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Election year sparks voter interest

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According to Secretary of State Antonio O. Garza, Jr., who heads up the State election division, this presidential election year alone should be enough to spark voter interest. However, 1996 should be an especially important year since Texans will have the final word on one U.S. Senate seat, all 30 U.S. House seats from Texas, all 150 seats in the Texas House, and approximately half the seats in the Texas Senate.

In the closing weeks before the March 12 primary elections, candidates are finetuning their campaigns. Coke County has ten candidates for

Dry climate poses huge fire hazard

The need for you to be extremely careful with any burning of trash, etc. is very important at this time. This is something that the County Commissioners feel like everyone knows and should not have to be made an ordinance, but just a reminder of the situation.

The City of Robert Lee has volunteer firemen, and when these men have to go out and fight fires, they are leaving their families and jobs. They are not paid to fight fires; besides the financial involvement, there is great danger to their lives and the equipment. There have been a rash of grassfires in and around the county recently due to the lack of rain combined with high winds. The high winds can whip a small outside fire into a raging brush or range fire in seconds.

PLEASE, PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

office, all on the Democratic ballot.

Lane Arthur, local attorney, has filed for the county attorney's position. He will be unopposed in the primary since Coke County Attorney Chris Wyatt did not file for that office.

Sheriff Marshall Millican filed for his fifth term of office; he will be opposed in the primary by Mike Harris, a San Angelo police officer.

4-H members place well at San Antonio

During the San Antonio Livestock show last week there were record numbers of animals exhibited by 4-H and FFA youth from across Texas and Coke County 4-H members placed very well against strong competition.

In the largest lamb show in the world, with more than 2,500 lambs exhibited, Ashlee Millican placed her heavyweight Finewool Cross lamb tenth and Erin Millican placed her heavyweight Finewool lamb twelfth. Other lamb exhibitors included Shalon Waldrop, Tracy Millican and Whitney Millican, who had their lambs pulled in the first goround.

In the market steer show, with more than 1,500 steers exhibited, Shea Kelton placed his lightweight Maine-Anjou sixth, and Casey Antilley placed his heavyweight Maine-Anjou eighth.

In the market barrow show, Travis Pitcock made the sift the first day in the Duroc class. Other pig exhibitors included Jerrod Pitcock and Matthew Pitcock.

D. Kristeen Roe, county tax/assessor, will run unopposed for her position.

County Commissioner Tim Millican, Pct. 3, will be challenged by Patrick K. "Pat" Percifull, local rancher.

Paul Burns, incumbent county commissioner of Pct. 1, has filed for re-election to that post.

Precinct 1 County Constable Kenneth W. Rasco will campaign unopposed for his position also.

Wayne Arrott, constable in Pct. 2, chose to retire and did not file for re-election. Seeking his office will be two newcomers, William "Keith" Fletcher and Kenneth Arant.

Early balloting for the upcoming primaries began on Wednesday, February 21, and will continue through March 8 during business hours, weekdays, in the office of Coke County Clerk Ettie Hubbard in the courthouse.

Runnels Bapt. Assoc. to meet

The regular meeting of the Runnels Baptist Association will be held Monday, Feb. 26, at First Baptist Church, Winters.

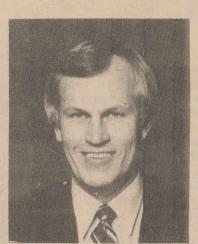
The program is to be a music festival. The Executive Board will meet at 5:30 pm. The W.M.U. will not meet. The evening meal will be served at 6:00 pm.

The program will begin at 7:00 pm. The festival will consist of special music, presentations of church choirs, groups, and individuals. Dale Ellis, Association Music Director, is in charge of the program.

The public is invited to attend.



State Representative Rob Junell



U.S. Congressman Charles Stenholm

Chamber banquet tonight

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce will sponsor their annual banquet on February

Commissioners Court visits Wackenhut

The Commissioners Court made a quarterly visit on Feb. 12, 1996 to Wackenhut to view the facility. The Court was pleased with the condition of the facility. The repairs had all been completed except for some work to the parking lot. Everything seemed to be in fine order. The following report was presented to the Commissioners

SUMMARY 1995
Expenditures in Coke
County

\$224,758.00 business conducted by Wackenhut. This amount equals almost 50% of all discretionary expenditures.

Number of employees from Coke County

This equals almost 33% of work force

Payroll expenditures
\$621,003.00
Positions of Coke County
residents include:

3 of 4 Shift
Supervisors
2 of 4 Counselors
1 of 2 Maintenance
Personnel
1 of 1 Kitchen
Supervisor

This does not include money spent by employees at restaurants, gas stations, etc.

There is a possibility that the facility may make application to expand. If and when they do start the process, the court will keep you informed as things progress.

23, 1996, at 7:00 pm in the Bronte Community Center.

Guest speaker will be State Representative Rob Junell, and also present will be Congressman Charlie Stenholm. Man of the Year and Woman of the Year will be awarded. Educator of the Year and Boy and Girl Students of the Year will also be recognized.

Ladies advance to regional

The Robert Lee Lady Steers will play Zephyr Friday afternoon (today) at 4:00 pm at McMurry University in Abilene in the first round of the Regional Tournament. Robert Lee will be the home team in the game. If the girls defeat Zephyr in the first round, they will play Saturday morning at 9:00 am, with the winner advancing to the final game for the Regional championship at 7:00 pm Saturday evening.

Support Group to meet

There will be a Step Parenting Support Group beginning Wednesday, February 28, at 6:00 pm. The group will meet in a classroom in the Robert Lee Baptist Church fellowship hall. All members of the community and surrounding area are invited to attend.

Tuesday Dance

The Coke County Cavaliers will provide C/W music for the Tuesday Special Dance on Feb. 27 at 7:30 pm. The dance is held the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Tickets are available at the door.

Congratulations!

The Lady Steers retained the Area Championship Tuesday night. Friday (today) they will face off against Zephyr in the first leg of the race for the Regional Crown. Tip off is at 4:00 pm at McMurry University in Abilene.

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— Death Notices—

Eubanks

La Velta "Bagie" Eubanks, 81, of Robert Lee died Sunday, February 18, 1996, at her residence following a lengthy

Service was held at 10:00 am Tuesday, February 20, at the First United Methodist Church with burial in Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Ivey Eubanks of Robert Lee; a son, Jeff Eubanks and wife D'Ann, of Robert Lee; three grandchildren, Lori, Colby and Casey Eubanks, all of Robert Lee; four sisters, Beatrice Counts of Robert Lee, Katherine Martin of New Mexico, Patty Sheppard of Spearman and Dixie Jones of Brownfield; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Family Education Club begins new year

The Bronte FCE club began its new year with their first club meeting held on January 26 in the home of Annie Laura McShane, with all members serving as hostesses. Four club members answered roll call with "My New Year's Resolution." Club members received their new yearbooks and handbooks. The club activity consisted of members filling yearbooks and telling Snake tales. Those attending were Annie Laura McShane, Juanita Bradley, Charlie Belle Bagwell, Marie Arrott and Alene Jameson.

