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Tues., April 20, 4 p.m.
at Stamford

Baseball games

JV Indians vs Stamford
Mon., April 19, 4 p.m.
at Haskell

V Indians vs Stamford
Tues., April 20, 4:30 p.m.
at Stamford

Track

Haskell
Indians and Maidens
District Track Meet
Thurs-Fri., April 15-16
at Haskell

Calendar

Revival rally

Calvary Baptist Church will host a revival rally Sun., April 18 at 4 p.m. on the east side of the square in Haskell. Free hot dogs, soft drinks and live music will be available. Everyone is welcome.

Revival

Paint Creek Baptist Church will hold revival Sun., April 18 through Wed., April 21. Sunday services will be at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Evening services will begin at 7 p.m. Special activities are planned for each night. For more information or transportation, call Pastor James Horton 940-864-2270.

Spaghetti lunch

The Student Ministry of the First Baptist Church in Haskell will host a spaghetti lunch Sun., April 18 beginning at noon. Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, bread and dessert will be served. The lunch will be held at the Family Activity Center and will benefit camp and the student leadership retreat.

Jr. 4-H to meet

The Haskell Jr. 4-H Club will meet Mon., April 19 at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. A program on wildlife skins and skulls will be presented followed by a short business meeting.

Rule report cards

Parents or guardians of Rule School students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to pick up their child's fifth six weeks report cards Mon., April 19. Parents should go to the high school office to receive instructions. Teachers will be in their classrooms from 3:45 until 5 p.m.

Little League try-outs

Little League try-outs will be held Sat., April 17 at the Little League field at 1 p.m. Children ages 5-12 by July 31 are eligible to play. For more information, call Kevin Leach at 940-864-2626.

Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at KP's Mesquite Grill, 900 S. Ave. E, Wed., April 21 at 11:45 a.m. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet at KP's restaurant in Haskell Fri., April 16 at noon. Volunteers who would like to help victims of domestic violence should call 940-864-2551.

Pageant

The Wild Horse Prairie Days pageant will be held Sun., May 23. Categories will include the Queen's contest for grades 9-12; a Jr. Miss contest for grades 6-8; and a Little Miss contest for grades K-5. Watch for more details next week.

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CULTIVATING CIVIC PRIDE—City employee, Jack Lusk, stops for the camera during a spring project of planting a border of new shrubs along a sidewalk on Highway 277's north approach into town. Staying busy with beauty spots for the city, Lusk also

maintains the wooden half tubs of seasonal, colorful blooms spaced on sidewalks in front of businesses around the courthouse square. These projects are funded by revenue from the elective one dollar added to their water bill payments by caring citizens.

Haskell Civic Center ownership changes

By Mary Kaigler

After several weeks of negotiating on the part of both entities involved, on Tues., Apr. 6, with the handing over of a Bill of Sale in the token amount of \$10.00, ownership of the Haskell Memorial Civic Center was legally passed to the City of Haskell.

Civic Center Board of Directors president, Franciene Johnson, made the presentation to Mayor Ken Lane in a brief ceremony at the center, instituting the new ownership.

With the change, primarily initiated to bring center personnel under the city's liability insurance umbrella, the city will now assume the coverage. However, the change will not affect the center's 501c status as a tax free entity, meaning that memorial gifts to the center will continue to be tax deductible for the donor.

Mayor Lane said that under the city's ownership, revenue from the

center's rentals will continue to be used for the cost of its operation, just as they have in the past.

"The organizational structure will remain the same as always to assure a continuity of operation, with a board of directors approved by the City Council. We look forward to assuring that the Civic Center runs as designed, for future use to the community," the mayor said. "This building is a great structure. And the greatest thing about it is that it was done without a bond issue. This is unusual, and it was made possible through the vision, dedicated work and gifts of the people. We want to make sure it stays usable for them."

Although the center charges rental for its use, it is not always sufficient to maintain it as it requires. According to Johnson, some months of the year are slow for rentals, yet the costs of utilities, cleaning, continued on page 8



CENTER CHANGES HANDS—Haskell Mayor, Ken Lane, accepts the City's ownership of the Civic Center from Franciene Johnson, president of the center's Board of Directors. They stand in front of bronze plaques commemorating the center's establishment, made possible by dedicated Haskell citizens through the vision and leadership of the late Jerrene and R. C. Couch, Jr.

Aggie Muster April 21

Former students of Texas A&M University of Haskell, Jones, Stonewall, Knox and Kent Counties, will assemble in Rule, Wed., Apr. 21. Activities will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Club Depot Building at Slim Sorrell's Park on Hwy. 380.

A short business meeting will be followed by fellowship and a barbecue meal. Cost of the meal will be \$6.50 per plate.

Muster is open to all former students and their families, parents of students and friends of Texas A&M.

Annually, more than 350 musters are held around the world, wherever former students live or work. Every muster is the same, as Texas Aggies pay their respects to all those who are absent because of death since the last muster, by answering "here" when the deceased friend's name is called.

Individuals planning to attend the local muster are requested to contact one of the following for meal reservations by Mon., Apr. 19: Wallar Overton, 940-864-2958; Glenn Brzozowski, 940-864-3158; John Ekdahl, 325-773-3676, or 325-773-2614.

'Dig up great books' during book fair

A Scholastic Book Fair is being sponsored by Haskell Elementary School, beginning Mon., April 19, through Fri., April 23. The book fair will be in the Haskell Elementary Library and will be for students, teachers and the public. Book fair hours are 8:00 to 4:30 daily, and until noon on Friday. The theme of this year's book fair is "Treasure Hunt—Dig Up Great Books!"

Everyone is invited to the "Family Event" Thurs. evening, April 22, from 4:30 to 6:00 for a great time of book browsing, refreshments and a chance for students to win book fair merchandise. All students must be accompanied by adults at this event.

Join the treasure hunt for great books and help promote reading.

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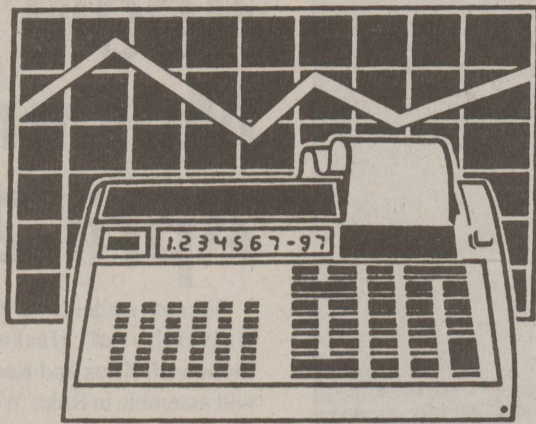
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Well safety class April 22

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

The Haskell and Knox County Offices of the Texas Cooperative Extension will hold a Farm Implement Regulation and Irrigation Well Safety meeting Thurs., April 22 beginning at 6:30 and last about two hours. The meeting will be held at the Weinert School. Two general C.E.U.'s available.

Danny Wainscott, with the Texas Department of Transportation-Weights and Measures, will be giving the program on new TxDOT regulations for Farm Implements and Trucks.

The Irrigation Well Safety program will be given by David Smith, Extension Assistant-Safety Programs with Texas Cooperative Extension.

Brandon Anderson & Sherry McGough, County Extension Agents in Haskell and Knox Counties will also discuss safe keeping of ag chemicals to help prevent theft for illegal purposes.

