

## Basketball

**Haskell Summer League  
Boys Basketball**  
Thurs. June 21 at Haskell  
6 p.m. Throck. vs Rule  
7 p.m. Haskell vs Hawley  
8 p.m. Haskell vs Throck.  
Tues. June 26 at Haskell  
6 p.m. Haskell vs Anson  
7 p.m. Albany vs Haskell

## Calendar

### Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the July 4 edition to be printed, Thurs., July 5 of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., June 28 at 5 p.m. The Free Press office will be closed Wed., July 4.

### Baptismal service

Paint Creek Baptist Church will conduct baptismal services in Lake Stamford Sun., June 24 at 6 p.m. at the Anchor Marina.

### Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., July 9 in Haskell City Hall at 6 p.m.

### Enchilada dinner

St. George Catholic Church will host an enchilada dinner Fri., June 22 beginning at 11 a.m. at the church. Plates are \$6 each. Call 864-3171 or 256-3342 to place an order.

### 50th reunion

The 1958 class of Haskell High School will celebrate their fifty year reunion at Haskell's homecoming Sept. 21-22. The planning committee is seeking names and addresses of persons who attended at anytime during this class's school career. If you would like to be included, contact Janice Browning at 940-864-2755. Additional information will be mailed to those on the mailing list.

### Summer meals

Haskell CISD will sponsor the Summer Food Service program with meals served at Haskell Elementary School cafeteria, 306 S. Ave. G, Monday through Friday, through July 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cafeteria will be closed July 4. Those ages 1 through 18 years of age are invited to eat free. Adults are invited to eat for a price of \$2.50 per plate.

### Old Glory Days

Old Glory Days will be celebrated Sat., June 30 with activities beginning with a parade at 12 noon and ending with a Western Swing dance at 7:30 p.m. under the stars.

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., June 21 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room in Haskell. Clinic times are from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

### Class '96 reunion

The Haskell High School Class of 1996 will hold a class reunion Sept. 21-22. (Note date change). Contact Tonya Weatherman, 824 N. U.S. Hwy. 87, Brady, Texas 76825 or [tonyaweatherman@hotmail.com](mailto:tonyaweatherman@hotmail.com) with current contact information.

### Funeral fund

A fund for funeral expenses for Sandra Tatum and medical expenses for her children has been set up at Haskell National Bank.

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## Slow down in construction zones

# The Haskell Free Press

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## Brister, Dudensing compete at state

by Jane Rowan

CEA/FCS, Haskell County

Two Haskell County 4-H members competed in a variety of 4-H contests during the State 4-H Round-Up held June 5-8, on the Texas A&M University campus. These senior age 4-H youth qualified in their respective contest areas at the district level earlier in the year earning the right to represent the Rolling Plains District at the state level.

The week of contests began with the State 4-H Fashion Show competition. Representing Haskell County and the Rolling Plains district in this event were Candace Brister, Formal Buying Division and Molly Dudensing, Dressy Construction Division. The top three in each division were announced during the Wednesday evening style show with approximately 2,000 people in attendance.

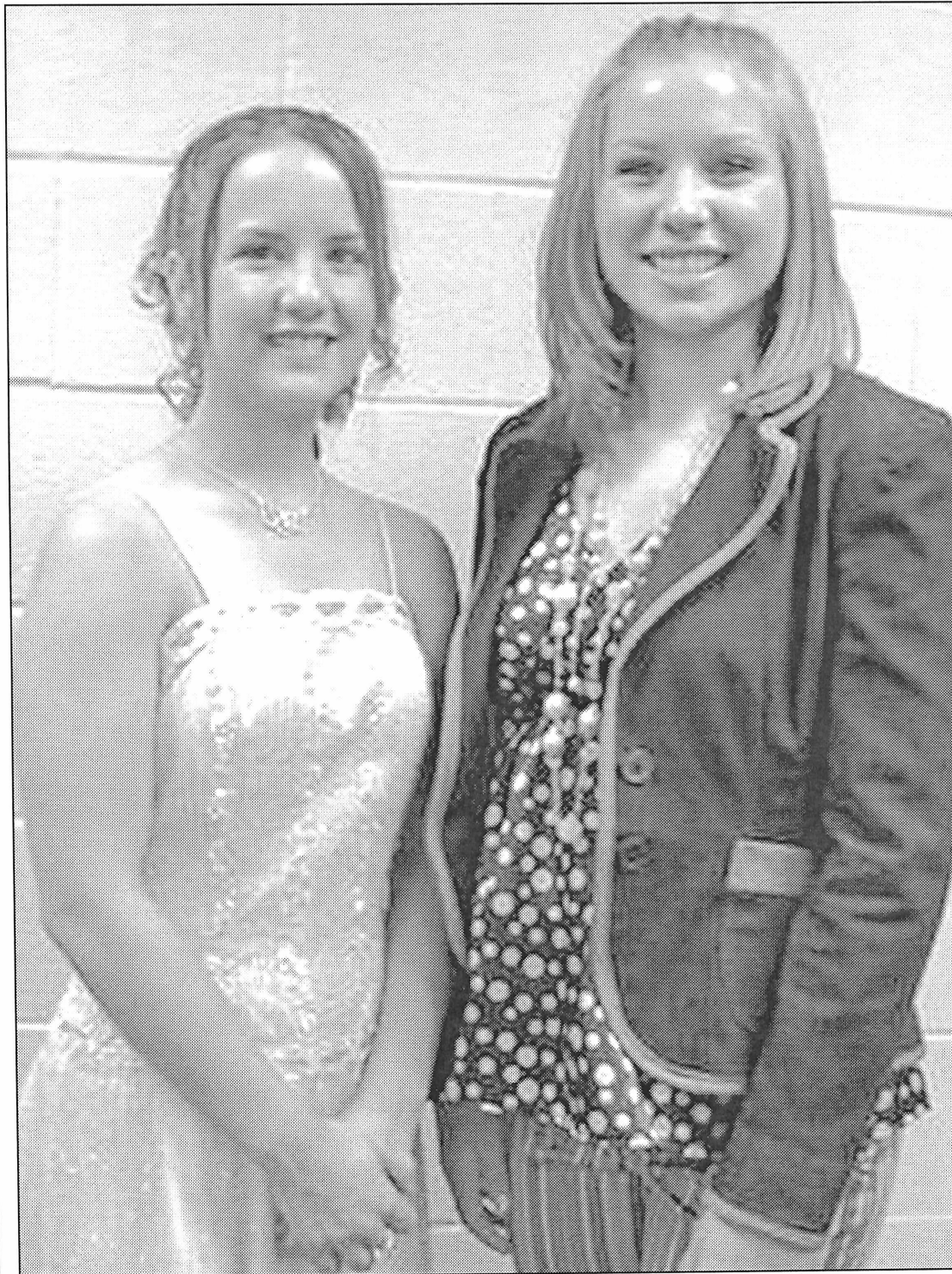
Receiving second place in her division was Molly Dudensing. She will receive a cash award for her accomplishment. Candace Brister placed eighth in the Buying-Formal Division.

Competing in the State "Clothing & Textiles" Educational Presentations portion of Round-Up was Molly Dudensing with a power point presentation on leather. She placed first with her talk titled, "The Other Natural Fiber."

In addition to the competitive events the participants enjoyed other activities including workshops and evening dances. Accompanying these youth for the week were Debbie Brister, Renee Dudensing and Jane Rowan-County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

The Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA) of Haskell County and the Haskell County 4-H and Youth Committee helped with some of the expenses for the competitions.

4-H is the youth development and leadership program of Texas Cooperative Extension, a part of the Texas A&M University system. Local County Extension Agents provide leadership for the 4-H program in each county. The Haskell County Extension Office is located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell.



**STATE COMPETITORS**—Candace Brister, left, competed in the Buying Formal Division and Molly Dudensing competed in the Construction Dressy Division and Educational Presentation—Clothing and Textiles division at the State 4-H

Fashion Show held June 4-8 in College Station. They represented the Rolling Plains District. Brister placed eighth in the clothing competition. Dudensing placed second in the clothing competition and first with her presentation on leather.

## Crash claims two

A one vehicle crash occurred Mon., June 11 on Mule Creek Road, just west of the Paint Creek community, at approximately 5 p.m. resulting in two fatalities.

Sandra Tatum and Wanda Wilson both died as a result of injuries sustained in the crash.

Other occupants of the vehicle were Terry Tatum Jr., who was flown to Cook's Children's hospital in Fort Worth; Michael Crain, Krystal Wilson, Darrin Wilson and Levi Ingram. All have

been treated and released.

Two helicopters from Southwest MedEvac and one helicopter from AirEvac transported patients from the scene.

Trooper Brody Moore of the Texas Department of Public Safety led the crash scene investigation. Officers of the Haskell Sheriff's Department and members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. provided help at the site of the investigation.

## All-District softball teams

Haskell Maidens named to the 2007 District 5-AA All District team include:

First team: Chambray Bartley, senior, shortstop; Lex Roberts, senior, catcher; and Ashton Rutkowski, sophomore, center fielder.

