

Calendar

FD Night Out

Haskell Volunteer Fire Department will host National Night Out Tues., Aug. 7 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station. Firefighters invite the public to come out, bring their families and enjoy various activities and food while visiting the station and getting to know the volunteers.

Bible study

Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church will host a seven week Beth Moore Bible study, "When Godly People Do Ungodly Things," twice each week. Class begins Sun., Aug. 5 at 7:30 p.m. Call 864-5557 or 864-3775 to enroll.

Football workouts

Haskell High School football workouts will begin Mon., Aug. 6 at 8 a.m. All participants need to report to the field house by 7:15 a.m. to be fitted for equipment. All paper work must be completed before students are allowed to practice. Call Coach Brad Brunson at 864-2539 office or 256-1766 cell for information.

Leadership workshop

A Leadership Skills Workshop will be held Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for girls 14-15 to enhance or build leadership abilities. The workshop is designed to facilitate successful leadership skills into adulthood. For information, contact Helen Wilson at 940-256-2417.

Girls' athletics

All Haskell High School girls who plan to participate in the 2007-08 athletics programs need to have their physicals and other forms ready to turn in to the Girls Athletic office on the first day of school, Mon., Aug. 27. If you need forms, contact the girls athletic office.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Aug. 5 at the Pit & Grill restaurant. Dominoes begin at 2 p.m. followed by a meeting at 3 p.m. The meal will be barbecue sandwiches, chips and peach cobbler.

Society to meet

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

Hymn singing

First Christian Church, 107 N. Ave. F in Haskell will host an evening of special music and hymn singing Sun., Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in an evening of praise. For information, call 864-3550 or 864-2445.

Enchilada dinner

St. George Catholic Church will host an enchilada dinner Fri., Aug. 3 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church. Plates are \$6 each. Call 864-3171 or 203-1052 to place an order.

HHS registration

Haskell High School will hold registration for students new to the district grades 9-12 Mon., Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5:30 p.m. at the high school campus in the counselor's office. Bring a birth certificate, social security card and current shot record. Registration for returning students will be held Wed., Aug. 15. For more information call Terry Weise at 864-8535 ext. 208.

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Fire Dept. Night Out Tues., Aug. 7

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FINAL PIECE WORK—Brick paver, Jason Wilkerson, is cutting the final pieces to finish the brickwork around the courthouse square. TxDOT officials hope to have the square open for traffic before the end of this week. The complete

downtown project should be finished by October. The intersections on Highway 380 still are to be finished. Projected completion date of the bypass is the first of October.

Care home closing leaves gap in local coverage

After 42 years of serving nursing home residents, followed by a year of a number of financial difficulties, Rice Springs Care Home has closed its doors to nursing home residents.

Early Tuesday morning residents of the home and the employees were surprised by the news that the home was closing. This began a hurried situation to notify families, to find new facilities for the residents, and to begin moving them.

The care home opened in 1965 with then-owners, Skeet Carpenter of Knox City, Dr. William J. Kemp, and Dr. R. E. Colbert, both of Haskell, and Buddy Lewis of Rule, father of present owners, Jeff Lewis of Abilene and Sue Lewis of Lubbock.

In an interview with owner Jeff Lewis, he said that as a result of financial reasons, there are no plans for them to reopen the

home. All fixtures, contents and the building will now be for sale.

Despite some of the ex-employees angrily speaking out because of not receiving their pay checks for several weeks, Lewis stated that the homes' surveys have been good and there are no problems with the staff. He described the situation as not being an emergency, but rather just a very orderly transition because of finances. He added that he expects the employees will find new job opportunities at the other area facilities, which immediately began taking applications because of the additional residents now in their homes. Stephen King, administrator of the Haskell Healthcare Center, has agreed to take 12 of the residents, which will bring that facility to capacity, he said.

With a capacity of 75 beds, Rice Springs Care Home has been

less than half full. A total of 40 are needed to break even, and only 32 were currently lodged there.

For those employees who have suddenly lost their jobs, a meeting by the Workforce Center of West Texas was quickly held Friday, to educate and assist them with finding information about

unemployment benefits.

For local people, some of whom will now be farther away from their displaced family members and friends who had to be moved to other homes in other locales, the transition may become a difficult matter of adjustment, taking time on the part of all.

Rowan wins HPJRA title

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County

Kate Rowan of O'Brien was recently named Champion Barrel Racer at the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association finals held July 17-21 in Clovis, New Mexico. The HPJRA is composed of over 275 members all under the age of twenty from Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Nebraska. The organization is one of the largest junior rodeo associations in the tri-state area.

Beginning this past April, members began traveling to HPJRA rodeos and qualifying members concluded the year during the finals competition which consisted of two long go-rounds and a short go-round.

Rowan, who participated in the 13-15 year old age division, was sitting in second place after the first two rounds of competition qualifying her as one of five to advance to the short-go. After taking first place in the

Rains raise aquifer levels

Many questions are being asked about this spring's rainfall and its effect on the water table levels. Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District measures water levels in February to determine the effects from the previous year's pumping and the recharge from the late season precipitation.

Due to the spring rains and the imminent starting of summer irrigation, the District gauged its list of monitor wells again last week to determine the status of the Seymour Aquifer in Baylor, Haskell and Knox Counties.

Well levels in Baylor County had risen 1.66 feet or 19.92 inches.

Well levels in some areas of Haskell had risen from 3 inches to 3 feet, with an average of 9.45 inches.

Well levels in some areas of Knox County had risen 5.42 feet or 65 inches.

Due to the extreme variability of the Seymour Aquifer, varying rainfall and variations in recharge areas, your area in the counties may differ in water levels.

One word of caution, the District encountered bees in wells in all three counties. If you are going to be working around a well that hasn't been disturbed in a while, please exercise caution. There is a good probability that bees could be in the well.

Elementary to register

Haskell Elementary School will hold registration for new students to the district Mon., Aug. 13, Tues., Aug. 14 and Wed., Aug. 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the elementary office. This registration is also for any students that did not pre-register in the spring for Prekindergarten or Kindergarten and for students that have attended Haskell Elementary in the past, but did not finish the 2006-07 year at Haskell Elementary.

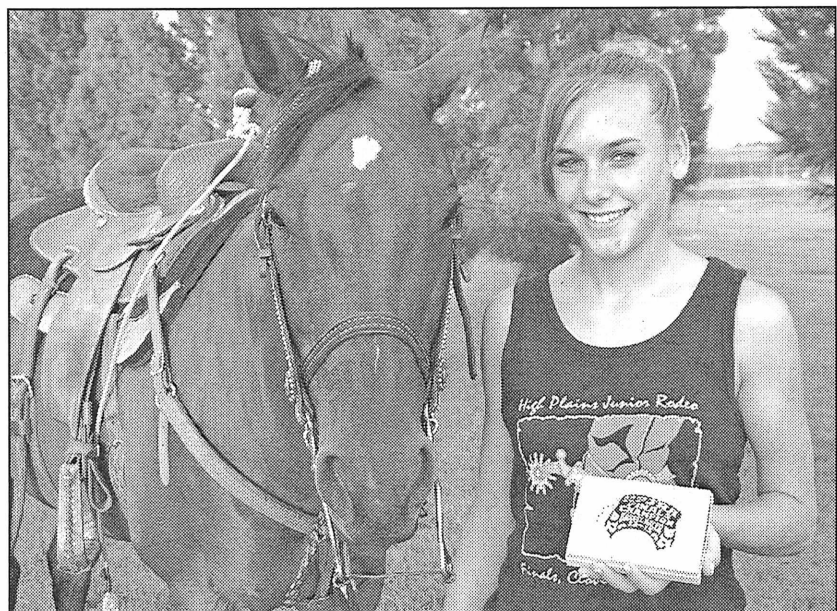
Parents should bring their drivers license and their child's birth certificate, immunization record, social security card and last report card.

Registration and Back to School Night for all Haskell Elementary students will be held Tues., Aug. 21 and Thurs., Aug. 23. On Tues., Aug. 21 students

in third grade and fourth grades will register at 5:30 and students in fifth and sixth grades will register at 6:30. On Thurs., Aug. 23 students in Head Start, Early Childhood and Kindergarten will register at 5:30, Prekindergarten students will register from 5:30 to 7:30 and students in first and second grades will register at 6:30. Parents are encouraged to attend registration with their child/children so they can meet the teachers and fill out necessary paperwork.

Homeroom lists will be posted at the time of registration.

School begins Mon., Aug. 27. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. Kindergarten through sixth grades will dismiss at 3:15 p.m. Kindergarten will dismiss at 1:00 p.m. the first three weeks of school (Aug. 27 to Sept. 14).



CHAMPION BARREL RACER—Kate Rowan was named Champion Barrel Racer at the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association final held July 17-21 in Clovis, New Mexico. Rowan and her bay mare "Harley" had the fastest total time on three runs to claim the title.

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Texas is only state not free of Cattle Brucellosis

Texas was officially "singled out" as the only state not free of cattle brucellosis on July 23, when Idaho regained its class-free status from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Texas, due to undergo a USDA review of its brucellosis program, also may achieve "free" status by the year's end. Cattle brucellosis, a bacterial infection, does not pose a threat to food or pasteurized milk products, but it can cause cows to abort or deliver sickly calves. The brucellosis-free status allows cattle to be moved across state lines without a test for the disease. "Idaho eradicated cattle brucellosis in 1991. Infection in cattle resurfaced in 2005, spread

by infected elk from the Greater Yellowstone Area. Idaho lost its 'free' ranking in early 2006," said Dr. Bob Hillman, former Idaho state veterinarian. Since 2003, Dr. Hillman has served as executive director of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) and Texas' state veterinarian. "Thousands of cattle have been tested for the disease in Idaho, and the USDA has determined that the state is again officially free of the disease." "We have not found an infected cattle herd in Texas in more than a year," said Dr. Hillman. "In 2006, the TAHC convened a Brucellosis Eradication Working Group, comprised of about 40

cattle industry members. The group evaluated all aspects of Texas' brucellosis program, to ensure we had done everything possible to eradicate the disease and to prepare for our Texas USDA review. The USDA brucellosis review has been requested, and if we do not identify any additional brucellosis-infected herds, Texas could be declared brucellosis-free by the end of the year." Dr. Hillman said that brucellosis testing of adult cattle at livestock markets must continue for at least two years after the state gains "free" status, as a way to find infection that may have yet gone undetected. As added protection, he suggested that replacement heifers, those heifers kept, purchased or sold for breeding, continue to be vaccinated with RB-51 brucellosis vaccine, especially in the eastern portion of the state.

