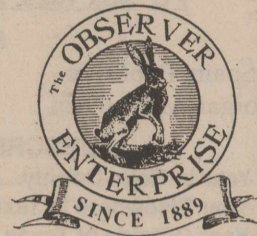


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## "Ole Coke County" - now playing at the amphitheater

The 22nd anniversary of Ole Coke County Home of the Rabbit Twisters Pageant will be held at the Mountain Creek Amphitheater on July 27, 28, and 29, 2000. 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.

### Robert Lee Singing

There will be a gospel singing of all denominations at the Victory Assembly of God Church at Robert Lee Saturday August 5th, 2:00 pm till 4:30 pm. J.D. Taylor of Blackwell will be conducting the singing. Mrs. Leonard Potter of San Angelo will be one of the pianists. Everyone is invited. If you have any questions, call J.D. Taylor at 282-2756.

### Parent/Adult-Child Tournament

Singing Winds golf course in Bronte will have a parent/adult-child golf tournament on August 5, 2000. It will be 18 holes select shot with tee off at 9:00 a.m. Child cannot be older than 18. Call 473-2156 or 473-2032.



Cancer Survivor Suzie Wilson is pictured doing the Survivor's Lap with other cancer survivors Kay Gothard and Dee Anna Harmon. Other cancer survivors from the Robert Lee team or Coke County at the Relay for Life 2000 include Pam Hawkins, Pam Messer, and Marlane Burns.

### RL Team Participates in Relay for Life

A team of ladies from Robert Lee and the surrounding area once again participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The 24-hour event was held Friday & Saturday, June 9th & 10th at San Angelo Stadium. Relay for Life is a combination survivor celebration, memorial service and fund-raiser.

This was the Robert Lee Team's second year to participate, going under the name of "Robert Lee Walkie Talkies". Most of the team members have been closely touched by cancer and have hope that someday there will be no cancer and future generations won't even know what it was. Following this desire, the Robert Lee Team raised over \$3,900 of the \$63,900 raised by the entire relay. These funds raised at Relay for Life stay in the local communities. The American Cancer Society provides prevention and early detection programs, research and many patient services. These include transportation to and from doctor's appointments, use of hospital equipment, wigs for patients that will lose their hair from treatments, guest room program for motel rooms for patients traveling out of town for treatments and doctor's appointments, support groups and more. For more information, contact the American Cancer Society at 944-2509.

### Praise, Worship Service set for Robert Lee

A community-wide Praise and Worship Service of singing and praying will be held at Robert Lee Baptist Church on July 30, at 7:00 p.m. Musicians from Robert Lee and the surrounding area will be leading. This evening of worship is a part of the preparation for the Coke County Crusade that will be held in the Amphitheater, August 13-16. These activities are part of a movement to tell everybody about Jesus. Everyone is invited and urged to attend.



The Robert Lee Relay for Life team includes: back row - Linda Eaton, D'Ann Eubanks, Marlane Burns, Linda Burns; middle row - Susan Owens, Cindy Bessent, Donna Poehls, Denise Roberts, Cathy Hendry; front row - Dee Anna Harmon, Cynthia Dillard, Dianne Simpson, Valerie Howard and Will, Pam Hawkins; Not pictured: Kei Antilley and Debbie McCabe.

### Pecan Baptist Church Revival Services

Revival services will be held at Pecan Baptist Church, August 6-9, 2000. Services will begin each night at 7:30 p.m. (including Sunday night). Everyone is invited to the revival. Bro. James Shoenrock will serve as our evangelist. Bro. Shoenrock is currently pastoring Calvary Baptist Church in Mesquite, Texas and also serves as President of the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas. He has served as a past president of the Baptist Missionary Association of America and served nine years with the Mission Department, six years as the Director of Missions. Bro. Shoenrock is a native of West Texas, graduating from Odessa High School. His family lived in various communities during his youth, as his father was a pastor, including pastoring Pecan Baptist Church and the Baptist church at Crews. Bro. Shoenrock stated that he is looking forward to the revival and seeing old friends again. Everyone is encouraged to attend the revival and to bring a friend. An ice cream social will follow the Wednesday evening service.

### Funds Granted to Texas Forts Trail Region

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) recently awarded a total of \$7,500 in advertising incentive funds for the promotion of sites, communities and events within the Texas Forts Trail Region. The advertising incentives, created as part of the THC's Texas Travel Trails Regional Program, offer an opportunity for the commission to assist the region's communities on a local level and supplement the statewide advertising campaign currently in place for the region.

Recipients of the advertising incentives are the Grady McWhiney Research Foundation, the Fort Chadbourne Foundation, Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce, the Paint Rock Business Council and the Abilene Convention & Visitors Bureau. Funded projects include a radio campaign to promote Buffalo Gap Historic Village and the history of the region, a new tourism brochure for Fort Chadbourne, print advertising and brochure rack cards to promote Stephens County Frontier Days, and two billboard projects to promote the cities of Abilene and Paint Rock. All

advertising projects also promote the Texas Forts Trail Region, which is a requirement to obtain the funding.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

### Blackwell CISD

Summer is over and the 2000-2001 faculty of Blackwell CISD is excited about getting back to the job of education. School will begin for the students Aug. 10 at 8:00 a.m. in the gymnasium. Parents are welcome to come to the general assembly and meet the teachers. Lunch for the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades will begin at 11:26 and lunch for the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades will begin at 12:11. Our schedule is set up on eight periods, five before lunch and three after lunch. We are now offering Long Distance Learning which will enhance our curriculum. The bell to dismiss for the day will ring at 3:15 p.m.

Blackwell CISD will also be offering Pre-Kindergarten and all 4 years old will be invited. The classes will be from 8 to 11 a.m. with a bus route provided.

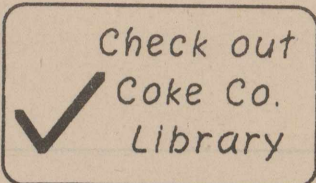
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**Beat the Heat, Read**

This week's "Beat the Heat, Read" drawing was won by Ginny Caston. She won a Do-It-Yourself Monster sticker page. The Coke County Library's summer program will end July 28th with a final drawing for a savings bond at the Robert Lee State Bank. All the names which have been in the weekly drawings will be eligible for the drawing. It is still not too late to enter names. For each book returned, readers add their names to the drawing.

The "Beat the Heat, Read" summer reading time was successful. There are many parents in Robert Lee who bring their children, and grandchildren, to get books during the summer. The teachers who encourage summer reading help to make the program work as well. Everyone is encouraged to keep reading. There may be an end to summer but there never has to be an end to reading.

Some new titles have been added to the Library shelves. Danielle Steel's The House on Hope Street; Ed Gorman's Lawless; J. A. Jance's Devil's Claw and Barbara Delinsky's The Vineyard are a few of the new titles.

It Happened in Texas by James A. Crutchfield relates little-known episodes from Texas history. Chapters titled "The Misleading Mustang Hunt," "The Pig War," "Billy Dixon's Extraordinary Shot" are short, but good, reading.

Coke County Library hours are Tuesday, 8-12; Wednesday, 8-4; Thursday, 1-5; Friday, 8-12. Donations to the Food Closet are still being accepted in lieu of fines. Our thanks to the patron that donates food and always returns books on time.



Lynn Green portrayed Slip Shot Sally in a previous year's production of "Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters" held at the Mountain Creek Amphitheater in Robert Lee. This year's production will be held on July 27, 28 and 29.

**M. E. Watkins Descendants Observe 58th Reunion**

Descendants of the late Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Watkins met in the home of Al and Lillian Posey west of Robert Lee Saturday, July 22nd, for a day of visiting and a covered dish luncheon. Saturday night, everyone enjoyed a fish fry. Sunday, everyone met at the rec hall in Robert Lee for a covered dish dinner.

There were 67 people registered. Attending were Bob, Glenda, Bobby and Shana Brasel, Jo Ann Stafford, Terry and Shirley Davis all of Big Springs; Joe and Paula Reul, Colby, Caylor, Daniel and Johnnie Whatley of Corsicana; Sandra and Jimmie Thompson of Colorado City; Mrs. Robert Watkins, Early; L. C. and Ruth Trowbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Moore and children, Calvin and Nelda Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Kinney Watkins and children and Ann Durgin of San Angelo; Barry Stafford of Nacogdoches; Darrell Watkins of Amarillo; Travis and Taylor Hiet, Casey Pratt, Bailey and Alex White of Canyon; Royce, Sue, Andrew and Emily Watkins, Nona, Heather, and Kaitlyn Hopkins of Midland; Jerry and Janet Hinshaw of Stephenville, Finis

and Sue Millican, Casey and Sue Ann Nesbit, Stetson, Jennifer, and Casey Marie, Al and Lillian Posey, and Olean Poor of Robert Lee; Douglas and Dillion Watkins of Buffalo Gap; Edwin and Doris Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moore and children of Clyde.

**Question: Why do rednecks go to the movie theater in groups of 18 or more? Answer: Cus 17 and under is not admitted.**

**Coke County Crusade Coming Soon**

The Coke County Crusade is an area wide Revival to help bring the lost to know Christ and strengthen God's people. The Crusade will be held Sunday-Wednesday, August 13-16 at the Amphitheater in Robert Lee at 7:30 pm each night. Come early for musical praise and worship at 7:00 pm nightly. The kick-off service will be held on August 13th at 11:00 am at Robert Lee Baptist Church. Noon weekday services will also be held at Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Everyone throughout the county and surrounding area is invited and encouraged to attend. Special emphasis nights include the following: Sunday - "Children's night" Monday - "Bring a friend night" Tuesday - "Family night" Wednesday - "Youth night"

Each and every night is sure to be special!

The evangelist for the Crusade is David Burk. He has served in several areas of the ministry including Youth Minister, Pastor and Mission Pastor. David has been in full-time evangelistic ministry since 1990. He is primarily involved in area-wide crusades, church revivals, youth and children's camps, cowboy camp meetings, Bible conferences, university chapel and school assemblies. Between 1990 and 1999, David has been involved in over 320 different venues in 14 states in the U.S. and several foreign countries.

Leading the music for the Crusade will be Sherman and Tammy Aten. For the past eight years, they have been traveling with their two children as full-time Christian Musicians. They spend an average of 40 weeks per year as music evangelists and missionaries not only in the United States, but Canada, Mexico, South America,

Wales, Romania, and Russia. They minister to churches of all denominations with a heart for praise and worship. Their music reaches young and old alike with a central message for today's Christian families. Their focus has always been to lead the Body of Christ in true worship, not entertainment.

Mark your calendars now for August 13th-16th for the Coke County Crusade and make plans to attend. Begin praying for your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and the entire county, that their hearts will be opened to the Good News of Jesus Christ!

**Battlefield Earth-The Fan's Favorite**

While it might not have been the critics' darling, Battlefield Earth, the movie based on L. Ron Hubbard's epic science fiction bestseller of the same name, certainly appeared to be a favorite of DragonCon, the world's largest multi-media convention held over July 4th weekend in Atlanta with over 20,000 die-hard fans in attendance.

Battlefield Earth seemed to be everywhere-from a presentation of exclusive "behind the scenes" footage of the film by the director Roger Christian (one of the guests of the Convention), to nightly screenings of the film, to lines of fans waiting to have their movie posters signed-and even a special award given to Christian by the Convention chairman Ed Kramer. To crown it all, there was a prediction from a professor of science fiction, Dr. John Flynn, that Battlefield Earth would be nominated for a Hugo Award next year due to its avant-garde pulp science fiction comic strip feel. Which all goes to show that the critics can't always be right.