Second team: Jerrica Escobedo, senior, second base; Natalie Lopez, senior, third base; and Paige Wheatley, junior, pitcher.

Honorable mention: Stephanie Grand, senior, outfield; and Roxy Chavez, senior, outfield.



**DRIVING COURSE**—Haskell Emergency Services personnel participated in an emergency vehicle operations course recently. Completing the course were, I-r, Casey Caldwell, EMT-P; Linda Haynes, EMT; Mathew Cunningham, Haskell Fire Department training officer who instructed the course; Charlotte Arendall, NR-EMT; Randy Shaw, ECA; Tony Haynes, EMT-P; and Randall Martin, EMT-P.

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**Artists to 'Quick Draw' Tues., July 3**

The "Quick Draw" event at the Preview Party for the Stamford Art Foundation Show will feature seventeen artists. In this event, the artists participating are given one hour to complete a painting from scratch and then the painting is auctioned with all proceeds benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Those attending the Preview Party can watch the artists as they are painting. No one will duck, flinch, or reach for a gun when "Draw" is shouted. Instead the artists will start painting and in one hour will have an original painting ready to be auctioned. Patrons can mingle and observe these miracle works in the making and then try to outbid each other in the auction.

The Official State of Texas Artist for 2006, George Boutwell of Clifton, will be a special feature at the "Quick Draw" event.

Also in the auction is a print on canvas donated by Cowboy Hall of Fame artist, Wayne Baize of Fort Davis, with all proceeds benefiting the Rehab. Baize was an original artist in the Stamford Art Show in 1974 and continues to be supportive.

The Preview Party will be Tues., July 3 at the John Selmon Memorial Gallery. Besides the "Quick Draw" event a steak dinner will be served with music by the Key West Band. The art for the 2007 show will be viewed for the first time and those attending will have the opportunity to visit with the artists. Thirty-seven artists are participating.

The 34th show is dedicated to Fareed and Insaf Hassen who have attended and volunteered their help at every Preview Party since the founding of the Art Foundation in 1974. Fareed has been on the West Texas Rehabilitation Center Board for 10 years.

For more information about tickets, call the office of Dawn Ham at 325-773-2411 or the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 325-793-3512.

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**Obituaries**

**Sandra Faye Tatum**



SANDRA FAYE TATUM

Graveside services for Sandra Faye Tatum, 35, of Haskell were held Fri., June 15 at Knox City Cemetery with Rev. Greg Gasaway officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Tatum died Mon., June 11. Born Feb. 27, 1972 in Hugo, Oklahoma, she was the daughter of Jessie Wilson and Mary James Wilson. She married Terry Tatum April 29, 2000 in Haskell. She worked as a store

clerk for Wal-Mart, Dollar General and Wes-T-Go.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Wilson, on Dec. 19, 2000.

Survivors include her husband, Terry Tatum; daughter, Krystal Wilson; sons, Daren Wilson and Terry Tatum Jr., all of Haskell; father, Jessie Wilson; brothers, Tim Wilson, Billy Joe Wilson and several nieces, nephews and friends.

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**Wanda Faye Trussell Wilson**



WANDA WILSON  
Funeral services for Wanda

Faye Trussell Wilson, 66, of Haskell were held Thurs., June 14 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Pastor Bruce Ray and John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Wilson died Mon., June 11.

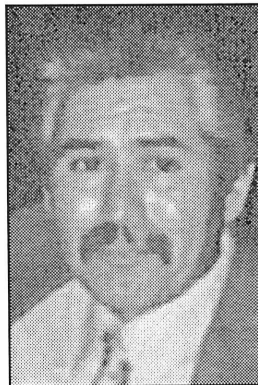
Born Dec. 26, 1940 in Cleburne, she was the daughter of H.R. and Opal Vettes Berry Trussell. She married William Ray Wilson April 15, 1985 in Haskell. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of

God. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband, William Ray Wilson; daughter, Tammy Crump and husband, Ron of Bluegrove; two sons, Torance Trussell of Meridian and Danny Webb and wife, Paula of Tolar; nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren; sister, Linda Scheets of Rule; brothers, Sonny Trussell and Troy Trussell, both of Abilene, and Chris Trussell of Rule; and many nieces and nephews.

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**Rudy Pedroza Fuentes, Sr.**



RUDY FUENTES, SR.  
Funeral services for Rudy Pedroza Fuentes, Sr., 54, of

Haskell were held Tues., June 19 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell. Rosary was held Mon., June 18 at St. George Catholic Church. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Fuentes died Sat., June 16 at Stamford Memorial Hospital.

Born Dec. 2, 1951 in Haskell, he was the son of Pedro Fuentes and Lucia Pedroza Fuentes. He married Linda Sifuntez Feb. 19, 1971 in Denton. He was a farmer and member of St. George Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Guadalupe

Fuentes, Manuel Fuentes, Cecil Fuentes, Sr., Pedro Fuentes, Jr., Oscar Fuentes, Sr. and Andrew Fuentes.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Fuentes of Haskell; sons, Jeremy Fuentes, Sr. and wife, Trisha of Lewisville, Rudy Fuentes and Joseph Fuentes, Jr., both of Watauga; grandchildren, Samantha Fuentes, Laura Fuentes, Julia Fuentes and Jeremy Fuentes, Jr.; sisters, Delores 'Lola' Granado of Homestead, Florida, Ester Fuentes and Elida Benavides, both of Haskell; numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

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**Frances Emma Fischer**



FRANCES FISCHER

Funeral services for Frances Emma Fischer, 89, of Haskell were held Fri., June 15 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell with Rev. Ron Rennegarbe officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Fischer died Wed., June 13 at Haskell Healthcare Center.

Born Nov. 19, 1917 in Haskell County, she was the daughter of Albert and Annie Peiser. She married Henry Fischer Sept. 8, 1938 in Haskell. They lived and farmed in the Paint Creek community. He preceded her in death in 1981. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, E.L.W.C.A. In 1987, the Haskell County Fair was dedicated to Frances in honor of her 14 years of service. In 1981, she was named Haskell County Extension Homemakers' 'Club Woman of the Year.' As a charter member of Paint Creek Extension Homemakers, she served in every official capacity of that organization and for two years she chaired the Texas Extension Homemakers of America. With Frances' compassion and love for others, she established herself in the hearts of her acquaintances and as a true friend and neighbor during her lifelong residence in Haskell County.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Alfon, Willie and Ernest Peiser.

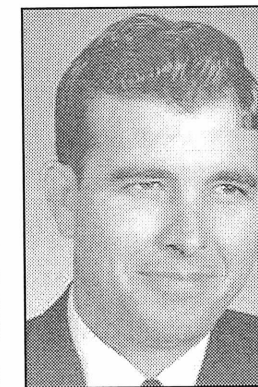
Survivors include her daughters, Clara Richards and husband, Darrell of Avoca, Margaret Chaffin and husband, Sam of Burleson, and Paulette Jones and husband, Jerry of Dallas; seven grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; sister, Evelyn Moeller of Haskell; sisters-in-law, Lilly Peiser and Erna Peiser, both of Haskell, and Henrietta Fischer of Seguin.

Pallbearers were Fritz Richards, Erick Richards, Jake Richards, Jeff Jones, Bobby Montgomery and Allen Moeller. Honorary pallbearer was David Szatkowski.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 7630 U.S. Hwy. 380 East, Haskell, Texas 79521; West Texas Rehab Center, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas 79605; or the donor's favorite charity.

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**Edward Daniel Corzine**



EDWARD CORZINE

Edward Daniel Corzine, 77, of Fort Worth died peacefully Tues., June 12 at his home. Services are pending with Brown, Owens & Brumley Funeral Directors of Fort Worth.

Born in the throes of the Great Depression in the Center Point community of Haskell County on March 1, 1930, he grew up on a farm. He joined the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and married Bobbie Ann Herren, also of Haskell. His first year as a farmer ended due to drought, so he joined Texas Tech University, Lubbock, to study art. After his

two children came along, he moved into the finance business and to Fort Worth, where he rose to become senior vice president of several banks. He was the author of 'The Way It Was' (2004) and a retired Fort Worth banker.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 50 years, Bobbie Ann Herren Corzine.

Survivors include his children, Amy Corzine of Saffron Walden, Essex, England, and Edward Corzine Jr. and wife, Peggy of Fort Worth; and sister, Ida Lou Price of Austin.

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# EEA Club learns facts about buying and selling antiques

The EEA club met at the Haskell County Extension office June 14 with eleven members attending. Guests were Molly and Renee Dudensing and Vinnie Dungan. The meeting was opened with a 4-H Educational Program on leather fibers presented by Molly Dudensing.

