

Football

HASKELL
JV Indians vs Archer City
Thurs., Aug. 28, 6 p.m.
at Archer City
Indians vs Archer City
Fri., Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m.
at Haskell

PAINT CREEK
Pirates vs Novice Hornets
Fri., Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

RULE
JV Bobcats vs Throckmorton
Thurs., Aug. 28, 7 p.m.
at Rule
Bobcats vs Chillicothe
Fri., Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m.
at Rule

Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the Thurs., Sept. 4 issue of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Aug. 28 at 5 p.m.

Bull conference

The Texas AgriLIFE Extension of Haskell County will host a bull conference Aug. 28 at the Civic Center in Haskell. Topics will be bull selection using EPD's and bull health and management. Speakers will be Ted McCollum, Extension Beef Specialist and Fort Dodge Animal Health. The conference will begin with a meal at 6 p.m. and the meeting will follow. Call Wes Utley at 940-864-2658 to make a reservation by Aug. 26.

Mexican stack dinner

Noah Project North will host a Mexican Stack dinner Fri., Aug. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 10 and under. Takeouts are available.

Hunter's course

A hunter's education course will be held Sept. 2 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. and Sept. 6 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for those required to take the class. Hunters are required to participate in and obtain a hunter's education course certificate if born on or after Sept. 2, 1971. Students must be at least 9 years of age to attend. Cost is \$15. Contact Justin Cox at 940-864-3310 for more information.

After school program

Registration for Haskell Elementary's after school program will be held Thurs., Sept. 4 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria.

Young Homemakers

Haskell Young Homemakers will meet Mon., Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the First National Bank community room for the first meeting of the year. All ladies of the Haskell area are invited to attend.

Benefit dinner

A benefit dinner will be held for Buddy Trotter Sun., Aug. 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Paint Creek Baptist Church. The meal will include brisket, ham, potato salad, beans, dessert and a drink. A \$5 donation per plate is suggested. All proceeds benefit the Trotter medical fund.

Booster Club

The Haskell Athletic Booster Club will meet Tues., Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Parents, guardians and supporters of all junior high and high school athletes are invited to attend.

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Have a safe Labor Day weekend

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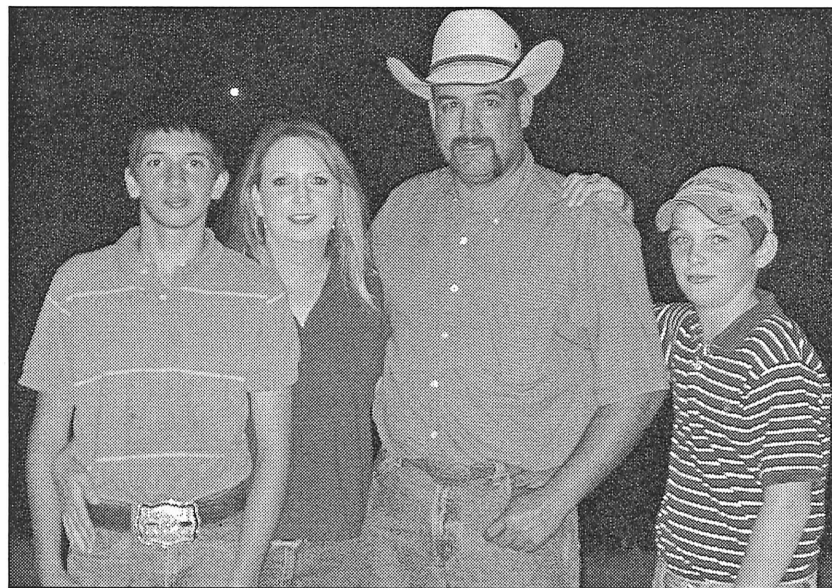
Bullinger, Rowan receive 4-H Gold Star awards



GOLD STAR WINNERS—Brooke Bullinger of Haskell, left, and Kate Rowan of O'Brien, were Gold Star recipients honored at the annual Haskell County 4-H Awards program held Sun., Aug. 17 at the Haskell City Park. Bullinger was also the recipient of the "I Dare You" award.



4-H AWARDS—Haskell County 4-H Awards program was held Aug. 17 where various awards were given to deserving 4-H'ers. River McTasney of Haskell, left, received the Silver Star Award, Zhenia McTasney of Haskell, center, was honored with the "Rookie of the Year" and Sarah Campbell of Rule received the "Clover Award."



4-H FAMILY—The Ricky Urch family of Rochester was named the "Outstanding 4-H Family" during the annual Haskell County 4-H award program held Aug. 17. Family members are, l-r, Stewart, Faye, Ricky and Aaron.

by Jane Rowan

CEA/FCS, Haskell County

The Haskell County 2007-08 4-H Awards Program was held in Haskell Sun., Aug. 17. The program was hosted by the Rochester 4-H Club and was held at the Haskell City Park.

Stewart Urich served as Master of Ceremonies. Others on the program were Meghan Glover, Paige Glover and Aaron Urich, all of the Rochester 4-H Club.

Paige Glover and Aaron Urich, recognized twenty-seven Haskell County 4-H'ers with project pins for projects they completed during this year's 4-H club year. These 4-H'ers and their award categories includes:

Beef: Kelsie Adams, Paige Adams, Chase Gibson, Kyle Kimbrough and Meagan Kimbrough.

Community Service: Meghan Glover and Kymbre Kupatt.

Consumer Education: Preston Morrow.

Food and Nutrition: Kylie Adams, Josh Starr and Shelby Starr.

Horse: River McTasney and Zhenia McTasney.

Judging: Ashley Adams and Payne Utley.

Leadership: Brooke Bullinger, Jenny Dudensing, Molly Dudensing, Kate Rowan and Kiel Rowan.

Rabbit: Shady Blue Dunlap and Tillie McGuire.

Sheep: Victoria Hertel.

Swine: Sarah Campbell, Paige Glover, Aaron Urich and Stewart Urich.

Eight of these 4-H'ers were recognized further for completing a 4-H Record Book. They received a record book trophy and a 4-H year pin to signify the number of years they have been active in 4-H. These 4-H'ers are: Brooke Bullinger, Health, 8 year pin; Sarah Campbell, Food and Nutrition, 2 year pin; Jenny Dudensing, Food and Nutrition, 7 year pin; Molly Dudensing, Clothing and Textiles, 9 year pin; Preston Morrow, Consumer Education, 1 year pin; River McTasney, Sheep, 5 year pin; Zhenia McTasney, Sheep, 1 year pin; and Kate Rowan, Safety, 8 year pin.

Jane Rowan announced that four of these record books were Senior division books that recently competed on the State level. State results were Brooke Bullinger, Jenny Dudensing and Molly Dudensing each winning first place and Kate Rowan winning a second place. The first place winners will travel to Washington, D.C. in late

November for National 4-H Leadership Conference.

Zhenia McTasney and Laycee Tullios received a medallion for Best of Division, for their photography entries in the District 3 Round-Up held earlier this year in Vernon. Salvation Army presented twenty-two 4-H'ers with certificates for their help during the holidays to work the Salvation Army Bell/Kettle. Recognized included Ashley Adams, Kylie Adams, Dustin Barnes, Crissy Bassett, Cheyenne Buerger, Katrina Buerger, Brooke Bullinger, Jordan Burson, Lane Burson, Taylor Burson, Carson Hadaway, Reagan Hadaway, Kourtney Howard, Miranda Johnson, Kyle Kimbrough, Meagan Kimbrough, Jacie Klose, Jasmine Klose, Reed Lee, Tillie McGuire, Destini Raynes and Payne Utley.

Volunteer leaders were recognized with a special certificate signifying their years of service to 4-H. Adult leaders and their years of service are:

Renee Dudensing, 18 years; Dale Bullinger and Joey Kimbrough, 17 years; Patrick Pace, 16 years; Valiene Bullinger and Tammy Parham, 14 years; Bart Parham, 11 years; Gina Buerger and Kenneth Buerger, 9 years;

Leslie Kupatt, Tonya Miller and Julie Petty, 8 years; Tina Tullios, 7 years; Leiza Morales and Faye Urich, 6 years; Terri Klose, Debbie Kreger and Elaina Mathi, 4 years; Tina Adams, Jim McTasney and Ricky Urich, 3 years; Sherri Campbell, 2 years and Chad Gibson, Kristi Gibson, Bridget Guess and Mitzi Reed, 1 year.

Special presentations for the 2007-08 4-H year were made by Wes Utley and Jane Rowan, Haskell County Extension Agents.

Mary Jennings of Haskell was revealed as the "Friend of 4-H," Terri Klose was recognized as the "Outstanding 4-H Leader" and the Ricky Urch family was honored as the "Outstanding 4-H Family." Gina Buerger, received a commemorative "4-H 100 year Anniversary" plate for being recognized at the State level for her leadership in 4-H.

These 4-H'ers received special recognition for outstanding 4-H accomplishments:

Rookie of the Year award, Zhenia McTasney; Clover award, Sarah Campbell; Silver Star award, River McTasney; Danforth "I Dare You" award, Brooke Bullinger; Gold Star award, Brooke Bullinger and Kate Rowan.

Kids to fish Sat.

The sixth annual Kids Fishing tournament will be held Sat., Aug. 30 at Lake Stamford.

Kids, ages 15 or under, must register at The Anchor before fishing. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$5. A parent or guardian must accompany the fisherman. Fishing hours are from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Weigh in continues all during the tournament with final weigh in at 12 noon sharp. Fishermen may have more than one fish in any category. Each type of fish will have a category. Fishing is to be done from a bank or dock

on Lake Stamford using a rod and reel or cane pole.

All fishermen will receive a prize. Proceeds benefit local organizations.

Indians to meet Archer City

The Haskell Indians will open the 2008 football season Fri., Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at Indian Field in a game against Archer City.

The JV Indians will play Thurs., Aug. 28 beginning at 6 p.m. in Archer City.

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Obituaries

Barbara Jean Turner Meier

Funeral services for Barbara Jean Turner Meier, 66, of Clyde, formerly of Rule, were held Sun., Aug. 24 at First United Methodist Church of Clyde. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home of Clyde.

Mrs. Meier died Fri., Aug. 22 in an Abilene hospital after a brief illness.

Born Feb. 8, 1942 in Jud, she was the daughter of Shores Franklin Turner Sr. and Willie Mae Goode Turner. The family moved to the Rochester area where they lived on a farm. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1960. She was involved in the band and was an extremely talented basketball and volleyball player.

