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First United Methodist to hold VBS

First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee will hold its Vacation Bible School this coming week, Monday, July 26, through Wednesday, July 28, from 10 am until 12 noon. Vacation Bible School is open for youngsters from pre-school through 6th grade. Activities will be held in the education building and fellowship hall at 9th and Chadbourne. Refreshments will be provided.

The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School is "Good News at Gospel Rock" and is intended to bring youngsters into a better understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Anyone wishing for their youngsters to attend VBS are urged to call the church at 453-2417.

Lady Longhorn volleyball two-a-day practices set

The Bronte Lady Longhorn Volleyball team will have two-a-day practices starting Wednesday, August 4. On Tuesday, August 3, all high school athletes playing volleyball need to pick up equipment from the girls' coaching office between 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Wednesday, August 4 through Friday, August 6, practice will be held from 8:00 am-10:00 am and 11:00 am-1:00 pm. The second week of practices begins Monday, August 9 through Tuesday, August 10. Practice times will be announced at a later date.

Country Peddler Show slated

The Country Peddler Show will be held at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North 6th, in Abilene, Texas, July 30 through August 1, 1999. Show hours are Friday, 4 pm-9 pm; Saturday, 9 am-6 pm; Sunday, 11 am-5 pm.

The Country Peddler Show is the original folk art and decorator show that features an excellent selection of quality furnishings and accessories including textiles, furniture, carvings, pottery, paintings, potpourri, porcelain, stenciling, dolls, bears, jewelry, quilts and personal apparel. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for seniors and children under 12 are free.

Coke County Pageant slated

The 21st anniversary of Ole Coke County Home of the Rabbit Twisters Pageant will be held at the Mountain Creek Amphitheater on July 29, 30, and 31, 1999. Starting at 8:00 pm there will be a choir sing-out. The drama itself will begin at 8:30 pm. Tickets will be available at the gate, \$3 for children 5-12 and \$6 for adults. For ticket information call (915) 453-2511. Concessions will be available. There will be a 20% discount for groups of 20 or more.

Silver Homecoming

The annual Silver Homecoming will be held Sunday, July 25, at the Fellowship Hall of Silver Baptist Church. Church service will be held at 10:30 am, with the homecoming to follow immediately at 11:30.

A potluck lunch will be served at 12:30 pm. Participants are asked to bring a covered dish. For more information, contact Debbie Wilkes at 453-2819.

Divine Singles class to be held

Robert Lee Baptist Church has started a Singles Class for Adults of varied ages. The class meets on Sunday morning for Bible study at 9:45 am. We would encourage you to come and participate if you do not have affiliation with another church.

We also are meeting frequently for social activities and would encourage your associate membership for these activities. We do not want to suggest anyone leave their church fellowship, but come join us for good Christian Fellowship. There is nothing more fun.

For more information regarding the class please call 453-2668, 453-2584 or 453-4631.

We will be having a social Tuesday, July 27. We would love to have you come and visit us, just call one of the above numbers.

RGACA meeting slated

The regular meeting of the Regional Advisory Committee on Aging will be held Wednesday, July 28, 1999, at 10:00 am at the Candlelight Dining Room, Rio Concho Manor located at 401 Rio Concho Drive in San Angelo.



Photo by Jerry O'Bryant

San Angelo weatherman Les Hiesler wasn't too happy when he found this monster rattlesnake just outside his hunting cabin in Coke County about half-way between Robert Lee and Bronte, near the Colorado River. When approached, the six-footer never rattled but did rear its fist-sized head. His partner dispatched the snake with a pistol, the pair's only weapon. The bulge near the rattler's mid-section is a rabbit, recently swallowed. Hiesler says the area is snakey; a few years ago, he found 13 small snakes in the outhouse.

Blackwell CISD school year begins August 12

Blackwell CISD will begin the school year, August 12, 1999. The teachers will report back to school August 9, 1999.

Steer Band practice slated
The Steer Band will begin practice on Monday, August

2, at 6:00 pm. Practice will last until 8:15 pm. The band will practice on August 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12 and 13. Please contact Mr. Ratliff at 453-4555 (school) or 453-2989 (home) if you need additional information about practices.

Bronte All-Sports Booster meeting

Bronte All-Sports Booster Club will meet Monday, July 26, at 7:00 pm in the school

cafeteria. Final plans for the workday on August 5 will be made. All parents of junior high and high school athletes are asked to attend.

Blackwell CISD meal information

The Blackwell CISD school serves meals each school day. Children may buy lunch for \$1.00 and breakfast for \$.50. The reduced price for lunch is \$.40 and breakfast is for \$.30.

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Death Notices

Smith

Samuell C. R. Smith, 73, of San Angelo, died July 13, 1999, in a San Angelo hospital.

Masonic graveside services were at 10:00am, Friday, July 16, at the Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Kathryn Smith of San Angelo; one son, John J.S. Smith of San Angelo; two daughters, Nancy Anderson of Paris, Texas, and Judith Rodgers of Sanger, Texas; two sisters, Louise Graves of Fort Stockton, and Arrajo Warner of Houston; and five grandchildren.

Walker

Jode Duane Walker, 25, of San Angelo, and formerly of Wingate, died Monday, July 12, from injuries sustained in a wake boarding accident at Lake Nasworthy on Sunday.

Funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church in Winters, July 14, with burial in Shep Cemetery.

Survivors are his wife, Michele Walker of San Angelo; two children, Lindsey and Dalton York of San Angelo; his father, Jerrell Walker and wife, Shirley, of Wingate; his mother, Jane Bryan of Bronte; two grandmothers, Nan Bryan of Athens and Bernice Ferguson of Burleson; one brother, Bill Wayne Walker and his wife, Lue, Winters, and three sisters, Jill McMurray and husband, Mark, of De Soto; Rita and Rex Lowry of Ballinger; and Sandy and Phil King of Ballinger.

"The best bridge between despair and hope is a good night's sleep."
 E. Joseph Cossman

Ole Coke County

"Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters" Pageant

July 29, 30, & 31, 1999

Bell Auto Body Shop

Robert Lee 453-2640

RLVFD News
 by Marian Thompson, secretary

The second meeting of July was held on the 19th at the fire station. Ten members and 2 visitors were present.

President Keith Eubanks presided.

The minutes were read and approved. No treasurer's report was available. Bud Thompson, dispatcher, reported the fire trucks now have inspection stickers.

They discussed the mobile home fire in Bronte. Nine Robert Lee firemen and 2 trucks assisted the Bronte Fire Department.

They discussed the monitor nozzle, we received from the Forest Service, how and when it will be used.

They adjourned the meeting and went to a training session.

There will be a work night, Wednesday, July 28.

Coke County Library News

The summer reading program at the Coke County Library is winding down. The participation has been outstanding. The library is hoping that students will continue to check out books all year long and the library will strive to have some really good books for all.

On Wednesday, July 28, from 9 am to 10 am, in the mini-park treats and drinks will be served. There will be a drawing from the reading lists for a free drink from several local businesses. Students can take their reading lists to remind them of the good summer reading. Others whose names are drawn will receive stickers and pencils.

Several new westerns are on the shelves; Everything Your Child Should Learn In Kindergarten is available. Story Hour is just around the corner.

Hickman reunion

On Saturday and Sunday, July 3 and 4, the family of Ed and Malindy Hickman met for their annual reunion at the Bronte Community Center.

The Saturday evening meal of hamburgers, chips and dips and desserts was hosted by the Donnie Thompson and Dean Percifull families. Later everyone enjoyed a fireworks display. Saturday activities included golf, swimming, 42 games, lots of visiting and picture taking.

Sunday, the 4th, eighty-five family members enjoyed a meal of barbecued brisket, goat, sausage and pork, plus many home grown vegetables, salads and desserts.

