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Coke County Championship "kicks off" tonight at Bronte

by Hal Spain

For the second year in a row, football season in Coke County will start out with a bang, as the Bronte Longhorns will host the Robert Lee Steers at 8:00 pm in the season opener for both clubs. This game has come to be known over time as the Coke County Championship.

In years past, with both teams in the same district, this was a district contest with a lot on the line usually for both ball clubs. As a result of a district realignment in 1998, the teams were placed in separate districts, making the outcome of tonight's opener not nearly as important as far as the district standings are concerned. That, however, has not decreased the intensity level of the players or the fans in this annual contest.

We talked with both head coaches this week, and got some of their comments regarding the upcoming season.

Concerning their scrimmages with Rotan and Garden City, head coach Rocky Rawls at Bronte indicated that the coaches were pleased with the way the kids had performed. Robert Lee head coach Ray Brown stated that the Steers performed better

Robert Lee Street Affair

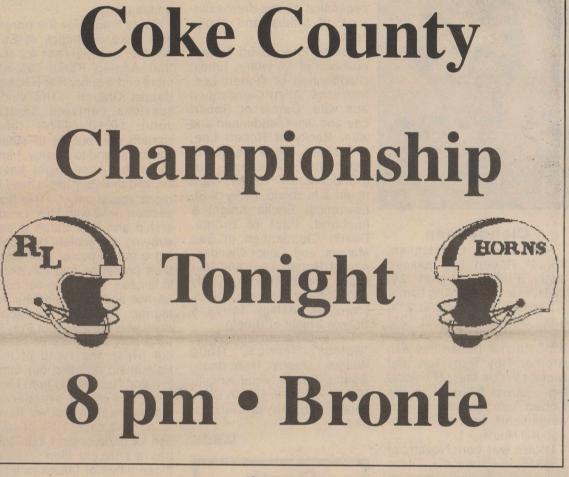
In connection with The Street Affair to be held Saturday, October 20 in downtown Robert Lee, a map of the town and the area has been printed. In expectation of visitors to the area during this occasion, the map will be distributed to local offices and businesses. The map is a temporary solution to a lack of information for visitors to the community. It is hoped that a more professional map and brochure can be secured in the future; however, funding is not available at this time. Anyone who has expertise or suggestions in this area is encouraged to call City Hall with their thoughts on the brochure. Any mistakes or changes will be corrected when there is a second printing.

in the first scrimmage against Rising Star, with both the offense and defense on schedule with their development. In the second scrimmage with Cross Plains, Coach Brown indicated that the Steers started out a little sluggish, but picked it up and looked a little better later on during the contest.

Injuries seem to be comparable with both clubs, as Rawls stated that they had one athlete out with a bad shoulder, which should take about four weeks to heal up. Coach Brown stated that two-way starter Sean Edging was injured early, and will be day-today concerning the opening game. The Steers have also had some ankle injuries and some sickness to deal with.

Concerning the major strengths and weaknesses of the two clubs, Coach Rawls stated that their major strengths were the work habits of the Horns and their winning tradition. He also thought the leadership of the five seniors on this year's squad was another positive factor. He cited inexperience as a major weakness of this year's team, with 19 of 26 team members being freshmen and sophomores. He indicated that the Horns were filling a lot of spots, and should progress some each week during the season.

Coach Brown stated that the Steers may be a little quicker and faster than they have been in the past. They've got a good attitude and have been a lot of fun to work with. On the negative side, the Steer club lacks depth due to a shortage of athletes playing football this year. He also cited a need to solidify the offensive line play during the course of the season.



sponded well and are anxious to get the season underway.

To the fans, players, and coaches, this is indeed a very important game tonight. But the larger goal for both teams is to make the playoffs, and that is a goal that all of Coke County can get behind and support both clubs. Best of luck to both teams tonight and in the upcoming season.

Dove Season opens Saturday

white feathers on the lower side of the wings around yards and pastures. Usually that white is not always apparent when the birds are in flight. Texas Parks & Wildlife officials have been preparing for this with rules the last few years by adding the white wings, and the less visible white - tips (also called white fronted) doves to the daily bag limits. The total bag limit (12 for this year) may include mourning doves, white -

Gospel Singing Sunday

The regular community gospel singing will be held Sunday, Sept. 2, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

City offices closed for holiday

he Robert Lee City Hall

The map will help visitors find RV parking, business needs, parks, and scenic routes in the area. Coach Rawls ended the interview by commending this year's athletes on being very coachable, and stating that they were expecting good things from their players, with their goal set for making the playoffs.