**Thoughts on the Scripture**

By Rev. Jim Reeves

Proverbs 14:17 "He that is so angry dealeth foolishly..."

All too often we want to blame the world when we lose our temper, when the fact is what we do with our anger, feelings of hatred, and frustrations is subject to our will. We can choose how we respond. Our challenge is to control our emotions, rather than letting them control us.

May God bless each one of you.  
 Brother Jim

**Revival Services  
 Pecan Baptist Church**

**Sunday - Wednesday  
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 Sunday Morning 11:00 am**

**Evangelist  
 Bro. James Shoenrock  
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- Victory Assembly of God**  
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 Rev. Erma Johnson  
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

**Wink-Tinkler Family Reunion**

Eighty family members and friends attended the annual Wink-Tinkler Family Reunion Saturday, July 22, 2000, at the large recreation building in the West Coke County Park in Robert Lee. Nineteen Texas towns and cities and two Virginia cities and towns were represented. Texas cities and towns were Alpine, Arlington, Austin, Ballinger, Clyde, Del Rio, Early, Lubbock, Marathon, Marlin, Midland, Miles, Odessa, Orange, Plano, Richland Springs, Robert Lee, San Angelo, and San Antonio. Virginia cities were Ashland and Mechanicsville.

**Ella Pruitt Honored**

Ella Leona Pruitt was honored, at the age of 96, with a surprise birthday party. The party was held at the Senior Citizen Center on July 13, 2000 with family and friends present.

The refreshment table was covered with a mauve colored cloth, with a basket of pink and rose colored flowers tied with a burgundy bow and "Happy Birthday-96th" printed on the streamers. Refreshments of apricot punch, lemon cake, pineapple cake and ice cream was served to the Honoree and 27 guests.

Those present were Eula Maud McCutchen, Lum Laswell, Christene Corley, Joyce Decker, Marie Arrott, Earlene and Eddie Alexander, Ronald Cooper, Shalon Gibbs, Charlie Belle Bagwell, Helen Kirkland, Lora Belle Brown, Muri and Plearlie Mae Andrews, Royce Dean Clark, Jackie Wisley, Frank Harris, Henry Hoyt, Dora Galloway, Dorothy Collins, Laverelle Hoyt, R. W. Blackmon, Johnnie Eubanks, Noah and Dorthey Pruitt, Dwain and Bernice Pruitt and Maxine Labenske.

Mrs. Pruitt or Aunt Ella, as many people call her, was born July 15, 1904, five miles northeast of Bronte in Coke County. The daughter of J. W. and Esther Herron Warner was married to Noah Lafayette Pruitt January 29, 1922. Noah passed away February 9, 1983. They were parents of four children, Noah Jr. and Dorthey Pruitt, Kenneth Dwain and Bernice Pruitt and Maxine and Billy Dan Labenske, all of Bronte and Donald Francis and Noragene Pruitt of Fairfield. Grandchildren are; Carolyn Dianne Pruitt of Ft. Lupton, CO., Deborah Ball of Tulsa, OK., Norma Allbright of Hot Springs Village, AR. and Cynthia Pruitt of Fairfield. Great-Grand children are; Christopher McCalman of Cypress and Lara Shipp of Houston. Her great-great grandchild is Brittany Shipp of Houston.

All seven of the late Leslie and Erma Wink's children attended. They were Erma Lee Gartman, Milburn, Robert, and Harvey Wink of Robert Lee, Leslie Hanky of Ashland, Virginia, Kenneth Wink of Marathon, and Kay Ledbetter of Lubbock.

Those attended were: Alpine, Isabel Davis; Arlington, Bill and Beth Davis; Austin, Charlie and Jan Loyd; Ballinger, Louella Putman; Clyde, Barbara Crousen; Del Rio, Jenny Allemeier; Early, Otto, Georganna and Amanda Sonnenberg; Lubbock, Kay Ledbetter, Barry Ledbetter, and Mary Louise Bailey; Marathon, Kenneth, Betty, and Kevin Wink; Marlin, Jason Wink; Midland, Luke, Rachelle, Braden, and Jordan Proctor; Miles, David Moore; Odessa, Miles Albert Eckert; Orange, Harold Large, Terry and Tyler Block; Plano, Lori Wink; Richland Springs, Jim and Vera Ralston; Robert Lee, Milburn Wink, Bob and Polly Large, Robert, Marsha, Anthony, and Cassidy Wink, Douglas and Erma Lee Gartman, Joyce Dodson, Harvey, Shari and Joseph Wink, Bill, Rhonda, Aaron and Eric Hood, Sylvia Tinkler, Roy and Judy Blair, Kerry, Frankie, Justin, and Jordan Gartman and Emily Talle; San Angelo, Gamon West, Marguerite Sonnenberg, Clarence Tinkler, A.E. Hayden, L.T. and Edna Moore, Jason and Jeanne Moore, Alisha Wink, Katie Campanaro, Brandon Moore, Wes, Amy, Angela and Jet Hood, Taylor Teutsch, Louise Paul, Brenda Baggerman, and Lisa Baggerman; San Antonio, Mac and Nancy West; Ashland, Va., Leslie Hanky; Mechanicsville, Va., Carol, Casie, and Brock Buchanan.

The group enjoyed good food, great fellowship and various recreational activities. Both of Leslie Wink's sisters, Isabel Davis and Edna Moore attended as did Erma's brother Clarence Tinkler and her sister Polly Large and Marguerite Sonnenberg.

**Foster Grandparent Program Celebrates 35th Anniversary**  
The Foster Grandparent

Program of the Concho Valley Council of Governments are celebrating the program's 35th Anniversary. Since its inception in 1965, the Foster Grandparent Program has provided young and old a chance to grow together. Today, nearly 24,000 older Americans volunteer as Foster Grandparents. They give care and attention every day to more than 80,000 children and youth with exceptional needs. In improving the lives of the children they serve, Foster Grandparents also profoundly enrich their own lives.

Foster Grandparents volunteer in schools, hospitals, drug treatment centers, correctional institutions, and Head Start and day care centers. They help children who have been abused or neglected, mentor troubled teenagers and young mothers, and care for premature infants and children with physical disabilities. The heart of the program is the one-on-one daily attention that Foster Grandparents provide. This special care helps young people grow, gain confidence, and become more full and productive members of society. The benefits to individuals and communities are both immediate and lasting.

Foster Grandparents receive a tax-free stipend to cover the cost of serving. They also receive transportation assistance, meals while on duty, an annual physical examination, and supplemental accident and liability coverage while they are serving.

Locally, Foster Grandparents will celebrate the program's anniversary with a fish fry and barbecue at the Johnson Street Church of Christ lake house on July 27. Many more Foster Grandparents are needed in Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Sterling, Schleicher, Sutton and Tom Green Counties. Persons interested in obtaining information on the Foster Grandparent Program can contact Cheri Roberts at 944-9666 or 1-800-728-2592.

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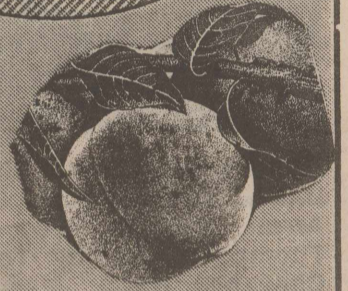
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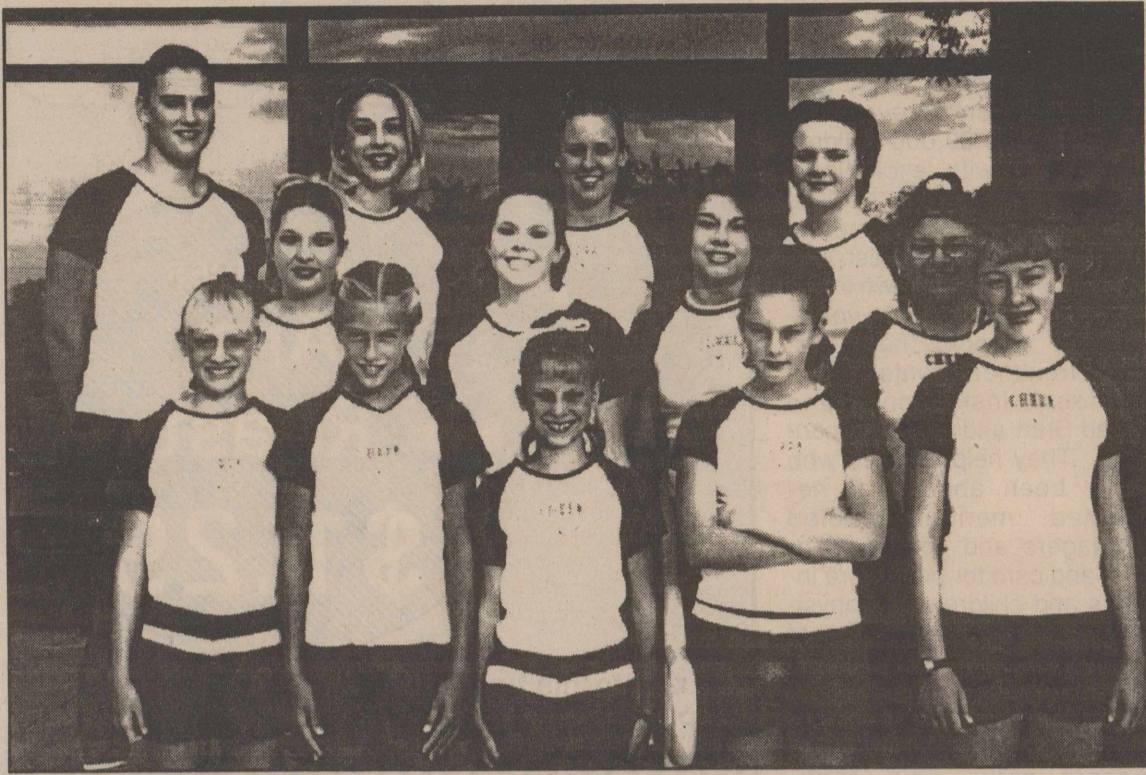
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# Bronte School News



The Bronte Junior High and High School cheerleaders recently attended the U.C.A. Summer Camp. They include back row: Heather Richey, Michaela Arrott, Natasha Reed, Khanni Beauchamp; middle row: Kayla Hilliard, Kara Thompson, Ashley Torres, Monica DeLaGarza; front row: Calli Johnson, Cheyenne Webb, Jasmine Kresta, Megan Gibbs, Rebecca Rawlings.

### BHS 2000-2001 Schedule

All Bronte High School students grades 9-12, need to come by on the following days to check your schedule. This will help make the beginning of school much smoother and will minimize changes. We are looking forward to seeing you and are looking forward to a great 2000-2001 school year.

- Seniors - Monday, July 31
  - Juniors - Tuesday, August 1
  - Sophomores - Wednesday, August 2
  - Freshmen - Thursday, August 3
- If for some reason you miss your assigned day, please try and come in on Friday, August 4th. These checks will only take a few minutes and may be done between 8:00 - 4:00.

Rick Howell

### ACT Exam to be Administered

The next ACT Assessment will be administered on September 23, 2000. College-bound high school students must register for the college admissions and placement exam by August 18, the deadline for having your registration postmarked. There is a late registration postmark deadline of September 1, but an extra fee is charged for late registrations.

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all U.S. colleges and universities, including all Ivy League schools, and are

used along with other student information, such as high school grade point average, for admissions decisions and to help place students in appropriate courses for their academic achievement. The test fee is \$23 (\$26 in Florida).