The next club meeting was also held in the home of Annie Laura McShane, who served as hostess. Opening exercise, "It Matters Not", was read by Annie Laura. Roll call "My Favorite Season" was answered by four members and two guests. Those present were Annie Laura McShane, Virginia Boatright, Alene Jameson, Juanita Bradley, and guests Helen Kirkland, Vera Ballard, and Jan Yanez. The program, "Etiquette Then and Now" was given by agent Jan Yanez.

The Family Education Club is a Extension program which serves people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. Anyone wanting to become a member should contact the county extension office for more information.

Wrinkle

Douglas Dwayne Wrinkle, 69, died February 15, 1996, in a Wichita Falls hospital. Services were held Sunday, February 18, in Cordell, Okla-

Survivors include his wife, Eileen, of Oklahoma; one son, Russell Wade Wrinkle, of Kansas; two grandchildren; his mother, Odella Coalson, of Bronte; his stepfather and lifelong friend, Ray Coalson of Bronte; one brother, Loy Wrinkle, also of Bronte; two sisters, Lori Knight of Abilene and Joyce Riley of Hubbard; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Lammers of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sims of Lufkin recently flew in their private plane from Lufkin to San Angelo where they visited with their sister and aunt, Wanda Smith, who is a patient at Shannon Hospital. The group then traveled to Robert Lee to visit in the home of Don and Melba Mauldin. Richard Sims is a 1961 graduate of Robert Lee High School, and his wife, the former Mary Frances Brock, is a 1966 graduate of Bronte High School. Family members visiting with the Sims and Lammers were Jana and Rob Smith of Robert Lee; Dane Smith of San Angelo; Wanda and Willis Smith of Robert Lee; Theresa, Kristi Lee, Kimberly, and Laura Mauldin of Midland; and Bethany, Amanda, Ashley, and Colin Beal of Odessa.

Smith leaves Ivey Motor Co.

In 1955, Cumbie Ivey, Jr. was taking over more and more responsibility in Ivey Motor Company which had been operated for several years as a family business. Cumbie Ivey, Sr. was anxious to get back to his ranching. The dealership needed a good, steady hand to work into heading up the parts department. Cumbie, Jr. was impressed with a young, local fellow working at a service station down the street. He asked Royce Smith if he wanted to work at the Ford house. The rest, as they say, is history. Probably neither thought at the time about the new working relationship lasting over 40 years.

James Royce Smith was born at Bronte but moved to Robert Lee at a young age with his parents, Willis and Lois Mae Smith. He was a 1950 RLHS graduate and ranched with family interests. Royce and Lynn Doris Varnadore, another Robert Lee native, were married in 1951. He was drafted during the Korean conflict and served a stint in Japan and Korea until 1954 when he returned home to resume his life.

During his long association with Ivey Motor Company, Royce has seen a lot of changes in the automobile industry, he said. Perhaps the biggest of these is the technological advances in computerized panels in vehicles, electronic testing equipment, the specialized tools, and the computerized ordering of parts. Much time now is taken

up with paper work. According to Royce, the best part of his working career has been the association with both customers and his fellow workers. He said the pleasant working conditions have been enhanced by Mr. Ivey's and Cumbie, Jr.'s efforts to remain a hometown dealership with its personal selling and service which has earned the company numerous prestigious awards from Ford Motor Company.

One of Royce's favorite stories happened at Ivey's a number of years ago. Everyone came to work; something didn't look right but nobody could decide what was wrong. Then somebody noticed the 3x4 foot safe on rollers locat-



Elmer Beck, Wanda Barbee, Janet Hurley, Eula Vern Lee, Ettie Hubbard, Debbie Wilkes, Edith Rolls and Mary Percifull are pictured at the Wackenhut facility just moments before the Valentine Party. Ninety-six young ladies were served refreshments and played Valentine Bingo under the guidance of Pat Lee. A note handed to us during one of the dorm parties said, "We would like to thank all of you for being here for us to help us have happy holidays and birthdays."

We don't know who all supplied refreshments, but we had plenty and no one went away hungry. We hope that more of you in the community will come be a part of the next get-together we have at the facility.

ed in Kenneth Lackey's office was gone. Roller marks on the floor led right back through the shop to the back door. The safe was later found abandoned, opened with a cutting torch. About 90% of the papers were recovered with only a small loss of cash. The burglars were caught shortly.

Royce's plans include ranching with his brother, Willis Wayne (while waiting for a rain) and spending more time with his family. His family includes four children: James of Grand Prairie, Debbie of Ballinger, Edwin of Robert

Dr. Wimpee is a graduate

Waco and Baylor College

of Medicine in Houston.

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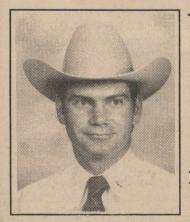
of Baylor University in

Lee, and Noal of San Angelo. He and Lynn Doris also have several grandchildren.

He says he's been trying to retire since November, 1995 and is finally leaving what he called "the best little Ford house in Texas."

The dealership honored Royce with a breakfast on Thursday, the 15th and wished him well. He was presented with a large color television, which he may be too busy to watch! He has promised to help at the dealership if needed, along with things he wants to catch up around the place.

WANTED



Your vote for the re-election of Marshall Millican as Coke County Sheriff in the **Democratic Primary Election** March 12.

Pol Adv. Pd. for by Marshall Millican, PO Box 358, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

Robert Lee Shamrock Clinic is pleased to announce...

Dr. James Wimpee will conduct a Bone and Joint Disorders Clinic twice a month beginning Wednesday, February 14, at the Robert Lee Shamrock Clinic. Please call for an appointment:

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Meriu Monday, Fe- 26 Baked Flounder, Pinto Beans, Corn Muffin, Cabbage & Carrot Slaw, Applesauce Wednesday, Feb. 28 Barbecue Chicken, Blackeyed Peas, Harvard Beets, Cornbread, Pears, Sugar

Friday, Mar. 1 Chicken A La King, Rice, Herbed Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Orange, Chocolate Chip Cookies

R.S.V.P. Luncheon

R.S.V.P. volunteers do many things for the senior center. A few of these things are: (1) Quilters - fundraising and helping others with their quilts; (2) Congregate meals helping with paperwork and counting donations for the meals; (3) Social Services -Volunteering to help with arts and crafts and recreation when needed; (4) Grounds helping with shrubs, flower beds, trees, etc.; (5) Volunteering to help others with daily needs; (6) Transportation to church for nursing home residents; and many

School Board Recognition Month

WHEREAS, the mission of the public schools is to meet the diverse educational needs of all children and to empower them to become competent, productive contributors to a democratic society and an ever-changing world; and

WHEREAS, local school board members are committed to children and believe that all children can be successful learners and that the best education is tailored to the individual needs of the child; and



Gladys Baker was the only Birthday Honoree for February. The party for Gladys was Friday, February 16. The Sorosis Club sponsored the event and Mary Bell Hillard provided the entertainment.

