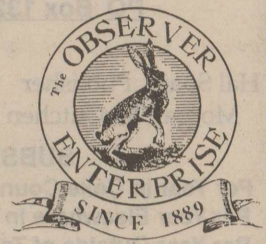


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Prospects termed "good" for spring turkey hunting season

Saturday, April 7, will mark the opening of Spring Turkey Season and will run through May 13. The gobblers only season bag limit will depend on how many turkey tags are left on hunters' licenses. Four turkeys per license year are allowed, and most hunters manage tags to be able to take gobblers in the spring. Hens (with or without beards) are not legal game.

The same regulations and

Coke County athletes honored

Two Coke County athletes were honored last week when they were named to the elite Standard-Times 2000-2001 All West Texas Basketball Teams.

DeShira Dickey of Robert Lee was placed on the 1A girls squad. Her stats read: 16.8 average points per game with 8.2 rebounds. DeShira, a senior, at 6-0 played at post and was the top scorer for the 24-3 Robert Lee squad who were regional quarterfinalists.

DeShira also had the distinction of being chosen for the 2000-2001 Standard-Times All-West Texas Basketball Super Team. The Super Team carries the extra prestige of players being placed on a team consisting of all classifications, from 1A - 4A.

Brandon Gibbs, a senior at Bronte High School, was named to the 1A boys team as a guard, shooting 62% from the field. The Bronte Longhorns were area champions and Brandon contributed greatly to their success with his ability and height, garnering 16 points and 7 rebounds per game.

laws apply to spring hunting as in the fall season. Beards must remain on turkey carcasses till disposition. Hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Turkeys may not be taken from the roost. Unplugged shotguns may be used; shells may hold lead shot.

Biologists predict a good hunt this spring - best perhaps in four years. A number of season carry-over mature birds exist with late fall and early year rains filling watering spots and furnishing green forage. A good spring hatch looks really promising, too.

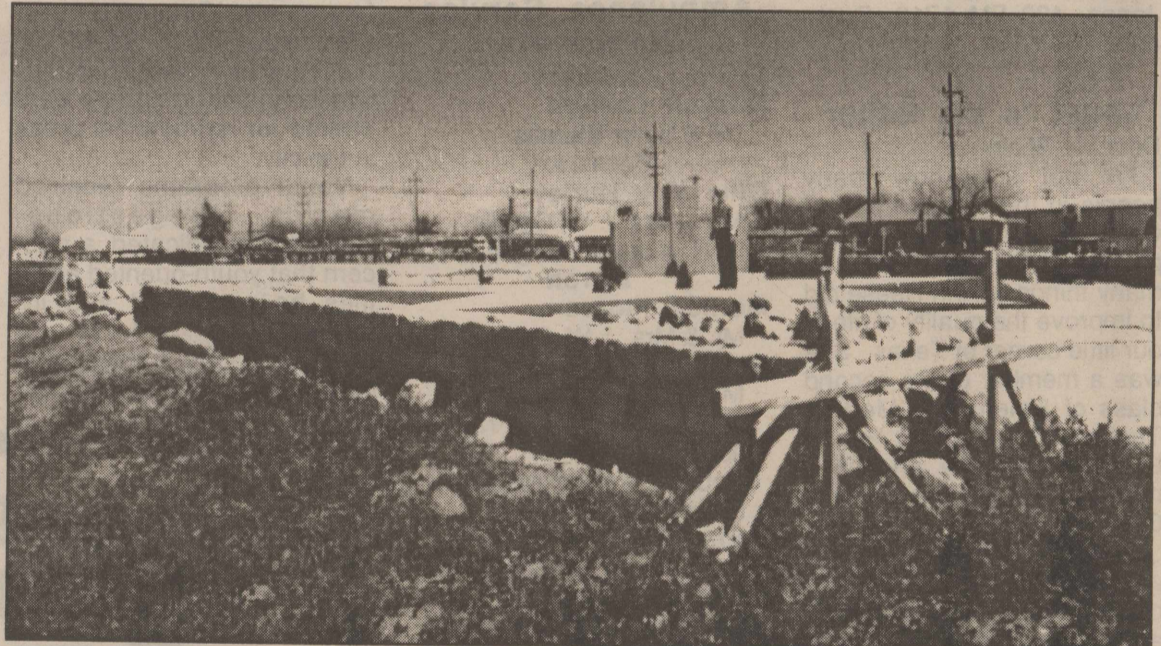
Bronte blood drive

United Blood Services will have their bloodmobile at Wackenhut Correctional Facility Thursday, March 29 from 4:30 pm until 7:30 pm. Please call Chris Gifford at 473-5700 for an appointment.

United Blood Services is the area's not-for-profit provider. In order to supply the 12 area hospitals, United Blood Services must collect more than 300 units each week. Blood products have a shelf life of 5 to 42 days. Your help is needed. If you would like to make an appointment to give blood, please call 653-1307. Please try to make an appointment. It will help you get in and out in a timely manner.

Robert Lee singing

There will be a community gospel singing of all denominations at the Robert Lee Victory Assembly of God Church on March 31, 2 pm to 4 pm. J. D. Taylor of Blackwell will be conducting the singing and everyone is invited to attend.



Construction continues on the grounds surrounding the Coke County Veterans Memorial in Bronte. Coke County native Richard H. (Dick) Wylie, of Bryan, Texas, pauses to remember his service to his country, as well as family and friends who also served in the armed forces and are listed on the memorial.

Umpire certification clinic

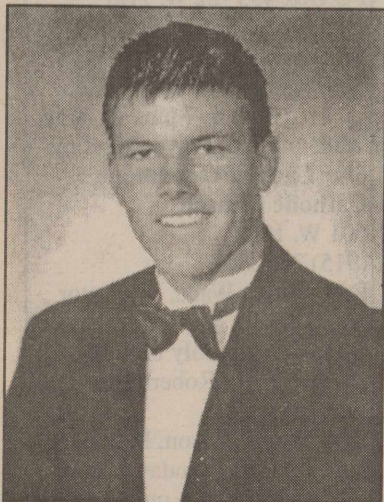
There will be an "Umpire Certification Clinic" for Little League Baseball on Sunday April 1st at the Wall Elementary Cafeteria. The clinic will encompass all requirements needed to be certified and officiate games and tournaments for Little League Baseball. Areas of coverage will be rules, mechanics, scenarios, coaches, substitutions, parents, players, partners, ground rules, and advancement. Everyone interested in

Little League Baseball is encouraged to attend even if you do not plan to officiate games. Call Angie Hoyt at 473-3600 to register or get more information.

