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Baseball games

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Track

Haskell
Indians and Maidens
Regional Qualifiers TBA
Sat., April 24

Calendar

Office closed Thurs.

The Haskell Free Press office will be closed Thurs., April 22.

Krispy Kreme donuts

The Haskell Lions Club will sell Krispy Kreme donuts Sat., May 8 in time for Mother's Day. Donuts will be \$6 per dozen or \$5 per dozen for orders of two dozen or more. Contact Boggs and Johnson Furniture, Haskell National Bank, Rice Springs Care Home, Sport-About, State Farm Insurance or any Lion's Club member to place an order.

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. Entry fee is \$25. Deadline to enter is May 6. Entry forms are available at Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, Personality-Slipper Shoppe or the Haskell Chamber of Commerce office. For more information call Glenda Gayle Rutkowski at 864-3567 home or 864-2501 work; or Sylvia Bingham at 864-3623 home or 864-2631 work.

Cowboy breakfast

A cowboy men's breakfast, sponsored by As Jesus Walks Ministry, will be held Sat., April 24 at 8:30 a.m. at the Haskell City Park. Sam Stone will speak and Ike Whitson will present the music. For more information call 864-3876.

Kindergarten to register at Paint Creek

Kindergarten registration will be held at Paint Creek School May 4 beginning at 2 p.m. Call 864-2471 for more information.

Awards banquet

Paint Creek High School will hold their annual awards banquet Thurs., May 6 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Diabetes screening

A diabetes awareness screening will be held in Haskell Sat., May 1 at the Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information on treatment and prevention along with free screenings will be given. Healthy snacks and door prizes will also be available.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., April 24 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5 and the music will start at 5:30 p.m.

Benefit dinner, dance

A fish fry will be held Sat., April 24 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Stagecoach Inn in Stamford to benefit the Lake Stamford victims of the March 4 tornado. Plates are \$5 each. The benefit dance, featuring Highway 208, will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission is \$10.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., May 3 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m.

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Antique tractor show Saturday

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Richardson's sets customer appreciation days, tractor show

In celebration of their 40 years of business in Haskell, Richardson's Farm, Ranch, Home and Auto store will hold its 4th Annual Antique Tractor Show and Customer

Appreciation Day, Sat., Apr. 24. They invite everyone to come see the newly remodeled store.

The day's activities will begin with coffee and donuts from 7:30 to

9:00 a.m.

The chainsaw cutting competition will be held from 9:30 to 11:30, awarding the winner a chainsaw from the Stihl power tool dealer. All the

protective gear and equipment will be provided by Stihl for those wishing to enter the chainsaw competition.

The popular Antique Tractor

Show can be viewed from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

At 10:30 a.m. a special How-To seminar will be held on painting.

Special entertainment brought by Randy McClelland and Pappamac and His Friends will begin at 11:00 a.m.

Beginning 11:30 a.m., a free luncheon will be served for those attending.

Drawings for door prizes will continue all day.

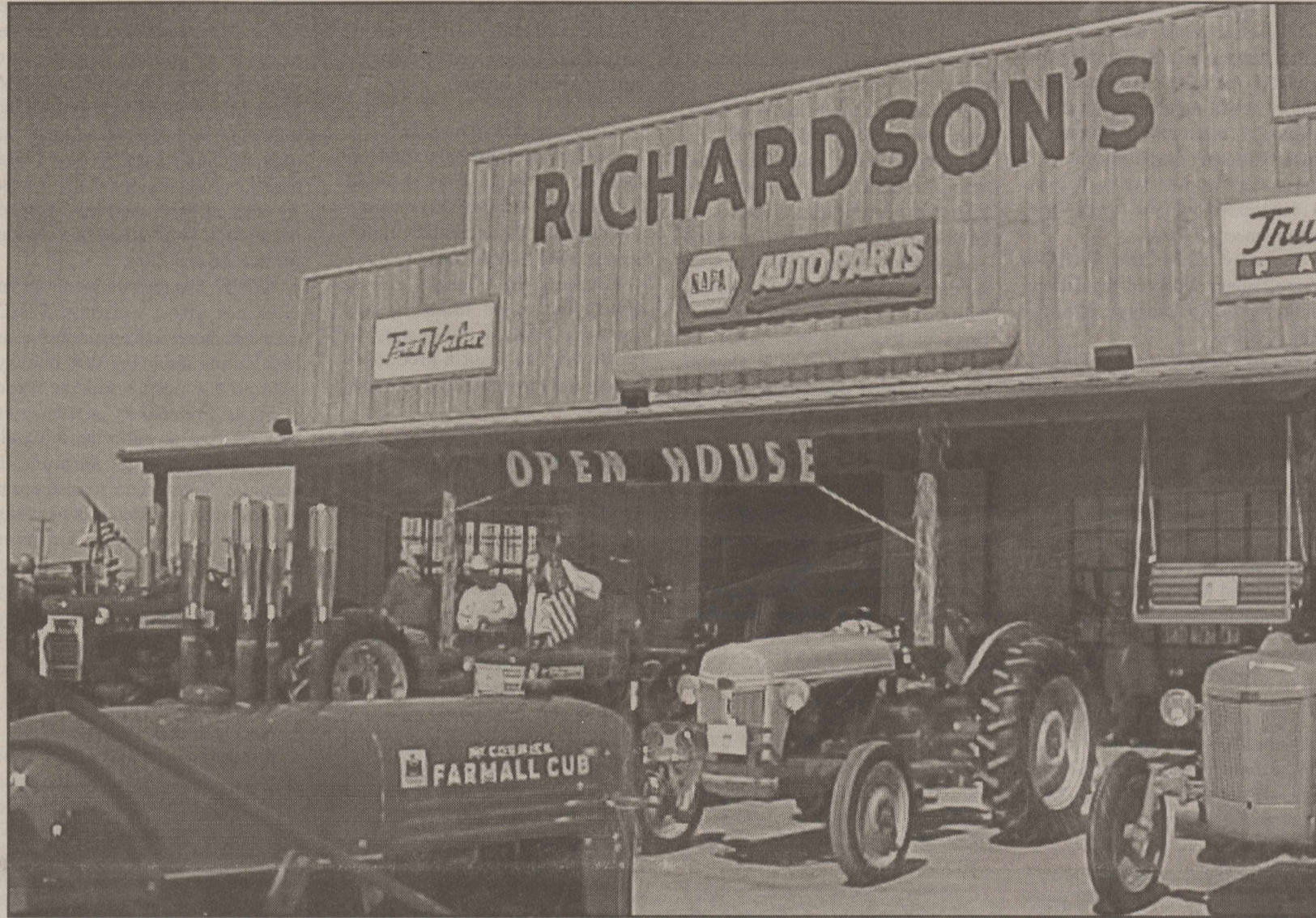
Afternoon activities, beginning at 1:00 p.m., will include the events of tractor rodeo and the chainsaw finals.

Featured again this year, will be the popular demonstration of his 1900 Collins Plow Company haybaler by Jim Stout of Seymour. Also planned is a demonstration of an old Maytag belt-drive washing machine.

Last year's tractor show brought a total of forty-seven pieces of equipment, entered by twenty-two individual exhibitors from a wide area, the furthest distance being from Rogers, New Mexico.

Speaking of the event last year, Richardson's manager, Carl Milburn said, "Tractor shows are different from car shows, in that they are not in it for prizes nor interested in awards. Tractor collectors just love to get together and display their treasured, restored antiques, and they will go a long way to share them with the public, many of whom have never seen those machines that were so much a part of our past."