She married Allen W. Meier of Old Glory June 25, 1960 in Abilene at the home of the sister and brother-in-law, Frankie and Olen Simpkins. Jean and Allen lived in Old Glory after they were married and later moved to Sagerton, where they remained until August of 1990. When they left the Sagerton community, they did not go far, just 10 miles north to Rule, where they lived until they decided it was time to be close to the grandkids. They bought a house in Clyde in February of this year, and were able to finally get moved in July.

Jean was no stranger to hard work. She worked for a number of years for Russell-Newman

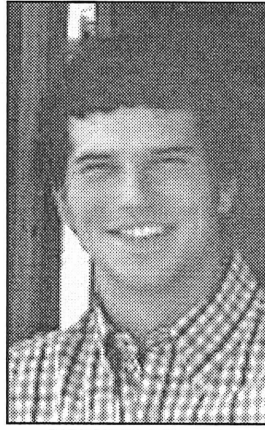
Manufacturing. When Walmart decided to come to Stamford, she signed her contract to work for Walmart before the slab was even poured for the building. She continued with Walmart in a management position at Stamford until her death.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Frances Meier and Ann Wright; and two brothers, Billie Dale and Glenn B. Turner.

Survivors include her husband of 48 years, Allen Meier of Clyde; one son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Mendy Meier of Clyde; three grandchildren, Drucilla, Will and Jess Meier, all of Clyde; four sisters and brothers-in-law, Loveta and Dalton Hearn of Rochester, Maxine and Tommy Ingel of Beeville, Frankie and Olen Simpkins of Big Spring, and Mollie and Buddy Lee of Abilene; two brothers-in-law, S.F. and Shirilan Turner, Jr. of Monahans, and Kenny and Judy Turner of Nashville, Tennessee; two sisters-in-law and their husbands, Beunice and Gus Vahlenkamp of Old Glory and Eunice and Harry Koehler of Haskell; along with a multitude of nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Rochester Cemetery Association, First United Methodist Church of Clyde or the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

Harvey Lee Terrell



HARVEY TERRELL

Funeral services for Harvey Lee Terrell, 19, of Buffalo Gap were held Tues., Aug. 12 at First Baptist Church in Stamford with Rev. T.C. Melton, Rev. Cody Cochran, Rev. Joel Sanders and John and Sandra Craig officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Valley Cemetery under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mr. Terrell died Fri., Aug. 8. Born April 3, 1989 in Abilene,

he graduated from Stamford High School in 2007 where he was a member of the Stamford Bulldog football team. He was active in FFA and Jones County 4-H, where he was seen regularly showing pigs at not only the local stock shows but at major shows such as Houston, Fort Worth and San Antonio. He enjoyed listening to music and listening to it loud. He loved all kids, whether it was his little sister, cousins or the neighbor kids. He worked for Smalley Drilling and Trucking Company in Albany and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Stamford. He will always be remembered for his contagious smile.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Bill Smalley Sr. and Wanda Smalley.

Survivors include his parents, Doug and Lisa Terrell of Stamford and Jenelle and Mike Schinkus of Breckenridge; three sisters, April Brendle and husband Chad of Stephenville, Erin Shack and husband Jacob of Albany, Laramie Terrell of Stamford; grandparents, Jerry and Barbara

Terrell of Stamford, Lois Smalley of Breckenridge, J.C. and Tena Sanders of Lueders, Doug and Anne Stark of De Rapids, South Dakota, Jerry and Twila Schinkus of Plainview; great grandparents, James and LaNell Sanders of Albany, Kermit and Myra Ulmer of Oaks, North Dakota, and Del Millette of Vermillion, South Dakota; a niece, Emma Shack of Albany; a nephew, Jackson Shack of Albany; aunts and uncles, Dickie and Jeryl Anne Cooper of Stamford, Jay and Sharon Beakley of Old Glory, Jay and Christi Markham of Bigsby, Oklahoma, Bill and Denise Smalley of Breckenridge, Jennifer Sanders, formerly of Los Angeles, California, Brandi Sanders of San Angelo, Billy and Angela Britt of Houston, John and Sandra Craig of Amarillo, Andy and Brenda McDowell of Wichita Falls; and numerous cousins and a host of friends.

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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.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Aug. 28 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room in Haskell. Clinic times are from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

Adult ed classes

Enrollment for fall classes for Stamford Adult Education classes will be held Tues., Sept. 2 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 5 to 8 p.m. at Wetherbee School campus, 301 S. Wetherbee, Stamford. For more information, call Gwen Baker at 325-370-3549.

Storm sirens

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

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J.C. Holt



J.C. HOLT

Full military honor funeral services for J. C. Holt, 76, of Haskell were held Sat., Aug. 23 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Lompoc, California. Graveside interment was held Mon., Aug. 25 in Lompoc Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Holt entered God's Eternal Kingdom Wed., Aug. 20 surrounded by his loving family

when the Lord called him home.

Born May 9, 1932 in Haskell, he was the son of Clara and J.C. Holt Sr. After graduating from Rule High School, he joined the U.S. Air Force, retiring after 21 years of dedicated service to his country. He pursued a second career as maintenance supervisor for the City of Lompoc, California, retiring after 20 plus years. He remained active working at the VAFB commissary. He was an active member of the community, passionately involved with his church at Bethany Lutheran, former president of the Cabrillo High School booster club and the former president of the Vandenberg Saddle Club. J.C. was an avid sports enthusiast and could be found at many a field or park enjoying his children or grandchildren's ball games.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, W.C. and Jerry Holt.

Survivors include his devoted wife of 55 years, Mary; his

daughter, Wendy (John); sons, J.C. Jr. (Sheryl), Jeff (Erin) and Greg (Linda); his five grandchildren; two great grandchildren; his six loving sisters, Gene (Troy) Culpepper, Jewell Pittman and Amelia (Ray) Perry, all of Haskell, Tommie (Kenneth) Alvis of Fort Worth, Jeannette (Rick) Ramos of Albion, California, and Jane (Brad) Rowland of Dallas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

God saw you were getting tired, And a cure was not to be, So He put His arms around you, And whispered "Come with Me," With tearful eyes we watched you, And saw you fade away, Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay, A golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands to rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. We love you and miss you.

Memorials may be made to Bethany Lutheran Church, 135 South East Street, Lompoc, California 93436. PD. NOTICE

Eddie Goode



EDDIE GOODE

Funeral services for Eddie Goode, 65, of Rochester were

held Wed., Aug. 27 at Faith Chapel in Rochester. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home of Rochester.

Mr. Goode died Sun., Aug. 24 in Abilene.

Born Oct. 24, 1942 in Haskell, he was the son of the late Lloyd Edward Goode and Floy Mae Strickland Goode. He married Diana Dunlap June 24, 1962 in Rochester. He worked in construction and was the president of the Ranger Plant in Abilene.

Eddie will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife,

Diana Goode of Haskell; three daughters, Tammy Wilburn and husband Keith of Merkel, Tonja Ross and husband Scott of Proctor, and Tracy Goode Cooke of Haskell; seven grandchildren, Josh Ross and Wade Lawson, both of Stephenville, Destini Cooke of Haskell, Kole Wilburn of Merkel, James Ross and Jessica, both of Proctor, and Dylan Cooke of Haskell; two brothers, Ricky Goode and wife Jimmy of New Braunfels, and Shayne Goode of Austin; four sisters, Gayle Walters of Odessa, Debra Walker and husband Robin of Odessa, Vicki Baker and husband Steve of Midland and Karen Farmer and husband Walter of Odessa. PD. NOTICE

W.H. 'Bill' Wilson Jr.

Funeral services for Major W.H. 'Bill' Wilson Jr., 89, longtime Snyder businessman and civic leader, of Snyder were held Fri., Aug. 22 at the First United Methodist Church in Snyder with Rev. Buddy Payne, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home of Snyder.

Mr. Wilson died Wed., Aug. 20 at his home in Snyder.

Born Feb. 3, 1919 in Sherman, he was the son of Evelyn Storm Wilson and William Henry Wilson. He married Mary Lois Springer March 7, 1942 in Aspermont. He graduated from Paschal High School in Fort Worth and attended New Mexico A&M and studied architecture. In 1940, he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force, where he flew as a bomber pilot, as well as the U.S. Air Force, where he flew with the Fifth Army Unit's 43rd Bomb Group. He served until 1945, later becoming the 43rd Bomb Group's president. In 2003, he was inducted into the American Combat Airman Hall of Fame and in 2004, he was inducted into the Texas Confederate Air Force Hall of Fame.

Upon his return from service in World War II, Bill and Mary Lois moved to Haskell and opened a Ford dealership in 1945. During this time, he served three terms as president of the National FFA Ford Advertising Council. After several successful years in Haskell, he expanded by opening another Ford dealership in Snyder in 1957. Wilson Motors has served the Snyder area for more than fifty years.

Bill was involved in many community projects.

His proudest achievement was to serve on the committee to establish a junior college district and bring higher education to the Snyder area. He was an original board member of the Western Texas College board of trustees, serving for 27 years.

A civic leader, Bill was involved in many organizations. He served as a director for Haskell National Bank, Snyder National Bank, for 30 years, and the Colorado River Municipal Water District. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and very involved in many capacities. He was a member of the Rotary Club and the Scurry County Industrial Foundation and was active in recruiting American Magnesium to Scurry County.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Evelyn Tracy and a brother, James L. Wilson.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lois Wilson of Snyder; one daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Dave Strelecki of Dallas; one son and daughter-in-law, W.H. 'Bill' Wilson, III and Nancy of Snyder; one brother and two sisters-in-law, John F. and Marcellene Wilson of Dallas and Margie Hackbarth Springer of Lubbock; two granddaughters and their husbands, Rachel and Craig Rember of Marfa and Molly and Chad McMillan of Snyder; one grandson, Carl Strelecki and his wife, Allison of Dallas; one great granddaughter, Vivian Rember of Marfa; and numerous nieces and nephews and grand nieces and grand nephews.

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Hopkins, Thompson attend conference

Darlene Hopkins of Paint Creek ISD and Wanda Thompson of Haskell CISD, both members of the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas (FCSTAT) and family and consumer science teachers, joined a registration in excess of 1,500 teachers at the 2008 State Professional development Tri-Cluster Conference for the Education and Training, Hospitality and Tourism and Human Services Career Clusters held Aug. 4-8 at the Dallas Sheraton. The conference is planned and coordinated by the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas in cooperation with the Texas Education Agency.

The conference, titled 'Making the Connection,' showcased the recently adopted Achieve Texas initiative which incorporates Career and Technology Education through the 16 career clusters developed by the U.S. Department of Education. In addition to addressing curriculum, resources, priorities, policies, and procedures for effective local programs, this year's meeting focused on technology training, conflict resolution/mediation strategies, effective teaching strategies for diverse student populations, maximizing career preparation opportunities, and accommodating 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 skills by planning and participating in activities and projects for the school and community.