Field day set

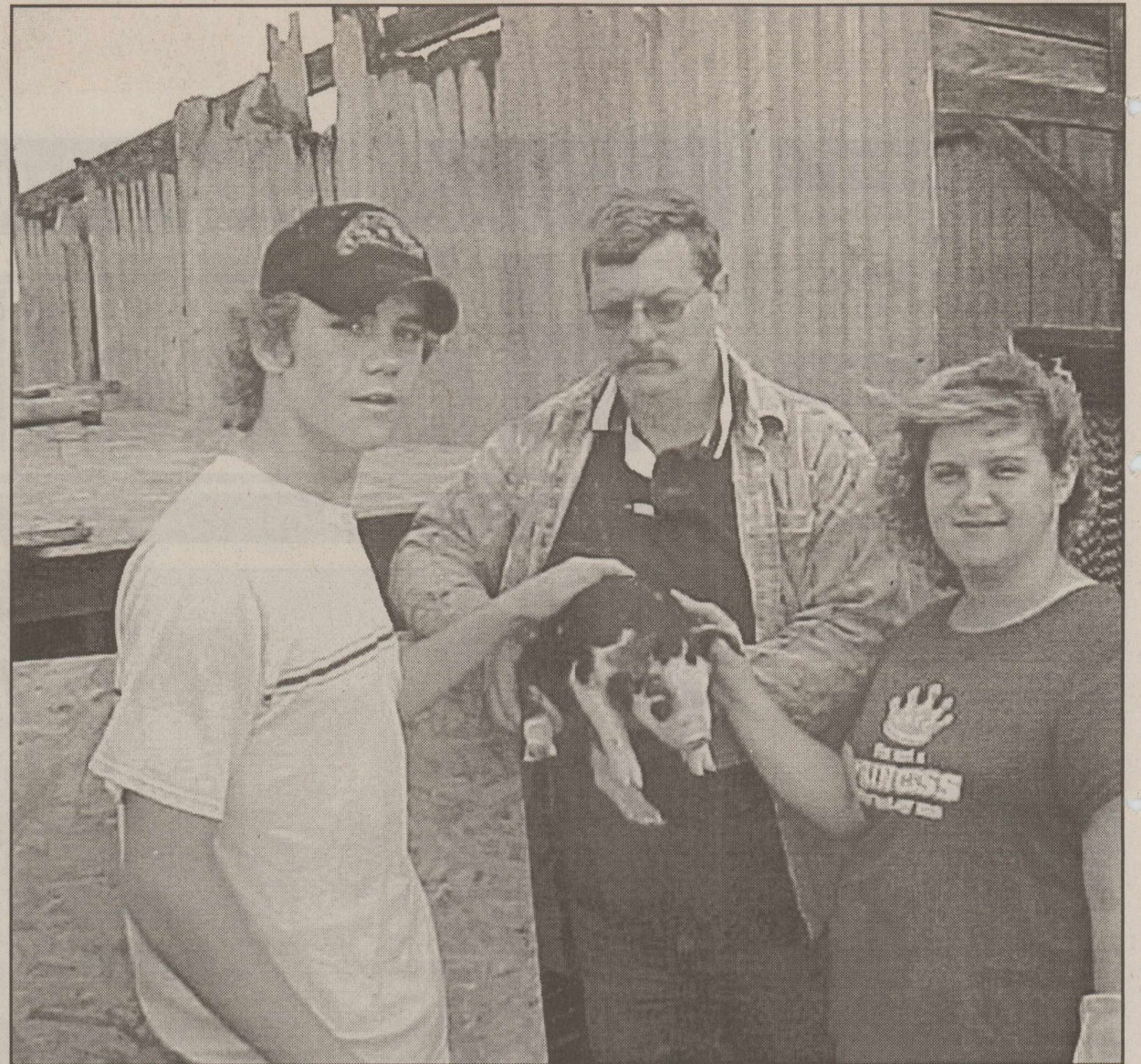
by Brandon Anderson
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The Knox Co. Wheat field day is set Mon., May 3 at 8 a.m. at Kenneth Baker's Wheat Seed Variety Test Variety Plot located 11 miles southeast of Munday on Highway 222 right north of the Brushy Cemetery at 8:00 a.m.

Dr. David Worrell of AgriPro Wheat will discuss the wheat seed varieties that were planted and their outcome in Knox/Haskell County.

Coffee and donuts will be provided and two C.E.U.'s will be offered.

For more information contact Sherry McGough at (940) 459-2651 at the Knox County Extension Office or Brandon Anderson at (940) 864-2658 at the Haskell County Extension Office.



SURVIVORS OF A STORM-Damage from the recent storm can be seen behind Cyle Brown, left, James Horton, Ag. Science Instructor, and Amanda Rincker, as they check out one of the "newest" little members of a swine project.

Obituaries

Maria Castneda Hernandez

Funeral services for Maria Castneda Hernandez, 87, of Haskell were held Sat., April 10 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell with Julian Estrada officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hernandez died Thurs., April 8 at a local nursing home.

Born April 2, 1917 in Gonzalez, she was the daughter

of Antonio and Josefina Castneda.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, two sisters and her husband.

Survivors include five children, Josefina H. Gonzalez, Anastacio C. Hernandez, Antonio C. Hernandez, Juanita C. Hernandez and Enriqueta C. Hernandez; nine grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

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Charles 'Hugh' Lancaster

Graveside services for Charles 'Hugh' Lancaster, 76, of Irving were held Fri., April 9 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Rev. Robert Corser officiating. Services were under the direction of Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Mr. Lancaster died Tues., April 6 at his residence.

He was born July 26, 1927 in Haskell.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Lancaster of Irving; his mother, Stella Lancaster of Albany; son, Al Lancaster of Irving; daughter, Debra Slagle of Irving; two sisters and one brother.

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Nevada Hammer

Funeral services for Nevada Hammer, 86, of Haskell were held Tues., April 13 at First United Methodist Church in Haskell with Rev. Shane Brue and Rev. Allen Brooks officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hammer died Sun., April 11 at her residence.

Born May 21, 1917 in Haskell County, she was the daughter of Frank and Hettie Medford Underwood. A lifetime resident of Haskell County, she married Colen Gray Hammer. He preceded her in death Oct. 7, 1977.

She was a homemaker and a store clerk for Hassen's Department store for 25 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Jackie and Sue Hammer of Abilene; one daughter and son-in-law, Pansy and Leo Koenig of Munday; one brother, Medford B. Underwood of Atoka, Okla.; five grandchildren; ten great grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

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The Most Important Christian Doctrine