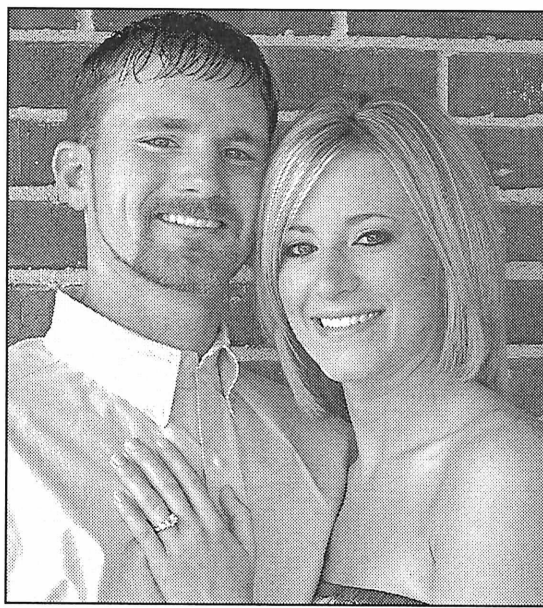
Members are making plans to attend the TEEA State Meeting held in Tyler Sept. 11-13. A nominating committee was appointed to elect new officers for the coming year.

Vinnie Dungan, owner of Verona, presented a program on buying and selling antiques on eBay. Dungan specializes in selling old postcards and old photographs. She stated that just because something is old doesn't make it valuable and the value doesn't always increase over time. She stressed that you need to use reference books to acquire knowledge for identification and values of items. Being informed

will help you avoid scams and fraudulent objects. She explained when buying on eBay that "scarce" or "hard-to-find" items are more accurate descriptions than something termed as "rare."

Dungan sells mostly old postcards from 1900-1920 and stated the best quality cards were made in Germany. Old Halloween postcards are very valuable because they weren't kept as much as others. Condition also plays a significant role in the value. She stated that old photographs from 1850's to 1880's were very valuable, depending on type, condition, and the paper they were printed on. She displayed beautiful postcards and various types of photographs from this era.

Dolores Medford served as hostess for the meeting. Next meeting will be Aug. 9 as the club has vacation during the month of July.



JUSTIN ANDERSON - BRANDIE SMITH

## Smith, Anderson to wed in August

Dannette Smith of Haskell is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Brandie Smith, to Justin Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Anderson of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Bryan of Albany.

The bride-elect is a licensed Esthetician employed at Apollo for Men in Abilene.

Anderson is employed by Basic Energy Services of Albany.

The couple is planning an August wedding.

# Clark cousins meet

Grandchildren of the late John and Izetta Clark met in the home of Dorothy Clark at Sagerton, June 9 for their first "Cousins reunion."

The family members came especially to be here for the opening of the Clark Brothers Sports Museum that is housed in the barn on the Joe and Dorothy Clark farm. The Clark boys were avid sportsmen, enjoying hunting, fishing, playing softball and catching rattlesnakes. The trophies belonging to Whit, Reece and Joe that they had accumulated over the years are displayed in the big yellow barn north of Sagerton.

Attending were Ann and John Fox, Cameron and Josh Crahan

all of Alice; Glenda and Pete Bryan of San Antonio; Johnny Cobb of Bastrop; Randy and Will Cobb of Fort Worth; Bob and Tommy Jo Clark of Mission; Steve and Donna Clark of Comanche; Don and Patsy Bivins, Rick, Emmalee, Chambray and Cassidy Phemister all of Haskell; Ray and Nancy Clark of Stamford; Peggy Adler of West Palm Beach, Florida; Christopher Adler of Richardson; and Tom Bivins and Linda Ruple of Sagerton.

After the noon meal, the group spent the time sharing the stories their parents had told over the years, as they relived the various hunting and fishing trips.

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## Students in the News

Melody Kennedy of Haskell and Tara Lisle of Rule were listed on the Distinguished Student list for the Spring 2007 semester at Tarleton State University, Stephenville.

Distinguished students include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum 3.25 GPR and no grade lower

than a C, and junior and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a C.

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Thomas Chase Seelke of Haskell received a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M University in College Station during spring commencement ceremonies.

## ECC Calendar and Menu

**Mon., June 25**  
Lunch—Meatballs and gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, onion, pickle, garlic toast, banana pudding, milk, tea, or coffee

**Wed., June 27**  
Lunch—Beef and mac, cheese potatoes, club spinach, English

peas, yeast rolls, Coke cake, milk, tea, or coffee

**Fri., June 29**

Lunch—Sloppy joes, potato salad, pinto beans, onion, pickle, pear, cookie, milk, tea, or coffee

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Jonathan Tatum and children, Audree and Caden, and friends Shilah and Aylea of Amarillo were in town on Friday visiting. Audree and Caden stayed with their grandma Margaret Tatum and will visit for two weeks. Floradean Cockerell of

Abilene was in Haskell on Monday visiting her mom, Joyce Hawkins. They had lunch and enjoyed a ride around town.

Cody Blair and daughter, Abbie, of Munday were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair.

## Alzheimer's Association to present workshop

The Alzheimer's Association-North Central Texas Chapter will present a free educational program entitled Understanding Alzheimer's disease Thurs., June 28 from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room, 601 S. First in Haskell.

Does someone you know have

memory loss? If so, you should attend this workshop which will aid in understanding Alzheimer's disease and provide answers to the questions you have. This workshop is free, but reservations are requested.

To reserve a seat, call Libby Connally at 325-672-2907 or 1-800-272-3900.

## Rotan Centennial set

The Rotan Centennial Celebration will be held June 21-23.

The opening of the Callan Hospital Memorial Museum will be held Thurs., June 21. High school reunions will be held Fri., June 22.

Downtown on Sat., June 23, a

pancake breakfast, bbq cookoff, parade, Miss Rotan contest, St. Vincent Pallotti Ballet Folklorico, bbq dinner, art exhibit and children's activities will be held.

For information, call Dr. and Mrs. Callan at 325-735-2385; Dr. Marshal at 325-735-3114 or Rudy or Pat Hamric at 325-338-2766.



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The heart's demand for oxygen also can be modified with drugs. Beta blockers, for example, reduce blood pressure and slow down the heart rate, thus reducing the heart's need for oxygen.

*What can I do myself?*

Decrease the risk of an angina attack by identifying and controlling factors that trigger chest pain. For example, yoga, meditation, and other stress-reduction techniques may reduce angina attacks.

A medically supervised exercise conditioning program can sometimes decrease the frequency of angina attacks by increasing tolerance to physical activity. Exercise also helps to build collateral circulation, small auxiliary blood vessels, to nourish the heart muscle.

*When should I see my doctor?*

Recurrent chest pains, shortness of breath, and other symptoms of angina warrant prompt medical attention. If the pain does not subside quickly or you have other symptoms of a heart attack, go to the nearest hospital emergency room.

*What questions regarding home care do you have for the nurse?* Send your questions to Haskell Home Health Agency, 417 S. First, Haskell, TX 79521 or call 940-864-5074 or 1-877-864-5074.

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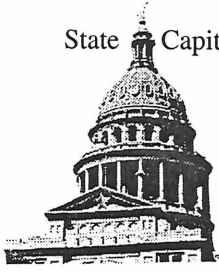
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# OPINION

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

### Governor completes task of signing, vetoing bills

AUSTIN—By June 15, two days before the veto deadline, Gov. Rick Perry had signed HB 1, the state's two-year budget for 2008-2009, vetoed 53 bills and signed thousands of others.

Perry used the line-item veto to remove what he considers "pork" from the budget, but HB 1 still totals out at more than \$150 billion.

Among aspects of HB 1 Perry praised are an increase in border security funding by more than \$100 million, an additional \$146 million in college financial aid, funding for a new motion picture incentive program, and more money for the Children's Health Insurance Program.

One of the bills Perry signed, HB 14, creates the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and dedicates \$300 million in general obligation bonds to annually fund scientific research to find a cure for cancer.

But funding for HB 14 will depend on registered voters who participate in the constitutional amendment election Nov. 6. The ballot will include a proposition for authorization of \$3 billion in general obligation bonds for use during a span of 10 years.

### Medicaid coverage to reach more

SB 10, authored by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Lewisville, and Rep. Dianne White Delisi, R-Temple, also got Perry's signature.

This law, which takes effect Sept. 1, expands the reach of Medicaid, giving health benefits to 200,000 more Texans that are presently uncovered.

Perry said SB 10 will:

- Help qualified people enroll in private insurance and employer-sponsored plans;
- Create tailored benefit packages for children with special health care needs;
- Promote consumer choice through health savings accounts and consumer directed services;
- Reward healthy lifestyle behaviors with health care incentives; and
- Set a cost-sharing base for non-emergency use of emergency rooms.

Perry signs religious view act

The governor signed HB 3678 by Rep. Charlie Howard, R-Sugar Land, the Religious Viewpoint Anti-Discrimination Act.

This act, which takes effect Sept. 1, requires school districts to adopt and implement a policy establishing a limited public

forum for student speakers at school events.

Included in the bill is a model policy that districts may directly adopt or use for reference.

