

Football games

RULE

Bobcats vs Valley
Fri., Nov. 30, 6 p.m.
Lowrey Field, Lubbock

Basketball games

HASKELL

VG, VB Childress Tourney
Nov. 29-Dec. 1
at Childress

JVG Merkel Tourney
Nov. 29-Dec. 1
at Merkel

7th-8th Girls vs Hawley
Mon., Dec. 3, 5 p.m.
at Hawley

7th-8th Boys vs Hawley
Mon., Dec. 3, 5 p.m.
at Rochester

JV-VG, JV-VB vs Eula
Tues., Dec. 4, 4 p.m.
at Haskell

PAINT CREEK

JH G-B vs Aspermont
Mon., Dec. 3, 6 p.m.
at Aspermont

VG-VB Lueders-Avoca
Tournament
Nov. 29-Dec. 1
at Lueders-Avoca

VG-VB vs Benjamin
Tues., Dec. 4, 6:30 p.m.
at Benjamin

RULE

JH G-B vs Roby
Mon., Dec. 3, 6 p.m.
at Rule

VG, JVB-VB vs Albany
Tues., Dec. 4, 5 p.m.
at Albany

Calendar

Tour of homes

The Noah Project-North will hold their annual Christmas Tour of Homes Sun., Dec. 2, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each or two for \$15 and may be bought from any Advisory Committee member or at any of the homes. On the tour are the Jason and Lanessa Hall home, 502 S. Ave. P; Irene Castillo home, 509 N. Ave. E; Pam Norton home, 605 N. Ave. F, First Methodist Church, 201 N. Ave. F; Tom and Amy Long home, 604 N. 2nd. Refreshments will be at Denton and Dee Bates pool house, 402 S. Ave. H. These businesses will be open during the tour: The Carousel, The Personality Slipper-Shoppe, and the R & B Western Wear.

Rule sidewalk sale

Rule will host a city sidewalk sale Sat., Dec. 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Homemade goodies, antiques and etc. will be available.

Toy, clothes run

The motorcycle riders of Haskell County will sponsor the second annual gift run for the Child Welfare Board Sat., Dec. 1. All motorcycle riders are invited to participate. Staging will be at Kathy's Barber Shop in Rule at 10 a.m. Riders will be escorted to Haskell to deliver toys, clothing and personal hygiene items for the children. The Board has asked for clothing, underwear, socks and personal hygiene items, etc. for both boys and girls, ages 0 to 16. Riders are invited back to Rule for refreshments. For more information, call Pat at 864-8910.

Pageant

The third annual Merry Christmas Pageant has been canceled.

Poinsettias

Poinsettias are available for \$12.50 from any Noah Project-North board member, by calling the Noah Project-North office at 864-2551, or by calling Debbie Earles at 940-256-2156.

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BAND SWEETHEARTS—Chelsea Bullard, left, and Meredith Harvey were named Haskell Indian Band Sweethearts during the Haskell-Coahoma football game Fri., Nov. 9.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Rule Bobcats to play in Lubbock Friday

The Rule Bobcats defeated Happy, 96 to 72, in a playoff game held Sat., Nov. 24 in Lubbock.

The Bobcats will play Valley Fri., Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. at Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

In the first quarter, C.J. Saucedo scored on a six yarder. Stephen Pace kicked the PAT. James Wolfe scored on a five yard pass from Saucedo at the 1:32 mark the quarter. The PAT failed. Jonathan Rincon scores on a five yard pass from Jay T. Spitzer to add the final score of the first quarter. Pace kicked the PAT. The score was Rule 22, Happy 8.

In the second quarter, Wolfe scored on a 15 yard pass from Spitzer. The PAT was good. Spitzer added more to the score on a 31 yard run at the 6:25 mark. The PAT by Pace was good. Saucedo scored on a 4 yard run, and the pass from Pace to Kyle

Simpson was good. Saucedo threw a 39 yard pass to Pace for a TD at the 4:26 mark. The PAT failed. Spitzer fielded a five yard pass from Saucedo to end the half. Pace added the PAT point. The score at intermission was Rule 59 and Happy 40.

In the third quarter, Spitzer hit Wolfe for a five yard pass to score

followed by the extra point on a pass from Spitzer to Steven Anderson. With 3:19 on the clock, Pace scored on a three yard run. The extra point pass failed. Rincon scored on an eleven yard fumble return. The PAT was good. Third quarter scoring ended with Rule in the lead by 80 points to a score of 66 for

Happy.

Spitzer opened the fourth quarter, scoring on a 24 yard pass to Wolfe. The PAT failed. At the 3:04 mark, Pace scored on a safety. Saucedo ended the scoring for the fourth quarter with a 60 yard kickoff return. Pace added the PAT point. The final score was Rule 96, Happy 72.

Crime dollars benefit Crime Stoppers

Haskell County Sheriff, David Halliburton, and 39th Judicial District Attorney, Mike Fouts, made a significant contribution to Crime Stoppers. The money donated was from the seizure of currency that was used in the commission of delivery of a controlled substance.

Under Texas law, property may be seized if it is used in the commission of certain felonies.

Upon presentment of the

currency seized by law enforcement officers, Fouts filed petition of forfeiture against the defendants and recovered a judgment forfeiting the property to the State of Texas.

Combined law enforcement, and the cooperation between the Haskell County Sheriff's Department, City of Haskell Police Department and Texas Department of Public Safety

officers, has resulted in the seizure and forfeiture of more than a million dollars used in the drug trade.

Sheriff Halliburton was pleased to contribute \$2,000 from forfeited funds and District Attorney, Mike Fouts made a contribution of \$10,000 from forfeited funds to Crime Stoppers.

Halliburton and Fouts both

All-District teams revealed

The 5-AA All District teams have been announced and the following Indian athletes were included on the list.

Travis Adams #40, Senior, FB/LB, 5'7"/150 lbs., was unanimously selected District MVP;

Weston Rutkowski #3, Senior, QB, 6'1/55 lbs., was unanimously selected Offensive MVP, and unanimously selected as first team defensive Cornerback;

Derek Agraz #10, Senior, 6'1"/185 lbs., was named first team offensive Tight End and first team Defensive End;

Moses Munoz #58, Senior, 5'10"/190 lbs., was named first team Offensive Guard and second team Defensive End;

Clyde Frierson #53, Senior, 6'7"/235 lbs., was unanimously named first team Offensive Tackle;

Simon Rodriguez #54, Freshman, 5'10"/205 lbs., was unanimously named first team Defensive Tackle;

Aaron Rodriguez #6, Senior, 6'1/35 lbs., was unanimously named first team Defensive Linebacker and second team Defensive Punter;

Greg Guzman #5, Senior, 5'7"/150 lbs., was named first team Defensive Safety and second team Offensive Running Back;

D.J. Rodriguez #55, Senior, was named second team Offensive Guard;

Jonathan Martinez #7, Junior, was named second team Defensive Linebacker.

More than alcohol was sold

Officers of the Haskell County Sheriff's Office, Haskell Police Department and Texas Department of Public Safety made a visit to a beer store south of Haskell in reference to a report that the clerk was selling more than just alcohol from the location.

Information received from concerned citizens stated that the male clerk working at the store on Sundays was selling drugs. Sunday afternoon Nov. 11, Haskell Police Chief Tom Bassett received more information alleging that the same clerk was in possession of cocaine.

With this information, Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton, Chief Bassett and Trooper James Groves visited the store and received permission to search the store and a vehicle at the store. Cocaine was found in

the store.

A white male of Rotan was taken into custody for possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell. Officers also found pills in a unmarked pill bottle in the store. The male was transported to Haskell County Jail.