Thanks to the Tractor Show, this Saturday in Haskell will be a great opportunity for seeing a glimpse of history.



READY FOR TRACTOR RODEO—Richardson's in Haskell prepares for their 4th Annual Antique Tractor Show and Customer

Appreciation Day this Saturday, with a full schedule of events planned for everyone in the community during the day.

Art club celebrates thirty years of artistic endeavor

By Mary Kaigler

The Brazos West Art Association was established in 1973-74 with the objectives of promoting artistic activity in the Haskell area, providing opportunities for individual expression, encouraging public interest, and sharing their talents and ideas through group

participation.

Sun., May 2, the organization will host a public reception at the Haskell National Bank Community Room to celebrate their 30th year of having met these objectives through a myriad of activities and projects.

"Art is doing anything that needs

to be done, in the most beautiful way that it can be done," was the motto printed in the first yearbook of the new group which, because of its widespread interest to others in the area, could not be named just for Haskell. Geographically, "Brazos West" better described the group,

which still includes members from Stamford, Rule, Knox City and Avoca.

Charter member Doris Reeves attributes the starting of the club to a visit here by Al Adkins of Fort Worth, who recognized some local talent and gave them the inspiration to begin the organization.

Chartered in 1973-74 with 14 members, by 1978 it boasted 34 members, and in 1999 the yearbook listed 51 members, as interest and activities grew.

From the beginning, the members have brought in professional guest artists each month, giving demonstrations in various mediums and forms.

By 1982 the yearbook motto changed to "Live life to the fullest, hurt nothing, humble nothing, leave all that is beautiful to be enjoyed by others."

Early that year, to honor the City's

centennial year, the group undertook a project to paint a mural depicting historic Haskell on the west wall of the building on the north corner of the intersection of U. S. Hwy. 380 and U. S. Hwy. 277. With help for paints and supplies donated by individuals in the community, and the artistic work done by the club, it was dedicated in Aug., 1982. An article written about it in the Free Press, by Chamber of Commerce Manager, Wanda Dulaney, proudly declared "Mount Rushmore, eat your heart out!"

In 1999 the mural was restored through the efforts of the Art Association in raising money to have it done, and it is still an eye-catching sight for visitors to the city.

Leasing the old Corral Building at the fair grounds in the early 1980s for \$1.00 a year, the group renovated it extensively to use for art shows and continued on page 8

Early voting begins for May elections

Opportunity for early voting on the May 15 City of Haskell elections will be April 28 through May 11, at the City Hall during regular working hours.

On the ballot will be the office of Mayor and two full term places on the City Council.

Filing for Mayor, Incumbent Ken Lane is unopposed.

Filing for the two at-large places for Alderman are: Ruby Turner, Incumbent; Muriel Nanny; Leiza Morales; Dan Hoover, Incumbent; Eunice M. Larned; Jerry Stocks; Baldermar Perez.

Early voting period for the Haskell CISD Board Election, will be from Apr. 28 through May 11 at the School

Administration Office, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., weekdays.

On the ballot for Single Member District #6, will be Incumbent, Stephen Foster and Paula Garcia.

The Paint Creek ISD School Board May 15 election schedule has been cancelled due to candidates Dana Pendergraft and Tony Martinez having been certified as elected due to being unopposed. No candidate filed for the third seat, leaving a vacancy on the board.

No City of Weinert or Weinert Water District elections will be held.

The City of Rochester will hold no elections, due to no offices being contested.

No City elections will be held in

Rule Kindergarten to register Apr. 29

Kindergarten registration will be held in the nurse's office of Rule ISD, Thurs., April 29, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Children who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 are asked to attend.

Each child needs to bring an up-to-date immunization record, social security number, official birth certificate and his parent's driver's license. If you cannot bring these, please attend anyway, but all four of

these will be needed before the child starts to school in August.

If you cannot attend, and your child will be attending Rule ISD in the fall, please contact the school at 997-2115 or 997-2246 so arrangements can be made to meet with you another time. It is important that this is done before school dismisses in May.



PAINTERS OF CENTENNIAL MURAL—Members of the Brazos West Art Association planning and painting the historical mural on the west wall of building on the northwest corner of Hwy. 380 and Hwy. 277 in 1982, honoring Haskell's first 100 years, were: Sophie Hix, Eunice Helwig, Omitene Amonett, Anita Herren, Ora Childress, Pauline Norman, Iva Lee Gipson, Faye Schnuriger, Laverne Barnett, Judy Benton, Faye Stiewert, Gladys O'Neal and Martha Sampson (Spitzer).

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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.

Burndown Options in Grain Deliver Solid Results

If there's one thing small grain growers around here can count on, it's variable weather. These changing conditions play a significant role in the production equation. That's why it's especially important to plan a strategic weed control program for all phases of the growing season.

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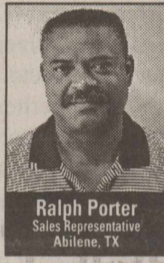
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Obituaries

Zanza Laverne Barnett



LAVERNE BARNETT

Graveside services for Zanza Laverne Barnett, 80, of Haskell were held Sat., April 17 at Willow Cemetery with Rev. Troy Culpepper officiating. Services were under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mrs. Barnett died Mon., April 12 in Haskell.

Born Nov. 20, 1923 in Loving, she was the daughter of the late Wendell Warren and Olive Pauline Roach Quattlebaum. She married Albert Barnett Sept. 17, 1942 in Haskell. He preceded her in death Sept. 3, 2003. She was a lifetime resident of Haskell County, a homemaker and a past president of Brazos West Art

Association. She was a member of First Baptist Church where she attended the 'Win-All' Sunday School Class which later became the Lydia Sunday School Class.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and two brothers, Kenneth and Wendell Quattlebaum.

Survivors include two sons and a daughter-in-law, Ken and Fawn Barnett of Austin, and Lon Barnett of Haskell; two sisters, Paula Day of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Annette Peavy of Woodson; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be sent to the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

New regulations for poultry, birds effective May 1

During the 2003 Texas legislative session, House Bill 2328 was passed and signed into law. It required the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency, to develop a registration program for fowl sellers, distributors and transporters who do not participate in recognized poultry or fowl disease surveillance programs.

In early 2004, the TAHC's commissioners adopted regulations for the registration program, effective May 1, 2004.

Why was this program developed? Many poultry diseases are highly contagious, and during an outbreak, threaten the state's commercial chicken and turkey industry, noncommercial flocks, caged pet birds and fowl raised for agricultural exhibition. In 2003, Texas had a noncommercial flock in the El Paso area infected with Exotic Newcastle

Disease (END), and in early 2004, a flock near Gonzales was diagnosed with highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). Immediate action must be taken to detect and depopulate flocks infected with these potentially deadly bird diseases.

Fortunately, in both instances, infection and depopulation was limited to a few flocks. However, to ensure that all infection was detected—and to regain trade status with other states and countries—flocks as far away as 30 miles were tested. Precious time was lost, however, while state and federal animal health teams combed the countryside to locate noncommercial flocks.

By registering flocks, information about disease outbreaks can be distributed quickly, and disease surveillance can be conducted more efficiently and effectively. The TAHC works closely with commercial

poultry operators, who conduct routine disease surveillance and testing. During an outbreak, surveillance is increased, to detect the introduction of disease.