HB 3678 protects a student from being punished for expressing a religious viewpoint verbally or in a class assignment.

It also allows students to form prayer groups, religious clubs and "see-you-at-the-pole" gatherings before, during and after school to the same extent that students are permitted to organize other noncurricular student activities and groups.

### Secretary of state resigns

Roger Williams on June 11 announced his resignation as secretary of state, effective July 1. Gov. Perry named his own deputy chief of staff Phil Wilson to succeed Williams.

Wilson earlier worked as the governor's communications director and previously was state director for then-U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas.

Williams served more than two years as Texas' 105th secretary of state. In that capacity he served as the state's chief election officer. He also worked to create jobs and develop the state's economy, leading business recruitment missions around the U.S. and trade promotion missions in Mexico, Canada and Japan.

### TCEQ approves coal plants

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on June 13 overruled two State Office of Administrative Hearings judges in approving a permit allowing TXU to build two lignite coal-fired power plants in Robertson County.

Environmental groups and a number of state lawmakers and other public officials, mainly from the Austin area and Dallas-Fort Worth, have come out in opposition.

Objections to the plant have been lodged, citing the release of unhealthy levels of particulate matter, ozone, greenhouse gases and mercury.

TXU Power, a subsidiary of TXU Corp., released a statement lauding the decision to allow construction of the plants, saying, "The TCEQ has determined that the Oak Grove air permit will be protective of human health and the environment. This permit contains some of the cleanest emission standards ever set for a lignite power plant, and the plant will help meet Texas' near-term need for power."



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago June 19, 1997

Dorene Redding of Seymour visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank White.

Visiting Paula Garcia was her brother, Florentio Salas, of Olney. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Paul Jircik and children of Fort Worth visited with his parents, Frank and Bonnie Jircik, for Father's Day.

### 20 Years Ago June 18, 1987

Yard of the month went to Mr. and Mrs. L. Renfro.

Jake Dusak caught a 40 pound catfish behind B.J.'s Camp at Lake Stamford.

Three members of the Chieftain yearbook staff, Lorie Alvarez, Tammy Everton and Elizabeth Lopez were in Wichita Falls for a yearbook workshop where they received first place in yearbook theme development.

David Davis has been appointed as a member of the Housing Authority board.

### 30 Years Ago June 16, 1977

Two students from Rule on the Texas Tech University Spring Dean's Honor Roll were Ricky A. Lermann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Lermann and Cole Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hodgkin, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reding and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Marr were weekend visitors in Fort Worth and Arlington.

Visiting in the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Tom Dewey were his aunt, Ardella McCowne of Chickasha, Oklahoma and his mother, Lorene Dewey of Abilene.

### 40 Years Ago June 15, 1967

Margie Croff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Croff, of Houston, is visiting in Haskell with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Herren.

Mrs. Jimmy Alexander and son, Jim of Odessa, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Matthews and other relatives.

Mrs. Walter Cox and girls of Denver, Colorado and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sanders and Rocky of Weinert spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Phelps and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Campbell and Karen.

Showing at the Texas Theatre in Haskell "Waco" starring Howard Keel, Jane Russell and Brian Donlevy and "After the Fox" starring Peter Sellers and Victor Mature.

### 50 Years Ago June 20, 1957

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dick and Paulette, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rueffer and children recently returned from a vacation trip to Corpus Christi and Port Arthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holland spent the weekend in Stephenville, visiting in the home of Mrs. Holland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Brown.

Weekend guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N.I. McCullum were Mr. and Mrs. John L.

McCullum, Shelia McCollum, Mrs. Jack K. Morris of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Manly of Abilene, and Lewis Hill Corbell of Kerrville.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Frazier and Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Montgomery visited in Graham with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogan Myers of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Hise of Weinert spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Bob Teague.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clifton last week were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clifton and children of Roswell, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Sam K. Broyles and children of Amarillo.

### 100 Years Ago June 22, 1907

W.P. Hallmark, who lives 12 miles east of town, came in last Saturday and exhibited a large white pelican he had killed.

Bessie Parker came in from Fort Worth to spend the summer with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Cason.

E.F. Springer and family returned the other day from a camping and fishing trip on the Clear Fork.

Mrs. J.W. Meadors returned home from Austin this week. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. W.B. Anthony and children who will spend several weeks here.

G.R. Couch left on a trip to Fort Worth accompanied by his son, G.R. Couch, Jr.

## From the AG

By Greg Abbott

### Get the Facts On Auto Credit Insurance

Insurance companies often network with automobile dealerships to offer credit insurance policies that insulate vehicle purchases in the event of a personal tragedy. These policies fulfill borrowers' obligations to their lenders if the borrower dies or becomes disabled. Because credit insurance policies provide coverage for the full term of the vehicle loan, many consumers who pay off their loans early are entitled to have their unearned premiums refunded.

Investigators with the Office of the Attorney General have discovered that many credit insurance companies are not complying with the Texas

Insurance Code, which requires credit insurers to refund these unearned premiums. As a result, we have charged eight credit insurance companies with failing to refund certain premiums.

In May, Enterprise Life Insurance Company agreed to reimburse nearly \$5 million to affected consumers. Enterprise, the first of the eight companies to settle with the State, sold credit insurance to consumers through Texas auto dealerships. Their policies, which provided coverage for the duration of vehicle loans, were sold as single-premium policies. Purchasers paid a single lump sum; that is, the entire cost of the credit insurance policy was bundled into the buyer's total loan. Some affected vehicle loans lasted up to six years.

Consumers who cancelled their policies or paid off their loans ahead of schedule were promised refunds for their unearned insurance premiums. Investigators found, however, that Enterprise and others our office has investigated retained the unearned premiums.

Under the State's agreement with Enterprise, more than 21,000 Texas vehicle owners may be entitled to refunds on unearned premiums. Consumers who have

not received a check but believe they are owed a refund should contact the Office of Attorney General toll-free at 800-252-8011 or visit our Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us) to obtain more information.

When buying a car, consumers should review contracts and invoices carefully to make sure they are not buying an unwanted credit insurance policy. Some policies add as much as \$500 to \$1000 to the price of a vehicle.

Consumers should also check the "truth in lending" statement on their loan agreement to see whether insurance is required. Buyers always should be cautious of high-pressure sales pitches for unnecessary goods or services, including add-ons like credit insurance.

Consumers who decide to buy credit insurance policies should be aware that the premium is added to the vehicle loan so they will have to pay interest on it. Consumers are entitled to a refund of the unearned premium if the loan balance is paid off before the end of the finance period or if they cancel the policy within 15 days of purchase.

Consumers can inquire about a credit insurer or file a complaint by calling the Texas Department of Insurance at 800-252-3439.

## Saving energy

Summer is here, and for Texans that can mean hot weather in the coming months. Before you find yourself facing the 100 degree heat, here are some simple tips to prepare your home and keep you and your family cool and comfortable this season.

Cooling your home can be expensive. According to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the average American family spends \$1,900 a year on energy bills, with much of the cost going to heating and cooling the home.

To help save money on your electric bills, increase energy efficiency and do something good for the environment, try these simple and inexpensive tips:

Change your filters regularly. Changing your filters every one to two months. Changing a dirty filter is one of the easiest and least expensive ways you can help your AC system run most efficiently. A dirty filter makes the AC unit work harder, increasing your costs to cool your home.

Install a programmable thermostat and resist the urge to override the auto settings. Even turning your thermostat down by only two degrees can result in a significant increase your cooling costs. The programmable thermostat allows you to set the temperature adjustments to your family's schedule, so it's not wasting energy running on high while you're away from your home.

Proper maintenance of your AC unit can go a long way. Try to plan ahead and schedule annual tune-ups in early spring, before contractors become overloaded with calls once the first heat wave comes through. It's important to make sure your AC unit is running properly and has the correct level of refrigerant in it. If the amount of refrigerant is even slightly off, it can result in higher electric charges. Also, make sure your outside coil is clean since a dirty coil uses more energy. An outside coil can look clean to the eye, but still be dirty. The best way to clean a dirty filter is to spray it off with a garden hose. Also, try to turn off your AC unit while you're mowing your lawn as this will help keep grass clippings and other debris from getting into your coil.

Insulate properly. The first place you should start when considering adding insulation to your home is in the attic. It's important to have a minimum of three inches of insulation in your attic. Another way to cool your attic is by adding roof vents or by making sure the ones you have are open and not covered up with paint. The roof vents will help cool down your attic's temperature and save on energy costs.

Seal your ducts. According to Energy Star, poorly performing ducts can reduce your AC system's efficiency by as much as 20 percent. Homeowners can go up into their attics to look and feel if their ducts are leaking. Make sure your AC unit is on, and then run your hands along your ducts. If you feel air then you have a leak. A minor leak in the attic can result in a major loss in your energy's efficiency. Start by using mastic sealant to insulate the ducts in your attic, crawlspaces, unfinished basements and garages. For more extensive duct work repair, contact a local professional contractor.

