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## Primary election set for Tuesday, March 14

Today (Friday, March 10) is the last day for early voting for the March 14 primary. So far, the turnout has been quite light.

Polling places will be open Tuesday, March 14, from 7 am to 7 pm. Democratic voting precincts places are as follows: Precinct 1 - Old Rec

Hall, 1402 Austin, Robert Lee, Texas; Precinct 2 -Bronte City Hall, 114 South Washington, Bronte, Texas; Precinct 3 - Courthouse, 13 East 7th, Robert Lee, Texas; Precinct 4 - Tennyson Community Building, 250 Tennyson School Road, Tennyson, Texas; Precinct 5 -

Old Depot, 265 W. Main, Bronte, Texas; Precinct 9 -Pecan Baptist Church, 14081 W. State Hwy 158, Robert Lee, Texas; and Precinct 10 -South Side Church of Christ, 117 East 8th, Robert Lee, Texas. Precincts 1, 3, 9, and 10 will vote at the Courthouse in Robert Lee. Republicans in Precincts 2, 4, and 5 will vote at First Baptist Church at 424 South Washington in Bronte, Texas. This is a change from

The Republicans will be asked to vote either for or against Proposition 1 which states, "Shall student initiated prayer be allowed at school sporting events?"

Locals on the Democratic ballot running unopposed include D. Kristeen Roe -Coke County Tax Assessor/Collector; Rick Styles, Coke County Sheriff; Paul Burns, Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 1; Gaylon Pitcock, Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 3; Russell Johnson, Coke County Constable, Precinct 2; Nancy Arthur, Coke County Attorney. The only contested race is between Coke County Constable, Precinct 1, Kenneth Rasco and his challenger, Lauren Arthur.

Remember to exercise your right and vote.

Local athletes

named to 2000 All-

Star Game

High School and Andrew

McCabe of Robert Lee High

School have been chosen to

play in the inaugural Big

Country All-Star Football

Classic to be held Saturday,

June 3, in Abilene's Shotwell

Blake is the son of Tony &

Debbie Mackey and Andrew is

the son of Melvin and Debbie

McCabe. They are one of 70

area athletes selected for the

first annual game, which ben-

efits the Big Country Chapter

of the Fellowship of Christian

Athletes. Representing 38

area schools, the rosters for

the North and South squads

were announced at a press

conference Saturday at the

About 100 players were

nominated by their head

coaches for the game, which

Ramada Inn in Abilene.

Blake McKee of Bronte

## Court ponders insurance quandary

in special session on Tuesday, March 7, to discuss the current health insurance carrier and other options for health coverage which may be available. Approximately twenty county employees were in attendance.

County Auditor Stover Taylor provided a brief history of the county's health coverage, stating that "from 1965 until 1980, Blue Cross - Blue Shield was contracted to provide the county's health insurance coverage. From 1980 until 1991, American Security carried the health insurance for the county. At that time, premiums were \$230/month per employee. From 1995 until the present, West Texas Rural Counties, an insurance pool, has carried this coverage for county employees. Premiums were lowered to \$189/month per employee." (Coke County pays the insurance premiums for each county employee. If employees want to add their dependents to the coverage, the employee pays the additional cost of his or her spouse and dependents.)

The differences between belonging to an insurance pool or paying premiums to an outside carrier are many. But the major difference is that employee premiums may be reduced at the expense of the county assuming more risk in the costs of the claims against the coverage. With the catastrophic claims the county has paid involving Lane Arthur's tragic circumstances and others, the shortfall in premiums paid versus claims against the coverage is substantial.

The County Auditor further stated that "for the 56 months that West Texas Rural Counties Association (WTRCA) has been the insurance provider for the county, premiums

County commissioners met have not kept up with claims on the coverage, and Coke County now finds itself in the position of owing \$198,541.12 to cover the existing claims on the cover-

The dilemma the county now faces is whether to continue to pay premiums into WTRCA and hope that claims will fall back into line, or pay the \$198,541.12 bill and search for other coverage for county employees.

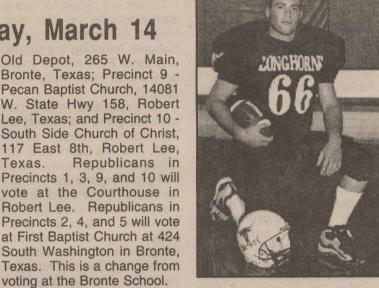
WTRCA is asking (for the second time in a year) that county officials advance two quarters of premium payments, which amounts to approximately \$48,000. This would provide insurance until October, 2000.

During the discussion several county employees addressed the court with concerns about slow payment of current bills by WTRCA, some dating as far back as 1998. Court members agreed that they have had some experience with slow payments, but the bills were eventually getting paid.

After the discussion, Judge Jackie Walker turned to the commissioners for their input. Commissioner Paul Burns stated that "this is not the time to get out of the system. Employees are insured until October, and we should take another look at it then." Burns also reiterated that "rates were ridiculously low, and we know they're going to have to go up." He then made the motion to pay the \$48,000 in premiums for coverage until October, 2000. Pat Percifull seconded the motion, with Burns, Percifull, and David Rawlings voting for the proposal, and Wayne McCutchen against. Judge Walker abstained. Motion carried.

The meeting was then ad-

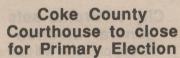
journed.



Blake McKee

features schools from an approximate 75-mile radius of Abilene. The teams were chosen by a selection committee made up of the eight allstar coaches, former McMurry College coach Wilford Moore, retired Abilene Reporter-News sportswriter Bill Hart and radio sportscaster Jimmy Pogue.

The North team will be coached by Steve Warren of Abilene High and assistants Hank Dowell of Sweetwater, Denny Faith of Albany and



The Coke County Courthouse will be closed on Tuesday, March 14, for the Primary Election. State law business prevents transactions near a polling site. The courthouse will be the polling place for Coke County, Precinct 3.

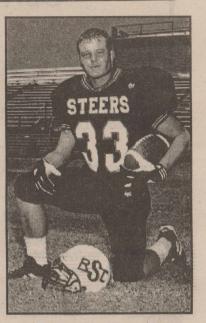
#### Skywarn training class set

There will be a Skywarn Training class on Monday, March 20, at 6:00 pm in the Robert Lee City Hall. Buddy McEntire from the National Weather Service will be here to speak. This class is open to the public. For more information call Keith Eubanks at 453-

#### Victory in the Vine

"Victory in the Vine" is a one day ladies retreat for women of all ages.

Join us for a powerful Saturday retreat for women of all ages, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm, March 25, 2000, First Baptist Church, 424 S. Washington, Bronte, Texas. For more information, contact the church at 473-2331.