Students can register for the ACT by getting information from their high school counselors or online at ACT's website--www.act.org. The website also has helpful information, sample tests and the opportunity to order test prep materials including an interactive CD-ROM, ACTive Prep, which contains actual, timed tests and helps students build a study plan.

### Physicals for Bronte Athletes

Physicals for Bronte High School and Jr. High athletes are scheduled for Saturday, August 5th at 11:00 am. All incoming 7th graders and 9th graders will need to receive a physical. Also, anyone who was injured last year will need to receive a physical. These physicals are provided by West Texas Sports Medicine and are free of charge. This is the only date you can receive a free physical. A bus will be leaving the front of the school around 10:00 to take our athletes over and will probably return around 1:00. If you wish to ride the bus, be sure you are there on time.

Forks were two-pronged until the end of the eighteenth century when four-pronged forks became standard.

## Cheerleading Mini-Camp

Who: All students entering grades K - 6  
 When: Tuesday & Wednesday, August 1 & 2, 2000  
 Where: Bronte High School Gym  
 Time: 9:00 am - Noon  
 Cost: \$20.00

Spirit Awards will be given on Tuesday.

### Bronte Cheerleaders Attend Summer Camp

The 2000-2001 Bronte High School and Jr. High cheerleaders attended U.C.A. summer camp on July 12-July 14. Both Jr. High and High School cheerleading squads received Superior trophies for their cheer and dance performances. The All Star Cheerleading Awards for outstanding high school performances were given to Kara Thompson. Khanni Beauchamp received All Star Mascot Award. Meg Gibbs, Calli Johnson, and Jasmine Kresta received the All Star Cheerleading Awards in Jr. High.

Other awards include Natasha Reed and Calli Johnson for Best Jumps, Khanni Beauchamp for Most Spirited, and Michaela Arrott, Kara Thompson, Kayla Hilliard, and Jasmine Kresta for Outstanding Pyramid Awards.

### Social Security Statement

**A Hit with the Public**  
 A national survey, conducted by the Gallup Organization, reveals that the American public likes the Social Security Statement. Eighty-two percent found the Statement very to somewhat useful in increasing their knowledge of benefits that may affect them directly.

In October 1999, Social Se-

curity began sending the Statement to workers age 25 or older who were not receiving Social Security benefits. The Statement provides a year-by-year display of earnings that have been reported to a worker's record and also estimated benefits that a worker and his/her family may be eligible for now and in the future.

Receipt of a Social Security Statement is a significant "driver" of Social Security knowledge. Sixty-eight percent of individuals who received a Statement were knowledgeable about Social Security, as compared to 53.3 percent who did not receive one.

Individuals who received the Social Security Statement reported being much more likely to take action to increase their own financial security. Thirteen and one-half percent stated that they would consult a financial advisor and 16.1 percent would change their retirement plans. This segment represents about 6.3 million and 7.6 million adults respectively.

Additionally, 52.3 percent were able to recall the projected amount of their retirement benefit from the Social Security Statement.

Social Security Statements are mailed annually to workers three months before their birthday. For more information, log on to www.ssa.gov.

BRONTE I.S.D. today announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Each school and/or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

### NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS 2000-2001 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUALLY		MONTHLY		WEEKLY	
	FREE	REDUCED PRICE	FREE	REDUCED PRICE	FREE	REDUCED PRICE
1	\$10,855	\$15,448	\$905	\$1,288	\$209	\$298
2	14,625	20,813	1,219	1,735	282	401
3	18,395	26,178	1,533	2,182	354	504
4	22,165	31,543	1,848	2,629	427	607
5	25,935	36,908	2,162	3,076	499	710
6	29,705	42,273	2,476	3,523	572	813
7	33,475	47,638	2,790	3,970	644	917
8	37,245	53,003	3,104	4,417	717	1,020
9	41,015	58,368	3,419	4,865	790	1,124
10	44,785	63,733	3,734	5,313	863	1,228
11	48,555	69,098	4,049	5,761	936	1,332
12	52,325	74,463	4,364	6,209	1,009	1,436
For each additional family member add:						
	+\$3,770	+\$5,365	+\$315	+\$448	+\$73	+\$104

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

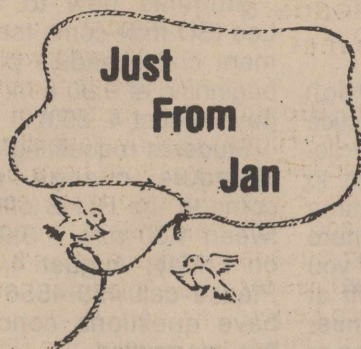
For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available by writing the word "NONE." The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, campus principals will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Alaa Richey, Superintendent, P.O. Box 670, Bronte, 76933.

Households that list a food stamp or TANF case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

In the operation of child feeding programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age or handicap. If any member of a household believes he/she has been discriminated against, he/she should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.



by Jan Yanez  
Coke County  
Ext. Agent

**Bringing Back Mealtimes**

"Please pass the love, unity, and spaghetti." An unlikely request? Perhaps. But in truth, that's what you give your child when you sit down together at the family table.

Mealtimes means more than refueling your child with nutrients - she's also getting a hefty dose of emotional, intellectual, and spiritual nourishment. As you serve the peas and butter the bread, you convey your values and establish traditions.

Yet, some experts worry that the family meal is headed for extinction. During the past 10-30 years, a degeneration of the family structure has taken place and families now eat fewer meals together.

Child experts and nutrition specialists are concerned that families are losing the unity that traditional meals once provided. Although recent surveys show a decline in the number of meals families eat together, the good news is that most American families still break bread together often.

A survey by Rice-A-Roni indicated that, on average, Americans eat with their families five nights each week, and 40 percent spend every night dining together. But other polls show a more alarming trend. Out of 1,000 people, one in three households did not eat regularly as a

**Coke County Judge's Office**

Lorrie Martin, Secretary, works only thirty two hours a week, so there are already times the office is closed. Ms. Martin will be taking vacation the following days: July 28, August 1, 2, 4, and 11th. Due to meetings scheduled there will be hours or days the office may not be open. I will have the office phone transferred to my cellular phone. If you need me please call. Things should be back in order shortly.

Jackie Walker

family.

Many families continue to maintain the tradition of shared meals, but the trend is shifting.

It is believed that eating with the family helps foster a child's development. A child's development is spurred by a positive mealtime atmosphere, traditions shaped through shared meals that offer young children a sense of security. Children learn to communicate effectively in a non-threatening environment by sharing the day's events, expressing feelings and listening to one another.

Parents should try to make a point to talk to kids at mealtime, keeping conversations pleasant and saving problems and discipline for another time. Ask children about school, their activities and things they enjoy doing.

Family meals also can promote cooperation, especially when mealtime chores are divided up. Even children as young as 2 can have a job associated with mealtime, such as carrying napkins to the table.

As most parents know, manners don't just happen. The dinner table is one area that offers plenty of opportunities for parents to model subtle etiquette lessons. Besides, it is difficult to get through a meal without a few rounds of "please," "thank you", "excuse me", and "may I?"

Mealtimes also is a time to express and acknowledge love, seek renewal, and develop some quality family time.

**Look Who's New Toby Collin Smith**

Max and Johanna Smith of San Angelo are pleased to announce the arrival of their son, Toby Collin. He blessed them on July 13, 2000, at 2:25 pm. Toby weighed 7 lbs, 8 oz and was 21 inches long. He was greeted by big sister, Balinda and proud grandparents Collin (Butch) and Glenda Service of Robert Lee and Betty Smith of San Angelo.

**Adventures of moving this summer**

Mountains of boxes and packing materials in the living room mean only one thing - the official moving season has started in full force in homes across the country.

May marks the official beginning of the moving season, a four-month period during which more than 21 million Americans will relocate. This summer is destined to be an eventful moving season, according to Paula Felbein, Marketing Manager for Allied Van Lines. "Summer has historically been an optimal season to move," says Felbein. "With a particularly busy moving period ahead, Allied is prepared to help people overcome any relocation challenges they may encounter."

According to Felbein, nearly half of all moves occur between Memorial and Labor Days. To recognize this trend and to support millions of relocating Americans, Allied has declared May as National Moving Month.

"The relocation experience can prove overwhelming," says Felbein. "National Moving Month was created to provide helpful advice and recommendations to achieve smooth and stress-free moves."

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, approximately 43 million people are planning to move in 2000. In addition, studies show the average American will move eleven times in his or her lifetime, about once every seven years.

An established leader in the moving industry with more than 70 years of experience in household goods moving, Allied Van Lines and its national network of agents are offering helpful tips and recommendations on how to move everything from electronics to pets.

"To assist the millions of Americans moving this summer, Allied is not only the vehicle to transport belongings, but also has timely information on how to make relocating as simple as possible," says Felbein.

**...43 million people are planning to move in 2000.**

Here are a few tips to make a move run smoothly:

- Develop a master "To Do" list.
- Sort through belongings and eliminate items that are no longer needed or wanted.
- Pack similar items together, such as games, pet supplies, photos and toys.
- Put together a "survival box" full of items that will be needed immediately upon arrival

These tips and helpful moving information can be found in the "Guide to a Good Move," which can be viewed on the World Wide Web at [www.alliedvan.com](http://www.alliedvan.com), or is available free to consumers at local Allied Van Lines agencies or by writing Allied Van Lines, P.O. Box 9569, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

**The Coke County Little League in Bronte would like to acknowledge the following individuals & businesses for their sponsorships and support in the 2000 Baseball & Softball Season:**

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A special Thank You goes out to the following individuals for donating many hours of time and labor without charge, to make this year's "Light and Shade Project" a huge success.

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| Mr. Steve Boyd       | Mr. & Mrs. Clint Porter | Mr. Steve Clark       |
| Mr. Cory Robinson    |                         | Mr. Marty Boyd        |

Last but far from least are the people that were behind the scenes making this one of the biggest years ever in Coke County history with some 300 children playing baseball or softball between the ages of 4-18 years of age.

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| President - Angie Hoyt       | Secretary - Ronald Harris     |
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| Vice President - Ricky Ross  | Safety Officer - Kyle James   |
| Treasurer - Kenny White      | Equipment Manager - Doug Hoyt |

Once again, we would like to thank all of the parents, players, and their families for working so hard on the Cookbook fundraiser we did this year. We have had glowing feedback from everyone about the book and have sold completely out of them.

We will be holding the next meeting to elect board members sometime in August. Please be there! The date, time, and location of this meeting will be announced in the Observer/Enterprise.