Keep refrigerators and freezers indoors. It might be convenient for you to have an extra refrigerator or deep freezer in your garage, but it's eating away at your electric bills. Refrigerators and freezers weren't meant to be kept outdoors in heated areas and will cost you more to keep cool.

It really is possible to save money as you keep your house cool this summer. A few small steps can make a big difference in how much you spend on energy cost.

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# NOTICE TO CITY OF HASKELL WATER CONSUMERS

135 N. Munday Ave.  
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North Central Texas  
Municipal Water Authority

P.O. Box 36  
Phone (940) 421-4051

April 2, 2007

City of Haskell  
City of Munday  
City of Knox City  
City of Goree  
City of Aspermont  
City of Benjamin

City of O'Brien  
City of Rochester  
City of Rule  
Paint Creek Water Supply Corp.  
Rhineand Water Supply Corp.

Re: 2006 CCR

Dear City/Water Supply Corp. Official:

We are providing the information below for your information and use, if needed, in preparing your 2006 "Consumer Confidence Report".

Year Tested	Constituent	Unit of Measure
2006	Fluoride	0.77 ppm
2006	Chloroform	11.37 ppb
2006	Bromodichloromethane	8.36 ppb
2006	Turbidity	0.08 ntu

Sincerely,  
*David Kuehler*  
David Kuehler  
General Manager

## 2006 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)  
City of Haskell  
Phone No. 940-864-2333

**Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:**

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

### Public Participation Opportunities

Date: July 1st to July 31st 2007  
Time: Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Location: City Hall 301 South 1st  
Phone No: 940-864-2333

To learn about future public meetings (concerning your drinking water), or to request to schedule one, please call us.

### Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

City of Haskell  
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**WATER SOURCES:** The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

#### En Español

Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. (940) 864-2333 - para hablar con una persona bilingüe en español.

#### Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from SURFACE water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: MILLERS CREEK RESERVOIR. A Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for your drinking water source(s) is currently being updated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and will be provided to us this year. The report will describe the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The

information contained in the assessment will allow us and/or the system(s) from which we receive water to focus on source water protection strategies. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact us.

### ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

### Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concern. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

### About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

### DEFINITIONS

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)**  
The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)**  
The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)**  
The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)**  
The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

**Treatment Technique (TT)**  
A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Action Level (AL)**  
The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

### ABBREVIATIONS

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units  
MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)  
pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)  
ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)  
ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)  
ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter  
ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

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**CITY OF HASKELL**

### 2006 Annual Consumer Report on the Quality of Tap Water

Our goal at the City of Haskell is to provide you with high-quality, safe drinking water that exceeds every federal and state standard. As mandated by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), this "Consumer Confidence Report" (CCR) details our water sources, the results of our water tests, and other information. For quality tap water, you can count on the City of Haskell to provide its citizens with only the best. We are glad to report that the water provided by the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority (NCTMWA), water treatment plant meets or exceeds water quality standards.

**Overview**  
The City of Haskell receives its water supply from the Miller Creek Reservoir located in Baylor and Throckmorton Counties on FM 1608 approximately 10 miles southeast of Goree. This CCR report is based on test conducted in the year 2006 by the City of Haskell. The City of Haskell collects four samples a month which is 48 per year. No samples were reported bad. 1 random sample was taken for a business and results were good. Which makes a total of 49 samples taken. This is to ensure the safety and quality of our water. These samples are to ensure that the City of Haskell is providing a safe drinking water to our customers. We are checking for microbiological contamination. Lead and copper tests are conducted every three years.

**Additional Health Information**  
To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in bottled water. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that hot water poses a health risk. More information about contamination and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline. (1-800-426-4791)  
The City of Haskell along with North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority is proud to announce that we do have "A Safe Water for Drinking". This CCR was developed in accordance with part 40 CFR parts 141 and 142, National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Consumer Confidence Reports. This CCR document was prepared as requested by the City of Haskell.

**Terms used in Water Quality Table and in other parts of this CCR are defined as follows.**  
**Maximum Containment Level or MCL:** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available treatment technology.  
**Maximum Containment Level Goal or MCLG:** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG allow for a margin of safety.  
**Action Level or AL:** The concentration of Copper and/or Lead which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.  
Lead and Copper monitoring will begin between June and July of 2007.

*Brandon Anderson*  
City Administrator Brandon Anderson  
*Thomas Rodriguez*  
Director Public Works Thomas Rodriguez

### Inorganic Contaminants

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2002	Arsenic	3	3	3	10	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes. <i>* The arsenic value was effective January 23, 2006. In the event of a violation, you will be notified.</i>
2002	Barium	0.202	0.202	0.202	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2006	Fluoride	0.71	0.71	0.71	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2006	Nitrate	0.16	0.16	0.16	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Selenium	7.1	7.1	7.1	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
2004	Gross beta emitters	11.3	11.3	11.3	50	0	pCi/L	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

### Organic Contaminants TESTING WAIVED, NOT REPORTED, OR NONE DETECTED

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level**  
Systems must complete and submit disinfection data on the Disinfection Level Quarterly Operating Report (DLQR). On the CCR report, the system must provide disinfectant type, minimum, maximum and average levels.

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Chemical
2006	Disinfectant used	Average level of CCR year's quarterly	Minimum result single sample	Maximum result single sample	4.0	<4.0	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

### Disinfection Byproducts

Year	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Total Haloacetic Acids	33.9	33.9	33.9	60	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2006	Total Trihalomethanes	26.7	26.7	26.7	80	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

### Unregulated Contaminants

Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection byproducts. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Chloroform	11.37	11.37	11.37	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2006	Bromodichloromethane	8.36	8.36	8.36	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2006	Dibromochloromethane	4.16	4.16	4.16	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

### Lead and Copper

Year	Contaminant	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2004	Lead	4.8	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
2004	Copper	0.253	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

### Turbidity

Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.

Year	Contaminant	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Turbidity Limits	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Turbidity	0.30	100.00	0.3	NTU	Soil runoff.

**Total Coliform** REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO COLIFORM BACTERIA.

**Fecal Coliform** REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIA.

### Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated

(No associated adverse health effects)

Year or Range	Constituent	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Secondary Limit	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2002	Aluminum	0.054	0.054	0.054	50	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2006	Bicarbonate	138	138	138	NA	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
2002	Calcium	50.3	50.3	50.3	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2006	Chloride	26	26	26	300	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity.
2002	Copper	0.021	0.021	0.021	1	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2006	Hardness as Ca/Mg	178	178	178	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
2002	Magnesium	23.3	23.3	23.3	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2006	pH	8.2	8.2	8.2	7	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
2002	Sodium	51	51	51	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2006	Sulfate	37	37	37	300	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2006	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	138	138	138	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
2006	Total Dissolved Solids	267	267	267	1000	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
2002	Total Hardness as CaCO3	221	221	221	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.

# Doctors should resolve issues

We rely on a doctor's judgment and expertise to make us better when ill, trusting he or she will know what to do. Sometimes, though, the doctor does not always communicate a decision to the patient.

Ming Tai-Seale, Ph.D., M.P.H., associate professor at the Texas A&M Health Science Center School of Rural Public Health, found there are times when physicians do not always make a decision about a course of action.

Dr. Tai-Seale and colleagues Xiaoming Bao, M.S., staff member of health policy and management in the HSC-SRPH, and Rachel Bramson, M.D., M.S., associate professor of family and community medicine in the HSC-College of Medicine, reviewed 395 interactions among elderly patients and their doctors. They found that the more time a patient spent speaking on a topic, the more likely a decision would be made.

However, the opposite occurred when a patient discussed

more topics and in discussion of topics covering lifestyle and habits.

"Given the time constraints, it is paramount that patients and physicians invest in the end of the discussions," Dr. Tai-Seale said.

Dr. Tai-Seale recommends a written "exit prescription" with a plan for each topic discussed to help patients and physicians ensure all topics are covered at the end of the visit. Patients also should make certain they understand everything the physician has said.

"It would be helpful for patients to come with a list and request the physician to make an action plan for each issue explicitly," Dr. Tai-Seale said. "For patients, they can learn to expect their physicians to speak to them in ways that they can understand. If they don't understand what they are supposed to as a result of the consultation, they should voice their need for more information until they have a clear understanding."

# City Council report

The Haskell City Council met June 11 for a regular meeting with Mayor Ken Lane, Councilmen Chan Guess, Randy Bowers and Bob Smith attending. Mayor Pro Tem, Sue Medford and Councilman Lonnie Meredith were absent.

A motion by Guess to reappoint Joey Kimbrough as a representative to the North Central Texas Water Board was approved.

A motion by Smith was approved to give Haskell Police Chief Tom Bassett the authority to sign an interlocal agreement with the Sheriff's office.

Tabled was action on the proposed animal ordinance and on the junk vehicle ordinance.

Approved was a motion to increase the weed ordinance fine from \$50 to \$200 per day.