WHEREAS, local school board members work closely with parents, educational professionals, and other community members to create the educational vision we want for our students; and

WHEREAS, local school board members are responsible for ensuring the structure that provides a solid foundation for our school system;

WHEREAS, local school board members assure the assessment of students, school staff, and educational programs and are accountable to the community; and

WHEREAS, local school board members are strong advocates for public education and are responsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the public and the public's expectations to the district;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Martin Lee, do hereby declare my appreciation to the members of the Bronte I.S.D. School Board and proclaim

the month of February 1996,

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH in the City of Bronte. Lurge all citizens to join me in recognizing the dedication and hard work of local school board members and in working with

them to mold an educational system that meets the needs of both today's and tomorrow's children.

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature this 20th day of February, 1996.

Martin Lee, Mayor



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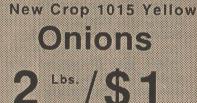
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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

TAAS testing in March

The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills testing program will be administered on Tuesday, March 5 (Writing grades 4, 8, and EXIT - grades 10, 11, and 12); Wednesday, March 6 (Math - grades - EXIT only); and Thursday, March 7 (Grades - EXIT only). The reason for testing Writing only in grades 4 & 8 so early is because the writing sample takes a longer length of time to grade. This gives the EXIT level graduating seniors all over the state an extra chance to test and pass before graduation. Those seniors who do not pass the test will take it again in May.

The students have been exposed to the test items that appeared on the spring 1995 test because the districts were supplied with five copies of each of the tests in reading, writing, and math. The copies are available to the public to view. If you have any questions, please contact Vicky McCutchen, Counselor Bronte ISD, at 473-2511.

BISD to hold trustee elections

Bronte ISD will hold a Trustee Election May 4, 1996. There will be two positions to be filled. These positions are currently held by Ray Barnett and Ray Coalson. Candidates for a place on the ballot of the Bronte ISD School Board of Trustees may file in the su-



Breakfast Monday, Feb. 26 Cereal, Biscuit, Grape Juice,

Tuesday, Feb. 27
Breakfast Burrito, Orange
Juice, Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 28 Sausage, Pancakes, Apple Juice, Milk

Thursday, Feb. 29 Scrambled Eggs, Waffle, Orange Juice, Milk

Friday, Mar. 1
Cereal, Blueberry Muffins,

Mixed Fruit, Milk
Lunch

Monday, Feb. 26 Chicken Strips w/ Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Banana Pud-

ding, Milk
Tuesday, Feb. 27
Pizza, Buttered Corn, Tossed
Salad, Applesauce, Milk
Wednesday, Feb. 28

Taco Salad w/ Cheese, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato, Strawberry Jello, Milk

Thursday, Feb. 29
Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit Salad, Bread Sticks, Peanul Butter Cookies, Milk
Friday, Mar. 1

Friday, Mar. 1
Cheeseburger, French Fries
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
Ranch Style Beans, Juice
Bars, Milk

perintendent's office beginning Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, through the deadline, Wednesday, March 20, 1996. The deadline for write-in candidates will be Thursday, April 4, 1996. The superintendent's office is open for election business from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

FBC Bronte TEAMKIDS news

TEAMKIDS of First Baptist Church in Bronte are sponsoring a special performance by illusionist Bobby Cox on Monday, Feb. 26 after school from 3:45 - 5:00 pm. The event will be held at the church and all elementary students (grades K - 6) are invited to attend. For more information, call 473-2331, 473-5661 or 473-5091.

Correction

The following students from Bronte Junior High and High School were left out of last week's posting of results from the UIL academic meet hosted by Robert Lee.
High School:

Headline Writing: Katie
Collins - 6th

Junior High:
Science - 7th Grade:
Jade Richards - 3rd

Number Sense - 7th Grade: Jade Richards - 5th

Exploring keys to children's success

Kary Rawlings, Patti Frazee, Terri Rawls, and Vicky Mc-Cutchen from Bronte ISD received three full days of intensive training from Practical Parent Education (PPE) consultant Ann Stringer (San Angelo ISD Coordinator) with the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB).

Participants explored such topics as dealing with sibling rivalry, understanding parenting styles, communicating effectively with children of all ages, and choosing effective discipline techniques. In addition, the parents educators reviewed curriculum materials and developed and shared action plans. Armed with this information and much more, participants will have the tools to begin implementation of the PPE program in their community.

PPE is a primary program based on the idea that the most effective way to strengthen families is to educate parents and form community networks to support them in their efforts to raise children who function to the best of their abilities in their personal lives, their educa-

tional experiences, and as members of society.

PPE is not a how-to parenting kit. It is a positive program that provides parents fundamental parenting information in a supportive, interactive group setting. Covering family systems, discipline, self-esteem, communication, and other essential topics, the program's curriculum is flexible and can be used to address the changing needs of adults and children as they mature and experience the different stages of the parent/child relationship.

PPE began in 1984 in Plano, Texas, as the vision of the public school superintendent and a local businessman. In 1989, TASB and Fiano ISD joined forces to make PPE available to all Texas school districts. Today, more than 200 public school districts statewide are bringing the program into their communities and using it as a catalyst to form local networks dedicated to encouraging and supporting parents.

Bronte is fifth in the Region XV to implement the program. Some parent classes are tentatively set for April. There will be more information on this program at a later date.

Omega Coterie Club meets

by Bea Murray
Tom Fletcher of the Abilene
Fire Department gave a talk on
fire safety to the Omega Cotine Club of Blackwell.

They met in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church on Feb. 14th. Carolyn Crawford, president, presided over the business session.

Refreshments were served from a table decorated in the Valentine motif. Other members present were: Collene Fletcher, Darris Hagler, Sue Parker, Verla Smith, Shirley Walston and Geneva Zarafonetis. Joyce Jones and Bea Murray served as hostesses.

Next meeting will be March 13. They plan to make favors for the Bronte Nursing Home.

Historical Society to meet

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet March 5, 1996, at 7:30 pm. The meeting is at the Church of Christ, 901 N. Main, San Angelo.

The program, "Calendar Trivia", will be presented by former club president, Harold De Cuir. Refreshments will follow the meeting and visitors are welcome.

A beginners class will be taught by Billye Scattergood at 6:30 pm.

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The Parent Institute is an excellent publication available to parents for a small fee. Some schools offer the booklets and brochures containing helpful hints on ways parents can help their children do better in school. I will be sharing some excellent information on the discipline series in the weeks to follow.

Our society is one of laws, rules, and regulations. Our reasons for implementing these are to help guide our lives. These laws and rules are necessary and throughout a child's life, and he or she will be expected to respect them and to also respect other people.

This is the main reason schools make citizenship a number one priority. Teaching children the discipline of respect and requiring them to study will help them learn the material, but the real learning comes when the child has an opportunity to practice it. School is a great place to provide those opportunities, but it is not enough. Schools cannot provide enough practice. Day-to-day living and working with others is where children really learn about respect. This means that the best place to learn is at home with parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, friends and neighbors.