So, who has to register?

•Sellers of domestic fowl, or domestic and exotic fowl at public sites, such as auctions, flea markets, roadside stands and other public venues, such as feed stores.

•Dealers, or transporters, or distributors who move or sell domestic fowl, or domestic and exotic fowl between a production system and a live bird market or fowl market.

•Dealers, transporters, or distributors who acquire domestic fowl, or domestic and exotic fowl from a number of flocks or geographic areas, so they can be resold.

•Transporters, who for hire, move domestic fowl, or domestic and exotic fowl from one producer's premise to another, to live bird markets, fowl markets or to other location. (A transporter does not include a producer who moves their own fowl to a venue for sale.)

•Dealers, or transporters, or distributors from out of state, who, in Texas, sell, distribute or transport domestic fowl, or domestic and exotic fowl.

Registration primarily targets domestic fowl, such as chickens, turkeys, ducks and game fowl raised for food, eggs or agricultural exhibition.

However, dealers, distributors or transporters of exotic or pet birds (parakeets, parrots and a host of other caged birds) must register if their birds are commingled or transported with domestic fowl, or are sold at the same public venue with domestic

Haskell Kindergarten to register

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.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 559 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., April 19, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 60 sellers and 36 buyers were present.

Packers steady, stockers steady to \$1 higher. Stocker cows and pairs \$20 to \$35 higher, feeders \$1 to \$4 higher.

Cows: fat, .45-.52; cutters, .42-.58; canners, .34-.42.
Bulls: bologna, .62-.70; feeders,

.74-.87; utility, .58-.65.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.70; 300-400 lbs., 1.15-1.30; 400-500 lbs., 1.08-1.27; 500-600 lbs., .95-1.15; 600-700 lbs., .92-1.05; 700-800 lbs., .88-1.03; 800-up lbs., .75-.87.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.60; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 400-500 lbs., 1.00-1.15; 500-600 lbs., .90-1.10; 600-up lbs., .75-.95.

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4-H'ers compete at Rolling Plains District Roundup in Vernon

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Almost 225 youth from the 24 counties of the Rolling Plains Extension District competed in Vernon Wed., April 14 for the right to represent the District in the State 4-H Roundup June 7-11 in College Station.

Winners in more than 25 events for the Senior Division, ages 14 - 19, will advance to the state competition. Only first and second place teams or individuals qualify for the State event.

Winners were honored at an Awards assembly at the Wilbarger Auditorium.

The following is a list of Roundup participants and their categories from Haskell County who competed and their placing.

Jr. Division: Aubrey Bassett, Horse Demonstration, 1st Place; Brooke Bullinger, Health Demonstration, 1st Place; Jenny Dudensing, Share-The-Fun, Musical; Molly Dudensing, Share-The-Fun,

Musical.

Sr. Division: Courtney Buerger, Beef Division, 1st Place; Emery Dudensing and Kiel Rowan, Meat Science, 1st Place;

The 3 Sr. Division winners will advance to compete at State 4-H Roundup in College Station in June.

Prior to April 14th, three other rounds of District competition were held. The Nutrition Quiz Bowl, 4-H Food Show events were held last winter. Horse Judging was held earlier this month. Consumer Decision Making will take place after District Roundup. Livestock Judging will take place later this month.

The District 4-H Fashion Show contest will be held May 1, in Childress. Twelve Extension Districts will send their winners to State 4-H Roundup for the purpose of determining state champion. Approximately 2,300 4-H members, adult leaders, and county Extension agents will invade Texas A&M for the different contests.



HAPPY 95TH—Vivian Curtis Roberson of Haskell celebrated her 95th birthday with friends and family Sun., Jan 11, at a party given by her daughter, Sara Jones of Rochester, left, granddaughter, Lisa Whitely and 10 year old great granddaughter, Lauren Whitely, both of Wichita Falls. Attending the party were Ernestine Herren, Frances Lane, Winnie Sherman, Ann Decker, Jane Coston, Linda Muriel Lane-Bloise, Jeanette Stevenson, Bonnie Jircik, Faye Simpson, Pauline Norman and Gladys Darnell.

Garden Club visits sites in Abilene

Several members of the Haskell Garden Club traveled to Abilene, Thurs., Apr. 15 for a tour of two special gardens.

At the Erinshire Gardens, owners Bobby and Cindy Dugan, who have lived in the area 12 years, have 22 acres of gardens featuring 190 different roses and many other flowering plants, with crosses and religious plaques adorning the entire area. One old Blush climbing rose grows 100 feet up into a mesquite tree. Housed in the garden are the Dugan's office, a barn and a chapel where several couples have been married. At the location, the Dugans also have a Bed and Breakfast, beautifully decorated with antiques.

After lunch the group toured the

Seasons in The Sun, a new nursery opened just last week. There they found many antique roses and plants that are hard to find in this area.

The second garden toured was a garden filled with blooming azaleas at the home of Richard and Pattie Rogers. They learned that the first owners of the property had removed all top soil and brought in acidic soil from Georgia that is needed to grow beautiful azaleas in this area.

Before returning to Haskell the group stopped at Lowes Garden Center. Members making the trip were Melyn Wittenborn, Florence Alexander, Lois Ann Ballard, Ruby Middlebrook, Laverne Kuenstler, Janie Powers and Frances Bowen.

Drawing basics presented to club

The Brazos West Art Association met Apr. 12 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room for a demonstration on basic drawing by guest artist, Billy Joe Jay of Sweetwater.

Members sketched along with him as he gave the four basic shapes essential to learning to draw, which he described as a can of corn, ice cream cone, circle and a piece of paper. One, two and three point perspectives were demonstrated and explained as to how this pertained to their drawings.

Hostesses were Martha Spitzer and Marsha Whittemore.

Other members present were Adeline Laird, Doris Reeves, Gary

Conn, Betty Berry, Denia Cunningham, Betty Hook, Jennie Lyckman, Peggy Middlebrook, Nelvyn Beakley, Fern Livengood, Bobbie Harrison, Kim Clonts.

The group will be celebrating their 30 year anniversary, Sun., May 2, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Admission is free, refreshments will be served and a door prize will be awarded. Artistic works by the members will be on display.

Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on Fridays, weather permitting.

Sinus infections cause pain

During ragweed season, thousands of people are miserable because of sinus infections. Along with that misery comes dental and facial pain.

Many patients who develop a dull ache in the upper teeth and jaw often fear it's an infected tooth and call a dentist. An x-ray sometime shows that is not an infected tooth, but rather an infection in the sinuses.

Dentists at Baylor College of Dentistry explain that because sinus

cavities sit just above the roots of teeth on either side of the nose, infection can cause pressure to build up on sensitive nerves.

They recommend that instead of taking antibiotics, it is best to first try antihistamines and decongestants. These medications dry up and shrink nasal passages, to promote drainage. In people who have allergies and/or a cold, teeth or jaw pain may actually be the result of sinus problems.

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Crime prevention is topic

The Progressive Study Club met at the Haskell National Bank Community Room, Thurs., Apr. 8 for a discussion on Crime Prevention in Our Town, led by Haskell Justice of the Peace, Lynn Dodson.

A presentation on "Who Stole Your Identity?" was presented by Thula Perry.

Billie McKeever spoke of the clean-up work done in the park playground by Haskell High School students, and of possible grants for further development of the area.

In a business session, a letter of

appreciation was read from Mesquite District past-president, Nancy Toliver, for her gift from district.