Sharon Pierce, Conference Coordinator for Family and Consumer Sciences Education said, "Students deserve the opportunity to learn the knowledge and skills that will be essential for their success and satisfaction in adult roles. Through current, well-chosen content that is taught by teachers up-to-date in their professional expertise, Family and Consumer Sciences Education has a definite contribution to make to the education process. Further, each Family and Consumer Sciences Education teacher deserves to be recognized as part of a profession that is totally perceptive and responsive to providing programs which are relevant to current and future students needs; this occurs as teachers fulfill their responsibility to maintain professional fitness, competence, confidence, and commitment for promoting educational excellence."

Barbara Garcia, 2008-09 FCSTAT president said, "Robert M. Hutchins once said, 'The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.' Likewise, Family and Consumer Sciences educators also educate themselves annually through participation in professional development to ensure their success in the classroom as well as the success of their students."



RECEIVE AWARDS—Terri Klose of Haskell, left, was the recipient of the 4-H Leader of the Year award and Mary Jennings of Haskell was the recipient of the "Friend of 4-H" award during the Haskell County 4-H award program held Sun., Aug. 17.

Top 4-H members and volunteers to be honored

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County
Two outstanding 4-H Club members from Haskell County will be honored at the Rolling Plains District 3 Super Saturday activities, Sept. 6 in Haskell at the Haskell Civic Center.

Top 4-H'ers in the district being honored will be Brooke Bullinger, daughter of Dale and Valiene Bullinger of Haskell and Kate Rowan, daughter of Keith and Jane Rowan of O'Brien.

The awards luncheon is planned and conducted by 4-H'ers on the District 4-H Council executive committee of the 2008-09 District 4-H Council.

To qualify for the Gold Star Award, the highest 4-H honor at

the county level, a 4-H'er must be at least 15 years old, participate in 4-H for three years, complete a 4-H Recordbook and have at least three 4-H projects. "The award is intended to stimulate winners to higher achievement and to encourage other young people to participate in the county 4-H program," says Kelli Lehman, Extension Program Specialist 4-H.

Also to be recognized at the event will be Terri Klose of Haskell, outstanding 4-H adult volunteer. The District Salute to Excellence award recognizes outstanding 4-H volunteers for their service to 4-H programs and the impact that they have had on the lives of young people.

Elmore family holds reunion

The E.L. 'Tick' and Venice Elmore held their second family reunion at Lake Whitney at the Cliffview Resort's reunion complex.

Tick is the son of the late Frank and Rosie Terrell Elmore of the Paint Creek community. Venice is the daughter of the late Raymond and Lola Mae Bland of the Mattson community.

Attending the two day event were Mr. and Mrs. E.L. 'Tick' Elmore; daughters, Elaine and Wade Gomillion, and Paula and Walton Martin; and son, Eddie Elmore; six grandchildren,

Justin and Alma Holcomb, Nicole Holcomb Spalding, Venecia Elmore Perepiczka, Stephanie Elmore Scruggs and husband, Ken, Elise Martin and Elizabeth Martin-Iliff; great grandchildren, Emma Martin-Iliff, Rylea and Colten Spalding, Addison Perepiczka, Gavan and Gage Scruggs; step great grandchildren, Preston, Bradley and Brent Scruggs; and Tick's nieces, Joe Ann Lane and her daughter, Tonya and husband Shawn Batchelor of Arlington; and niece, Linda and husband Dean Turbyfill of Athens.

Memory walk to be held Sept. 20 in Abilene

On Sat., Sept. 20 Nelson Park in Abilene will host more than 500 walkers determined to move forward the cause of Alzheimer's care and support for those dealing with the affects of Alzheimer's disease. Teams are forming across the city, with a combined goal of raising \$56,000.

Teresa Lambert is serving as honorary chair for this year's walk. Lambert sums up her

commitment to Memory Walk this way: "I am walking, raising money and advocating for Alzheimer's disease in honor of my father. He is battling this disease daily and so I am." Starting a team is easy.

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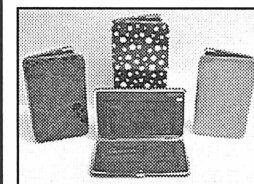
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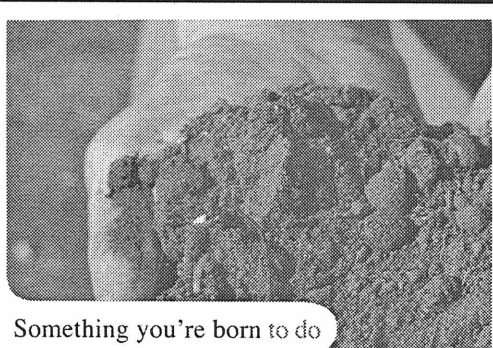
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He has a big sister, Tanah, age 3.

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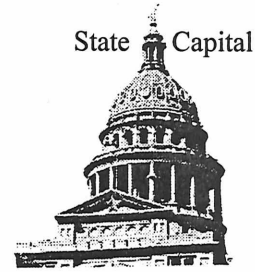
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State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Heads of state submit ideas to solve transportation funding puzzle

Their goal, they said, is to finance a "world-class transportation system."

Texas' top three elected officeholders co-signed an Aug. 19 letter to Texas Transportation Commission Chair Dierdre Delisi expressing their collective wishes for a plan to fund transportation projects over the next biennium.

Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick told Delisi to prepare for an Aug. 29 bond review board meeting with certain goals in mind:

- End the practice of funding the Texas Department of Public Safety with gas taxes that are needed for road construction. Use general revenue to fund the DPS.

- Create a finance entity that will allow the state's public investment fund managers to put money directly into state transportation projects that offer a "potential solid long-term return."

- Pass enabling legislation and appropriations for the Prop. 12 bonds approved by voters.

In November 2007, voters approved Prop. 12, amending the state constitution to authorize \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for transportation projects.

In September 2003, voters approved Prop. 14, allowing short-term borrowing by the Texas Department of Transportation. Perry, Dewhurst and Craddick instructed Delisi to prepare to begin selling \$1.5 billion in Prop. 14 bonds in September.

Executive order begins Blue Alert

An executive order signed by Gov. Rick Perry on Aug. 18 launched Blue Alert, a communications network to help track down suspects who flee after killing or seriously injuring federal, state or local law enforcement officers in the line of duty.

Blue Alert, based on the AMBER and Silver Alert programs, combines efforts of the DPS, the Governor's Division of Emergency Management and TxDOT.

When Blue Alert is activated, the suspect's vehicle information will be displayed across the state primarily via TxDOT dynamic message signs and media broadcasts. Alerts instruct the public to contact

local law enforcement via 911 if they have information related to the offense.

Immigration policies in question

Two Republican state lawmakers have asked Attorney General Greg Abbott if the Texas Legislature has the authority to deter local governments from adopting policies, or invalidate existing policies that hinder state enforcement of federal immigration laws.

In the request for an opinion, Rep. Frank Corte of San Antonio and Sen. Dan Patrick of Houston wrote that "sanctuary cities" advocate policies that are favorable to illegal immigrants.

To support their views, the lawmakers cited the Oklahoma Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act of 2007, which prohibits sanctuary cities and bars local governmental bodies from creating policies to limit or prevent local law enforcement officers from communicating or cooperating with federal officials on the immigration status of a person.

Online certification testing grows

Applicants took more than 50,000 online Texas teacher certification tests via the Internet in the past year.

And, Texas is leading the nation in online certification testing, the Texas Education Agency reported Aug. 20.

Online testing has been available in Texas since 2004-2005. Test takers have five hours to complete an exam, but the average completion time is between three and four hours. The results come back in about a week.

Karen Loonam of the State Board for Educator Certification said she expects online testing eventually will be the sole method for certification but she does not expect paper and pencil tests to disappear anytime soon.

Interim DPS director is named

The Texas Public Safety Commission named Texas Highway Patrol Major Stan Clark of Garland interim director of the Texas DPS on Aug. 15.

Clark will take office on Sept. 1 and serve until the Texas Public Safety Commission, which oversees the DPS, has selected a permanent director.

Clark has been with the DPS since 1973. He has worked at DPS offices in Tyler and McAllen, and has been a member of the DPS Capitol Police force.



AS LAY-OFFS CONTINUE, LABOR DAY'S RELEVANCE REVIVES...

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago August 27, 1998

Bree Burgess, senior student at Haskell High School, was named 1998-99 Lions Club Sweetheart and member Donnie Rieger was named 1997-98 Lion of the Year.

Dolores Medford, Lena Tidwell, Joetta Burnett, Alice Yates, Lennie Ruth Blankenship and Kathryn Schonertstedt accepted a plaque for their FCE Club from the 4-H'ers.

The Haskell Horse Club 1998 average winners were Kristina Bitner, Kelsi Adams, Cannon Edwards, Weston Rutkowski, Ashton Rutkowski, Misty Hise, Chad Hays, Brittany Rutkowski, Larissa Hise, Morgan Cox, Terry Branch and Ryan Branch.

Sharon Stevens is the new manager at Allsup's.

20 Years Ago September 1, 1988

First Baptist Church is celebrating their 100th anniversary.

Seth Pace, attending Abilene Christian University, has been named to the Outstanding College Students of America.

Marcy M. Davis, student at the University of Tennessee, has been selected as a member of the Outstanding College Students of America.

Ann Boles of Hamlin, won best of show in the adult division of the Jones County Fair Art Show.

30 Years Ago August 31, 1978

James McCoy is elected one of four captains for the ACU football team.

Peggy Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris, will be the Indian Band Drum Major for the 1978-79 school year.

Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Solomon, Sr. celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Frank Paul Jircik was awarded a hand crafted bronze plaque for being the Highest Ranking Graduate of the College of Arts and Science at Texas Tech University.

Dwayne Landreth and Jerry Coker, both of Rule, took part in an eight week youth conservation corps camp at Angelo State University.

40 Years Ago August 29, 1968

At the residence of E.B. Callaway, six miles north of Haskell, 149 dead birds were found under their mulberry tree. The heavy electrical storm the night before could be reason for their demise.

Marilyn Smith was selected Rolling Plains Cotton Queen.

Major Frank N. Markey received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Fuchu Air Station, Japan.

David Leroy Anderson received a BBA degree in Economic Management from Baylor University, Waco.

Dennis W. Rueffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin G. Rueffer, was assigned to the position of Station Agent for Ozark Air Lines, Inc.

The 1968 Haskell high school cheerleaders are Anita Thigpen, Diane Thomas, Judy Jeter, Paula Mayfield and Jeanette Glass.

50 Years Ago August 28, 1958

According to the Chamber of Commerce, Haskell has gained four new residents: W.W. Strickland, K.L. Bolen, C.W. Wallace and Kent Gaffard.