Halliburton thanks the citizens and officers of Haskell County for their continuing effort to get more drugs off the street and put those involved in jail. Halliburton stated, "With the new Crime Stoppers program, we can accomplish more. Citizens can call and help in solving property crimes as well as other crimes that are going on in this county and surrounding counties. We, as law enforcement officers, are looking forward to this program working in this area helping our citizens."



CRIME STOPPERS DONATIONS—The Clear Fork Crime Stoppers accepted two contributions recently. District Attorney Mike Fouts contributed a check in the amount of \$10,000 and Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton presented a check in the amount of \$2,000 to officers of the organization. Attending the presentations were, front row, l-r, Dudley Cockerell, Billie McKeever, Sheriff Halliburton, Don Haynes, District Attorney Mike Fouts and Kay Graham; back row, Dowell Matthews, Don Howard, Haskell County Judge David Davis and Bill Nemir.

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RECEIVES AWARD—McLean Tiger's Head Coach Blaze Herring, left, receives the Dave Campbell's Army Strong Team Awards from Army representatives on behalf of his six-man football team.

Photo courtesy of The McLean News

Tigers named Army Strong Team

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McLean, Texas—Oct. 16, 2007—Dave Campbell's *Texas Football* is proud to announce the McLean Tigers have been named the Army Strong Team of the Week for the Six-Man Division.

The Tigers were chosen for this honor because of their commitment to loyalty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, personal courage and teamwork.

"McLean showed a lot of resilience to overcome an early

16-point deficit in a Top 10 class," said Adam Hochfelder, general manager of Dave Campbell's *Texas Football*.

"The U.S. Army is very proud of the student-athletes at McLean who demonstrate the qualities exhibited within the Army—those include leadership, commitment to excellence and a desire to make a difference as a member of a team," said captain Javier Bilbao, Lubbock Recruiting Company Commander. "Who knows? We just might see some of the Tigers

playing the U.S. Army All-American Bowl, or the college level, or maybe the pros."

Football players and soldiers share similar values, such as teamwork, dedication, discipline and loyalty.

The Tigers coach, Blaze Herring, is the son of Leon and Carolyn Herring of Haskell.

Boxer shorts requested

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County

The Haskell County 4-H Clubs are involved in a Community Service Project called "Sew Much Comfort."

"Sew Much Comfort" is a collection of boxer shorts for injured American military personnel that are serving our country in a variety of dangerous situations and locations. As a result of discharging their duties, a number of them are seriously wounded or injured.

Modern medical technology is having great success saving the lives of these heroes; however, medicine doesn't address some of their basic needs, such as clothing that will accommodate medical devices and situations—braces, fixators, cast, prosthetics and burns. Many of the wounded troops are left with a hospital gown as their only clothing option.

The boxer shorts that are collected will be turned over to volunteers who will take out the boxer's side seams and put in Velcro making them suitable for injured service members to wear.

New packaged men's boxer shorts in sizes M through XL are needed. Drop off at Haskell County Extension Office, 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell or Rule High School in Rule by Dec. 7.

For more information contact Jane Rowan or Tammy Parham at 864-2658 or 864-2546 in Haskell or Molly Dudensing at 996-2736 in Sagerton.

DRI benefit

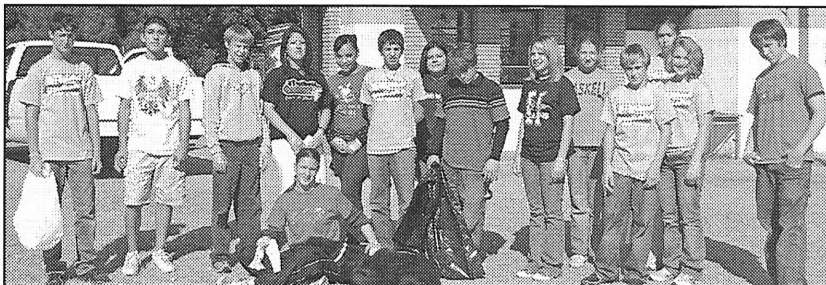
It's a big event, and it's a gift for the community. This year the DRI Christmas program will feature local entertainment and admission will be free!

Sponsors will provide tickets free of charge to community groups and individuals for 'A Big Country Christmas Show' Thurs., Nov. 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Paramount Theatre in Abilene.

Catclaw Creek will open the evening and the energetic Ball Ranch Band will perform during the second half of the show. The event will include a performance of the 'Bell Peppers,' DRI's newly formed HandBell Choir playing their shiny new 4-octave handbell set. For the finale, the audience will be invited to sing Christmas carols with the DRI residents, staff and entertainers.

The goal is to celebrate the opening of the Christmas season with a relaxed and fun evening of entertainment.

For sponsorship information or to request tickets for your group or for individuals, call 325-677-6815.



CLEAN UP CREW—The seventh period eighth grade class at Rochester Junior High School has been cleaning up the football field after every game. Helping out are, I-r, Ryan Baumbach, Adrian Hernandez, Jim Young, Sonya Rodriguez, Shasta Dockins, Stewart Ulrich, Kelli Ozuna, Colton Kimmel, Kymbre Kupatt, Krista Mclemore, Koby Foster, Sara Duncan, Mackenzie Thomas, Zach Wyrick and sitting Stacy Lowe.

Obituaries

Ethel Cox Earles



ETHEL EARLES

Funeral services for Ethel Cox Earles, 89, of Haskell were held Wed., Nov. 21 at Haskell Church of Christ with Frank Daniels, son-in-law, officiating. Burial was in Howard Cemetery in the Paint Creek community in Haskell County, near her former residence of over 60 years. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Earles died Sun., Nov. 18 at Robert Lee Care Center.

Born Jan. 6, 1918 in Baylor County, she was the daughter of Israel Alfred Cox and Martha Jane Allen Cox. She married

William Joseph 'Jodie' Earles June 6, 1937 in Seymour. They raised cotton and cattle in the Paint Creek community until his death in 1987. She was a homemaker and Jodie's helpmate for over 50 years, often following after him while he was moving the tractor from field to field. She was active in the Haskell Church of Christ and kept Singing School students and instructors for many years. Many young children remember her as a reader in the Grandmother's Lap program at Paint Creek School where her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren attended school. After the death of Jodie, she made a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Adelaide, Australia to visit her youngest daughter, Marjorie Daniels and family. In 2001, she left her home of 65 years and moved into Haskell, where she resided until February 2007. She then resided in Abilene with her son, Joe Bob and Patsy Earles until failing health caused her to move to the Robert Lee Care Center. She is well remembered by her grandchildren and great grandchildren for always seeing to it that they left her home well-fed with a home-cooked meal.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jodie; sisters, Pearl, Cassie, Orpha and Dena; and brothers, Alfred, Monroe and Francis.

Survivors include son, Joe Bob Earles and wife, Patsy of Abilene; two daughters, Jane Powers and husband, David of Haskell, and Marjorie Daniels and husband, Frank of Robert Lee; five granddaughters, Lori Earles of Abilene, Anni Lichty and husband, Jim of Williamsburg, Iowa, Julie Graham and husband, Bryan of Milano, Rhonda Hanson and husband, Lance of Haskell, Jessica Lightfoot and husband, Ronnie of Greeley, Colorado; one grandson, Jodie Daniels and wife, Scarlett of Rogers, Arkansas; two step-granddaughters, Carol Lively and husband, Mitchell of Quanah and Stephanie Powers of Wichita Falls; 15 great grandchildren and five step great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas 79605 or Hospice of San Angelo, P.O. Box 471, San Angelo, Texas 76902.