Food Closet issues appeal

The Coke County Food Closet, sponsored by the Coke County Ministerial Alliance, is issuing an appeal for donations of non-perishable food items or cash donations to support the closet. Recent heavy demands upon

the food closet have left it in need of restocking. All non-perishable food items are needed. Donations may be dropped off at any of the churches in Robert Lee or Bronte, or at the food closet, which is located on the corner of 1st and Houston in Robert Lee. The food closet is open from 3:00 until 5:30 pm every Thursday. Cash donations may be made to the Coke County Food Closet account at the Robert Lee State Bank. For further information, call Rev. Jim Reeves at 453-2417.



Brandon Gibbs



DeShira Dickey

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Death Notices

Deen

Joydell Deen, 59, of Robert Lee died Friday March 16, 2001, at her residence. Services were held at 2:00 pm Sunday, March 18, 2001, at the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee with burial in Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include three daughters, Kathy O'Maley of Robert Lee, LaJohnnan Rogers of Rockwall, and Vallery Johnson of Robert Lee; her parents, Wes and Dean Kinsey of Plano; one brother, John Mitchell Kinsey of North Richland Hills; two sisters, Martha Selzer of Dallas and Terri Blair of Robert Lee; and seven grandchildren.

Jones

Jimmie Jones passed away Tuesday, March 13, at Scott & White Hospital in Temple. Memorial services were held at Dripping Spring, Texas, Saturday March 17. Cards can be sent to Lola Jones % Sue Jones, 420 FM 1712, Rockdale, Tx 76567.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mr. Spain

I'm not sure how many people in the western part of Coke County and Robert Lee proper will remember the many things JoAnn Reese did to improve the quality of life in our little corner of Texas. She was a member of the second class of Emergency Medical Technicians taught in Robert Lee and became an active member of the West Coke County E.M.S.

JoAnn was compassionate and dedicated to seeing that quality medical care was available to anyone who needed it. She spent hours in classes and then took ambulance call

as much as she could. She was available night and day and I don't remember her ever giving less than her best.

At the time, we were desperately trying to raise enough funds to buy a new ambulance that was equipped so that quality care could be delivered. She and her first husband, Joe Harrison, opened their home to many of us as we sponsored fund raisers and sold ice cream at such events as the annual Pageant. In less than six months, with JoAnn's assistance, a hard working crew was, with the cooperation of many, many citizens, able to purchase that new ambulance and equip it properly.

I'm certain that many of the "old-timers" will remember the care they or their family members received. This ambulance service has always been rated as one of the best in the state and her contributions made that possible. JoAnn was one of those "one of a kind" people who directly affect a lot of lives. We'll miss her.

Sincerely,
 Lou Wright

- East Coke County Ambulance Service Memorials**
- January**
 Russell Carlton
 Bill & Betty Thomas
- February**
 Ollie Mae Hurley
 Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Caudle
 C. R. & Joyce Morgan
- March**
 Monico Flores
 Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Caudle
- Roy Robinson**
 Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Caudle
 Jimmy & Mari Frances Mackey
 Bob & Beverly Ragsdale
 Jimmy & Carolyn Lee
- Emma Morquart**
 Benny & Jackie Corley
- Loretta Wright**
 Benny & Jackie Corley
 Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Arrott
- Kenneth Brunson**
 Charles Bagwell

City survey results posted

The Robert Lee City Council recently circulated a survey pertaining to economic development for this area. The responses to the survey have been summarized and the results in full are available at City Hall.

Responses to the survey showed an awareness not only of what is needed, but also an awareness of what makes Robert Lee a good place. Responses were positive, hopeful, and thoughtful regarding the future of Robert Lee.

There was overwhelming agreement that pursuing economic development was the right move and that a sales tax could help with economic development. Several mentioned the need for more information on how a sales tax works and how the money is allocated.

Innovative ideas were given to increasing business activity in the area as were some insightful thoughts on what was needed.

The downtown situation received many responses in agreement. Appearance caused the most comments and suggestions for improvements were wide-ranging and creative.

Tourism possibilities abounded. Many agreed that promoting what we have should increase tourism. Other suggestions to attract tourists were plentiful.

Nature tourism ideas centered around Lake Spence and local parks and the river.

Many responders agreed that encouraging retirees to move here was a good idea. The lack of housing and health concerns were mentioned as deterrents.

Water quality received the most mention as to infrastructure needs. General suggestions were made as to improvements in what is already available and new ideas were offered for recreational areas in the city.

Youth programs received many suggestions. Responses indicated a concern that youth-oriented activities be expanded and included the efforts of churches, clubs, schools, and city as a way to accomplish

this. Also, a need was seen for a building for after-school activities. The park was mentioned as a place for summer youth activities.

The next step will be to hold a town meeting with representatives from economic development offices. These representatives will be able to point the way to economic recovery in our area. There is much to be done, and responders to the survey indicate a ready and eager attitude toward economic development.

Anyone who has not taken the opportunity to respond to the survey is invited to do so. Responses will be added to the compiled results as received. Surveys are available at City Hall.

WCCCD plans community fish fry and dance

In a called meeting on Monday, the sustaining members of West Coke County Community Development met at the courthouse to discuss the upcoming community fish fry and possible dance. Date selected for the fish fry was set for Saturday, April 21, 5-7 pm, at the county park in Robert Lee. The meal and the entertainment will go for \$6.00.

The fish fry will support the community portion of the Lake Spence Striper Contest. Date of the meal was set to coincide with R. L. Flanagan's record-setting striper catch of 35 lb. 2 oz., set in 1988. Sponsors signed on at \$100.00 each for a year to pay the \$2,000 cash prize for anyone who can break R. L.'s record.