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# Robert Lee School News

## Robert Lee ISD School Supply List Pre-K

1 box crayons  
1 glue stick  
1 bottle school glue  
2 pencils - regular size  
1 pkg. assorted construction paper  
scissors  
water colors  
1 school box  
1 large box Kleenex  
backpack  
bottled drinking water (if desired)  
**PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING**

### Kindergarten

Crayons (no more than 24)  
1 bottle school glue (white)  
1 glue stick  
6 regular pencils  
1 pkg. assorted construction paper  
1 spiral notebook  
1 small school box or cigar box  
1 small box ziplock bags (quart size)  
1 large box Kleenex  
1 pocket folder  
towel for rest time (no vinyl mats)  
backpack  
bottled drinking water - if desired  
**PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING WITH NAME AND INITIAL EACH CRAYON**

### First Grade

1 box ziplock bags (quart size)  
6 #2 pencils  
1 large pink or green eraser  
3-100 count white index cards (3x5)  
2 large boxes of tissue  
small supply box (no large boxes)  
1 pr. sharp scissors (that cut paper well)  
crayons (24 box)  
1 lg. Elmers glue (no colored, please)  
plain ruler with inches and centimeters  
1 recipe box for index cards  
small individual pencil sharpener  
1 box water colors  
**PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING**

### Second Grade

1 small spiral notebook-wide ruled  
12 #2 pencils  
1 large pink pencil eraser  
1 pkg. construction paper  
1 box large tissue supply box (small)  
scissors  
crayons  
glue  
ruler--centimeters & inches  
1 small box baggies--ziplock (quart)  
2 sturdy slick pocket folders (no brads)  
**NO MARKERS PLEASE PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING**

### Third Grade

Wide-ruled notebook paper  
pencils, erasers, pencil sharpener w/shavings holder  
2 spiral notebooks  
map colors (colored pencils in bright colors)  
construction paper  
good scissors  
crayons  
glue get or glue sticks  
washable markers

ruler--centimeter and inches  
red pens or red pencils for grading  
zip lock bags--quart size  
2 boxes of tissues  
pocket folders w/brads--red,blue,green,purple,yellow  
small supply box

### Fourth Grade

1 pkg. 3x5 index cards--ruled  
2 boxes kleenex  
1 box of reinforcements  
scissors (sharp-heavy duty variety)  
pencil sharpener (small with shavings attachment)  
1 fine point black marker  
Elmer's glue  
4 --#2 pencils  
5 --red pencils  
2 highlighters (any color) markers, crayons, or map colors  
2 spiral notebooks (no college ruled)  
1 pkg. mixed color construction paper  
2 pkgs. 3-ring notebook paper (no college ruled)  
2 red, 1 green, 1 blue, 1 yellow--pocket folders  
1 large 3-ring notebook binder  
2 pkgs. 3-ring subject dividers (multi-colored)  
1 zipper pouch for notebook  
1 hole punch  
12" ruler

### Fifth Grade

1 pkg. 3x5 index cards--ruled  
2 boxes kleenex  
1 box of reinforcements  
scissors (sharp-heavy duty variety)  
pencil sharpener (small with shavings attachment)  
1 fine point black marker  
Elmer's glue  
4 --#2 pencils  
5 --red pencils  
2 highlighters (any color) markers, crayons, or map colors  
2 spiral notebooks (no college ruled)  
1 pkg. mixed color construction paper  
2 pkgs. 3-ring notebook paper (no college ruled)  
2 red, 1 green, 1 blue, 1 yellow--pocket folders  
1 large 3-ring notebook binder  
2 pkgs. 3-ring subject dividers (multi-colored)  
1 zipper pouch for notebook  
1 hole punch  
12" ruler

### Sixth Grade

3" binder notebook or trap-  
per  
divider pages for notebook  
wide-ruled notebook paper (2 pkgs.)  
pencils  
black or blue pen  
large eraser  
glue stick  
scissors  
ruler  
zipper pouch  
crayons  
map colors  
3 folders with brads  
2 boxes of tissue

## RLISD to Begin School Year August 14

The 2000-2001 school year begins for students August 14. The first bell will ring at 7:55 a.m. and classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. The bell to dismiss for the day will ring at 3:27 p.m. Lunch for junior high and high school will begin at 12:01 p.m. and the tardy bell will ring at 12:40 to end lunch and start 6th period.

Breakfast/Lunch prices for the 2000-2001 school year are:

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. HS/JH students may purchase lunch tickets in the HS office. Elementary students may purchase tickets in the front foyer adjacent to the superintendent's office.

## Robert Lee ISD PreK through 6th Grade Sets Registration

On Thursday, August 3, students entering PreK through 6th grades who are new to Robert Lee ISD can register for classes. The office of Robert Lee Elementary School will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. School personnel will be available to provide the necessary forms and information. Parents should bring the following when seeking to enroll a student: 1. The child's birth certificate; 2. The child's immunization record; 3. The child's Social Security card; and 4. The address of the previous school attended. For additional information, please call 453-4555.

## RL High School Band Practice Schedule

The Robert Lee High School Band will start practice on August 7 - 11, 2000. Practice will last from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We will rehearse mainly the new music; there will be some marching. If you must miss, call Mr. Ratliff at 453-2989 and leave a message. Some will be working or on vacation, so be sure to call.

The seventh grade will have orientation on August 1st, 2nd, & 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. On August 3rd the time will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We will issue music, instruments, and uniforms and rehearse music. The Drum Majors and Flags will help. Anyone can attend if they want to. We will make sure that all seventh graders have everything they need for marching band and are ready to start on August 7th.

The Flags and Drum Major should report to help on July 31 at 10:00 a.m.

## RLHS and RLJHS Set Time for Previewing Fall Schedules

Robert Lee High School and Robert Lee Junior High School students may come by the high school office to preview class schedules for the 2000-2001 school year.

Wednesday, August 2, 2000

9:00 a.m. Seniors (12th grade)

10:00 a.m.--Juniors (11th grade)

11:00 a.m.--Sophomores (10th grade)

Thursday, August 3, 2000

9:00 a.m.--Freshmen (9th grade)

10:00 a.m.--8th grade

11:00 a.m.--7th grade

Students new to Robert Lee ISD may come for enrollment and schedule planning beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, August 4, 2000.

Students requesting a class schedule change should come to the RLHS office between 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 4, 2000. Please call 453-4556 if you have questions concerning this information.

## Ten Free Wildbird Garden Trees

Ten free wildbird garden trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during July 2000.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are the Red Oak, Sargent Crab, Washington Hawthorn, 2 Redcedars, Bur Oak, Arrowwood Viburnum, 2 Canadian Hemlocks, and Gray Dogwood.

"These trees and shrubs provide cover, nesting sites, and food for more than 100 bird species," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

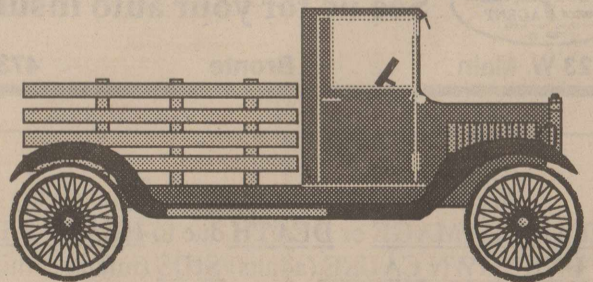
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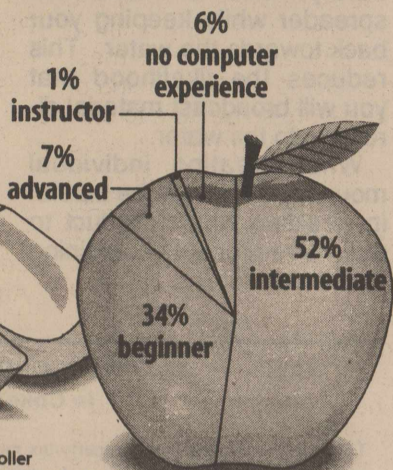


# Keeping an Eye on Texas

## Tech-savvy teachers fill Texas classrooms

Texas teachers are computer savvy according to a 1999 *Education Week* survey. In fact, 60 percent of Texas teachers have an intermediate or higher level of technology expertise. In addition, 91 percent of Texas classrooms are linked to the Internet.

Computer skills of Texas teachers in 1999:



SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts ([www.window.state.tx.us](http://www.window.state.tx.us)) and *Education Week*.

### Dress Code for All RLISD Students K-12

The district's dress code is established to teach hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and assert authority.

In order to develop, promote and maintain an atmosphere in our school which will at all times be conducive to the promotion of the educational process and the encouragement of learning efforts on the part of students consistent with the desired high standards and the character of our student body, the following dress regulations are prescribed for students in the Robert Lee School.

1. The District prohibits pictures, symbols, or writing on clothing and accessories (i.e. jewelry, rings, or belt buckles) that: Are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene. Advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any illegal substance. Refer to satanic, cult or gang activities.

2. Girls may wear walking shorts, full-legged denim shorts, front pleated shorts as well as rompers, and skorts. Length requirement is set to be mid-thigh, no shorter than fingertip length. (Fingertip length is defined by outstretching arms, straight down by your side. Hem length should not be shorter than your fingertips).

Boys may wear walking shorts, full-legged denim shorts and front pleated

shorts. Length requirement is no shorter than fingertip length.

All boys and girls garments are required to be hemmed and not have any frayed edges. No bicycle or slider shorts may be worn as an outer garment.

Pants, shorts, and slacks must be worn at the natural waist.

3. Basic underwear must be suitable for the outer clothing that is worn. Underwear may not be worn as outerwear.

4. Blouses, dress tops or sweaters should be worn on the shoulder and should not be cut so low as to attract attention. Sleeveless shirts are acceptable as long as they have a full cut shoulder. Students will not be permitted to wear see-through clothing or have midribs exposed. Shoulder straps must be at least 2" wide.

5. Dresses or skirts should be worn no shorter than mid-thigh or fingertip length. No part of hem should be above fingertip length. Pants or trousers of suitable design are acceptable, including legions and stirrup pants if long tailed shirts are included as part of the ensemble. Excessively tight fitting shirts, blouses, shorts, pants or other clothing should not be worn.

6. Shirts with tailored tails may be worn outside pants and unbuttoned provided the student wears a full sized, full cut T-shirt tucked in pants under the shirt. Otherwise tai-

lored shirt tails will be worn inside pants or trousers; sports shirts designed to be worn on the outside may be so worn. Shirts are to be buttoned at all times, except that the collar button may be left unbuttoned. No tank tops, midriff, or see-through shirts will be allowed. All shirts must have sleeves. Students should at all times present a suitable, well-groomed appearance.

7. All students are to be clean-shaven. A beard and/or mustache will not be permitted. Side-burns which extend below the ear lobe are prohibited.

8. Hair for all students shall be neat and shall not be done as to draw undue attention to the student. Any excessive coloring, shaving, or designs that may be construed as gang related are not allowed. The principals shall have discretion on student haircuts and learning environment of RLISD. Hair should be clean and well groomed in appearance.

9. Students may not wear hats, caps, visors, head coverings, or bandannas in the building during the school day. (Neither male or females)

10. Extremes in types of dress or clothing or hair arrangement must be avoided.

11. Sponsors of extracurricular activities may set individual dress and appearance standards with the approval of the principal. Otherwise they must be within the District Dress Code.

12. No disruptive apparel or ornamentation will be worn, i.e., boys' earrings or studs (ear, nose, tongue, brow or other visible body parts). No jewelry may be worn in any pierced area of the body except the ear (for female students) during the school day. Other visible markings or tattoos are forbidden.

13. Sunshades may not be worn in the building or classroom during the school day, unless prescribed by a physician for indoor use. Any disruptive or distracting mode of clothing or appearance that adversely impacts the education process is not acceptable.

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Continued deviations from

the provision of the dress code by a student after warning by the principal will be considered a willful violation and grounds for disciplinary action.

Students should at all times present a suitable, well-groomed appearance.

The final decision in determining appropriate dress and appearance shall rest with the principal or his designee.

Students will be given the following options:

1. Contact parents to bring change of clothing OR
2. Wear warm-ups until a change of clothing is made OR
3. The student is taken home by parents, principal or designee, or drives him/her self home to change.

### Summertime and the Working is Easy

Most teenagers begin their working careers during the summer months, and with the booming economy, employers are now begging for new hires. This is the time that many young people are first exposed to Social Security and they need to know certain facts about the program to understand the role it plays in their lives and even to begin their retirement planning.