Jesus Christ's blood was poured out on the cross. So the Lord Almighty, his Father, may be found still perfectly Holy and just. The whole human race came from Adam and Eve, so we are not perfect. Many people have done a lot of bad things, doing badly in the way of a life of sin. So a person needs to pray to God, confessing sins to him in repenting from that way of life. Even though you will make small mistakes afterwards, the goal is to stay as clean as possible. It's a total change of life, a new one. So since we have all sinned there had to be something WORTHY to make up for all of it. Jesus Christ's blood did just that. Like Jesus used to ask before healing someone; do you believe? If they believed, then he healed them. You must believe! Grace comes through the redemption found in Jesus through his blood that cleans you of your sins. And to God it is as if you never sinned at all. There is no other way to gain life, a person has to be baptized to be born again and contact Jesus blood. There is one baptism, "in the name of The Father, The Son, and The Holy Ghost." This is the only way to abide in God's love. There are sufferings of the cross all those who become Christians have to bear. Conflicts from the Resister and the Liar The Devil, Prayer is important to get through these things each day, and Christ has promised happiness, but it will not be without trouble. This will move us then to be better people, trying always to obey Christ's commands, and always desiring to please God, the Father, which is also a necessity to receive the gift of eternal, immortal life. To be given access to that city called New Jerusalem, that will come down from heaven from God Almighty, in harmony with the new earth God will create, after this old earth is burned away with fire. And the Almighty will create a new heaven as well. To be among those who run the race for immortality, and fight the fight of the faith, those who never give up, those who endure to the end. A city whose streets are paved with pure gold, like unto transparent glass, and many, many mansions. And a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, coming from The Throne of God and The Lamb. Our being like the angels in the resurrection, the soul of each of God's people being given a beautiful new body that is filled with affection and minds of perfect wisdom, and the love and praise of God in your hearts always. Blessed children of God to live forever. Reading the Bible daily will help you immensely every day. If not reading daily, how can you have it fresh on your mind and written on your heart to tell others? God's command is to carry on the testimony of His son Jesus, yes, speak of it, but first you have to learn about it. You cannot if you do not read it daily, read the whole bible. Do not leave it to the preachers in the church to read it for you, because everyone who presses to get into the Kingdom, must know and understand the Word of God. Some of you choose not to go to choose, very well, this is for you, too. Many false teachers have gone out into the world. They are deceived themselves and have the work of deceiving others. Many times, they go knocking at your doors. Jesus called people wolves in sheep's clothes. Jesus said: "The road to life is narrow and cramped, and few are the ones who find it."

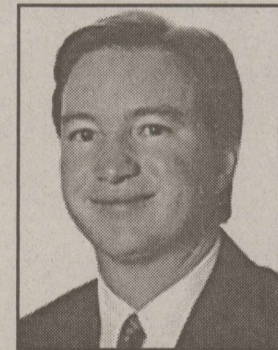
Additional Conclusion: As Jesus Christ himself said: "If any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christ, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth; behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. The sign of the Son of man shall appear in heaven: And all the tribes of the earth shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. For many shall come in my name, saying they are Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Read Matthew Chapter 24. Words spoken by Jesus Christ himself.

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Written by a friend of the Lord Jesus Christ

TAX PLANNING

Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



WHO MUST FILE A 2003 INCOME TAX RETURN?

Strange as it may seem, the IRS doesn't want everybody to file an income tax return. The reason is simple: Processing tax returns costs time and money. The IRS doesn't want to use its resources handling returns that weren't necessary in the first place.

Who should file a return? The rules for filing 2003 tax returns are straightforward for most people.

•**Single taxpayers** (including those who are divorced or legally separated): If you're under 65 and had gross income of at least \$7,800 in 2003, you must file. If you're 65 or older, the cutoff is \$8,950.

•**"Head of household" taxpayers** (generally, unmarried people who provide a home to a child or other dependent): If you're under 65 and had income of at least \$10,050, you'll need to file. If you're 65 or older, the cutoff is \$11,200.

•**Married taxpayers filing jointly:** Filing is required if both spouses are under 65 and income is at least \$15,600. If one spouse is 65 or older, the cutoff is \$16,550. If both spouses are 65 or older, gross income must be at least \$17,500 to require filing. If you were married but not living with your spouse at the end of 2003, filing is required if you have income of \$3,050 or more, regardless of your age.

•**Married taxpayers filing separately:** If you made at least \$4,050, you must file, regardless of your age. Different IRS rules govern filing for certain widows and widowers, dependents, those who owe special taxes (e.g., self-employment tax), children under age 14, and aliens.

It's worth looking into your filing requirements. This year you may not have to file at all. If you have a refund coming, you will want to file regardless of your income level. If you need more information or assistance with tax filing, please call our office.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 286 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., April 12, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 32 sellers and 32 buyers were present.

Stocker cows and pairs \$15 to \$30 higher, packers \$1 higher. Stockers and feeders steady to \$3 higher.

Cows: fat, .43-.52; cutters, .45-.55; canners, .28-.37.

Bulls: bologna, .58-.70; feeders, .78-.90; utility, .52-.64.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.35-1.70; 300-400 lbs., 1.20-1.34; 400-500 lbs., 1.10-1.30; 500-600 lbs., .98-1.18; 600-700 lbs., .90-1.08; 700-800 lbs., .84-.98; 800-up lbs., .78-.87.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.45; 300-400 lbs., 1.09-1.25; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.19; 500-600 lbs., .90-1.12; 600-up lbs., .74-.94.

Bred heifers medium frame, 525-700.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 725-870; aged or small, 475-650.

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Kindergarten to register April 23

Haskell Elementary School will have Kindergarten registration and screening on Fri., Apr. 23, in the elementary conference room.

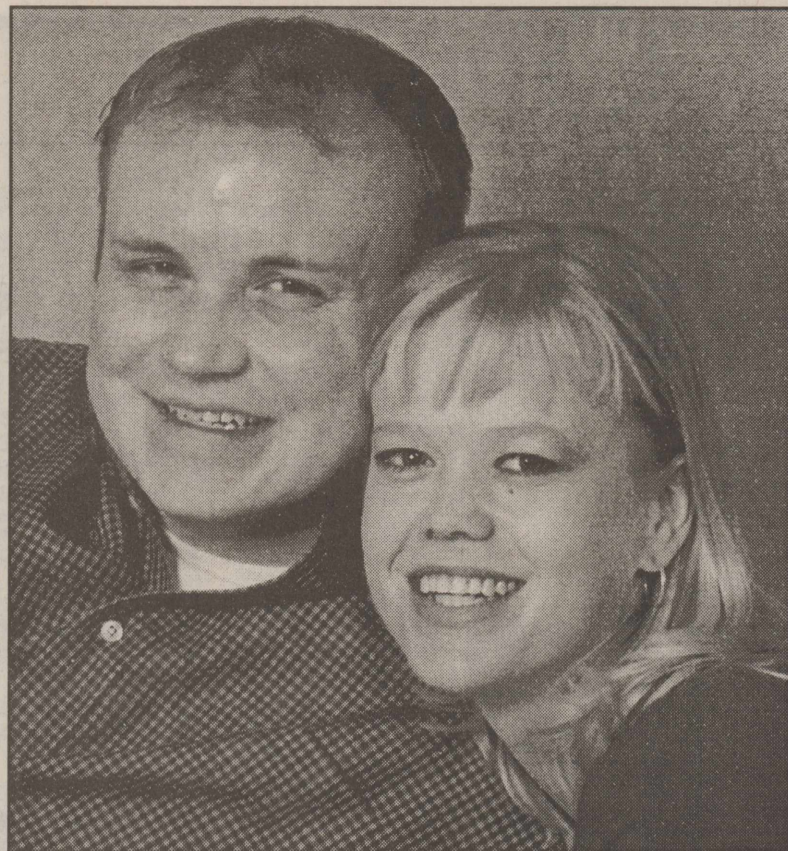
To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2004.

Students whose last names begin with letters A through F will register at 9:00 a.m. Those with last names beginning with letters G through L will register at 10:00 a.m. Those with last names beginning with letters M through R will register at 1:00 p.m. Those with last names beginning with letters S through Z will register at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your child to the elementary conference room. Students who are currently enrolled in prekindergarten are still required to come to registration.

Each child needs to bring his/her

birth certificate, immunization record and social security card to registration. Parents need to bring their driver license. Immunization requirements which must be met before the first day of Kindergarten are: three doses polio vaccine, including one received on or after the 4th birthday; four doses DTP/DtaP vaccine, including one received on or after the 4th birthday; two doses MMR vaccine (or one dose MMR and one dose measles vaccine); three doses hepatitis B vaccine and one dose varicella vaccine or documentation of having had chicken pox.

All grades, including Head Start, Early Childhood, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten, will have class on Fri., Apr. 23.