Sponsors include Super H Grocery, Ben Bessent Chevrolet, Robert Lee State Bank, Ivey Motor Company, Key Feed Store, City of Robert Lee, Flanagan Boat Storage, Terry's Wildcat Marina, The Best Connection, Cracker Barrel Restaurant, Terry Brown Guide Service, Mountain Creek Lodge, West Coke County Community Development, Molly B's, Jimmy's Automotive & Tire Shop, Bell Auto Body Shop, Texas Cellular/Rock Solid Communications, C & H Auto & Hardware, Askins Propane/RV Refrigeration, Ash & Millican Real Estate, and the Observer/Enterprise.

The weather should be more stable for outdoor activities by the April 21 fish fry, and those planning to eat with WCCCD should bring their own chairs for eating and/or listening to the music.

RLVFD news

by Marian Thompson

The fire department held a meeting followed by training classes on the 19th of March.

President Larry Martin presided and there were 15 firemen present.

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved as read. Topics of discussion were the 911 reflective signs. The fire department is still taking orders for the signs.

The Pancake Supper is to be held on the 20th. The volunteers will be there to assist the Robert Lee - Silver Lion's Club with the cooking and serving.

They discussed work to be done on the trucks and repairs needed on truck 6.

It has been a quiet month. We had no fires in February and have had none to date in March. With the recent rain, growing grass, and as it warms up, the grass will start to dry and we can expect fires in the near future. The best thing we can do to prevent fires is keep the grass cut around our homes. When we BBQ, keep a bucket of water nearby or a water hose.

The group adjourned to have a training class.

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- Southside Church of Christ**
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 (915) 453-2176
 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Worship
- Robert Lee Baptist Church**
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 Bro. Waide Messer, Pastor
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 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
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 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

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Sorosis club meeting

The Sorosis Club of Bronte met March 8, 2001 in the home of Diane Lockett. The meeting was called to order by president, Doris Sims. Sherry Soele read the minutes in the absence of the secretary, Fredna Moore. There were two sets of minutes. One was written as a fairy tale with members represented by characters from Disney, Mother Goose or cartoons. It was really cute.

Diane introduced our guest, Jackie Caperton Miller, who has just moved back to Bronte.

Diane Lockett reported on the nursing home birthday party. Due to illness among the residents at the nursing home, the Sorosis members were not able to go to the nursing home but took the cake and gifts to be distributed to the birthday celebrants and any who were able to participate.

Janet Wommack reported on the tickets for the play, "To Kill A Mockingbird". We are to let Janet know by March 18 if we are going and she will get the tickets. We decided to go on Friday, March 30.

The TFWC Spring Convention will be held in Mason, Tx on March 17. At this time we aren't sure we will have a representative.

The national convention will be in St. Paul, Minnesota, June 22 - 26. April 24 is GFWC day. Our president will be here for our May meeting.

Sherry Soele presented a program on medical care at the end of life. She called it, "A Stitch in Time Saves Nine". It was a most informative program. She impressed on us the need for each of us to make the choices now for how we want to be treated at a time when we may be unable to make the choices.

During the meeting there was a silent auction. Members would look at the items brought and write down a bid. There was a lot of good-natured bantering going on over some of the items. Everyone seemed to be pleased with their purchases and it made a good deal of money for the club.

The next meeting will be in the home of Swan Archinal. Her dad, Dub Hagler, will present a program on wood carving. He will display some of his work.

Members present: Swan Archinal, Marilyn Bivins, Celia Bowden, Jean Fancher, Mary Frances Glenn, Mary Glenn, Diane Lockett, Lou Ann Peters, Doris Sims, Sherry Soele and Janet Wommack. Swan Archinal won the door prize, some pinto bean seasoning.



Dolores McCabe of Robert Lee and Rachel A. Seal of Odessa, Texas, were married in the home of Bro. Roy Epperson in Ballinger, Texas, January 29, 2001.

The couple is making their home in Coke County in the Divide Community.

Euterpean club holds meeting

The Blackwell Euterpean Club met at the Methodist Fellowship Hall Thursday morning March 15th at 10:00. From there they traveled by car to San Angelo for lunch and a tour of the Museum of Fine Arts.

Members and guests enjoyed lunch at Jabberwocky's after which they headed for the museum. At the present time they have on exhibit Early New Mexico artists from the Mr. & Mrs. Robert McKee collection and the work of Swedish artist Ulla and Gustav Kraitz, outdoor ceramic sculpture.

Making the trip were Margaret Battle, Lillie Burwick, Collene Fletcher, Tommie Lucas, Hulene Magness and her daughter Janet Lisso and grand daughters Kallie and Kammie, Karen McBride, Gypsy McMullin, Heather Sanderson, Karen Saunders, Margaret Stout and her daughter Mary Lee, and Bobbie Varnadore.

Pastor Johnson attends conference

Pastor Erma Johnson of Victory Assembly of God attended a conference for Women in Ministry at Springfield, Mo. last week. Of the 2050 in attendance there were 193 Missionaries, 127

Educators, 94 Senior Pastors, 83 Children's Ministers, 74 Ministers of Music, 64 Evangelists, and 58 Youth Ministers. Others were ministerial students, pastors, wives, women's ministry leaders, church staff, Sunday School teachers and counselors. The three day conference offered five plenary sessions and 40 different workshops.

This was a time of encouragement as well as an opportunity to meet other women of the cloth.

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Robert Lee School News

RL Jr Hi girls track results

The Robert Lee Junior High girls participated in the Short-horn Relays in Bronte on March 8. The girls team place 5th with 71 points. Results are as follows:

Field events

High jump - 1st - Cara Eaton - 4' 8"
Shot put - 5th - Lindsey Roe - 22' 8 1/2"
Discus - 3rd - Carolina Vera - 62' 1"; 6th - Stacy Denton - 60' 10"
Long jump - 6th - Cassidy Wink - 11' 4"
Triple jump - 3rd - Brittany Soliz - 26' 2 1/2"

Running events

400 M relay - 3rd - Brittany Soliz, Lindsey Roe, Cassidy Wink, Cara Eaton - 59.12
800 M run - 3rd - Andra Braswell - 2:55.25; 6th - Michelle Sanchez - 3:02.88
800 M relay - 5th - Brittany Soliz, Becky Lockstedt, Cassidy Wink, Cara Eaton - 2:08.59
400 M dash - 4th - Michelle Sanchez - 1:16.88
200 M dash - 4th - Cara Eaton - 31.56
1600 M run - 5th - Stephanie Trejos - 8:06.03
1600 M relay - 3rd - Brittany Soliz, Becky Lockstedt, Alana Parker, Cassidy Wink - 5:06.75