Young people need to know how Social Security benefits are earned. For any job covered by Social Security, wages are posted to a worker's Social Security record, and he/she receives credits based on these wages. Credits are used to determine eligibility for Social Security retirement, disability or survivors benefits. In 2000, a worker receives one Social Security credit for each \$780 of earnings, up to a maximum of four credits per year.

Two important points are: (1) credits earned remain on a worker's Social Security record even if he/she changes jobs or has a period of no earnings; and (2) the

number of credits needed to be eligible for benefits depends on a worker's age and the type of Social Security benefit.

Many summer jobs involve tips. Teens need to know that tips totaling \$20 or more a month need to be reported to the employer. The employer then is responsible for withholding Social Security, Medicare and income taxes due on the tips.

Finally, as a teen, make sure that your employers have your correct name and Social Security number. The best way to do this is to show any new employer your Social Security card. Failure to do so could cause problems later. An incorrect Social Security number on a W-2 could cause a delay in processing a tax return and sending any refund due. Also, earnings may not be credited to your Social Security records, which could affect your future benefits.

You may want to check out Social Security's website, [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov), and subscribe to e-news, our monthly electronic newsletter full of the latest information on Social Security. Additional information is also available by calling our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

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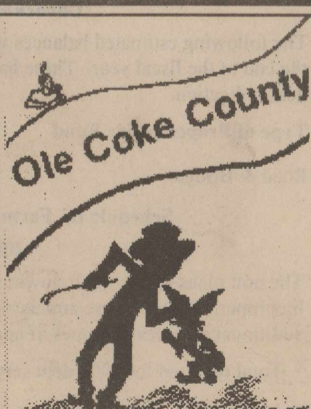
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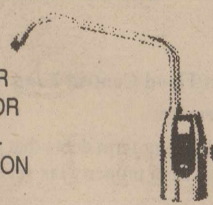
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### Gifted Children Represent Untapped Potential

By Amanda Davis Batson, Ph.D.

Imagine for a moment that you're a football coach at a Texas high school. One fall, the player of your dreams appears on your field. This kid can do it all--pass, run, kick--and it's clear that he will be Heisman material when he gets to college. What do you do?

a) Provide him with every possible avenue for improvement of his already-vast skills. Make him the quarterback and play him as much as you can. Praise him and encourage him and glow with pride every time he charges over the goal line. Call college scouts and make sure they know about this young man--OR--

b) Pat him on the head and assume he'll be just fine on his own. Tell him that, instead of working on his passing game, he'll be just fine on his own. Tell him that, instead of working on his passing game, he'll need to spend the next nine months helping the slowest guy on the team. Don't play this exemplary quarterback very much--you wouldn't want the other boys on the team to feel slighted.

The answer is obvious in a football context. You would, without question, select "a." As a society, we seem to instinctively know how to handle and encourage athletically gifted students.

Unfortunately, intellectually gifted and talented children are, all too often, another story altogether. These children process information in dramatically different ways and have emotional needs that can't be fully addressed in a mainstream classroom. Since they are so far above grade level, their learning generally is a low priority in the regular classroom.

Using gifted children to tutor others is a common practice. Many schools simply assign gifted students more homework, more books to read or problems to solve rather than giving them appropriate, challenging lessons. Or they pull them from class for "individual study"--an often-lonely experience that only succeeds in making the child feel even more different.

For the most part, schools in Texas are not doing all they could to ensure that the brightest students are reaching their full potential. And, sadly, gifted Hispanic, African-American and poor children pay the steepest price: again and again, they are overlooked completely.

More than 50% percent of Texas students in grades 3-8 are "topping out"--making nearly perfect sores--on the

Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) reading test and more than 40% "top out" on TAAS math.

This makes some people happy, because a large percentage of "100s" on the TAAS can bring additional acknowledgments to an entire school. But it makes those of us who specialize in education of the gifted and talented very concerned, because these high scores indicate that the TAAS-driven curriculum is not challenging enough for more than half of the students in the state--not just the gifted and talented.

The Texas Education Code for Public Education defines a gifted and talented student as one who "performs at or shows the potential for performing at a remarkably high level of accomplishment when compared to others of the same age, experience or environment, and who: Exhibits high performance capability in an intellectual, creative or artistic area; Possesses an unusual capacity for leadership, and excels in a specific academic field; or excels in a specific academic field."

Gifted children, particularly those from low socioeconomic or minority backgrounds, have special needs. They are the children who will, if challenged properly, grow up to be doctors and lawyers and high-tech entrepreneurs and presidents of the United States. If not challenged, their potential is either wasted, or, worse, put to destructive ends. It's clear that Michael Dell and Colin Powell are both gifted and are both living lives that enrich the entire country and much of the world. It's also clear that Adolf Hitler and Theodore Kaczinski very likely would have been labeled gifted as children.

Texas rightfully has identified other special-need populations--most notably, bilingual and special education students--and has poured millions of dollars in state and federal funds into providing specialized education for these children. But the state funds gifted education at the same low level it has for the last decade, and federal funds

are virtually nonexistent for gifted students.

As our leaders talk of excellence in education and tout our rising test scores, it is time that we make a real commitment to address all Texas school students in the state accountability system--including the 330,000 gifted students statewide. Texas must set high standards with well-defined accountability measures for the education of gifted and talented students. These measurements should be designed to show that all children, including the gifted, experience a year's growth from a year at school. Higher standards not only will ensure that gifted children have opportunities to excel, they also will raise the bar for all Texas students.

Dr. Batson is the executive director of the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented, a not-for-profit organization that promotes awareness of the unique social, emotional and intellectual needs of gifted and talented students and that works to provide appropriate services to meet those needs.

### Water a Breeding Ground For Fire Ants

The imported red fire ant is a hassle for many Texans. People who live near bodies of water, however, may face a bigger problem than an occasional infestation.

Fire ants need water to survive, but using pesticides around these areas poses dangers of water contamination. However, taking simple precautions when using insecticides around ponds, creeks and other water sources can reduce potential harm to fish and other aquatic organisms, according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The Extension Service promotes the two-step method for fire ant control. First use a broadcast bait throughout the entire lawn once in the fall and again in the spring. Then, follow up with individual mound treatments in high-traffic areas such as playgrounds and walkways.

Fire and bait products contain extremely low amounts of chemicals and can be applied near, but not directly to, water. To scatter broadcast bait safely, use a hand-held spreader while keeping your back towards the water. This reduces the likelihood that you will broadcast material directly into the water.

When treating individual mounds near water, be careful in deciding which product to use. Use products containing

acephate, which are low in toxicity to marine life.

Be careful when disposing of unused chemicals and containers. When rinsing equipment, use the rinse water to treat additional mounds. Never pour the rinse water down a household drain or toilet.

For more information about controlling fire ants around the home, please visit the Web site at <http://fireants.tamu.edu>.

### 2000 Property Tax Rates in Coke County

This notice concerns 2000 property tax rates for Coke County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year's operating taxes	\$743,993	\$174,227
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$4,364
Last year's total taxes	\$743,993	\$178,591
Last year's tax base	\$179,493,842	\$176,450,654
Last year's total tax rate	0.414495 /\$100	0.101213 /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$742,150	\$178,013
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$189,381,837	\$186,415,527
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.391880 /\$100	0.095492 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.487372 /\$100	
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate)	\$742,150	\$173,664
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$189,381,837	\$186,415,527
= This year's effective operating rate	0.391880 /\$100	0.093160 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.423230 /\$100	0.100612 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.000000 /\$100	0.000000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.423230 /\$100	0.100612 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.523842 /\$100	

### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Coke County adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.487372 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 1999 taxes by \$7,621.

### Schedule A: General Fund

#### Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General	\$507,530

### Schedule B: General Fund

#### 2000 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Total required for 2000 debt service	\$0
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### Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund

#### Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Road & Bridge	\$213,996

### Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund

#### 2000 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Total required for 2000 debt service	\$0
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This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the County Tax Office, Coke Co. Courthouse, 13 E 7th St., Robert Lee, Tx.

Name of person preparing this notice: D. Kristeen Roe, RTA

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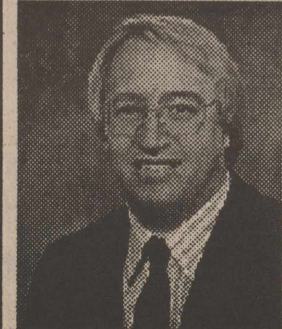
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission) Procedural Rule 22.52(a)(1), notice is hereby given that West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has filed an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) with the PUCT for WTU to construct a 345 kV transmission line circuit, approximately 145 miles in length, which will interconnect with a new TXU Electric 345 kV transmission line circuit at the Sterling and Mitchell County lines, then travel in a south to southeast direction until it terminates at a proposed new switching station located west of the City of San Angelo, then exit this proposed switching station to the northwest and turn after some distance to the east and continue in an easterly direction until it terminates at the existing Red Creek Switching Station, and then exit the Red Creek Switching Station to the east and continue in an easterly direction until it interconnects with a new TXU Electric 345 kV transmission line circuit at the Coleman and Brown County lines. The "preferred" route requested will pass through Sterling, Coke, Tom Green, Concho, McCulloch, and Coleman Counties. Persons with questions about this project should contact Jerry Paulson at (915) 674-7426. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought, should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, at 1701 N. Congress, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission's (commission) Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephone (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136 or you can call Relay Texas at 1-800-735-2989. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is September 1, 2000 and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the commission by that date. The estimated cost of the project is \$83,480,440.

Persons who wish to view the maps for this proposed project may do so at the WTU office located at 106 South Chadbourne in San Angelo, Texas. Please call Mr. Jerry Paulson at (915) 674-7426 to set a time to view the maps. If a copy of a map is desired please contact Randal E. Roper at (214) 777-2209.

This application is filed in accordance with Sections 37.051(a), 37.053(a), 37.054, and 37.056 of the Texas Utility Code and PUCT Substantive Rule 25.101(c)(1).

**DESCRIPTION OF LINE ROUTES**

WTU is filing both a "preferred" route and "alternate" routes with the Commission. A description of these line routes follows:

**PREFERRED ROUTE DESCRIPTION****Coke/Mitchell County Line to Twin Buttes Switching Station - Segment A (Route 3)**

Segment A of the preferred transmission line route begins at the point where the Sterling/Coke county line intersects the southern boundary of Mitchell County, approximately 1.8 miles west of the Colorado River. The route proceeds south parallel to the Sterling/Coke county line, in Sterling County, for approximately 8.7 miles. From here the route turns southeast for approximately 1.2 miles, crossing into Coke County. The route then heads south-southeast, crosses State Highway (SH) 158 approximately 2 miles east of Mendenhall Lane, and proceeds for approximately 10.7 miles to a 90° bend in Walnut Road, northwest of the Divide Cemetery. From this point the route turns south for approximately 10.7 miles, during which it parallels at different distances the west side of Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2034, to a point where it crosses U.S. Highway (U.S.) 87, approximately 1.5 miles northwest of its intersection with FM 2034, in Tom Green County. The route then heads southeast for approximately 1.7 miles and crosses FM 2034 just south of the Concho River. Turning further to the southeast, the route runs for approximately 1.0 mile, passes south of McLaughlin Mountain, and intersects an existing WTU transmission line. The route proceeds southeast, parallel to the existing transmission line, for approximately 17.7 miles (with a short segment leaving the existing transmission line to run along the south side of Turner Road for 2.1 miles), terminating at the proposed Twin Buttes Switching Station site. The switching station is located on Arden Road (FM 853), approximately 0.9 mile west of FM 2288.