Charles Swenson was elected president of the Indian Booster Club.

Billy Ray Thomas and Don W. Smith received degrees from Texas Tech College.

Mrs. H.R. Jones of Wichita Falls, a former resident, spent several days in Haskell as a guest in the home of Mrs. Tommy Hawkins and Beryle Boone.

100 Years Ago August 29, 1908

A.D. English has just returned from an extended trip to points in Iowa.

Bessie Parker, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Cason, has returned to Fort Worth.

There is a mudhole on the Haskell and Rule road near the house that formerly belonged to Mr. Killingsworth, that could be fixed if the hands in that vicinity were called out for a few hours.

Judge W.C. Ballard, former resident of Haskell County, and family of Dickens are visiting in Haskell. He is the father of T.E. Ballard and Mrs. W.F. Draper and Mrs. H.S. Post and Mrs. Hugh Meadors.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cogdell left to join a Fort Worth fishing party.

J.W. Bell has returned from a trip to East Texas.

W.J. Lowrey visited relatives in Seymour.

Judge H.G. McConnel attended the district court of Kinley County.

AG Consumer Alert

By Greg Abbott

New FTC Rule Will Let Telephone Customers Avoid Pre-recorded Telemarketing Calls

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has announced a new rule governing telemarketing calls that feature pre-recorded messages. Beginning Sept. 1, 2009, telemarketing companies must obtain call recipients' written permission before contacting them with a pre-recorded message. More immediately, effective Dec. 1, 2008, pre-recorded telephone marketing calls must have an opt-out mechanism so that recipients can elect not to receive those unsolicited calls in the future.

Telemarketers with pre-existing customer relationships will be allowed to continue using pre-recorded messages to contact those customers only for one year after the rule is published in the Federal Register. At that time, telemarketing companies

will need their customer's written permission before calling anyone with a pre-recorded message.

Under the new regulations, charitable organizations can continue contacting their members or previous donors, but will need to offer an opt-out mechanism once the new rule goes into effect.

The FTC's new rule will not prohibit customers from receiving certain pre-recorded informational calls, such as those which announce flight delay notifications, upcoming appointments, or similarly helpful information. These phone calls are unaffected by the new rule because they are not used to market products or services to the recipient. Healthcare-related phone calls also are exempt from the new regulations.

Under the new rule, the pre-recorded telemarketing calls must:

- allow the telephone to ring for at least 15 seconds or four rings before an unanswered call is disconnected;

- begin the pre-recorded message within two seconds of a completed greeting by the recipient;

- disclose at the outset of the call that the recipient may ask to be placed on the company's do-not-call list at any time during the message;

- in cases where the call is answered by a person, make an automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism available during the message that adds the recipient's telephone number to the company's do-not-call list and then immediately ends the call; and

- in cases where the call is answered by an answering machine or voicemail, provide a toll-free number that allows the recipient to be connected to an automated interactive voice and/or keypress-activated opt-out mechanism anytime after the message is received.

The new rule can be viewed online at www.ftc.gov.

Cotton Market Weekly

By Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

August 21, 2008

Weariness gripped the market this week as cotton futures traded on mixed fundamental signals with little fresh news to steer market direction. However, cotton rallied on Thursday in the midst of a general commodity market rally led by strong gains in crude oil and by a sharply lower valued U.S. dollar.

"Cotton is in a seasonally slow trading period and could remain in the near-term as there's little on the horizon to prod the market strongly in either direction," an analyst said.

Some observers believe the cotton market will, for a time, cling to the general direction of outside markets though its momentum may not be matching. A stabilizing dollar would be a bullish boost to the cotton market, and traders will keep a close eye on developments in that area.

A little bullishness came to the market this week in the form of Tropical Storm Fay. Traders remained glued to weather reports until the storm was deemed unlikely to threaten cotton in Georgia and South Carolina when it made landfall off the east coast of Florida.

Adverse weather hit Texas, however, as hail pounded cotton to the ground in Deaf Smith County in the northwest Panhandle. Growers there still are assessing the damage. Meanwhile, the same storms showered much needed rain on the Texas High Plains but brought unseasonably low temperatures as well.

"Temperatures below 70 degrees can slow or stall a cotton plant's progress, and overnight air on the High Plains dropped below 60 degrees in some areas this week," an agronomist noted. "Really, four or five days of cooler weather won't substantially impede the crop."

Continued moisture, followed by warm conditions, could lift the harsh High Plains cotton production forecast issued last week. USDA predicted the region's farmers would produce 3.7 million bales, down from 5.3 million last season. Local analysts peg the estimate lower at around 3.0 million bales.

Thundershowers also were reported in the Texas Coastal Bend area. Accumulations were small, but it was enough moisture to hinder cotton picking. Ginning continued with little interruption as gins worked through seed cotton supplies.

In other news, spot cotton sales were slower in the week ended Aug. 21 as online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas totaled 22 bales compared to 274 bales the previous week.

Meanwhile, USDA reported net export sales of U.S. cotton totaled 183,600 bales in the week ended Aug. 14, down 53 percent from the previous week. Major buyers were China, Mexico, Indonesia and Vietnam.

Export shipments of 268,400 bales were up 21 percent from the previous week but down one percent from the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Mexico, Vietnam and Indonesia.

USDA's Economic Research Service increased its estimate of U.S. cotton exports for the 2008-09 marketing year from 14.5 million to 15.0 million bales due to an unexpected decline in world cotton production.

Some analysts think the 15-million-bale estimate may be a tall order, but even if U.S. shipments do not reach that amount, the figure is one indicator the economic outlook for U.S. cotton finally could be improving.

"That 15-million-bale export forecast gives us some cause for hope," a National Cotton Council representative said. "Even if we don't get to 15 million in exports, it leaves us in the situation where we may see a tightening of the balance sheet for U.S. cotton," he concluded.

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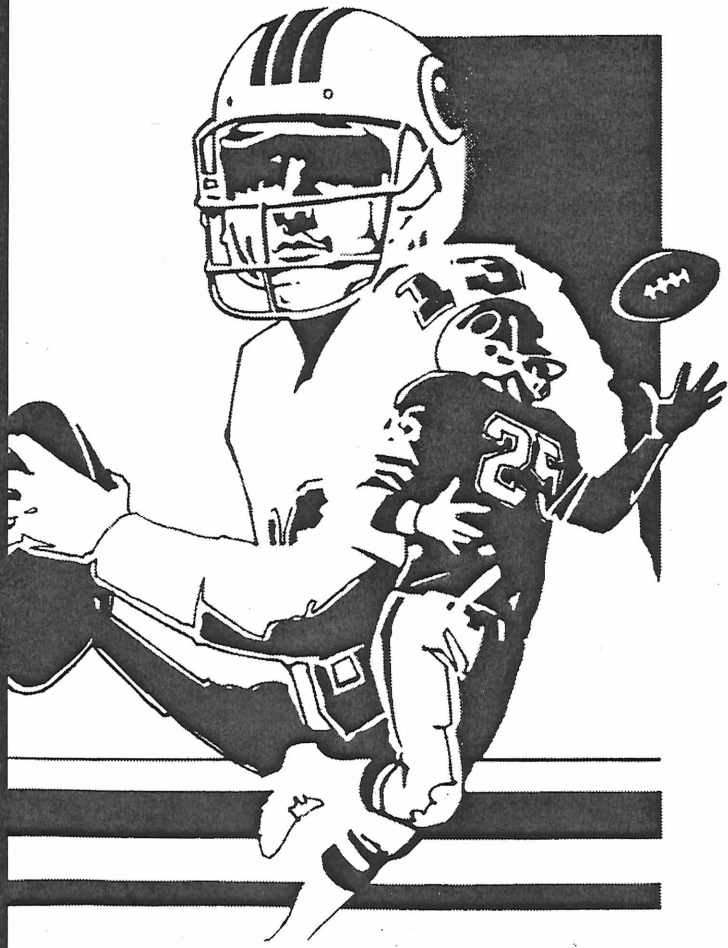
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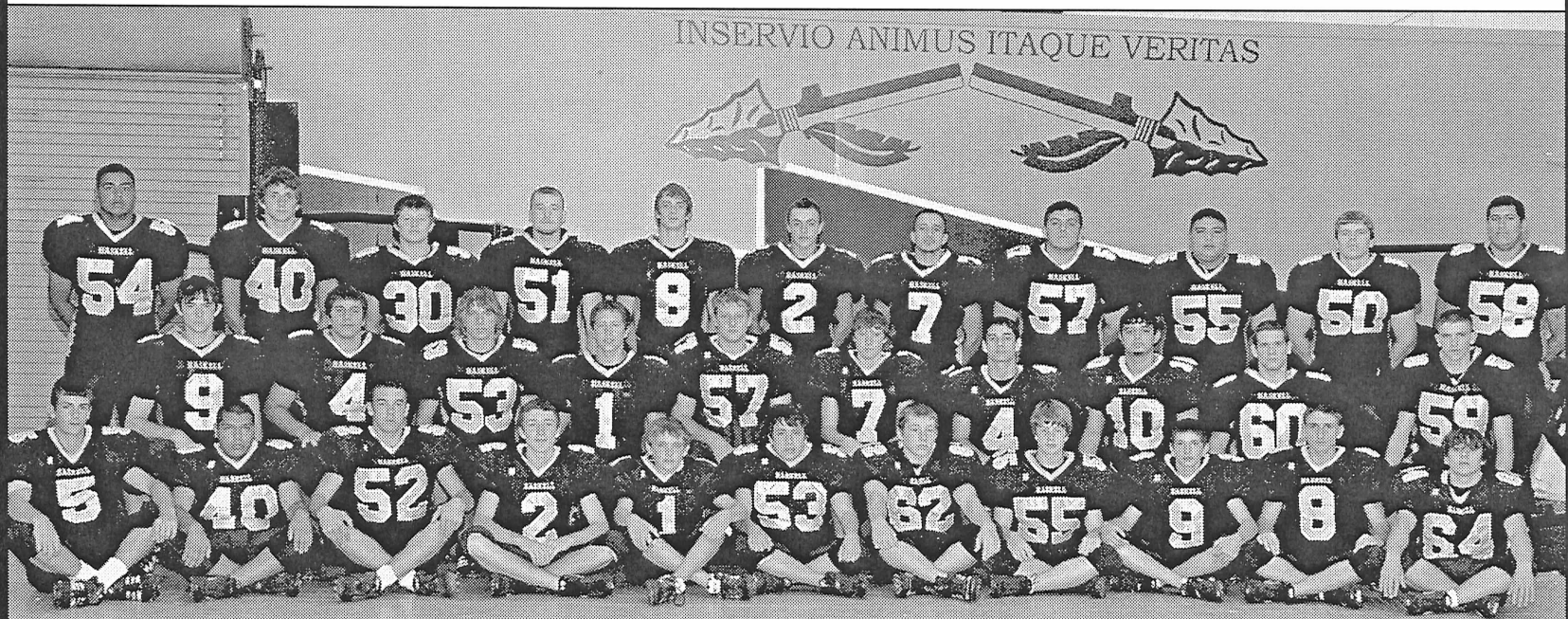
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(JV), Kelson Aguero (JV), Ricky Barrett (JV), Taylor Hill (V) and Ethan Frierson (V); back row, Simon Rodriguez (V), Clint Hamilton (V), James Williams (V), Cody Wyrick (V), Steven Fillmon (V), Tyler Rodriguez (V), Jonathan Martinez (V), Lee Hernandez (V), Scottie Rodriguez (V), A.J. Benton (V) and Ruben Robledo (V).