CHRISTOPHER HENNINGTON - ELIZABETH ALVIS

Pre-K to register Fri., April 30

Haskell Elementary School will have registration for 1/2 day prekindergarten classes for the 2004-2005 school year on Fri., Apr. 30. Registration will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the elementary conference room.

To attend pre-kindergarten, a child must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2004, qualify for free or reduced lunches and/or be of limited English-speaking ability.

However, Haskell CISD is hoping to offer prekindergarten for all four year olds. If you are interested in this program for your child, please be sure to register on Fri., Apr. 30.

Parents should bring their driver license and their child's birth certificate, immunization record and social security card to registration. It is not necessary for your child to attend registration. Call 864-2654 for additional information.

Alvis, Hennington plan to wed July 16

Tom and Geneva Alvis of Lubbock have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Alvis, to Christopher Hennington, son of Gary and Janice Hennington of Lubbock.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University, and is employed by the Slaton Independent School District. She is the

granddaughter of Ethel Tidwell of Haskell.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Lubbock Christian University, and is employed by Roosevelt Independent School District and Lubbock Christian University.

A wedding is planned for July 16 at Trinity Church in Lubbock.

Haskell School Menu

April 19-23 Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Breakfast pizza
Tuesday: Pigs in a blanket
Wednesday: Froot Loops, graham crackers
Thursday: Funnel cakes
Friday: Elementary: cereal, toast
Secondary: Pigs in a blanket

Lunch
Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: Choice of entree or baked potato with ham and cheese.
Monday: Chicken nuggets/gravy,

mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pineapple tidbits
Tuesday: Barbeque on a bun, pickles, baby carrots, tater tots, chocolate chip bars
Wednesday: Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, garden salad, chips/salsa, sliced peaches
Thursday: Pizza, corn, baby carrots, garden salad, pears
Friday: Cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato/pickles, French fries, ice cream

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Paint Creek School Menu

April 19-23 Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Pancakes
Tuesday: Biscuits, gravy
Wednesday: French toast sticks
Thursday: Cereal, toast
Friday: Breakfast burritos
Lunch
Milk and tea are served daily.

Monday: Beef fried rice, coleslaw, bread, jello
Tuesday: Hotdogs, tater tots, baked beans, salad, cake
Wednesday: Beefy mac and cheese, corn, salad, bread, fruit
Thursday: Burritos, Spanish rice, corn, cookies
Friday: Tuna or bologna sandwich, chips, salad, jello

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., April 19
11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check
Lunch-King Ranch chicken, okra and tomatoes, turnip greens, sliced onions, garlic toast, banana split cake, milk, tea, or coffee
Wed., April 21
10:30 a.m. Bingo
Lunch-Swiss steak/gravy, scalloped potatoes, club spinach,

green beans, yeast rolls, strawberry shortcake, milk, tea, or coffee
Fri., April 23
Lunch-Sloppy joe's, pinto beans, potato salad, sliced onions/pickles, chips, pudding/cookies, milk, tea, or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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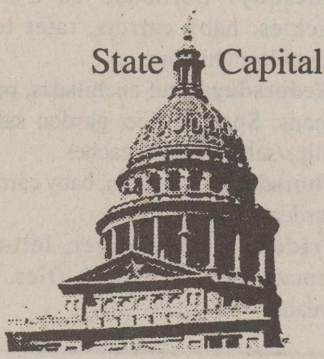
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Governor's school plan cuts property taxes 17%

AUSTIN—Gov. Rick Perry's school finance plan hit the fan late last week.

It sounded good to some as it was announced, but as the week progressed and into the weekend, Texas taxpayers, school officials and lawmakers had mixed reactions to the proposal.

Essentially, this is the plan, formally labeled the Educational Excellence and Equity Plan: (If you smoke, you might want to light up and take a deep drag before reading on.)

An additional \$1-a-pack tax would be imposed on cigarettes as well as fees on what were politely referred to as adult entertainment establishments.

Subject to voters approving a constitutional amendment, in a semi-sin tax (if you are opposed to gambling), video lottery terminals—the nice term for what are better known as slot machines—would be permitted.

In addition, various loopholes in state franchise and automobile sales tax laws would be boarded up to raise revenue.

Beyond these measures that would generate new revenue, Texans would see an average 17 percent drop in their residential tax bill. The Perry Plan would set a ceiling of \$1.25 per \$100 valuation on residential property, and \$1.40 for business property.

School districts will be allowed to seek voter approval for local enrichment, but that enrichment cannot exceed 5 cents per two-year budget cycle beginning in 2007 for a maximum of 15 cents.

All this, the governor said, would infuse Texas' public schools with \$2.5 billion in new revenue while saving property owners \$6 billion in

taxes. Of the estimated additional money for schools, \$1 billion of that would come from the achievement incentive plan Perry had announced earlier.

Reaction to the plan ranges from general approval to concerns that it still does not provide a permanent solution to school finance, that it doesn't balance the public cash flow to rich and poor school districts, that it isn't a big enough tax cut and that it might not live up to the equity requirements set by the Texas Supreme Court in 1989.

Though Perry has now laid out a plan, it still takes legislative approval. As of Monday, the governor still has not set a date for a special session, though that still is expected soon.

His office said he would be traveling the state this week explaining his plan to the people in various public appearances.

A lesser-known deadline...

Just about anyone older than 18 knows the annual significance of April 15, the deadline for filing income tax returns or an extension.

But that also is the deadline for filing business property tax renditions in Texas. Huh?

In the past, small Texas businesses may not have rushed to file their renditions, but the last legislative session passed a measure (SB 340) setting monetary penalties for late-filers, those who don't file at all or those who turn in an incomplete or false rendition.

For more information on this, check with your county's appraisal district or the state comptroller's office at www.cpa.state.tx.us.

Good news on sales taxes...

State sales tax revenue was up again in March. Some \$1.18 billion in revenue came in during the month, an increase of 17.2 percent from March 2003 income.

Infants and pets can be safe mix

With 70 percent of U. S. households having four-legged family member, new parents often ask, "It is safe to keep pets when the new baby comes home?" There are necessary precautions when it comes to pets and infants, but with safety measures in place, you may not have to send your animal to the doghouse when your new baby arrives.