**Twin Buttes Switching Station to Red Creek Switching Station - Segment B (Route 8)**

Segment B of the preferred transmission line route will utilize the same structures as Segment A for the first 5.6 miles northwest out of the proposed Twin Buttes Switching Station in Tom Green County. From this point, the proposed route heads northeast for approximately 3.1 miles to the North Concho River. From here, and for the next 2.8 miles, the route parallels a Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) water pipeline northeast and east to a point on the south side of U.S. 87 near its intersection with Grape Creek Road. The route then crosses U.S. 87, turns east for approximately 1.7 miles, and rejoins the CRMWD pipeline on the north side of U.S. 87. The route proceeds eastward approximately 3.4 miles before it crosses SH 208 near its intersection with Red Creek Road. The route continues along the pipeline south of Red Creek Rd. for approximately 4.0 miles before crossing U.S. 277, and continues eastward approximately 2.5 miles to a point west of the community of Harriet on the north side of U.S. 67. At this point the route makes a 90° turn to the south, crosses U.S. 67 and runs for approximately 1.0 mile to the existing Red Creek Switching Station, located on City Farm Rd., 1.3 miles south of Harriet.

**Red Creek Switching Station to Coleman/Brown County Line - Segment C (Route 12)**

Segment C of the preferred transmission line route exits the Red Creek Switching Station to the northeast for approximately 0.4 miles, parallel to an existing WTU transmission line. After crossing City Farm Rd., the route heads east for approximately 1.6 miles, turns northeast and runs approximately 1.0 mile, where it once again intersects the CRMWD water pipeline. From here the route parallels the pipeline east for approximately 10.1 miles, at which point the route leaves Tom Green County and enters Concho County. Along this segment of the pipeline in Tom Green County, the route crosses Douglas Loop twice (first, approximately 1.4 miles south of its intersection with U.S. 67 and then again approximately 1.0 mile east of the initial crossing); Mullins Crossing Road approximately 0.4 miles south of its intersection with Smith Road; FM 1692 approximately 1.0 mile south of its intersection with FM 1929; and Dairy Road approximately 1.4 miles south of its intersection with FM 1929. After entering Concho County, the route then heads southeast and east-southeast, paralleling a petroleum pipeline for approximately 11.8 miles. Along this section the route crosses FM 381 approximately 2.4 miles south of its intersection with FM 1929; and crosses FM 380 approximately 6.4 miles west of its intersection with U.S. 83 in Paint Rock. The route then turns back to the east and continues for approximately 16.9 miles, to a point along East Fork of Mustang Creek, south of O.H. Ivie Reservoir. Along this section the route crosses U.S. 83 about 4.2 miles south of Paint Rock and crosses FM 2134 about 2.8 miles north of Millersview. The route then turns slightly east/northeast before crossing Mustang Creek and runs for approximately 3.8 miles before crossing FM 503 after entering McCulloch County. This crossing is approximately 1.6 miles south of the community of Stacy. The route continues east-northeast for approximately 24.0 miles, crossing the Colorado River into Coleman County; crossing U.S. 283 just north of the community of Rockwood, crossing FM 2633 approximately 2.2 miles north of the community of Whon, and finally terminating at a point on the Coleman/Brown County line approximately 4.7 miles north of the Colorado River.

**ALTERNATE ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS****Mitchell/Sterling County Line to Twin Buttes Switching Station-First Alternate Segment A (Route 1)**

The first alternate for Segment A of the alternate transmission line route begins at a point on the Mitchell/Sterling County Line, approximately 7.3 miles east of State Highway (SH) 163. From this starting point, the route runs due south for approximately 0.8 miles until it intersects a large water pipeline (aqueduct) right-of-way (ROW). The route turns southeast, running parallel to the pipeline for approximately 4.7 miles, until it reaches the Sterling/Coke county line. Here the route turns south again, paralleling the county line, in Sterling County, for approximately 5.7 miles. At this point, the route turns southeast for approximately 1.2 miles, crossing into Coke County. The route then heads south-southeast for approximately 3.1 miles, crosses SH 158 approximately 2 miles east of Mendenhall Lane, and proceeds for an additional 5.5 miles to a point along Walnut Creek near Shelving Rock Bluff. The route continues down the valley of Walnut Creek for approximately 1.9 miles to a point where it turns due south. Approximately 0.9 miles south of that point the route intersects Walnut Road and continues south parallel, and on the east side of the road, for approximately 4.7 miles. Where Walnut Road turns to the southwest, the route continues

south on the same heading for approximately 1.1 miles, where it crosses U.S. Highway (U.S.) 87 approximately 0.6 miles southeast of its intersection with Walnut Road. The route continues south for approximately 2.6 miles, entering Tom Green County, crossing the North Concho River, and continuing to a point along an existing WTU transmission line. At this point the route turns southeast, paralleling the south side of the existing line, for approximately 2.4 miles, where it crosses Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2034. The route continues southeast, passes south of McLaughlin Mountain, and continues to run parallel to the existing transmission line for approximately 18.6 miles (with a short detour away from the existing transmission line to run along the south side of Turner Road for 2.1 miles), terminating at the proposed Twin Buttes Switching Station site. The switching station site is located on Arden Road (FM 853), approximately 0.9 miles west of FM 2288, west of San Angelo.

**Twin Buttes Switching Station to Red Creek Switching Station - Segment B (Route 7)**

Segment B of the alternate transmission line route will utilize the same structures as Segment A (Route 3, 1 or 4) for the first 5.6 miles northwest out of the proposed Twin Buttes Switching Station, in Tom Green County. From this point, the proposed route heads due north for approximately 3.2 miles continuing to utilize the same structures as Segment A (Route 4) if this alternate route is used, otherwise 3.2 miles of new structures are utilized, to a location approximately 0.5 miles south of the North Concho River. At this point the route turns east and then north for approximately 1.3 miles, crossing the North Concho River. The route turns back to the east for approximately 1.0 mile, where it intersects an existing WTU transmission line approximately 300 yards southeast of the intersection of North Shore Drive and U.S. 87. The route then turns southeast, parallels the existing transmission line for approximately 1.0 mile to a point near the intersection of FM 2288 and North Shore Drive. From this point the route turns east-northeast and parallels a Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) water pipeline for approximately 2.0 miles to a point on the south side of U.S. 87 at its intersection with Grape Creek Road. The route then crosses U.S. 87, turns east for approximately 1.7 miles, and rejoins the CRMWD pipeline on the north side of U.S. 87, just north of its intersection with Grape Creek Road. The route continues east, parallel to the south side of the CRMWD pipeline, for approximately 3.4 miles before it crosses SH 208 near its intersection with Red Creek Road, and then continues east along the pipeline south of Red Creek Road for approximately 4.0 miles before crossing U.S. 277. From this point the route continues east approximately 2.5 miles to a point southwest of the community of Harriet, on the north side of U.S. 67. Here the route makes a 90° turn to the south, crosses U.S. 67 and runs for approximately 1.0 mile to the existing Red Creek Switching Station, located on City Farm Road, 1.3 miles south of Harriet.

**Red Creek Switching Station to Coleman/Brown County Line - Segment C (Route 11)**

Segment C of the alternate transmission line route exits the Red Creek Switching Station to the northeast for approximately 0.4 miles, parallel to an existing WTU transmission line. After crossing City Farm Rd., the route heads east for approximately 1.6 miles, then turns northeast and runs approximately 1.0 mile, where it once again intersects the CRMWD water pipeline. From here the route parallels the pipeline east for approximately 10.1 miles, at which point the route leaves Tom Green County and enters Concho County. Along this segment of the pipeline in Tom Green County, the route crosses Douglas Loop twice (first, approximately 1.4 miles south of its intersection with U.S. 67 and then again approximately 1.0 mile east of the initial crossing); Mullins Crossing Road approximately 0.4 miles south of its intersection with Smith Road; FM 1692 approximately 1.0 mile south of its intersection with FM 1929; and Dairy Road approximately 1.4 miles south of its intersection with FM 1929. After entering Concho County, the route continues east for approximately 1.1 miles, crossing FM 381 approximately 1.4 miles south of its intersection with FM 1929, and parallels the water pipeline for another 3.5 miles. At this point the route turns east-northeast, leaving the pipeline ROW, and extends for an additional 5.7 miles, where it crosses FM 1929, approximately 1.3 miles west of its intersection with U.S. 83. The route continues on this heading for approximately 1.3 miles, where it crosses U.S. 83 approximately 0.5 miles north of its intersection with FM 1929. Continuing on this course to the east-northeast the route covers another 2.0 miles, to a point just south of the Concho/Runnels County line. Here the route turns more to the northeast and, crossing into Runnels County, runs for approximately 4.7 miles to a point on the south side of County Road (CR) 129, just east of its intersection with CR 115. At this point the route turns back to the east for approximately 1.5 miles, paralleling the south side of CR 129, and crosses the Colorado River alongside the CR 129 bridge. After crossing the river, the route turns back to the north-northeast, crosses CR 129 approximately 0.7 miles from the bridge, and runs for approximately 2.9 miles, until it intersects a petroleum pipeline. Here the route turns east-northeast and parallels the pipeline ROW for approximately 5.8 miles before crossing into Coleman County, 5.4 miles south of Talpa. The route continues for approximately 7.6 miles, paralleling the pipeline ROW, until it intersects another pipeline about 1.0 mile southwest of Bead Mountain. At this point the route turns east-southeast and parallels the new pipeline ROW for approximately 2.9 miles, and crosses FM 503 about 1.8 miles south of Valera. The route continues along the pipeline ROW for approximately 4.0 miles, and crosses FM 1026 about 3.0 miles south of its intersection with U.S. 67. Continuing east, the route traverses another 3.1 miles, then crosses FM 2131 about 2.5 miles south of U.S. 67. From here, the route continues east-southeast, still parallel to the pipeline, for approximately 5.7 miles, where it crosses U.S. 283, about 3.1 miles south of its intersection with U.S. 67 in Santa Anna. The route then runs approximately 4.0 miles east along the pipeline ROW, crossing FM 1176 about 0.8 miles south of its intersection with FM 567. Finally the route runs east-southeast for an additional 3.7 miles and terminates on the Coleman/Brown county line, about 3.2 miles south of U.S. 67.

**Coke/Mitchell County Line to Twin Buttes Switching Station - Second Alternate Segment A (Route 4)**

The second alternate for Segment A of the alternate transmission line route begins at a point where the Sterling/Coke county line intersects the southern boundary of Mitchell County, approximately 1.8 miles west of the Colorado River. The route proceeds south parallel to the Sterling/Coke county line, in Sterling County, for approximately 2.9 miles, where it intersects a water pipeline (aqueduct). At this point the route turns southeast, parallel to the pipeline, and enters Coke County. The route proceeds for approximately 4.8 miles, where it crosses Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2742, about 0.7 miles from its intersection with FM 2059. In another 0.9 miles, the route crosses FM 2059, then continues to roughly parallel the road, first to the northeast, then south, then east, and then west for the next 8.6 miles, to the intersection of FM 2059 and State Highway (SH) 158. From here, the route crosses SH 158, intersects a petroleum pipeline ROW and proceeds southeast for approximately 2.7 miles. At this point, the route turns south and traverses approximately 2.8 miles to the top of a mesa, approximately 1.6 miles west of FM 2034. Here the route turns southwest and runs for approximately 2.3 miles, where it crosses FM 2034, 1.3 miles east of its intersection with Walnut Road, near the community of Divide. From this point, the route turns southeast and traverses approximately 7.3 miles to a point along the West Fork of Grape Creek, on the east side of March Road. The route then turns due south, crosses March Road, and extends for an additional 1.4 miles, where it enters Tom Green County. The route continues south for approximately 2.9 miles to a point about 0.6 miles northwest of the 90° bend in Walnut Grove Road, where the route turns southwest. The route heads southwest for only 0.7 miles before turning back to the south. The route runs south for approximately 3.2 miles, parallel to, but about 0.3-0.4 miles west of, Glass Road. At this point the route turns back to the south-east for approximately 0.7 miles, crosses Glass Road and parallels the east side of the road for approximately 0.5 miles, where it crosses U.S. Highway (U.S.) 87 approximately 2.2 miles southwest of the community of Carlsbad. Continuing south, the route runs for approximately 1.1 miles, where it crosses the North Concho River. From here the route continues south for approximately 3.8 miles, where it intersects an existing WTU transmission line. At this point the route turns southeast and parallels the existing line for approximately 5.6 miles, terminating at the proposed Twin Buttes Switching Station site. The switching station site is located on Arden Road (FM 853), approximately 0.9 miles west of FM 2288, west of San Angelo.