Coach Brown indicated that the major contender in their district this year is no doubt, Roscoe, with Garden City as another major foe. He concluded by saying that this year's athletes have reby Joan Davis

We knew Monday, without looking at the calendar, that the opening of the 2001-2002 dove season was close. We have been seeing good numbers of resident birds since spring - now we get a much - needed rain. It's traditional.

Opening day is set for Saturday, Sept. 1, in Coke County and surrounding counties in the Central Zone of the state. The regular season will last through Oct. 28; the short winter season will be Dec. 26 through Jan. 6, 2002.

One of the changes in Coke County dove hunting has been building for some years the northward movement of the white - winged dove. The more common mourning dove has always been the mainstay here. I know many of you have noticed the bigger doves with the distinctive

winged and, not more than two white - tips.

If you have not bought your new hunting license, do that now. To qualify for dove hunting on your license, the clerk will ask a few simple questions of the hunter and the abbreviated "HIP"

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Bronte bible club to begin study

The House of Faith Bible Club in Bronte will start on Tuesday, Sept. 4th. It will start at 3:45 and end at 5:00. Children age 4 through 6th grade are encouraged to attend.

Courthouse closed for holiday

The Coke County courthouse in Robert Lee will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3, in observance of Labor Day. Business will resume on Tuesday at 8:00 am. Office will be closed Monday, Sept. 3, in observance of Labor Day. Business will resume on Tuesday at 8:00 am.

I ne Robert Lee Landfill will be closed Saturday, Sept. 1, in observance of Labor Day.

Hometown Hardware to serve as drop-off location for newspaper

The Bronte office of the Observer/Enterprise will be closed until such time as the building can be rented and reopened. During this period of time, Hometown Hardware has agreed to serve as a dropoff location for all your local newspaper ads and stories.

Bronte school news will be picked up at the school, the same as in the past.

If you have a question with an ad or story, give us a call at 453-2433.

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---- Obituaries----



Clendennen

Anna Louise Clendennen, 85, of Robert Lee passed away Friday, August 24, 2001, in a local nursing home.

Services were held at 2:00 pm, Sunday August 26, 2001, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church in Robert Lee with Brother Roy Epperson and Brother Waide Messer officiating. Burial followed in the Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Louise was born November 7, 1915, in Panhandle, Texas to Arch and Annie Bryan. She attended elementary schools in Panhandle, Texas and Tabernash, Colorado and was able to skip 2nd grade. She graduated from Amarillo High School in 1931.

Louise married Ernest Clendennen on September 8, 1934, in Amarillo, Texas. They moved to Los Angeles, CA in 1941, while Ernest was serving in the Merchant Marines during WWII. Louise worked in a ladies dress shop and later for Northrup Aircrafts performing secretarial duties. The couple moved back to Amarillo in 1946 and to San Angelo in 1947. In 1949, they moved to Silver, Texas at the beginning of the oil boom and they moved to Robert Lee in 1984. Her passions in life were her family and watching her grandchildren participate in all of their extra curricular activities. She also enjoyed crossword and jigsaw puzzles and always made family members put a piece in the puzzle before they could eat! She and Ernest enjoyed many years of travel and always looked forward to planning their next adventure. she was involved in politics and loved a good battle. She was never embarrassed to let everyone know her opinion even when her position was

unpopular. She had many letters published in the Editorial pages that always drew a barrage of letters and phone calls.

Louise is survived by her husband of 66 years, Ernest Clendennen of Robert Lee: two sons, Allen Clendennen and wife, Carole of Robert Lee and Jim Clendennen and wife, Becky of Robert Lee; one sister, Alyce Decker of Scottsdale, Arizona; four grandchildren, Becky Halfmann & husband, Ricky of St. Lawrence, Ericka Knight & husband, Paul of Bronte, Dustin Clendennen of San Marcos, and Taylor Clendennen of Robert Lee; and four great grandchildren, Cody and Kortney Halfmann of St. Lawrence, Ashley Torres & Brayde Knight of Bronte.