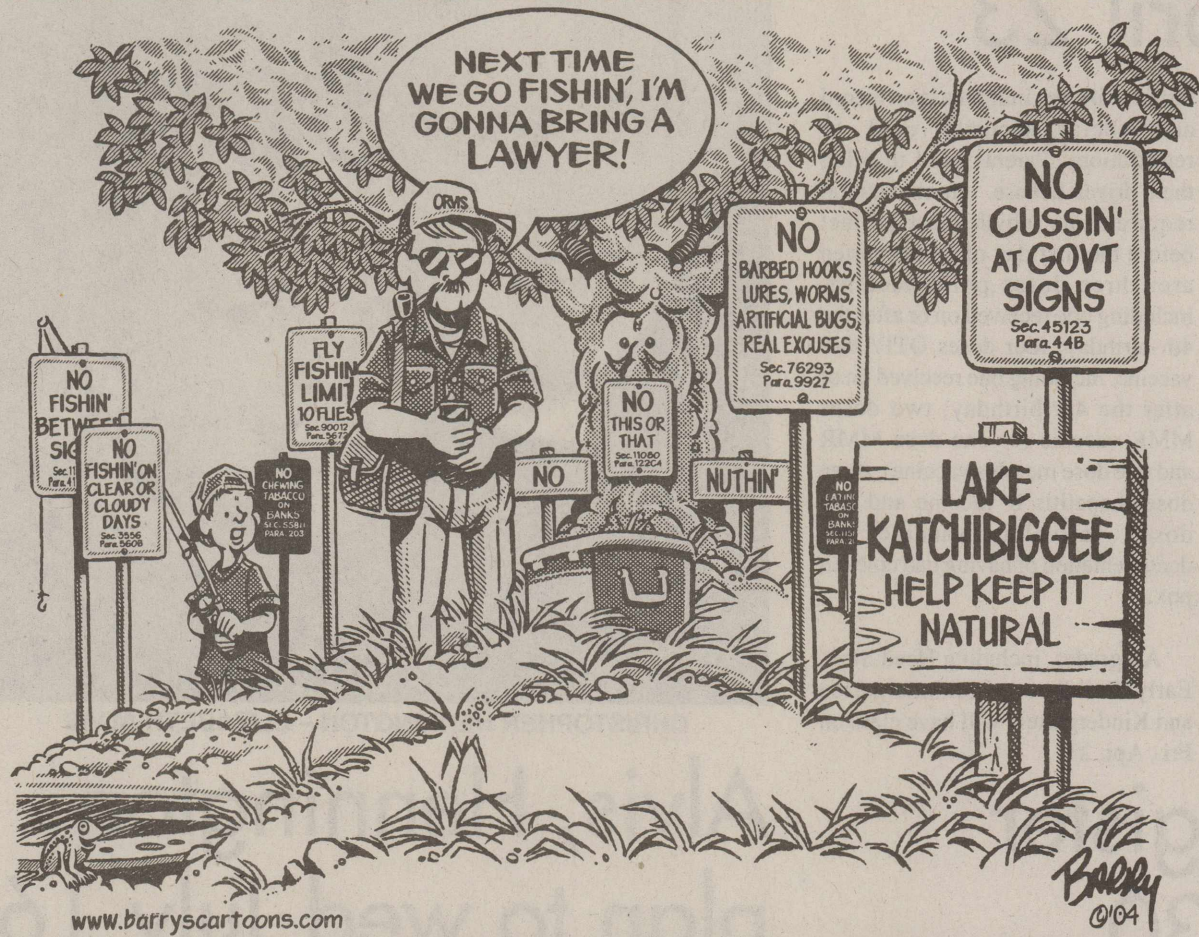
•Make sure your animal is up-to-date with vaccinations and a yearly checkup with a veterinarian.

•Spaying or neutering is a good idea. Spayed and neutered pets have fewer health problems, are more docile and are less likely to bite.

•Consider "doggie school." Commands such as "sit" and "come" will be imperative with baby and four-legged friend in the same room.

•Give pets regular nail trims.

When children physically outgrow pets, both child and pet need to be protected from each other. Remind children that loud noises and excitement can scare pets. Teach them to approach a pet from the front to avoid startling the animal. Remind your child never to touch an animal while it is sleeping or eating. When a pet is surprised or scared, it is more likely to bite.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago April 21, 1994

Haskell High Schools students Blake Henshaw, Sarah Cothron, Wendy Dulaney and Christy Cadenhead won the right to compete in the regional UIL academic meet.

Haskell Maidens' Heather Hobgood, Syreeta Billington, Veronica Gonzales, Monique Farris and Nacole Lefevre advanced to the regional track meet. Indian's Robert Huff, Frankie Masias, Bucky Harvey, Donnell Hodge, Chris Collins, Casey Coleman and Patrick Billington also advanced.

Norma Richardson of Haskell was inducted into the Hardin-Simmons University chapter of Kappa Mu Epsilon, national mathematics honor society.

Melissa Plemister of Haskell, McMurry University student, claimed a win at the Big County Student chapter of the Data Process Management Association competition.

Haskell Elementary School was overall winner in the district 2A Academic Meet in Rotan. First place winners were a team of Derek Hughes, Jessica Rieger, Katy McDaniels, Nathan Long, Kyle Michaels; Kristen Cypert, Dan Fouts, Courtney Chariss; a team of Jimmy Huff, Paige Hagadone, Kristi Christian, Dan Fouts, Deshea Plemister; and Cole Earles.

20 Years Ago April 19, 1984

Twenty-seven fifth grade students from Haskell Elementary School raised \$1,859.19 in ten days to benefit the American Heart Association during the annual "Jump Rope for Heart" program. Winning team members were Craig Hanson, Clifton McFadden, Rod Jeter, Rusty Stocks, Erik Harvey and Jay Miller. Sheree Dumas of Haskell was selected to compete in the Wichita Falls Miss Teen Pageant.

The youth ensemble "God's Fire" of the Haskell Church of God church won the regional Church of God Teen Talent contest. The group consisted of Mark Young, Melanie Tidrow, Denise, Kelley and Bonnie Ootton,

Cindy and Jody Payne, Timmy Wilson and Cheryl Strickland.

The Paint Creek Junior High Girls came in second place at the district track meet with a total of 74 points. Gina Calk had the only first place finish in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:37.88.

The Haskell Maidens track team competed at Wall in the regional qualifiers meet. Tamala Randle won second place in the 100 meter low hurdles.

30 Years Ago April 18, 1974

Haskell High School's one-act play UIL contenders placed second in district. Contenders include Robin Colbert who was named Best Actor; Anna Lou Allen, who was named to the All-Star cast; Lee Ann Toliver, who received honorable mention; James McCoy and Melissa Roberson.

Two deserving Rule residents were recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. Patsy Davis was named Woman of the Year and Lavon Beakley was named Man of the Year.

Stephen Drinnon, Les Lane, Randy Plemister, Duane Roberson, Brian Toliver and Mike Turner were honored at a Boy Scout Court of Honor.

Kyle Wilfong will be featured in the next 'Who's Who Among American High School Students' edition.

The Sagerton Community received first place in the District III of Texas Community Improvement Program.

40 Years Ago April 16, 1964

Six outstanding Haskell High School juniors were accepted for participation in the American Legion's Boys' State were Johnny McCollum, David Follstaedt, Eddie Hester, Bobby Black, Wendell Coston and Robert Speer.

Cadet Major Woody W. Turnbow, a Midwestern University senior of Haskell and ROTC cadet, was named "Distinguished Military Student."

Two outstanding Haskell High School seniors were named honorary

Rotarians of the month were Dollie Norton and Barry O'Neal.

James Brown winning first in the 100-yard dash and Joe Josselet winning second in the 100-yard and 220-yard dash qualified in the District track and will advance to regionals.

Rochester won the District 13-B Interscholastic League literary events at Rule High School by accumulating 184 points. First place winners were George Ballard, Troveta Posey, Mary Lou Alvis, Jerita Michaels, Linda Grinstead, Glen Hollard, Vondell Archer, John Ballard, Regina Mitchell, Brenda Dunlap and Judy Herring.

50 Years Ago April 15, 1954

Haskell firemen took top honors in contests at the semi-annual Midwest Texas Firemen's Association convention. The teams won first in the pumper hook-up and the six-man hook-up. Earl Carroll, Bob Cousins, Olin Bartley, E. J. Stewart, Tom Watson, Brooks Middleton and Covell Adkins completed.

Betty Lynn Waldrip, Haskell high school senior and high ranking band member, was presented the National Arion Award.

Erline Edwards of Weinert was elected District FFA Sweetheart of the Stamford district at the annual Future Farmers of America banquet.

Rachel Stubblefield, a Haskell County native who returned last fall to her home town to teach first grade, was selected as the teacher of the week.

100 Years Ago April 16, 1904

J. A. Couch is having a nice addition built on his residence.

Lonnie Post left on a business trip to Oklahoma City.