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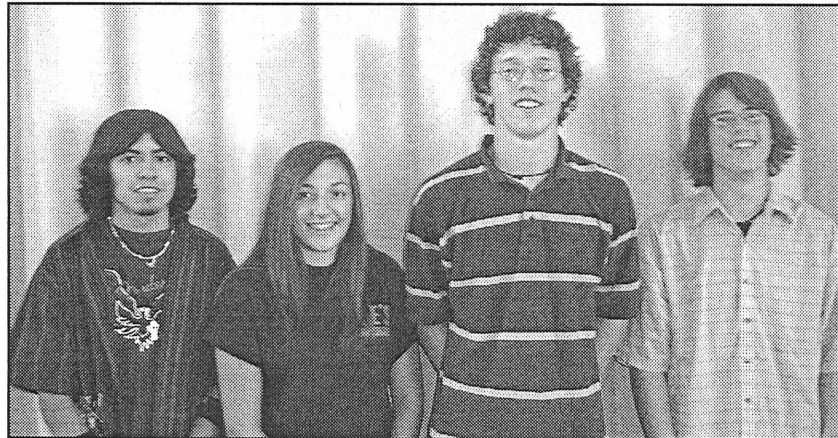
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ATTEND CONFERENCE—Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 45th annual Youth Leadership Conference June 23-27 at Angelo State University in San Angelo were, l-r, Johnny Lee Escamilla, Brittany Waggoner, Brennan Medford and Caleb Whitfield. All are students at Paint Creek School.

Local students attend TFB Youth Leadership Conference

Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 45th Annual Youth Leadership Conference held at Angelo State University in San Angelo, June 23-27, were Johnny Lee Escamilla, Brittany Waggoner, Brennan Kyle Medford and Caleb D. Whitfield. The students were sponsored by the Haskell County Farm Bureau. They joined more than 300 high school juniors and seniors from over 150 counties across the state.

The purpose of the conference is to provide the students with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system, according to Kenny Tanner of the Haskell County Farm Bureau.

The students were welcomed to Angelo State University by

a university representative. Afterward, Chad Hymas of Utah, a motivational speaker, spoke about "Setting and Achieving your Goals." Students were captivated on Tuesday morning as Hymas shared his personal message of "Overcoming Adversity."

Jonathan Haralson, TFB Field Representative and Emily Alders, 2007 Free Enterprise Speech Contest Winner, presented "Farm Bureau Scholarship Opportunities."

During the week long event, students discuss topics such as the Free Enterprise System, Constitutional Government, Americanism, leadership and goal setting. Students are encouraged to meet with school and civic groups upon their return home to share the knowledge they have received.

Dr. Gary Wolfram, Hillsdale College in Michigan, presented sessions on "Basics of Free Enterprise"; Ronald Trowbridge, former assistant dean at Hillsdale College in Michigan, presented two-part sessions on "The Constitution"; and Gary Evans, a registered investment advisor, offered advice on "Managing Money."

In addition, the students participated in a program called "Congressional Insight," which allowed them to simulate a Congressional office and election.

At Thursday evening's banquet "Farm Bureau—Your Host" was presented by Kenneth Dierschke, president of Texas Farm Bureau and Janae Jones, 2007 Miss Texas Farm Bureau, addressed the group.



SCHOOL NAMED FOR ANITA PERRY—The Texas Tech University's Board of Regents recently approved naming the university's Health Sciences Center School of Nursing for former nurse and First Lady of Texas Anita Perry. The school will be known as the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing. In the photo, shown visiting with Gov. and Mrs. Perry, center, were, from left, TTUHSC President John C. Baldwin, Alexia Green, dean of the TTUHSC School of Nursing, and Texas Tech University System Chancellor Kent Hance, right.

Texas Tech names nursing school for Anita Perry

Anita Thigpen Perry is known in her role as First Lady of Texas and a former nurse. Now her commitment for health care and educating future nurses will forever be united with an academic institution. The Texas Tech University System Board of Regents approved the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing and the First Lady and Gov. Rick Perry visited Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) recently.

TTUHSC President John C. Baldwin said Mrs. Perry embraces the concept of higher education and naming the school after the First Lady is a great pleasure.

"Mrs. Perry is an advocate for the nursing profession as well as improving health care for this state," Baldwin said. "Our TTUHSC School of Nursing has an exceptional reputation for excellence and now with this new name, the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing, the First Lady adds her distinguished presence to this school."

The First Lady said as a public figure, she feels a personal obligation to share her passion for the field of nursing and she is

deeply humbled by this honor.

"I am deeply humbled by this great honor. The years I spent as a nurse were among the most challenging and rewarding of my life. Today, nursing continues to be a passion of mine as I work to raise awareness of important public health issues facing our state and nation, including the critical nursing shortage. It brings me great pride to know that future generations of nurses who graduate from this school will answer this call to service and have the opportunity to make a difference in their communities and our great state."

Alexia Green, Ph.D., R.N., dean of the TTUHSC School of Nursing, said Mrs. Perry's commitment to the field of nursing is extraordinary and the school is proud of the new name and relationship.

"The naming of the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing will result in infusion of new ideas, resources and energy to an already distinguished school. The linkage of the school to the stature of a first lady propels us forward to achievements not previously experienced and positions our rise to national prominence."

After earning a bachelor's degree in nursing from West Texas State University, now West Texas A&M University, and a master's degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Perry held varied nursing positions in the areas of surgery, pediatrics, intensive care, administration and teaching.

As Texas' First Lady, Perry continues to improve the wellbeing of Texans by promoting vital health care issues, encouraging young Texans to aid in the critical nursing shortage, and speaking on health concerns that affect Texans of all ages, such as heart disease prevention and breast cancer awareness.

Texas Tech University System Chancellor Kent Hance said the Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing will effect many nursing students and patients in the future.

"What an honor it is to have Mrs. Perry as a part of the Texas Tech family," Hance said. We are proud to be associated with the First Lady. We have one of the best nursing schools in the country and this affiliation will bring even more prominence to the exceptional work already done."

Farm expenditures soar in 2007

The rising cost of fuel and other products helped drive U.S. farm production expenditures to a record \$260 billion in 2007, according to the Farm Production Expenditures 2007 summary released recently by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). Total U.S. farm production expenditures rose 9.3 percent from 2006 and nearly 30 percent from 5 years ago.

Increasing petroleum costs meant farmers not only paid more for fuel, but also for fertilizer products, chemicals

and transportation services. Indirectly, fuel prices and the growth in ethanol production also led to higher crop prices, resulting in increased cost for livestock feed.

The NASS report shows that the average production expenditures per farm increased 10 percent nationwide, from \$114,186 in 2006 to \$125,648 in 2007. On average, U.S. farm expenditures for fertilizer, lime and soil jumped 26 percent to \$8,070; feed costs rose 22 percent to \$18,412; fuel costs increased

by 15 percent to \$6,137; and agricultural chemicals climbed 12 percent to \$4,832.

In total, U.S. producers spent \$12.7 billion on fuel, including \$7.71 billion for diesel, up 15 percent; \$2.74 billion for gasoline, up 16 percent; \$1.5 billion for LP gas, up 17 percent; and \$750 million for other fuels, up 4.2 percent.

The Farm Production Expenditures summary provides the official estimates for production input costs on U.S. agricultural operations. These estimates are based on the results of the nationwide Agricultural Resource Management Survey conducted annually by NASS. The Farm Production Expenditures summary and all NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

Eight students named to National Honor Roll

The National Honor Roll recognizes high-achieving high school and middle school students. "Young people such as our inductees, who work hard to attain academic success, deserve to be congratulated," says Lynn Romeo, publisher of the National Honor Roll. "Honoring their achievements provides motivation and encourages them to continue

striving toward their goals. We're proud to include them in the National Honor Roll."


The National Honor Roll offers several benefits which can contribute to the success of its student members. For students in the 2007-08 school year, National Honor Roll set aside \$25,000 to be shared among 25 of its qualifying inductees. All members were entitled to compete for these National Honor Roll Awards for Academic Achievement, which were awarded in December. National Honor Roll's College Admissions Notification Service notifies the admissions offices of as many schools as the inductees designate that they have been accepted into the National Honor Roll and that they are interested in obtaining information about those colleges. A copy of the student's biography is sent to the colleges along with the notification. Each United States senator and state governor receives a complimentary copy of the National Honor Roll Commemorative Edition, along with a list of the students from their state who have been inducted

into the National Honor Roll.

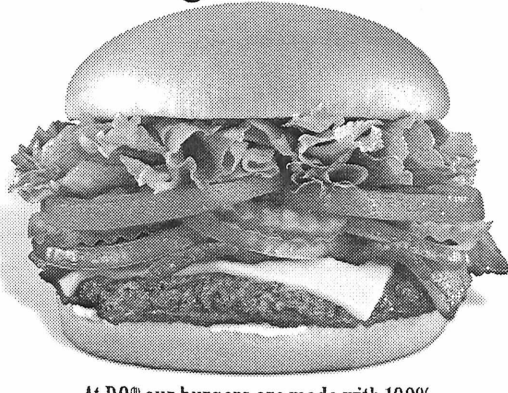
The National Honor Roll contacts potentially qualifying students after reviewing information about their academic performance. Each student is asked to submit information about his/her GPA, interests, activities, and future goals. Only students with a B or better average are eligible to be listed in National Honor Roll. 69% of the inductees in the 2007-08 National Honor Roll averaged an A, or better; 31% averaged B through B+. Twenty-six percent were Seniors (Class of 2008); twenty-nine percent were Juniors (Class of 2009); twenty-four percent were Sophomores (Class of 2010); sixteen percent were Freshmen (Class of 2011); and five percent were from the Class of 2012.

The two students from Paint Creek High School were Dalton J. Barnett and Britney L. Martinez.