Approved was a motion on the proposed ordinance on structural standard codes with discussed changes on Section 1.03, Item A.

During the administrator's report, City Administrator

Brandon Anderson reported on the Civic Center and golf course properties owned by the City and stressed the importance of council representatives being involved in the board meetings for these two entities.

During the landfill discussion, Anderson reported that the scales are ordered and should be installed this summer. Older equipment at the landfill has needed major repairs requiring the landfill budget to be amended.

Wild Horse Prairie Days was deemed a success for the Chamber and City. The grounds and facilities are in good condition. Some material is needed in front of the bleachers before next year's event which the City will try to get done.

The City has hired three part time summer helpers. All employees will be evaluated by mid July so evaluations will be available before the budgeting process.

# FSA County Committee election begins

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced farmer and rancher candidate nominations are underway for local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. The nomination period continues through Aug. 1, 2007. Elections take place this fall.

"I encourage all producers to participate in the county committee election process by nominating candidates by the Aug. 1 deadline," said Johanns. "We have seen the nomination of minority and women producers increase significantly in recent years, and we would like to see that trend continue."

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area in which the person is a candidate.

Producers may also nominate themselves, and organizations representing minority and women may also nominate candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and other valuable information about FSA county committee elections are

available online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>; click on News & Events, then County Committee Elections. Nomination forms for the 2007 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on Aug. 1, 2007.

FSA county committee members make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other important agricultural issues. Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are more than 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Committees consist of three to five members who are elected by eligible local producers. This year's elections take place Nov. 2-Dec. 3. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office Jan. 1, 2008.

Between 2003 and 2006, the number of minority and women farmers and ranchers nominated as candidates to FSA county committees nationwide increased 35 percent. Additionally, the number of African American producers nominated as candidates tripled during the same period.

# Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 776 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., June 16, according to B.D. Rainey, reporter.

305 steers and bulls, 276 heifers, 195 cows and bulls were sold. 58 sellers and 32 buyers were present.

Cows: fat, 43-48; cutters, 48-56; canners, 38-43.

Bulls: bologna, 63-68, feeders, 75-88.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 137-165; 300-400 lbs., 112.50-134; 400-500 lbs., 113-120; 500-600

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# Obesity, diabetes on the rise in children

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A person with diabetes has either little to no insulin, or the body does not respond to the insulin produced. Glucose then builds up and passes out of the body through urine without providing energy the body needs.

According to Don Wilson, M.D., chair and professor of pediatrics at the Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine, physicians are seeing an alarming trend of obesity, metabolic syndrome (a cluster of concurrent conditions that increase the risk for heart disease, stroke and diabetes) and diabetes in children.

"The components of metabolic syndrome are increasingly being recognized in children and adolescents," Dr. Wilson said. "Central obesity,

high blood pressure, high triglycerides, low LDL ("bad") cholesterol and insulin resistance are on the rise in our nation's young people. It is clear that genetics and a child's environment play significant roles in his or her health. That is why parents must ensure they don't allow a bad situation to get worse."

Parents can begin to turn the trend of childhood obesity and diabetes around by encouraging their children to become more active, said Dr. Wilson, an endocrinologist with Scott & White Hospital.

"A quarter of 12- to 21-year-olds report no physical activity, and more than half of children ages 2 to 18 have a television in their bedroom," Dr. Wilson said. "Additionally, children spend an average of 38 hours per week using media, such as television, videos, music, computers and video games. They may not be able to do anything about their genetics, but these are things parents can control."

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# The role of adults in the prevention of child sexual abuse

Last year over 26,000 children were sexually abused in Texas. In light of the ongoing media coverage of various child sex abuse cases, it's understandable that many parents may be feeling especially concerned about the safety of their children and may be wondering how they can protect their child from being sexually abused.

Wendell Teltow, Executive Director of Prevent Child Abuse Texas, a non-profit organization whose mission is to prevent child abuse in all its forms, explains that parents should know that there is no single psychological profile of a sexual offender. "Myths suggest that only 'dirty old men' are sexual abusers, but the reality is that anyone in a position of authority and with access to children can abuse a child," he said. The majority of sexual abuse perpetrators are people the child knows and trusts. Be particularly cautious about people who are close to your child who do any of the following:

- Treat children as property by grabbing them, forcing attentions and affection, tickling excessively, and generally

showing disrespect for children's requests and privacy.

- Relate to children in a sexual or seductive manner, for example, by commenting "She's a sexy little thing."

- Use gifts and favors as the main way of relating to children.

- Entice children into their homes or into activities with them, or show excessive friendliness.

Many sex offenders will not display any signs that indicate they are a danger to children. While the general public tends to pay a lot of attention to identified sex offenders in the community, it is important to realize that the majority of sex offenders that are living in communities have not been identified. Teltow explained, "We need to take steps to insure the safety of children in all aspects of their lives, realizing that the 'unidentified threat' is greater than the small percentage of people who have been identified as sex offenders."

According to Teltow, "While we can, and should, teach our children personal safety skills, we

adults need to take primary responsibility for keeping children safe. The best strategy for prevention is for adults to supervise children and their relationships with others. Parents can't control everything having to do with their child, but they can be alert to potentially dangerous situations." The following are some of the things you can do to help prevent child sexual abuse.

- Teach your children about sexual abuse prevention just as you teach other safety guidelines. You can bring the subject of sexual abuse into daily life and make it part of ongoing talks with your children about safety, rather than presenting it as a one-time-only lecture which will scare them rather than educate and empower them.

- Encourage children to talk. Children should feel that they can come to you to discuss anything—no matter how big or small. Children must be free to ask about adult behavior that confuses them, even when it is behavior not related to sexual abuse.

- Pay attention when children act 'different' around certain people. You can use what you observe to start a conversation with children, such as: "I notice you get very quiet when Uncle John is around. Are you feeling uncomfortable around him? I want you to know that you can tell me any time you feel uncomfortable around someone and I will listen and try to help." Listen to children when they talk about babysitters or other people, paying attention to words as well as body language that may indicate a problem.

- Teach children the 'First Rule of Safety,' which is that before they can go anywhere they need to tell you *where* they are going, *who* they will be with and *when* they will be back.

- Supervise children's use of the internet. The internet can be

used by offenders to form relationships with children who they then meet up with later.

- Make it clear to children how they can reach you or someone they trust at all times. Help each child identify a 'safety network' of people they could talk to about feelings, especially feelings of being unsafe.

- Teach your children that there are things they can do if they feel unsafe. It may be helpful to play a 'what if' game with children to clarify their feelings and practice ways to deal with a situation. For example, you can say "What if someone put his hand on your bottom?" Children can talk about what they could do about it (for example, say "I don't like that!"

and run away and tell someone.)

- Trust your instincts. If something doesn't feel right, pay attention to your feelings and check into any situation that makes you feel uncomfortable.

For more information or to join our efforts, contact Prevent Child Abuse Texas by calling 1-800-CHILDREN or visit [www.preventchildabusetexas.org](http://www.preventchildabusetexas.org).

## Weather Whys

### Types of Thunderstorms

Q: You hear about thunderstorms, severe storms and supercells. What's the difference?

A: Thunderstorms are strong storms often associated with a front, and they can produce intensely violent, severe storms and even supercells, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.

"All can be responsible for rough weather such as tornadoes, hail, strong winds and flashfloods, which are the biggest weather-related killer in the U.S. In addition, they can all produce lightning, which is the second biggest weather killer. Thunderstorms must have unstable air to form, and then need a push to give that air an upward shove, which is why most form in the spring and summer," McRoberts adds.

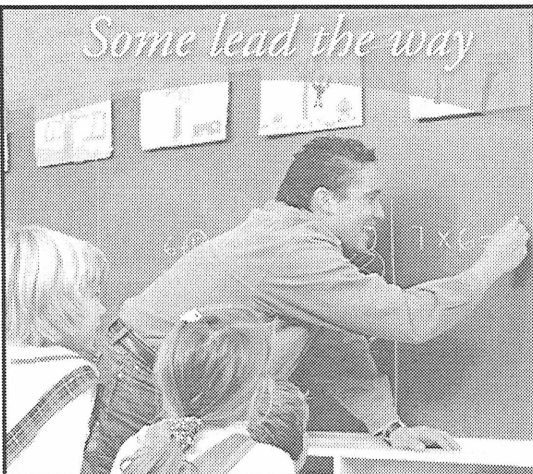
"A severe thunderstorm is one that has winds of 58 miles per hour or faster. Supercells are a special, particularly intense type of thunderstorm that can last several hours and travel hundreds of miles. They are characterized by a rotating updraft and are usually isolated in nature, though they can be embedded in a squall line. Some of these supercells go as high as 60,000 feet or more, producing incredibly strong

downdrafts, capable of producing large hail and damaging tornadoes."

Q: What's the worst outbreak of thunderstorms on record?