Andrew McCabe

Gerald James of Colorado Hugh Sandifer of Abilene Wylie will be the head

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#### "I need a recipe"

The Coke Little League will be selling recipe books as a fund-raiser this season. We need recipes from Bronte, Robert Lee, or any surrounding citizens. All recipes will be signed by donor. Recipes will be accepted through April 1. Send to: CCLL - A. Hoyt, PO Box 534, Bronte or Fax to: 473-3636.

#### Small grains may qualify for payments

Losses of small grain forage production may be eligible for compensation from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Program (NAP) offered by USDA's Farm Service gency. Implementation of NAP and determinations of producer eligibility depend heavily on information reported by producers.

"Producers must understand that destroying small grain acreage, or making other use of it prior to inspection by FSA, could jeopardize their eligibility for a NAP payment for the grazing loss," said Wayland Shurley, State Executive Director of the Texas FSA. "We want producers to benefit from the NAP program, but we need their help."

Producers who believe they qualify for NAP benefits for loss of small grain forage production in the fall and winter months must notify FSA no later than 15 days after the FCIC pull off date. FSA must have an opportunity to inspect acreage to verify damage to the small grain forage.

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## -- Obituaries

Cora Grote Allen

Cora Grote Allen, 86, died Thursday, March 2, 2000, in the Robert Lee Care Center.

Graveside services were held in Robert Lee Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Reeves officiating.

Cora was born in Mason County on Nov. 23, 1913. She served in the Women's Army Corp as a medic during WWII. She resided in Corpus Christi until moving to Robert Lee in 1991 to live with her sister, Louise Walker.

She is survived by three sisters, Elva Humphries of Regugio, Mae Ashworth of Austin and Louise Walker of Robert Lee; four nephews and four nieces including Mary Beth Drennan; numerous great-nieces and nephews. She leaves many loving care givers and friends, including Abbie and Boogie, her dog friends.

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Ruth Sandusky

Ruth Sandusky, 91, passed away on March 3, 2000, at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center.

Services were held at 4:00 pm Saturday, March 4, 2000, at the Bronte Church of Christ, with burial in Fairview Cemetery. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Ruth was born on January 24, 1909, to Ed and Malindy Hickman. She was born, raised and attended school in Bronte, and on February 18, 1925, she married Austin Sandusky in Bronte. Ruth was a homemaker, an avid gardener, a sports fan, and a member of the Bronte Church of Christ. She was also very proud to have been a life long resident of Coke County.

by her husband, Austin Sandusky on September 2, 1964; three sisters, Edna Jewell Hickman, Georgia Higginbotham, and Lee Richards; and a grandson, Randy Snyder.

Ruth is survived by three children, Mary Louise Sandusky Snyder of Dumas, TX; Dr. Judge Edward Sandusky and wife Camille of Hondo, TX; and Gerald Dewey Sandusky of Bronte, TX; one sister Willie Foreman of Bronte, TX; and three brothers, Edward F. Hickman of Killeen, TX, Johnny M. Hickman of Big Lake, TX; and Freddie W. Hickman of Fort Stockton, TX. She is also survived by five grandchildren and spouses, Jimmy & Paula Snyder of Dumas, TX; Ronny Snyder of Reading, PA; Koby & Andrea Sandusky of Reading, PA; Sam & Stacy Sandusky of Spring, TX; and Ross Sandusky of Hondo, TX; and seven great grandchildren, Brad Snyder, Scott Snyder, Danial Sandusky, Josiah Sandusky, Kami Sandusky, Elijah Sandusky, Micah Ann Sandusky, and Layne Sandusky.

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City of Bronte sets general election

The City of Bronte will hold a general election on May 6, 2000. Three councilmen and a mayor will be elected. The terms of councilmen Leslie Rolls, George Snapp, Martha Ratliff, and Mayor Martin Lee will expire.

Applications to file for a place on the ballot are available at the City Hall, 114 South Washington. Deadline for filing a candidate application is 5:00 pm, March 22.

She was preceded in death

## ...All Stars

coach for the South, along with assistants. Steve Freeman of Brownwood, Randy Quisenberry of Abilene Cooper and Danny Slaughter of Ballinger.

Players from Class 5A through Class A - in addition to two players from Abilene Christian High School, a private six man program - make up the team. By classification, the two 35-man squads break down like this: 8 from 5A, 12 from 4A, 17 from 3A, 14 from 2A, 17 A, plus the two players from ACHS. Sixteen additional players were selected as alternates and will participate if a roster spot becomes available due to injury or other circumstances.

Teams will report for two-aday workouts on Tuesday, May 30. A Sharing the Victory Banquet honoring the players and local FCA huddle members will be held Friday night, June 2.

All proceeds generated from the game will benefit the Big Country chapter of the FCA. The Big Country All-Star Association is a newly formed non-profit organization. Major sponsors for the event are Dr. Pepper and Lawrence Hall Chevrolet. Other key sponsors include Abilene Diagnostic Clinic, Athletic Supply, Big Country Athletics, Fastsigns, First National Bank of Abilene, Harv-al Athletic Manufacturing, Wear HealthSouth, KTAB-TV, Ramada Inn of Abilene, Riddell and West Texas Utilities.

- The game will be televised and shown on tape delay by KTAB-TV of Abilene. A live radio broadcast will be produced in Abilene by KWKC 1340 AM and will be heard throughout the area on the Big Country All-Star Classic Radio Network.

Hall of Fame coach Gordon Wood of Brownwood has agreed to be on hand to present two awards - named the Gordon Wood Most Valuable

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Player Awards - honoring the top players in the game. For more information, contact Phil Ashby at 915-676-0519 or e-mail

pashby@swconnect.net.

Trapper's Association dues set

by Tommy Antilley County Extension Agent Again this year, dues for the Coke County Trappers Association will be seven cents per acre, per year. These dues are needed for us to be able to keep the county trapper in cooperation with Coke County and Texas Animal Damage Control.

Without support from the landowners, we would lose our trapper and we can't let that happen. Predation of livestock alone would be dev-

astating to our agriculture economy. Just look north of us, most of the sheep and goat people have gone out of business because they have lost their trapper. Besides livestock losses, predation of our valuable wildlife resources is reason enough to control predators. We would lose a lot more than seven cents an acre if we couldn't lease our land for hunting. Keeping a county trapper is important to every landowner, whether you run livestock or not.

Our county trapper is Bill Davis and he can be reached at (915) 484-2490. hesitate to call him.

Dues for 2000 can be sent

Coke County Trappers Association

PO Box 170

Robert Lee, TX 76945

If there are any questions, please call the Extension office at (915) 453-2461.