"The vaccination of heifers between the ages of four and 12 months has been voluntary and at producer expense since 1996," he said. "The cost can be a wise investment to protect herd health, just in case there is undetected infection in the state. The vaccination also can add value to breeding heifers and meet current requirements for selling Texas heifers in a number of other states." The key to successful brucellosis vaccination is timing, noted Dr. Hillman. Heifers must receive their dose of RB-51 prior to being exposed to brucellosis bacteria, a situation that can occur when an infected cow in a herd aborts or delivers a calf. Naturally curious, heifers and other herd mates will nuzzle or lick the fetus or newborn, ingesting the millions of bacteria shed by the infected cow. Brucellosis-infected heifers will thrive and appear normal, harboring infection until they are cows, when the disease cycle is repeated.

"In the 1950s, the country had at least 100,000 brucellosis-infected herds, with 20,000 of those in Texas," said Dr. Hillman. "It's obvious we've made tremendous progress. We're in a race, not just to eradicate brucellosis, but to maintain Texas' credibility as the country's top cattle production state. Replacement heifer vaccination, good recordkeeping and concern for Texas' cattle health status can help achieve these goals."

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Obituaries

Jewell Laney Gilliam



JEWELL GILLIAM
 Funeral services for Jewell Laney Gilliam, 95, of Haskell

were held Thurs., July 26 at the First United Methodist Church in Haskell. A memorial services was held in Lubbock at St. John's Methodist Church Fri., July 27. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home. A teacher and counselor in the Lubbock Public School for 26 years, she retired in 1977. She taught sixth grade, junior high science, high school chemistry, and was a junior high guidance counselor. She was an enthusiastic member and past president of the Lubbock chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, the professional honor society for women educators. She had also been a member of the Texas Association for Counseling

and Development; the Texas Retired Teachers Association; the Texas Tech University Century Club; and the Readers Club. She was a long time member of the First Methodist Church, and more recently a member of St. John's Methodist Church of Lubbock. She was preceded in death by her husband, C. Hughes Gilliam, M.D.; her sisters, Gertrude, Carolyn and Ruth; her brother, John; her granddaughter, Amy; and her parents, Rev. J.A. Laney and Gertrude Sherman Laney. Survivors include her brother, J. Arthur Laney; daughter, Carolayn Hughes; sons, David and Bill Gilliam; twelve grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; and one great grandchild. PD. NOTICE

Alva Joyce Hawkins



JOYCE HAWKINS
 Funeral services for Alva Joyce Hawkins, 85, of Haskell were held Sat., July 28 at Trinity Baptist Church with Brother Larry White officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under

the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell. Mrs. Hawkins died Thurs., July 26 at Haskell Memorial Hospital. Born March 28, 1922, she was the daughter of Otto and Mamie Vaughn of Nocona. She married John William Hawkins March 17, 1939 in Weinert. He preceded her in death in December 1995. She was a homemaker and above all, a mother, grandmother and great grandmother to a family who cherished her. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, John William Hawkins; sons, Clayton Hawkins, Curtis Hawkins, Joe Hawkins; daughter, Yvonne Hawkins; brothers, Clifton Vaughn and DeWayne Vaughn; and grandson, Robert Hawkins. Survivors include sons, James

Dalton Hawkins and wife, Shirley of Wichita Falls, Gary Lee Hawkins and wife, Vickie of Haskell, Glendon Ray Hawkins of Haskell, Johnny Von Hawkins and wife, Cathy of Weir, Bobby Don Hawkins and wife, Darlene of Lewisville, and Sammy Shawn Hawkins and wife, Peggy of Aspermont; daughters, Darlene Sue Conn and Margaret Ella Tatum, both of Haskell, Floradean Cockerell and husband, Phillip of Abilene; brother, Glenn Dolan Vaughn and wife, Karon of Panhandle; son-in-law, Garry Hufhines of Dimmitt; sister-in-law, Tiny Vaughn of Anson; 26 grandchildren, 51 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Church or Haskell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. PD. NOTICE

Billy Wayne Alexander

Graveside services for Billy Wayne Alexander, 70, formerly of Weinert, were held Fri., July 27 at Plains Cemetery in Plains with Rob Harrison officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral home of Haskell. Mr. Alexander died Wed., July 25 in Bangs. Born Jan. 28, 1937 in Weinert, he was the son of Leonard and Pearl Alexander. He married Juanita Reams June 9, 1957. She preceded him in death. He attended Weinert High School and then moved to the High Plains area to be a cotton ginner. He later moved to Plains and was an electrician for Joe Kay Electric Company. He loved spending time with his kids and grandkids. He will be missed by

all who knew him. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Juanita; brother, Mavis Alexander; and granddaughter, Kalie Alexander. Survivors include two sons, Billy Wayne Alexander, Jr. of Rosesharon, James Lee Alexander of El Reno, Oklahoma; daughter, Jackie Alexander of Guyman, Oklahoma; granddaughter, Kriston Alexander of Guyman, Oklahoma; grandson, Kody Alexander of Guyman, Oklahoma; brother, Jimmy Alexander of Old Glory; and sister, Erlinda Mayfield of Weinert. Memorials may be made to Weinert Cemetery of Plains Cemetery. PD. NOTICE

Audra L. Holsapple

Funeral services for Audra L. Holsapple, 87, of Haskell were held Thurs., July 26 at the Church of Christ in Haskell. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell. Mrs. Holsapple died Mon., July 23 at Haskell Healthcare Center. Born June 19, 1920 in Haskell, she was the daughter of the late Fred Herbert Ray and Mary Olive Field Ray. She married Dick Holsapple, who preceded her in death. She worked as an RN her entire working career until she retired and moved

to Haskell. She was a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brothers, Fred Herbert Ray, Jr. and Max Olen Ray; and sister, Evelyn Stella Marr. Survivors include brothers, Billy Jack Ray and wife, Juanell of Haskell, LeArval Ray and wife, Anna of Stephenville, Donald Joe Ray and wife, Adah of Gardendale; sister, Annabell Funk and husband, Bill W. Funk of Santa Rosa, California; several nieces, nephews and a host of friends. PD. NOTICE

Zelma B. Price

Graveside services for Zelma B. Price, 90, of Rule were held Fri., July 26 at the Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home of Rule. Mrs. Price died Mon., July 23 in Sears Methodist Center in Abilene. Born April 6, 1917 in Rule, she was the daughter of Thomas B. and Floy McMeans. She graduated from Rule High School and attended Tarleton State University in Stephenville. During World War II, she served in the Women's Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Services (Waves Navy). For several years, she owned and operated Zelma's Studio in

Haskell. She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church in Haskell. In May of 1955, she married Mouryce R. Price, a farmer in the Haskell and Knox County. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and a brother, Thomas B. McMeans Jr. of Rule. Survivors include her sister, Zena Donahoo of Abilene and three nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Haskell or to a charity of choice. PD. NOTICE

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Double ring ceremony unites Grand, Jeanes

Leslie Brooke Grand and James William Jeanes were married in a double ring ceremony June 9 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Kevin Hall, pastor of Oakwood Baptist Church in Lubbock, Greg Gasaway, pastor of First Baptist Church in Haskell, and Tony Grand of Haskell, uncle of the bride, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Steven and Pat Grand. She is the granddaughter of Felton and Melva Everett, Carol Grand and the late J. L. "Bud" Grand, all of Haskell.

The groom is the son of Penny and Johnny Isbell and the late David Jeanes.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a strapless A-line dress of white satin with a natural waistline which was beaded with Swarovski crystals on the bodice, skirt, and chapel train. An elbow length veil and tiara adorned with the crystals complimented the dress.

She carried a bouquet of red cymbidium orchids, white orchids, red and white alstroemeria, red astilbe stems, and crimson ribbon. For something

new, the bride wore a heart-shaped necklace and matching bracelet, which were gifts from her parents. For something old, borrowed, and blue, she wore a sapphire ring given to her mother by her father on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Serving as maid of honor was Stephanie Grand, sister of the bride. Bridesmaid was Katie McKnight. They wore full-length, strapless, side-ruched dresses of crimson satin accented with rhinestone broaches and carried bouquets similar to the bride's.

Flower girl and ring bearer were Hannah Grand and Ashton Grand, cousins of the bride. Guests were registered by Brooke Bullinger and greeted by Moriah Gasaway and Alli Hall.

The groom wore a black pin-striped tuxedo with a silver vest. Best man was Sean Jeanes, brother of the groom. Heath McCulloch served as groomsman. The groom's attendants wore black tuxedos and camouflage-print vests. Tyler Raughton, Taylor Castleberry, and Cole Castleberry, cousins of the bride, were ushers.

A heart-shaped arch and candelabras, accented with white lights and English ivy, were the backdrop for the ceremony. Crimson and white flower arrangements in red bubble glass vases also decorated the sanctuary and foyer. The pews were marked with white tulle and silver bows.