Lady Steers track results

The Lady Steers participated in the Irion County track meet on March 9. Results are as follows:

Field events

Triple jump - 4th - Dixie Simpson - 32' 2 8"

Long jump - 4th - Rachele Mills - 15' 5 3"; 6th - Dixie Simpson - 15' 4"

High jump - 6th - Krystal Soliz - 4' 6"

Shot put - 1st - Bobbie Sparks - 34' 8"; 3rd - Amber Freeman - 32" 3.5"

Discus - 2nd - Bobbie Sparks - 107' 1"; 6th - Amber Freeman - 84' 6"

Running events

3200 M - 3rd - Monica Rodriguez - 14:06.32
400 M relay - 6th - Kindra Matthews, Krystal Soliz, Shanna Wojtek, Rachele Wallace - 56.27
800 M - 3rd - Dixie Simpson - 2:35.55
1600 M relay - 5th - Jodee Helwig, Shanna Wojtek, Rachele Mills, Dixie Simpson - 4:35.81

The Lady Steers also participated in the Menard track meet on March 17 with results as follows:

Field events

Triple jump - 2nd - Dixie Simpson - 33' 1 25"
Long jump - 5th - Dixie Simpson - 14' 10"
High jump - 6th - Krystal Soliz - 4' 8"

Running events

800 M run - 3rd - Dixie Simpson - 3:37.15
100 M hurdles - 5th - Misti Brothers - 18.65
200 M dash - 5th - Dixie Simpson - 28.55

RLJV boys track results

On March 10, the JV Steers entered the Silver Mine Relays at Menard.

Brian Abalos placed in 4 events: 2nd in high jump; 3rd in triple jump; 3rd in 110 meter hurdles and 3rd in the 300 meter hurdles.

Cole Flanagan placed in 3 events: 1st in the 100 meter dash; 1st in the 200 meter dash and 5th in long jump.

Steers varsity track results

The Robert Lee Varsity boys results from the Silver Mine Relays at Menard last Saturday are as follows:

Pole vault - 1st - Stewart Milligan
110 M hurdles - 2nd - Anson Lott
High jump - 3rd - Colby Eubanks
400 M relay - 5th - Brown, Ballew, Clendennen, Lott
Shot put - 5th - Cooper Riley
Discus - 5th - Cooper Riley
Triple jump - 5th - Colby Eubanks
100 M dash - 5th - Bret Ballew
300 M hurdles - 4th - Colby Eubanks
200 M dash - 6th - Anson Lott
1600 M relay - 6th - Pitcock, Ballew, Reyes, Eubanks

Lady Steers golf results

The Robert Lee girls golf team played in the San Saba Invitational Tournament over Spring Break and finished 5th out of 18 teams. The Lady Steers shot a team total of 389 as compared to the winning total of Lampasas' 367. Individual scores for the Lady Steers included: Dee Van Huss - 94; Dixie Simpson - 100; Whitney Millican - 98;

Shanna Wojtek - 97; Amber Brosh - 101; and Jennifer Nesbit - 117. The top five teams included (1) Lampasas - 367; (2) Baird - 380; (3) Copperas Cove - 384; (4) Hamilton - 386; and (5) Robert Lee - 389.

Robert Lee Golf Tournament results

The Lady Steers held their golf tournament on March 6. The Lady Steers finished 1st with a team total of 388. Medalists for Robert Lee include: 1st - Dixie Simpson - 93; 2nd - Whitney Millican - 95; winning the tie on play-off for 3rd - Dee Van Huss - 96; tie for 5th - Amber Brosh - 104; 7th - Shanna Wojtek - 107. Other Robert Lee scorers: Becky Welch - 139 and Jennifer Nesbit 117.

The Steers finished 5th for Robert Lee on March 7 with a team total of 352. Medalists for Robert Lee are as follows: 3-way tie for 1st - Solomon Saucedo 77; 10th - Beau Blair - 85. Other Robert Lee scorers: Stewart Millican 88; Taylor Clendennen - 102; Josh Alexander - 110; Colby Eubanks - 98; and Tim Messer - 130.

RL elementary book fair

Another Book Fair is coming to Robert Lee Elementary on March 27 - 29. Everyone will find plenty of items to choose from that will be educational and entertaining.

There will be a special Family Event on March 29 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm that will feature a special guest, snacks, and door prizes. There will also be a Living Museum presented by the fourth and fifth grade classes that same evening. Everyone is welcome.

When you visit the fair, look for the "Classroom Wish List"

to see how you can help build your child's classroom library. The Book Fair helps us promote learning while raising money for the school libraries.

Don't miss out on this fun-filled event. See you at the Book Fair!

RL parenting workshop scheduled

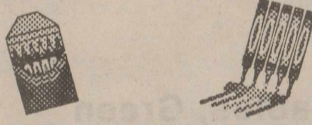
On March 26, April 2, 9, and 23, Misty Dillon of the Tom Green County Juvenile Justice Center will facilitate the Robert Lee Parenting Workshop. The workshop sessions will be held at 6:30 pm in the Robert Lee ISD cafeteria. All classes are free. Childcare is provided at the school. Refreshments will be served. Ms. Dillon encourages all parents to come and learn how to improve parenting skills. The topics to be covered are Communication, Positive Discipline, Positive Self-Esteem, and Anger Management. If you need additional information, please call Lindsey Wallace at 453-4556.

Gifted program accepting nominations

Robert Lee ISD is accepting nominations for the 2001-2002 gifted and talented program. Students currently enrolled in 1st - 11th grades are eligible for nomination. Any community member who is aware of a student's potential may submit nominations. Nomination forms are available by contacting Lindsay Treadaway at 453-4555. All nominations are due on or before March 30, 2001.