## — Death Notices—

McCauley

Lila Maxine McCauley, 81, of Bronte died Saturday, February 26, 2000, in Bronte after a brief illness.

Graveside service was held at 1:30 pm Sunday, February 27, in Haven of Memories Memorial Park with Brother Scott Griffin and Brother Wayne Coalson officiating. Arrangements were made by Eubank Funeral Home Inc.

She is survived by three daughters, Sharon Kay Braswell and Phyllis D. Poe, both of Bronte, and Pamela Ann Morte of Bay City; two granddaughters, Shaye Coalson and Christy Griffin, both of Bronte; four grandsons, Blane Braswell of Bronte, Blake Braswell of Garden City, Trey Morte of Conroe and Todd Morte of Kingwood; and seventeen grandchildren.

Casey

Roy Casey, 88, of Robert Lee died Wednesday, March 1, 2000, at a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 pm Saturday in the Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Carrie Service Casey of Robert Lee, TX; one son Leroy Casey of Whitney, TX; one brother, Benny Frank Casey of Reno, Nevada; two sisters, Fanny Irene Maples and Ruth Williams both of Robert Lee, TX; five grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

# Churches of Robert Lee

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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 & 7 pm, Worship Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 •8th & Houston (915) 453-2176 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher

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PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (915) 453-2724 Bro. Waide Messer, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

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# Thoughts on the Scripture

By Rev. Jim Reeves

Galatians 3:5 "Does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you because you observe the law, or because you believe what you heard?"

How do we receive the blessings of God? Is it by our works? The answer is no. It is by our faith and our belief in God through his Son Jesus Christ. We are saved by grace, the love of God, given to us without the strings of our work attached. Our work for God should be because we have faith, not before faith.

> May God bless each one of you. Brother Jim

#### Renfroe named Pastor of Central Baptist Church

S. Lee Renfroe is the new Pastor of Central Baptist Church in Bronte, Texas.

The Refroes moved to Bronte from Jackson, Mississippi, where Lee was a pastor. Paula, his wife, graduated from Lakeview High School in San Angelo and received her BS degree in Early Elementary Education from Angelo State University. Lee graduated from Sonora High School and his grandmother, Lorene Phillips, is a longtime Bronte resident. The couple has two sons, Jonathan (5) and Jared (19 months).

#### Letter to the Editor

Every pastor realizes very quickly that he/she cannot please everyone all the time. We also realize very quickly that what we think we said or tried to say is often not what someone else heard. This past Sunday, my sermon goal was to emphasize that we as Christians are to remain focused on what God calls us to do. Some folks apparently felt that my remarks were directed at particular individuals. Let me stress that, in no way, was any of what I had to say directed "at" anyone. In every sermon, I try to speak to the Christian heart, and spirit collectively.

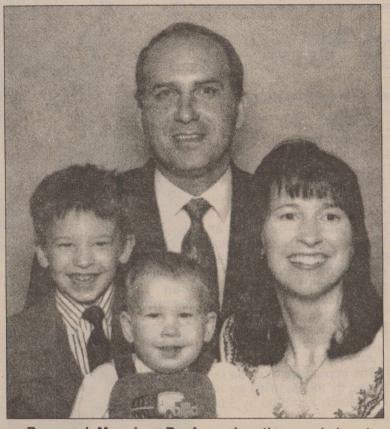
As a former educator of eighteen years, I have always and will continue to always support the teachers of our schools as the front line of defense in our country. As an administrator for a number of those years, I support and empathize with the administration, which often

# Coke County 4-Hers win big at major stock shows

Members of the Coke County 4-H have had tremendous success at two of the World's Largest Junior Livestock Shows the last couple of weeks. During the San Antonio Stock Show, Lance Millican placed his lightweight Finewool lamb second and Ashlee Millican placed her medium weight Finewool Cross lamb second. In the Market steer show, Clay Antilley placed his lightweight Hereford steer third.

At the Houston Livestock Show completed over the last two weeks, in the Market Steer Show, Clay Antilley placed his lightweight Red Angus steer second. In the Market Swine show, Macy Hill placed her light-heavyweight Duroc barrow fifth. In the Market Lamb show Lance Millican placed his lightweight Finewool Cross lamb seventeenth and Ashlee Millican placed her lightweight Finewool lamb twenty-eighth.





Rev. and Mrs. Lee Renfroe, Jonathan and Jared

must make decisions which are not popular. Leadership is never easy. As a parent, with three girls, I have always supported and will continue to support the school board and other elected officials of our community. As unpaid volunteers, they have the untenable task of trying to do what is best for everyone in the community.

Divisiveness in any situation has never accomplished anything. We can disagree in Christian fellowship; we can debate for the better good, but being divided never strengthens--it always weakens. Each of us should seek to stress reconciliation in all deliberations, reconciliation in all relationships, and that is my goal in every way.

Rev. Jim Reeves

#### Runnels Baptist Association to meet

The Runnels Baptist Association will meet Wednesday, March 22 at Robert Lee Baptist Church for an Evangelism Rally.

The Executive Board and W.M.U. will not meet. No meal will be served.

The Evangelism Rally will begin at 7:00 pm. Dr. Larry McGraw, professor of Bible at Logsdon School of Theology, with Hardin Simmons University, will be the speaker. Tony King, Association Evangelism Director, is in charge of the program.

Churches and members are encouraged to attend. The public is invited to attend.



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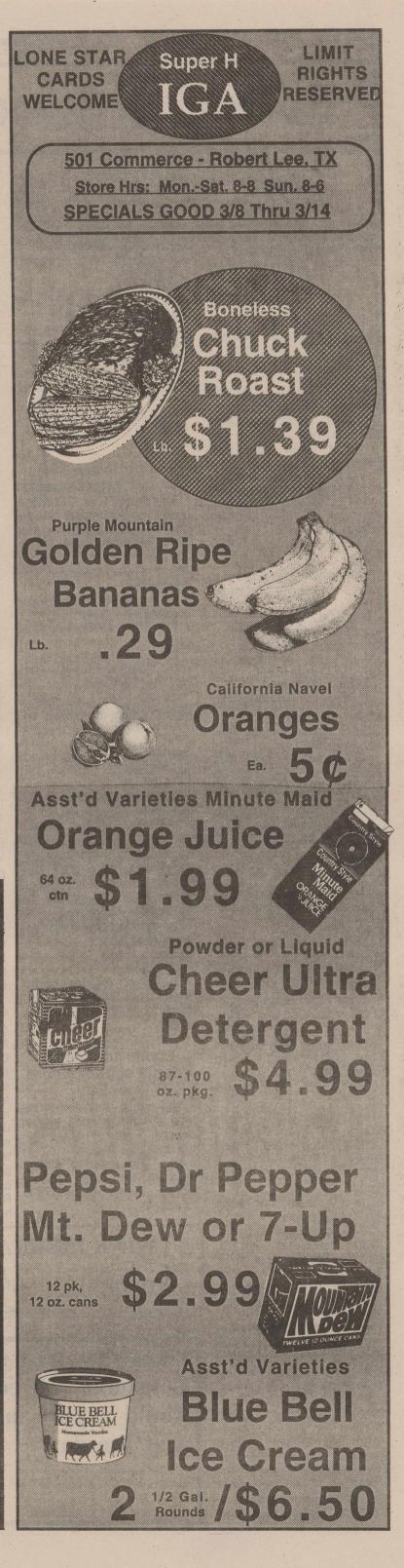