Music was provided by pianist, Ellen Rieger, and organist, Sara Hodgin. Violinist, Greg Gasaway, played "Canon in

D" as the parents and grandparents were seated. Soloists were John Pike, uncle of the bride, who sang "Through the Years," Tessa Hall, who sang "I Will be Here," and Lyndee Gasaway, who sang "Household of Faith."

A reception followed in the church's family activity center, where a slide show was shown, featuring pictures of the bride and groom over the years, since they met. The serving tables were covered with floor-length white cloths accented with crimson organza, flower arrangements, and silver appointments. The four-tiered chocolate wedding cake was covered with cream cheese frosting and decorated with fresh flowers. The groom's table featured a chocolate cake, cheesecake, a chocolate fountain, and fresh strawberries. Guests were seated at tables covered in white, accented with crimson

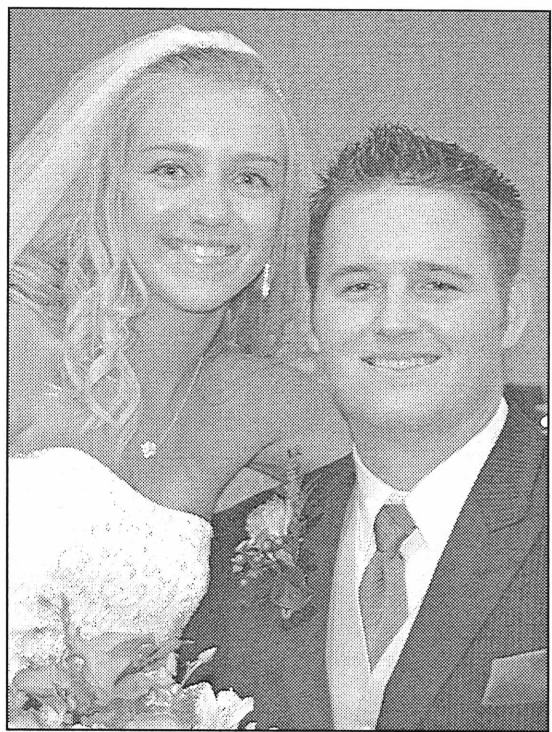
organza and mirrors topped with crimson glass vases, hearts, and candles.

Serving at the bride's table were Allison Klein and Lindsay Johnson, cousins of the bride. Cindy McCulloch and Julie Brunson served at the groom's table. Other members of the house party were the bride's aunts, Nancy Raiter, Sherrie Raughton, Cindy Castleberry, and Meranda Grand, and her cousin, Jill Everett.

The bride graduated from Texas Tech University in May, 2007 with a Bachelor's Degree in Communication Studies and a minor in English.

The groom plans to graduate from Texas Tech in December, 2007 with a Bachelor's Degree in History and a minor in Secondary Education.

The couple enjoyed a honeymoon in Aruba, and will be make their home in Lubbock.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES WILLIAM JEANES

4-H photo contest winners announced

by Wes Utley

CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

Five Haskell County 4-H'ers turned in a total of thirteen pictures to be judged for the State 4-H Contest held in June at College Station. This contest was held in conjunction with the State 4-H Round up. At the State 4-H Round-up only first place Senior-age winners from district contests are allowed to participate. In the Photography contest there was a total of 73 entries from twelve different counties.

Color Division

People: Andrea Anderson, Red Award

Animal: Molly Dudensing, Red Award

Natural Landscape: Andrea Anderson, Red Award

Plant/Flora: Andrea Anderson, Red Award

Color Digital Division

Animal: Candace Brister, Red Award

Still Life: Zeb Petty, Blue Award

Natural Landscape: Zeb Petty, Red Award

Plant/Flora: Candace Brister, Blue Award

Black & White Division

Animal: Molly Dudensing, White Award

Architectural Effects: Zeb Petty, Blue Award

People: Brooke Bullinger, Red Award

All Media

Story Board: Brooke Bullinger, Blue Award

Theme (Celebrating 100 Years of 4-H): Andrea Anderson, Blue Award

Engagement announced

Doris Butler and Frances Hamilton-Clark, both of Haskell, are announcing the engagement of their children, Tommy Butler, and Cathey Clark-Denney, both of Haskell.

The family of the late J. L. and Mollie Goode met for their 32nd reunion Sat., July 21, at the Floyd Goode homeplace in Rochester.

A potluck dinner, visiting and an auction were enjoyed.

Those attending were Ken and Claudette Goode Wolsch, Bill and Winnie Goode Pittman, Kenneth Pittman, Lovetta and Dalton Hearn, all of Rochester; Charlotte Goode Everton and David Wolsch of Haskell; Brandon, Jayel and Chris of Stamford; Angela Pittman and Calvert Campbell of Wichita Falls; Kendra, Gregg Westerman and family, Chris, Sheena and son, all of Abilene.

Dwight and Millie Goode of Kingsville; Olen and Frankie Simpkins of Big Spring; C.H. and Charles Wright and Sheila Helton of Seymour; Martha McDowell of Aspermont; Marlana Helton

and daughter of Carter, Oklahoma. Sherri Jackson and family of Throckmorton.

Several were unable to attend because of illness.

Around Town

Visiting their brothers, Andy and Marlene Sanders of Cross Plains were Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell, Jacky and Sandra Sanders of Aledo, and Walter and Sue Cox of Omaha. The group also visited Travis and Wilma Sanders on Saturday to help Travis celebrate his 80th birthday. They attended church with them on Sunday along with brother, Rocky Sanders of Abilene, on Sunday.

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Kretschmer reunion set Sat., Aug. 4

The annual Kretschmer reunion will be held Sat., Aug. 4 beginning with registration at 2 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room, 600 S. 1st St.

Visiting and games are scheduled at 2:30 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 3 p.m.

An auction will be held after the business meeting with those attending bringing something for the auction, such as canned goods, homemade items or baked goods.

An evening meal will be shared with each family bringing enough food for their family.

Family and friends are invited to attend.

OPINION

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Capital city renames lake for Lady Bird Johnson

AUSTIN—The city council on July 26 voted unanimously to rename Austin's Town Lake "Lady Bird Lake."

The name change honors Lady Bird Johnson, who died at age 94 on July 11. She was the widow of the late President Lyndon B. Johnson.

City council members said the renaming is a fitting way to honor the former first lady's life because of her personal efforts to improve the lake, its surrounding trails and greenbelts.

Weather prompts preparations

Weather experts are saying a 10-year drought appears to be over in all but a few sections of the state. And the rain keeps on falling in areas that have had more than their share.

With Gov. Rick Perry out of state on July 26, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst exercised his official authority to beef up and position Texas military forces in preparation for continuing severe weather and flooding.

"I will continue to monitor this situation closely and work with the governor's office and state emergency coordinators to ensure the state is doing everything necessary to keep Texans safe," Dewhurst said.

For San Antonio-Martindale Airfield, Dewhurst called for 30 more personnel, 10 more vehicles and three more helicopters and crew.

Also, for Camp Mabry in Austin, he called for 30 more personnel and 10 more vehicles, including Humvees and so-called "high profile vehicles."

Dewhurst asked all Texans to heed the warnings of local officials and take every possible precaution to stay safe.

Funding veto prompts action

One of Gov. Perry's line-item vetoes in the \$151 billion 2008-2009 state budget was about \$154 million to fund community college employees group health insurance.

Lt. Gov. Dewhurst on July 25 said lawmakers and college officials across the state had let him know their concerns about the veto.

Dewhurst said he doesn't want community colleges to have to raise tuition or limit enrollment or have local taxes increased as a result of the veto.

In his June 15 veto statement Perry said money appropriated from general revenue may not be

expended for employee benefit costs, and that community colleges wrongly have been using such funds to pay the benefits on non-state paid employees.

Dewhurst said he wants the matter addressed right away and plans to bring it up in a fall meeting of the 10-member Legislative Budget Board. The board has the power to reauthorize the vetoed funding.

Meanwhile, Dewhurst said, he plans to meet with Sens. Zaffirini, Hinojosa, Shapiro, Duncan, Ogden, other interested lawmakers, the governor's office and state agencies to work out a solution before the year's end.

Teen birth rate ranks highest

Texas currently has the highest teen birth rate in the nation: 63 births per 1,000 females ages 15-19.

Nationally, there are 41 births for every 1,000 teens. The data comes from the KIDS COUNT Data Book, a national state-by-state report released by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and reported July 25 by the Austin thinktank, Center for Public Policy Priorities.

CPPP said the report is a precursor to the fall release of The State of Texas Children 2007, which will provide child well-being data for every county in Texas.

Senate passes border funding

The U.S. Senate on July 25 passed an amendment to the Department of Homeland Security appropriations bill that would provide \$3 billion in emergency funding for border security.

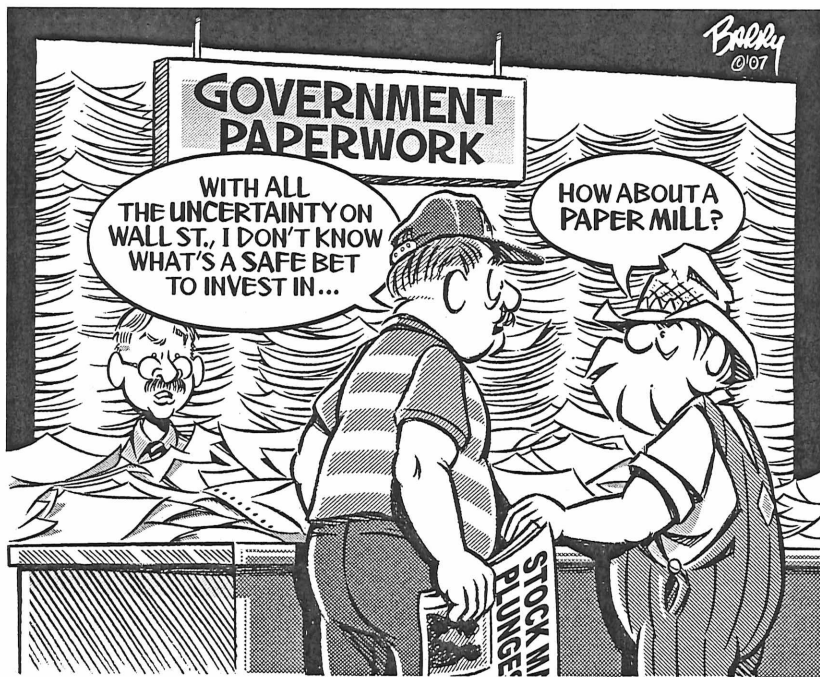
The amendment includes a provision drafted by U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, to allow the money to be used for enforcing immigration laws, including electronic employment verification improvements and increased removal and detention of visa overstays.