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Bernice Dippel White

Funeral services for Bernice Dippel White, 90, of Old Glory were held Tues., Nov. 27 at Kinney-Underwood Funeral Chapel with Rev. Curtis Baker officiating and Tucker McDonald assisting. Burial was in Old Glory Cemetery under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mrs. White died Sun., Nov. 25.

Born Dec. 7, 1916 on the Stonewall and Haskell County line, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Tillie Klump Dippel. She was a lifetime resident of Old Glory and was active in the Old Glory Water Board and Old Glory Community Musicals. She worked as a secretary for the Stonewall County Superintendent's Office and then, later for the Old Glory school system. She held the offices of secretary and treasurer for the Old Glory community center where she assisted with the bookkeeping until

the time of her death.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include a daughter, Dr. Judith Wilkins and husband, Rev. Dr. Lewis Wilkins of Lubbock; two sisters, Shirley Sasin of Buffalo Gap and Betty Hayhurst of Dudley; granddaughter, Katrina McDonald Jansky and husband, Ryan of Pflugerville; grandson, Tucker McDonald of Washington, D.C.; and longtime friend, Anita Dozier of Old Glory.

Pallbearers were Guy Callicoate, Ryan Jansky, Victor Powers, Kenny Spitzer, Marvin Vahlenkamp and Jerry Wienke.

Memorials may be made to the Old Glory Flag Fund, 391 County Road 135, Old Glory, Texas 79540.

PD. NOTICE

Mozelle Maureen Corley Fletcher



MOZELLE FLETCHER

Graveside services for Mozelle Maureen Corley Fletcher, 84, of Bridgeport, formerly of Haskell were held Fri., Nov. 23 at Rochester Cemetery with Steve Willis officiating. Services were under the direction of Smith Funeral Home of Rochester.

Mrs. Fletcher died Wed., Nov. 21.

Born Oct. 14, 1923 in Haskell County, Mozelle (Shockley), was the daughter of Theodore (Thead) and Blanche Corley. She was raised in northwest Haskell County and attended school in Rochester and O'Brien, where she graduated as the valedictorian of the graduating class of 1941. After graduation, she worked at the Knox County Hospital and Reed's Grocery Store until she married J.W. Hayes in 1951. J.W. died of cancer shortly after their marriage. She married Jimmy Doyle Bland in 1958 and gave birth to her only son, J. Edward (Eddie) Bland in 1959.

After the death of her father in 1961, Mozelle and Eddie moved to Rochester to live with her mother. She worked at the ASCS office in Haskell from 1954 to 1974, when she retired. She later worked for Penman Propane, Rochester ISD and the Knox County Hospital.

She married Joe Fletcher in 1978. They lived in Rochester, attended the Church of Christ, and enjoyed their years together traveling and spending time with family. Mozelle was a caring, giving, and loving woman who touched the lives of family and friends. While she has gone to be with the Lord Jesus Christ, she will remain in our hearts forever.

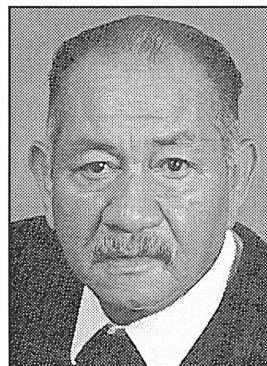
She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Marie Shirley and Zeola Jan Corley; and brother, E.L. Corley.

Survivors include son, Eddie Bland and wife, Teri of Bridgeport; sister, Patsy Webb of San Angelo; brother, J. Foster Corley and wife, Faye of Mineola; and 18 nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Rochester Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 245, Rochester, Texas 79544.

PD. NOTICE

Gavino Ortiz



GAVINO ORTIZ

Funeral services for Gavino Ortiz, 71, of Haskell were held

Mon., Nov. 26 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell with Father Michael Melcher officiating. Rosary was held Sun., Nov. 25 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Ortiz died Fri., Nov. 23.

Born Aug. 2, 1936 in Manor, he was the son of Jesus and Petra Ortiz. He lived in Haskell for 64 years and spent much of his time farming in Haskell County.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

Survivors include his wife,

Tomasa Ortiz of the home; sons, Gavino Jr. and wife, Irene of Rowlett, Robert and wife, Linda of Haskell, Jesse and wife Sylvia of Fort Worth, Victor and wife, Janie of Haskell, Nick and wife, Diane of Stephenville, Johnny and wife, Julie of Grand Prairie, Joe and wife, Michelle of Phoenix, Arizona; daughters, Sylvia Sanchez and husband, Arthuro of Dublin, Georgia, Ophelia Sanchez and husband, Joel of Fort Worth, Becky Rangel and husband, Mario of Lubbock; two brothers; two sisters; 16 grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

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4-H members compete at Food Show

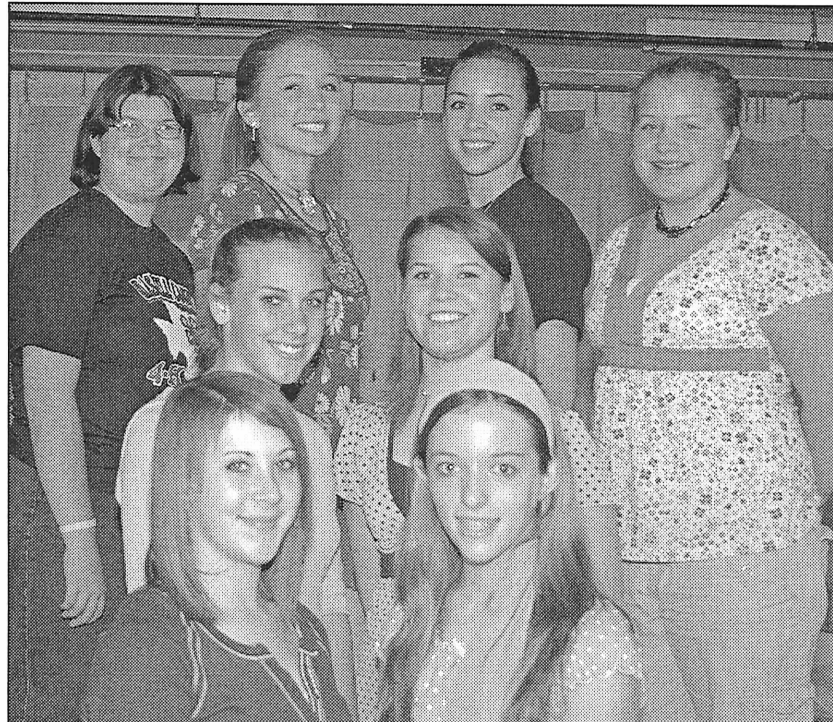
by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County
Thirty-four 4-H youth from throughout Haskell County competed at the annual 4-H Food Show Mon., Oct. 29 at the Paint Creek School cafeteria, hosted by the Haskell Sr. 4-H Club.
4-H members prepared a recipe of their choice and

participated in an interview with a panel of judges about the preparation of their recipe, the nutritional qualities of their dish and basic nutrition knowledge.
Results of the judging were:
Junior Main Dish: 1. Sam Fouts, Sagerton; 2. Kourtney Howard, Haskell.
Junior Fruit & Vegetable:

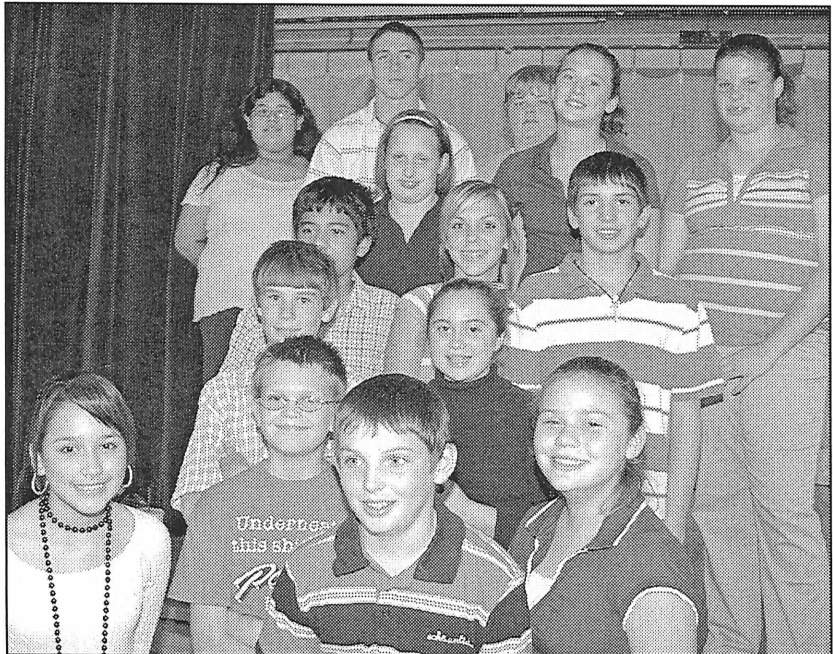
1. Sarah Campbell, Rule; 2. America Shelton, Rule.
Junior Bread & Cereal: 1. Crissy Bassett, Haskell; 2. Jacee Guess, Haskell.
Junior Nutritious Snacks: 1. Kylie Adams, Haskell.
Junior Desserts: 1. JoLene Navarrette, Weinert; 2. Jacie Klose, Haskell.

Intermediate Main Dish: 1. Meghan Glover, Rochester; 2. Payne Utley, Paint Creek.
Intermediate Fruit & Vegetable: 1. Tillie McGuire, Haskell.
Intermediate Bread & Cereal: 1. Emily Fouts, Sagerton; 2. Aaron Urich, Rochester.
Intermediate Nutritious Snacks: 1. Stewart Urich, Rochester; 2. Laycee Tullos, Haskell.
Intermediate Desserts: 1. Celeste Caddell, Rule; 2. Jasmine Klose, Haskell.
Senior Main Dish: 1. Kate Rowan, O'Brien; 2. Grace Burgess, Rule.
Senior Fruit & Vegetable: 1. Brooke Bullinger, Haskell; 2. Allison Petty, Rule.
Senior Bread & Cereal: 1. Jenny Dudensing, Sagerton.
Senior Nutritious Snacks: 1. Molly Dudensing, Sagerton.

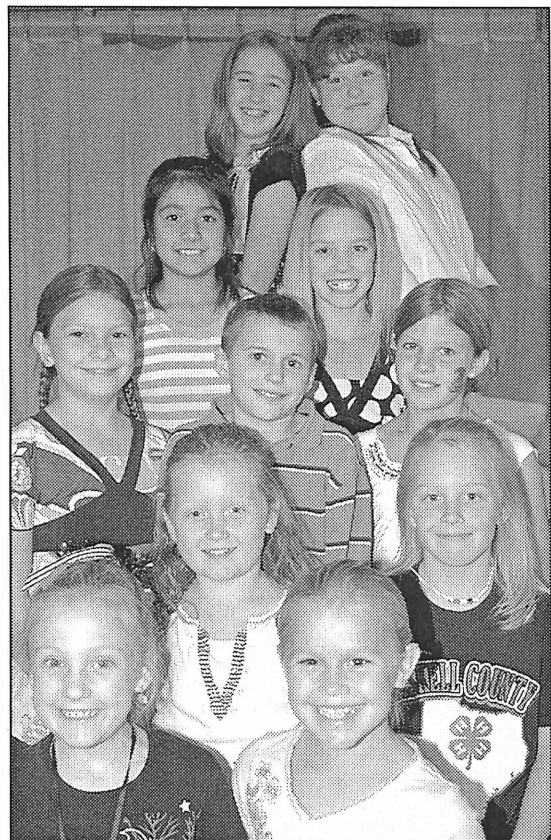
Other participants include: Jonah Caddell, Victoria Hertel, River McTasney, Zhenia McTasney, Destini Raynes, Alexandria Lyon-Shelton, James Shelton, Josh Starr, Shelby Starr and Stephanie Threet.
First place winners in all junior, intermediate and senior categories will advance to the district competition to be held Sat., Dec. 8 in Vernon. The county food show was sponsored by the Haskell County 4-H and Youth Development Committee and the Haskell County Extension Education Association.
Cookbooks featuring each of the participants recipes are available from the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. Cost is \$1.00.
Prior to the county food show 4-H members participated in a variety of learning activities related to foods and nutrition. Several of the 4-H'ers had the opportunity last summer to tour Mrs. Bairds Bakery in Abilene. This fall many of them collected canned foods and donated to the Noah Project North.
First year participants were invited to a special workshop Oct. 17 to acquaint them with the project and food show as well as teaching them basic cooking skills.
A county workshop was also conducted in October that featured a variety of learning sessions on foods over the past eight decades.



4-H FOOD SHOW SENIOR DIVISION—Participating in the 4-H County Food Show in the Senior Division were front row, l-r, Stephanie Threet and Allison Petty; middle row, Kate Rowan and Brooke Bullinger; and, back row, Shelby Starr, Molly Dudensing, Grace Burgess and Jenny Dudensing.



4-H FOOD SHOW INTERMEDIATE DIVISION—Participating in the 4-H County Food Show in the Intermediate Division were front row, l-r, Meghan Glover, Josh Starr, Aaron Urich and Destini Raynes; second row, River McTasney and Emily Fouts; third row, Jonah Caddell, Alexandria Shelton and Stewart Urich; and, back row, Celeste Caddell, Payne Utley, Tillie McGuire, James Shelton, Laycee Tullos and Jasmine Klose.



4-H FOOD SHOW JUNIOR DIVISION—Participating in the 4-H County Food Show in the Junior Division were front row, l-r, Kylie Adams and Zhenia McTasney; second row, Sarah Campbell and America Shelton; third row, Victoria Hertel, Sam Fouts and Jacie Klose; fourth row, JoLene Navarrette and Jacee Guess; and, back row, Crissy Bassett and Kourtney Howard.



BELL RINGERS—Haskell County 4-H'ers Miranda Johnson, left, and Brooke Bullinger are among members of four 4-H Clubs who will help out the Salvation Army by volunteering to be bell ringers in front of the Modern Way Food Store in Haskell. 4-H'ers will 'man the kettle' from 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays and on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. through Dec. 21.

4-H'ers to ring bells for Salvation Army

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
The Salvation Army kettle has been set up during the Christmas holiday season for years located at Modern Way's front entrance. The Haskell Ministerial Alliance and Haskell Salvation Army branch officers have asked the Haskell County 4-H Club to help out again this year.
Four 4-H clubs have members in Haskell County, including the Haskell Sr. Club, Haskell Jr. Club, Rochester Club and Rule Club. Each club will man the bell for one week each beginning the Monday after Thanksgiving

going through Dec. 21.
The times that the 4-H'ers will be ringing the bell in front of Modern Way will be from 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays and on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.
The money donated at the Salvation Army kettle is kept in Haskell, 100% of the cash, but the checks received are sent to Dallas, and then they return 25% of the checks back to Haskell County.
The money is given to the Haskell Ministerial Alliance to help people that are in special need of help.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Property-tracking system improves vision of eyes of Texas

AUSTIN—Texans now can register an inventory of their personal property, report property that has been stolen or check whether an item they are attempting to buy has been reported as stolen.