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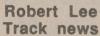
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# Robert Lee School News



The Robert Lee Steers scored 161 points to be the team champions at the Water Valley track meet March 3.

Following is how the Steers placed in their events:

3200 - 1st, Joel Gallegos, 11:15

400 M. Relay - 2nd, Brown, Ballew, Samaniego, Brothers,

800 - 3rd, Brandon Van Huss, 2:18.88

110 M. H. Hurdles - 1st, Dan McCown, 15.52; 3rd, Todd Hamilton, 16.09; 4th, Deric Brothers, 16.2

100 M. Dash - 5th, Bret Ballew, 12.03

400 M. Dash - 4th, Colby Eubanks, 58.2

300 M. Hurdles - 1st, Dan McCown, 42.9; 2nd, Todd Hamilton, 43.86

200 M. Dash - 6th, Bret Ballew, 24.83

1600 - 1st, Joel Gallegos, 5:08; 5th, Brandon Van Huss, 5:52

1600 M. Relay - 2nd, Hamilton, Brothers, Eubanks, Samaniego, 3:46.87

Pole Vault - 1st, Matthew Pitcock, 12'6", 4th, Deric Brothers, 11'

Discus - 6th, Charles Abalos, 111'

Long Jump - 3rd, Dan McCown, 20'3" High Jump - 1st, Dan

McCown, 6'; 4th, Andrew McCabe, 5'8"; 6th, Colby Eubanks, 5'6"

Triple Jump - 1st, Dan McCown, 43'3"; 2nd, Deric Brothers, 40'3", 5th, Colby Eubanks, 37'4"

Robert Lee JV 400 M. Relay - 4th, Edging, Brickey, Pitcock, Lott, 51.6 110 M. H. Hurdles - 1st,

Anson Lott, 17.93 400 M. Dash - 2nd, Travis Pitcock, 62.9

200 M. Dash - 4th, Anson Lott, 25.56 Discus - 3rd, Sean Edging,

93'2"; 4th, Cooper Riley, Shot Put - 2nd, Cooper Riley, 36'9"; 5th, Sean

Edging, 32' Long Jump - 6th, Anson Lott, 17'1"

High Jump - 5th, Travis

Pitcock, 5'4" - 3rd, Travis Triple Jump Pitcock, 34'9"

Pole Vault - 1st, Travis Pitcock, 10'

The J.V. team was fourth with 73 total points.

Lady Steers 400 M. Relay - 3rd, Matthews, Wojtek, Matthews, Dickey, 54.44

800 M. - 4th, Simpson, 2:43.81; Roe, 3.02.80; Soliz, 3.02.82

100 M. - Middleton, 15.06 800 M. Relay - 5th, Matthews, Wojtek, Matthews, Simpson, 1:57.34

400 M. Dash - 1st, Dickey, 64.37; 5th, Mills, 69.11 300 M. Hurdles - Soliz,

65.13 200 M. Dash - 3rd, Matthews, 29.71; Kendall,

31.19; Middleton, 30.18 1600 M. Run - Alexander, 6.57.10; Hamilton, 7.12.00 1600 M. Relay - 2nd, Mills,

Wojtek, Dickey, Simpson,

Shot Put - 1st, Freeman, 32'9 3/4"; 2nd, Sparks, 31'0; 5th, Millican, 27'11

Discus - 2nd, Millican, 97'4"; 5th, Sparks, 83'0; Freeman,

Triple Jump - 1st, Simpson, 32'11 1/2"; 3rd, Dickey, 31'7"; 5th, Woitek, 30' 10 3/4"

Long Jump - 4th, Matthews, 14' 4 3/4"; 5th, Mills, 14'2"; 6th, Matthews, 14' 1 3/4"

High Jump - 2nd, Dickey, 4'8; 3rd, Middleton, 4'8; Soliz,

The Lady Steers placed second overall with 123 points.

Robert Lee ISD school board meets

The Robert Lee ISD school board met in regular session on February 24, 2000 at 6:30 pm in the high school library. All members were present. The following business was conducted.

The minutes of previous meeting were approved.

The bills for February were paid.

A report of the Board members continuing education hours was accepted.

A school board election for May 6, 2000 was ordered.

An agreement for cooperative purchasing with Education Service Center XV was approved.

Local policy (DEC Local) concerning workers compensation was distributed.

The contracts of Lindsey Wallace, High School Principal; Janet Wallace, Elementary Principal; Ray Brown, Athletic Director/Head Coach were renewed for the 2000-2001 school year.

The principals gave their respective reports.

Supt. Hood gave his monthly report.

The next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, March 22, 2000. The public is invited.

Public invited to attend school board meeting

The public is invited to attend the Robert Lee school board meeting Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30. This meeting will be held in the High School Library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

RLISD closed for Spring Break

Robert Lee ISD will be closed for annual Spring Break, March 13-17. administrative offices will reopen at 7:30 am March 20. If an individual would like an application to file for a place on the May 6 school board election during Spring Break, please contact one of the following people:

William Hood, Superintendent - 453-2065 Lindsey Wallace - 453-4720 Judy Shook - 453-2743

The application must be returned by the deadline for filing, March 22, 2000 by 5:00

> RLES collects box tops

For the last six weeks, the students of Robert Lee Elementary have participated in a contest to see who could receive the most box tops and labels from the furthest address. We have two winners.

Each class incorporated the contest into their daily curriculum by using it as a writing exercise and a geography les-The contest required the students to select a relative or a family friend living outside the Robert Lee area. They then sent letters explaining about the contest and asking for box tops and labels. The students received answers from several U.S. locations and even one from another country.