Those attending were Ruth Sandusky; Mary Snyder; Judge and Camille Sandusky; Sam, Stacie, Lane, Cheryl Ann Sandusky; Ross Sandusky; Gerald Sandusky; Frankie Williams; Bill and Mary Lee, Trey, Lee Ann Holmes, friend, Lyndal Watson; Willie Forman; Nancy Davee; Tammy and Raymond Bannert and Kati; Monica Mundell, Aaron and Austin; Dean Percifull; DeAnna and Donnie, Scott and Kara Thompson; Theresa, Kristi and Laura Mauldin; Steven and Kimberly McFarden and Kayla; Buck and Kellye, Kelsey and Kaden Duncan; Mike and Marla, Jared, Jacob and Joseph Percifull; Joel, Patty and Taylor Percifull; Pat Percifull; Amy and Tom Guinn, Dustin and Collin Ford; Ed and Billie Hickman; Hadley and Geneva Richards; John and Virginia Hickman; Jerry Mead; David and Anna Hickman; Gina Hickman; Johnnie Frank, Ky and John Hickman; Pete and Betty Hickman and Austin; Terry and Vivian, Jeremy, Jeffry and J.J. Hickman; Roberta Herron; Bill and Judy Herron; Mike and Cindy, Cory and Kamaryn Herron; Murl and Pearl Mae Andrews; Winston Modgling, Ida Lou Oliphant; Winnie Smith.

Sales Tax holiday slated

School buildings are mostly empty. Family vacations are underway. Texas temperatures are rising. The Rangers and Astros lead their divisions. It's definitely summertime in the Lone Star State.

Summer is in full swing, but Texas families might want to start thinking about their back-to-school shopping. Why? Thanks to Senate Bill 441, which the Legislature passed and Governor Bush signed earlier this year, Texas families will enjoy 72 hours of tax-free shopping in early August.

On August 6, 7, and 8, Texans will enjoy the first-ever Texas sales tax "holiday." Items of children's and adults clothing and non-athletic shoes, costing less than \$100 will be completely exempt from state and local sales tax. Texas leaders estimate this sales tax holiday will save Lone Star State consumers \$69.2 million.

The sales tax holiday means that consumers will save up to 8.25% on their purchases of Wranglers, Red Wings and Doc Martens.

Athletic shoes and clothing commonly used as everyday wear, such as football jerseys, baseball caps, or running shoes costing less than \$100, will be exempt. But items used exclusively for athletic purposes, such as golf shoes or football pants, are not eligible for the sales tax break. In addition, jewelry, handbags, wallets and formal wear are not exempt.

Sales tax holidays conducted in other big states have proven to be good news for retailers and consumers alike. Since January 1997, New Yorkers have saved \$81.6 million thanks to three sales tax holidays. Florida's \$50 sales tax holiday conducted last August saved families \$15.1 million.

Texas' August 6-8 sales tax holiday is part of a package of pro-consumer tax relief measures aimed at putting money

back into the pockets of Texas families.

The Legislature also eliminated sales taxes on over-the-counter medications and up to \$25 per month in Internet access charges. Altogether, state leaders cut consumer, sales, business, and property taxes by nearly \$2 billion this year allowing citizens to keep more of their hard-earned money.

State leaders used the record \$6.4 billion budget surplus wisely. They funded record increases in public school funding, a \$3,000 pay raise for school teachers, human service and criminal justice needs, and then returned nearly \$2 billion to the people in the form of tax cuts.

Going back to school is often stressful for children and parents alike. Back to school shopping can be a taxing and expensive experience. Fortunately, our state leaders have made things easier by cutting taxes. So as your summer vacation comes to a close and the 1999 school year looms on the horizon, remember that you have 72 hours of tax-free shopping on August 6, 7, and 8.

Look Who's New
WHITNEY NICOLE BOYD

Whitney Nicole Boyd, new daughter of Marty and Melissa Boyd and sister of Cheyenne, was born Wednesday, July 14, 1999, at 7:48 am. She weighed 7 lbs, 3 oz and was 19 inches long.

Churches of Robert Lee
 Invite You to Worship

Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 609 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 (915) 453-2360
 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
 (915) 453-2417
 Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 Wed. 7 pm Choir

Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne
 (915) 453-2619 or 453-2270
 Tommy Williams, Minister
 Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm;
 Wed. 7 pm

Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 W. Sterling City Hwy
 (915) 453-4645
 Rev. Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am, Worship

Southside Church of Christ
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 (915) 453-2176
 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Worship

Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston
 (915) 453-2208
 Rev. Loyd Thurman, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (915) 453-2724
 Bro. Miller Robinson, Int. Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
 601 W. 10th
 (915) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm

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453-2715



On July 10, 1999, these three members of the Sterling City High School Class of 1928 met for a reunion at the Wilson Bryan residence. They included (from left) Lucile (McWhorter) Bryan, Will Young Bengé, and Wanda (Collins) Becker.

SCHS reunion held

The locally famous Sterling City High School senior class of 1928 probably holds a record for "class togetherness". Of the twelve boys and eleven girls who graduated from SCHS that year, two boys and five girls survive seventy-one years later. During those years, names, addresses, and personal information about each has been available. The person most responsible for keeping that information, Ross Welch, complained that some were not very dependable about "reporting in" but he did the best he could. It was a close-knit group.

Feeling the need to assure their future unity and school spirit, they were able to instigate the organization of the existing Sterling City High School Alumni Association which has made Sterling City outstanding for its student-school-community spirit.

However, the 1928 bunch felt the need for its own private reunion and they vowed to meet "every four years as long as any two of us can get together." That was accomplished through Ross' persistent efforts.

After a few class members were lost through death, it was decided to meet every two years, with decision of location being made by appointed hosts. In 1990, however, that problem was solved when Wilson and Lucile Bryan built a cottage-type building on their property a mile west of Robert Lee on Messbox Creek which they call Bryan's Barn. The survivors of the class of 1928 meet there every summer.

Since numerous members knew of the famous "All the fish you can eat" CRACKER BARREL RESTAURANT in Robert Lee, it was suggested

that Chris, the operator, cater the meal every year. That has worked very well!

The greatest problem now of concern is how few survivors there are and whether or not they are able to attend the reunions.

The 1999 gathering took place July 10 at the Wilson Bryan residence. (A new room is being added to Bryan's Barn, and construction made it impractical for use.)

Members attending this year were Will Young Bengé of Sterling City; Wanda (Collins) Becker of San Angelo; and Lucile (McWhorter) Bryan of Robert Lee.

Survivors unable to attend were Audie Peays of Woodland, CA; Evelynne (Stamps) Murray, Houston; Hazel (Edwards) Beam, Fernandina Beach, Florida; and Helen (Wade) Drake, Fort Worth.

Visitors were Ala B. Davidson and Thomas Collins of San Angelo and Wilson Bryan. A bouquet of pink carnations sent to the meeting by Audie Peays was enjoyed and divided between the girls as they parted. A beautiful pot plant which the class had given to Jaynell Bodine of Sterling City, when her mother, Edwina (Bynum)

Cope, died recently was lent to the class for the day, a reminder of Edwina, who had been so active in former reunions. Jeffie Roberts came by and took pictures as she has graciously done for many years.

As is to be expected, the crowd attending grows smaller every year, which makes the visiting, remembering and being together all the more important. Class members are all in their late 80's and none drive at night. Laughing about that fact, they all left in time to get home before dark! After a few hugs and best wishes, the group agreed that "71 years of memories are a true treasure". They drove away declaring, "See ya next year!"

4-H Record Book results

District Record book judging was held July 8 in Brownwood. Those participating from Coke County were seniors: Whitney Millican-Agricultural, 5th place; juniors, Cara Eaton-Swine, 3rd place; Kyla Millican-Clothing Participation; Cassidy Wink-Sheep Participation. These 4-H members place first at the county level in their categories which qualified them for District competition.

★ **Shamrock Clinic of Robert Lee** ★

To better serve our patients...

The Shamrock Clinic of Robert Lee will close for renovations at noon July 13-26, and will reopen Tuesday, July 27.

If you need medical attention during this time, the

Bronte Family Health Center
423 South State Street

is open to meet your needs.
Mon., Tue., Wed. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
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Call 473-6003 for an appointment.