Trace.com, a subsidiary of MyThings Inc., is collaborating with the Texas Police Chiefs Association, the Texas Department of Public Safety and more than 500 local Texas police departments and sheriff's offices to make Texas stolen property files available to the public at www.trace.com/.

The Trace online database includes all identifiable property reported stolen to the FBI by Texas law enforcement agencies. Texans can access the Trace database, free of charge, to:

- Research items before purchasing them to determine whether or not they are stolen.
- Report recently stolen property to law enforcement.
- Create a secure, anonymous inventory of their valuable property that could aid in recovering the property if it is ever stolen.

Windstorm coverage rates to rise

Mike Geeslin, Texas Insurance commissioner, OK'd windstorm insurance rate increases of 8.2 percent for residential and 5.4 percent for commercial properties, effective Feb. 1, 2008.

The Texas Windstorm Insurance Association had requested a 10 percent increase for both in a filing made this past August.

Geeslin said the increase is part of a strategy to improve the financial health of the windstorm association.

Parks agency touts upgrades

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department says "Christmas came early this year" to dozens of state parks throughout Texas, thanks to lawmakers and voters who voted for more funding for parks.

Already, the agency said, many of the more than 200 new state park employee positions have been filled, repairs of long-neglected facilities have begun or will soon begin, and days and hours of park operations are being

extended.

And, because of the increased funding, park visitors will not only notice better maintained park facilities, but also will benefit from more interpretive programming, reopened camp grounds and trails, and better customer service.

The 80th Texas Legislature passed legislation to provide \$25.6 million for park operations and the hiring of park staff during the 2008-09 biennium.

Lawmakers also appropriated \$52 million in bonding authority to fund state park repairs, sending the measure to voters for approval. In the Nov. 6 election voters approved Prop. 4, allocating \$25 million to dry-berth the Battleship Texas to ensure its long-term preservation and another \$27 million for infrastructure repairs throughout the eight state park regions.

Court emergency plan in works

The Texas Supreme Court appointed a task force to begin design and implementation of an emergency program to prevent or manage disrupted court operations throughout the state in emergencies.

The 16-member "Task Force to Ensure Judicial Readiness in Times of Emergency" will identify existing gaps in court security, abilities to operate and other preparedness functions and response policies, procedures, and programs within the Texas judiciary.

The task force will develop an interim plan to fill gaps it identifies in the beginning, then design an emergency management program, oversee it and work with court officials and others outside the judicial system to install it.

"Normal court operations may be at risk during an emergency," Chief Justice Wallace B. Jefferson said. "Our courts must be able to quickly deploy personnel, equipment, vital records and technological support so that the rule of law is preserved and substantial rights are protected."

Denise Davis of Austin, special counsel with the Baker Botts law firm and former parliamentarian of the Texas House of Representatives, will chair the task force. The first meeting is scheduled for Dec. 13.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago

November 27, 1997

Doris Jean McMeans was named Outstanding Citizen of the Year by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Joe Cortez and his wife Sarah were presented the Business Service Award.

Sammy Wade cut the opening ribbon for The Barbecue Place. Camelia Wade is the owner of the new restaurant.

The 4-H team members, Eric Hager, Mindy Howard, Angela Hager and Mary Belle Turner placed tenth at the Livestock Judging contest in Vernon.

20 Years Ago

November 26, 1987

Tom Bogard, author of "Dreams as Big as Texas" was in town promoting his new book.

James Harmon Hopper Jr. and Clifford Herald were selected for the 1987 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

Haskell Rotarians are nearing completion on the new foot bridge being constructed at the City Park.

Mattie White enjoyed a visit in the home of her daughter, Sue and Jimmy Hackney and family of Fort Worth.

30 Years Ago

November 24, 1977

The Haskell Jr. High School sweetheart is D'Anne Burris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burris. The football hero is Joe Benavides, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Amador Benavides.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Burrow and son, Grant, of Lubbock visited with Ruth McEnon of Munday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ammett Russell of Haskell, celebrated their 50th anniversary.

The Haskell Indians took the Bi-District trophy after their 40-15 victory over the Albany Lions.

40 Years Ago

November 23, 1967

The Weinert High School elected favorites were: Most Popular, Mary Yates and Rocky Sanders; Most Likely to Succeed, Mary Yates and Terry Sanders; Most Beautiful and Most Handsome, Penny Patton and Frank Dutton; Most Athletic, Donna Adams and Rocky Sanders; Best All Around, Mary Yates and Terry Sanders.

The Paint Creek Pirates, Dudley Cockerell, Phil Coleman, Allan McClennan, Ricky Perry, Alec McClennan, Jimmy Ballard, Steve Livengood, Neto Palacios, Dennis Gilbreath, John Palacios, Mike Brazell, Larry Cockerell, Lupe Gonzales, Teddy Wadzeck, Coach James Mickler and manager Dwight Overton, wrapped up the 4-B six man championship.

Richard L. Riley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.P. Riley, was promoted to airman first class.

Water superintendent, R.M. Walter of Weinert, attended the West Texas Regional Water and Waste Water Short School at

Lubbock.

50 Years Ago

November 28, 1957

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Norman of Rule left for Wichita, Kansas to visit in the home of Mr. Norman's sister, Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. N.D. Ivey of Long Beach, California visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Ivey.

Wanda Greenhill, county home demonstration agent, will be transferred to Monahans.

Sam Rike and David Conner were placed on the 4-AA all District team. Dalton Linton and Jimmy Brock were selected for honorable mention.

One of the earliest heavy snowstorms in a number of years struck this area, blanketing the Haskell area with more than two inches of snow.

100 Years Ago

November 30, 1907

C.J. Miller is just back again from Smith County with a lot of pure, home made ribbon cane molasses he is selling.

Mr. and Mrs. W.A. King of the east side came to town to shop.

Griff Jefferson of the south side was doing business in town. Walter C. Zewer has accepted a position with the grocery firm of Foster & Neal.

The South Side Restaurant advertised meals at 25 cents and board by the week at \$3.50.

Fred Parish has accepted a position at Mode's Confectionery.

New process to benefit disabled

Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security, announced that the Social Security Administration has implemented its new quick disability determination (QDD) process in the Texas Disability Determination Services effective November 19, 2007. Under QDD, a predictive model analyzes specific elements of data within the electronic claims file to identify claims where there is a high potential that the claimant is disabled and where evidence of the person's allegations can be quickly and easily obtained.

"The quick disability determination process has been very successful and efficient. I am happy to say it will now help people filing for disability benefits in Texas," Commissioner Astrue said. "This is a very important step we are taking at Social Security to improve our disability programs."

The Social Security Administration currently receives more than 191,600 new disability cases each year in Texas. In New England, where the QDD process was tested, about three percent of all new cases were identified as QDD cases. These cases were processed in an average of 11 days. Since the model does not

yet incorporate as many diseases as it can, Commissioner Astrue has committed to expanding the number of cases that can be identified as a QDD case while maintaining the same level of accuracy.

"The length of time many people wait for a disability decision is unacceptable," Commissioner Astrue said. "I am committed to a process that is as

fair and speedy as possible. While there is no single magic bullet, with better systems, better business processes and better ways of fast-tracking targeted cases, we can greatly improve the service we provide to the citizens of Texas."

For more information about Social Security's disability programs, go to www.socialsecurity.gov/disability.

Crime of the Week

Clear Fork Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest of the person of persons responsible for two house fires at 300 W. Davenport in Stamford. The fires occurred Thurs., Nov. 15.

Anyone with information on these fires or any other crime is encouraged to call the Crime Stopper tip line at 1-800-222-TIPS.

All calls are anonymous—the group wants your information, not your name.