Haden and Brody Dillard received box tops from Vacaville, California. The fifth graders were sent box tops and labels all the way from Pennsylvania Washington D.C. Mrs. Horn's and Mrs. Duncan's class received the items from Plainview, Texas. Kacee Roberts got her box tops and labels from Washington D.C.

Our winners were Jathan Williams of Mrs. Horn's second grade and Kimberly Roach in Mrs. Gibbs' Kindergarten class. Jathan won by having labels from the furthest address. His labels came from a family friend all the way down in Australia. Besides the unique location, the soup was somewhat different. He had a label for cream of pumpkin soup. So far a survey indicates that none of the staff of RL Elementary have ever heard of this type of soup.

# WINK INSURANCE AGENCY



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I have enjoyed serving you as Constable, Precinct appreciate vour vote next Tuesday.

> Thank you, Kenneth Rasco



The Robert Lee 5th Grade students received soup can labels from their Pen Pals in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.



These Robert Lee Elementary School students were the individual winners in the box top contest. They are (from left) Jathan Williams, Brody Dillard, Kimberly Roach, Kacee Roberts, and Haden Dillard.

The labels were marked as products of Australia and it is assumed that cream of pumpkin soup is a food item uniquely Australian. Kimberly Roach also won because she collected the most labels from a far location. She sent a letter to a family member in Lee, Florida and received sixty labels in return.

Each winning class will re-

ceive a Movie Matinee afternoon. It will include popcorn, cokes, and a movie.

Mrs. Wallace would like to thank all the students for their efforts in collecting box tops and labels. She would also like to state how proud she is of the effort the students have displayed in going that extra mile to help out Robert Lee Elementary in these collection drives.

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The Bronte Elementary First and Second Grade classes took a field trip to the new Distance Learning Lab at Bronte High School. They included (first row, from left) Taylor Hartman, Reid Clark, Dustin Brown, Kaycee Baker, (second row, from left) Cheyenne Hunter, Chase Harris, Brittani Harris, Benny Fuentez, Nathan Fidler, Peyton Eubanks, (third row, from left) Heath Richey, Kerwin Rawls, Dakota Rawls, Arlis McMullan, Meagan Martin, (fourth row, from left) Jackson Rowan, Ali Tounget, Austin Clayton, Nicholas Shults, Kelsey Sedden, and Justin Saldana.



Mrs. Dyess watches as her 2nd grade students enjoy learning about dolphins from the Indianapolis They include (front row, from left) Kimberly Womack, Chloe Grigg, (second row, from left) Ashley Royall, Denver McCollough, Skyler Ellis-York, Louie Martinez, Emilie Jimenez, Emily Fiveash, (third row, from left) Danny Martinez, Ashley Fisher, Samantha Coffey, Kasey Glover, Tyler Riney, and Zachary Boyd.



Angel Cervenka explains the Distance Learning Lab to the first group of Bronte Elementary students to tour the lab during a field trip.

#### Bronte UIL elementary results 2nd Grade

Tounget; 6th, Chloe Grigg 3rd Grade

- 5th, Jessi Spelling England

Ready Writing - 3, Jessi England; 6th, Ariel Coalson 4th Grade

Spelling - 4th, Estephanie Flores; 6th, Savannah Martinez

Music Memory - 2nd, Bronte Elementary

Art - 1st, Bronte Elementary 5th Grade

Music Memory - 2nd, Bronte Elementary

Listening - 2nd, Philip Rawlings; 4th, Lauhren White Oral Reading - 1st, Katie Cooper

Art - 3rd, Bronte Elementary Spelling - 5th, Jonathan Marrs

Maps, Graphs, & Charts -3rd. Philip Rawlings 6th Grade

Music Memory - 2nd, Bronte Elementary

Listening - 4th, Rebecca

Rawlings Ready Writing - 5th, Cheyenne Webb

Oral Reading - 4th, Storytelling - 2nd, Ali Cheyenne Webb; 6th, Lillie McMullan

Mathematics - 2nd, Bailey Saunders; 5th, Rebecca Rawlings

Calculator - 5th, Garrett Acker Number Sense - 4th, Bailey

Saunders **BJH UIL academic** results

7th Grade

Dictionary Skills - 2nd, Garrett Jackson; 3rd, Calli Johnson

Listening Skills - 5th, Garrett Jackson

Number Sense - 6th, Garrett Jackson Impromptu Speaking - 3rd,

Jasmine Kresta 8th Grade

Spelling - 1st, Ariel Marrs Ready Writing - 1st, Ariel Marrs Science II - 4th, Josh

Maps, Graph & Charts - 7th, Joseph Israel

Oral Reading - 1st, Ariel Marrs; 3rd Kailey Howell

# Bronte School News

**Bronte's Distance** 

Learning Lab Bronte ISD is very fortunate to have a distance learning lab. The lab enables elementary, junior high, and high school classes to take field trips across the United States. Classes and teachers from other places are able to interact with each other using the Distance Learning Lab. The first distance field trip was taken by first and second graders. They were able to experience a field trip to the Indianapolis Zoo for a dolphin show. After the show the dolphin trainers talked to the classes about dolphins and answered questions. Dual Credit classes for high school students are also being planned in the very near future. Angel Cervenka is Bronte's Distance Learning Site Coordinator. McMullan is Bronte's technol-

#### Bronte ISD Board of Trustees meet

ogy coordinator.

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session March 7, 2000, at 7:00 pm in the Board Room.

The Principals' reports included UIL activities. The students were praised for their participation in recent UIL events. The school activities calendar for the spring was discussed and the classes offered in the Distance Learning Lab.

The school calendar for 2000-2001 was approved by the Board. First day of school will be August 9, 2000, last day of school will be May 24, 2001.

Site-Based/Board The Retreat was set for Saturday, April 15.

Motion was made and approved to offer teacher contracts for the 2000-2001 school year.

Motion was made and approved to promote Kerry Lee to Head Football Coach. Keith McCutchen will remain as Athletic Director/Golf

Superintendent's Report included an update on the turnishings for the new school, the upcoming track meets and chairs/benches for the commons area. A discussion was held concerning the use of the football field. Mr. Richey informed the Board of the results of the ESC Region XV Board of Directors Election.

Correspondence included National School Board Convention, Leadership Conference June 15-17, School Board Candidates Workshop March 29, and updates on the TEA audit and Peer Review visit at CCJJC in April.

Motion was made and approved to pay the February 2000 bills.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is April 13, 2000, at 7:00 pm.