The pallbearers were C. R. "Butch" Service, Doug Wilkes, Donny Robertson, Donnie Devoll, Paul Knight, Ricky Halfmann, Dustin Clendennen, and Taylor Clendennen.

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Death Notices

Strength - Strength Double graveside services were held at 4 pm Thursday, August 23, in Fort Parker Cemetery at Groesbeck for Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Strength.

Wesley James Strength, 66, and Barbara Nell Strength, 69, both of Oak Creek Lake, died Monday, Aug. 20, 2001, and Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2001, respectively, at their residence. Survivors for Wesley Strength include daughters Lettie Maddux of Lubbock and Lisa Church of Canyon; and brother, L.N. Strength of Tyler.

...Dove Season

(Harvest Information Program) will appear to allow you to legally take dove. Due to the good number of white - wings, which are not quickly identified in flight, the hunter should purchase separately the white - winged dove stamp for \$7.00. Locals are limited on places to purchase

FBC men attend Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment

Thirteen men from First Baptist Church in Bronte participated in a Men's Retreat on Friday and Saturday, August 24th and 25th. The retreat was held at the Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment at Lake Brownwood. Activities included a hamburger cookout on Friday evening, four study sessions, and lots of visiting and relaxing.

Study leader for the retreat was Mike Hitchcock of San Angelo, a supervisor for the San Angelo Parks Department and a deacon at Hillcrest Baptist Church. The study sessions centered around John 10:10, "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." The first session dealt with Male Leadership and how Satan is destroying our society by stealing a man's power with God, their presence and influence in families, and killing our confidence and destroying our integrity. The other sessions dealt with the Power of Prayer (experiencing God's power in our lives), the Head of the Household (leading our family), and Recovering from Failure (how we all experience those times we feel we have failed and cannot be of any use for good or God, but God has a different idea - using those times of failure to lead to a greater usability by God than ever before. Times of worshipe through singing, praying, and sharing were also enjoyed by all attending.

The men shared their experiences on the retreat with the congregation at First Baptist on Sunday morning. They also sang the theme song for the retreat, "Carry the Torch."

Men participating in the retreat included C.B. Barbee, Ray Barnett, Steve Clark, Martin DeLaGarza, Elmer Hurley, Morris Johnson, Corby Kelso, Wendell Lee, Scotty Mc-Corkle, Clifton Reed, Mike Saunders, Donnie Thompson, and Wayne Worley.

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new licenses - Jimmy's Automotive & Tires, Robert Lee Paint Creek Marina and Wildcat Marina, both at Lake Spence. Be sure to pick up copies of the 2001-2002 TPWL Outdoor Annual guide; I can't over - emphasize that. It's all in there and it's free.

Since shotgunners probably last hunted quail with those guns, remember to plug back to a 3 - shot capacity for the migratory birds. Hunting hours for doves are one half hour before sunrise to sunset. One of the biggest differences for migratory birds (doves, ducks, geese, sandhill cranes and a few others) is that baiting is not allowed. Baiting is defined as feeding a specific area to lure birds in for shooting. Regular agriculture practices are allowed, so hunt over these fields, pastures, etc. Deer hunters who have begun feeding operations need to exercise caution about hunting doves over those areas, particularly in the winter season, when actively attending feeders. One last longtime regulation is concerning using a motor - driven vehicle to stir birds up for shooting; this is prohibited.

I believe we will enjoy periods of good hunting this year; maybe better than in the last several years. Hunt near sunflowers, weedy areas, and standing water. Camouflage probably is not required but colors that blend (avoid white) are helpful. Standing or sitting in the shade of over hanging mesquites and cedars are good, too.

Every hunter, including out - of -staters, born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 must complete a Hunter Education Training course and carry proof of certification when hunting. Cost is \$10.00.

It will be a nice change this dove season that it opens on a Saturday, and with a Monday holiday, hunters may enjoy a three - day hunt.

Buckle up project

The West Coke County EMS, SAFE Kids Coalition, and the Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council on Trauma sponsored a Car Seat Check in Coke County on Thursday, August 9th. The weather was extremely hot, which was probably the cause of the low turnout. schools, stores and the community helped to advertise. Refreshments were served by the West Coke County EMS.

Due to the efforts of those involved, 16 car seats were checked. They distributed 6 seats due to recalls on the ones in use and one seat to a child who arrived without one.