Shamrock Clinic of Robert Lee, 722 S. Washington, Robert Lee, Texas 76945



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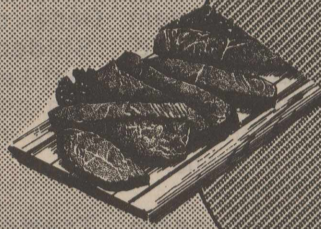
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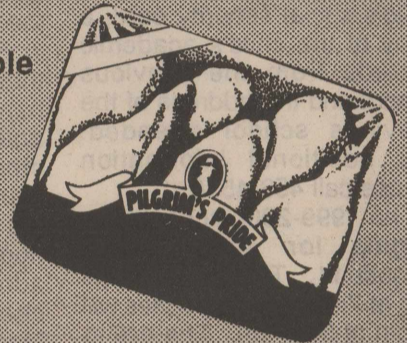
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RLISD registration information told

Registration for new students and schedule pickup for current Robert Lee High School Seniors will be July 27, from 9:30 am until 12 noon and 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm for juniors.

Registration for new students and schedule pickup for current Robert Lee High School 10th graders will be July 28, from 9:00 am until 12 noon and 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm for 9th graders.

Registration for new students and schedule pickup for current Robert Lee Junior High School 8th graders will be from 9:00 am until 12 noon and 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm for 7th graders.

Parents of students new to the district should bring the following when seeking to enroll your child. The child's birth certificate, the child's immunization record, the child's social security card, a copy of the child's academic records from the previous school and the address of the previous school attended. For additional information please call 453-4556.

The 1999-2000 school year begins for students on August 11. The first bell will ring at 7:55 am and classes will begin at 8:00 am. The bell to dismiss for the day will ring at 3:27 pm. Lunch for junior high and high school students will begin at 12:01 pm and the tardy bell will ring at 12:40 to end lunch and start 6th period.

Breakfast/Lunch prices for the 99-2000 school year.

Breakfast-\$.75; Reduced breakfast, \$.30; Extra milk, \$.35.

Reduced lunch, \$.40; Pre-K through 6th grade, \$1.50; 7th through 12th grade, \$1.75; Teachers, \$2.00; visitors, \$3.00.

There will be a parent information meeting held in the Robert Lee High School auditorium at 6:30 pm, August 9. Parents will be given information about Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code, the RLISD Student Code of Conduct and Student Handbooks. All Robert Lee Elementary, Junior High, and High School parents are invited to attend.

Crossroads Trade Days to be held

The first annual Crossroads Trade Days will be held July 24 and 25 on the main floor of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring. Exhibitors from throughout the area will be on hand with handmade crafts, antiques, collectibles and other items. Hours for the show are Saturday, from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday from noon to 5 pm. There is no admission charge and proceeds benefit the Vietnam Memorial Committee.

Mel Prather, organizer for the event, said the show would include items such as handmade crafts, antiques, collectibles and miscellaneous items. "We'll have exhibitors offering everything



Lynn Green leads the choir during last year's performances of "Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters". Performances of this year's pageant are scheduled for July 29, 30, and 31.

from jewelry to tole painted furniture. We'll also have beanie babies, clothing, wind chimes, monogrammed clothing, stained glass, glass lamps, candles, porcelain dolls, costume jewelry, hand painted eggs, Millcreek sculptures, calligraphy, Bradford Exchange limited edition plates and blown glass," Prather said.

Others will have belt buckles, hair accessories, dresses, scented oils, jar candles, painted miniatures, wood crosses, baked items, candy,

soup and dip mixes, votives, metal art, scroll saw art, children's toys, soft sculptures, stuffed animals, metal furniture, stained glass panes, sun catchers, night lights, painted candle holders, purses, watches, framed prints, quilts, baby quilts, photography, photo magnets, note cards, ceramics and much more.

The committee is in the process of raising money for six display cases and other related costs of completing the memorial. Those interested in more information should call (915) 263-7690.

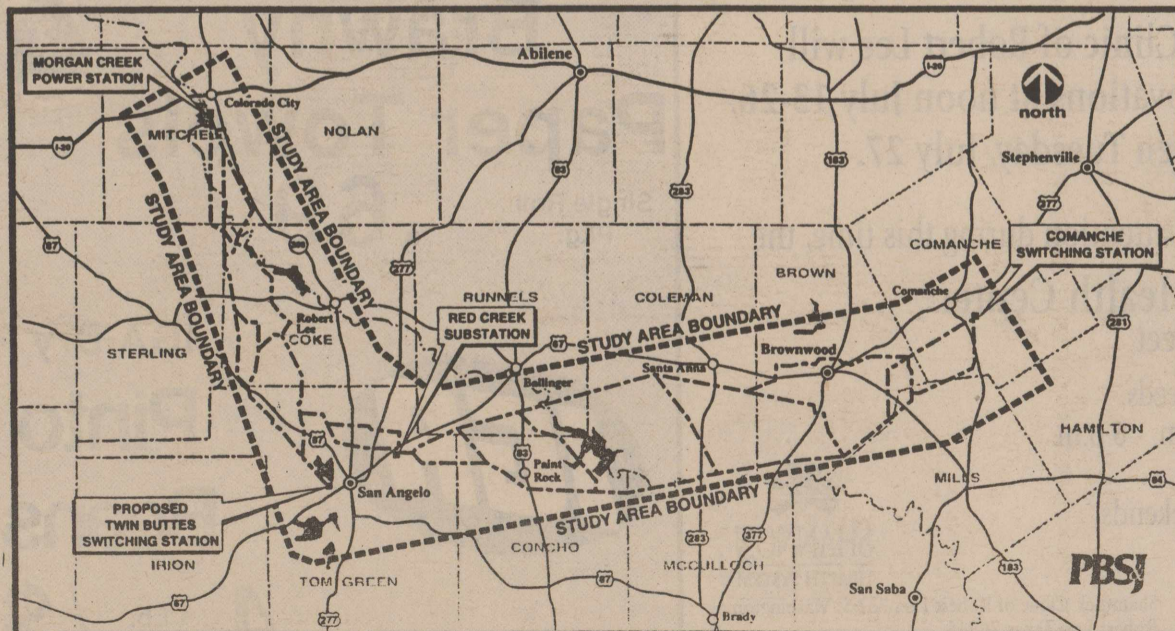
Smith recovering from surgery

A.B. Smith of Sweetwater is making a good recovery following heart bypass surgery at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene in June. Mr. Smith is an alcohol abuse counselor with Mesquite Country Council and was at the Coke County Courthouse on Fridays for consultation before suffering a heart attack. He hopes to return to work as soon as he is able.

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES/TXU ELECTRIC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSIONS FOR PROPOSED MORGAN CREEK-TWIN BUTTES-RED CREEK-COMANCHE TRANSMISSION LINE

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) and TXU Electric are proposing to construct new 345-kilovolt(kV) electric transmission facilities in west-central Texas. The proposed line will be 200-225 miles long and constructed within an approximately 160-foot wide right-of-way. The study area and existing project facilities are shown on the map below.

WTU and TXU Electric are committed to routing the proposed transmission line in a manner consistent with the values of the local communities and the need to provide reliable electric service to their customers. In order to accomplish this, WTU and TXU Electric want to solicit input for use in determining the preferred route for the proposed transmission line and share information about line routing alternatives. Individuals attending the "come and go" open house meetings will have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments to representatives and technical experts from WTU and TXU Electric regarding the routing of the proposed transmission line. PBS&J, a consulting firm retained for the project, has identified preliminary alternative transmission line routes for consideration which are shown as dashed lines on the map below. These preliminary alternative routes are subject to modification based on further study and the results of these public meetings



OPEN HOUSE MEETING

August 2 - Monday

ROBERT LEE

Coke County Recreation Center
Coke County Park at Austin and 15th St.