#### Ariel Marrs receives division 1 rating on vocal solo

Ariel Marrs, an eighth grade student at Bronte Jr. High, recently participated in the Region VII Vocal Solo and Ensemble Contest and received a Division 1 (Superior) rating and medal for her performance. Ariel selected "Velvet Shoes" Thompson, a selection from the UIL class 2 (medium difficulty) list as her solo for this year. The contest was held Saturday, February 26, in Cleburne High School in conjunction with the high school UIL solo and ensemble event.

Ariel has been very active in vocal activities the past two years. She has twice been named as a member of the Region VII All-Region Choir as a result of auditions, and has participated in the choir's clinics and concerts. This is also Ariel's second year to receive a Division 1 rating on her vocal

In addition to her activities, Ariel has been a very active

#### Bronte ISD Administration office set to close for inservice/student holiday

Bronte ISD has scheduled an Inservice/Student Holiday for March 10 and Spring Break March 13 through 17th. The Administration Office will be closed during this time. If you wish to file an application for a place on the ballot for the School Board Election, call 473-2050 or 473-2511. The deadline to file for a place on the ballot is March 22, 2000, by 5:00 pm.

member of the Bronte Longhorn Band and has successfully participated in several UIL events.

Ariel is the daughter of Bronte Elementary Principal Terry Marrs and his wife, Sherri. Mr. George Tomes, director of Bronte bands, is faculty sponsor of Ariel's vocal music activities.

#### Baird, White announce engagement

Joseph and Joan Baird of Ballinger are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Ann, to Dwayne Mark White. He is the son of Donald and Doris White of Ballinger.

The couple will marry at 7:00 pm on Friday, March 17, 2000, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Olfen, Texas.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Ballinger High School and received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Angelo State University. She is currently the Director of Nursing at Bronte Health and Rehab. She resides in Ballinger.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Ballinger High He resides in School. Seminole, Texas and is employed by The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation as the District Environmental Monitoring Specialist.

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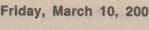
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## CARD OF THANKS

THE FAMILY OF Ruth Sandusky wishes to ex-

press our deep gratitude to all of you for the expressions of sympathy that were extended to us during the illness and loss of our loved one. The visits, prayers, cards, flowers and gifts of food have all been a great comfort to us.

Mary Louise Snyder Camille and Judge Sandusky Gerald Sandusky Grandsons & Families

32b-1tp WE WOULD LIKE

to thank each of you for all the concerns shown when Savannah came home for the final time. Van loved Bronte and never failed to praise it and her friends as well. Thank you for the cards and flowers. A special thanks to the Baptist ladies that served cookies and coffee after the services.

The Caperton Family 32b-1tc WE WISH TO SAY

thanks to our friends and relatives for all the expressions of love, calls, visits, cards, food and memorials during our time of sorrow for Cora Grote Allen. Especially we thank Rev. Jim Reeves for the lovely service, and all the love Cora received from the Care Givers and friends at Robert Lee Care Center. We are forever grateful to all of you. God bless each of you.

Louise Walker Mary Beth Drennan and Family

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#### NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Chester Hugh Derrick, Deceased, were issued on February 22. 2000, in Cause No. 1566, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to: CHESTER ROY DERRICK.

The residence of the Independent Executor is 8465 Pansy Avenue, San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas; the post office address

Chester Roy Derrick, Executor Estate of Chester Hugh Derrick, Deceased c/o: Brad Haralson

Attorney at Law 331 West Avenue B San Angelo, Texas 76903

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated the 29th day of February, 2000. Brad Haralson, Attorney At Law 331 West Avenue B San Angelo, Texas 76903 (915) 655-4187

(915) 653-1807 Fax Brad Haralson Attorney for the Estate State Bar No.: 08930950 32a-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTIFICATION AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 6252-13C.1

**Revised Statutes Section 3** The following information is public notice of a sex offender registered in Robert Lee. Coke County, Texas. Registrant Name: Sanders, Billy Wayne Date of Registration: 02-28-2000 Date of Birth: 09-20-1957 Gender: Male Description of Offense: Indecency with a Child by Contact - female age 8 Registrant intends to reside at: 217 E. 4th

Street City: Robert Lee Zip: 76945

NOTIFICACION REQUERIDA ARTICULO 6252-13C.1 Regulaciones Revisadas Seccion 3 La siguiente informacion es noticia publica de un ofensor sexual registrado en la ciudad de Robert Lee, condada de Coke estadode

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Effective February 27, 2000, I, Tammy B. Howard, will be responsible for only those debts which I may incur.

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Coke County Appraisal District will receive bids in the District's office until 11:00 am on Monday, March 27, 2000, for the following:

One (1) 2000 compact twowheel drive extended cab pickup with:

6-cylinder engine, not less than 4.0 liters

4-speed forward automatic transmission with overdrive

anti-lock brakes power steering with tilt steering wheel

air conditioner, factory (cont'd. next page)

#### NOTICES

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wipers, 2-speed,
intermittent with washer
heater & defroster
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tires, including spare tire & wheels factory AM/FM stereo radio

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Appraiser, Courthouse,
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31a-2tc

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINES

The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives notice of filing deadlines for the May 6, 2000 Election. Three (3) Directors will be elected for a term of two (2) years each. Candidates may file applications for inclusion on the ballot between February 21, 2000 and March 22, Applications and 2000. petitions may be obtained at Robert Lee Care Center during normal business hours, 9 AM - 5 PM, Monday through Friday. questions may be addressed to Roger Alexander, Administrator.

INFORMACION DE EL DIA FINALE PARA LOS DATOS

El Consejo De Directores del Hospital Distrito Del Condado Oeste De Coke hacen saber que el dia 6 de Mayo, 2000 sera el dia final para hacer los datos para las elecciones. Cada tres (3) directores seran elejidos para un termino de dos (2) anos. El dia 21 de Febrero, 2000 hasta el 22 de Marzo, 2000 seran los dias para que los candidatos llenen las applicaciones; favor de incluir su nombre en las balletas. Las applicaciones seran obtenidas de las 9 AM -5 PM en el Robert Lee Care Center. Si tienen preguntas llamen al Administrador Roger Alexander.

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Library

Coke County Library patrons are supporting the foodfor-fines program. Many have returned over-due books with a non-perishable food item to cover over-due charges. Some patrons have brought food just to support the program. The food is for the Food Basket, a project of the churches of Coke County. The food is temporarily housed at the First Methodist Church.

March 2 was the birthday of Dr. Seuss. This month during Story Hour the children will hear some of his stories. March 4 is listed as the birthday of the Cat in the Hat. The recent donation of a stack of books by Dr. Seuss is especially appreciated this month.

The almanac lists March also as Women's History Month, National Craft Month, American Red Cross Month and Youth Art Month.