Easter Sunday can fall on any date from March 22 to April 25th. The year-to-year sequence is so complicated that it takes 5.7 million years to repeat.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

Monday, March 26
Orange juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk
Tuesday, March 27
Orange juice, muffin, cereal, milk
Wednesday, March 28
Orange juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk
Thursday, March 29
Orange juice, burrito, cereal, milk
Friday, March 30
Orange juice, donut, cereal, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 26
Chicken spaghetti, salad, carrots, rolls, pineapple, milk
Tuesday, March 27
Salisbury steak, macaroni & cheese, green peas, rolls, fruit cocktail, milk
Wednesday, March 28
Chalupas, lettuce/tomatoes, fresh fruit, tator tots, milk
Thursday, March 29
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Bronte Longhorn Track Results

Irion County Track Meet -
Varsity Division
 400 M Relay - 2nd, Jesse McClure, Henry White, Steve Eldred, Josh Schoenfield
 100 M. Hurdles - 3rd. Henry White
 100 Meters - 1st. Jesse McClure
 400 Meters - 4th. Josh Schoenfield
 200 Meters - 1st. Jesse McClure
 1600 M. Relay - 3rd. Ryan McCorkle, Zeb Speary, Dalton Graves, Josh Schoenfield
 Shot Put - 4th. Steve Eldred
 Triple Jump - 2nd. Josh Schoenfield; 4th. Jesse McClure
 High Jump - 2nd. Ryan McCorkle; 4th. Josh Schoenfield
JV Division
 400 M. Relay - 2nd. Kevin Huddleston, Cody Lee, Tyson Baker, Garrett Fiveash
 100 Meters - 4th. Garrett Fiveash
 200 Meters - 5th. Cody Lee
 1600 Meters - 5th. Kevin Huddleston
 1600 M. Relay - 2nd. Garrett Fiveash, Tyson Baker, Chase Williams, Cody Lee
 Shot Put - 1st. Scott Snyder
 Triple Jump - 4th. Garrett Fiveash
 High Jump - 1st. Cody Lee
Varsity Girls
 Shot Put - Lindsay Springer, 30' 7 1/2"
 High Jump - 4th. Codi Monsey, 4' 10"; Lauren Williams, 4' 6"; Britney McCutchen, 4' 2"
 Long Jump - 1st. Codi Monsey, 16' 9 1/2"; Natasha Reed, 14' 3 1/2"
 Triple Jump - Ashley Torres, 27' 8 1/2"
 400 M. Relay - 3rd. Natasha Reed, Stormy White, Kala

Arrott, Codi Monsey, 52.97
 800 M. Run - 4th. Crissie McCoulskey, 2:35.00
 100 M. Hurdles - Kayla Hilliard, 19.01; Britney McCutchen, 21.3; Angie Harrell, 22.7
 100 Meters - 3rd. Kala Arrott, 14.07; 5th. Kanah Coalson, 14.12
 800 M. Relay - 3rd. Natasha Reed, Kala Arrott, Stormy White, Lauren Williams, 1:53.65
 400 Meters - 1st. Codi Monsey, 64.13; 4th. Crissie McCoulskey, 66.74; Jenna Herold, 69.4
 300 M. Hurdles - Ashley Torres, 57.4; Kelly Cooper, 57.41; Heather Richey, 58.00
 200 Meters - 2nd. Stormy White, 28.99; 5th. Lauren Williams, 29.5; Britney McCutchen, 30.77
 1600 Meters - 3rd. Kailey Howell, 6:19.65
 1600 M. Relay - Natasha Reed, Britney McCutchen, Jenna Herold, Codi Monsey, 4:29.1

Bronte JH Girls Track results from Shorthorn Relays

Discus - 1st. Ashleigh Kelly, 26' 3.5;
 Long Jump - 4th. Calli Johnson, 11' 7"; 5th. Christian Kelly, 11' 7"
 Triple Jump - 4th. Cheyenne Webb, 25'9.25"
 High Jump - 2nd. Lilly McMullan, 4'6"
 400 M. Relay - 2nd. Calli Johnson, Lilly McMullan, Cheyenne Webb, Christian Kelly, 57.87
 800 Meters - 4th. Rebecca Rawlings, 2:55:50
 100 M. Hurdles - 1st. Lilly McMullan, 18.70
 100 Meters - 3rd. Calli Johnson, 14.22
 300 M. Hurdles - 5th. Ryan

Martinez, 1:03:22
 200 Meters - 2nd. Cheyenne Webb, 30.06; 6th. Sarah Basquez, 32.23
 1600 Meters - 1st. Rebecca Rawlings, 6:57.36
 1600 M. Relay - 5th. Calli Johnson, Lilly McMullan, Cheyenne Webb, Christian Kelly, 5:10.32

Bronte High School News

Bronte High School seniors have received financial support in the past from the school and community for college scholarships. The scholarship fund has generated over \$7,000.00 through donations locally by private individuals, the school, and businesses. As college costs rise, students need financial assistance in as many ways as possible. Many students will apply and receive federal aid, which is need-based to help offset expenses. Not all students are eligible to receive aid through the federal government. The following have contributed to our scholarship fund and have helped many deserving students continue their education: First National Bank Scholarship - \$2,000; Bronte ISD Faculty Scholarship - \$1,500; Elmer and Janet Hurley Scholarship - \$500; BHS Sports Boosters Scholarship - \$600; Pat and Martin Lee Christian Athlete Scholarship - \$500; Bronte

Chamber of Commerce Scholarship - \$150; Eastern Star Scholarship - \$265; Sorosis Club Scholarship - \$250; Lion's Club Scholarship - \$500. Students in the past have received scholarships from Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Angelo State University's Carr Scholarship program. This school year, Wackenhut Juvenile Facility will be donating a \$1,000 scholarship to the local fund.

Students will apply to the college of their choice and could possibly receive scholarships from this source. The valedictorian will receive tuition only for the first year. Students are supplied scholarship lists that are received from the guidance counselor's office which are duplicated for them to apply. Many resources to search for scholarships are included in their career notebook.

Any business or individuals interested in contributing to the Bronte High School Scholarship fund can contact Vicky McCutchen, Guidance Counselor at 473-2521.

School on Monday, March 5, after school. The following students and their events were as follows:

Clayton Acker - Number Sense, Math, Science; Elizabeth Morgan - Calculator, Math; Brandon Poehls - Science; Jade Richards - Number Sense, Math, Science; Scott Snyder - Calculator; Joe'l Sefcik - Calculator, Science; Lindsay Springer - Calculator, Science; Casey McKee - Number Sense, Math; and Logan Acker - Number Sense, Math.