4:00 - 8:00 pm

August 3 - Tuesday

COLORADO CITY

Colorado Middle School
Cafeteria

4:00 - 8:00 pm

August 5 - Thursday

BALLINGER

Carnegie Library
204 N. 8th Street

4:00 - 8:00 pm

ADDITIONAL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

SAN ANGELO

August 9 - Monday, 4-8 pm
August 10 - Tuesday, 9 am-2 pm
August 10 - Tuesday, 4-8 pm

SANTA ANNA

August 12 - Thursday, 4-8 pm

BROWNWOOD

August 16 - Monday, 4-8 pm

COMANCHE

August 17 - Tuesday, 4-8 pm

For details regarding the location of the meetings in San Angelo, Santa Anna, Brownwood, and Comanche, please call:

Mr. Rob Reid (PBS&J) at (512) 327-6840



COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Watering lawns and gardens during drought conditions

For our area, water is probably the most limiting nutrient that is required for green lawns and gardens. With drought conditions we have been experiencing lately this is becoming more true than usual. To get your garden and lawn off to a good start this spring, there are several tips on efficient watering that need to be considered.

When watering your lawns, especially if you are using Robert Lee water, it is important to give it a deep soaking watering rather than short frequent watering with sprinklers. The reason for this is to leach the salt content into the soil formation and not have it collecting over time in the top of the soil profile where the salt accumulation could damage the grass or garden. The soil should be wet from 4-6 inches deep for effective moisture retention. Water only when the top 1-2 inches of soil becomes dry as over watering can be just as detrimental to lawns as not having enough water. This is due to water logging which can cause suffocation of the grass due to lack of oxygen in the soil.

To water your garden for a good start up, again give the soil a deep soaking by running water down the furrows instead of light frequent sprinklings which can leave the salt residue on the plants.

Fertilizer for you lawn can also be very important, especially during dry conditions. The proper rate of fertilizer to apply can only be determined precisely after a soil test has been run on your lawn. Applying more fertilizer than needed will cause a need for additional water and will cause excessive mowing. There is a new lawn fertility test that is inexpensive and can be ob-

tained in the County Extension office at the courthouse. Fertilizing lawns should be done for our area in late April or early May. Hopefully, we will have had some rainfall by this time, but if we are still dry, it is recommend to split the fertilizer applications in two separate times. About half of the fertilizer should be applied and watered in sufficiently and wait two weeks to a month and apply the rest. A general rule of thumb for fertilizer is to apply 3-4 pounds of actual nitrogen for 1,000 square feet of lawn area.

For additional information on lawn care or gardens, contact the Coke County Agricultural Extension Service at 453-2461.

Wilkes promoted to sergeant

Corporal Jeffrey W. Wilkes, formerly of Silver, Texas, was promoted to the rank of sergeant on July 1, 1999. He serves with the 123rd CS Battalion Alpha Co. 1st Armored Division of the U. S. Army. His company is mainly a support unit. They served for 9 months as a peace keeping force in Bosnia. At this time, part of Alpha Company is participating in maintaining the peace accord in Kosovo. The remainder of Alpha Company is scheduled to go to Kosovo in the near future. Sergeant Wilkes begins officers training on July 27, 1999. He is stationed at Dexheim, Germany, where he resides with his wife, Leticia, and three children, Clint, Daylon and Rainy. Sergeant Wilkes is the son of Doug and Debbie Wilkes of Silver. Jeff and his family enjoy hearing from the hometown folks and friends of Coke County. Anyone interested in writing to them is encouraged to do so at:
Sergeant Jeffrey W. Wilkes
CMR 406 Box 1365
APO AE 09110

ASU graduate school registration date told

The last day to submit an application and all required documents for admission to the Graduate School at Angelo State University for the Fall 1999 semester will be Monday, August 2, according to Dr. Carol Diminnie, Dean of the Graduate School ASU. Applications received after August 2 will be processed, but accepted students may have to register during late registration and pay a late fee.

To apply for admission to any of the graduate programs at ASU, students must:

- Submit the \$25 application fee along with the required Graduate School application form and Residency Questionnaire, available in the ASU Office of the Graduate Dean.

- Have on file one official copy of transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. To be considered official, the transcripts must be

mailed from the university registrar's office (or offices) directly to the ASU Graduate School. Transcripts that are hand carried or mailed by the student will not be accepted.

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In addition to the general admission requirements, applicants must receive approval from the head of the department in which their desired degree programs are housed, and fulfill whatever additional application procedures those departments may require. For a full listing of departmental requirements, consult the 1999-2001 ASU Bulletin, also available in the Office of the Graduate Dean.

For more information or to receive a Graduate School Application, contact the ASU Office of the Graduate Dean, Box 11025, ASU Station, San Angelo, TX 76909, or call (915) 942-2169.

Water advisory committee appointed by city council

In the July regular meeting of the Robert Lee City Council, a Water Advisory Committee was appointed to study issues pursuant to water quality and quantity for the city of Robert Lee.

The committee will also address other water-related issues as they arise.

Members appointed to the committee are Kenneth Green, Chairman; Donnie Devoll, Jack Brewer, Eph Cummins and Winton Milliff.

Look Who's New MARLOW HANNA DAVIS

Gary and Carmela Davis of Denver City, Texas announce the birth of their new baby daughter. Marlow Hanna was born on Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at 4:02 pm in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She arrived weighing 6 lbs, 11 oz and 19 inches long.

Rosie and Garland Davis are Marlow's grandparents, and Floy Sawyer is her great-grandmother.

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Cox, Key wed

Sarah Denise Cox of Wolfforth became the bride of Jason David Key of Robert Lee on Saturday, July 10, 1999. The double ring ceremony was performed at 4 pm in the First Baptist Church in Wolfforth with the Rev. Mark McMillan, uncle of the groom, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Lynn and Rhonda Cox of Wolfforth. The bridegroom is the son of Joe David and Teri Key of Robert Lee.

The couple stood before an arched candelabrum flanked on either side by pillars of greenery and white flora.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white sleeveless gown of organza over satin featured with an elegant halter neckline. The gown was overlaid with beaded schiffle lace which highlighted the fitted bodice, full skirt and cathedral train. She wore a fingertip veil of sparkling illusion created by her mother which was accented by a satin ribbon edging attached to a beaded organza headpiece. She carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies enhanced with tufts

of white organza ribbon and greenery atop a white bridal Bible which was also carried by her mother in her wedding bouquet.

The bride's father placed two pennies, minted in the years of the couple's births, in the bride's shoes. For something old the bride carried a handmade, Spanish macramé handkerchief which was carried by her mother, maternal grandmother and maternal great-grandmother in their weddings; something new was her dress; something borrowed was the bride's bible, borrowed from her mother and the bride wore a blue garter that she fashioned and made herself.

Miss Amber Breck of Wolfforth attended the bride as maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Jessica Key of Oklahoma City, Laura Cox of Wolfforth and Kristi Drake of Wolfforth. The attendants all wore matching formal length sleeveless princess gowns of Caribbean blue satalure featuring a shaped empire waist, and slit opening in the back with loop and button closure at the neck. The gowns were designed by the bride and created by her mother. The attendants carried bouquets of cascading spring flowers.

Miss Kali Schoenrock, daughter of Bobby and Kathy Schoenrock of Lubbock and Miss Sage Johnston, daughter of Ronnie and Molly Johnston of Wolfforth were

flower girls. The flower girls wore sleeveless full length dresses of white crepe with an overskirt of white sparkling illusion accented by a sash of Carribbean blue satalure. They wore crowns of white roses and greenery. Kyle Brantly, cousin of the bride and son of Randy and Susie Brantley of Wolfforth was ring bearer and was attired in a black tuxedo with tails.

Randy Murphy of Goldsboro, NC, was the best man and groomsmen were Aaron Hood of Robert Lee, Eric Hood of Robert Lee, and Daniel Hayes of San Angelo. The groom and his groomsmen all wore classic black tuxedos. The groom wore a white vest and white tie while the groomsmen wore black vests and ties.

Ushers were Ryan Brantley of Midland, Justin Brantley of Wolfforth, Dustin Clendennen of San Marcos and Jarrod Copeland of Nacogdoches. All wore classic black tuxedos with white vests and ties.