Santa letters due Dec. 6

Hey kids! Santa is getting ready to make his trip to Haskell on Christmas Eve. It's time to get your Christmas letters written and sent to him.

Letters to Santa may be dropped off at the Free Press office at 420 N. First St. or mailed to Santa Claus at P.O.

Box 555, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Deadline for having your letter printed in the newspaper is 5 p.m. Thurs., Dec. 6. All letters received by that time will be printed in the Dec. 20 issue.

Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Nov. 23, 2007

Early electronic gains carried through to cotton trading on the New York Board of Trade Wednesday, but a lack of buying interest later in the day prevented nearby contracts from moving higher before the Thanksgiving holiday. One industry observer said the cotton market "started the week in trouble and just never got out."

"There has been no real news to punish cotton prices into giving back the last two month's worth of gains," said a cotton market analyst. "That's the problem—nothing to feed the bulls. The other commodities have friendly balance sheets and escalating demand outlooks while cotton's fundamentals still are dicey and in a state of flux," he concluded.

Cotton futures and options trading was suspended Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday; therefore, the market had no chance to react to USDA's weekly export sales report released Friday morning.

The department reported net export sales of 227,300 bales for the week ended Nov. 15, up 56 percent from the previous week and 15 percent from the four-week average. Major buyers included China, Indonesia, Thailand and Turkey.

Export shipments of 183,300 bales were four percent more than the prior week and five percent more than the four-week average. Primary destinations for the week were Turkey, China, Mexico and Indonesia.

Due in part to a shorter trading week resulting from the Thanksgiving holiday, sales were lower on the spot cotton market. In the four-day trading week ended Nov. 22, online sales by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas totaled 8,389 bales compared to 14,117 bales the previous week. Average prices received by producers ranged from 56.42 to 59.58 cents per pound versus 57.41 to 60.41 cents per pound one week earlier.

In other news, West Texas farmers enjoyed warmer-than-normal weather conditions as they rushed to get as much of the cotton crop off the stalk as possible before inclement weather affected the area. Thursday, snow fell over most of region, and wintry precipitation remained in the forecast through the weekend. Thus, harvesting and the transportation of modules from the field to the gin could be hampered.

Elsewhere in the state, cloudy conditions dotted the South Texas sky this week, and spotty showers were reported. A vast majority of fields already have been prepared for winter, and the moisture was welcome.

Thunderstorms and a cold front hit the Memphis Territory. Outside activities there are nearing an end, and a prolonged period of wet weather urgently is needed to help recharge water table levels. Similar conditions were reported in the Southeast where less than 10 percent of the crop remained unharvested in Alabama and the Carolinas while nearly one-third of the fields in Georgia remained to be picked. Growers worked well after dark in an attempt to get the remaining open bolls harvested before the rains arrived. Although the inclement weather will slow outside activities, producers there hope the precipitation will help ease drought conditions.

The season rapidly is drawing to a close in California under favorable conditions. Picking likely will be completed by next week, and fieldwork is expected to wrap up by the first week in December. In Arizona, harvesting is progressing at a steady pace. Less than one-fourth of the crop remains on the stalk, and if good weather holds, work will be finished by mid-December.

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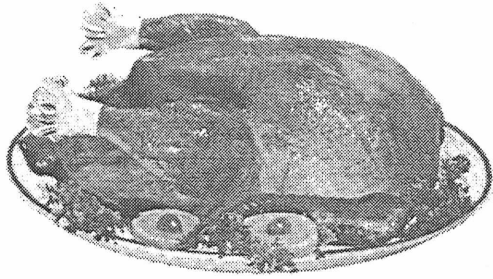
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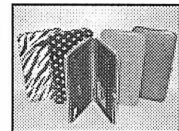


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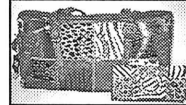
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Paint Creek School Menu

Dec. 3-7 Breakfast
 Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Toast or cereal
Tuesday: Biscuits, gravy
Wednesday: Pancakes
Thursday: Donuts
Friday: Waffles

Lunch
 Milk is served daily.
Monday: Spaghetti, green beans, salad, rolls, chocolate cake
Tuesday: Tacos, refried beans, corn, salad, fruit
Wednesday: Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, peach cobbler
Thursday: Chicken strips, gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, bread, apple crisp
Friday: BBQ sandwiches, potato wedges, ranch style beans, rice krispie



DISTRICT CHAMPS—The Junior High Paint Creek Pirates took the District Champion title after defeating Lueders-Avoca in the third quarter by a score of 51-6 in Lueders, Nov. 8. The Pirates scored over 50 points in eight games this season, and won three games by the mercy rule. The Pirates were undefeated in district play beating Woodson with a score of 53-18, and the Moran Bulldogs in the third quarter by a score of 60-13. The Junior High Pirates were 8-1 for the season and 4-0 in district play. Pictured are, back row, l-r, Justin Bailey C/N, River McTasney QB/LB, Blake Edwards C/N, Payne Utley QB/DE, Daren Johnson FB/LB, Damien Winterstein HB/DE, Dylan Cooper E/LB, Micah Waggoner waterboy, Kadie McCord, Caitlin Medford; front row: Chris Richardson E/N, David Powell FB/DE, Shawn Myers E/DE, Dustin Rainey HB/LB, Ben Groves E/DE, Dametric Escamilla HB/S, Dalton Barnett E/DE, Haley Myers, Katrina Buerger. Laying in front is Cheyenne Buerger E/S.

Haskell School Menu

Dec. 3-7 Breakfast
 Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Breakfast bagel
Tuesday: Glazed french toast
Wednesday: Cereal, granola bar
Thursday: Bean and cheese burrito
Friday: Smucker's PB & J

Lunch
 Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: choice of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.
Monday: Popcorn chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, English

peas, hot roll, peaches.
Tuesday: Chicken quesadillas, salsa, garden salad, pinto beans, chips, queso, pineapple tidbits
Wednesday: Elem. and Jr. High: Corndogs, macaroni and cheese, baby carrots, ranch dressing, ranch style beans, apple; High School only, mock ELA TAKS sack lunch: Two corndogs, baby carrots, ranch dressing, cheez-its, two fruit roll-ups
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, garden salad, banana pudding
Friday: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, Elem. and Jr. High: chips, High School: french fries, cherry shape-up

Calendar

Burn ban issued

A burn ban is in effect for Haskell County. The use of combustible materials in an outdoor environment by any person is prohibited. Combustible materials specifically include, but are not limited to, fireworks, camp fires, welding and any other pyrotechnic material, which in the manner or means of its use could result in a wildfire. The ban will continue until conditions warrant otherwise, stated Haskell County Judge David C. Davis. A person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

Christmas dinner

The Rule Chamber of Commerce and the churches of Rule will host a communitywide Christmas dinner and program Sun., Dec. 9. The dinner will be held beginning at 6 p.m. in the Rule School cafeteria followed by a program at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Reservations are required, but there is no charge for either event. To make reservations, call the Church of Christ at 997-2141, First Baptist Church 997-2321 or complete the flyer distributed by the churches or school. If you call, do not leave a message on the answering machine. Reservations must be received by Tues., Dec. 4.

Lighting contest

The Rule Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Home and Yard Lighting Contest in Rule. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. To enter the contest, call 996-2214. No entry fee will be charged.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Dec. 2 at the Pit & Grill restaurant. Dominoes begin at 2 p.m. followed by a meeting at 3 p.m. Those attending are asked to bring an unwrapped toy.

HHS Senior party

A Senior party will be held for Haskell High School Seniors Sun., Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

Poinsettias

Poinsettias are available for \$12.50 from any Noah Project-North board member, by calling the Noah Project-North office at 864-2551, or by calling Debbie Earles at 940-256-2156. Proceeds benefit Noah Project-North.