Usually a well-disciplined child has respect for rules, authority and other people. The dictionary defines discipline as "instruction; subjection to authority; self-control." Discipline is teaching and

takes place school. Experts best way to teach spect is to be wards them. way street. learn how responsible them will the give it to other

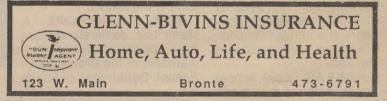
o mutual An atmosp respect creates an ideal climate for discipline at home and at school. Children who respect adults obey them because they want to. They understand that adults are looking out for their best interests. Respect also creates an ideal climate for learning. That's why educators are so interested in teaching children respect. Respect will improve any relationship, including family life. A statement made by a child which shows some insight, "If you respect your kids, they'll do anything to please you."

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by Jan Yanez Coke County Ext. Agent

for the Wyour kitchen pass a health inspection?

With increasing emphasis on the importance of handling food safely to prevent foodborne illness, consumers may want to ask themselves, "Would my kitchen pass a

Driggers to visit Russia

Due to interest and support from within the Bronte Community as well as among members of the Church of Christ in Bronte, John Driggers will have another opportunity to travel to Russia in March. This will be similar to a trip made last spring with his brother-in-law, Edwin Myers, who serves as the coordinator between Sunset International Institute of Lubbock, Texas, and the Chairman of Education for the Omsk Region High Schools in Siberia. John will assist in training Omsk Public school teachers, some of their students and select professional groups in a course called "The History of Christianity in a World Culture."

Ivan Mikha, Omsk Chairman of Education, has shown great interest and is making it possible for all his teachers and students to have this course of study. Because there are only certain times when these teachers and students can do this, Edwin and various instructors go twice a year for three or four weeks. Driggers will leave from Midland on March 11 with Myers, meet a third instructor, Jay Don Rogers of Vancouver, B.C., in Cincinnati, then to Moscow via J.F.K. in New York. From Moscow, the group will fly to their Siberian destination, in all going through twelve zones, exactly halfway around the world.

In addition to Bible instruction, these men will be involved in a humanitarian relief effort by delivering donated medical supplies worth thousands of dollars to the main hospital in Omsk. Even though going through customs has proven to be a difficult task, it has been extremely well received by the head doctors of Omsk and they, in turn, have publicized this to the entire city of nearly two million people.

John expresses his gratineople of Bronte tude to Reuests their afe trip, and back a factentation when he the middle of April.

to know how to grow is the master work of om, and one of the difficult chapters in reat art of living. Frederic Amiel

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health inspection?"

To answer this question, check these standards in your kitchen:

Does your refrigerator maintain a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below and the freezer 0 degrees F or below? The only way to verify this is to use an appliance thermometer.

Texas EMS squads to receive grants

Hearts are on people's minds this month, especially volunteer emergency medical service (EMS) squads across Texas that will soon have the latest life-saving equipment available to treat victims of sudden heart failure. Eightyfour squads in 57 counties are being notified this week that they will receive matching grants totalling approximately \$200,000 from The Prudential Helping Hearts Program to help purchase state-of-the-art heart difibrillators.

These grants will significantly expand the percentage of Texas residents who can count on the prompt availability of defibrillation technology if they suffer a cardiac emergency. The 84 recipient squads serve a combined population of more than 700,000 and responded to nearly 7,000 cardiac emergencies last year.

"The citizens of Texas will benefit greatly from The Prudential Helping Hearts donation," said David R. Smith, MD, Texas Commissioner of Health. "The program will dramatically increase our ability to care for people in cardiac arrest and will bring vital, lifesaving service to hundreds of thousands of Texans for the first time. This kind of partnership is a good way for Texas to take care of its peo-

Defibrillators are used to revive victims of sudden heart failure by administering jolts of electricity to the chest at precise intervals. Research has shown that use of a defibrillator within minutes of an attack can more than double the chances of survival for victims of cardiac arrest.

Each Prudential matching grant will pay half the cost of a new semi-automatic external defibrillator (SAED), up to \$2,500, provided that the recipient squad raises the balance of the purchase price over the next six months. SAEDs cost an average of \$5,000. The Prudential invited all volunteer EMS units in the state to apply for participation in the program. To be eligible, squads had to be non-profit, volunteer organizations and meet state technical and training requirements.

Area grant recipients include the East Coke County EMS in Bronte and the Grape Creek Volunteer Fire Department in Grape Creek.

* Are the contents of the refrigerator arranged so that cold air can circulate freely throughout? Are most perishable foods such as eggs, milk, meats, poultry, fish, and other protein foods stored in the coldest areas of the refrigerator, never on the door? Eggs should be stored in the original carton.

Are foods covered or wrapped securely? A bacteria in the air and from uncooked meats or their juices can settle and grow on foods.

Is the refrigerator reasonably clean? Bacteria from bits of food on shelves can contaminate other foods.

* In the pantry, are foods stored in tightly closed containers and is the pantry area clean and preferably in a cool, dry, dark location? Foods that are stored in dampness, such as under the sink or close to heat, such as over the range, deteriorate much more rapidly.

Are cleaning supplies stored out of reach of children?

Are work surfaces, the sink, utensils and appliances kept clean? Do you have separate cutting boards for raw meats and foods that are not to be cooked such as vegetables? Bacteria from juices or raw meat can collect in cutting boards and contaminate other foods. Are these boards clean and do you sanitize them? Other appliances or equipment to check for cleanliness are the can opener, the blender and others that can hold food particles in tiny cracks or crevices.

hand washing convenient and do you have paper towels to dry hands on? Cloth towels can harbor bacteria. They need to be washed frequently.

* Is the oven reasonably clean and is there an oven thermometer to check for accurate oven temperatures?

* Is the dishwasher free of food particles that could feed bacteria or insects?

By following these clean kitchen standards and safe food handling practices, you can help protect your family from the consequences of foodborne illness.



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J.B. and Georgia Mae Mackey were crowned Mr. and Mrs. Valentine on February 14. They were chosen by the residents and staff of Bronte Nursing Home.

They were presented a red carnation and a trophy.

Wrong SS number can delay tax return

If you expect a refund on your federal taxes, you can avoid a delay by making sure all names and Social Security numbers are recorded correctly on your tax return.

When processing tax returns, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) checks all names and Social Security numbers for accuracy. In the past, IRS matched the names and numbers of taxpayers and their spouses. Now, the names and numbers of all dependents listed on the tax return are checked. In 1996, even your children under the age of one must show a Social Security number on your 1995 tax return.

When IRS discovers an incorrect Social Security number on your tax return, they send you a letter explaining

the discrepancy. You must fix the problem by giving IRS the correct Social Security number before you can expect a tax refund.

If you don't have a number or you need one for a dependent, call or visit Social Security. You'll need to show your age, citizenship or lawful alien status and verify your identity. The Social Security representative will tell you what proofs you need to provide.

You should also check the Social Security number on your W-2 statement and pay stubs to make sure it matches the one on your card. If it doesn't match, tell your employer immediately.