Members of a new nominating committee named for 2005 elective officers were: Jeanie Richards, Tinka Nelson, Bettie Wainscott, Thula Perry and Franciene Johnson.

Hostesses serving refreshments were Oleta Cornelius, Doris Reeves, Franciene Johnson and Eva Dunnam.

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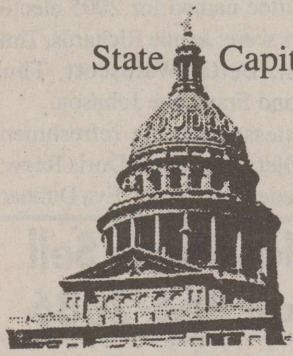
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Special session tackles school finance

AUSTIN—Here's a clip and save version of what the Legislature will be trying to do during the special session on school finance:

Figure a way to lower property taxes while providing more money for Texas schools.

Reduced to those 14 words, it seems simple enough. But it's likely to prove more daunting than finishing the science fair project the night before it's due.

To make it more interesting, the state's Big Three—Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick—all seem to have their own ideas about what's best for Texas on this issue.

In addition to a property tax cut, Perry wants to increase the cigarette tax, video lottery terminals at racetracks and Indian reservations and a \$5 tax on admission to adult entertainment spots.

Dewhurst, on the other hand, says the Senate has been thinking about a deeper property tax cut than suggested by Perry, plus an expansion in what's covered by the sales tax.

Craddick has said less on the issue than the governor or lieutenant governor, but has indicated he favors a property tax cut. The House has filed bills providing for the various components of Perry's plan.

Big buckles, bigger bellies...

The stereotypical image of a Texan with a big belt buckle may need an update: There's a lot of belly under that buckle.

One of the facts brought out in the coverage of last week's Texas Roundup, a 10K walk/run and health fair adjacent to the Capitol grounds, is that of the nation's 10 cities with the highest number of overweight residents Texas has half of them.

And a new report predicts the problem is only going to get worse: The medical cost for obesity in Texas could increase from the current \$10.5 billion a year to \$40 billion a year by 2040.

By ethnic category among children, the report said 25 percent of Hispanic children are overweight, 20 percent of black children and 10 percent of white children.

State agencies are giving four hours of leave to employees who participated in the exercise program connected to the Texas Roundup or took part in last week's walk/run.

At the Agriculture Department, Commissioner Susan Combs has been working to get public schools to make healthful diet changes. The recommendation from the state: start exercising and get on a diet.

Modern Sherlock Holmes...

DNA is far from elementary, but it is helping to solve more and more crimes in Texas, according to the Department of Public Safety.

The national FBI DNA database, known as CODIS for Combined DNA Index System, led to arrests in 16 homicides, 66 sexual assaults and 34 burglaries.

That is the good news from the DPS perspective. The bad news is that the House General Investigating Committee was scheduled to hear testimony Tuesday concerning allegations of problems at DNA laboratories run by the DPS.

Time to think about West Nile...

The bluebonnets are out, but so are the mosquitoes.

The Texas Department of Health is reminding Texans to use insect repellent as the first line of defense against mosquito-borne pathogens, particularly the West Nile virus.

Texas had more cases of West Nile illness last year than were reported in 2002, the department said. And of those who contracted the more serious forms of the disease, 77 percent had not used insect repellent before venturing outdoors.

Last year, TDH logged 434 human cases of West Nile in 86 of the state's 254 counties. Of those cases, 36 proved fatal.

For more on West Nile, check the department's Web site at www.tdh.state.tx.us.

America needs more nurses

A Bureau of Labor Statistics report in 2001 projected that more than one million new nurses will be needed by 2010. Americans are living longer and placing increasing demands on our health care system and its work force. In less than 10 years the first huge wave of "baby boomers" will turn 65—at the same time that critical shortages exist in nursing and other parts of the health work force.

Nursing is a career that can last a

life time. A career in nursing offer flexibility and the choice to work in a variety of dynamic settings such as hospitals, military service, schools, offices and health and wellness centers. Retired nurses can volunteer in various agencies, serve as leaders in health care organizations and make a difference in the community by continuing to offer compassion, care and a knowledgeable voice in improving the health of others.



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Sorting out the titles

By D. W. Wainscott
Texas State Trooper

What is Commercial Vehicle Enforcement? It is a term that came about on Jan. 1, 2004. This is when the Texas Department of Public Safety reorganized the Traffic Law Enforcement Division and changed it to the Texas Highway Patrol Division. Under this division are the services of Highway Patrol and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement. Commercial Vehicle Enforcement was formerly known as the License and Weight Service (not weights and measures. Those are the people that make sure our elevator scales and gas pumps are accurate!). To the misinformed or uninformed public, hopefully this article will be informative! Here is some history!

Around 1900 there were about 8000 owners of motor vehicles in the U. S. By 1925, there were more than 115,000 motor trucks alone in Texas, which operated over 6000 miles of surfaced highways and many miles of dirt or unimproved roads little better than wagon trails.

With the discovery of oil in Texas, and the movement of baled cotton from Central and North Texas to Houston in the early 1920's, the versatility of the motor truck became increasingly apparent to the transportation industry. It was during this period that the civic-minded officials and citizens of Texas began advocating to the Legislature the need for regulations governing motor truck traffic specifically, all vehicular traffic in general and also the need for some method of statewide enforcement of such regulations. This can be credited as the principal reason for the enactment of legislation in 1927 authorizing the Texas Highway Department to employ 18 License and Weight inspectors and one chief to cope with the truck traffic problem.

There was a dire need for

enforcement of traffic regulations at this time because many of the trucks and semi-trailers in use during this period were makeshift contraptions redesigned from old passenger cars. They had inadequate brakes, steering mechanisms and tires for the loads they were carrying. The roads were narrow and cheaply built and most bridges were narrow wooden structures and would not permit the passing of two vehicles. The increasing use of the motor truck over these roads resulted in the rapid deterioration of the highways and wooden bridges, and it soon became apparent that the 18 License & Weight inspectors authorized by the Legislature in 1927 were not a sufficient number to cope with the problem.

In 1929, just two years after the Legislature authorized the first 18 License & Weight inspectors, and as a result of the profit to the state from additional registration fees, the Legislature authorized the Texas Highway Department to employ not exceeding 50 License & Weight inspectors, to be known as a State Highway Patrol, and to be charged with the duty of enforcing all laws relating to vehicles and their use on the public highways.

In 1931, the Legislature again authorized a further increase in enforcement personnel. This session of the Legislature amended the law authorizing employment of 50 License & Weight inspectors known as state highway patrolmen to read as follows: "To insure the adequate enforcement of this Act and all other laws relating to vehicles and their use on the public highways, the State Highway Department is hereby authorized to employ 120 state highway patrolmen, in which shall be included all License & Weight inspectors now authorized by law, who shall be charged with the duty of strictly enforcing said laws. Included in said number shall be one chief, 5 captains and 104 privates."

In 1935, the Legislature created the Texas Department of Public Safety, which was to be composed of the State Highway Patrol, Texas Rangers, Headquarters Division, and such other division as the Commission deemed necessary. It was at this time that the State Highway Patrol became known as the Texas Highway Patrol, and authorized personnel was increased to 140 privates, which included License & Weight inspectors and the State Highway Patrol, which has formerly been the enforcement division of the Texas Highway Department.