Cantata rehearsals

Rehearsals for this year's county wide Christmas Cantata are underway at First Baptist Church in Haskell. This year's cantata is titled 'A Christmas to Remember' and will be performed Dec. 16. Participants are asked to purchase their books. Rehearsal CDs will be available for a nominal fee. Child care will be provided by contacting the First Baptist Church office. For more information on the cantata, contact Greg Gasaway at 864-8599.

Christmas parade

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold the annual lighted Christmas parade Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. Lighted floats, high school bands and Santa Claus are expected. Area merchants will be open for holiday shopping, and visitors may enjoy Christmas stories, carolers and Santa on the square. For more information, call Sally Rueffer at the Chamber office at 940-864-2477.

Children's choir

A children's choir is being formed to participate in the countywide Christmas Cantata performance on Dec. 19. Rehearsals will be every Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist Church choir room from 4 to 5 p.m. through Dec. 12. Children from kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to participate. For more information, contact Greg Gasaway at 864-2581.

Storytime

Storytime at Haskell County Library is held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Stories, crafts and snacks are offered. Paula Rennegarbe is the storyteller.

Storm sirens

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

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This Week's Devotional Message:



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In that busy life of yours, so rigidly apportioned among work, home maintenance, TV, PTO meetings or whatever, try to find time to read your Bible; even if it's only one chapter at a time. It contains a great many elements for our education and well-being. It's history, with the story of the earliest days of the world, faithfully handed down through the generations. It's geography, inviting fascinating comparison

between the Middle East and Mediterranean lands, then and now. It's a prescription for better living, with its rules for behavior toward our fellow human beings. It's a great comfort, bringing us guidance and solace in times of trouble or sorrow. All in all, tis the world's most perfect collection of writings, and if we know how interesting and helpful it can be, we will somehow manage to find the time for it.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—
East Side Baptist Church
 Dr. Jim Hefflin, interim 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
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 Art Flores, Interim pastor
 Sun. 9:45 a., 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
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 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
 Philip Sims, 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

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

—WEINERT—
First Baptist Church
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 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
 Rev. Robert Harrison
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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—ROCHESTER—
Church of Christ
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 Fred Garvin, pastor
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 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
 Randy Hollingsworth, minister
 Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
 Hwy 6, Rochester

—SAGERTON—
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 Stephanie 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
—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
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 Dale Turner Jr., pastor
 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
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Church of Christ
 John Greeson, minister
 Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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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

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NOTICE OF SALE
 THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF HASKELL §
 NOTICE HEREBY
 GIVEN THAT:
 Pursuant to the Writ of Execution issued in Cause No. 11,008; First National Bank in Munday v. H&J Mechanical Incorporated, Ronnie Jenkins and Kenneth Saffel, in the 39th Judicial District Court, Haskell County, Texas, dated August 22, 2007, levy was made on the 9th day of October, 2007 of the following real property:
 BEING thirty-six (36) acres, more or less, at the northwest corner of the east one-half of Section 3, M.H.P. & P. R.R. Company lands, Haskell County, Texas, and being located and situated at the northwest corner of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 North and Texas State Highways 6 and 283, northwest of the City of

Stamford, Texas.
 That Writ of Execution is the subject of a *Venditioni Exponas* issued by the District Clerk of Haskell County, Texas, on the 2nd day of November, 2007.
 NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Halliburton, Sheriff of Haskell County Texas, pursuant to the above described Writ of Execution and Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 621, et seq, in order to satisfy the indebtedness awarded in the above described cause, hereby given notice that I will sell on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 (that being the first Tuesday of said month), at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the south door to the Haskell County Courthouse, at Haskell, Texas, at 11:00 a.m., on that date, the above described real property.
 Haskell County
 Sheriff's Office
 David Halliburton, Sheriff
 45-48c



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ALL DEADLINES MONDAY 5 P.M.

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For Sale

RULE CEMETERY LOT for sale. Lot 5, Block 67. 8 burial spaces with concrete curb. Jim Henry, 3104 Shell Ave., Midland, Texas 79705. Home 432-694-0137, work 432-697-6321, cell 432-528-3936.

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SIDEWALK SALE: Sat., Dec. 1. 9 to 4. Homemade goodies, stuff, etc. Downtown Rule. Come help us enjoy our freedoms and blessings. Crossroads Cafe will be open. Outsiders welcome - no charge. 48c

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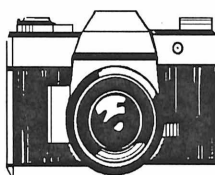
Jobs Wanted

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Public Notices

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the governing body of the City of Haskell, subject to the provisions of article 2559 through article 2566a, revised civil statutes of Texas, as amended, will receive applications from any interested banking institution within the City of Haskell to serve as prime depository of the City of Haskell. Any such applications shall be delivered to the City Administrator's office by January 7, 2008 at 2:00 p.m., in

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the City Hall, and will then be opened and publicly read.

The City Council will consider the sealed proposals for designation of depository on January 14th, 2008. All proposals will be considered valid for a period of thirty days unless otherwise indicated on the proposal form.

The City reserves the right

to accept or reject any or all bids. The term of depository bid will be for the time period of January 15, 2008 through May 15, 2009. 48-49c

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The Family of Gavino Ortiz Sr. would like to express their heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the many expressions of love and sympathy that were given during their Father's passing. Words cannot express how thankful we are for the phone calls, food, visits, flowers and words of encouragement. Thank you all, for the many blessings we received through your individual giving.
The Family of Gavino Ortiz Sr.

We sincerely thank all, especially our Veterans, who attended the second annual Veterans Day program at the Rochester Veterans Memorial. We appreciate the Rochester Junior High personnel and students for attending. We thank those who participated in the program: David Counts for speaking; Leland Terry and Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136 for presenting the colors; Mike Aston and the Rochester Band for performing; Clark Richardson for playing the National Anthem and Taps; and W.L. Wolf, David Davis, Leland Terry, John Rike, Scott Burgess, Jerry Hearn, David Halliburton and Curtis Darden for the Gun Salute.
Thank you to Bob Easterling for preparing the meal and Gregg Hearn for helping with the meal.
We also thank all who donated to the Veterans Memorial sidewalk renovation, with a special thank you to Haskell County Commissioner Johnny Scoggins and his crew for their help with the project.
Again, thank you to everyone who helped make the second annual Veterans Day program a success.
The Rochester Museum Committee

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The Alma Merchant family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, food, cards, flowers and memorials sent to our family at the death of our loved one. A special thanks to Dr. McSmith, Haskell Healthcare Center, Hospice of Abilene, nurses at Haskell Memorial Hospital and Haskell Healthcare Center for all their fine, loving care. We would also like to thank Bro. J.C. Amburn, Dr. Morris Johnson, the musicians and Carol Thompson for their part in providing a beautiful service.
J.R. Merchant and family
Cleo Merchant and family

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS
Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.
CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)
Dist/Div: Abilene
Contract 6168-11-001 for MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on December 19, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$143,280.00.
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: 25441
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.

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GRANT RECIPIENT—Steele Fire Apparatus of Haskell recently received a \$25,000 grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas. The grant is presented to small businesses located within the Bank's five state region, operating primarily within the United States, making a significant contribution to the economy through payment of taxes, by use of American products, materials or labor. Steele Fire Apparatus was aided by Rule Banking Center, a branch of Hamlin National Bank and a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas, in making application for the grant. Steele Fire Apparatus was recognized as making a strong impact on the local economy for the growth of the business and employment of a growing work force. Employees of Steele Fire Apparatus joining in the presentation of the grant money were front row, l-r, Coy Scoggins, painter-electrician; Patrick Pace, president of Rule Banking Center; Jo Ann Watson, secretary; Bill Steele, owner; Wes Steele, fabricator; Aaron 'Bud' Youngblood, Randy 'Woody' Woods and Jeremiah Isbell, all assistant fabricators; back row, A. J. Shaw, painter-electrician; and James Martin, sandblaster. Steele Fire Apparatus specializes in the custom fabrication and building of firetrucks for departments and organizations across the nation.