A. M. Allen of the northwest section of the county was here on business. He reports farming stirring around considerably in his section getting ready to do their planting.

W. L. Hills spent several days in Stonewall County looking after his interests there.

Beef cattle seminar set Apr. 28 in Abilene

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Got risk? Want to learn how to manage those challenges and risks in the beef cattle industry?

Plan to join us for one of eight risk management conferences developed specifically for the Texas Beef Cattle Industry. The closest conference to us is being offered in Abilene at the Civic Center, 1100 N. Sixth Street, April 28.

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In this conference, Texas beef producers will learn about the price outlook and many risk management tools that are now available to aid in managing industry challenges and operational risks. These tools and/or strategies help producers deal with price, financial and production risk. The "Got Risk" conference objective is simple make beef producers aware of the cadre of products and/or strategies that can assist them in developing an effective risk management plan for their operation.

The goal of the conference is for producers to leave having identified one or more tools they can employ to manage their risk. Developing a good risk management plan can not only limit risk, but can also improve current and future profitability.

Scheduled speakers for the conference are professionals from Texas Cooperative Extension, the Texas Department of Agriculture, and the Beef Cattle Industry. These professionals will present an unbiased evaluation of risk management tools, products and strategies available to cattle producers.

For more information contact Brandon Anderson, County Extension Agent at (940) 864-2658.

The "Got Risk" conferences are the result of an Extension partnership with the Risk Management Agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

Managing stress is important

Stress is here to stay. It's how you manage it that's important—particularly for women, who are the "queens of multi-tasking," says Dr. Stephanie Setliff, assistant professor of psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Stress refers to internal and external pressures that we experience daily," she says. "We can't eliminate it, but it's up to us to decide how to deal with it."

Most people react to stress in one of three ways, says Dr. Setliff. They are crushed by it and "freeze," try to climb around it and "escape" or "hold it lightly on their shoulders."

If not managed effectively, stress can turn into depression. It also can result in high blood pressure, rapid weight loss or gain, headaches or other physical symptoms. Becoming "stress hardy" requires learning to balance the important elements in your life—such as work, family, relationships, parenting and finances—and realizing that sometimes you should simply "let go" of worries and frustrations about situations over which you have no control.

Common stress reduction strategies for women include exercising, reading, talking to a friend, shopping and participating in yoga, Dr. Setliff says.

Taking care of yourself, seeking assistance from friends or family members, practicing better time-management skills, and being ready to take direct action and make quick decisions also help in coping with the stresses that life dishes out, she says.

Weathers Whys

Lightning and Thunder

Q: Does lightning cause thunder?
A: The answer is yes, says Kelsey Curtiss of Texas A&M University. "Simply put, if you don't have lightning, there can be no thunder," she explains. "When there is a bolt or flash of lightning, it is incredibly hot—as high as 60,000 degrees.

That means the air around it is

heated up instantly, and this air then expands and contracts very quickly, creating an explosion-like noise. Hence, the rumble of thunder you'll hear after seeing lightning. When lightning is very close to you, the thunderclap noise is always louder.

If you see lightning but don't seem to hear any thunder, it's because the lightning is too far away for the sound to reach you."

Q: Why don't we hear thunder when we see lightning?

A: Because lightning travels at the speed of light—186,000 miles a second—and thunder is at the speed of sound, which is 0.21 miles per second, which is thousands of times slower, Curtiss adds. "That's why lightning will always precede thunder," she says. "You have to remember that light and sound always move at far different speeds.

By counting the seconds between the flash of lightning and the sound of the thunder and dividing by 5, you can estimate how far the lightning is in miles. When you hear rolling thunder, that means the lightning is fairly far away from you. The thunderstorm is very close to you when you see lightning and instantly hear a clap of thunder.

And remember that worldwide, lightning strikes the Earth about 100 times every second, so potentially there could be a lot of thunder to be heard."

Correction

Brett Siegfried was misidentified in a cutline naming the team members of the Haskell Junior High Track Team in the April 8 edition of the *Haskell Free Press*.

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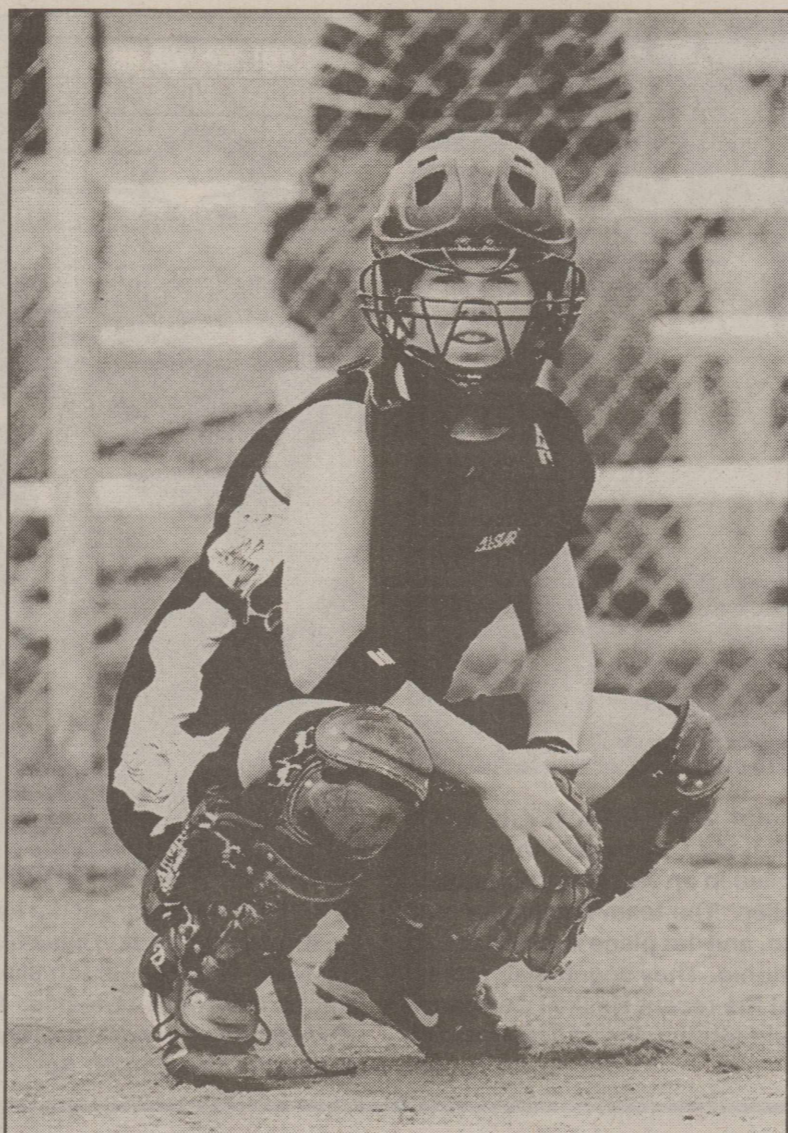


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BATTER UP—Calina Kendall takes a pitch during the Haskell Maidens' game with Hawley, Fri., Apr. 2.



MAIDEN IN WAITING—Catcher Melody Kennedy awaits the pitch during the game with Hawley, Apr. 2.



READY ON SECOND—Haskell's Austin Coker waits for play at second base in the Indians' game with Cisco, Tues., Apr. 6.