For more information contact your local office or call the toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 to make an appointment. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call at other times.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Ladies take Bi-District Crown

The Lady Steers took the Bi-District Crown Friday night one-sided contest against Trent. The Ladies defeated the Trent squad 55-20 to take the Bi-District championship for the second year in

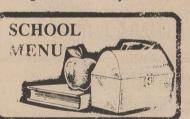
RL scored 16 points in the first quarter to Trent's 7. The second quarter was the prelude of things to come though, as RL hit for another 16 and held Trent to only 2 points. Trent's Ladies were only able to add another 11 in the entire second half while Robert Lee's girls added another 23 to the board.

Jennifer Scott led the scoring for Robert Lee with 18 points. Shalon Waldrop hit for 10, Jaclyn Waldrop 9, Heather Millican 5, Kannan Millican 3, Amanda Sanders 2, Bree Bolding 2, Meagan Hill 2, Kizzie Howell 2, and Tiffany Bruning 2.

The win brought Robert Lee's record to 24-4 for the season.

Lady Steers -Area Champs!

In a nip and tuck nail-biter the Lady Steers held off the Lady Cats of Garden City to take the Area Championship Tuesday in Sweetwater. RL trailed for much of the game by several points, but came back strong in the bottom of the fourth quarter to take the lead and hold off the Garden City team to retain the Area Championship. In the first quarter, Robert Lee fell behind the Lady Cats 9-15. RL pulled within 2 during the second and went into halftime trailing Garden City 23-25.



Breakfast Monday, Feb. 26 Biscuits & Sausage w/ Gravy, Orange Juice, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 27 Donuts, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice Wednesday, Feb. 28

Breakfast Bagel, Orange Juice, Milk Thursday, Feb. 29

Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk

Friday, Mar. 1 HOLIDAY!! Lunch

Monday, Feb. 26 Fish w/ Tartar Sauce, Cheesy Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Hush Puppies, Diced

Pears, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 27 Pigs in a Blanket, Blackeye Peas, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 28 Mexican Casserole, Chili Beans, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cocktail, Crackers, Milk Thursday, Feb. 29 Hot Dogs w/ Chili & Cheese, Tator Tots, Peaches, Milk

Friday, Mar. 1

HOLIDAY !!

The 3rd quarter was a defensive battle with neither team scoring well, but the Lady Steers pulled to within 1 point by the end of the third period 31-32. RL came out in the fourth to outscore the Lady Cats 15-8 and pulled out a 46-40 win. The win brings the Ladies' record to 25-4 for the year and gives them the right to advance to the Re-

gional Playoffs in Abilene. Shalon Waldrop was high pointer for the Lady Steers with 24 points. Jennifer Scott tipped in 9 points, Jaclyn Waldrop 8, Maranda Wojtek 2, Bree Bolding 2, and Heather Millican 1.

Robert Lee will take on Zephyr Friday afternoon at 4:00 pm at McMurry University in Abilene in the Regional tournament.

Steers defeat Roscoe

The Robert Lee Steers hosted Roscoe here Tuesday, February 13 in a practice game for the Plowboys as they prepare for the playoffs. The Steers gave the visitors all they could handle and then some as they defeated the Roscoe team 80-56.

Roscoe led the scoring 18-21 in the first quarter, but RL took the reins in the second and never looked back, taking the lead 36-29 at the end of the second quarter. Steers outgunned the Plowboys 24-12 in the third and 20-15 in the fourth.

Aaron Hood was high point man with 22 for the night. Eric Hood hit for 20, Jason Key 17, Rocky Coates 7, Matthew Millican 5, Koby Howell 3, Jerrod Copeland 2, Jerrod Pitcock 2, and Korey Pitcock 2.

RL JV boys end season with a win

Robert Lee's JV squad ended their season Tuesday, February 13 with a win in front of the hometown fans. RL defeated Roscoe's JV team 55-

RL led the scoring for most of the game taking a 15-7 lead in the first quarter and holding onto a 28-25 lead going into the second half. RL maintained a 3 point lead at the end of the third 39-36. The Steers managed to put the game away by outscoring their opponent 16-10 in the fourth.

Polo Arellano was high pointer for the evening with 16. Michael Munoz tossed in 12, Eli Boxell 10, Gilbert Torres 8, Mike Pentecost 4, Starsky Oleksiuk 3, and Chad Helwig 2.

RLISD to accept student nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the Gifted and Talented Program at Robert Lee ISD. Gifted and talented students are those who excel in any one or a combination of the following areas: general intellectual ability, specific subject matter aptitude, creative and productive thinking, and leadership ability. Teachers, parents, and community members are invited to nominate students in grades K-12. Contact Melba Mauldin, Robert Lee ISD, 453-4555.

RL PTA seeks officers

The Robert Lee PTA is seeking nominations for officers of the organization. If you know of interested candidates, contact Brenda Gray, Kay Torres, or Diana McCabe. For more information, please call 453-2673.

453-2129

453-4305

RLISD Fourth Six Weeks Honor Roll

Robert Lee ISD congratulates the following elementary, junior high, and high school students who appear on the "A" and "A-B" honor roll for the fourth six weeks:

Third Grade - McCown: Kayli Jo Dickey, Julie Riley, Lindsey Roe

Third Grade - Devoll: Jake McCabe

Fourth Grade - Davis: Jessica Fluhmann, Becky Leugers

Fifth Grade - Bessent: Jennifer Nesbitt, Amie Kendall

Fifth Grade - Wilson: Ashlee Millican, Stewart Millican. Cooper Riley, Shelby Roe, Nicole Sanchez

Sixth Grade - Burns: Jamie Chesshir, Jodee Devoll, Casey Eubanks, Colby Eubanks, Melissa Landeros, Rachelle Mills, Bobbie Sparks, Shanna Wojtek

Seventh Grade: Mary Arellano, Clifton Bohannon, Tiffany Copeland, DeShira Dickey, Amber Freeman, Cayla Jeffrey, Erin Millican, Chase Rainwater, Dixie Simp-

Eighth Grade: Bessent, Coke Hendry, Dan McCown, Matthew Pitcock

Ninth Grade: Chad Helwig Tenth Grade: Chris Woods Eleventh Grade: Meagan Hill, Chad Leugers

Twelfth Grade: Tiffany Bruning, Jeremy Burns, Carrie Emert, Aaron Hood, Eric Hood, David Millican, Heather Millican, Amanda Sanders, David Sevier, Jaclyn Waldrop

RLISD school board meets

The Robert Lee ISD school board met in regular session on February 15, 1996, at 7:30 pm. All members of the board were present except Teddy

willican. The ness was con-

ng busi-

* Mintues w approved and bills were paid.

* Parent presented an appeal on a discipline matter.

Wink Insurance was awarded insurance contract

* Staff development days were approved for April 15-16, 1996, pending approval from TEA for a waiver of instruction days.

Approval was given for purchase of Saxon Math for K-8 pending approval of teach-

A purchasing cooperative contract between Region XV and Robert Lee was awarded.

Counselor Melba Mauldin's contract was extended for 1996-'97 school year. All for.

* Action on Principal Jackie Tennison's contract was

* TASB Update 50 was approved.

 District Planning and Decision Making local policy was discussed.