Library hours are 8-12 Tuesdays; 8-4 Wednesdays; 1-5 Thursdays, and 8-12 Fridays. Story Hour is Tuesday at ten o'clock. Books may be returned in Bronte to the Main St. Market.

# Gun Club monthly match

Sunday evening March 5 Red Canyon Gun Club held a monthly pistol silhouette match. In the first match, a small bore hunter pistol match, Richard Johnson outdistanced Earl Williams of Kerrville for first place. Earl finished second and Howard Droll of San Angelo finished third. Ken Green came in fourth and Doug Randel of Big Spring was fifth. Throughout the match, shooters faced strong winds coming from the Southeast, which made it difficult to hold on to the silhouettes, since all shooting is done from the off hand position standing.

In the second match of the day Ken Green found the winning combination and took top honors in the S B hunter pistol open sights match. Doug Randel of Big Spring was second, Richard Johnson was third, Cecil Hogg of Junction was fourth, and Linda Randel of Big Spring was fifth.

Earl Williams earned a 5 in a row pin on pigs. Ken Green earned a 5 in a row pin on chickens. Doug Randel also earned a 5 in a row pin on pigs.

Red Canyon Gun Club is celebrating their fifteenth year this year. They have been hosting monthly shooting matches since 1987. Through the years all types of matches have been held both, rifle and pistol. All matches are sanctioned by the National Rifle Association. Anyone looking for a place to shoot should come out and enjoy the matches. You do not have to be a member of the Gun Club to shoot in N.R.A. approved shoots. Memberships to Red Canyon Gun Club are available for \$25.00 per year. For more information contact Ken Green or Richard Johnson of Robert Lee.

**RLVFD** news

The fire department held its first meeting of the month March 6. Thirteen members were present. President Larry Martin presided.

The minutes were read and

approved.

Chief Rick Drennan reported on the cost of repairs done on the tank truck. He told about the computer Concho Valley RC & D, presented to the Fire Department. The members discussed what records will be put on it and where it is to be kept. The old building leaks when it rains and the new building is not air tight. The sand comes through the overhead doors.

Dispatcher Bud Thompson reported on calls for February. Two smoke reports and the members were on standby for the fire at Tennyson. He then gave a reminder of the Advanced Skywarn classes on March 20 at 6 pm at the city hall

Brian Hamrick has put the emergency lights on truck 6.

The Texas Forest Service sent out letters, stating that Coke County is in extreme fire danger and we all need to be very careful.

Other topics of discussion included fund raisers. The rummage sale will be the first Saturday of May. They need to have some of the hand held radios repaired or replaced and the need for a deck and tool boxes on the tank truck.

They adjourned and went to work on the trucks.

#### WCC EMS memorials for February 2000

Ruth Brown
Thelma & George Lomas
Javan Vosburg

Thelma & George Lomas, Carolyn & Eddie Braswell, Ginger & Matt Williams Ann Hughes

Cathy & Terry McGinley, Virginia & Weldon Fikes, The Officers, Directors & Employees of Robert Lee State Bank Billy Jones

Thelma & George Lomas

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Edna Carlile
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Lane Arthur
Thelma & George Lomas
WCC EMS donations
for February 2000

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#### Jacksonville College Choir and Wind Ensemble set to perform March 17

The Jacksonville College Choir and Wind Ensemble will present a concert at Pecan Baptist Church on Friday, March 17. They will perform at 7:00 pm. The public is invited.

The choir is under the combined direction of Bro. Gerald Orr and Bro. Jason Millican. The theme for the concert this year is "A Mighty Fortress", which consists of hymns, choruses, gospel songs, spirituals, and contemporary styles.

Accompanying the Choir is the Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Bro. Millican. It consists of 8 instrumentalists. Within the Choir are three select vocal ensembles. These ensembles include a Trio, Quartet, and Singers.

The Choir consists of 40 members. They come from all over Texas and Arkansas. Also, there are some foreign students in the Choir from Mexico, Poland, Romania, and Japan. The Choir travels several times a month performing at different churches and church association meetings.

Jacksonville College is a liberal arts junior college located in Jacksonville, Texas. It is owned and operated by the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

#### Personal

Ginger Eubanks of Natchitoches, LA recently visited her mother, Helen Murtishaw and other relatives and friends. Ginger came home to celebrate her mother's birthday and also to hear the results of several tests the doctor had run on Helen.

Ginger did the spring house cleaning for her mother but also had time for visiting.

Ginger's aunts and cousin Mary Sharp of Carlsbad, TX, Maurine Sparks and Babe Beyerlein, both of San Angelo, came over to visit for the day and enjoyed Mexican food at El Ranchero Restaurant.

On Thursday the February birthday honoree - Helen Murtishaw, Dewey Luckett, Billy Joe Luckett and Sid Eubanks; along with Diane Luckett, Joey Luckett and Johnnie Eubanks and Ginger enjoyed the evening meal at The Shed.

Ginger returned home to go to work at a doctor's clinic where she is an LVN.

# San Angelo's Writers' Club

The San Angelo Writers' Club looks forward to hearing from Doris McClellan, our scheduled speaker for the March 14 meeting. A retired elementary school teacher, Mrs. McClellan has been a ranch wife on the Ellswood Spade Ranch for 25 years.

Her second book, "Angel On My Shoulder", is the story of how she survived the attack of a rabid bobcat. Originally intended as a story for young children, "Angel On My Shoulder" has proven to be of interest to readers in older age groups as well.

The meeting will be held at 7:00 pm at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 3355 West Beauregard (Behind H.E.B.), on Tuesday, March 14. Admission is free. Guests and visitors are welcome.

#### East Coke County ambulance service donations received for February

Royce Lee Coke County Precinct #4 Employees (Aluminum can sales)

East Coke County ambulance service memorials received for February

Ida Oden
Oleta Braswell
Maxine McCauley
Cotton & Joyce Morgan
Savannah Caperton
Belcher
LeDrew & Bobbie Arrott

#### Look Who's New Rylee Alexa Starnes

Melanie and Stephen Starnes and big sister Jadyn announce the arrival of Rylee Alexa Starnes. Rylee was born on January 10, 2000, at 10:58 pm in San Diego, California. She was nineteen and a half inches long and weighed eight pounds and five ounces. Rylee is the granddaughter of Roy and Margaret Epperson of Ballinger, Ed and Barbara Rainey of Lubbock, and Dwight and Cindy Starnes of Denton.

Dogie Band competes in Ballinger

On Saturday, March 4, the sixth grade Dogie Band competed in concert and sightreading band competition. The band received a Division Two rating in both concert and sightreading. Also many of the students received a Division I or II rating. The list is too long to list each student's results.