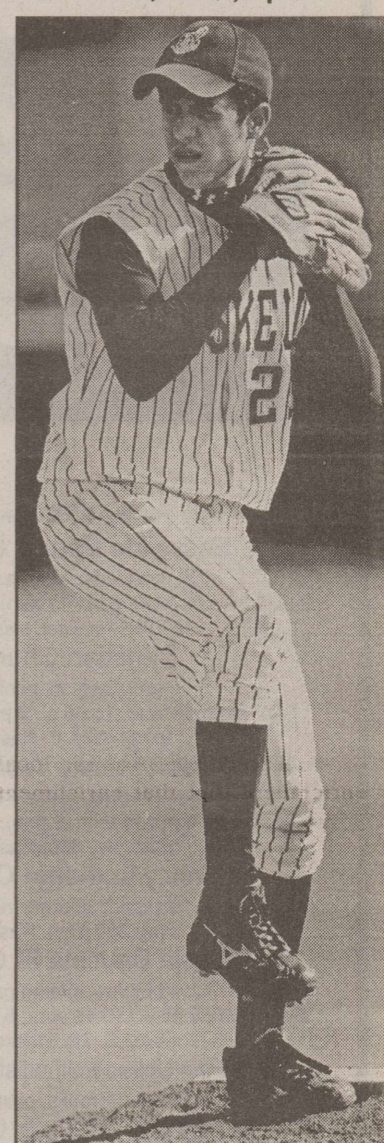
JUNIOR HIGH TRACK TEAM—Haskell girls JV tracksters are: top row, l-r, Elizabeth Zavala, Veronica Session, Hanna Wallace, Molly Agraz, Ashton Rutkowski. Third row, Claire Isbell, Kimie Hutchinson, Shalea Trevino, Maegan Baugh, Paige Wheatley, Hope Reid, Meagan Markey, Brittany Martinez and Selina Rodriguez. Second row, Mali Torres, Shayla Session, Virginia Zavala, Alexis Chavez and Monica Soto. Bottom row kneeling, Miranda Ashley, Allison Mitchell, Paige Adams, Laura Gonzalez, Vanessa Vasquez, Haley Chavez and Brittany Garison.

Photo by Kis



HASKELL TRACK TEAM—Varsity girls track team members are: top, l-r, Jasmine Thomas and Roxanne Chavez. Middle, Janie Walker, Coach Teresa Martinez and Stephanie Grand. Bottom, Sarah Garcia, Vickie Armenta and Lindsay Pannell.

Photo by Kis



MAKING A PITCH—Ronald Chapman readies to send one in during the Indians' game with Cisco, Tues., Apr. 6

Risks for tobacco users is great

It's not news that tobacco is a dangerous product. The evidence is everywhere and it's widely published: tobacco use causes heart and lung disease, cancer, stroke and all too often, death. Right now, tobacco is responsible for taking three million lives each year—nearly half a million in the United States alone.

So, why do smokers keep lighting up? They are addicted. And it's one of the most ferocious, tenacious

addictions in the world.

The addictive power of tobacco is greater than that of heroin. It takes very little nicotine to establish addiction, and addiction is very difficult to overcome. Most quitters make at least three attempts before succeeding. It takes hard work and determination.

But now your doctor may be able to do more to help. There are new drugs available to help treat nicotine addiction and its symptoms. The

newest medications reduce the craving for nicotine, instead of replacing it.

If you want to know more about the risks of tobacco use and how to stop, talk to your physician. He or she can help—not only with medications, but also with counseling, information and support. In the choice between tobacco or health, your doctor is there—to help you make the decision you can live with.

District 9-A Track Meet results

Results from the District 9-A track meet held Thurs., April 8 in Gail were:

The Rule boys placed third with 89 points.
100: 3. Kittley, Rule, 11.26.
800: 1. Kittley, Rule, 2:00.98; 3. Brown, Rule, 2:16.43.
1600 relay: 2. Rule, 3:48.46.

Discus: 2. Dudensing, Rule, 122-11.
Triple jump: 2. Carreon, Rule, 40-2.

Shot put: 3. Dudensing, Rule, 43-10.5.

Long jump: 2. Kittley, Rule, 19-4.25.
High jump: 1. Carreon, Rule, 6-

2. The Rule girls placed fifth with 48 points.

100: 1. Brown, Rochester, 13.08.
400: 1. Brown, Rochester, 1:02.30 (A meet record).

Discus: 1. Marquis, Rule 101-4;
2. Dudensing, Rule 98-5.
Shot put: 1. Dudensing, Rule 36-

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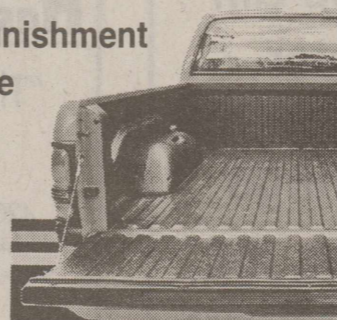
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WINNING TEAM—The Haskell FFA Ag Mechanics team, l-r, consisting of Joseph Felty, Kris Isbell, Chris Washburn, Charlie Smith, Dax Pueshel, Kyle Bryan and Scott Kennedy, competed this year at the San Antonio and San Angelo Ag Mech shows. All had been enrolled in an Ag Mechanics class. This year's project was a 5'x10' bumper pull gooseneck welding trailer. The team received a blue ribbon at both shows for their workmanship; 4th place in San Antonio, and 1st place in class at San Angelo. The team received new tools and power equipment at San Antonio. They began their project on Jan. 6 and completed it by Feb. 15. Their trailer was on display at the recent Haskell Car Show. They have expressed appreciation to Mark Crosson for painting and pin-striping the trailer, and to all who have supported the program this year.



FFA TEAM—Members of the Haskell FFA Range Team competing at three contests on Mar. 25-27, were, l-r, Kristen Martinez, Diana Mauricio, Ashley Foster and Maggie Teague. At Tarleton, out of 49 teams, the team was tied for 8th place. At WTAMU they placed 2nd out of 13 teams, and at Clarendon, they placed 4th out of 14 teams. Martinez was 4th high individual at WTAMU. Mauricio was 2nd high at WTAMU and 7th high at Clarendon. The team was set to compete at the Area II Range and Pasture contest at Tarleton on Apr. 7.

This Week's Devotional Message:



When winter snows have left the earth
And warmer breezes start to blow,
Behold the annual rebirth,
When grass will soon begin to grow
And tiny buds of leaves will sprout
On limbs of trees in forest glades
Then flowers soon will blossom out,
Exquisite in their pastel shades.