Recommendation from SBDM Committee concerning student elections was ac-

cepted.
* Drum major election was referred to SBDM committee. Parent appeal on disci-

pline matter was denied. Superintendent Hood gave report over local UIL academic meet, contruction items and board training op-

portunities. * Meeting was adjourned. The next regularly scheduled school board meeting will be March 21, 1996, at 7:30 pm.

The first sign of maturity is the discovery that the volume knob also turns to the left.

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awarded, including a \$500 grand prize. The contest is

only, 20 lines or less, on any

the contest also will be con-

sidered for publication in the

Fall 1996 edition of Poetic

Voices of America, a hardcov-

er anthology to be published

in October, 1996. Anthology

purchase may be required to

ensure publication, but it is

not required to enter or win

the contest. Prize winners will

for new and unpublished po-

ets and offers a public forum

that enables them to share

their work," says Jerome P.

Welch, Publisher. "We look

for originality of ideas and

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and themes. Many of our

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Poems should be sent to

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Surgeon receives

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ets with new ideas."

"Our contest is especially

be notified by May 31, 1996.

free to enter.



Kim Carver

Carver to travel to France

Kimberly Carver of Robert Lee, sophomore interdisciplinary studies major at Hardin-. Simmons University and a member of the Six White Horse Riding Team, will travel with the Cowboy Band and the University Trio to appear in the band's third appearance in the Nice, France "Carnival" Celebration February 22 through March 1.

The band participated in festivities in Nice in 1986 and 1989. The Cowboy Band will be accompanied by members of the Six White Horse Riding Team and the University Trio.

They will march in several parades in Nice and the surrounding area during the week beginning on Saturday, Feb. 24. They will be presented in a live concert in a 5,000 seat Tent de Verdue, meet with the Mayor of the city and Celebration Committee leaders in a reception and have sightseeing opportunities in Nice, Eze / Monaco / Monte Carlo and Paris, including the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre.

Director of the Cowboy Band Don Hanna said, "This is a continuing tradition for the Cowboy Band. Because of enthusiastic acceptance and approval by the parade audiences of the band's performances in the past, we will be one of the featured groups on hand for the week. It's a great honor for the Cowboy Band and Hardin - Simmons University. We are proud to represent Abilene, the Big

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Country, Texas, and the na-

and Sheila Carver of Robert

Ballinger to hold Chamber banquet

The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce will celebrate its annual banquet, "Salute to Ballinger", Thursday, February 29, 1996, at 7:29 pm in the Ballinger High School Cafeteria.

The program will feature the honoring of 1995 Board Chairperson James Pechal by 1996 Board Chairman David Springer; introduction of 1995 "Citizen of the Year" and 1995 "Business of the Year" along with awards to outgoing board members; and special presentations by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Guest speaker is Spike Dykes, Texas Tech University Head Football Coach.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any Board of Director or the Chamber office. For additional information contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 365-2333 or 365-5611.

Poems wanted for contest

Poems are now being accepted for entry in Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum's new DeBakey, 87, is a surgeon at The Methodist Hospital and lence" poetry contest. Cash prizes totaling \$1,000 will be College of Medicine.

Kim is the daughter of John

recognition Dr. Michael Ellis DeBakey, a premier surgeon and innovator of medical research at The Methodist Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine, will be inducted into the Health Care

Hall of Fame.

Inventor of the roller pump -a major component of the heart-lung machine that helped make open-heart surgery possible -- and artifical arterial grafts now used worldwide to treat diseased vessels, Dr. DeBakey is best known for his formidable surgical skills and groundbreaking medical research.

His reach has extended far beyond the operating room and the laboratory, however, and his wisdom and knowledge have shaped the way medicine is taught and health care is delivered.

DeBakey and four other health care figures in the country will be honored at a March 10 dinner at Chicago's Fairmont Hotel. The Health Care Hall of Fame is sponsored by Modern Healthcare magazine.

Portraits of all five will join those of 39 previous honorees at the Hall of Fame in Philadelphia.

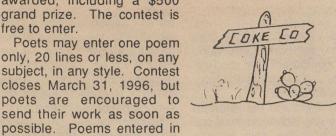
DeBakey, 87, is a surgeon Chancellor Emeritus for Baylor

I would like to thank the people of Coke County, Precinct 3 for their support and cooperation over the past 8 years. Your vote and continued support will be greatly appreciated.

TIM MILLICAN

Candidate For Re-Election As **COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONER** Precinct 3

Subject to action of Democratic Primary Pd. Pol. Adv. by Tim Millican, HC 60, Box166, Robert Lee, TX 76945



COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley Coke County Agent

TAES launches '96 soil test campaign

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service has launched the 1996 Soil Test campaign. Homeowners should consider some things before buying fertilizer for the coming season. Hundreds of tons of fertilizer are applied on Texas lawns every year without knowing what kind and how much is needed for their individual lawns. Just as too much water creates problems for a lawn, too much fertilizer also can be damaging. If a lawn receives more nutrients (fertilizer) than it can use, the excess may run off and contaminate surface water or groundwater. Each lawn is made up of thousands of grass plants. Some soils have enough natural fertility to keep your lawn growing well, others don't. Plants use water and the nutrients they get from the air and soil to manufacture their own food. This process is dependent on a steady supply of nutrients, primarily from the soil itself. One key to a lush, green lawn is timely application of the right fertilizer.

Soil test now to insure a healthy lawn this spring. Odds are that it will need some fertilizer, but probably less than you think. Find out for sure with a soil test. With the ever-increasing environmental awareness of contamination of our natural resources, do your part.

The Extension Service is encouraging homeowners to pick up a new soil test kit at retail stores where fertilizers are sold, or from county extension offices. The kit contains simple directions, a plastic bag for soil sample, and information card and prepaid mailer. The \$13 cost covers the soil analysis, preparation of the report and postage. For about the cost of one bag of fertilizer, you can get information that could save you money on fertilizer expense. Allow five working days to receive your personal soil test lab results.

The report tells you what nutrients are already in your soil and which formula of fertilizer, if any, to use, and how much. The report both recommends how much fertilizer to apply at first, as well as the rest of the year. Use your soil test report when you buy fertilizer. The recommendations are based on individual results rather than geographic areas.

Please contact the County Extension Agent if you need assistance.

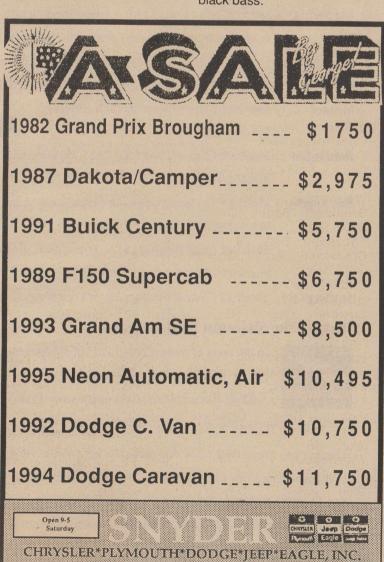


Lake Spence fishing report

* Jonie Parker, from Odessa, reeled in a 14 1/2 lb. striper, balloon fishing.