Nina Shelton of Wolfforth registered guests and Mrs. Carolyn Thomas presented piano music for the ceremony. Randy Brantley, uncle of the bride sang "I Will Be Here" and "If You Could See What I See". Toby Burt, cousin of the bride sang "I Know How The River Feels" after the bride and groom shared the lighting of their unity candle.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The bride's cake was composed of two layers above a crystal fountain with a separated upper tier topped by a white porcelain bride and groom. The main cake was flanked by double tier cakes on either side which were connected to the center cake by streamers of ribbon and illusion. The groom's cake was Italian Cream topped with cream cheese frosting and garnished with pecans. Sheila Burt of Lubbock, Renea Cox of Lubbock, Brianna McMillan of Wolfforth, Krystal Murphy of Goldsboro, NC, and Jaclyn Waldrop of Robert Lee attended the refreshment tables.

Mrs. Key is a graduate of Frenship High School in Wolfforth and has attended South Plains College of Levelland. Her husband is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and attended Texas Tech University.

After a wedding trip to San Diego, CA, the couple will be relocating to Bowling Green, KY.



Mrs. Jason Key

Schools want active parents

Educators need to put out a "welcome mat" to encourage more parents to become active in their child's school, concluded a group of parents and teachers attending a Parental Involvement Academy.

The Academy was a joint venture sponsored by the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) and the Texas Parent-Teacher Association (TXPTA) at the Austin Convention Center. Forty members from each group gathered to discuss the route to increased parental involvement, which research has shown boosts student performance.

"It's more than baking cookies," said teacher Connie Kilday, ATPE's state president and a participant in the Academy. "It means communicating with your child's teacher, perhaps about something that is happening in your child's life, which can help put their behavior in the classroom in perspective."

Many parents do not become involved in their child's school, the Academy found, because they don't feel welcome or needed, are not familiar with the subject matter or the language, or cannot take time off work.

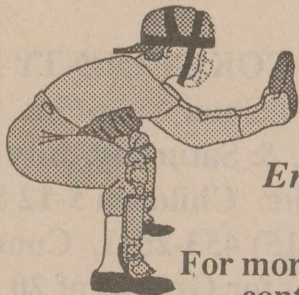
"We recognize there are barriers, and we want to tear them down so that we can become true partners in our children's education," Kilday said. "Parents need to be even more involved in their child's education today, and we want them to feel comfortable to talk to us anytime, not just when there is a problem."

Educators also encouraged parents to remain involved as their children enter the upper grades, when parental involvement tends to decrease sharply. "I had two people at my last open house, said Kilday, who teaches high school math. "Parental involvement is important at any age."

Crockett County Historical Commission museum dedication slated

The Crockett County Historical Commission and Crockett County Historical Society and Museum cordially invites you to the dedication of the William Mozart McVey Historical Marker. McVey was the sculptor of the David Crockett Monument. The dedication is Saturday, August 7, 1999, at 11:00 am at the David Crockett Monument at the south end of the town square in Ozona, Texas. The program includes the welcome by Judge Jeffrey Sutton, remarks from a longtime McVey friend, Dwight Hunter, biographical sketch of McVey by Geniece Childress, closing remarks, Judge Brock Jones and music arrangement, Norman Carroll. At 10:30 prior to dedication guests will assemble at the Crockett County Museum for the Crockett Descendant Reception.

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The program is easy to use and totally free of charge. Just call 1-800-488-CARS, fill out the necessary paper work

and set up a pick up time. The proceeds from the Kidney Cars program benefit the NKFT's programs and services such as:

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- Public Education.
- Programs which highlight the success of transplantation and increase organ donor awareness.

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
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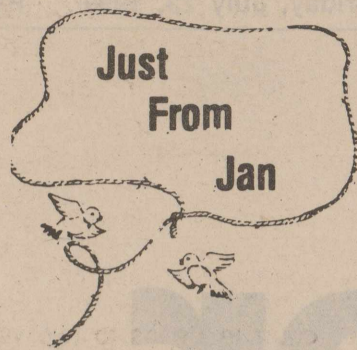
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The bright, beautiful summer sunshine may be calling you out-of-doors...answer the call, but take simple precautions to help save your skin. Approximately one million cases of skin cancer are diagnosed in this country each year. Most are highly curable non melanoma basal cell or squamous cell cancers. But about 41,600 cases of skin cancer diagnosed each year are melanoma-the most dangerous form of skin cancer. One person out of 82 develops this condition in a lifetime. The best thing you can do to lower your risk is to stay under cover.

Sunlight is known to be a contributing factor in more than 90 percent of all skin cancers. In fact, more cases of melanoma are reported in sunny California, Florida and Texas than any other states. The best strategy for protecting yourself against skin cancer is to minimize your exposure to the sun.

- Try to limit time in the sun between 10 am and 4 pm, when the sun is strongest.

- Wear a hat with at least a 4-inch brim to help protect face,

Technology for country folk

Log On: Making a wood stove hotter.

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Ram: That thar thing whut splits the wood.

Hard Drive: Getting home in the winter time.

Prompt: Whut the mail ain't in the winter time.

Windows: Whut to shut when it's cold outside.

Screen: Whut to shut wen it's blak fly season.

Byte: Whut them dang flies do.

Chip: Munchies fer the TV.

Micro Chip: Whut's in the bottom of the munchie bag.

Modem: Whut cha did to the hay fields.

Dot Matrix: Old Dan Matrix's wife.

Lap top: Whar the kitty sleeps.

Keyboard: Whar ya hang the dang keys.

Software: Them dang plastic forks and knives.

Mouse: Whut eats the grain in the barn.

Mainframe: Holds up the barn roof.

Port: Fancy Flatlander wine.

Enter: Northerner talk fer "C'mon in y'all."

Random Access Memory: When ya can't 'member whut ya paid fer the rifle when yer wife asks.

ears and neck.

- Wear a closely woven, long-sleeve shirt, such as a work shirt, and long pants. You can get a burn through a loosely-woven T-shirt. If you see light through a fabric, ultra-violet (UV) rays can get through, too!

- Wear sunglasses that protect against UVB and UVA rays.

- Consult the UV Light Index report (available in 58 cities) on the newspaper weather page, televised weather updates, the radio or the internet. The index numbers range from 0 to 10+ and tell you the amount of UV radiation reaching the Earth's surface at noon. The higher the number, the greater your exposure.

Using large hats and umbrellas on the beach is a good habit to get into, however rays that reflect off the sand can still burn you under your barrier. Reflected sun is also a danger in the desert, in snow, near water-even near an expanse of concrete. So, it's a good idea to always wear a sunscreen, even when you think you're covered up. Also, beware of cloudy days-70 percent of rays still get through. Use a broad spectrum sunscreen which protects against both UVB and UVA rays and that has a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15. Also, be sure to check the expiration date on the bottle. Apply sunscreen generously and reapply frequently, especially if you're perspiring or swimming. Make skin protection a habit by choosing daily face and body moisturizers that include a sunscreen. Don't, however, confuse sunless tanning lotions with sunscreens-most on the market offer no sun



"Doomed from the start" could be the prediction for this cowboy and his mail order bride's marriage. Betsy and Rowdy (played by Kendra Graves and her father, Roger) are both in tears following their introduction at last year's production of "Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters" held at the Mountain Creek Amphitheater in Robert Lee. Performances of this year's pageant are scheduled for July 29, 30, and 31.

protection. Finally, be aware that using a sunscreen can lure some people into lengthy sun exposure because they feel protected. It is still important to limit sun exposure time, even with a sunscreen.

Residential programs work, TDCJ study shows

A Texas Department of Criminal Justice study tracing Texas felons sentenced to residential treatment instead of prison for violating their community supervision shows that more than 75 percent had not been arrested again for a new offense two years after being discharged.

The study of 2,600 convicted felons discharged in May 1996 also found that the average cost of sending offenders to residential treatment is 23.6 percent less than the average cost of sending them to prison, over the length of the average sentence. Local courts send more than 10,000 offenders to residential treatment each year.

"The results support our belief that residential pro-

grams reduce recidivism and are a cost-effective alternative to sending nonviolent offenders to prison," says Wayne Scott, TDCJ executive director.

A council of residential facility directors in community supervision and the Community Justice Assistance Division (TDCJ-CJAD) conducted the two-year study. Only residential programs funded directly by TDCJ-CJAD were included. The programs are boot camps, restitution centers, intermediate sanction facilities, court residential treatment centers and substance abuse treatment facilities.