The air is filled with songs of birds,
And humming insects will abound,
A scene of beauty, where no words
Do justice to each sight and sound
Incorporated in the plan,
Or could describe each living thing
That signifies God's love for man,
When nature comes alive in spring.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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| <p>HASKELL</p> <p>East Side Baptist Church
Dr. Jim Helfin, interim pastor
Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell</p> <p>Christian Church
Dusty Garison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p>New Vision Family Worship Center
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Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell</p> <p>Trinity Lutheran Church
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell</p> <p>Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell</p> <p>First United Methodist Church
Allen Brooks, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p>First Assembly of God
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p>St. George Catholic Church
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell</p> <p>Church of Christ
Brett Anderson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p>First Presbyterian Church
Steve Beatty, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p>Trinity Baptist Church
Tony Grand, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell</p> <p>Hopewell Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell</p> | <p>Greater Independent Baptist Church
Rev. Tom Collins, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell</p> <p>New Covenant Foursquare
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p>Mission Revival Center
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m.; 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell</p> <p>First Baptist Church
Kevin Hall, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p>Church in the Park
Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Gazebo or Pavillion</p> <p>Cornerstone Baptist Fellowship
Dr. Gibbie McMillan, Interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
1303 N. Ave. I, Haskell</p> <p>WEINERT</p> <p>First Baptist Church
J. C. Baker, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert</p> <p>Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert</p> <p>ROCHESTER</p> <p>Church of Christ
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester</p> <p>First Baptist Church
Jackie Brem, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester</p> <p>Union Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Clarence Walker
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester</p> <p>Faith Chapel of Rochester
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m.; 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester</p> | <p>First United Methodist Church
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester</p> <p>SAGERTON</p> <p>Sagerton Methodist Church
Melissa Bemis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton</p> <p>Faith Lutheran Church
Deborah Nissen, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton</p> <p>RULE</p> <p>First Baptist Church
Josh Stowe, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule</p> <p>Primitive Baptist Church
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule</p> <p>Church of Christ
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule</p> <p>First United Methodist Church
Wendall Ferguson, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule</p> <p>Primera Iglesia Bautista
Alfa y Omegs
Manuel Marin, pastor
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500 Elm Street, Rule</p> <p>Sweet Home Baptist Church
Bill Trice, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule</p> <p>West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule</p> <p>PAINT CREEK</p> <p>Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek</p> <p>O'BRIEN</p> <p>O'Brien Baptist Church
Milton McManus, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien</p> |
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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Recently, Hyrum and Jean Richards spent several days in the Big Bend area. They were joined by friends, Harry and Jean Rudy of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Sons, Dan Richards of Casper,

Wyoming and John Richards of Dallas spent Easter weekend with parents, Hyrum and Jean Richards. They also visited grandmother, Lois Redwine.

Charlene Hawkins spent the weekend in Mansfield visiting with sister and husband, Katy and Jake Roysdon.

Joyce Hawkins spent the weekend at Lake Stamford visiting with Darlene Conn and family at the Marina.

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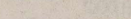
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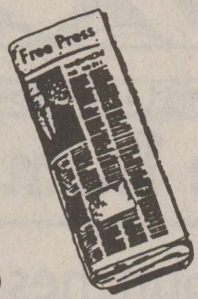
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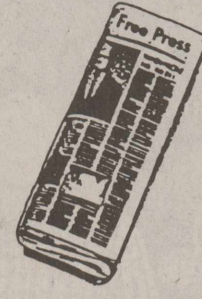




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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Haskell will be accepting sealed bids for mud and debris removal from Rice Springs Creek. Bids will be accepted until May 7, 2004. Specification may be picked up at Haskell City Hall during regular business hours. The City of Haskell reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 16-17c

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF TEXAS §

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, on the 26th day of March 2004, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 9623. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Don Bivins. Legal Description: 1. South Half of Lot 2, and East Half of Lot 3, Block 6, Original Town of Sagerton, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,246. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Jesse Guadalucazar. Legal Description: 2. Lots 5-7, Block 4, Pinkerton Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,384. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Oxford Finance Company Inc. Legal Description: 4. Lots 7-9, Block 15, Highland Addition to the

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Levied on the 5th day of April, 2004, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

"All bidders must now display proof of compliance with 34.015 of Texas Tax Code."

Given under my hand this 5th day of April, 2004.

David Halliburton
Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas 15-17c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Margery Hitt (a/k/a Margery Searl), Deceased, were issued on April 12, 2004, in Cause No. 4220, pending in the County Court of Haskell County, Texas to Riva Hitt Johnson.

Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows:

Estate of Margery Hitt (a/k/a Margery Searl), Deceased, c/o Norman Arnett, Attorney at Law, 1044 N. W. 5th Street, Hamlin, Texas 79520.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2004.

Norman Arnett,
Attorney for Applicant 15c

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0013616001 APPLICATION. City of O'Brien, P. O. Box 38, O'Brien, Texas 79539, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0013616001 (EPA I. D. No. TX0075906) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 20,000 gallons per day, with provisions for irrigation of 7.1 acres. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located approximately 0.8 mile north of the intersection of State Highway 6 and Farm-to-Market Road 2229, north of the city of O'Brien on the west side of State Highway 6 in Haskell County, Texas. The discharge route is from the plant site to China Branch,

thence to the Brazos River Above Possum Kingdom Lake. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 2, 2004. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at O'Brien City Hall, 1002 Grand Central Avenue, O'Brien, Texas 79539.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TCEQ will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive directors may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTEST CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the

executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **The TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION: If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from City of O'Brien at the address stated above or by calling The Honorable Charlene Brothers, Mayor, at (940) 459-2411 or (940) 657-3428.

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Experience with youth, knowledge of local community resources, case management principles, and ability to coordinate a team. Bachelors Degree preferred. Requires schedule flexibility. Starting at \$1068.00 per semi-monthly pay period.
Applications, job descriptions available at WCTCOG Office, 1025 EN 10th Street, 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Applications must be received in the WCTCOG Office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 22nd. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted or reviewed.
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RESTAURANT OFFICIALLY OPENS—Personnel, wearing colorful hats for the ribbon-cutting at Diaz Restaurant in Haskell, Fri., Apr. 9, were, l-r, LaTasha Jones, Anna Ibarra and Rebecca West. Standing back are Chamber of Commerce Manager, Abe Turner and Miguel Romo. Chamber representatives, Lorie Rodriguez, front left, and Ruby Turner, right, hold the ribbon for Jorge Diaz to cut.



FORMAL OPENING—Chamber of Commerce members Lorie Rodriguez, front left, and Ruby Turner, right, hold the ribbon as Dylan Cooper cuts the ribbon for Pit and Grill of Haskell. Standing back are Pit and Grill personnel, Sandra Slaton, Adria Payne, Rocky Underwood and D. L. Cooper and Chamber Manager, Abe Turner.



RIBBON CUTTING—Haskell Home Health was recognized by the Chamber of Commerce with a ribbon-cutting, Fri. Apr. 9. From the left, holding the ribbon are Lorie Rodriguez of the Chamber, Michelle Johnson, Misty McMeans, Esabel Garcia and Patricia Hemphill of Home Health, and Chamber representatives, Abe and Ruby Turner.

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insurance and repairs continue. Set up to be nonprofit, operating funds remain a constant challenge for the board of directors, who are, nevertheless, dedicated to properly maintaining the community building.

Directors of the board for 2004 are: president, Franciene Johnson; vice-president, Mary Rike; secretary, Delight Jones; treasurer, Carolyn Everett; assistant treasurer, Chan Guess; Randy Bowers; Loutina White; Elbert Johnson; Brandon Anderson; Rob McKnight; and Julia Harrell. Representatives to the board from local organizations are: Bill Markunas, Rotary; Stephen King, Lions; Loutina White, Young Homemakers; Betty Berry, Brazos West Art Association; Frances Bowen, Garden Club; Sammy Larned, Chamber of Commerce.

Today, 32 years after its first beginnings as only a dream in 1972, there may be a tendency to take the center for granted, now that it is finished and functioning as the asset it is to the community. But, the determination and civic pride it embodies should not be forgotten.

The people of Haskell "had a mind" to do a good work together when they undertook and accomplished the monumental task of building a Memorial Civic Center. It belongs to the citizens, and it stays alive and benefits from their continuing to use it and remember it with memorial gifts of appreciation for their yesterdays, today, and the promise of tomorrows. It continues to stand as an impressive testimonial to the power of persistent civic pride, and an example of "Haskell Alive" at its very best.

Calendar

Mop and broom sale

The Bobcat Club of Rule will hold a mop and broom sale Sat., April 16 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bobcat Clubhouse located at Slim Sorrells Park in Rule.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., April 22 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building in Haskell. Clinic times are from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., April 17 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

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