The six students from Haskell High School were Paige Adams, Shana Armstrong, Jordan A. Bartlett-Condarco, Angelica I. Gonzalez, Kimie Hutchinson and Claire Isbell.



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Bible study to be held

In which chair do you sit? Bruce Wilkinson uses the image of the chair to illustrate different levels of commitment to Christ. In today's world of compromise, we all can be challenged to become what Wilkinson calls "first-chair Christians."

A bible study entitled "The Three Chairs, Experiencing Spiritual Breakthrough" by Bruce Wilkinson will be held at First Baptist Church, Haskell in the educational building on Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28. The video-based study will begin at 7:15 p.m., following evening worship, and will conclude about 8:30 p.m.

each night. The church ask that you call the office at 864-2581, to sign up for the study, get on the list for a book, or request a nursery.

The study, facilitated by Earlene Griffith, will consider breakthroughs in four areas: your life, your marriage, your family and with God. Each group session will include a video presentation featuring a dramatic vignette followed by Bruce Wilkinson's teaching.


Regardless of the chair you occupy now, you can experience a deeper level of commitment to Christ through this study.



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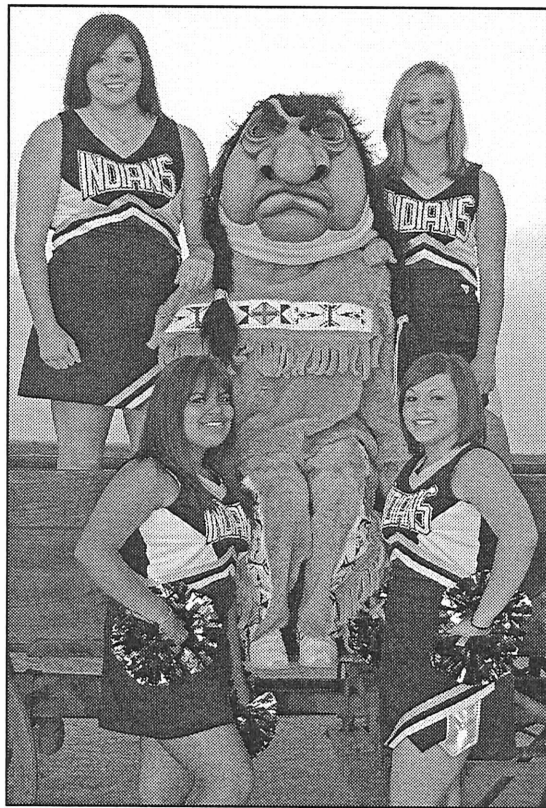
Students in the News



TORI HICKS

Tori Jane Hicks, formerly of Haskell, graduated from Midwestern State University Aug. 8 with a Masters Degree in Nursing with a specialty as a Family Nurse Practitioner.

A member of the Texoma Nurse Practitioner Group, the Texas Nurse Practitioner Association, and the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, she is associated with the practice of Dr. Michael Anderson, Psychiatrist in Wichita Falls, where she now resides.



2008 JV CHEERLEADERS—Haskell JV cheerleaders are front row, l-r, Valerie Gonzales and Paige Glover; and back row, Kelsie Adams, Harley James-mascot and Brittany Moore.



2008 INDIAN CHEERLEADERS—Leading for cheers for the Haskell Indians this year are, front row, l-r, Ashton Rutkowski, Lauren Newton, Mackenzie Thomas and Claire Carmichael; back row, Harley James-mascot, Bailey Fillmon, Haley Chavez, Sydney Saucedo and Brié Torres.

School bells ring for students at Rochester Junior High

by Caron Yates

The first bell of the 2008-09 school year has rung for Haskell Junior High at Rochester. With much anticipation for another great year, students and teachers are filling the classrooms.

Reida Penman is beginning her sixth year as principal, the fourth since Haskell and Rochester school districts consolidated. On the junior high staff this year, serving about 130 students, will be ten full time teachers, two that will be shared with high school, five paraprofessionals, two cafeteria workers and three in the maintenance department.

Although, in the beginning, there was apprehension for many about a separate junior high in a separate town, the success of the endeavor is evident. Penman attributes a large part of the successful transition to the excellent staff. "This group of teachers works so well together. They are always discussing and planning ways to help their students. They work as a team," states Penman.

Another benefit to having the individual campus is that all junior high games and activities are held at Rochester. This helps ease scheduling conflicts with high school events.

This is the first year that sixth grade will be a part of Rochester Junior High. Last spring a committee of parents, teachers and administrators studied the possibility of moving sixth grade to Rochester. The sixth grade classrooms will be located in a separate building from the seventh and eighth grades, which should make for a smoother transition.

The plan is to continue basically the same programs and curriculum which helped to earn the junior high a recognized rating from the Texas Education Agency last school year. They will, however, be adding the Accelerated Reading program which has been proven to enhance reading and comprehension skills.

Sixth graders living in Haskell will meet at the elementary campus, have breakfast and then be transported to Rochester by bus. Seventh and eighth graders, living in Haskell, will meet at the high school, have breakfast and then board the bus to Rochester. A bus will also pick up junior high students in Weinert and take them to Rochester.

Since another grade level has been added, administrators felt it would be beneficial to have a full time counselor on campus. Belinda Peacock will take on these duties.

New on campus will be Tate Thompson. Thompson did his student teaching at Haskell, and was then hired to teach Social Studies and coach junior high boys. Lyndee Gasaway and Shanna Daniels will move to the

Rochester campus as sixth grade teachers.

Returning familiar faces include Cathy Bartley teaching English, Tracy Frierson teaching math and Sandra Fry will have computer classes. In the science department, Brittany Williams will teach seventh grade and Betsy Coleman will handle eighth grade, as well as coach.

Chet Forehand will teach science, health and P.E.

Jodi Address is the reading teacher, while Tara Olson teaches Special Education. Mike Aston, band director, will travel to Rochester each day for several classes of band.

Teresa New will assist Penman in the office, while paraprofessionals Tammy

Crosson, Dorothy Hollingsworth, Janie Saucedo, Karen Smart and Dora Torres will work in different areas to aide instruction. Daryl McGhee, transportation supervisor, has the responsibility of scheduling vehicles coming

and going on the many bus routes and school events. Keeping the buildings and grounds at junior high will be Edie Strickland and Stony Trussell, and keeping everyone fed will be Ramona Flores and Mary Hollingsworth.

Don Flippin will work as a permanent substitute and bus driver.

The junior high "experience" has begun and students and staff alike are working toward another terrific year of learning.

Haskell School Board report

The Haskell CISD board of trustees met Aug. 18. All members were present.

David Hutton, interim superintendent, recommended a proposed budget for the school year, which was approved by the board.

Susan Blanks, school nurse, made a presentation on the abstinence education program "Aim for Success." The motion was made and approved to continue this program.

Jimmy Lisle, elementary principal, reported on TAKS scores and thanked the board for providing resources to help make this possible.

The board went into executive session to discuss personnel. Motion was made and carried to accept resignations of Ronnie and Rae Webb, while employment was extended to Shanna Daniels, Jennifer Roewe and Kristi

Stewart.

A recommendation by Hutton for approval of the appraisal period time line and a calendar to be distributed to teachers with information for evaluations was approved.

Approval of the substitute rate increase from \$45 to \$55, \$55 to \$65 and \$65 to \$75, depending on certification, was also approved.

Sale of surplus school equipment was discussed and Hutton will have a recommendation at the next meeting on how to proceed with this.

The budgets for Haskell County Appraisal District and Stonewall Appraisal District were approved by the board.

The superintendent reported on a date for the September board meeting, updates on building projects, TAKS celebration and beginning of school events.

HS traffic changes direction

Traffic around Haskell High School will take a new direction this year.

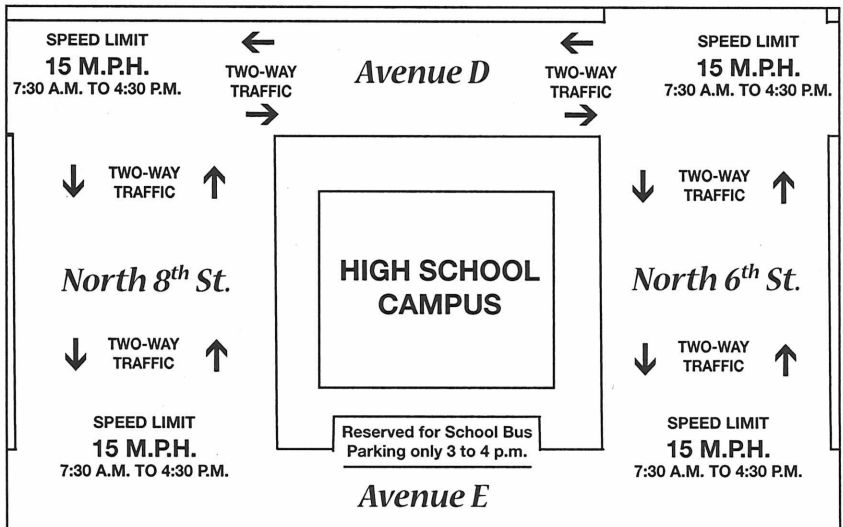
All traffic around the school will be two way traffic at all times. A posted speed limit of 15 m.p.h. will be effective on school

days from 7:30 am. to 4:30 p.m. on Avenue D, North 6th St. and North 8th St.

From 3 to 4 p.m. each day, Elementary and Junior High School buses will unload in front of the high school campus. The

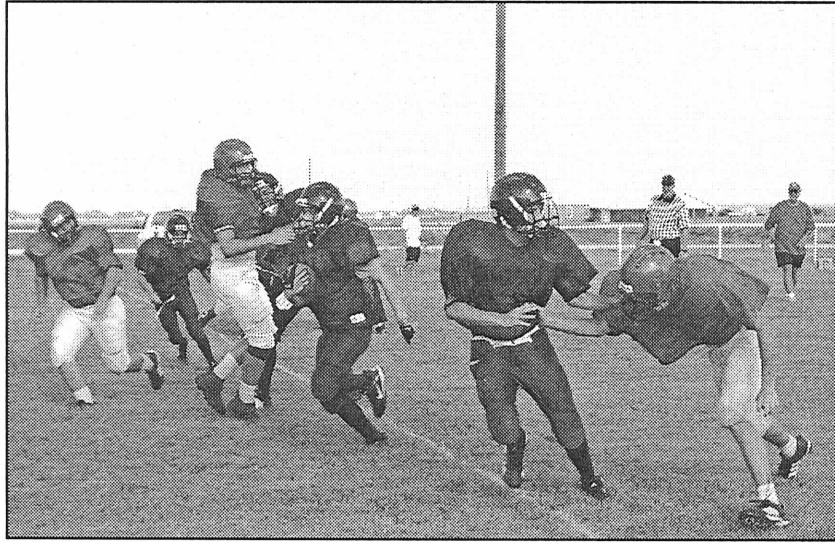
parking lot in front of the school will be reserved for school buses only.