Awards were presented to: Clayton Acker - 10th, Number Sense; Elizabeth Morgan - 10th, Calculator; Jade Richards - 8th, Mathematics; 11th, Science; Joe'l Sefcik - Top Physics Award.

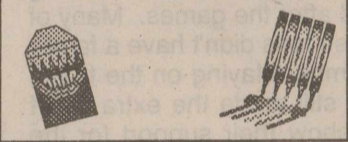
All classifications from 1A to 5A competed against each other at this meet.

The District UIL Academic Contest will be held Saturday, March 31, in Eden.

 Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.
 Nathaniel Hawthorne

Students attend practice UIL meet at Wall
 A practice Math/Science meet was held at Wall High

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast
Monday, March 26
 Cereal, Sliced Peaches, Donut, Milk
Tuesday, March 27
 Cheese Toast, Hashbrowns, Teddy Grahams, Milk
Wednesday, March 28
 Scrambled Eggs, Apple Juice, Toast, Milk
Thursday, March 29
 French Toast Sticks, Grape Juice, Biscuit, Milk
Friday, March 29
 Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Toast, Milk
Lunch
Monday, March 26
 Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Sweet Corn, Rolls, Sugar Cookies, Milk
Tuesday, March 27
 Corn Dogs, Tator Tots, Baked Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Applesauce Cake, Milk
Wednesday, March 28
 Spud Day - Chili & Cheese, Baked Potato, Steamed Broccoli, Crackers, Jello, Milk
Thursday, March 29
 Chick-Fil-Lay Sandwich, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Bun, Cinnamon Roll, Milk
Friday, March 29
 Chicken Fajita, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Peppers & Onions, Flour Tortilla, Ice Cream Cups, Milk

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Home - 453-4748
33a-tnc

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33a-2tp

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GARAGE SALE
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CARD OF THANKS

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS
our gratefulness and the appreciation for all the food, plants, and prayers in our time of sorrow. A special thanks to the Rev. Curry for such a beautiful service and the First Baptist Church in Blackwell for the wonderful meal.
The Magness Family
34a-1tp

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS
my sincere thanks for all the acts of kindness shown during the loss of my wife, Joann. Thanks for the prayers, calls, visits, cards, food and flowers. A special thanks to the Robert Lee Care Center for all the loving care shown Joann, and to all the ladies who prepared lunch for the family. Thanks to Hospice and Chaplain Mike Burson for the service and to J. C. Wallace for the beautiful music.
Robert Reese
Bill & Freda Rabb
34a-1tp

THE 6TH GRADE
YMCA basketball team the Dunkers, their coaches, and families would like to extend their thanks to all the many people who made the trips to San Angelo and Ballinger to watch the girls play, and gave their support before, during and after the games. Many of these fans didn't have a family member playing on the team, but still made the extra effort to show their support for the team and this was another reason for the girls' winning season.
34a-1tc

NOTICES

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DEE THURMAN McCLESKEY, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DEE THURMAN McCLESKEY were issued on March 16, 2001, in Cause No. 1582 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to: DEEANNA McCLESKEY BOGUSCH
The residence of such Executor is Johnson County, Texas. The mailing address for the Executrix is:
DEEANNA McCLESKEY BOGUSCH
C/O NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
Attorney-at-Law
PO Box 970
Robert Lee, TX 76945
915/453-2576
FAX: 915/453-2577
All persons having claims against this Estate which is

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currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED: March 16, 2001

NANCY FIREBAUGH
ARTHUR
Attorney for the Estate
34a-1tc

PROCLAMATION OF APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination in housing and declares it a national policy to provide, within constitutional limits, for fair housing in the United States; and

WHEREAS the principle of Fair Housing is not only national law and national policy, but a fundamental human concept and entitlement for all Americans; and

WHEREAS the anniversary of this National Fair Housing Law, provides an opportunity for all Americans to recognize that complete success in the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help and cooperation of all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, do proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Robert Lee, and do hereby urge all the citizens of this locality to become aware of and support the Fair Housing law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have affixed our signatures and seal on this 19th day of March, 2001.

Garland Davis
Mayor, City of Robert Lee
Witness:
Kay Torres
City Secretary
34a-1tc

ORDINANCE #1109

STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF ROBERT LEE
COKE COUNTY
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING
A BUDGET AND
APPROPRIATING
RESOURCES FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
APRIL 1, 2001, AND ENDING
MARCH 31, 2002.

WHEREAS, PURSUANT to the laws of the State of Texas for General Law Cities, the budget covering proposed expenditures for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2001, and ending March 31, 2002, was prepared by the City Secretary and notice of public hearing on the same was provided as required, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the City Council of the City of Robert Lee on said budget on March 19, 2001, at which time said budget was fully considered, and interested taxpayers present were heard by the City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE, TEXAS:

I.
That the budget estimate of the revenues and expenditures for the City of Robert Lee, Texas, as presented by the City Secretary and appropriated by the City Council for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2001, and ending March 31, 2002, be and it is hereby adopted for such fiscal year.

II.
The the sum of One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Three Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars (\$151,347.00) is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund Revenues for the payment of operating expenses and capital outlay of the City Government as set forth in the budget.

III.
That the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars, (\$238,488.00) is hereby appropriated out of the Water Department revenues for the payment of operating expenses and capital outlay of

the City Water enterprise as set forth in the budget.

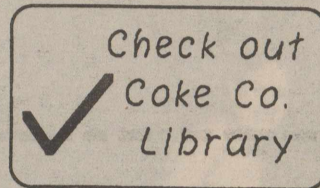
IV.
That the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$78,441.00) is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer fund reserves for the payment of operating expenses and capital outlay of the City Sewer Utility enterprise as set forth in the budget.

V.
That the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars, (\$86,875.00) is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitation revenues for the payment of operating expenses for the City Landfill and Sanitation enterprise of the City as set forth in the budget.