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**FOR SALE BY OWNER IN HISTORIC BALLINGER** New 4 BR, 2 1/2 Bath home on 9.7 fenced acres. Just out of city limits on Country Club Road, with city water. Limestone fireplace, open floor plan, whirlpool tub, center island cooktop. Beautifully decorated! Detached garage with storage room. Wonderful 2 stall barn with large tack room. Offered at \$155,000. (915) 365-4042.  
**01a-3tp**

**3 BEDROOM HOME** with minor factory defects. Factory will discount thousands for you to purchase this home! A-1 Homes. Call Jackie @ 653-1152.  
**01a-1tc**

**NEW 3BD/BA FURNISHED HOME** on one acre of land. 653-1152, ask for Joe.  
**01a-1tc**

**84 FORD TRACTOR** with equipment. \$2000. 14' Tandem stock trailer, \$500. Call 473-6331.  
**01b-1tp**

**Real Estate For Sale**  
*Robert Lee*  
2 bedroom, 2 bath, oversized 2 car garage on 1.01 acres, \$52,500. King subdivision, 15.3 acres. King subdivision, 4.8 acres.  
*Bronte*  
4 bedroom, 1 bath on 2.5 lots, fenced, \$48,500.  
**De Vore Realtors**  
**(915) 942-1666**

**FOR SALE** 1989 Dodge Colt Hatchback. New Michellin tires. Standard Shift, good mileage, cold air. 1018 Hillcrest, Robert Lee. Ray Aldridge, 453-2360.  
**51a-1tc**

**6 ACRES WITH DOUBLEWIDE** near a creek. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Take over payments. 10 years left. Owner finance \$500 month, easy qualifying. \$1000 down, 7.99%. Warranty, new carpet, new skirting, new paint. A-1 Homes, 653-1152.  
**01a-1tc**

**NEED HUNTING ACCOMODATIONS FOR THE UP COMING SEASON?** We have over a dozen used trade-ins on the lot. A-1 Homes, 653-1152. Ask for Joe.  
**01a-1tc**

**HOUSE FOR SALE** House and 2 acres in Bronte. 3 bedroom, 2 bath close to school. 2 car garage not attached. In the \$20,000's. 473-6331. 734 S. Jefferson, Bronte.  
**01b-1tp**

**FOR RENT**  
2 Bdr. trailer w/addition. Very clean. CH/CA. 423 Chadbourne, Robert Lee \$300 mo. w/deposit \$200. Call 453-4359.  
**39a-1tnc**

**3 BEDROOM HOUSE** for lease, Robert Lee. Call 651-9141 or 655-0370 for info. \$450 mo., plus \$250 deposit.  
**50a-tnc**

**2 BEDROOM HOUSE** for rent, \$375. Deposit \$250. 1613 Upton, San Angelo. Call 486-8937 (leave message).  
**50b-tnc**

**FOR RENT** 3 BR/2 BA brick at 5 W 15th Street, Robert Lee. Nice as new! Contact Les Gray, 453-2775.  
**01-1tp**

**HOUSE FOR RENT** 1106 Hillcrest, Robert Lee. 453-2756.  
**01a-1tp**

**MISC**  
**LIGHT PLOWING** and yard mowing, 453-2777.  
**51a-2tp**

**EL RANCHERO** will be closed from July 23 - July 31 for vacation. Will open Tuesday, August 1st.  
**51b-2tc**

**BOARDING HORSES & Short Hauling.** Call 453-2796 for J.F. If no answer, leave message.  
**10a-tnc**

**PARKER PLUMBING** Residential & Commercial. All types plumbing repair - new construction, remodeling, fixtures, and sewer service. Licensed Master Plumber. 473-2131, Bronte.  
**34b-tnc**

**COMPUTERS** Complete systems, repairs, upgrades, internet. Call Ed @ EMCO Computers. 473-3004.  
**32b-tnc**

**CINDY'S LAWN CARE & HYDRO MULCHING**  
**659-5075 • 650-5075**


**SUNSHINE CONSTRUCTION** New Construction, Additions, Renovations, and Home Repairs. Contact Don Parks @ 453-2860 or 656-2686 mobile.  
**34a-tnc**

**D & L DOZER SERVICE & CUSTOM FARMING** Larry Spivey, owner-operator. PO Box 160, Bronte, Texas. Phone (915) 282-3038.  
**45b-tnc**

**TREES TRIMMED** topped or removed. Call 453-9902 after 6 pm.  
**37a-tnc**

**THE "BARBER" SHOP** Debora England, 223 N. Lombard, Bronte. 473-4026. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9 am-5 pm, Saturday, 9 am-12 pm.  
**02b-tnc**

**MOWERS REPAIRED** 305 E. 3rd, Robert Lee. 453-2363.  
**49-4tp**



**Choose Healthful Foods**

**GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS!** Weddings, baby, birthday, secret pal. Presented by Cedar Canyon Collectibles and available at Merle Norman, 7 E. 6th, Robert Lee.  
**50a-tnc**

**KENNETHS CONSTRUCTION** Local professional roofing done at reasonable rates. Repair, replace, composition or metal. Free estimates, work guaranteed! 453-2339 & 453-4788.  
**50a-4tc**

**Quality Film Processing by Keaton Kolor**  
at  
**Hometown Hardware**  
Bronte, Texas

**I'M MAD...** at banks who don't give real estate loans because of bad credit, problems or new employment. I do, call L.D. Kirk, Homeland Mortgages, (254) 947-4475.  
**01b-1tp**

**SUNSHINE CONSTRUCTION** New Construction, Additions, Renovations, and Home Repairs. Contact Don Parks @ 453-2860 or 450-2767 mobile.  
**34a-tnc**

**BOOK NOOK CLOSE OUT** All Gift Items 50% off. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. 1516 Washington, Robert Lee.  
**01a-1tc**

**TREES REMOVED** Also trimming and pruning. Add Davis, 453-2450.  
**01a-4tc**

**CLEANING AND MORE** Do you need a little help - or alot? Call 453-9222.  
**01a-2tp**

**DONNIE'S REFRIGERATION** R12 Air Conditioner refrigerant for older cars and trucks. \$40/can installed. By appointment only. 453-2188.  
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*Bob Frazer's 944-0070 473-6603*  
**Texas Best**  
Deflooding & Carpet Cleaning  
**24 hr. Emergency Water Damage Service**

**HELP WANTED**  
**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**

**BRONTE ISD** is accepting applications for bus driver for the Fairview/San Angelo route. CDL license and bus certification will be needed. Contact Alan Richey, Superintendent, 473-2511, or Rick Howell, Principal, 473-2521.  
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## GARAGE SALES

### THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE

Friday and Saturday, 9 am - ? Both days. Clendennen Storage. Corner of Bishop & 10th, Robert Lee. Furniture, refrigerator, clothes, baby items, and lots of misc.

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### GARAGE SALE

Saturday, 3 family garage sale. 2nd and Alamo Street, Robert Lee. 8 am - ?

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### TWO FAMILY SALE

Corner of 6th and Houston, Robert Lee. 2 TV's, Hoover Vacuum Cleaner, Full size mattress and springs, 5 Disc CD player, lots more. Saturday, July 29th, 7:00 am.

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### GARAGE SALE

Friday, July 28, 8 am - ?, Saturday, July 29, 8 am - 12 noon. 201 N. Washington, Bronte.

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## CARD OF THANKS

### THANKS

to our family and friends who made our anniversary so special with all the cards, phone calls and visits. It has been great to live in Coke County most of our life.

Bill & Eula Blair

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## NOTICES

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT IN A PRODUCTIVE FORMATION

LCS Production Company, PO Box 6663, Abilene, TX 79608 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for an amended COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject oil and gas waste into the Odom Lime Formation, McDonald (14545) Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed injection well is located 8.5 miles North of Bronte TX in the Fort Chadbourne Field in Coke County. Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5550 to 5600 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, PO Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NON DISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

1. 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.

2. 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 VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Alan Richey, 915-473-2511, PO Box 670, Bronte, Texas 76933, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Terry Marrs, at PO Box 670, Bronte, Texas 76933, 915-473-2251.

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### NOTI CEROPUBLICO DE NO DISCRIMINACION

1. Bronte ISD ofrece programas vocacionales en Agricultura, Business and Home Economics. La admision a estos programas se basa esta abier para todos estudiantes en Bronte High School.

2. Es norma de Bronte ISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Titulo VI de la Ley de Deprechos Civiles de 1964, segun enmienda; el Titulo IX de las Emmiendas en la Educacion de 1972, y la seccion 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitacion de 1973, segun enmienda.

3. Es norma de Bronte ISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento o edad, en sus procedimientos de empleo, tal como lo requieren el Titulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, segun enmienda; el Titulo IX de las Enmiendas en la Educacion, de 1972, la ley de Discriminacion por Edad, de 1975, segun enmienda, y la Seccion 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitacion de 1973, segun enmienda.

4. Bronte ISD tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

5. Para informacion sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del Titulo IX, Alan Richey, en PO Box 670, Bronte, Texas 76933, 915-473-2511. y/o el Coordinador de la Seccion 504, Terry Marrs, en PO Box 670, Bronte, Texas, 76933, 915-473-2251.

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### RLISD EMPIEZA EL ANO ESCOLAR EL 14 DE AGOSTO

El ano escolar del 2000-2001 empieza para los estudiantes el 14 de agosto. La primera campana suena a las 7:55 por la manana y las clases empiezan a las 8:00 por la manana. La campana para despedir los estudiantes va a sonar a las 3:27 por la tarde. El almuerzo para los estudiantes va a comenzar a las 12:01 pm y la campana de llegar tarde va a sonar a las 12:40 para terminar el almuerzo y empezar la sexta clase.

### Los precios del desayuno/almuerzo para el ano escolar 2000/2001 son:

El desayuno - \$.75, el desayuno rebajado - \$.30, leche adicional - \$.35, El almuerzo rebajado - \$.40, Pre K hasta el grado sexto - \$1.50 7 hasta el grado 12 - \$1.75, Maestras - \$2.00, Vistantes - \$3.00.

Los estudiantes del junior high y de las secundaria pueden comprar los boletos del almuerzo en la oficina de la secundaria. Los estudiantes de la primaria pueden comprar los boletos por la entrada del frente adyacente de la oficina del superintendente.

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### ROBERT LEE HIGH SCHOOL AND ROBERT LEE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL EL TIEMPO FIJADO PARA VER LOS HORARIOS DEL OTONO

Los estudiantes de la secundaria y de junior high de Robert Lee pueden venir para la oficina de la secundaria para ver los horarios de las clases para el ano escolar 2000-2001.