TDCJ-CJAD gives more

than \$210 million annually to the state's 122 community supervision and corrections department. The departments serve 254 counties and supervise the 440,000 misdemeanants and felons placed on supervision by local courts.

Look Who's New DEREK MICHAEL LONGLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Glenn of Bronte announce the birth of their second great grandchild. Derek Michael Longley was born June 11, 1999, at St. David's Hospital in Austin. Derek's parents are Chad and Kristi Longley of Lampasas and his five and one-half year old brother is Dexter Longley.

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Charitable Raffles

by John Cornyn

Attorney General of Texas

Question: My church group wants to hold a raffle as a fund raiser for our youth group's summer trip. I want to make sure that we do not break any laws when we do this. What are the rules for raffles?

Answer: The Charitable Raffle Enabling Act sets out all of the guidelines for raffles in the state of Texas. The Act allows qualified organizations to hold up to two raffles per calendar year.

Qualified organizations include religious organizations, volunteer fire departments, or volunteer emergency medical services and nonprofit membership organizations that meet certain criteria.

An organization holding a raffle can offer any prize except money. If the organizers are offering a prize which they have purchased, the value of the prize may not exceed \$50,000. If the prize has been donated to the organi-

You might be in a country church if...

The doors are never locked. The call to worship is, "Y'all come on in!"

People grumble about Noah letting coyotes on the Ark.

The preacher says, "I'd like to ask Bubba to help take up the offering" and five guys stand up.

The restroom is outside. Opening day of deer hunting season is recognized as an official church holiday.

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The church directory doesn't have last names.

The pastor wears boots. Four generations of one family sit together in worship every Sunday morning.

The only time people lock their cars in the parking lot is during the summer and then only so their neighbors can't leave them a bag of squash.

There is no such thing as a "secret" sin.

Baptism is referred to as "branding".

There is a special fundraiser for a new septic tank.

Finding and returning lost sheep is not just a parable.

You miss worship one Sunday morning and by 2 o'clock that afternoon you have had a dozen phone calls inquiring about your health.

High notes on the organ set dogs in the parking lot to howling.

People wonder when Jesus fed the 5,000 whether the two fish were bass or catfish.

It's not heaven, but you can see heaven from there.

The final words of the benediction are, "Y'all come on back now, ya hear!"

zation, there is no limit on the value.

Prior to conducting the raffle, the organization must have the prize in its possession or it must post a bond for the full value of the prize with the county clerk.

There are certain restrictions on how a raffle may be conducted. A qualified organization may hold only two raffles per calendar year and only one raffle at a time. Raffle tickets may not be advertised statewide or through paid advertisements. Each ticket must state the name and address of the organization, the price of the ticket, and a description of the prize offered.

Only members of the organization may sell tickets. The organization may not pay anyone to conduct the raffle or sell tickets. Proceeds from the raffle must be used only for the charitable purposes of the organization.

The language of the raffle enabling act is very technical. If you are considering holding a raffle, you should contact an attorney or check the statute, Article 179f Texas Revised Civil States Annotated, to be sure that you qualify. To request a copy of the statute, contact the State Law Library at (512) 463-1722 or go to their Web site at www.sll.courts.state.tx.us. In addition, my office has published a Charitable Raffles Brochure. Call us at (512) 475-4413 to request a copy.

Question: I am so confused. I have heard that "8-liners" are illegal. I even heard the Governor talking about how they should be illegal. Yet the gas station down the road has several of them that people play all the time. Are they allowed or not?

Answer: Eight-liners, or video slot machines, as they are generally operated in Texas are illegal under the law prohibiting gambling. Each case requires an investigation to determine how the machines are being operated at a particular location.

Under Texas law, a machine that requires the player to pay money for the chance to win a prize of value is a gambling

device. The value of the prize does not affect the legality of the machine. Because most 8-liner machines pay out coupons or vouchers redeemable at local stores or for more games, they are considered gambling devices.

By contrast, a pin-ball machine is not considered a gambling device because all it pays out is credits for more chances to play, and these credits must be used at the time of play or else be forfeited.

Texas law provides for the appropriate County or District Attorney to have original jurisdiction to pursue possible violations of the law, including violations involving 8-liners. Many times, local prosecutors are not aware of the existence of 8-liners and rely on citizens to bring the machines to their attention. If you have concerns about the illegal operation of 8-liners in your area, contact your local prosecutor for assistance.

Auto Accidents, murders and suicides among leading causes of child deaths.

Auto accidents, homicides and suicides are among the leading causes of children's deaths in Texas, according to a study published in the July issue of *Texas Medicine*.

The article, written by George R. Kerr, M.D. and David J. Ramsey, Ph.D., both of The University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center, and William Spears, Ph.D. of the Texas Health Care Information Center in Austin, concluded that efforts to prevent the death of children in Texas should focus on reducing such causes as motor vehicle accidents, homicides and suicides.

Texas Medicine is the official news magazine of Texas Medical Association. The study was based on figures analyzed from 1987 through 1996. Child deaths from all causes averaged 2,498 between 1987 through 1996.

Deaths from natural causes averaged 871 per year and external causes averaged 1,627. The average number of deaths relating to motor vehicle accidents was 1,089; homicides, 334 and suicides, 187.

"Of the deaths that had potential for primary prevention, more than 95 percent involved accidents, suicide and homicide," the authors wrote. "By 1960, primary prevention of many contagious diseases had been accomplished through immunization, and secondary prevention through improved medical and surgical therapies had prevented many deaths."

Other findings in the study were:

- In homicide deaths reported from 1989 through 1991, firearms were involved in 73.8 percent of the deaths.

- Firearms were used in 69.7 percent of the suicides from 1989 through 1991.

- During the past decade there has been a decline in deaths related to drowning and burns.

Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 36,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and 118 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 85 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of all Texans.

Van Horn woman sentenced for social security fraud

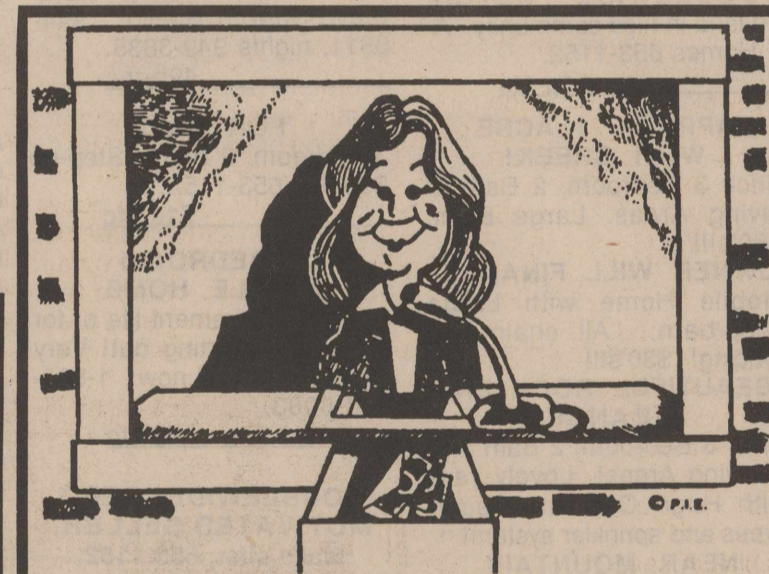
A Van Horn resident, who pleaded guilty to a charge of forging an endorsement on a U.S. Treasury Social Security check, was sentenced on June 14 in federal district court in Pecos to two years probation and was ordered to pay a \$1200 fine and a special assessment fee of \$100. Hortencia V. Sanchez had repaid the entire amount in question, \$5,086.10, prior to her arrest last April.

Agents with the Social Security Administration's Office of the Inspector General investigated the case following referral by an El Paso Social Security office employee.

Checkoff promotes value-added beef products

With summer's longer days allowing more time for cooking, consumers are looking for menu ideas. And the Texas Beef Council helped them get a variety of new suggestions during April thanks to the \$1 per head beef checkoff program. TBC worked with three new-product companies to promote their new lines of convenient beef products with radio spots and in-store samplings in Houston, Dallas and San Antonio. The partners also distributed coupons for their products with each sampling.