That this ordinance be in full force and take effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas, upon first and final reading on the 19th day of March, 2001, with a vote of 5 ayes, and 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

CITY OF ROBERT LEE:
GARLAND DAVIS, MAYOR
ATTEST:
KAY TORRES
CITY SECRETARY
34a-1tc



Library receives Bible Basics

Recently a copy of Bible Basics: A Study Manual, has been received at the Coke County Library from Surrey, England. The book is a memorial to Michelle Jamieson, a missionary of Newcastle in the Fiji Islands. The family requested donations for the purchase of this book. It is interesting to wonder how our Library was selected as a recipient for this memorial from a place so far away.

Also donated to the Library recently is a copy of "The Queen Thou Gavest Me" by Burt Blanton, which tells of his meeting Naomi Lee Adams

Powell and their subsequent marriage and life together. Mrs. Powell will be remembered by the earlier generations of Robert Lee.

The Coke County Library is appreciative of any historical publication having to do with people or places in this region. It is hoped that a collection of regional material can be built to the point that the library is a first-step in genealogical research in this area.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesday, 8-4; Thursday, 1-5; Friday, 8-12. Story Hour is Tuesday Morning at 10:00. All three-year-olds are welcomed to begin at any time.

San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society to meet

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, April 3, 2001 at the Church of Christ at 901 Main St., fellowship hall, in San Angelo.

The meetings are free to visitors, for more information please call 655-6594.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this notice: March 8, 2001, in the

The Observer-Enterprise newspaper, published in Coke county.

1. Notice is hereby given that the West Central Texas Weather Modification Association has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below.
2. The West Central Texas Weather Modification Association has applied for a valid Texas weather modification license.
3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall to affect the area of the West Central Texas Weather Modification Association. The requested period of the permit is four years from April 1, 2001.
4. The purpose of the proposed weather modification operation is to increase rainfall to increase surface water runoff to streams and lakes, increase recharge of ground water, increase soil moisture for agriculture, and reduce the water demands on ground and surface water sources.
5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an operational area and a target area to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is composed of the following counties: Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Nolan, Runnels, Taylor, Coke, Concho, Irion, McCulloch, Mitchell, Sterling, and Tom Green.
6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described by the area contained in the following counties: Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Nolan, Runnels, Taylor, and Coke County excluding the areas between Highways 208 and 158.
7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein. A meteorologist licensed by TNRCC to conduct weather modification operations will select suitable clouds for cloud seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analyses and forecast techniques, and observations to guide aircraft to initiate the release of cloud seeding particles at cloud base and into cloud tops to affect the growth and development of cumuliform clouds. The licensed meteorologist will direct one or more aircraft equipped with flare racks or generators to dispense either glaciogenic, such as silver iodide crystals, or hygroscopic seeding materials into selected clouds to perform seeding operations.
8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact George Bomar, MC-60, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin TX 78711-3087, 512 239-0770.
9. A public meeting on this application may be called by mailing a petition that requests a meeting to the Executive Director, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin TX 78711-3087. The petition must contain 1) the signature, full name, address, and phone number of each person requesting the meeting, 2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in the operational area, and 3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for meeting must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the last date the Notice of Intention is published in week one of the mandatory three-week period required by 289.17(j) of Commission rules. If at least 25 eligible persons make written requests, the Commission shall hold a public meeting on an application prior to issuance of a permit.

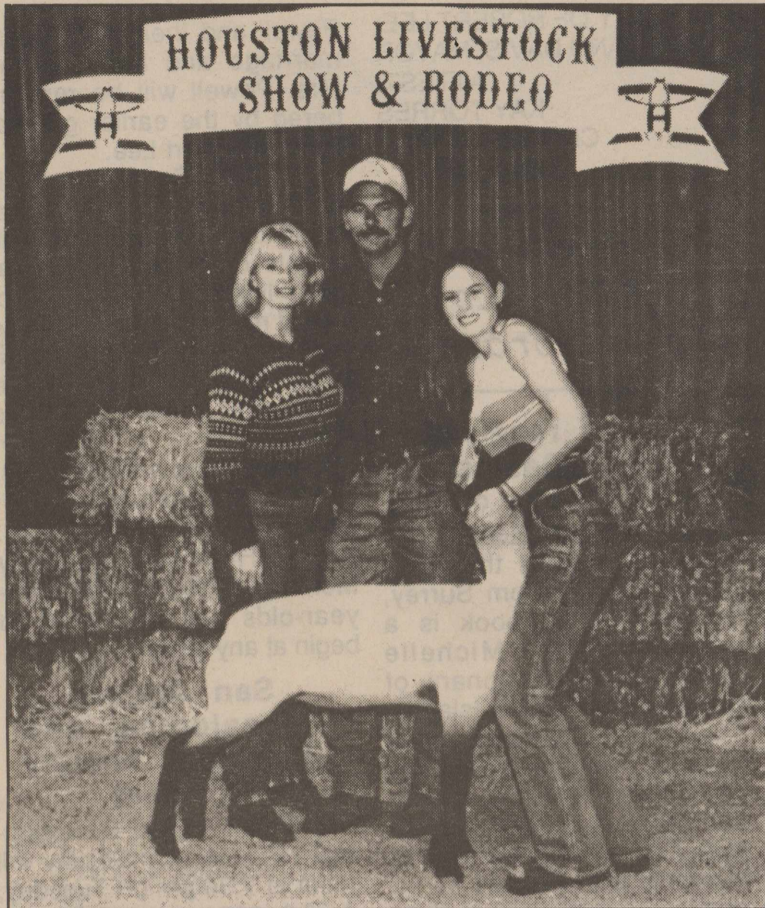
Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting procedures, should call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1 800 687-4040. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Council, MC-103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin TX 78711-0087, 512 239-6363.

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Angela Caudle, a Junior at Early High School, recently placed 10th in the Medium wool division at the Houston Livestock show. She is also one of the four members of the Early FFA that won 2nd place in the Herdsman Award. Angela is the daughter of David and Jannette Caudle of Early and the granddaughter of J. W. and Sue Caudle of Bronte.

CC retired teachers meet

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association met for a noon luncheon Monday, March 19, 2001. The meeting was held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Janet Wommack, president, presided at the business meeting. Paul Gothard, legislative chairperson, reported on the status of state bills on health insurance and annuity increases. Nina Brewer, community service chairperson, reported that unit members had a total of 26,889 volunteer hours for the past year. The number of youth-related hours was 882.