A: In the U.S., the storms of April 3-4, 1974, are in a class by themselves, McRoberts says. The conditions were perfect for supercell development, with cool air sweeping down from the Northwest colliding with warm, humid air from the Gulf of Mexico, and the jet stream was blowing hard across the Central U.S. "The results were devastating," he reports.

"The storms produced a record 127 tornadoes in the two-day period, and winds in at least six of those tornadoes were over 261 miles per hour, meaning they were classified as an F-5, the most severe. It has since been termed the Super Outbreak. In all, 315 people were killed in 12 states, more than 6,100 people were injured and the damage totaled more than \$600 million in 1974 dollars. The hardest hit town was Xenia, Ohio, where an F-5 tornado destroyed the town and was strong enough to lift freight cars off their railroad tracks and deposit them across the street. The area directly affected by the Super Outbreak covered 490,000 square miles."



Some lead the way so others may follow. There are those rare individuals who set an example for all of us to follow. You'll find them in church groups, service groups or as individual volunteers. Some work as teachers or in law enforcement. Whoever they are, wherever they are, they all have two things in common. They have more attention on others than they do themselves and they make your hometown a better place to live. Set a good example. Get involved in community service.

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# New champion trees crowned in Northeast Texas

The Texas Forest Service has recently confirmed the dimensions of two new champion trees on a ranch near Redwater. Owner Larry Stinson will be awarded certificates for the largest known black walnut (*Juglans nigra*) and winged elm (*Ulmus alata*) trees in Texas. Both trees will be added to the next edition of the Texas Big Tree Registry, a listing of the largest specimen of every tree species found in Texas.

"The black walnut tree is a beautiful specimen," said Pete Smith, Texas Forest Service forester and Big Tree Registry coordinator in College Station, who officially measured the trees in May. "But the real surprise was finding the big winged elm just 100 yards away. We measured it, too, and when we discovered that the old champion had died, it

became an instant champ."

Measurements for newly-nominated and current reigning champions were also taken in Bowie County. The county is home to the state's current champion willow oak (*Quercus phellos*), as well as the current state champion ginkgo tree (*Ginkgo biloba*) and the state champ osage-orange (or bois d'arc, *Maclura pomifera*). The osage-orange was originally nominated in 1969 by James Hull, Texas Forest Service director.

Bogata, located east of Paris, Texas, boasts the state champion mimosa (*Albizia julibrissin*), which received re-measurements, as well as a new state co-champion river birch (*Betula nigra*).

Trees of the same species are compared by a 'tree index,' which

combines trunk circumference in inches with total height in feet, plus one-quarter of the average crown spread in feet. The new black walnut champ has a circumference of 171 inches, a height of 77 feet, and a crown spread of 117 feet, giving it a tree index of 277 points. The winged elm has a circumference of 150 inches, a height of 78 feet, and a crown spread of 100 feet, for 253 points.

Currently, the Texas Forest Service recognizes 321 native or naturalized tree species that qualify for the list. Of these, 78 are current or pending national champions or co-champions, as listed in the National Register of Big Trees, published by the non-profit conservation group, American Forests.

The purpose of the Big Tree Registry is to recognize the owners and nominators of the state's largest trees in order to stimulate a greater public appreciation of trees. It is published quarterly on the Texas Forest Service website, at <http://texasforestservicetamu.edu/>.

# ATM transactions safety

The use of ATMs continues to grow at record rates. It's estimated that there are more than 1.5 million machines installed worldwide and new ATMs installed every five minutes.

With millions of successful ATM transactions carried out daily and the ATM being used safely for more than three decades, it should be noted they are susceptible targets of fraud. And, being a part of the electronic world means that the thief doesn't have to be nearby or even in the same country.

In fact, financial security leader Diebold reported in a recent white paper that last year Russian police arrested a group of criminals accused of stealing at least \$500,000 from U.S. bank accounts in a cross border ATM scam and those defrauded had never been to Russia. The gang had obtained stolen account information and Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) from organized crime groups in the United States, Canada and France.

It is important to note that most of what is commonly called "ATM Fraud" is actually Debit Card Fraud having much more to do with the compromise of PINs

and fraudulent Debit Card use that with the integrity of ATM hardware. (The Global ATM Security Alliance reports that just .0016 percent of all ATM transactions are affected by crime or fraud, worldwide.)

Armed with a card holder's PIN—often obtained through casual observation—a thief can use data from a magnetic stripe to reproduce or clone ATM cards using inexpensive, commercially available equipment—and, could easily empty the targeted bank account within a matter of days.

PULSE EFT Association has put together a check list to follow for card security and personal security.

**ATM and Debit Card Safety:**  
•Treat your card like cash. Keep it in a safe place.

•Keep your personal identification number (PIN) a secret.

•Do not disclose card information over the phone to anyone. No one needs to know your PIN, not even your financial institution.

•Never disclose information about your card in response to an unsolicited e-mail or request.

•Make certain your Internet shopping sites are secure.

•Protect your card's magnetic stripe. Do not expose your card's magnetic stripe to magnetic objects.

•Report a lost or stolen card at once.

•Carefully review your account statements.

**ATM Safety:**  
•Observe the ATM surroundings before approaching a walk-up ATM. If anyone or anything appears to be suspicious, cancel your transaction and leave the area at once.

•If an ATM is obstructed from view or poorly lit, go to another ATM. It is a good idea to take along a companion when using an ATM, especially at night.

•Minimize time spent at the ATM by having your card out and ready to use. Do not let anyone see how much money you withdrew, and never count your money at the ATM.

•Never allow a stranger to assist you in conducting an ATM transaction, even if you have trouble or if your card is stuck.

•Stand between the ATM and anyone waiting to use the terminal so that others cannot see your PIN number or transaction amount.

•Look for possible fraudulent devices attached to the ATM. If the ATM looks different or appears to have any alterations or attachments to the card slot or PIN pad, do not use it.

**Drive-up ATM Safety:**  
•Keep the doors locked, windows up and engine running at all times when waiting in line.

•Leave enough room between cars to allow for a quick exit should it become necessary.

•Before lowering the window to use a drive-up ATM, observe the entire surrounding area. If anyone or anything appears to be suspicious, cancel your transaction and drive away at once.

•Minimize time spent at the ATM by having your card out and ready to use. Once your transaction is complete, take your money, card and receipt and immediately drive away from the terminal.

•If anyone follows you after you have completed your ATM transaction, go immediately to a crowded, well-lit area and call the police.

## Slow down in construction zones

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### THE LESSONS WE LEARN IN FAITH MUST BE PUT INTO PRACTICE

You are to be commended if you go to your house of worship every Sabbath day and listen carefully to the sermons. However, it is equally important for you to take those messages home with you and act on them the other six days of the week. There are many ways of doing this; for example, from those lessons you should have developed a kind and loving attitude which you manage to display even to strangers and which should help you

overcome all the minor irritations of everyday life. In addition, to the best of your ability you should do something to help those less fortunate than you. In fact, it is quite likely that your house of worship offers opportunities for service to others. The best way to show your appreciation of God's love is by passing it along; so do not leave the lessons of your faith behind, but carry them with you and make use of them every day of your life.

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## TAX PLANNING

Written By  
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### IRS RELEASES TAX NUMBERS FOR 2007

The tax law requires that certain tax numbers be adjusted for inflation each year. Take these 2007 adjustments into account as you do your 2007 tax planning.

•The standard mileage rate for business driving increases from 44.5¢ per mile to 48.5¢ per mile, effective January 1, 2007. The rate for medical and moving mileage increases from 18¢ per mile to 20¢ per mile. The general rate for charitable mileage remains at 14¢ per mile.

•The first-year expensing limit for the purchase of business equipment increases from \$108,000 to \$112,000. The expensing election phases out once total purchases for 2007 exceed \$450,000.

•The maximum earnings subject to social security tax increases from \$94,200 to \$97,500.

•The "nanny tax" threshold remains at \$1,500 for 2007. If you pay household workers more than this amount during the year, you're responsible for payroll taxes. The "kiddie tax" threshold remains at \$1,700, but the age threshold was raised last year to age 18. If your child under age 18 has more than \$1,700 of unearned income in 2007 (e.g., dividends and interest income), the excess will be taxed at your highest rate.

•The maximum individual retirement account (IRA) contribution you can make in 2007 remains unchanged at \$4,000 if you're under age 50 and at \$5,000 if you are 50 or older.

•The maximum amount of wages employees can put into a 401(k) plan increases from \$15,000 to \$15,500. The maximum allowed for SIMPLE plans increases to \$10,500. If you are 50 or older, you can contribute up to \$20,500 to a 401(k) and \$13,000 to a SIMPLE plan.

•The estate tax exemption remains at \$2 million, but the top estate tax rate drops from 46% to 45%. The annual gift tax exclusion remains at \$12,000 for 2007.

For details or a more complete review of 2007 changes that could affect your tax planning, call us.