The event was a success in that the participants that were seen, left with their children properly restrained and West Coke County EMS was able to assist with some valuable one on one education.

New laws regarding seat belts and safety seats go into effect September 1, 2001. Anyone in the vehicle under 17 years of age must use a seat belt. Age is no longer the only factor on car seats. A child who is younger than four years of age and less than 36 inches in height must be secured in a car seat. If you have any questions, contact the Sheriff's Department or the Justice of Peace. Be safe. Buckle up.

SA Historical & Genealogy society

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical society will meet at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2001 at the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street, San Angelo, in the fellowship hall.

For more information call Portia Davis 655-6494.

Churches of Robert Lee

Invite You to Worship **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 •1019 Colorado City Hwy (915) 453-2360 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm **First United Methodist Church** PO Box 144 •9th & Chadbourne (915) 453-2417 Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Wed. 7 pm Choir **Northside Church of Christ** PO Box 388 •9th & Chadbourne (915) 453-2619 or 453-2270

(915) 453-2619 or 453-2270 Tommy Williams, Minister Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm; Wed. 7 pm Pecan Baptist

PO Box 542 •12 W. Sterling City Hwy (915) 453-4645 Boy Dala Patterson Poster

Rev. Dale Patterson, Pastor Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship Southside Church of Christ

Survivors for Barbara Strength include daughters, Lettie Maddux of Lubbock and Lisa Church of Canyon; brothers, Alvie O'Neal of Corsicana and Billy George O'Neal of Houston; and sisters, Margie Rogers of Corsicana, Tinnie Wilson and Oras Jones, both of Groesbeck, Nelda Mae Oliver of Houston, Myrtle Rogers of Fort Worth and Mozelle Moore of Huntsville.

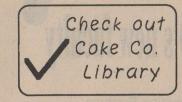
Arrangements were by Mc-Coy Funeral Home of Sweetwater. There were six from the SAFE KIDS and four local EMS volunteers working the event. The Observer/Enterprise, churches,



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

11 am & 7 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Catholic Church
601 W. 10th
(915) 365-2687
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm
Victory Assembly of God
PO Box 638 • Robert Lee
(915) 453-2208
Rev. Erma Johnson, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting



The Coke County Library has received a bulletin from the Public Utilities Commission titled "Electric Choice." It offers terms and definitions, and frequently asked questions, and an explanation of how electric choice will work. The supply is good and the booklets are free for the taking.

Also received is a catalog from the University of Texas concerning their Continuing and Extended Education program of the Distance Education Center. It lists its online college courses, the hours and the cost. Some of the courses offered are astrology, languages, nursing, and education. Also offered are K-12 courses on-line.

The Story Hour sessions will begin September 18. Tuesdays at 10:00 am will be the regular Story Hour time for three to five year olds. No registration is necessary. Caregivers and parents are welcomed to stay or leave the children.

The Coke County Library does not charge for library cards. An over-due fine is not charged, but those who wish to pay a fine may certainly do so. The library also provides research, Inter Library Loan for books not in the library, Internet access and will soon offer TexShare library cards.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; and Fridays, 8-12.

...Letters

Letter to the Editor Dear Editor:

Papers in the West Texas area have had articles about buying car insurance by the mile. NOW is the time to write to the Commissioner of Texas Department of Insurance, Box 149104, Austin, Texas 78714-9104. With the Bush give away, the smaller and smaller money supply, and the 9 million in extra Social Security income needed to help the federal budget, something needs fixing. Some of us need to cut the car expenses to the bone. The commissioner seems to

Re-recording of brands begins August 30

All brands and marks on Texas livestock must be rerecorded with County Clerks. In accordance with Article 144.044 of the Agriculture Code "Recording", on Thursday, August 30, 2001, the Clerk's office will begin the process of renewals of your brands. You will have until Thursday, February 28, 2002 to renew your registration. On Friday, March 1, 2002, all brands that have not been renewed will become "open brands" for the general public.

The law further states that all such brands and marks must be re-recorded every 10 years. Each County Clerk records for their given county only, so many producers may need to record their brands in additional counties if their operations are extensive.

The owner shall have the right during this six-month period to file the mark and brand now recorded in his name. It should be noted that it is illegal to brand livestock without first properly recording the brand with the County Clerk in the county in which the livestock are held.