UT Tower lights out for weekend

To control invading crickets, the University of Texas at Austin did not turn on the burnt orange lights that illuminate the UT Tower Friday night July 27 through Sunday night July 29. The insects are attracted to the lights.

Former health agency chief dies

Dr. Robert Bernstein, who served as head of the Texas Department of Health from 1980 to 1991, died July 23. Bernstein was 87.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago July 31, 1997

M-System food store announced Casey Reed as store manager. Reed started at the store as a stocker while still in high school.

Representing Haskell County at the District 4-H meeting were J.J. Comedy, Amy Burson, Dayln Griffith, Josh New, Vanessa Miller, Kaki Stapleton, Jodi Thigpen, Brittany Bartley and Landon Terry.

Nathan Long, Katy McDonald and Jimmy Huff attended the Talent Identification Grand Recognition Ceremony at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina.

20 Years Ago July 30, 1987

The yard of Donnie and Ellen Rieger has been named "Yard of the Month" by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce's Community Betterment Committee.

Dr. Bill McSmith and family moved to Haskell from Tucson, Arizona. He will begin his practice in Haskell.

Charlene Hawkins successfully completed Allsup's assistant manager training course.

30 Years Ago July 28, 1977

Rod Townsend and Jerry Don Hudgens of Rochester have accepted invitations to play in the

Greenbelt Bowl. Graduates from Rochester High School, both were named to the 1976 Class B All State Team.

Eight members of the Martha Class of First Baptist Church enjoyed a salad supper in the home of Mrs. Vernon Brister.

Dwayne Landreth of Rule spent the summer participating in the Youth Conservation Corps at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

Larry Gilliam was named Rotary President; Aubrey Carroll, vice president; and Desmond Dulaney, secretary. Directors were Haskell Stone, Curtis Jennings, Eldon Anderson and Dudley Bragg.

40 Years Ago July 27, 1967

Penny Patton was crowned Haskell County Cotton Queen. Kay Newton was the first runner-up and Mary Yates was named second runner-up.

Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Ratliff and son, Bill, went to Seattle, Washington to visit Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wheatley and sons, Chris and Joe.

The Haskell Indians toppled the Abilene Jets for the championship of the Senior Cottonbelt League. Pitching for the team was Douglas Bartley. Scoring points were Clinton Callaway, Douglas Bartley, Lewis Hise and Johnny Martinez.

50 Years Ago August 1, 1957

Gerald McCoy, former teacher in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, has been employed as the science teacher at Haskell High School. Supt. Robert R. King announced McCoy secedes Harvey Huddleston, who resigned to enter medical school.

Mrs. Preston Weinert of San Antonio visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Arbuckle.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark, who lived in south Haskell County, visited in town before leaving on a trip to Ohio to visit their son, J.B. Clark and family.

100 Years Ago August 3, 1907

H.C. Chapman and daughter, Mary of Weatherford, visited his son, F.N. Chapman.

Lewis Howard, of the south side, was in town and said that crops were looking good in his section since the rains let up and let farmers go over their crops with cultivators.

L.W. Roberts and family of Lubbock are visiting relatives and old friends in Haskell, having once lived here. Mr. Roberts is the sheriff of Lubbock County.

Auto accident tips to know

According to the National Safety Council, approximately 1 in 8 drivers will be in an auto accident this year. Here are several suggestions to help prevent injury, save time and money and minimize the stress involved in a car crash.

- Stay calm. Avoid tendencies toward "road rage" and stay calm if you encounter another driver who is behaving irrationally. When these situations escalate, they can often lead to dangerous driving and crashes. There is no slight, vulgar gesture or foolish behavior that is worth endangering your life, your car and the lives of others.
- Protect yourself. Be alert to traffic scams that seem like "accidents," such as when driving on a lightly traveled road, particularly at night, and being tapped from behind. Predatory criminals do this to get the driver to exit the car and then either rob the driver or steal the car. If you are suspicious of the circumstances, stay in your vehicle and drive to a police station or heavily populated area for assistance.
- STOP! If you are in an accident do not leave the scene until you have spoken with the other driver or the police.
- Take steps to prevent further accidents. If practical, move the car and all passengers safely to

the side of the road—preferable to the right shoulder. If functioning, turn your emergency flashing lights on and, if available, set out a flare on the road for nighttime accidents.

- Call the police from the scene or ask someone to call for you. It is usually best to have the police address any traffic infractions, assist with injuries and memorialize the occurrence for the record.
- Request medical assistance if needed. If you or others are bleeding, feel light-headed or are suffering any physical injury, always err on the side of calling for assistance. Unless trained in emergency medical assistance, do not attempt to move injured persons or perform medical procedures yourself.
- Do not admit fault or discuss the accident with anyone except for the police or your auto insurance company. Remember to call your insurance company as soon as practicable.
- Write down pertinent information such as the other driver's name, addresses, telephone number, license plate and driver's license number and the time of the accident. Note the names, addresses and phone numbers of any witnesses, the badge number of any police officers and where to obtain a copy of a police report and any other pertinent information about

the scene, such as exact location, the issuance of any tickets by the police, and any recollections about your vehicle's handling or mechanical functioning just prior to the accident.

- Carry an emergency kit in your car that should minimally include: a road flare or traffic triangle, brightly colored cloth to tie to your radio antenna and driver side door handle, a flash light, with fully charged batteries, a first aid kit, a basic tool kit with duct tape and pen and paper. Always have a copy of your Insurance Company ID Card in your glove compartment and have with you, your driver's license and car registration.
- Assist others. If you come upon an auto accident that you are not a party to and wish to offer assistance, pull your car off the road ahead of the accident scene. Do not park in back of the accident, which will only make your vehicle vulnerable to oncoming traffic and block the view of emergency or police vehicles looking for the scene. When arriving at the scene of an accident, first determine if there are any injuries. If there are, immediately call for medical assistance. Unless trained in emergency medical assistance, do not attempt to move injured persons or perform medical procedures yourself.

From the AG

By Greg Abbott

Texas Attorney General Warns Homeowners of "Equity Stripping" Scams

Home ownership lies at the heart of the American dream. Unfortunately, a sudden job loss, family illness or other financial hardship can threaten that dream. Faced with rising mortgage payments or foreclosure, distressed homeowners may be tempted by financial predators who promise to "save" their homes.

Missing just one mortgage payment can bring a homeowner to the brink of foreclosure. Late fees and penalties accumulate. Mortgage payments rise. Credit ratings suffer, and debt spins out-of-control.

Equity-stripping scam artists prey on struggling homeowners. When properties with late tax payments appear on a public list at the county clerk's office, these unscrupulous schemers monitor them closely, contacting homeowners by phone, mail or with door-to-door solicitations. They know that a homeowner who misses a tax payment may have fallen behind on mortgage payments as well. Another scheme tempts homeowners with advertisements offering "mortgage rescue" scams.

Equity-stripping scams take various forms and often include promises of upfront cash, repaired credit and assurances that homeowners will be able to keep their homes in the long run.

In some cases, a "foreclosure specialist" may claim to arrange for an outside buyer to "temporarily" purchase a home. In return, the owner receives a percentage of the profit in cash while the temporary buyer makes the mortgage payments. Good credit will be restored, the owner will qualify for refinancing and the home will be saved!

Unfortunately, this is rarely the result. Homeowners may receive the upfront cash, but the assurances that debts, including outstanding mortgage payments or tax liens, have been paid are false. In reality, the scam artists have refinanced the house, taken the equity in cash and stopped making mortgage payments, forcing the home back into foreclosure.

In another twist, "foreclosure experts" may promise that homeowners who sign over their property deeds and continue making monthly payments can continue living in their homes. The scammer typically promises to invest the equity and earn enough from those investments to pay off the mortgage. Within a short timeframe, the "specialists" promise, the homeowners will get back their properties, free of any mortgages. Once again, the homeowners usually end up in foreclosure after the company borrows large amounts against the home and strips it of its equity.

In most cases where homeowners lose their homes, the problems began with a single missed mortgage payment. Homeowners facing financial difficulties that could result in mortgage default or foreclosure should consider contacting a credit counseling agency or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Homeowners should never deliberately withhold a mortgage payment. If you are involved in a dispute with a mortgage company or a "mortgage-saving" company, file a complaint with the Office of the Attorney General, the Federal Trade Commission and HUD. Do not default on your loan.

Cash offers to "save" a home may be tempting, but remember that there are few quick fixes to financial hardships. With proper debt management and patience, you can save yourself and your home from financial predators.

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CPR short course proven effective

UT Southwestern Medical Center researchers have found that a user-friendly, 30-minute, video-based cardiopulmonary resuscitation training session is just as effective as the traditional three- to four-hour course in teaching basic life-saving techniques to laypersons. In addition, at six months after the training—a critical point for CPR skill retention—those who took the shorter course performed CPR and used an automated external defibrillator (AED) just as well or better than those who take the traditional training.

These findings are the first to evaluate and document the effectiveness of long-term retention of the new 30-minute CPR-AED training.