In 1938, the Commission separated the License & Weight Division from the Texas Highway Patrol Division in order to increase the efficiency of each of the divisions. The principal duties of the License & Weight inspectors were to check and weigh commercial motor vehicles for size and weight limitations and registration requirements. For the next two years and then during World War II, there

was very little change in the functions of the License & Weight Division.

In 1957, the Department of Public Safety was reorganized and the state was divided into six regions. Each region, under the supervision of a regional commander, had one License & Weight captain and one sergeant, plus the number of patrolmen assigned based on the commercial vehicle traffic count, commercial registration, and performance of stations prior to reorganization. At this time, the License & Weight Service had an authorized strength of six captains, six sergeants and 71 patrolmen. Throughout the years, additional patrolmen or troopers were authorized by the Texas Legislature.

In 1987, House Bill 908 gave the Department of Public Safety the authority to adopt and enforce the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulation. This task was given to the License & Weight Service.

How did the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) affect the Texas Department of Public Safety and the License & Weight Service? In mid-summer of 2002, the License & Weight Service was given the responsibility through U.S. House Resolution 2299, to staff eight permanent border inspection facilities and five other border crossings from Mexico. The Texas Department of Transportation was given the responsibility to construct these permanent inspection facilities. This program was to be implemented in a three-phase plan that would span over three federal fiscal years. When the three-phase plan is complete at the end of FY 2004, the License & Weight Service, (now known as the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Service) should have an authorized strength of 681 employees: 10 Captains, 13 Lieutenants, 50 Sergeants, 401 Troopers, 197 civilian CMV (Commercial Motor Vehicle) Inspectors, and 10 CMV investigators.

The basic responsibility of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Service is weighing and checking commercial vehicle traffic operating over the public highways of this state so that compliance with the statutory provisions of law regulating weight, motor carrier safety, registration, transportation of persons, hazardous material and other property can be obtained. It has the joint responsibility with the Highway Patrol Service to conduct traffic and criminal law enforcement primarily on rural highways.

Hopefully, this small amount of information has been informative. For those of you in the trucking industry in the Knox/Haskell and surrounding counties, I understand how overwhelming and confusing the regulations can be, as they change regularly! If you need assistance with compliance or have questions, contact me through the Haskell or Knox County sheriff's offices, or anyone with the Texas Department of Public Safety, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Service.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
April 28, 1994

John Allen (Johnny) Medford was notified that his poem, "At the Lake" was selected by the National Library of Poetry as a semi-finalist entry in the North American Open Poetry Contest.

First-place winners in the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show were J. J. Comedy, Jennifer Comedy, Brandy Gardner, Trac Mathis, Krishna Patel, Nisha Patel and Selina Ruth Salinas, all of Haskell, and Amanda Crawford and Halee Walton, both of Paint Creek.

Eight Haskell journalism students winning seven state Interscholastic League Press Association newspaper awards were Wayne Hodgin, Jennifer Comedy, Manuel Villarreal, Sarah Cothron, Cynthia Halliburton, Casey McDaniel, Mart Guess and Jonathan Tatum.

20 Years Ago
April 26, 1984

Three Haskell area students were named to the Winter Quarter honor rolls at Texas State Technical Institute. Listed on the President's Honor Roll were Lane and Catalina Hertenberger of Rule. Roger L. Wheatley of Haskell was named to the Vice-president's Honor Roll.

Fred L. Barnett of Haskell was offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy and the United States Military Academy, Barnett chose the latter.

Three members of the Indian tennis team claiming the district championship and advancing to the regional tennis tournament were Tim Johnson, Scott Schaake and Ricky Rojas.

30 Years Ago
April 25, 1974

Bobby Cobb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cobb of Haskell was named Mr. Western Texas College.

Jodie Mickler of Haskell was voted 'Most Outstanding Freshman of Savage Six' and Jim Mickler was named to the Corps of Cadets staff at Texas A&M University.

Haskell Garden Club chose Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Dunnam, Bill Ratliff, Mrs. C. B. Burson, W. H. Pitman, Faye Fowler, J. L. Grand and Mrs. Ira Davis as gardeners of the month.

40 Years Ago
April 23, 1964

Dr. Frank Spencer, a native of Haskell, was one of four University of Kentucky professors honored by the University's Alumni Association. Spencer was awarded for distinguished research in heart surgery and teaching.

Alfon Peiser and Bill Tomlinson were selected as "Jaycee of the Year" and "Key Man" at the Jaycee installation banquet.

Andrea Baird and Gloria Darnell were chosen to attend Bluebonnet Girls State in Austin.

50 Years Ago
April 22, 1954

Johnny Adkins, manager of Haskell Cooperative Gin No. 1 and former deputy sheriff, was appointed Haskell Chief of Police.

R. A. Lane, R. W. Herren and Rex Felker were named to the executive board of the West Texas Area Camp Fire Girls Council.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Marr, pioneer Haskell County residents, observed their 60th wedding anniversary and Mr. Marr's 89th birthday in a joint celebration with an open house held at the American Legion auditorium.

100 Years Ago
April 23, 1904

Fred Sanders is erecting a neat little building on the northwest corner of the square where he will open an ice cream stand and cold drink parlor.

J. S. Rike and daughter Lillie visited Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Rike at the latter's ranch in the southern part of the county.

Five new residences and one business within one month isn't bad. That is what happened in Haskell.

Correction

Frances Lane, representing the Progressive Study Club, is also a member of the board of directors of the Haskell Civic Center. Her name was omitted in an article appearing in the April 15 edition of the *Haskell Free Press*.

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Vern and Charlotte Foreman of Odessa were in Haskell Easter Sunday afternoon visiting with son and family, Flint, Lisa and Austin Nanny; with Charlotte's sister and husband, Jean and Hyrum Richards and their sons, Dan and John; and with Charlotte's mother, Lois Redwine.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wilson of Abilene visited his mom, Nellie Wilson, on Sunday and attended church with her at Trinity Baptist Church.

Kip and Kaye Derrick of Fort Worth visited with Fannie Mae Barton on Sat., April 10 and spruced up her yard. They all attended church Easter Sunday at the Cornerstone Church.

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RECYCLING FOR COMMUNITY COLOR—A recent Learn & Serve Grant provided Gifted and Talented Haskell students an opportunity to collect empty printer cartridges around town and sell them to companies who recycle them. The money earned will be donated to the City of Haskell to help defray the cost of flowers planted around the square. Collection canisters for the cartridges have been placed in offices and businesses in town. Pictured placing a canister at the First United Methodist Church office is student Brooke Bullinger with church secretary, Gertrude Hopkins.

April garden checklist

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

- Prune spring-flowering shrubs soon after flowering. Keep the natural shape of the plant in mind as you prune, and avoid excessive cutting except where necessary to control size.
- Roses have high fertilizer requirements. For most soils, use a complete fertilizer for the first application just as new growth starts, then use ammonium sulfate, or other high nitrogen source, every 4 to 6 weeks, usually just as the new growth cycle starts following a flowering cycle.
- Continue to spray rose varieties susceptible to black spot, using an appropriate fungicidal spray such as Funginex. Use every 7 to 10 days, or as recommended.
- Climbing hybrid tea roses may be pruned as soon as they complete flowering.
- Removing spent flowers, trimming back excessive growth, and applying fertilizer to an established bed can do wonders towards rejuvenating and extending the life of the planting.
- As soon as azaleas have finished flowering, apply an acid type fertilizer at the rate recommended. Don't over fertilize, as azalea roots are near the surface and damage can occur. Water thoroughly after

fertilizing.