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Oak Creek Lake home. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Large den with fireplace. Nice trees and yard. Beautiful water front. Steve Stewart Realtor. 944-8611, nights 949-3835.

49b-tnc

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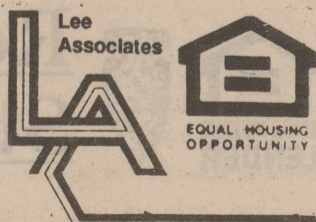
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43a-tnc

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50b-8tp

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We build and repair all types of fences. Free estimates. (915) 677-2853.

48b-9tc

MOWERS REPAIRED
Mowers for sale. 305 E. 3rd, Robert Lee. 453-2363.

51-8tp

A-1 HOME IMPROVEMENTS
W. H. & Pat Smith, local representatives, 215 S. Melwood, Winters (915) 754-4727. Free estimates. 100% financing WAC.

42b-tnc

DEAR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND LOVED ONES

A very special and native Robert Lee lady, Nellie Jones Ross, has to have a series of tests and possible heart surgery due to an episode on June 24 which hospitalized her. As we all know, aside from the seriousness of this condition, without insurance this can also be financially devastating. An account has been set-up at Robert Lee State Bank to assist with her medical expense. Your prayers and support are very much needed.

May God bless you and yours, The friends of Nellie Joe Ross

51a-1tc

HELP WANTED

PERMANENT PART-TIME
Employee needed. Primarily typing with some clerical. Spelling and good grammatical skills a must. Typing test will be administered. FMI: O/E, 707 Austin, Robert Lee, 453-2433.

50a-tnc

WANTED
Maintenance person. Apply in person at Gregston's Welding, Hwy 208 and 4th, Robert Lee.

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Immediate Openings

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Robert Lee, Texas
(915) 453-2511

HELP WANTED
CNAs needed for all shifts. Full time and part time. Competitive pay. Contact Sarah Lee, DON, Senior Citizens Nursing Home, Winters. Phone 754-4566.

36b-tnc

GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE
Friday and Saturday, 8 am-? Corner of George and Washington, Bronte. Furniture, knick-knacks, housewares and lots of misc.

51b-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

TIME FLIES
when you're having fun. Where has the time gone? It's been almost a year since we moved to Robert Lee and we would like to thank all the people of Robert Lee for making my son and I feel so welcome and at home in Robert Lee. May God bless you!

Judee and Todd Hamilton
51a-1tc

CARD OF THANKS
The Bronte Chamber of Commerce would like to thank our area businesses that donated items for the auction for Fort Chadbourne Day and made it a great success. Sportsman Corner; Main Street Market; Texas Best Deflooding and Carpet Cleaning; C & H Auto Parts; Hometown Hardware; Hall's Super Save Grocery; Hall of Fame Wildlife Studio; Jerry England Taxidermy; The Barber Shop-Debra England; B & B Enterprises; Country Inn Motel; Margarets Flowers and Gifts; Karen Richey-Mary Kay Sales Director; Debbie Mackey-Mary Kay Beauty Consultant; Bronte Family Health Center; Vicky McCutchen-Beauty Control Consultant; The Shed; Julie Springer-Mary Kay Beauty Consultant; Town and Country; Bill and Jane Wheat; McGinnis Oil; First National Bank-Bronte; Key Feed Store; Ed Martindale-EMCO.

51b-1tc

NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
Bronte ISD is accepting bids on the following items: Teacher's supplies; Athletic supplies; Janitorial supplies; Maintenance supplies; Computer supplies; and Food Service supplies. For specifications, contact the Superintendent's office, 210 South Jefferson, Bronte, Texas 76933.

50a-2tc

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Robert Lee Independent School District is calling for proposals on the Group Health, Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits for eligible employees, their spouses and dependents. Specifications can be obtained from: William Hood, Superintendent, Robert Lee ISD, HC 61, Box 303, Robert Lee, Texas 76945, (915) 453-4555 or (915) 453-2326 FAX. No RFPs Will Be Faxed.
Sealed Proposal must be received by no later than 3 pm

...Classifieds

Friday, July 30, 1999. Proposals will be opened at that time and logged in. No discussion of contents of proposals will be allowed.

50a-2tc

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Bronte ISD offers career and technology education programs in agriculture, business and home economics. Admission to these programs is open to any and all students enrolled in Bronte High School.

It is the policy of Bronte ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

It is the policy of Bronte ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Bronte ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about rights or grievances procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Alan Richey, Superintendent, Box 670, Bronte, Texas, 76933, (915) 473-2511, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Terry Marrs, Box 670, Bronte, Texas, 76933, (915) 473-2511. Posted July 9, 1999.

51b-1tc

PRECIOS DE ALMUERZO Y COMIDO PARA EL AÑO 1999-2000

Almuerzo-\$.75; (precio reducido)-\$.30; Leche extra-\$.35. Comida (grados 7-12)-\$1.75; Comida (Pre-K-6)-\$1.50; Precio Reducido-\$.50; Maestros-\$2.00; Visitantes-\$3.00.

Habrà una de informaci3n para los padres de los estudiantes en el Auditorio de la escuela superior de Robert Lee el 9 de agosto a las 6:30 pm. Se darà informaci3n sobre el capitulo 37 del C3digo Educacional de Texas, el C3digo de Conducta de Robert Lee ISD para estudiantes, y el Manual para estudiantes en Robert Lee HS, Jr. High, y Elementaria. Están

invitados a asistir.

51a-3tc

ROBERT LEE HIGH SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH
La matriculaci3n de nuevos estudiantes y el recogimiento de listas de clases para la Escuela Superior Robert Lee es como sigue:

27 de julio de 1999, Grado 12, 9:00 am-12:00; Grado 11, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

28 de julio de 1999, Grado 10, 9:00 am-12:00; Grado 9, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

29 de julio de 1999, Grado 8, 9:00 am-12:00; Grado 7, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

Los padres de nuevos estudiantes al Distrito deben presentar lo siguiente:

1. Registro de Nacimiento de estudiante; 2. Registro de Inmunizaci3n (vacunas) del estudiante; 3. Tarjeta de Seguro Social del estudiante; 4. Coia de Registro Académico de la escuela donde previamente asisti3; 5. La direcci3n de la escuela donde previamente asisti3. Para mas informaci3n favor de llamar al numero 453-4556.

El a3o escolar 1999-2000 empieza el d3a 11 de agosto. La primer campana sonarà a las 3:27 pm. La comida de mediodia para los estudiantes de JH/HS emperzarà a las 12:01 pm. A las 12:40 pm sonarà la campana para terminar la comida y empezar el sexto periodo.

51a-3tc

BIDDER'S NOTICE

Robert Lee ISD is accepting bids on the following: Teacher's Supplies, Food Service Products, Athletic Supplies, Janitorial-Maintenance Supplies, Computer Supplies.

Specifications and bid documents may be obtained in the Superintendent's office, 1323 Hamilton, Robert Lee, Texas.

51a-1tc

ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

offers career and technology education programs in Agriculture and Homemaking. Admission to these programs is open to all students enrolled in Robert Lee High School.

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Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1972, as amended.

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FORMA DE MUESTRA

1. El distrito escolar de Robert Lee ofrece programas vocacionales en carreras y tecnolog3a. La admisi3n a estos programas se basa en incripci3n, de los alumnos de la secundaria de Robert Lee;

2. Es norma de el distrito escolar de Robert Lee no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el T3tulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; el T3tulo IX de las Enmiendas en la Educaci3n, de 1972, y la Secci3n 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitaci3n de 1973, según enmienda;

3. Es norma de el distrito escolar de Robert Lee no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento o edad, en sus procedimientos de empleo, tal como lo requieren el T3tulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; el T3tulo IX de las Enmiendas en la Educaci3n, de 1972, la Ley de Discriminaci3n por Edad, de 1975, según enmienda, y la Secci3n 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitaci3n de 1973, según enmienda;

4. El distrito escolar de Robert Lee tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua inglesa no sea un obstaculo para la admisi3n y participaci3n en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales;

5. Para informaci3n sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del T3tulo IX, Bill Hood, 1323 Hamilton, 453-4555.