* Chuck Pearson, from Midland, brought in a 10 3/4 lb. striper on a yellow bucktail

Dovey Poivenint, from Odessa, hooked a 5 1/4 ib. black bass.



Snyder Traffic Circle 574-6886

GTE announces new services in Bronte

GTE Telephone Operations will extend local calling for all customers in the Bronte telephone service area, beginning February 29,1996. Under the plan, all calls to San Angelo will be billed as local calls.

"Prior to the start of Extended Local Calling, each call between these areas was billed separately as a long-distance call, and customers would see a long-distance charge per call on their monthly bills," said Durwood Wilkinson, Area Manager - Customer Operations, West Central district.

"Now, these calls are equivalent to local calls, and all customers in the towns having the new Extended Local Calling (ELC) must now dial all seven digits, both for local calls and ELC calls," explained Mr. Wilkinson.

The implementation of this seven-digit service may require modification to some telecommunications equip-

ment such as fax machines, speed calling, PABXs, key system, automatic dialers and other equipment that may restrict or automatically dial long-distance numbers.

Customers are not required to take any action to take advantage of the new service offering. Once extended calling is operational, it will no longer be necessary for customers to dial "1+" before the number when placing calls between these communities, but you must dial all seven digits for local and ELC calls.

This is a result of balloting which took place in the Ballinger telephone service area under the rules of Senate Bill 632 and the Public Utility Commission Rule 23.49 (c). Under those guidelines, certain communities were allowed to petition for extended toll-free local calling to nearby communities.

A per-line increase in the total monthly bill of \$3.50 for residential customers and \$7.00 for business customers will be assessed to customers in Ballinger for the added service. The charges will be list-

ed as "Expanded Local Calling" in the tax portion of the telephone bill. More information will be provided to affected customers in their monthly telephone bill as the service becomes operational.

Residential customers with questions about the ELC service should call toll-free 1-800-762-1706, and business customers should call 1-800-483-5400.

One of the largest publicly held telecommunications companies in the world, GTE is also the largest U.S.-based local telephone company and a leading cellular service provider in the United States with wireline and wireless operations that form a market area covering more than one third of the U.S. population. With net income of \$2.5 billion and revenues of \$20 billion in 1994, GTE is also a leader in government and defense communications systems and equipment, aircraft-passenger telecommunications, directories and telecommunicationsbased information services and systems.



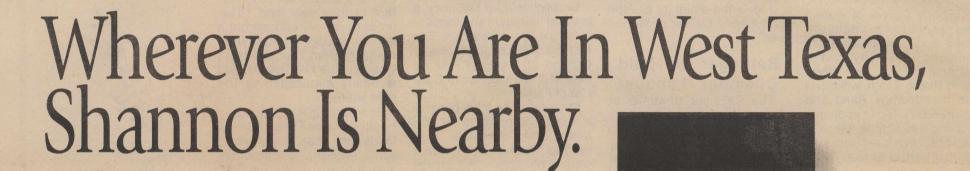
Cathy Hendry was honored by courthouse personnel on Friday, Feb. 16, on her last work day as a county employee. After seven years in the courthouse, she will go into her own business. She was presented a gold engraved locket, as well as flowers and cards. A number of well-wishers enjoyed cake, punch, and coffee.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am proud to see we have some candidates running for offices in Coke County. We need some more competition in all our elected offices. I do think this would improve all conditions and create more interest.

Sid Eubanks



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28B-tnc

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29B-1tc

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29a-2tc

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29B-1tc



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29B-1tc

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27B-4tc

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Juanita Schnabel Jan Walker 29-1tp

THE CCJJCC WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANKS

to the community for providing refreshments for the Valentine party for the young ladies at the correctional facility on Sat., Feb. 17. We had plenty of cookies, cupcakes and candy and just wanted to say how much the Advisory Council appreciates your support. 29B-1tp

NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF ROBERT LEE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Robert Lee will hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 pm on February 26, 1996 at the City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to

discuss the participation pla development of local housi. and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

John Conley, Mayor City of Robert Lee 29a-1tc

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINES

The East Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives notice of filing deadlines for the May 4, 1996 election. directors will be elected for a term of two years. Candidates may file a petition signed by at least 10 qualified property taxpaying electors asking that such name be printed on the ballot with the secretary of the board of directors. Petitions may be obtained at the Bronte Nursing Home, 900 South State St., Bronte, Texas, during normal business hours Monday through Friday, from Feb. 23, 1996 and must be received no later than March 23, 1996 at 5:00 pm. Questions may be directed to Pam Stokes, Administrator.

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR REHABILITATION AND HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE

29B-3tc

The City of Bronte has received funds from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in order to provide assistance for first time homebuyers to purchase a home and to low income homeowners for the purpose of making repairs to their existing homes. The financial assistance will be in the form of forgivable loans or no-interest loans and the applicants must be residents in the City. Selection of applicants will be based on pre-established qualifications and priorities established by the governing authority.

If you are interested in applying for this financial assistance, applications may be picked up at City Hall located at 114 S. Washington, Bronte, Texas during regular office hours.

Applications will be received at the above address until 5:00 pm March 8, 1996. if you have any questions, please call Mr. Shad Wickstrom, Grants Administrator for GSA at 800-775-2633 during normal business hours.

29B-2tc

...Classifieds

's all in the classifieds.

NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BRONTE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Bronte will hold a Public Hearing at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 27, 1996 at the City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Martin Lee, Mayor City of Bronte 29B-1tc

Mohair Council elects new president

Layton Black of Goldth-waite, a Mills County rancher and businessman, is the new president of the Mohair Council of America, having been elected at the organization's 30th annual meeting held in San Angelo in late January.

Black, 55, succeeds Ozona rancher Jeffrey Sutton. Black previously served as the council's secretary-treasurer and vice president for the last six years.

Also elected to leadership roles were Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, vice president, and Jack Groff of Kerrville, secretary-treasurer. He also is a past president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association. Groff, a retired sheep and goat specialist for the Texas A&M Extension Service, has in recent years been active in order buying and selling Angora

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goats, as well as raising mohair on his place near Kerrville.

Strictly an Angora goat and mohair producer, Black has been involved in agricultural activities for most of his life. He taught vocational agriculture for a number of years, and later was associated with Don Geeslin of Goldthwaite in a lamb feeding operation and as a lamb buyer. In addition to his ranch operations, Black is vice president of the First National Bank of Goldthwaite, and also serves in the Texas House of Representatives from the 54th Legislative Dis-

Black told producers attending the annual session that the council faces its most critical period in view of the loss of the National Wool Act and its long-running incentive payment program, the drop in mohair production and the loss of promotional funds

provided through the deduction from federal price supports.

"We must be smarter, wiser and plan more carefully. The Mohair Council has a great track record and we can build on that reputation. In addition, unity among mohair producers is high," he said.

Mohair Council meets

Mohair Council of America members, meeting in San Angelo in late January, elected new officers, approved a reduced operating budget of \$554,523.00 for 1996-97 and finalized plans for conducting a referendum under a Texas state commodity law which will allow for future funding of mohair promotion programs.