"The results of this formal investigation should not only facilitate more widespread training and frequent re-training in CPR techniques, but it also diminishes some of the inefficiencies and labor-intensity inherent in traditional CPR training," said Dr. Paul Pepe, chief of emergency medicine at UT Southwestern.

Traditional CPR courses last half a day, as six to eight people take turns practicing their skills on a shared manikin. The remainder of the time is spent listening to instruction, leaving little time for skills practice, the researchers report.

"Using individualized kits, the trainees can focus on uninterrupted skills practice and develop muscle memory from more intensive, focused and reiterative practice," said Dr. Pepe.

The shorter course is much more convenient and easily accessible, said Dr. Lynn Roppolo, assistant professor of emergency medicine and lead author of the study.

"Individuals practice while they learn, allowing more time to perform and retain the critical hands-on skills required to provide more effective CPR," Dr. Roppolo said. "All of these

factors will likely translate into more people knowing what to do—and doing it right—whenever CPR is needed. As a result, hopefully, many more lives will be saved in years to come."

For the study, volunteers recruited in Fort Worth were selected randomly to take either the 30-minute course or a traditional three-hour session.

The short course consisted of a 23-minute digital video disc program, developed by the American Heart Association, which covers basic adult CPR skills, including recognition of signs of life, calling for help, opening the airway, rescue breaths and chest compressions.

As two dozen or more students watched the video in each session simultaneously, they practiced the CPR techniques almost continuously for nearly 20 minutes on their own personal mini-manikin, supervised by a "facilitator" who generally only needed to answer an occasional question from the trainees once the DVD was started.

Also included was a three-minute discussion and demonstration on the recognition of and best procedures for choking, as well as a five-minute demonstration of the use of an AED.

In the traditional course, students attended a three-hour session consisting of lectures supplemented by related video-based instruction, practice of basic CPR skills, choking procedures and instruction and hands-on practice in the use of an AED. During this course, there was one certified instructor for every six to eight students during the skills practice.

After their respective training, the students from both groups were tested using a life-sized manikin, which was connected to a laptop computer that objectively measured parameters such as the rate and depth of ventilations and chest compressions.

In addition to the computer measurements, overall CPR

performance and AED use were videotaped and later judged as being appropriate by CPR training experts, who graded each study participant without knowing whether the he or she had taken the half-hour course or the traditional training.

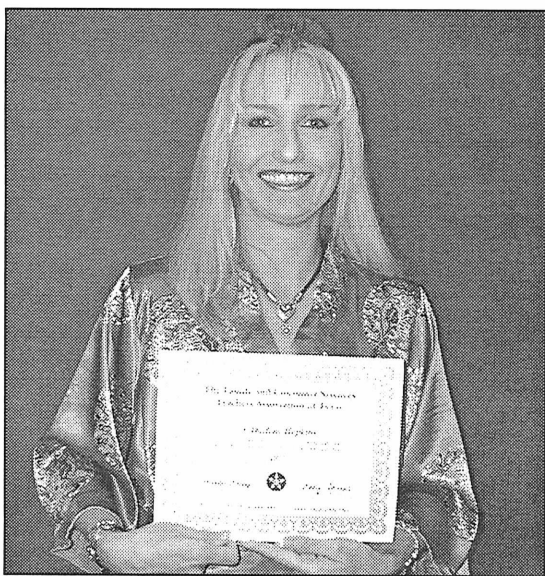
Immediately after taking the class, there were no significant differences in CPR performance between the students who took the three-hour course as compared to those who took the 30-minute course.

After six months, however, trainees who took the 30-minute course called 9-1-1 and provided adequate ventilation more frequently than those who took the longer course. Also, both at the initial and six-month follow-up test, the students who took the traditional course took 30 percent longer to assess for signs of life, and they took significantly more time to pause between chest compressions to perform ventilations.

In grading AED use immediately after the courses, the trainees who took the 30-minute course placed the AED pads and delivered a shock correctly in 98

percent of the cases, compared to 92 percent of those who took the longer course. Moreover, at the critical six-month follow-up, 93 percent of those in the half-hour course still operated the AED well and 93 percent were still judged to be performing chest compressions adequately.

"The results of this investigation were very compelling. This study suggests that hands-on practice is not necessary to learn how to operate an AED, a device that directly provides the rescuer with vocal instructions once it is turned on," said Dr. Roppolo. "Thus, training tools that utilize cognitive modes, such as the Internet and DVD demonstrations, may be just as effective."



DARLENE HOPKINS

Hopkins honored for 15 years of service

Darlene Hopkins, a family and consumer sciences teacher at Paint Creek ISD, was honored by the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas (FCSTAT) for her dedicated service of 15 years in the teaching profession. The award was presented at the FCSTAT's Annual Awards Program, Thurs., July 26, at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Dallas. The awards program was held during the 2007 State Professional Development Tri-Cluster Conference for Education and Training, Hospitality and Tourism and Human Services Career Clusters. The conference is planned and coordinated by Texas Tech University's Curriculum Center for Family and Consumer Sciences and the Texas Education Agency. Approximately 1,500 teachers attended the conference, titled "Achieve Texas in Action," which showcased the recently adopted career clusters initiative. In addition to addressing curriculum, resources, priorities, policies, and procedures foreffective local programs coming under the three clusters, this year's meeting focused on technology training, conflict resolution/mediation strategies, effective teaching strategies for diverse student populations, maximizing career preparation opportunities and accommodation the instructional needs of all students.

The Family and Consumer Sciences curriculum, which is primarily offered through the three clusters, provide students with the knowledge and skills that prepare them for assuming family, career and community roles as they make the transition from school to work. Family and consumer sciences courses serve as a practical lab for academics by reinforcing academic concepts. Students apply what they learn to real life situations

in home, personal and occupational life. The subject matter addresses individual and family health, food and nutrition, financial planning and management of consumer resources. Teachers also give instruction in the areas of family living, parenthood education, child development and guidance, textiles and apparel, housing and home management. In addition, family and consumer sciences includes instructional programs that prepare youth to be productive in business and industry in occupational areas such as child care, elder care, food service, apparel and textiles, institutional maintenance, hospitality services, fashion design, and housing and home furnishings.

Family and consumer sciences teachers also sponsor local chapters of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), a student leadership organization open to current or former students of family and consumer sciences courses. FCCLA members learn leadership skill by planning and participating in activities and projects for the school and community.

Imelda Saenz, 2007-2008 FCSTAT President, said, "It is a privilege to recognize and award a dedicated and unique group of professionals for their years of service to Family and Consumer Sciences Education. Abraham Joshua Heschel said, 'Teaching is the art of sharing.' Thank you for sharing a part of yourselves with all the lives you have touched. You have been great teachers, exemplary role models and have passed on invaluable instruction and wisdom. You have touched the lives and dreams of many and have made an everlasting impression of your profession and this professional organization. I salute the good work you have done!"

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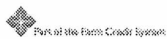
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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1084 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., July 28, according to B.D. Rainey, reporter.

396 steers, 343 heifers, 345 cows and bulls were sold. There were 79 sellers and 47 buyers.

Cows: fat, 48-53; cutters, 54-59; canners, 38-45.

Bulls: bologna, 62-66,

Graves places third in tourney

Travis Graves of Haskell won third place in the Off the Hook kids fishing tournament held last weekend at Lake Stamford. His winning entry measured 10 inches.

feeders, 85-94.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 140-151; 300-400 lbs., 145-151; 400-500 lbs., 120.50-145; 500-600 lbs., 110-120.50; 600-700 lbs., 100-110; 700-800 lbs., 107.50-111; 800-up lbs., 94-111.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 135-145; 300-400 lbs., 125-135; 400-500 lbs., 118-125; 500-600 lbs., 108-118; 600-up lbs., 96.50-108.

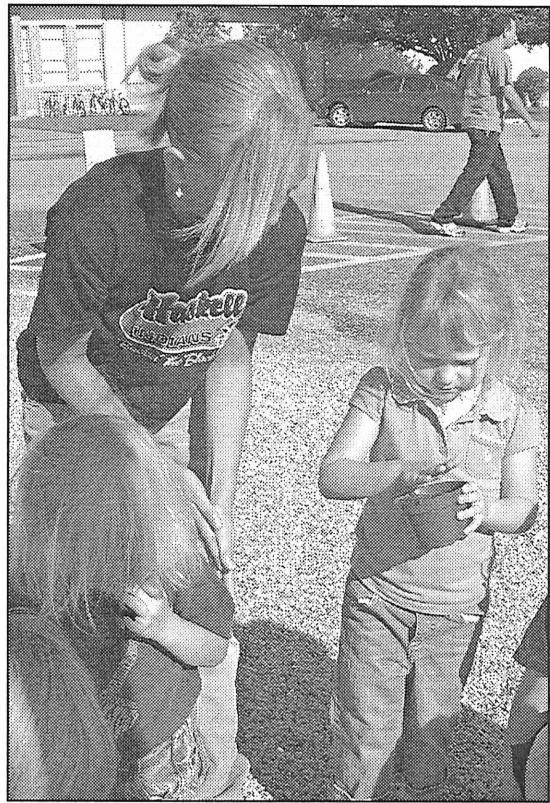
Bred heifers: medium frame 650-800.

Bred cows: young to middle aged 800-1100; aged or small, 550-650.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 1250-1360; aged or small, 850-1000.



PLANT LESSON—Recently, Haskell Elementary fourth graders enjoyed teaming up with the Head Start children in order to complete a learn and serve project called Blooming Buddies. After learning about the parts of a plant, the students had fun using play dough to make plant models. Next, everyone traveled to ABC Greenhouse where Debbie Earles, owner, showed everyone around and explained the purpose for items that are in a greenhouse. She talked about photosynthesis and demonstrated the correct way to plant flowers. Ace Valverde, left, mentors Alfredo Flores about how flowers grow in the ABC Greenhouse.