When the brand or brands are recorded, the location on the animal on which the brand is to be applied must be designated. If the brand is to be applied to more than one location on the animal, it must be so recorded and each additional location for the brand on the animal shall constitute a separate recording of that brand.

There is no limit to the num-

ber of brands and/or marks which may be recorded in a county by a person as long as requirements of this law governing the recording and rerecording of livestock brands are met. Minors may have marks or brands separate from that of the father or guardian, which must be recorded or rerecorded as provided by the new law.

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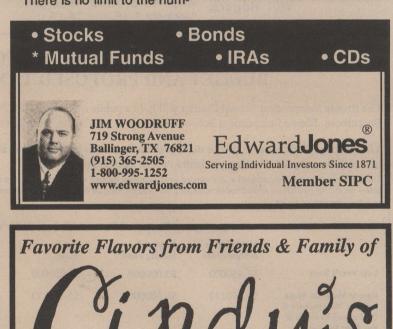
The recording fee will be \$11.00 per brand per location. Additional locations filed at the initial filing will be \$5.00 per location. For more information, contact the County Clerk's office at 453-2631.

Pedal for the park Bike-A-Thon

The AON Service Club will be sponsoring a bike-a-thon to benefit the Cody Bill Memorial Park located in the county park in Robert Lee. Monies will be used to purchase new playground equipment. The bike-a-thon will be held Saturday, September 15, 2001. Sign up will begin at 8:30 am at the county courthouse. The ride will be held from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. Lunch will be provided for the participants.

Prizes will be given - the top money raiser will receive a \$50 savings bond, there will be prizes for the most miles ridden in each age group and a tshirt to each participant who raises \$35.00 or more.

Forms for the bike-a-thon will be handed out at school. If you would like to participate and did not receive the information, please contact Zena Williamson at 453-2795 or an AON Service Club member.





be stalling with no firm plans to finalize the rules for buying car insurance by the mile program. Write now!

Nathan Wright Robert Lee, Tx

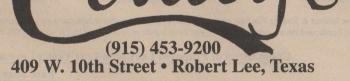
Letter to the Editor Dear Hal!

I just wanted to let you know how wonderful the people in Robert Lee are. Both the Methodist and Baptist churches have sent me cards along with their prayers since my accident on July 31.

I am getting better every day with loving care from daughter Cathy and her husband David. My son, Clay is taking care of the things on the homefront. I am in Gunter, Tx 75058 and my address is 302 Rene Ln.

I will always love the people in Robert Lee and am so glad I was Postmaster there.

Sincerely, Coe Lewis



<u>Cindy's Iced Brownies</u>

Melt and Mix Together: 1 1/2 sticks Butter 3 Tbsp Cocoa Add and Mix Well: 1 1/2 c Sugar 3 Eggs Mix In: 1 1/2 c Self Rising Flour* Pinch of Salt 1 tsp Vanilla Bake in 13" x 9" pan for 25 minutes at 350°. Icing Melt Together: 1/2 stick Butter 3 Tbsp Cocoa Add: 3 c Powdered Sugar 3 Tbsp Milk Mix well & ice cool brownies

Please bring us your favorite recipes.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Lady Longhorns place at the Central tourney

The Bronte Lady Longhorn varsity volleyball team participated in the San Angelo Central volleyball tournament on August 24 & 25. On Friday, Bronte won their opener against El Paso Andress 15-10, 13-15, and 15-10. The second round they lost to Canyon High, 1-15, 12-15. In their last game for third place in the bracket, they lost to Odessa High 7-15, 12-15.

On Saturday in the silver bracket, Bronte opened against El Paso Coronado. They lost 5-15, 8-15. In the second round they beat San Angelo Central 15-10, 11-15, 15-11. In the final game for consolation, Bronte lost a thriller against Killeen Ellison 4-15, 12-15.

The tournament hosted 32 teams stretching from El Paso to Killeen to Amarillo. Bronte varsity finished 14th out of 32 teams ranging from 1A to 5A. Their record is now 8-5. Congratulations, Lady Horns!

Individual results from the recent games are as follows:

In the dual match at Greenwood, Bronte beat Greenwood 15-6, 15-10. Lauren Williams had 4 kills and 1 block; Lacy Schoenfield had 8 assists; Tasha Reed 1 ace; Britney McCutchen 5 kills and 6 assists; Stormy White 4 kills; Britni Adams 1 kill; and Heather Richey 1 kill.