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51a-1tc

Rehab Silver Spur Ball slated

Good food, good music, and a good time while helping a good cause will be the highlight of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's Silver Spur Ball, Friday, July 30, 7:30 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 3636 North Bryant Blvd. in San Angelo.

Tickets are \$25 per couple and are available at the Rehab Center, 3001 South Jackson. Advanced tickets are encouraged and due to facility size, only a limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Attire for the evening is casual.

This year marks the ninth year of the annual event-and is expected to be the one at which the cumulative total proceeds to Rehab will shoot over the \$100,000 mark.

The evening gets under way at 7:30 pm with a snack supper provided by Winn Dixie Delicatessen.

Dance music for the evening will be provided by Southern Image from Fredericksburg. Southern Image has headlined such events as Texas Folklife Festival and Riverfest in San Antonio and has shared the stage with notables like the Original Texas Playboys and Asleep at the Wheel.

San Angelo's own up and coming 15 year old singing sensation Ana-Alicia Garza will make a special appearance during the evening. Garza has performed at a variety of events including the Rehab '99 Telethon, San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo and Taste of San Angelo.

Also on the agenda will be a silent auction of about 75 handcrafted items and merchandise donated by individuals and area merchants. A drawing will be held for a queen-size quilt crafted by volunteers.

Underwriting for the Silver Spur Ball is donated in memory of Mark Lipsett by his mother, which allows the Rehab Center to receive all proceeds from ticket sales and auction items.

Hosts for the evening are Doodle Dankworth, Floyd and Dottie French, Steven and Jennifer Hoelscher, Dennis Kasberg, Bob and Jean Ann LeGrand, Tex and Jo McCully, Pat and Ruby McDonald, Al and Clara Nell Waters, all of San Angelo. Also, Preston and Pete Dudley of Mertzon, Bill and Mabel Freitag of Eldorado, J.D. and Becky Gould of Carlsbad and Benny and Sweetie Willberg of Paint Rock.

For event or ticket information, call the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at (915) 223-6300.

ACT announces college tests date

The ACT Assessment college entrance and placement exam will be administered September 25, 1999. The registration postmark deadline is August 20. Late registration postmark deadline is September 3 (an additional fee is required for late registration).

ACT Assessment scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all the Ivy League colleges. The cost is \$22 (\$25 in Florida).

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school or register online at ACT's website-www.act.org.

Checkoff focuses dietitians on beef's nutrition

The \$1 per head beef checkoff program focused the attention of Texas dietitians on beef's nutrition during the Texas Dietetic Association's annual convention April 9-11 in Houston. More than 500 dietitians attended two seminars on beef, and the check-off program distributed more than 5,000 factual brochures on nutrition.

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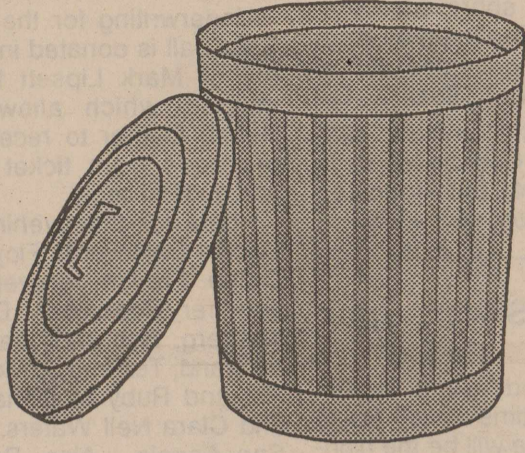
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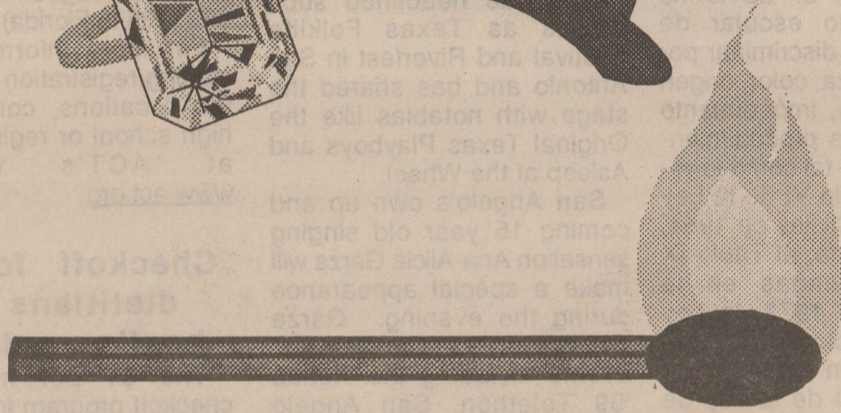
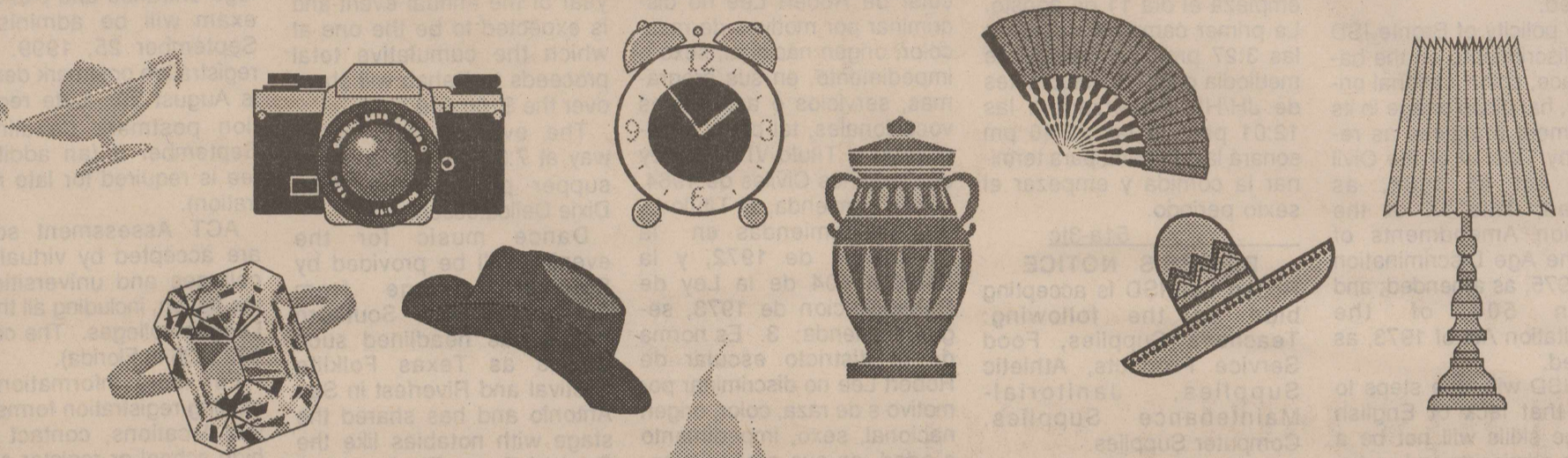
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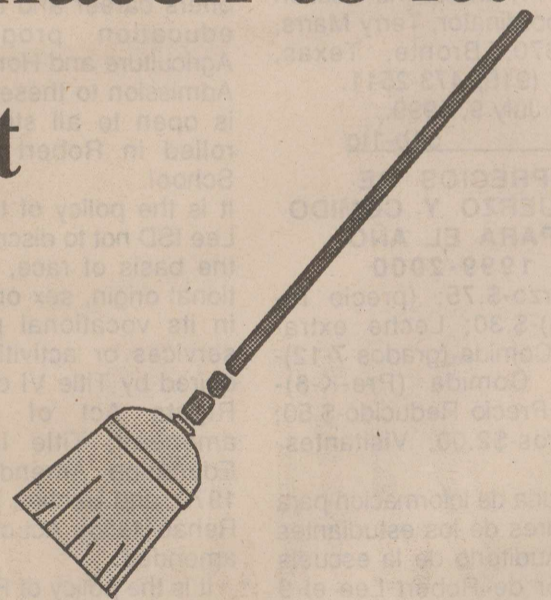


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