Bette McCutchen and Beth Prather will deliver cookies brought by the unit members. The cookies will be placed in workroom of the Bronte and Robert Lee schools.

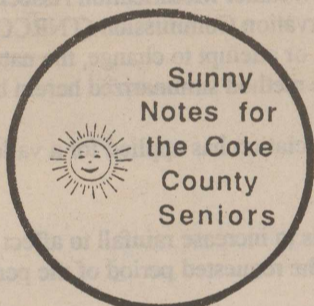
Members voted to buy two books to be presented to the Bronte and Robert Lee schools. Bette McCutchen will direct this project.

Rick Howell, Bronte High School principal, extended the invitation for the unit members to meet at the high school Ag building Tuesday, April 17, 2001. They will be guests at a luncheon honoring J. T. and Sybil Henry. The Ag building is being named in honor of J. T. Henry, former Bronte Ag teacher. The plaque bearing the name of the building will be unveiled at this meeting.

Mary Lawhon, treasurer, announced that yearly dues will be due at the April and May meetings.

Attending the Monday meeting were 26 members and five guests. Members: C. B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Norma Barker, Emma Lee Bickley, Jimmy Bickley, R. W. Blackmon, Jamie Boren, Oleta Braswell, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Jean Fancher, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, Luther Guffy, J. T. Henry, Sybil Henry, Mary Lawhon, Bette McCutchen,

Ida Lou Oliphant, Beth Prather, Kenneth Rasco, Fay Roe, Bettye Smith, Janet Wommack, Lee Wommack. Guests: Paul Evans, Rick Howell, Morris Johnson, Terry Marris, and Alan Richey.



Thunderbird Van

The Thunderbird van goes to San Angelo on Tuesday each week. We invite you to take advantage of this courtesy of the Concho Valley Council of Governments Transportation. This is available, not only for seniors, but for persons of all ages. We have a very capable and kind driver. Make your appointments for Tuesday and come join us. Call the Bronte Senior Center at 473-6471 for reservations.



COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

**Activity Checklist
Trees, Shrubs and Vines:**

Make sure you wait until your spirea has finished blooming before you prune it back. This plant blooms on last year's wood, so it is important not to prune it until the flowers are gone.

You do not need to cut your crepe myrtles way back this spring in order for them to flower well later this summer. While many gardeners traditionally prune their crepe myrtles heavily each spring, it is actually better for the plants if they are just lightly shaped, rather than heavily cut back. This light shaping allows them to develop several large, graceful, flowing trunks, rather than masses of tiny shoots that often sprout from harshly cut stems.

Once all danger of frost has passed in your area, cut your autumn sage and Mexican bust sage back to within several inches of the ground. This pruning will allow them to sprout back more fully once they start growing again this season.

Make sure any new trees you have planted are well-staked. While some gardeners say it is better to let young trees sway in the wind in order to strengthen their trunks, staking prevents new trees from being blown over by strong spring winds. Thread the wire you are using to secure your tree to its stakes through pieces of old garden hose so that the wire does not come in contact with any part of the tree. T-posts (also used as fence posts) make sturdy, long lasting stakes, and are especially good for medium-to-large-sized trees.

Keep your overall landscape plan in mind this season as you add new plants to your garden. Having a master plan is important to keep your garden from taking on a disorganized look. Even if you are not able to install all of your design at one time, it is still a good idea to draw one up, referring to it each time you install additional plants.

If you do not have room in

your garden for ornamental grasses, try growing them in containers. These drought-tolerant plants do well in containers, as long as they are set in loose soil that is watered each time it dries out.

Lawns and Grounds:

As you start mowing your lawn again this spring, make sure you do not cut it too short. It is better to leave your lawn slightly on the long side than to cut it too close, as doing so makes the crowns of the lawn much more likely to be sunburned. If you are growing a common Bermuda grass lawn, try keeping it 1/2 to 1 inch tall; improved Bermuda such as Tif 419 should be kept slightly shorter

**WTRC Spring
Chicken Affair**

Giant tents will soon appear on the San Angelo skyline, thousands of pieces of chicken will be fried and hundreds of friends of West Texas Rehabilitation Center will converge on San Angelo for the 19th Annual Spring Chicken Affair. This year's event has been slated for Sunday, April 22, from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Tickets for the Spring Chicken Affair are available in advance at the Rehab Center, San Angelo National Bank and HEB Food Store. Tickets will also be available at the event, which will be held behind SANB at 3453 Knickerbocker Road.

West Texas Rehab Center is a non-profit organization which, through its facilities in San Angelo, Abilene, and Ozona, provides outpatient rehabilitation care each year to approximately 17,000 children and adults with disabling illnesses and injuries.

at 1/4 to 3/4 of an inch tall. St. Augustine lawns do well if they are grown from 2 to 3 inches tall, while Zoysia is at its best when it is mowed from 3/4 to 1 1/2 inches tall.

Avoid spreading pure sand on your lawn this spring. While this practice has been common in the past, it is actually better to use compost or week-seed-free soil mixed with compost as a top-dressing on your lawn. Compost will help to provide nutrients for your lawn and will not form a hard crust on your grass like sand will. Purchase your soil and compost from a reputable dealer so you will know there are no weed seeds in the material they sell you. Buying less expensive "bargain" soil will not save you money in the long run if you must spend time and money fighting all the new weeds that later sprout from it.

Ranch Ball

West Texas Boys Ranch invites you to the 30th annual Ranch Ball benefiting the boy care program. A real working ranch located 17 miles from San Angelo, West Texas Boys Ranch provides boys 6 to 17 a Christian home environment when circumstances do not allow them to live at home.

The Ranch Ball will be held Saturday, March 31 at the Concho Pavilion.

For ticket prices, to make reservations or for more information, please call Aron Horton at 915-949-1936.

**Inmates to work for
City of Bronte**

Inmates will be working for the City of Bronte the weeks of March 19-23 and March 26-30th.

The inmates will be mowing and cleaning the cemetery, building fences and picking up trash.

Anyone wanting to donate cookies, brownies and drinks can contact Pat or Lori at the City Hall, 473-3501.

Donations to help pay for meals are also appreciated.

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