# VOTE!

**Exercise Your Right To Vote Tuesday,** 

March 14th!

**Bell Auto Body Shop** 

Robert Lee

453-2640



Heather Lee's 6th Grade Class visited First National Bank in Bronte where Laura Pieper, new accounts, gave them information on opening checking and savings accounts. The class is presently studying about this in the classroom.

#### Sheriff's office arrests/charges filed February 2000

Jose Luis Colon Jr., Driving while license invalid, 02-08-

Fred Harold Poe, Driving while intoxicated, motion to revoke probation, 02-09-00.

William Claude Brooks, Driving while intoxicated felony, 02-11-00.

James Christopher Keller, Possession of marijuana, motion to revoke probation, 02-17-00.

Tony Zebe Bell, Class C theft, 02-17-00.

Curtis Daniel Bell, Criminal trespass, 02-17-00.

Curtis Daniel Bell, Retaliation, 02-17-00.

Dora Mayo, Burglary of a habitation, 02-23-00.

Eric Jason Smith, Burglary of a habitation, 02-29-00.

#### Juveniles arrested/handled through department

2 male juveniles - curfew violations.

Out of County Warrants served

Darvin Brent Gregston, Theft (Class B), 02-03-00. San Saba County Warrant

**Coke County Court** Dispositions February 1, 2000

State of Texas vs. Mario D. Guajardo

Charge: Driving while license suspended

Plea: Fine \$100.00, Court Costs \$210.25

**Coke County District Court Dispositions** February 7, 2000 State of Texas vs: David

Allen Baker Charge: Driving while intox-

icated - felony

Plea: 6 years TDCJ, probated 5 years, \$1,000 fine, drivers license suspension 180 days, 10 days in County

State of Texas vs: Catarino Pedroza Luna Jr.

Charge: Possession of Controlled Substance Motion to revoke probation

Plea: Probation Amended -Treatment in a Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAEPF) for a term of not less than 90 days or more than 1 year.

#### **Coke County Court Dispositions** February 8, 2000

State of Texas vs: Edward P. Greer

Charge: Driving while intoxicated

Plea: \$500 fine, 90 days jail, probated 1 year, Court costs \$209.25, DWI school.

State of Texas vs: Jason Craig Bower

Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1st - unlawfully carrying a weapon

Plea: Fine \$500.00, Court costs \$229.25, 30 days jail time - probated for 12 mo.

State of Texas vs: **Christopher Torres** 

Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1 st Plea: Fine \$600.00, Court

costs \$210.75, 30 days jail time, probated for 12 mo. **Coke County District** 

**Court Disposition** February 9, 2000 State of Texas vs: Charlotte

Walker Charge: Motion to revoke

probation - Assault Plea: Seven years Texas Department of Criminal Justice I.D.

Coke County Court **Dispositions** February 22, 2000 State of Texas vs: David

Warren Brown Charge: Making alcohol available to a minor

Plea: \$300.00 fine, court costs \$210.25

State of Texas vs: Jeremy

Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1st

Plea: \$750.00 fine, Court Costs \$210.00, 30 days jail time, probated for 24 mo. DWI School, 12 hours community service.

State of Texas vs: Brenda

Charge: Theft by Check Plea: \$527.50 restitution, Court Costs \$184.25, Fine \$200.00

State of Texas vs: Johnny Aycock

Charge: Driving while intoxicated 2nd

Plea: \$750.00 fine, Court Costs \$184.25, Drivers license suspended for 6 mo., 30 days jail, probated for 24 mo., DWI School

State of Texas vs: Lori Eubanks

Charge: Driving While license invalid

\$100.00 fine, Plea: \$210.25 Court costs, Curfew 12:00 am, No alcohol, Deferred six months

State of Texas vs: Helen

#### Look Who's New Kayden Wesley Cassidy

Kayden Wesley Cassidy was born on February 29, 2000 at Eastland Memorial Hospital. He was born at 7:12 pm and weighed eight pounds and five ounces and was twenty-one inches long.

Kevin and Kim Cassidy of Cross Plains are the proud parents. Grandparents are John and Sheila Carver of Robert Lee, TX and paternal grandparents are Bill and Jane Ann Cassidy of Burleson, TX. Great grandparents are John and Jan Heck.

I would like to encourage each and every voter in Coke County to exercise your right to vote on March 14.

I would appreciate your support in my bid for Commissioner of Precinct 3.

**Gaylon Pitcock Democratic Candidate** for County Commissioner, Pct. 3

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Gaylon Pitcock

Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1st

Plea: 15 days jail time, Court costs \$210.25, Alcohol awareness course for 3 months

#### Sondra Hester joins daughter to see "Pops on Ice"

On Sunday, February 27, 2000, Sondra Hester of RL joined her daughter Mindy Wright for a night out at the Ector County Coliseum for "Pops on Ice."

The stars of the ice show were Olympic medalist Caren Kadevy and "Disney on Ice" member Chris Castleberry. Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale provided beautiful musical selections. The guest conductor was Rob Hunt. Also skating were the Midland-Odessa Skating Club and some members of the Jackalope Hockey Team performed.

The kids from the Skating Club included members from five to six years old and up to their teens.

The coliseum was packed and a great time was had by

After the show, Sondra and Mindy went back stage to talk to and get autographs from Caren and Chris.

Sondra returned home Monday, February 28, 2000.

#### West Coke County emergency ambulance runs for February 2000

2-1-00, 3:00 am, Medical transport 2-8-00, 7:04 am, Medical

transport 2-12-00, 4:22 pm, Medical

transport 2-23-00, 3:58 pm, Medical

transport 2-24-00, 2:52 pm, Medical

transport 2-25-00, 9:35 am, Medical transport

2-26-00, 1:09 pm, Medical transport

2-27-00, 7:03 pm, Medical transport

#### Glenns named to Dean's list

Baylor University has released the Dean's Academic Honor List for the 1999 Fall Among those semester. listed are Brittany Dale Glenn of Houston and Charlotte Peiwha Glenn of Dallas.

Brittany, an English major, is the daughter of David and Denise Glenn. Charlotte's parents are Drs. Victor and Liza Glenn. Charlotte is majoring in biology. Both girls are in their freshman year at Baylor and are the granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Glenn of Bronte.

#### RLCC Activity Department memorial for February 2000

Ruth Brown Nina & Jack Brewer

#### School board candidate workshop offers information and insight

Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop, Wednesday, March 29, 7-9 pm at the Region 15 Education Service Center (612 S. Irene Street, San Angelo)

The workshop will provide interested community members and individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

The workshop is open to anyone. Admission is free. For more information, call Kathy Dundee at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6171.

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