All drivers are encouraged to use caution when driving on any street around any school campus.



Haskell Consolidated ISD Budget Comparison 2007-2008 / 2008-2009

#	FUNCTION	2008-2009	% Inc/Dec	2007-2008
Fund 199 - General Operating				
11	Instruction of Students	\$3,629,447	(\$248,434)	\$3,877,881
12	Instructional Resources & Media Services	91,535	3,274	88,261
13	Curriculum Development & Staff Development	52,594	(6,013)	58,607
23	School Leadership (Campus Administration)	373,142	(28,739)	401,881
31	Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services	163,621	5,588	158,033
33	Health Services	56,181	291	55,890
34	Student Transportation	154,616	(36,940)	191,556
35	Food Service (TRS On-Behalf)	15,000	15,000	0
36	Co-Curricular & Extra Curricular Activities	259,038	(12,350)	271,388
41	General Administration (Central Administration)	427,025	(20,655)	447,680
51	Plant Maintenance & Operations	923,775	36,539	887,236
52	Security & Monitoring Services	20,800	9,250	11,550
53	Data Processing	140,331	1,641	138,690
61	Community Services (Early Learning Center)	185,091	122,319	62,772
71	Debt Service	50,000	5,000	45,000
81	Facilities Acquisition & Construction	0	0	0
93	Payments to Shared Service Arrangements (Tri-County)	123,000	0	123,000
		\$6,665,196	(\$154,229)	\$6,819,425
Fund 240-Cafeteria				
35	Food Service	454,717	46,133	408,584
Fund 599-Debt Service				
		89,298	(2,702)	92,000
TOTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS		\$7,209,211	(\$110,798)	\$7,320,009
Revenue Projections:				
Local & State (General Operating & Cafeteria)		\$7,029,206	(\$180,005) deficit budget 2008-09	



PIRATE SCRIMMAGE—The Paint Creek Pirates met Chillicothe football players in a scrimmage match Fri., Aug. 22 at Pirate Field. Pirates are in the dark uniforms. Making the play are team members, l-r, Denton Reed, Brett Siegfried, Damien Pannell with the ball, and Daren Johnson.

Bobcat Boosters elect officers

Rule Booster Club members met Tues., Aug. 19, to plan upcoming activities supporting Rule ISD students and elect officers for 2008-09.

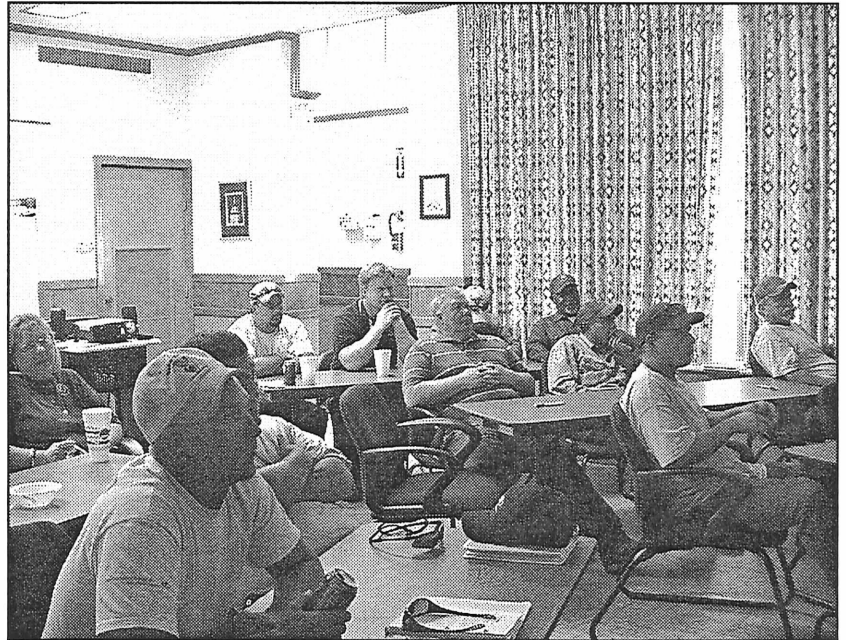
Officers elected were Todd Spitzer, president; Krista Spitzer, vice president; Brenda Turner, treasurer; Jill Brown, secretary and Renee Dudensing, reporter.

Plans were made to decorate the city of Rule and school in Bobcat colors. Family and friends of Rule students will meet Tues., Sept. 2, at 6 p.m., at the Rule school to hang streamers, paint paws and work on bleacher repairs.

The next meeting will be Mon., Sept. 22, at 7 p.m. in the

Rule library. This meeting will address homecoming activities which will be held Sept. 26-27 with the football game against Newcastle set for 3 p.m., Sat., Sept. 27.

Come cheer the Bobcats to victory at the first home game against Chillicothe, Fri., Aug. 29, at 7:30 p.m.



TRAINING SESSION—Big Country Electric Co-op employees trained for medical, injury and environmental emergencies and for adult Automatic External Defibrillator use during a training and certification class taught Aug. 19 in Roby. The training benefits not only the employees and members of Big Country Electric but also the general public as crews travel the service area covering the counties of Kent, Garza, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Mitchell, Nolan, Haskell, Stonewall and Throckmorton. Some of the employees participating in the training session were, l-r, Eileen Goodgame, Will Duniven, Albert Barrera, Cary McClintock, Scott Edmonds, Jack Carter, Jonathon Peralex, Harold Malone, Joe Garza, J.R. Valenzuela and Walter Bolin. Employees of BCEC are required to participate in first aid training and receive certification.

This Week's Devotional Message:



FAITH COMMANDS US TO WORK WITH OUR HANDS AND OUR BRAINS

Now the Lord had a reason for giving us hands,
Since we use them in earning our bread;
And an honest day's work our religion demands
As our method of getting ahead.
There was also a reason for giving us brains:

To absorb what the Lord had to say;
For we see in each lesson the Bible contains
The instruction to work and to pray.
So whatever you do in your chosen career,
Just be sure that you give it your best;
Then when Labor Day's big celebration is here,
You'll enjoy every moment of rest.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

East Side Baptist Church
Dr. Jim Heflin, interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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 Renegarbe, 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.m., 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
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
Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert

Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sunday 11 a.m
Weinert

—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
Joseph Barrett, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Prayer Time/
Team Kids 5 p.m.; Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church
Clovie 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—

Sagerton Methodist Church
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

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 Omega
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. Clovie Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

—PAINT CREEK—

Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek

—O'BRIEN—
O'Brien Baptist Church
Jim Reid, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien



CLASS INSTRUCTORS—H.T. and Josie Fillingim of the Fisher County EMS taught Big Country Electric Co-op employees the American Heart Association Heartsaver First Aid training session Aug. 19 at the company's Roby facilities.

Haskell School Menu

September 1-5 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: No school
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza
Wednesday: Cereal, animal crackers
Thursday: Pig in a blanket
Friday: Little chorito bites

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: No school
Tuesday: Chicken spaghetti, Italian green beans, garden salad, breadstick, pineapple tidbits
Wednesday: Corndogs, ranch style beans, macaroni and cheese, watermelon
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, coleslaw, banana pudding
Friday: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, french fries, strawberry or blueberry yogurt

Paint Creek School Menu

September 1-5 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Waffles
Tuesday: Muffins
Wednesday: Pancakes
Thursday: Biscuits, sausage
Friday: Cinnamon roll

Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: Pizza, corn, salad, peaches

Tuesday: Stuffed baked potato, carrots with ranch dressing, Texas toast, jello
Wednesday: Chicken patties, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, rolls, apple crisp
Thursday: Nachos grande, lettuce, tomatoes, oranges, cornbread
Friday: Corndogs, fries, broccoli with ranch dressing, apples, rice crispy treats

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Rule revival to be held Sept. 14-17

The First Baptist Church in Rule will hold revival services Sept. 14-17. The Sunday service will begin at 5:00 p.m. and evening services Monday through Wednesday will be at 7:30 p.m.

Revival services will be led by Duane and Iris Blue of Lucas. Both have been Mission Service Corps volunteers since the early 1980's.

The Blues came from separate but very troubled backgrounds.

Rebellion, drug use, robbery charges, self indulgence and prison time are just a part of their lives before Christ.

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FOR SALE: 16 ft. and 8 ft. garage doors. Doors are sectional with all hardware. \$200 for both. 325-660-8011. 47tc

Cars For Sale

FOR SALE: 2006 Touring edition PT Cruiser. White, like new. 12,950 miles. \$9,500. 940-421-3331. 34-35c

Garage Sale

5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Sat., Aug. 30. 8:30 to 4. 105 N. Ave. G. 35c

SIDEWALK SALE: Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 701 N. Ave. E. Tiller, bicycle, 2-4X Mens' clothes, pictures, furniture, blankets, afghans, vases, old stuff, towels, etc. 35p

GARAGE SALE: Sat., Aug. 30. 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Little bit of everything. No early sales. 205 S. Ave. N. 35p

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Sat., Aug. 30. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Just remodeled home. Home decor, dishes, TV, girls' clothes 4-8, sink, recliner, etc. 203 S. Ave. N. 35p

HUGE 2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Sat., 7 a.m. til 7:00 P.M. 11th and Gail, Munday. Many collectibles and much more. Therwhanger. 35c

HUGELABOR DAY sidewalk sale: 418 N. 1st. Coleman generator 5,000 watt \$600. 35c

FOUR FAMILY YARD SALE: Sat. 8 to 3. 705 N. 4th. Linens, towels, teen clothes, little girls 10-12, baby clothes and much more. Burritos for sale. 35p

BIG GARAGE SALE: Paint Creek FM 618. Sat., Aug. 30. 8 a.m. to noon. Furniture, clothes, books and more. Wanda Thompson. 35c

Miscellaneous

HOUSE LEVELLING and foundation repair. No payments until work is satisfactorily completed. David Lee & Co. 325-675-6369. 1-888-486-8588. 6tc

PIANO LESSONS. Natalie Barnett. \$15 for 30 minute lesson. 940-743-3520. 33-35p

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BUYINGESTATES: Contents of house, storage, etc. Quick, efficient, respectful. Call Judy Lehde Benton. 940-256-2054 or 940-864-3911. 35p

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BULLDOZER FOR HIRE: Tree grubbing, tanks dug/cleaned, fence rows cleared out. Kraig Kupatt 325-668-6846. 32-35c