"We are at a critical period in our industry," said Layton Black of Goldthwaite, the council's new president, reflecting on the loss of the National Wool Act and mohair incentive payments which has resulted in a reduction in both mohair production and in future promotional funds.

"We must be smarter and wiser in our long-range planning. We must do more with less," Black said.

Black succeeds Ozona rancher Jeffrey Sutton as council president. He is a Mills County rancher and businessman and also serves in the Texas House of Representatives from the 54th Legislative District. The new vice president is Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home, and Jack Groff of Kerrville was elected secretary-treasurer. District directors were also chosen during district caucuses.

Mohair producers will get their final incentive checks this spring. As a result of the incentive payment program being phased out of the federal budget, the mohair industry's promotional and market development programs will require new funding. Presently, the Mohair Council has \$4,082,000.00 in its reserve fund, with an additional \$450,000-\$500,000 expected this spring from deductions made from final incentive checks.

Under the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, mohair growers can reinstitute the Texas Mohair Producers' Board, which has been inactive for a number of years. The producer board can deduct promotion funds from growers' first point of sale, but the program allows for a refund. During the 1970s, the Mohair Council's programs

were funded through the state commodity board checkoff for several years until a new federal program was initiated

Duery Menzies, the council's executive director, advised growers that ballots for the mail referendum will go out on or before March 15, with last day of voting to be March 29. A canvass of votes will be conducted on April 5, with new board members due to be sworn in on April 20. The commodity board will be made of members from 12 districts representing every mohair producing county in Texas.

Growers heard several encouraging reports from mohair manufacturers and from one of its foreign promotional programs with the English retailer Marks and Spencer.

C.A. "Al" Dishman of Uvalde, who operates a mohair knitting plant, said his firm is focusing on making basic products like cardigan sweaters and mohair socks.

"We don't have the time, talent or money to stay up with the many fashion changes that occur in today's market," he said.

It was announced during the meeting that the Mohair Council had purchased 712 pairs of mohair socks to be delivered to American troops in Bosnia-Herzegovina by Texas Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. The senator, flying to Bosnia with some eight other Congress members, would hand-carry the socks overseas. The socks would supply an army battalion with one pair each. The socks were supplied by Dishman's firm and by Jimmy Cahill's firm of Sonora.

Ford Ogelsby of Eldorado reported on a new carpet concept that he believes will boost mohair demand. The 16-gauge cut pile carpet is made in gray goods, then printed in special designs by computer.

"This is not a fashion-driven

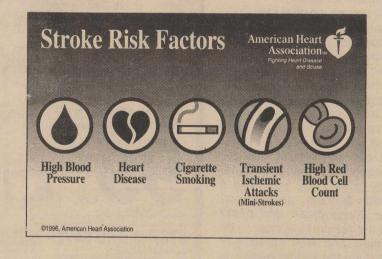
product," Ogelsby said, describing the new carpet as a velour-like product that would meet commercial use demands and utilize big quantities of mohair in its manufacture.

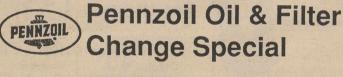
"During a production run of five, eight-hour days over a four-month period, we could use 2,800,000 pounds of fiber," he said. "We need constant consumption of mohair to stabilize the market."

Council members also passed a resolution supporting the continuing maintenance of government standards for mohair grades, and opposing a proposal by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to eliminate the standards and related regulations pertaining to mohair. The Mohair Council of America was instrumental in developing official U.S. standards for greasy mohair and for mohair top in the early 1970s. The resolution stated that the mohair business utilizes the standards on a daily basis, and that the standards should be continued.

Dennis Findley of Austin, with the National Agricultural Statistical Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, told producers that the sheep and lamb inventory in the U.S. was down five percent from the previous year and down 13 percent from two years ago. However, the Angora goat inventory in the five major producing states is up slightly from a year ago, but still substantially below the five-state total in 1994 of 1,727,000 head. There were 1,406,000 Angora goats counted in 1995, with 1,434,000 in the inventory on Jan. 1, 1996. Texas has the most production with 1,250,000 head.

The council's executive committee will hold its next meeting on Apr. 11 in Uvalde, and its Nov. 7 meeting will be in Sonora. The summer directors meeting will be held Aug. 14-15 at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville.





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Who will care for senior Texans?

by Attorney General Dan Morales

When the time comes to arrange for senior care, what can you do to insure the best possible situation for your folks or yourself? What are your choices, and how can you pick a good nursing home, extended care facility, or home care provider?

We at the Office of the Attorney General have drawn up the following guidelines to help you with this crucial deci-

Any long-term care facility should be safe, clean and affordable. It should also offer a compassionate and competent staff, as well as easy access to emergency medical care. You want the type of care that will best fit your needs and budget. Options include an in-home care provider, adult day care and full-time residency in a nursing home or rest home.

We have all heard horror stories of home care providers taking advantage of the elderly, stealing their valuables or even abusing people entrusted to their care.

What can you do to minimize your chances of hiring an unscrupulous person? The following tips are a start:

· Don't advertise in the classified section of the newspaper. Instead, look for a bonded and insured professional organization that specializes in home care and has extensive experience in the field.

· Get at least three personal and three business references from each applicant, and check every one out.

· Make the initial contact in a public place and not in the employer's home. A restaurant or your place of work are possible meeting places.

· Ask to see the applicant's driver's license. Make a copy and keep it in your files.

· Request that your applicant submit to a background check by the police. Call your local police or sheriff's department for details.

There are several steps you can take when you shop around for a nursing home or adult day care. The best starting point is to ask your doctor, friends and family about local rest homes. Draw up a list, call to find out which have available space, and then visit them.

Trust your senses and ask questions. How does the facility smell? Do you have a good general perception? Are things clean and neat? Do the residents appear to be bathed and well cared for? What are the visiting hours? Is the facility convenient to your work or home? Ask about the results of the facility's last state survey and request copies of the survey reports. The facility is required by law to provide them to you.

Talk to the residents and visiting family members. Are they satisfied and are their complaints resolved? Ask them if there is enough staff to meet resident needs. Drop by during a meal and see if you like the service and quality. You should also stop by weekends, evenings, or in the middle of the night when the supervisors are not on

duty. Is the staff attentive and caring when the boss is not around? Talk to the care providers. Are they cooperative and helpful?

When you have narrowed the choices down to three or four, call the Texas Department of Human Services at 800-252-8016. Ask about the places you have chosen the department keeps tabs on all licensed nursing homes,

adult day care centers, and personal care centers.

Ask TDHS if the places you have picked have had a large number of complaints, and inquire about the "termination history" of the facility. That history will highlight any current or past disciplinary problems. Once again, nearly every nursing facility will receive some complaints, but a home with a large number of repeated complaints may not be a good choice.

While state agencies can help weed out the bad places, your own instincts will tell you what you like best. And if you do not like what you see, speak up.

Finally, please report any substandard nursing home you find to the Texas Department of Human Services.

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