Miercoles, el 2 de agosto, 2000 - 9:00 am Seniors (del grado doce); 10:00 am Juniors (del grado once); 11:00 am Sophomores (del grado diez).

Jueves, el 3 de agosto, 2000 - 9:00 am Freshmen (del grado nueve); 10:00 am 8th grade (del grado ocho); 11:00 am 7th grade (del grado siete).

Estudiantes nuevos a RLISD pueden venir para matriculacion empezando a las 9:30 por la manana el viernes, el 4 de agosto, 2000. Estudiantes solicitando un cambio en el horario de la clase deben de venir a la oficina secundaria entre la 1:30 - a las 3:00 por la tarde el viernes, el 4 de agosto, 2000. Por favor de llamar a 453-4556 si tiene preguntas sobre esta informacion.

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### EN JUVES, EL 3 DE AGOSTO

los estudiantes nuevos a Robert Lee ISD comenzando al Pre K hasta el sexto grado se pueden registrar para clases. La oficina de la escuela pimaría de Robert Lee estara abierta desde las

9:00 de la manana, hasta las 3:00 de la tarde. El personal escolar estara disponible para proveer las formas e informacion necesaria. Los padres deben de traer los siguiente para matricular el estudiante.

1) el certificado de nacimiento del estudiante.  
2) el registro de inmunizacion del estudiante.  
3) la tarjeta del seguro social del estudiante.

4) la direccion de la ultima escuela atendida. Para informacion adicional llama a 453-4555.

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### El Reglamento de la Vestimenta de Todos Los Estudiantes del K-12

El reglamento de la vestimenta del distrito es establecido para enseñar higiene, instilar disciplinar, evitar interrupcion, evitar riesgos de seguridad y asertar autoridad.

En orden a desarrollar, promover y mantener un ambiente en nuestra escuela en cual a todos tiempos sera conducente a la promoviento al proceso educativo y al incentivo de los esfuerzos aprendizajes en parte de los estudiantes consistente con los deseados niveles altos y el caracter del grupo de estudiantes, los siguientes reglamentos de la escuela de Robert Lee.

1. El distrito prohíbe ilustraciones, simbolos y escrituras sobre la ropa y accesorios (en cual joyas, anillos o las hebillas del cint) que son indecentes, ofensivos o groseros. Anunciar o representar productos del tabaco, bebidas alcoholicas, drogas o cualquier substancia ilegal. Referirse al satanico, actividades del culto o pandillas.

2. Las muchachas se pueden poner pantalones cortos, pantalones cortos de denim de pierna completa, pantalones cortos con pliegues del frente como tambien los rompers y los skorts. El requisito de largura es establecido a medio muslo, nada menos que la largura de la punta del dedo. (La largura de la punta del dedo es definido por extendiendo los brazos, a su lado.)

Los muchachos se pueden poner pantalones cortos, pantalones cortos de denim de pierna completa y pantalones cortos con pliegues del frente. El requisito de largura no puede ser mas corto que la punta del dedo.

Todos los prendas de vestir de muchachos y muchachas son necesarios ser vastillados y que no esten deshilachados. No se permiten los pantalones cortos de ciclista como una prenda de vestir exterior.

Pantalones y pantalones cortos deben de quedar en la cintura natural.

3. La ropa interior debe de ser compatible con la ropa exterior que se pone. La ropa interior no se puede llevar como ropa exterior.

4. Blusas o sueteres se deben de llevar en los hombros y no deben de ser muy escotados para atraer atencion. Camisas sin mangas son aceptables si tienen el hombor completo. Los estudiantes no estaran permitidos

llevar ropa transparente ni el abdomen expuesto. Los tirantes del hombro deben de ser por lo menos 2" anchos.

5. Vestidos y faldas no podran ser mas cortas que medio muslo ni de la punta del dedo. Pantalones de diseno aceptable, incluyendo los pantalones legiones y del estribo si tienen faldon largo estan incluidos como parte del conjunto. No deben de llevar puestos camisas apretadas excesivamente ni blusa, pantalones cortos, pantalones o otra ropa.

6. Se puede llevar camisas de corte prolijo afuera de los pantalones y desabrochadas solamente si el estudiante lleva una camiseta puesta metida en los pantalones abajo de la camisa. De otro modo las camisas de corte prolijo tendran que ser metidas adentro de los pantalones, camisas de deporte hechas de modo de llevarlas afuera estan bien. Camisas deben de estar abrochadas a todo tiempo exepcto que el boton del cuello podra ser desbrochado. Las blusas de tanque, abdomen ni las camisas transparentes seran permitidas.

7. Todos los estudiantes deben de afeitarse. Ni barba ni bigote seran permitidos. Patillas que se extienden debajo del lobulo del oido son prohibidas.

8. El pelo de todos los estudiantes estara limpio y no llamara la atencion. Colorante excesivo, afeitando o disenos que podran ser interpretado en relacion de pandillas son prohibidos. Los directores tendran la discrecion sobre los cortes de pelo del estudiante y el ambiente aprendizaje de RLISD. El pelo debe de estar limpio y bien arreglado.

9. Los estudiantes no pueden llevar, sombreros, goros, viseras, cubrimientos de la cabeza o panuelos en el edificio durante el dia de la escuela. (Ni muchachos ni muchachas)

10. Extremos en tipos de vestido o de ropa o del arreglo del pelo deben de ser evitados.

11. Patrocinadores de actividades extracurriculares pueden poner reglamentos individuales con la aprobacion del director. De otro modo debe de ser dentro del reglamento de la vestimenta del distrito.

12. No se puede llevar ropa interruptadora ni ornamentacion, en cual aretes de muchachos ni argollas (oidos, nariz, lengua, ceja o otra parte del cuerpo visible); aretes de muchachas (nariz, lengua, ceja o otra parte del cuerpo visible.) No se puede llevar joyas en cualquier area agujerado del cuerpo menos el oido (para las muchachas) durante el dia de la escuela. Otras marcas visibles o tatuajes son prohibidos.

13. No se puede poner gafas de sol dentro del edificio ni en la sala de clase durante el dia de la escuela amenos que un medico los receta para uso adentro.

14. Cualquier moda de ropa interrupto que desfavorablemente impacta el proceso educativo no es aceptable.

Desviaciones continuadas de las provisiones del reglamento de la vestimenta por un estudiante despues (cont'd. next page)

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de aviso del director sera considerado como una violacion deliberada y causa para accion disciplinario.

Los estudiantes deben de, a todos tiempos, presentar una apariencia bien arreglada.

La decision final en determinando la apariencia apropiada queda con el director o su designado.

A los estudiantes les daran las siguientes opciones.

1. Ponerse en contacto con los padres para que les lleven un cambio de ropa.

2. Ponerse pantalones hasta cuando se cambien ropa.

3. Los padres, el director o su designado llevan al estudiante a su casa o el/ella mismo se van a cambiar a su casa.

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**Mandatory Worker's Comp Proposal Opposed**

If the Texas AFL-CIO has its way, workers' comp will become mandatory even though it's the most expensive system in the nation, said Bill Hammond, president of the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce in the July issue of the Texas Business Report.

Businesses have increasingly turned to private insurers for workplace coverage because workers' comp is too expensive and there is no effective oversight of the system to limit abuse. Costs are up to 60 percent less when employers offer employees alternative means of coverage and care.

"We will actively oppose mandatory comp," said Hammond. "We cannot force businesses into a system that is in such need of repair, especially when businesses have found more cost-effective alternatives on their own."

The July issue of the Texas Business Report also highlights the role of the TABCC's chief lobbyist Mary Miksa.

Marya fights year round for businesses at the legislature and at the agencies. Mary predicts a particularly tough fight on environmental issues this next legislative session because of the TNRCC Sunset Bill that will open the door to every aspect of the agency. She also foresees the air quality federal mandates looming over local governments as a hot issue for the session.

TABCC also announces its 2000 Employment Law Handbook is now available to purchase. The top labor law attorneys in the state volunteer over 560 man hours every year to bring this book and CD to businesses - a value of over \$84,000 of professional attorney advice. Call the publication line at 800.767.3710 to order.

A broad-based, grass-roots organization representing more than 140,000 Texas businesses, TABCC works to strengthen the economy and create jobs and opportunities for all Texans. Additional information is available on TABCC's website at [www.tabcc.org](http://www.tabcc.org).

**TPW Game Warden Field Notes**

The following are taken from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife game warden field reports.

In late May, Orange County wardens were called to remove a 7-foot alligator from a residence. An air conditioner repairman was working on the home's air conditioning unit and thought the alligator was ceramic until he tapped it with a flashlight and it began to move.

Rockport game wardens were checking anglers at a popular location one Saturday in March when one of the wardens walked up to a fellow to ask if the fish were biting. Just as the man was responding that he was having no luck his 6-year-old son piped up asking, "Do you want to see our fish?" The warden followed the excited boy to where his father had stashed a 5-gallon bucket containing 23 undersize speckled trout under a bridge support.

On his day off, a Houston County warden decided to go white bass fishing at the Trinity River. While he was fishing from the bank, he noticed two men nearby who were keeping undersize fish. The warden walked over, identified himself, and checked their catch. The men had a total of 45 undersize white bass, two undersize channel catfish, and one undersize hybrid striper. Five cases were filed on the duo, including no fishing license for one of the anglers. The warden caught one fish.

A North Texas game warden was working out of the district office in Wichita Falls when someone called to request a speaker for their local civic club meeting. When the caller identified himself, the warden realized he was the person being investigated for killing a mule deer in a nearby county. When the warden asked the caller about the mule deer, there was a long moment of silence. Then the caller asked if he would be in trouble and what he needed to do to clear things up. A sample of the deer meat was obtained to determine whether charges will be filed.

While eating lunch at a local fast-food restaurant, Midland game wardens noticed a man moving out of an apartment across the street--the same apartment they had just visited in reference to some Parks and Wildlife warrants. They drove to the apartment and discovered that the man moving out was indeed the person with the outstanding warrants.

**Perfect Pasta: The Lighter Side of Alfredo**

(DM)—When the calendar signals a change of seasons, it is an ideal time for a recommitment to healthy eating. According to the National Pasta Association (NPA), it couldn't be easier with pasta which is low in fat and calories. Start by making simple substitutions in a favorite recipe like this "lighter" version of Fettuccine Alfredo from the NPA. This dish uses light cream cheese and sour cream, and fat-free milk in the sauce. The dish is transformed without any sacrifice in flavor. To round out the meal, serve with a whole grain roll and fresh green salad. More recipes and tips on healthy eating can be found online at [www.ilovepasta.org](http://www.ilovepasta.org).



**THE LIGHTER SIDE OF ALFREDO**  
(serves 4)

- 8 ounces uncooked fettuccine
- 4 ounces light cream cheese
- 1/4 cup light sour cream
- 2 tablespoons skim milk
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 3/4 to 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup finely chopped green onion
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste

In a large stock pot, cook pasta according to package directions.

Meanwhile, in a food processor with steel blade attachment, add cream cheese, sour cream, milk, garlic and salt, process until smooth and set aside.

When pasta is cooked, drain well, place in fairly large mixing bowl, add cream cheese mixture and toss gently, yet thoroughly to coat completely. Place equal amounts on each of 4 dinner plates, sprinkle

1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese and 1 tablespoon green onion on top of each serving, sprinkle with freshly ground black pepper and serve immediately.

**Nutrition Information (per serving):** 508 calories, 20g protein, 9g fat, 84g carbohydrates, 24mg cholesterol, 798mg sodium, 5g dietary fiber, 198mcg folate. Calories from fat: 16%.



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