LEARNING TO PLANT FLOWERS—Haskell Elementary fourth graders enjoyed teaming up with the Head Start children in order to complete a learn and serve project called Blooming Buddies. After a visit to ABC Greenhouse and lessons on plants, the Blooming Buddies enjoyed filling large planters with flowers and placing them around the elementary campus. The beautiful flowers are a reminder that we must protect our environment in order to keep them alive. Kaley Mathis, left, teaches daycare student, Calie Everett, how to plant a flower for Mother's Day.

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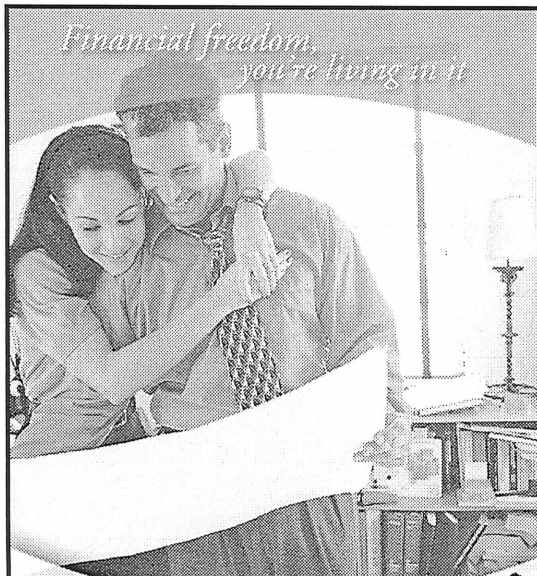
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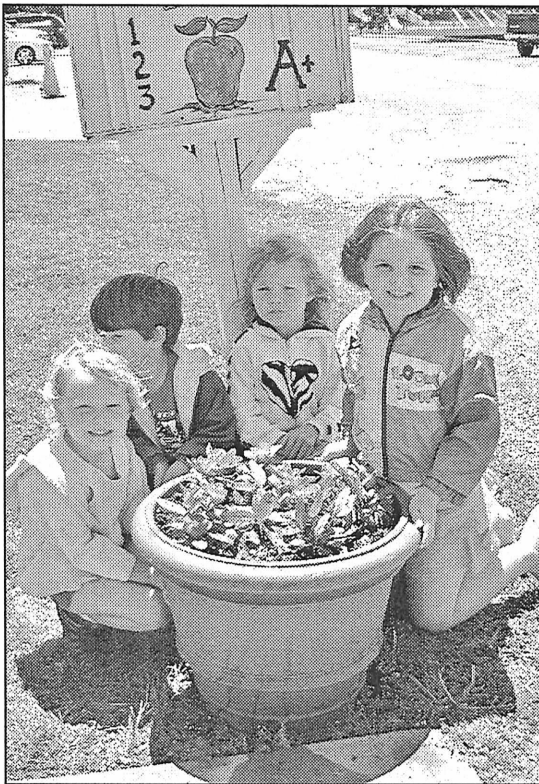
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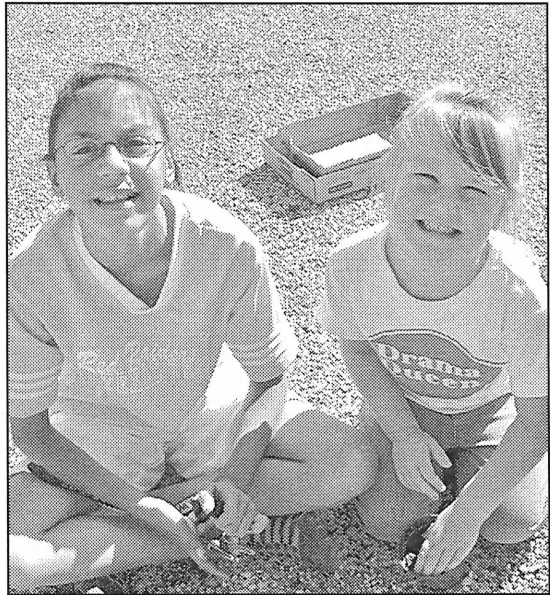
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POTTED BEAUTY—Proudly showing off flowers they have planted are. I-r, Calie Everett, Hadley Sloan, Abbye Andress, and Tayleigh Johnson. Fifth grade students helped these Budding Buddies to beautify their school.



YOUNG GARDENERS—ReBeca Raynes, left, and Braelyn Bevel pose for the camera after planting and watering their flowers at Haskell Elementary Daycare. These Blooming Buddies helped beautify their campus with help from fourth graders.

Cooling off the effects of prickly heat

The hot, moist weather many areas of the country are experiencing from the combination of rain and heat can lead to a skin rash commonly referred to as heat rash or prickly heat.

Prickly heat occurs when sweat glands clog and sweat becomes trapped beneath the skin. It typically results in a patch of little red bumps, usually arising on the neck, upper chest, elbows, groin, under arms or under

breasts, where skin folds touch. It can occur at any age, but is more often found on the elderly and on babies, whose parents may overdress them and as a result they have trouble cooling off.

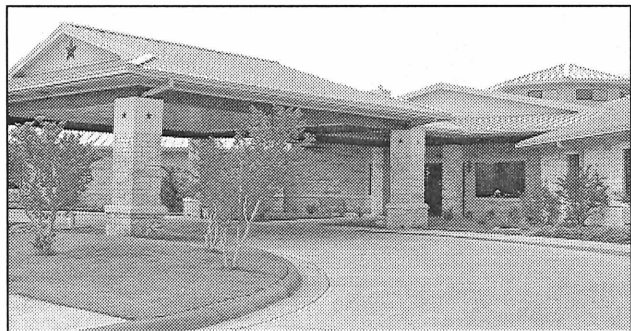
"Heat rashes aren't serious, but they can be annoying," says Dr. Amit Pandya, professor of dermatology at UT Southwestern Medical Center, who says medical treatment isn't usually needed. "A heat rash should go away on its own after moving to

a cooler environment and exposing the affected area to more air."

Loosen clothing around the affected area or wash the area with a cold cloth, then let it air dry. Try calamine lotion or hydrocortisone cream to relieve itching, but Dr. Pandya says avoid lotions, which can further clog the skin. To help avoid heat rash, try drying the area after a shower and using powders such

as baby or talcum powder.

Occasionally, a yeast infection may occur in affected body folds, which appears as more intense redness and small bumps. This is especially common in people with diabetes. An over-the-counter medicated cream or powder designed to treat yeast and fungus may be used for such infections. If you are uncertain as to the cause of the rash, consult a physician.



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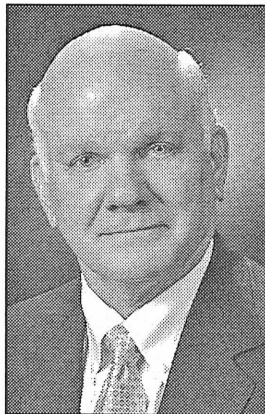
Gohmert to lead Natural Resources Conservation Service

Don Gohmert has assumed the position of state conservationist for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas.

In that capacity, Gohmert will be responsible for NRCS operations within the state, including the administration of conservation planning assistance to private landowners, conservation cost-share programs, Resource Conservation and Development, the watershed flood prevention program, Natural Resources Inventory, and soil survey mapping.

"I am excited to be returning to Texas," Gohmert said. "Texas is a state with a great diversity in natural resources, conservation issues, tremendous opportunities, and great people."

Gohmert is replacing Dr. Larry Butler, who retired as the NRCS state conservationist for Texas in March. Gohmert is moving from Louisiana, where he has served as the state conservationist for 15



DON GOHMERT

years. He has also worked for the agency in both Texas and Arizona.

Born and raised in Cuero, Gohmert received his bachelor's degree in agriculture from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. He also earned his master's degree in public administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University.

New sun protective clothing available

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County

After years of slip-slap-slop-slipping on a shirt, slapping on a hat, and slopping on sunscreen—the "slip" may be changing. We have always known that certain clothing items can protect us from the sun more than others. For example, a black t-shirt gives us more protection than a white t-shirt. But now, there are clothes made specifically with sun protection in mind and products available that can make a normal t-shirt more protective from the sun. Thanks to the newest technologies, we may now start saying slip on "sun-protective clothing," slap on a hat, and slop on sunscreen. But would adding sun-protective clothing to our skin protection routine really be the most economical decision?

Clothes can protect your skin from the ultra violet (UV) rays of the sun. Even clothes not meant for sun-protection may provide some protection. Similar to the SPF rating of sunscreen, clothing is given a UPF rating. UPF stands for ultraviolet sun protection factor and tells you how much UV light from the sun is being absorbed. A fabric with a UPF of

50 means that only 1/50th, or 2 percent, of the sun's rays are able to pass through the fabric to your skin. Just like with the SPF for sunscreen, the higher the UPF, the more sun-protection it provides.

The color, weave, weight, and fiber type of the fabric can all affect the amount of sun-protection any clothing item has. A good way to help judge the fabrics of your clothes is to hold them up to the light. If you can see through an item, so can the sun, which means UV light is able to reach and potentially harm your skin through that piece of clothing. It is important to remember that if the shirt is stretched (making it thinner), or wet (making it more transparent), the UPF will go down. For example, the average white cotton t-shirt with a UPF of 7 can go down to a UPF of 3 when it is wet. When selecting clothes to wear for sun protection, you want to choose clothes that cover the most skin, like long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Dark colors, as opposed to lights and whites, are best. Fabrics with a tight weave can provide the most protection.