The Ladies lost to Crane on August 21, 15-17 and 11-15. Lauren Williams had 5 kills and 1 block; Lacy Schoenfield 1 kill and 11 assists; Tasha Reed 3 kills; Britney



Breakfast Monday, Sept. 3 Holiday Tuesday, Sept. 4 Cereal, orange juice, teddy McCutchen 3 kills and 9 assists; Stormy White 7 kills and 1 assist; Britni Adams 1 kill and 2 blocks; Heather Richey 4 kills, 1 assist, and 2 blocks.

In the Central tournament, Bronte started out with a win over El Paso Andress, 15-10, 13-15, and 15-10. Lauren Williams had 5 kills and 1 block; Lacy Schoenfield 9 assists; Britney McCutchen 5 kills and 7 assists; Tasha Reed 5 kills and 2 aces; Stormy White 5 kills; Britni Adams 4 kills and 1 assist; Heather Richey 3 kills, 1 assist, and 2 blocks.

In the second game, Bronte lost to Canyon, 1-15, 12-15. Lauren Williams had 4 kills and 2 blocks; Lacy Schoenfield 1 kill and 7 assists; Tasha Reed 1 kill and 1 block; Britney McCutchen 1 kill, 4 assists, and 1 ace; Stormy White 1 kill; and Heather Richey 3 kills and 3 blocks.

Next in the tourney, the Ladies lost to Odessa High 7-15 and 12-15. Lauren Williams had 3 kills and 1 block; Lacy Schoenfield 1 assist and 1 ace; Tasha Reed 1 block; Britney McCutchen 1 kill, 2 assists, 1 block, and 1 ace; Britni Adams 1 kill; Heather Richey 1 block; and Lindsay Springer 1 assist.

In the El Paso Coronado game, Bronte lost 5-15, 8-15. Lauren Williams had 4 kills; Lacy Schoenfield 6 assists and 1 ace; Tasha Reed 3 kills; Britney McCutchen 1 kill and 7 assists; Stormy White 1 kill; Britni Adams 3 kills; Heather Richey 4 kills; and Lindsay Springer 1 assist.

Against San Angelo Central, the Ladies won 15-10, 11-15, and 15-11. Lauren Williams had 13 kills and 2 blocks; Lacy Schoenfield 1 kill and 18 assists; Tasha Reed 7 kills; Britney McCutchen 2 kills, 13 assists, and 1 block; Stormy White 4 kills; Britni Adams 4 kills; Heather Richey 3 kills and 3 blocks; and Lindsay Springer 1 ace.

Bronte lost the consolation game to Killeen Ellison 4-15, 12-15. Lauren Williams had 6 kills; Lacy Schoenfield 9 assists; Tasha Reed 4 kills and 1 block; Britney McCutchen 2

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fied as a lentivirus, or "slow virus," similar to those that cause pneumonia in sheep, infectious anemia in horses, encephalitis in goats and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) in humans.

"The FIV virus in cats can be found worldwide," says Wolf. In the U.S., as many as 3 percent of healthy cats may have FIV, an alarming number considering there are an estimated 60 million cats nationwide. The disease cannot be passed to humans.

Among cats that are sick and are suffering from other diseases, that figure rises up to 15 percent, adds Wolf.

Cats most likely to get FIV are males, especially those that like to roam wide areas. They tend to come into contact with more cats and acquire the disease.

Indoor cats are much less likely to acquire FIV, Wolf explains.

The most common way a cat acquires FIV is through a bite from an infected cat, Wolf says. "That's why a male cat that roams a lot and may get into fights with other cats is especially prone to the disease," Wolf says.

There's no trick to being a humorist when you have the whole government working for you.

* * *

Will Rogers



Terri Rowan

Terri is a 1989 graduate of Bronte High School and a 1999 graduate of Texas State Technical College. Her degree is in Information Management Technology and Ac-

Bronte JV volleyball teams post results

On Tuesday, August 21, the JV volleyball teams posted the following results. The white team lost to Greenwood 14-16 and 10-15. Against Crane they lost 2-15 and 6-15. The maroon team lost to Crane 8-15 and 9-15. They then lost to Greenwood 3-15 and 7-15.