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FOR RENT: Furnished rooms for rent. Nightly, weekly. Call Lone Star Lodging 864-2424. 21tc

FOR LEASE: 1107 N. 10th. 2 bedroom apartment. CH/A. 864-3762. 35c

FOR LEASE: 604 N. 3rd. 1 bedroom apartment. CH/A. 864-3762. 35c

Real Estate

PROPERTY FOR SALE: 4 lots on Union Avenue in Rule. \$400. 806-744-4127 or 806-549-4805. 29-43p

HOUSE FOR SALE: 1005 N. Ave. D. 4 bedroom, extra large master. 2 bath. Kitchen, utility, double garage. New plumbing including sewer. Water well. Covered breezeway with cellar. CH/A. Hardwood floors. 1-1/2 lots with pecan and fruit trees. Fenced backyard. 864-2426 or cell 940-256-2420 or cell 940-256-3880. 33-35c

Help Wanted

THE NEW SONIC Drive In in Haskell is now taking applications for all positions. Apply in person. 44tc

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

WANTED: Experienced waitresses, dishwashers and cooks. Apply in person at Red Rooster Restaurant, 1006 S. Ave. E. 34-37c

HIRING Experienced Class A CDL drivers. Apply at Strickland Bridge in Haskell. 29tc

PARENT TRAINER NEEDED. PT/FT. Bachelor's Degree and experience in Human Service related field. Some travel. Family Circle Services 940-989-2022. 34-35c

DIETARY MANAGER. Our skilled nursing facility has an immediate opening for a caring individual to be responsible for planning/preparing meals, supervising employees, purchasing food and supplies, etc. Must be certified dietary manager. Good management/interpersonal skills important; knowledge of health dept. regulations desirable. Prior experience in a medical or educational facility preferred. EOE. For more information call our Administrator at 940-864-8537, or apply in person. Haskell Healthcare Center, 1504 North First St., Haskell. Equal Opportunity Employer. 34-35c

HIRING PCA in Haskell area. Competitive wage. Jordan Health Services. Ask for Kristen 325-692-4403. 35p

DIETARY SERVICE MANAGER needed at Haskell Healthcare Center. Certification required. Must have energy and a good personality. Please call or come by and ask for Steve, 940-864-8537 or 940-256-1742. 35-36c

CNA CLASSES at Haskell Healthcare Center. Haskell Healthcare will be offering Certified Nurse Aide classes very soon. Applications are being accepted now. Classes will be held in Haskell. Must be willing to work and pass drug test. Come by Haskell Healthcare Center to apply. 1504 N. First. 940-864-8537. Space is limited—don't wait or you may get left out. 35c

LVNs NEEDED. Must have state license or certification, with good 'people skills' and a positive attitude. We can offer competitive rates and benefits available for full time employees. For more information, call Cindy at 940-864-8537 or apply at Haskell Healthcare Center, 1504 North First St., Haskell. Equal opportunity employer. 35-36c

Help Wanted

DRIVER NEEDED. Haskell Healthcare Center needs a part-time person to drive patients to appointments. You may use your vehicle and/or the facility van. Must have good 'people skills' and good driving record. Call Steve at 256-1742 for details. 35-36c

VACANCY: The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is seeking applications for the position of high school general custodian/maintenance worker. Applications for the position may be picked up at the HCISD Administration Office at 605 North Avenue E during regular school business hours or by logging on to the school's website at www.haskell.esc14.net and clicking on Employment Opportunities. For more information please contact Interim Superintendent David Hutton at 940-864-2602. If you need to fax your application the administration office's fax number is 940-864-8096. 35-36c

THE CITY OF HASKELL will be taking applications for the following position, Police Chief. For an application, personal history form and job description, please come by Haskell City Hall between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. We can also mail an application packet if you desire. Applications will be taken until 12:00 noon on September 15, 2008. If you have any questions, you can contact Brandon Anderson at 940-864-2355. 35-36c

Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Elizabeth Nadine Pogue, Deceased, were issued on July 29, 2008, in Cause No. 4,379, pending in the County Court of Haskell County, Texas, to: John Glenn Pogue. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Kristen L. Fouts, Attorney at Law, 1 Avenue D, Post Office Box 206, Haskell, Texas 79521. Dated the 29th day of July, 2008. Kristen L. Fouts Attorney for John Glenn Pogue State Bar No.: 00786434 1 Avenue D Post Office Box 206 Haskell, Texas 79521 Telephone: 940-864-3191 Facsimile: 940-864-5616 35c

NOTICE Haskell County is taking sealed bids for the sale of a 1992 3/4 ton 15 passenger Ford vSan. Bids will be accepted until September 9, 2008 at the office of the Haskell County Judge in the Haskell County Courthouse. The vehicle may be seen at the County Extension Office, 104 S. Ave. D in Haskell. The County reserves the right to accept or refuse any or all bids. 35-36c

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL) To the registered voters of the County of Haskell, Texas: (A los votantes registrados de Condado de Haskell, Texas:) Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed

below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 for voting in a general election to (presidential electors, if applicable), Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de noviembre de 2008 para votar en el Eleccion General para elegir (electores presidenciales, si es aplicable), Miembros del ongreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto. Locations of polling places: Box No. 1: Catholic Church, N. 16th, Haskell. Box No. 2: Assembly of God Church, N. Ave. E, Haskell. Box No. 3: Extension Building, S. Ave. D, Haskell. Box No. 4: Experienced Citizens Center, S. First St., Haskell. Box No. 5: Rule City Hall, Rule. Box No. 6: Fire Department, Rochester. Box No. 7: O'Brien City Hall, O'Brien. Box No. 8: Weinert School Building, Weinert. Box No. 9: Paint Creek School Library, Paint Creek. Box No. 10: Sagerton Community Center, Sagerton. Box No. 11: Early voting, County Clerk, Courthouse. Early voting begins on October 20 through October 31, 2008.) David C. Davis County Judge 35c

PUBLIC NOTICE Haskell County Commissioners Court will meet September 8, 2008 at 10 a.m. to approve the budget and approve the effective tax rate of \$.5182 for the General Fund, \$.1324 for the FML and \$.1040 for the Precinct Road. A total of \$.7546 per \$100.00 compared to \$.8143 2007-2008. 35-36c

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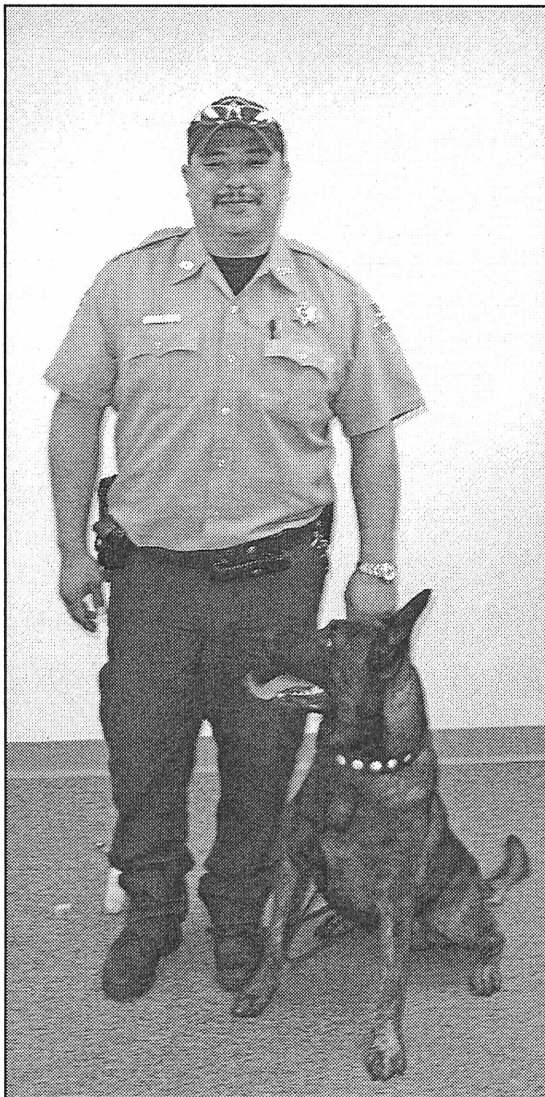
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Torres has new canine partner



PARTNERS—Haskell County Deputy Jason Torres and his new partner, Max, will be working together to deter crime in the county.

by Caron Yates
Criminals beware! There is a new deputy in town. Haskell County Deputy Jason Torres, has a new four-legged partner named Max.
Max, a Dutch Shepherd imported from Holland, is

twenty-two months old. He has been trained in narcotics detection, tracking, attack patrol and handler protection.
For Max, training began before he left Holland. Upon arriving at the Canine Academy in Leander, he received another four to five

weeks of training before being paired with a handler.

It took approximately three weeks after the Haskell County Sheriff's office requested a dog for Max to be chosen. Joe Ray Torres, former Haskell police officer, is the lead trainer at the Leander Canine Academy. From a group of five, he matched Torres with a dog that would best fit the needs of our county.

After the dog was selected, Deputy Torres completed three weeks of training at the academy, learning to handle the canine. Max is certified by the Canine Academy, as well as the National Narcotics Detector Dog Association.

Max responds primarily to verbal commands given in German. Torres and Max train together four days a week on narcotics detection, three days on tracking and three days on attack patrol. Continued training is essential to ensure that dog and handler are working together at an optimal level.

Torres states, "Max, is pretty laid back, but he knows when he

is working. He is very intense when on the job." Because he is trained in attack, Deputy Torres cautions citizens to be aware of the police dog when near his vehicle.

The dog, which cost \$13,000, was paid for through a fund known as the "seizure fund." This fund is available from the seizure of money and drugs used in criminal activity.

Some of the duties for Max will include making visits to area schools for drug detection, sniffing detained vehicles believed to contain drugs, chasing down fleeing felons, searching for anyone lost and being the first officer in when answering a burglar alarm call. Max will have a bulletproof vest for protection.

When Max has had time to adjust completely to his new surroundings, Torres plans to make him available for programs or demonstrations.

Because dogs are usually matched with one handler for a lifetime, Max will be a part of the Haskell County Sheriff's office until he is retired.

4-H lamb and goat validation tags to be ordered Aug. 29

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
It is time to order Lamb/Goat validation ear tags. If joining FFA or 4-H and planning to show a lamb or goat as an animal project, that lamb or goat must have an Texas Validation Ear Tag.

The Haskell County Extension Office will be taking orders for the validation ear tags, until

Aug. 29. The Texas Lamb/Goat Validation Tags will be received in October and then a date will be set in October for validating.

Come by the Haskell County Extension Office, located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell to order the tags.

For more information, call Wes Utley, County Extension Agent-Ag. at 940-864-2658.

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