- Seeds of amaranthus, celosia, cosmos, marigold, portulaca, zinnia and other warm-season annuals can be sown directly in the beds where they are to grow. Keep seeded areas moist until seeds germinate. Thin out as soon as they are large enough to transplant. Surplus plants can be transplanted to other areas.
- It will soon be time for bagworms to attack junipers and other narrow-leaved evergreens. Light infestations may be controlled by hand picking and burning. Control measures such as Sevin dust or spray, should be applied while the insects and the bags are about one-half inch in length.
- For instant color, purchase started annual plants. Select short, compact plants. Any flowers or flower buds should be pinched to give plants an opportunity to become established.
- Check new tender growth for aphids. A few can be tolerated, but large numbers should be controlled. Always follow label instructions on approved pesticides for control.

- Many flower or vegetable seeds left over after planting the garden can be saved for the next season by closing the packets with tape or paper clips and storing in a sealed glass jar in your refrigerator.
- Start weeding early in the flower garden. Early competition with small plants can delay flowering. A mulch will discourage weed growth and make those that do come through easier to pull.
- Soil purchased for use in beds, low areas, and containers should be examined closely. Often, nut grass and other weeds, nematodes, and soilborne disease are brought into the yard through contaminated soil sources.
- Watch newspaper and other publicity for information regarding wildflower trails, and plan to take a trip to enjoy this beautiful natural resource.

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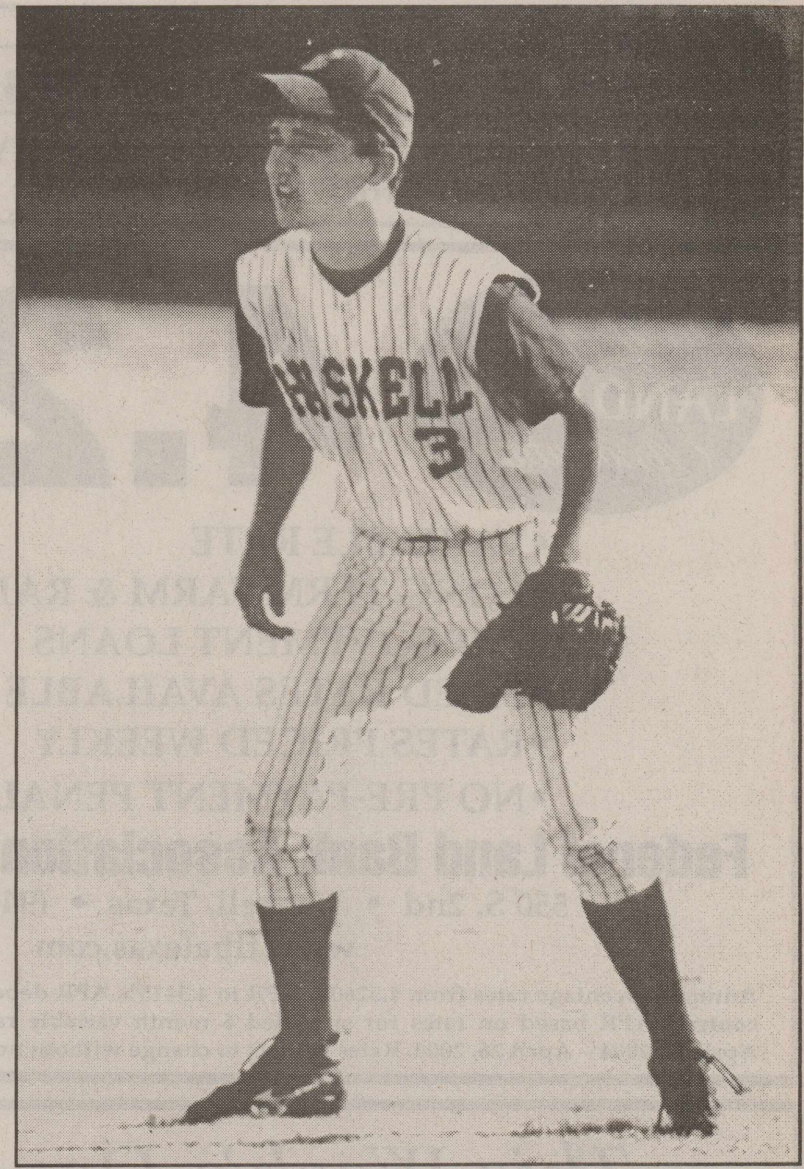
Indians have two critical wins

By Coach Kent Colley

The Haskell Baseball team had two critical wins last week in defeating Cisco and Anson.

In the game against Cisco, the Indians woke up the bats with 13 runs and 15 hits. Haskell held the Lobos to 5 runs with a good pitching performance from Junior right hander, Kendall Mitchell. Ronald Chapman came in relief in the 6th inning and did a good job. Seven of the Indians had base hits. Top honors go to Chapman and Jeffery Silba, who went 3 for 4 at the plate. Nate Webb was 2 for 5 with 2 doubles.

The Indians defeated the Tigers from Anson 3-1 here in Haskell. Junior Brad Blanks pitched a complete game, only allowing 4 hits. Blanks really seemed to be on and did a great job keeping one of the better hitting teams in the district off balance. We had a great defensive effort, committing no errors and allowing only one run. This is one of the best wins the Indians have had in the past couple of years. Beating this team was a great confidence builder, and improved our district record to 6-2. With this win we moved ahead of Anson into 2nd place with 4 games remaining in district.



READY IN THE FIELD—Haskell Indian, right fielder Brandon McClatchey, is ready to make a play during the game with Anson Tues., Apr. 13.

Preventing back injuries

Back injury—it seems everyone suffers one at one time or another. But it doesn't have to be that way, says Dr. Noor Gajraj, assistant professor of anesthesiology and pain management at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Use of seat belts and airbags can reduce spine injuries during motor vehicle accidents," he says. "Weight control, good posture and a regular exercise routine, including stretching, can go a long way toward preventing back injuries. Develop the abdominal muscles. Also try to avoid lifting heavy objects and minimize bending and lifting. If you do have to pick up a heavy object, be sure to bend your legs, which puts stress on the legs' strong quad muscles, lessening the load on your back."