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FOR SALE: 2001 Dodge Ram 2500 4x4 Quad Cab. Lift package, dressed with chrome, gooseneck hitch; 1989 travel trailer; misc. furniture, misc. farm equipment, appliances, irrigation pipe, portable panels, lawn mower, 55 gal. fish tank in oak cabinet; 30 acres, approximately 8 miles west of O'Brien, new irrigation well. To be sold June 30. 602 Railroad St., Rochester. 940-742-4020. 24-26p

FOR SALE: Roof-top mount TV antenna. One year old. Call 864-8916. 25p

### Cars For Sale

FOR SALE: 1990 Ford Thunderbird Super Coupe. Supercharged V6, auto. Front end damage. \$1100 OBO. 325-437-1665. 12tc

SANTA ROSA has 4 vehicles up for bid: Unit 33 2002 1/2 ton Chevy X-cab 4x4 271, 107,718 miles, starting bid \$10,000; Unit 34 2002 3/4 ton Chevy X-cab 4x4 utility bed, 145,252 miles, starting bid \$8,500; Unit 38 2003 3/4 ton Chevy Crew Cab 4x4, 119,449 miles, starting bid \$11,500; Unit 26 2001 Suburban, 100,445 miles, starting bid \$9,000. See at Santa Rosa Telephone Co-op office in Vernon. Submit bids to Santa Rosa Telephone Co-op, Attn. Brad, P.O. Box 2128, Vernon, Texas 76385 by July 2. For questions, call 940-886-2217. 25-26c

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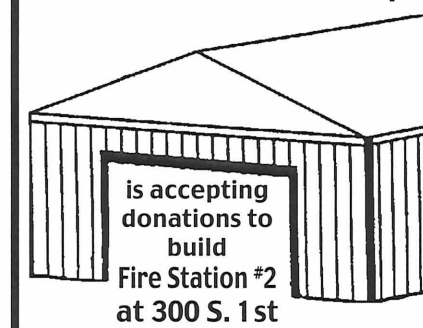
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GIBSON CARE Center, Aspermont needs CNAs for all shifts. Call Melissa Prew, ADON at 940-989-3526. E.O.E. 9tc

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HELP WANTED: Waitresses, cooks and dishwashers. Apply in person. Red Rooster Restaurant. 1006 S. Ave. E, Haskell. 24-27c

NURSERY WORKER NEEDED: Rule First Baptist Church. Salary dependent upon experience. Contact Russell Stanley 997-2321 or 997-0037 or Kenny Tanner 864-2647 or 996-2181. 22tc

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Dist/Div: Abilene  
Contract 6163-58-001 for PICNIC AREA MAINTENANCE in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on July 17, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$12,740.00.

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

NPO: 23733  
State Office: Constr./Maint. Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone 512-416-2540.

Dist/Div Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79604-0150. Phone 325-676-6800.

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

### City Storm Warning Siren Testing Fridays at noon

The family of A.D. May wishes to express our gratitude to each one who has ministered to us these past three months. Dr. McSmith, Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, and PA Joe Yates, the hospital personnel, as well as all the attendants at Rice Springs Care Home, helped so much to ease his suffering and meet the needs of the family. Special thanks goes to Mariana Novoa and Belen Magallon who gave devoted care to A.D. as his strength weakened. The cards, visits and especially the prayers of friends and acquaintances were a blessing to us. Those of you who attended his Memorial Service gave us comfort with your presence. Whatever you may have done for us, please know that we appreciate your love and concern. Thank you so very much.

Words alone cannot express the heartfelt thanks that we, the family of Carolyn Reynolds, would like to express in the recent loss of our wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

We have been so overwhelmed with love and support from such a loving and caring community. The phone calls, cards, visits, plants, flowers, memorials, and food were appreciated so much.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead for your loving, Christian care that you bestowed upon our mother; the Haskell Memorial Hospital staff, the Haskell Clinic staff; Holden-McCauley Funeral Home staff, especially Wade Machen for guiding us, and holding our hands during this difficult time.

Thank you Bro. Greg Gasaway of the First Baptist Church for your heartfelt visits and wonderful words at Mom's service; the entire FBC family; the wonderful Benevolence Committee for feeding our family the day of the funeral; Ford Cole for your song and leading the congregation in singing (as our mother always loved for you to do); Delight Jones and Carolyn Everett for your beautiful singing; Ellen Rieger and Sara Hodgkin for your beautiful music; Mynea Short for the wonderful video; and pallbearers Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Albert Johnson, Leon Jones, John Fouts, Terry Snelling, Kenny Thompson, Dr. Frank Cadenhead and Donnie Rieger—we can't thank you all enough.

The outpouring of love has overwhelmed us so much, so if we missed you, please accept our apology. Whatever part you played in extending your love to our family, we appreciate you for blessing us.

Blessings to you all,  
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**HARVEST UNDERWAY**—This combine was among many spotted in area fields in recent days. The harvest is finally underway and farmers are hoping for the weather to hold until the wheat is gathered. The highways are busy with the trucks bringing the grain to the local elevators.

## Dedication ceremony to honor "Woody's" to be held Sat., June 23

The Haskell High School classes of 1956 and 1957 will host a dedication ceremony Sat., June 23 at 2 p.m. at the Haskell Wigwam, located just south of the Haskell CISD Administration building.

The classes decided to purchase a plaque to commemorate the site of Woody's Wigwam during a combined fiftieth class reunion held last July in Abilene.

The public is invited to the ceremony.

Class of 1957 members include Jeanette Turner Hoppe, Shirley Rasco Gibson, Sandra

Coburn Russell, Robert Starr, Bobby Lusk, Edward Webb, Mary McMillen Byrd, David Duncan, Jane Holt Roland, Don Garrett, Gail Smith Johnson, Delores Mullins McMillen, Lonnie Kreger and Mary Carter Sorrells.

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## Texas Chiefs to hold open house

The Texas Chiefs Model Airplane club will host their annual open house Sat., June 23 at their field located at the old dump ground, three miles east of Haskell.

The public is invited to come see the types of model airplane that are flown. Club members will be available to answer any questions those attending may have about either the airplanes or the club.

The gate will open at 8 a.m. on Saturday. Visitors are welcome all day.

## Shingles vaccine

A new shingles vaccine may help aging adults prevent the agonizing pain associated with the virus that plagues about 1 million Americans each year.

Shingles, which affects mostly older people, is a blistering skin rash that is caused by the Varicella Zoster virus, the same virus that causes chickenpox. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently approved the vaccine for use in people 60 years of age and older.

"Although the vaccine was approved by the FDA for those over 60, it is not known if it is of benefit if you are over 80 and it's still not known how long the vaccine is effective for," says Dr. Craig Rubin, chairman of geriatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

The new vaccine doesn't treat active shingles. Instead, it boosts a patient's immunity to prevent the reactivation of the chickenpox virus.

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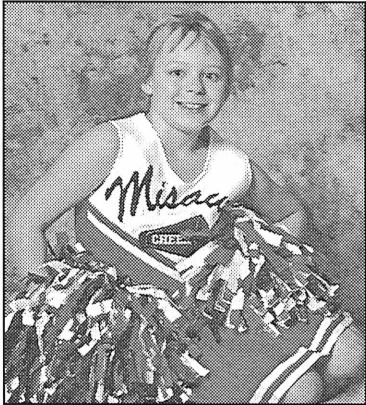
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## Notice of Public Hearing on Haskell County Appraisal District's 2008 Budget

The Haskell County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2008 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on July 12, 2007 at 7:30 a.m. at the Appraisal District office, 604 North First Street, Haskell, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$316,400
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 15,980
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget	5 <i>(full-time equivalent)</i>
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	5 <i>(full-time equivalent)</i>

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.


If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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**Since 1951**, SRTC has been supplying telephone service to rural areas in counties of North Central Texas, such as Wilbarger, Foard, Hardeman, and Clay. Other Texas counties being served include areas in Archer, Baylor, Childress, Cottle, Knox, King, Motley, Wichita, Hall, Stonewall and Haskell counties, also rural areas of Cotton and Jackson counties in Oklahoma.

**SRTC's service area** consists of 24 exchanges, approximately 8,000 access lines. Headquarters for SRTC is located at 7110 Highway 287 East, Vernon, Texas, with branch offices at 310 W. California, Seymour, Texas and here in Haskell at 113 N. Avenue D.

**SRTC is a cooperative** (owned by its members). At the end of each profit bearing year that profit is allocated to its members. The allocated amount is calculated using the profit total and the customer's phone bill for that year. The Board of Directors will then decide how much of the allocation is to be refunded and when it is to be refunded.

**The organizational structure** supporting Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative, Inc. consists of 7-members of the Board of Directors, the general manager and managers in accounting, central office, construction, information systems, office and marketing.

**Local employees:** Cheri Dutton, Kory Tidrow, Lance Hobert and Wes Moore, all from the Haskell area, are an integral division of over 70 individuals employed by SRTC.

**Should you have any questions** regarding business, services, or construction, please do not hesitate to contact our local office at 863-1125, or stop by 113 N. Avenue D (across from the Dollar Store) in Haskell.