Goodfellows seek donations

The Haskell Goodfellows will distribute Christmas package to needy families again this year. The project will be conducted as it has in previous years and a sincere effort will be made to provide a Christmas package of useful items to those who might not otherwise have provisions for Christmas.

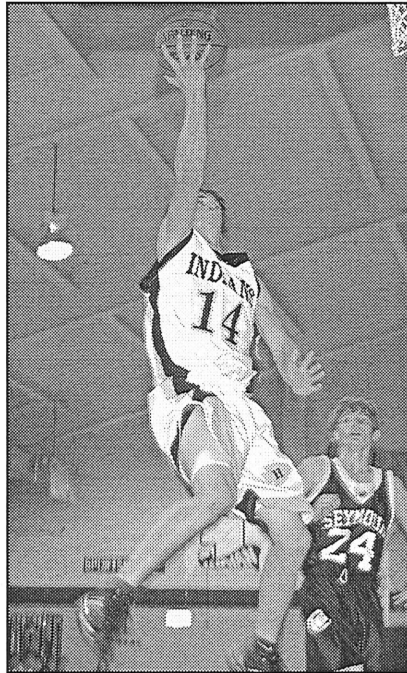
On Sat., Dec. 1 and Sat., Dec. 8, the names of those who qualify

for the Goodfellows project may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall between 1 and 3 p.m.

This year's Goodfellows project will be a joint effort between the Haskell Lions Club, the Haskell County Child Welfare Board and the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department. The Lions Club will take care of the food portion of the project; the Child Welfare Board will handle the toys and

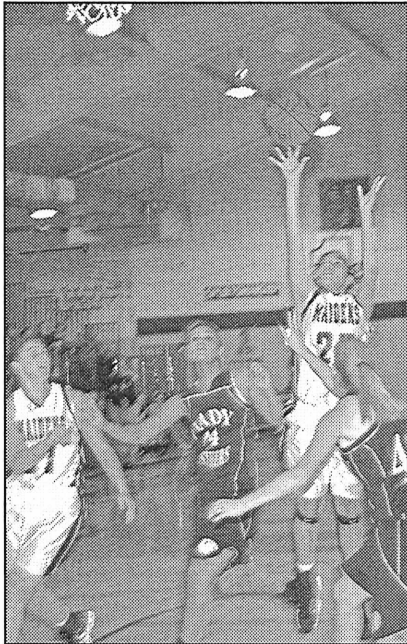
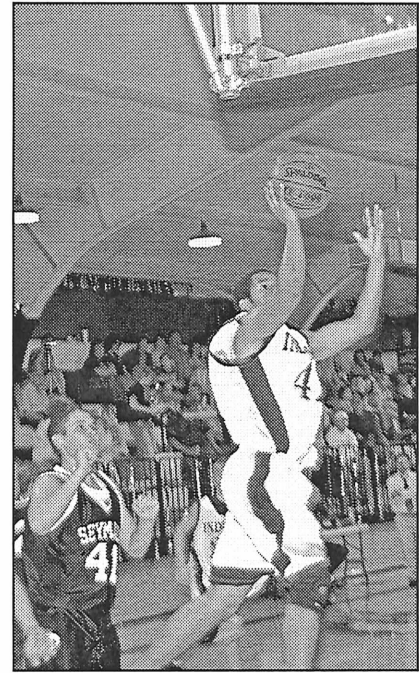
clothes and the Fire Department will handle delivery.

If you would like to help with this project by donating food, toys, money or clothes, contact any member of the Lions Club for more information. All cash donations may be made at the Haskell Free Press office at 420 N. First Street, or mailed to the Free Press at P.O. Box 555, Haskell, Texas 79521.



INDIANS WIN—The Haskell Indians outscored Seymour, 68-38, Tues., Nov. 20. Indian #14 Weston Rutkowski, left, gets some air while scoring a bucket against Seymour. #42 D.J. McCulloch, right, drops one in for the Indians.

Photos by Bill Blankenship



MAIDENS WIN—The Haskell Maidens defeated Seymour by a score of 18-10 Tues., Nov. 20. Maiden #25 Molly Agraz, left, and Maiden #35 Lauren Newton, right, are shown adding points to the Maidens' total.

Photos by Bill Blankenship

Tour of Homes to be Sun., Dec. 2

The Noah Project—North will hold their annual Christmas Tour of Homes Sun., Dec. 2, from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 each or two for \$15 and may be bought from any Advisory Committee member or at any of the homes.

On the tour this year include Jason and Lanessa Hall's home, 502 S. Ave. P; Irene Castillo's home, 509 N. Ave. E; Pam Norton's home, 605 N. Ave. F, First Methodist Church, 201 N.

Ave. F; Tom and Amy Long's home, 604 N. 2nd. Refreshments will be at Denton and Dee Bates pool house, 402 S. Ave. H.

Helping celebrate the tour, these businesses will be open during the tour: The Carousel, The Personality Slipper-Shoppe, and the R & B Western Wear.

Proceeds will be used to help victims of family violence in Haskell, Jones, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties.

Paint Creek honor rolls

Paint Creek ISD has announced the A and A-B honor rolls for the second six weeks.

First grade: A honor roll, Jr. Bogle, Bailey Hawkins, Dakota Hearn, Logan Escamilla, Cequin McIlwain, Chase Thompson, Antonio Yanez, Brittany Yanez; A-B honor roll, Tyler Rainey.

Second grade: A honor roll, Cheyenne Elias, Felicity Gentry, Alexandra Martinez, Caleb White; A-B honor roll, Chance Hobert, Devery Reed, Clayton Richardson.

Third grade: A honor roll, Catherine Lemond, Zhenia McTasney; A-B honor roll, Samantha Martinez, Buddy Trotter.

Fourth grade: A honor roll, Destiny Carson; A-B honor roll, Taylor Hunt, Jarrett Lopez, Ryan Reid.

Fifth grade: A-B honor roll, Bryant Booe, Joey Bosnjak, Skylar Bridges, Hanna Colley, Chris Elias, Micah Waggoner, Brad Winterstein, Dustin Wyrick.

Sixth grade: A-B honor roll, Justin Bailey, Ben Groves, Haley Jackson, Dametric Escamilla, Kadie McCord, Caitlin Medford, Shawn Myers, Chris Richardson.

Seventh grade: A honor roll, Katie Jones; A-B honor roll, Cheyenne Buerger, James McTasney, Danielle Oliver.

Eight grade: A honor roll, Katrina Buerger, Felysha Walker; A-B honor roll, Dalton Barnett, Katie Bosnjak, Daren Johnson, Caleb McCord, Haley Myers.

Ninth grade: A honor roll, Shana Armstrong; A-B honor roll, Curtis Bishop, Denton Reed, Briana Wigley.

Tenth grade: A-B honor roll, Britney Martinez, Brittany Waggoner.

Eleventh grade: A honor roll, Caleb Whitfield; A-B honor roll, Lacey Stephens.

Twelfth grade: A honor roll, Miranda Powell, Rusty Rogers; A-B honor roll, Chandra Ingram, Charlie Myers.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

Nov. 26, 2007
Haskell

Haskell County Gin	2,775
Haskell Co-op Gin	3,907
O'Brien	
O'Brien Co-op Gin	9,600
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