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| GENERAL FUND | 156,422.47 | 923,447.37 | 1,081,870.84 | 502,238.50 | 579,632.34 |
| LAW LIBRARY | 4,404.53 | 787.00 | 5,191.53 | 2,400.96 | 2,790.57 |
| LATERAL ROAD 1 | 2,101.21 | 11.81 | 2,202.02 | 2,215.43 | 187.59 |
| LATERAL ROAD 2 | 487.04 | 2.57 | 489.61 | 472.80 | 16.81 |
| LATERAL ROAD 3 | 3,255.16 | 19.30 | 3,274.46 | 1,945.23 | 1,329.23 |
| LATERAL ROAD 4 | 3,157.24 | 17.45 | 3,174.69 | 3,187.47 | 87.22 |
| ROAD & BRIDGE 1 | 98,722.52 | 78,061.01 | 176,783.53 | 30,996.06 | 145,787.47 |
| ROAD & BRIDGE 2 | 33,512.68 | 54,338.10 | 87,850.78 | 41,874.33 | 46,976.45 |
| ROAD & BRIDGE 3 | 101,151.98 | 54,357.67 | 155,509.65 | 72,795.14 | 82,714.51 |
| ROAD & BRIDGE 4 | 70,548.04 | 54,473.61 | 125,021.65 | 34,151.98 | 90,869.67 |
| FARM LATERAL ROAD 1 | 90,511.98 | 78,032.10 | 168,544.08 | 14,771.17 | 153,772.91 |
| FARM LATERAL ROAD 2 | 60,771.15 | 45,518.02 | 106,289.17 | 15,054.36 | 91,234.81 |
| FARM LATERAL ROAD 3 | 72,593.29 | 95,285.65 | 167,878.94 | 64,183.98 | 103,694.96 |
| FARM LATERAL ROAD 4 | 45,641.38 | 41,641.38 | 87,282.76 | 18,491.33 | 68,791.43 |
| CRIMINAL JUSTICE | 38,144.22 | 38,850.39 | 76,994.62 | 20,461.24 | 56,533.38 |
| COMP VICTIMS OF CRIME | 7,342.10 | 4,996.33 | 12,338.43 | 7,066.27 | 5,272.16 |
| ARREST FEE | 18,114.59 | 3,884.55 | 22,000.14 | 966.12 | 21,034.02 |
| JUD/PERSONNEL TRAINING | 1,670.98 | 639.28 | 2,310.26 | 916.20 | 1,394.06 |
| SECURITY FUND | 55,383.73 | 2,643.99 | 58,027.72 | 0.00 | 58,027.72 |
| SEIZURE FUND | 1,440.47 | 5.40 | 1,445.87 | 20.00 | 1,425.87 |
| COUNTY ATTORNEY | 4,231.37 | 4,409.36 | 8,640.73 | 2,938.01 | 5,702.72 |
| DISTRICT ATTORNEY | 1,909.99 | 72.79 | 2,000.00 | 0.00 | 2,000.00 |
| DIST ATTY FORFEITURE FUND | 793.48 | 197.26 | 990.74 | 0.00 | 990.74 |
| MANAGEMENT PRESERVATION | 10,201.44 | 1,182.28 | 11,383.72 | 812.50 | 10,571.22 |
| PERMANENT SCHOOLS | 2,048.32 | 2,411.54 | 4,459.86 | 0.00 | 4,459.86 |
| COUNTY LIBRARY | 1,318.22 | 4,624.74 | 5,942.96 | 2,765.20 | 3,177.76 |
| ECC NUTRITION | 4,424.30 | 14,855.80 | 19,280.10 | 17,752.40 | 1,527.70 |
| ECC BUILDING | 8,070.94 | 1,469.39 | 9,540.33 | 30.10 | 9,510.23 |
| ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | 107,590.89 | 403.10 | 107,993.99 | 107,993.99 | 0.00 |
| DIST CLK REC MGMT | 0.00 | 60.00 | 60.00 | 0.00 | 60.00 |
| RECORDS MANAGEMENT | 1,129.31 | 2,600.38 | 3,729.69 | 3,333.71 | 395.98 |
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| TOTAL CASH ASSETS FOR HASKELL COUNTY | | | | | 1,784,452.21 |

Willie Faye Tidrow
 County Treasurer & Investment Officer

On April 12, 2004 the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County met in regular session and compared the Quarterly Report of Willie Faye Tidrow, County Treasurer for the Quarter ending March 31, 2004 and found the same and correct and approved the same and ordered that the same be paid during the quarter.

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Haskell School Menu

April 26-30 Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily on the

breakfast menu.
Monday: Breakfast bagel
Tuesday: Breakfast on a Stick
Wednesday: Cereal, toast
Thursday: Sausage, biscuits
Friday: Cereal, graham crackers

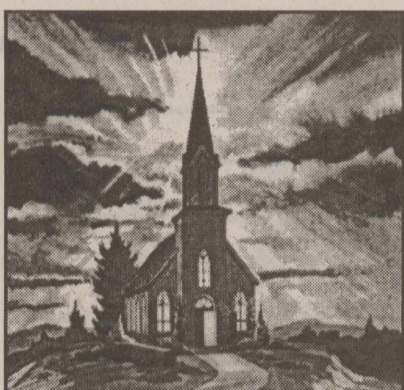
Lunch
Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: Choice of entree or baked potato with ham and cheese.
Secondary students will have sack lunches Tues., Wed. and Thurs. during TAKS testing.
Monday: Salisbury steak/brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pineapple tidbits
Tuesday: Frito pie/cheese, seasoned corn, garden salad, sliced peaches
Wednesday: Corndog, macaroni and cheese, Ranch style beans, tater tots, apple wedges
Thursday: Taco salad/cheese, pinto

beans, baby carrots, cookie
Friday: Hamburger, lettuce/tomato/pickles, French fries, orange wedges

ECC Menu and Calendar

Mon., April 26
11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check
Lunch—Ham and beans, squash casserole, savory coleslaw, sliced onions, cornbread, Coke cake, milk, tea, or coffee
Wed., April 28
9:15 a.m. movie and popcorn
Lunch—Enchiladas, tossed salad, Spanish rice, pinto beans, chips and hot sauce, jello and cookies, milk, tea, or coffee
Fri., April 30
Lunch—Meatballs and mushroom gravy, cheese potatoes, peas and carrots, tossed salad, yeast rolls, dessert, milk, tea, or coffee

This Week's Devotional Message:



FAITH REMINDS US OF OUR DUTY TO BECOME GOOD CITIZENS

We all live in or near a community of some kind; be it a metropolitan area or a small village that just barely made it on the maps, and even if we only work or shop there, we should take an interest in it. Every municipality has its governing body made up of men and women whose job is to improve the local quality of life. However, every town also has its problems, and we can help those officials

solve them by attending city council or town hall meetings and speaking up about the issues that concern us. At your house of worship you will always receive the courage to do the right thing, and if that includes alerting your elected officials to specific problems, you will thereby improve not only your own life, but also the lives of all the other residents of the area.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—**
- 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
- Christian Church**
Dusty Garrison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- New Vision Family Worship Center**
James Rincker, pastor • 864-5438
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- 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
- 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
- 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
- St. George Catholic Church**
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
- 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
- First Presbyterian Church**
Steve Beatty, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- 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
- Hopewell Baptist Church**
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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
- Church in the Park**
Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Gazebo or Pavilion
- 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
- WEINERT—**
- First Baptist Church**
J. C. Baker, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
- ROCHESTER—**
- 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
- First Baptist Church**
Jackie Brem, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
- Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Rev. Clarence Walker
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester

- First United Methodist Church**
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester
- SAGERTON—**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Melissa Bemis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Deborah Nissen, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton
- RULE—**
- 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
- Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
Wendall Fergerson, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**
Alfa y Omegas
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Bill Trice, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
- 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
- PAINT CREEK—**
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek
- O'BRIEN—**
- O'Brien Baptist Church**
Milton McManus, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien

Paint Creek School Menu

April 26-30 Breakfast
Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Biscuits, gravy
Tuesday: Cereal, toast
Wednesday: Pancakes
Thursday: Biscuits, gravy
Friday: Cereal, toast

Lunch
Milk and tea are served daily.

Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, salad, garlic bread, cake
Tuesday: Hotdogs, fries, pinto beans, salad, jello
Wednesday: Burritos, corn, salad, cookies
Thursday: Barbeque on a bun, tater tots, green beans, cake
Friday: Turkey or ham sandwich, chip, lettuce, tomatoes, jello

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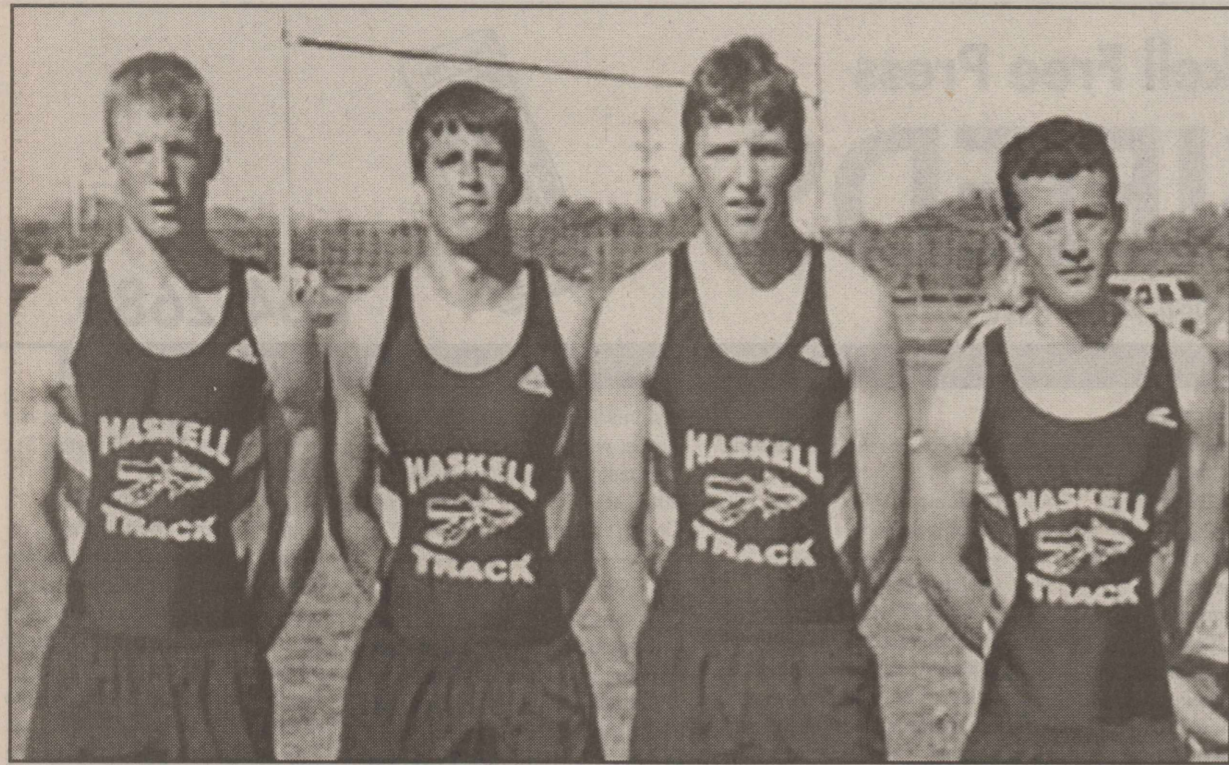
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ADVANCING TO REGIONALS—Taking second in the 1600 Meter Relay with the time of 3:34.22 at the District 8-2A Track Meet Apr. 16, was the Haskell High team of, l-r, Josh Barbee, Holton Hernandez, Nate Webb and Justin Rodriguez. They will advance to the Regional events. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Indians, Maidens advance to regional track meet

The results of the District 8-2A track meet held Thurs., April 15 and Fri., April 16 in Haskell are as follows:

The Haskell boys placed fourth with Hawley in a tie of 60 points and will advance to regionals in the 800 meter relay, the 1600 meter relay and the discus.

800 meter run: 4. Victor Ajoleza, 2:09.14.

800 meter relay: 2. Josh Barbee, Julio Solano, Justin Rodriguez and Holton Hernandez, 1:32.74.

400 meter dash: 5. Greg Andrada, 54.42; 6. Nate Webb, 55.17.

200 meter dash: 4. Josh Barbee, 23.38.

1600 meter run: 5. Victor Ajoleza, 5:19.05.

1600 meter relay: 2. Josh Barbee, Nate Webb, Justin Rodriguez and Holton Hernandez, 3:34.22.

Discus: 2. Ramon Cuellar, 128-8.

Triple jump: 5. L. J. McCulloch, 39-7; 6. Holton Hernandez, 39-5.

Long jump: 4. Holton Hernandez, 20-6.

The Haskell girls placed fifth with a score of 59.5 points and will advance to regionals in the triple jump and 200 meter dash.

3200 meter run: 3. Stephanie Grand, 13:02.26.

400 relay: 3. Kerri Newton, Jasmine Thomas, Roxanne Chavez and Stephanie Grand, 53.77.

800 meter run: 3. Lindsay Pannell, 2:42.34.

800 relay: 3. Kerri Newton, Jasmine Thomas, Roxanne Chavez and Stephanie Grand, 1:53.86.

200 meter dash: 2. Roxanne Chavez, 27.3; 5. Kerri Newton, 28.64.

Discus: 6. Vickie Armenta, 92-10.

Shot put: 4. Kerri Newton, 29-7.75.

High jump: 6. (tie) Stephanie Grand, 4-6.

Triple jump: 2. Stephanie Grand, 32-1.25.



TRIPLE JUMP—Haskell's Stephanie Grand took second place in the District Track event, Apr. 16, with 32 feet, 11 1/4 inches. She will advance to Regional Competition. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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Haskell Pre-K to register

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.

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Art Club

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sales and traveling exhibits, such as the Big Country Art Association's juried Show from Colorado City. The first Annual Brazos West Art Festival has held in the building Aug. 1986. The 1987 Festival featured 137 entries in fine arts and photography, 20 concession booths of crafts, and drew an attendance of 300. The 1988 Festival attracted an attendance of over 400.

During the 80s, works by the club's "Artists of the Month," were displayed in local banks and businesses. Each year an "Artist of Year" was chosen from their ranks. Some member's works were chosen to be exhibited by the Abilene Chamber of Commerce Artist of the Month exhibit.

In 1982 the club drew accolades for an outstanding artistic float, prepared for the city's first lighted night parade, depicting the "Twelve Days of Christmas," with each of the 'days' and characters designed by a different member.

Also, among their activities during the years, were "paint outs," classes on China painting, Towle painting, folk art, silk flowers and calligraphy; "Starving Artists" sales on the square, and "Thrifty Art" sales and silent auctions at the County Fair; a Tour of Homes and a tour of seven local artists' studios featuring paintings, china painting, ceramics, the Arts and Crafts Center, and This and That Shop.

During the 30 years of its existence, the Brazos West Art Association has had only 15 different presidents, including current president, Denia Cunningham. While the membership has shifted and changed with the years, in 2004 it has 22 members who value the place of art in life and who are dedicated to honoring it in theirs.

Sunday, May 2, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., members of the Brazos West Art Association will celebrate and share with the community their 30 years of history, along with a non-juried Show of Art featuring many of their varied artistic works. Refreshments will be served, and a door prize given. Admission is free; donations for their projects will be accepted.

In an article printed in 1994, charter member Gladys O'Neal, the group's first president, said, "The purpose of the club is to bring more culture to Haskell and area towns."

For this group, as their theme has continued to point out through their years of dedicated endeavor, "The fruits derived from labor are the sweetest of pleasures."

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