeliger and McCaila Walker; back row, Jenny Dudensing, Allison Petty, Kate Rowan, Alexis Walker and Lori Beth Rodgers.

4-H Week celebrated October 4-10

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
Oct. 4-10 is National 4-H Week. Haskell County 4-H'ers are celebrating and would like for the county of Haskell to help them celebrate.

To start off 4-H Week, some of the Haskell County Senior 4-H'ers from the Rule 4-H Club and Haskell Sr. 4-H Club will be participating in an activity, One Day...4-H.

This activity will include the 4-H'ers working at the Haskell City Park painting the playground equipment, working at various elderly person's homes doing light yard work and house cleaning along with some of the Disciple Now kids this Sat., Oct. 3 at the Haskell City Park.

Local 4-H youth will connect with the community also by airing radio spots

on Big Country 97 (KVRP) during the week of Oct. 4-10. The Haskell Jr. and Haskell Sr. 4-H Clubs will be wearing 4-H t-shirts on Mon., Oct. 5; passing out 4-H pencils and brochures on Wed., Oct. 7 at Haskell Elementary, Haskell High School, Haskell Jr. High School in Rochester and the Paint Creek School. Thurs., Oct. 8, the two Haskell 4-H Clubs will have a booth set

up at the Jr. High football games in Rochester, handing out 4-H information and 4-H stickers.

From the four different 4-H clubs, some of the 4-H'ers met after school at the Haskell County Courthouse on Mon., Sept. 28 with County Judge, David Davis. The 4-H'ers had a group picture made with the County Judge while he signed a proclamation for Haskell County 4-H'ers celebrating National 4-H Week, Oct. 4 - 10.

In Haskell County, more than 75 4-H members and 25 volunteers are involved in 4-H.

The fundamental 4-H ideal of practical, "learn by doing" experiences encourage youth to experiment, innovate and think independently. 4-H programs are offered through school-based, after-school and camp settings and within community clubs.

You can join the 4-H community today. To learn how to become a 4-H member or volunteer leader in Haskell County, contact Wes Utley, County Extension Agent-Ag, at the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or haskell@ag.tamu.edu.

4-H is a community of six million young people across America learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills. National 4-H Council is the private sector, non-profit partner of National 4-H Headquarters (USDA). The 4-H programs are implemented by the 106 Land Grant Universities and the Cooperative Extension System through their 3,100 local Extension offices across the country.

Guess honored by former students

by Caron Yates
From the time children are born, their lives begin to be shaped by the influence of others. More often than not, this impact is positive.

Although these influences come from many different directions, including family, friends and even the media, teachers are in a unique position to touch the lives of children.

At the recent Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester homecoming, H.L. Guess of Weinert, was given special recognition for the impact he has had on students throughout his thirty-three year career in public education.

Guess, the youngest child in a family of eleven children, was raised on a farm in the Mattson community. He graduated from Mattson High School in 1948, and in Aug. 1951 married Sarah Young, his wife of fifty-six years. He began college at Hardin-Simmons University, but his pursuit of a degree was interrupted by time in the military. He served his country in Korea during the war.

Upon his discharge from the army, he went back to school on the GI Bill. He completed a degree in business education and soon began his career at Trent High School. After teaching there for two and a half years, Guess had the opportunity to move back home.

While he taught business classes at Mattson High School, he also was given

the "opportunity" to coach junior high football. It was many of these young football players, who wanted to thank him for the influence he had in their lives. Several former students told of their memories of those days, and the things they learned from "Coach."

He became superintendent at Mattson High in 1962, after earning his Master's Degree. Guess moved his family to Weinert in 1966 and served as superintendent of Weinert High School, until his retirement in 1990.

He taught a variety of subjects including driver's education for many of those thirty-three years. The stories that go along with that job are endless, and some even scary.

The Class of 1965 from Mattson High School presented Guess with a United States flag which was flown over the Normandy American Cemetery in France. It, along with a signed certificate, was given him in honor of his service to his students and his country. As one former student put it, "He taught all of us, because he knew we all needed an education no



H.L. GUESS
matter how we learned."

Teachers understand that they may not see the rewards of their efforts until years later. While many students grow up and recognize the influence a particular teacher has had in their life, they don't always find a time or way to express their appreciation.

The Class of '65 from Mattson High did find the time and way to show their appreciation to one special teacher. In the words of one of those students, "Some people can change things for a minute, and some people can influence those for a lifetime." "Coach, you done good."

4-H broiler orders due

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
It is time for Haskell County 4-H and FFA members to place orders for broilers and begin readying their pens.

The deadline to order for those intending to show broilers at the Haskell County Jr. Livestock Show is Fri., Oct. 16 at 4:30 p.m. Orders may be called in to the Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658 or 864-2546.

If you have any questions, call the office.

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