If you want to buy clothes made for sun protection, more

and more companies are manufacturing clothes that are designed to offer a good deal of sun protection. Many companies are taking into account both design, maximizing the amount of skin covered, with sleeves and hoods; and the fabric with UPF ratings up to 50. CoolibarT, a clothing brand recommended by the Skin Cancer Foundation, sells shirts, hats, pants, and swimwear, all offering maximum sun protection. Most shirts on their website are long sleeved and range from \$29.95-59.95 for children to adult sizes. Search the web; you will find many other sites selling similar products, some boasting that their products are much cheaper than others. It is important to look for a high UPF when ordering from such sites.

Another option that may prove to be much more cost efficient when it comes to sun-protective clothing is to wash sun-protection into your clothes. The only laundry aid endorsed by the Skin Cancer Foundation is Sun GuardT from the makers of RITT dyes. At about \$1.99 a package, you simply add it in along with your detergent to any load of

laundry that you want to have sun protection. The chemicals in Sun GuardT wash a UPF of 30 into your clothes without altering their color or comfort. The UPF will last in your clothes for up to 20 washes.

Remember, in addition to covering with sun protective clothing, you should protect your skin by following these tips:

- Stay in the shade or indoors between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Avoid tanning outdoors or in tanning beds.
- Use sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 everyday.
- Apply sunscreen 30 minutes before going outdoors, and reapply it at least every 2 hours.
- Keep newborns out of the sun, and use sunscreen on children 6 months and older.
- Examine your skin every month.

For more information please consult www.skincancer.org. Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas Cancer Council remind you and your family to practice sun safety today and every day of the year.

Healthy calves bring better market prices

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

The health and performance benefits from weaning and preconditioning calves has been well documented by several sources, including Texas A&M Ranch to Rail. Also, data from video auctions show that buyers will pay for such management.

More evidence is found in a report from the Iowa Beef Center. Data were collected on over 20,000 head from 105 sales at nine auction markets throughout Iowa in the fall/winter of 2005-06. Compared to calves that were neither weaned nor vaccinated (or no claim was made) the following

average bonuses (\$/cwt) were paid:

- Certified vaccination claims and weaned at least 30 days: \$6.15;
- Uncertified vaccination (seller's word) and weaned at least 30 days: \$3.40;
- Vaccinated but weaning not mentioned or weaned less than 30 days: \$3.14;
- Vaccinated but not weaned: \$2.42; and,
- Weaned but not vaccinated: \$1.70.

Bonuses can be had, but the most benefit comes from following a prescribed program that is certified by some disinterested third party. (www.iowabeefcenter.org/content/activities.htm).

Deadline to enter WT rodeo queen contest approaches

The Miss West Texas Fair and Rodeo Queen pageant will be held Sept. 7-9 in Abilene. Competition will be held in horsemanship, speeches, modeling, questions and interviews.

Among the prizes are a crown, banner, roses, handmade spurs, hand tooled spur straps and a

buckle. The winner will be eligible to receive an academic award. The horsemanship winner will receive a saddle blanket with hand tooled corners.

Contestants should wear Wranglers for all areas of competition except for modeling when a dress or skirt and jacket or vest should be worn. Leather

will not be judged above non-leather. Fit, color coordination and presentation will be the criteria for modeling.

Entry forms are available at the offices of the West Texas Fair & Rodeo or at taylorcountyexpo.com. Entries must be received in the West Texas Fair & Rodeo office

by 5 p.m. on Aug. 17.

The winner will reign over the 2007 West Texas Fair & Rodeo Sept. 11-15. The winner will represent the West Texas Fair & Rodeo at various other rodeos, parades and other activities in the West Texas area during the year. She will be eligible to compete in the Miss Rodeo Texas Pageant in San Antonio in June of 2008.

The age limit for the contest is 16-24. Entrants must live within a one hundred mile radius of Abilene.

For entry forms, call the West Texas Fair & Rodeo office at 325-677-4376, taylorcountyexpo.com, or they may be picked up at 1700 Hwy. 36, Abilene, Texas.

Effects of genetic factors on stayability

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

Stayability has been defined as the probability of a female remaining in the herd to some specific age, given the opportunity to do so. As such it is thought to be an indirect measure of fertility, since open individuals tend to be culled.

Several U.S. breed associations currently calculate Stayability EPD. Brazilian researchers evaluated data from about 17,000 Nelore cows born from 1987 to 2003 managed in 15

herds owned by the same corporation. All open cows were culled and stayability was evaluated at 5, 6, and 7 years of age. Heritabilities of stayability were similar at all three ages, ranging from 0.22 to 0.28, and the genetic trend for stayability was positive at all three ages.

There was sufficient variation in stayability to indicate that selection over time could be effective. Little evidence was found that selection on 7-year stayability would yield much more response than on 5-year.

The authors therefore concluded that selection using the 5-year trait would be most effective, rather than 6- or 7-year, because heritabilities are similar, there are more records involved, and it is obtained earlier in life.

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TAX PLANNING

Written By
Richard E. Rodgers, CPA

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE DOG, NOT THE WAGGING TAIL

Some tax-cutting strategies make good financial sense. Other tax strategies are simply bad ideas, often because tax considerations are allowed to override basic economics.

Here's one example of the tax tail wagging the economic dog. Let's say that you run an unincorporated consulting business. You want some additional tax write-off, so you decide to buy \$10,000 of office furniture that you don't really need. If you're in the 28% bracket and you deduct the entire cost, this purchase will trim your tax bill by \$2,800 (28% of \$10,000). But even after the tax break, you'll still be out of pocket \$7,200 (\$10,000 less \$2,800) – and stuck with furniture that you don't really need.

There are other situations in which people often focus on tax considerations and ignore the bigger financial picture. For example:

- Someone increases the size of a home mortgage, solely to get a larger tax deduction for mortgage interest.
- A homeowner hesitates to pay off a mortgage, just to keep the interest deduction.
- Someone turns down extra income, because it might push them into a higher tax bracket.
- An investor holds an appreciated asset indefinitely, solely to avoid paying the capital gains tax.

As a general rule, the best tax strategies are those that generate a deduction and leave you in control of your money. This is what happens, for example, with IRA, Keogh, 401(k), and other retirement plans. Strategies that result in tax deferral can also be desirable, since you get to pay your tax bill years from now in usually cheaper, inflated dollars.

Tax-cutting strategies are usually part of a bigger financial picture. If you are planning any tax-related moves, we can help make sure that everything stays in focus. Give us a call for any assistance you need.

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Heat-related illness continued...

Types of Heat-Related illness

- 1. Heat Cramps:** Brief but painful cramps in the legs, arms, back and abdomen. These are thought to be caused by a loss of sodium and other chemicals from the body in perspiration. Treatment involves resting in a cool place and drinking cool liquids, especially sports drinks that contain sodium. Medical treatment should be sought if the cramps are unrelieved.
- 2. Heat Exhaustion:** May occur with continued or worsening heat exposure. Symptoms include weakness, dizziness, nausea, headache, fainting, fever, and rapid pulse and respirations. Skin may be pale and cool with heavy perspiration. Seek medical attention if this is suspected. The affected person should lie down in a cool place, out of the sun, with legs raised slightly. Give cool liquids and sponge off with cool water to reduce body heat. Avoid extremely cold or iced drinks and sponging with very cold water, as these may cause shivering and excessive constriction of blood vessels, thus decreasing desired heat loss.
- 3. Heat Stroke:** This is the most serious type and requires immediate medical attention. The body loses its ability to regulate temperature and body temperature may reach 104°F or higher. Symptoms are those of heat exhaustion but also include changes in mental status and the skin is hot, dry and flushed. Seizures may occur with fever over 104°F. If these symptoms occur, call 911. While waiting on emergency transport, a victim of heat stroke should be placed in a cool environment with legs slightly raised. Emergency cooling measures include removing clothing, using cold packs at the armpits and groin, and pouring cool water over the person. Do not give fluids by mouth if heat stroke is suspected.

More on heat-related illness in the next article.

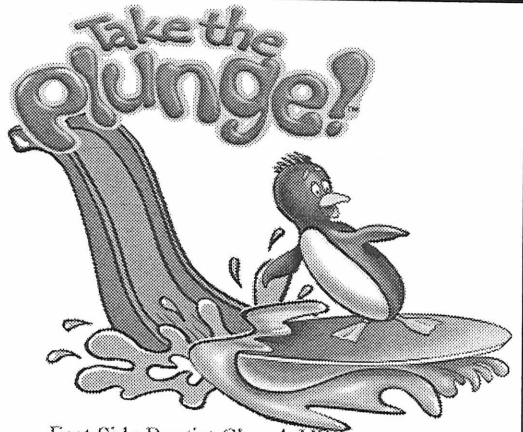
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ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., Aug. 6 Lunch—Ham slice, English peas, corn, cranberries, yeast roll, banana pudding, milk, tea, or coffee	Fri., Aug. 10 Lunch—Beef and mac, mashed potatoes, club spinach, onions, pickles, garlic toast, pears, cookie, milk, tea, or coffee
Wed., Aug. 8 Lunch—King Ranch chicken, Black-eyed peas, glazed carrots, sliced onions, garlic toast, Coke cake, milk,	Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.



East Side Baptist Church VBS
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Summer driving poses risks to motorists and motorcyclists

Summer is the season of road trips. With millions of drivers expected to travel on Texas highways in the upcoming weeks, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is launching a new campaign to remind motorists to drive at safe speeds and pay particular attention to motorcyclists.

Safety advocates report that speeding continues to be the leading cause of crashes in Texas, accounting for four in ten crashes. With the growing popularity of motorcycling, they also note that riders are especially vulnerable when vehicles and motorcycles collide.

"More than 90 percent of crashes involving motorcycles result in the motorcyclist's death or some level of injury to the motorcyclist," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's traffic operations director. "We're reminding drivers to be on the lookout for motorcyclists, especially at intersections where many crashes occur."

TxDOT will air TV and radio commercials until Aug. 15, not only urging drivers to ease up on the accelerator but also to be on the lookout for motorcyclists.

Co-sponsoring the effort is the Texas Motorcycle Roadriders Association (TMRA), which educates riders and promotes motorcycle safety in Texas.

TxDOT and TMRA have these safety tips for sharing the road with motorists:

- Always look twice for motorcyclists - at intersections, entering highways and whenever turning or changing lanes. Motorcycles small size often makes them hard to see, and motorcyclists can get lost in your blind spots.
- When passing a motorcyclist, move to the other lane and allow a full lane for the motorcycle. After doing so, avoid reentering the lane too quickly.
- Always maintain a safe following distance.

In 2005, 360 motorcyclists were killed on Texas roads.

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Haskell County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

David C. Davis
County Judge 31-32c

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FORMA DE MUESTRA

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Through the National School Lunch program, Paint Creek ISD will be providing free or reduced priced lunches for children unable to pay the full price during the 2007-08 school year. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown in the TEA guidelines are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Applications will be given to each household on the day of registration. Additional applications or copies of the guidelines can be picked up in the Secretary's office of the school. The information provided on the application will be kept confidential and used only for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by a school or other program official.

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For more information or assistance, contact Don Ballard, Superintendent, Paint Creek ISD, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, Texas 79521, phone 940-864-2868. 31-32c

This Week's Devotional Message:



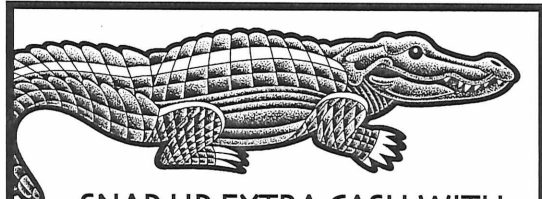
YOUR CHILDREN NEED MORE THAN SCHOOL ALONE

As the approaching school season appears on the horizon, it's time to realize that the school, for all its importance in teaching your children the basic skills of life, is actually the second stage of their education. The first is in the home, where they should learn manners, unselfishness, the difference between right and wrong, and respect for authority and the

rights of others, before they take even the first step out of the house; because the outside world begins right on your doorstep. Moreover, the character they develop during these years will remain with them all through life, so this early training should also include an education in faith, in the Sunday school at the church of your choice.

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Danny Manross, pastor
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600 N. 1st East, Haskell
Christian Church
Richard Barr, minister
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
Church of God
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell
Trinity Lutheran Church
Ron Rennegarbe, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
First United Methodist Church
Rev. Tom Long, pastor
Sun. 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. 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
Jim Yates, minister
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
First Presbyterian Church
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
Trinity Baptist Church
Larry White, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
Hopewell Baptist Church
Rev. Tom Collins, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell</p> | <p>Greater Independent Baptist Church
Sun. 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. 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. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
First Baptist Church
Greg Gasaway, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
Church in the Wind
C.C. Curran, pastor
Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.
Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.
203 S. 1st East, Haskell
Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church
Morris R. Johnson, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
1600 N. First St., Haskell</p> <p>—WEINERT—
First Baptist Church
Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert</p> <p>—ROCHESTER—
Church of Christ
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
First Baptist Church
Fred Garvin, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
Union Chapel Baptist Church
Clovis Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
Faith Chapel of Rochester
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester</p> | <p>First United Methodist Church
Rev. Daniel Echols, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester</p> <p>—SAGERTON—
Sagerton Methodist Church
Stephania Gilkey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton
Faith Lutheran Church
Curtis Baker, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton</p> <p>—RULE—
First Baptist Church
Russell Stanley, pastor
Sun. 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. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
First United Methodist Church
Tom Long, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
Primera Iglesia Bautista
Alfa y Omegas
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule
Sweet Home Baptist Church
Larry Neal, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m.;
Gladstone Ave., Rule
West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule</p> <p>—PAINT CREEK—
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The family of Wanda Sue Briggs wishes to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the kindness shown and prayers sent up for our family following the unexpected death of our Wife and Mother.

A special Thank You to Dr. McSmith and his staff, the wonderful nurses and attendants at Haskell Memorial Hospital who were so loving and caring with all of us and especially our weekend physician, Dr. Robinson. Hats off to the staff at Holden-McCauley Funeral Home for making a very difficult time easier for all of us. Thank you to all our friends for your love, support and understanding during this time. God's blessings to each and every one of you.

John, Janis and Wayne, Dan, Mike and Debbie, Robert and Jamie Briggs and families and Kathryn Schonersted

A simple thank you is not enough for all the kindness and sympathies this community has shown the Herren Family at the loss of our dear Mother and Grandmother. She loved this community and was convinced it grew the best friends in Texas. Her church was her mission; her art, her passion; and socializing at every level whether with her Progressive Study Club or at her kitchen table was her fun.

We need to acknowledge the care from Haskell County Home Health, Doctors Cadenhead and McSmith, and in the last three weeks Hendrick Hospice Care and to all the ladies who came into her home and lovingly administered to her. These people allowed us to keep our promise to her that she could stay in her home as long as possible. To those dear friends who sat with me after she died until some family could arrive, it would have been lonely and unbearable without you . . . Thank you. Through the past four years, there have been many friends and extended family members who have responded to emergency needs and have given their support . . . Thank you.

To the Haskell Church of Christ and especially to our trusted friend and elder and his wife, Gerald and Mary Nell McCoy, thank you for your prayers, your concern, the wonderful food, the song service and uplifting celebration of Anita's Life. The tribute to her in your bulletin was a blessing to all in her family. To all who sent flowers, cards, food and memorials to the church and the library in her name or offered a precious memory of her . . . Thank you. Her love of Haskell was not misplaced.

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Leadership Skills workshop to help teenaged girls

The STAR program is offering a workshop for girls 14 to 15 years of age beginning Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The primary focus of the leadership skills workshop is to help girls become confident, self-directed, self-sufficient leaders by offering them opportunities to develop their inner assets, to improve the quality of life for themselves, their families and their communities. Through supportive conversation circles, personal goal-setting, mentoring and a variety of activities, the girls gain important skills

including listening to and understanding view points of others, communicating clearly, thinking critically, goal-setting and sound decision making. The girls develop social, emotional and intellectual tools to help them avoid negative traps. Instead, they create a positive life vision, develop success skills, serve as community role models and access the resources they need to achieve in school, a career and life.

For more information, contact Helen Wilson at 940-256-2417.

Record book winners

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County
Winners in the Texas Cooperative Extension Rolling Plains 3 District 4-H Record Book Judging were selected July 17, when screening groups met at the Wilbarger Memorial Auditorium in Vernon, according to Kelli Lehman, Extension Program Specialist 4-H for the twenty-four Rolling Plains counties.

Eighty-eight Junior records, 87 Intermediate records and 75 Senior records were scored in 39 different subject matter areas. Junior and Intermediate records were placed first through fifth place. First place Senior records will be submitted for State judging, where they will compete for scholarships and awards.

Haskell County had six 4-H'ers enter record books in this contest:

Sarah Campbell, daughter of Don and Sherri Campbell of Rule, Junior Division in the Food

and Nutrition category, placed fourth.

Aaron Ulrich, son of Ricky and Faye Ulrich of Rochester, Junior Division in the Swine category, placed fourth.

Stewart Ulrich, son of Ricky and Faye Ulrich of Rochester, Intermediate Division in the Swine category, placed third.

Jenny Dudensing, daughter of Lynn and Renee Dudensing of Sagerton, Intermediate Division in the Food and Nutrition category, placed first.

Molly Dudensing, daughter of Lynn and Renee Dudensing of Sagerton, Senior Division in the Clothing and Textiles, placed first.

Brook Bullinger, daughter of Dale and Valiene Bullinger of Haskell, Senior Division in the Health category, placed first.

Volunteer leaders from Haskell County who helped with the judging of the record books were Valiene Bullinger and Faye Ulrich.

Calendar

Life after loss

A Life after Loss support group meeting will be held Thurs., Aug. 2 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Downstairs Conference Room of the West Texas Rehab Center, 4601 Hartford in Abilene. Call 325-793-5450 for a reservation.

ESBC VBS set

East Side Baptist Church in Haskell will hold VBS Aug. 5-9 from 6 to 8:15 p.m. Take the Plunge! will be for children who have completed Pre-K through sixth grade. Registration begins Sunday at 5:45 p.m. Dress to get a little wet.

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.

Storm sirens

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

Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert-Rochester Schools homecoming will be held Sept. 21-22.

Class '96 reunion

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

HHS Ex-students

The Haskell Homecoming Association is seeking email addresses of ex-students. To register your email address, email Dorothy Hartsfield, secretary, at hhseshharts@cs.com. Homecoming information will be distributed by email, due to the rising expense of postage.

Show Steer Clinic set Sat., Aug. 11

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
The Haskell County 4-H will sponsor a show steer clinic Sat., Aug. 11 at the Haskell County Fair Grounds. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Topics will include selection, feeding, fitting, and showmanship. Speakers for the clinic are some of the best people in the industry, including J.D.

Ragland, Floyd Co. Extension Agent and Brad Schnitker, Cargill Animal Nutrition.

The clinic is open to all 4-H and FFA students. Participants are allowed to bring one steer. Space is limited to the first 50 participants.

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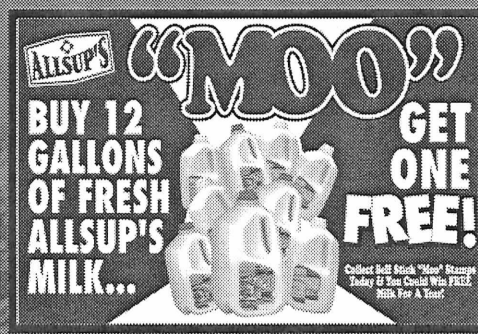
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