On Saturday, August 25, the white team had mixed results in the Brownwood tournament, losing to Lakeview 9-15, 15-6, and 13-15; winning over Brownwood Grey 15-1 and 15-3; and losing to Veribest 9-15 and 14-15.

counting Systems.

Introducing BISD's new faculty

Terri will be a Secondary Special Education Aide. She is married to Rodger Rowan and they have three children, 9 year old Jackson, 7 year old Jordan and 1 1/2 year old Madison.

"A" showdown in Bronte

On Friday August 31, 2001, Bronte will host a 1A Showdown Volleyball Tournament. The top ranking teams from all 4 regions will be present. The bracket will include Bronte, Beckville, Bartlett, Water Valley, Wink, Round Top -Carmine, Windthorst, & Breckenridge.

Windthorst has won the 1A State Volleyball tournament for the last 4 years. Round Top - Carmine has been present at the State Tournament for the last 3 years. Wink, Water Valley, & Bronte are Region 1 teams that have each had an appearance at the State Tourney in the last 3 years. Beckville is a former 2A powerhouse that has since dropped down to 1A, and Bartlett has made numerous appearances at its Regional Tournament. Breckenridge is a 3A team that graciously filled in an open spot after Dodd City canceled late last May.

The competition will be stiff and exciting. Please come & support your local Lady Longhorns this Friday, Aug. 31, at 11:00 am. They will face off against Bartlett High School.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Bronte Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:30 PM, September 20, 2001 in Boardroom Bronte Independent School District, 210 S Jefferson, Bronte, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates						
& Family	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*		Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student	
Year's Rate	\$1.450000	\$0.000000	*	\$1.450000	\$1,591	\$7,114	
to Maintain Same I of Maintenance & ations Revenue & Debt Service	\$1.450173	\$0.000000	*	\$1.450173	\$1,593	\$7,112	
osed Rate	\$1.450000	\$0.000000	*	\$1.450000	\$1,609	\$7,114	

grams, milk Wednesday, Sept. 5 Pop tarts, grape juice, milk Thursday, Sept. 6 French toast sticks, apple juice, milk Friday, Sept. 7 Donut, applesauce, milk Lunch Monday, Sept. 3 Holiday

Tuesday, Sept. 4 Beef chalupa with cheese,

Spanish rice, refried beans, tossed salad, milk, pink panther cake

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Chicken nuggets with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, milk, peanut butter cookies **Thursday, Sept. 6** Pizza, tossed salad, sweet

corn, milk, rice krispie bars Friday, Sept. 7

Hot dogs, chili & cheese, tator tots, baked beans, bun, milk, ice cream cups kills, 6 assists, 2 blocks, and 1 ace; Britni Adams 1 kill; and Heather Richey 4 kills and 1 block.

Pet talk

If cats do have nine lives, it may be a good thing: there are a lot of diseases out there that head straight for Felix and Morris.

One ailment that strikes fear more than any other, however, is probably the feline immunodeficiency virus, commonly called FIV. Simply put, it's a killer and one disease cat owners should be familiar with and try to prevent, says Dr. Alice Wolf, a feline specialist at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

FIV is in the same family of diseases as feline leukemia, another deadly disease, and is a cousin of the HIV virus that affects humans. FIV is classi* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$39,320	\$39,320
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$16,460	\$16,460
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.450000	\$1.450000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$238.67	\$238.67
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$0.00

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.510451. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.510451.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	E.	\$330,854
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)		\$0

BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

Friday, August 31 8:00 pm HERE

BRONTE LONGHORNS

VS. **Robert Lee Steers**

Shirley's Place Shirley Denton & Mary Jane Cooper

Ivey Motor Company, Inc. **Ben Bessent Chevrolet**

Larry's Automotive Repair

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Annie G's Artisan Crafts **Bob & Annie Gill**

Cowboy Cafe

Hidalgo's Restaurant 323 Sweetwater Rd • Bronte

First National Bank in Bronte Member FDIC B&K Deer Processing & Taxidermy

Hall's Super Save Foods Waggonner's Auto & Truck Repair **Coke County Comm. Pct. 2 Bill & Jane Wheat Bronte Health** & Rehab Center **Town & Country** "Backing The Horns All The Way" **All American Security James Chambers - Tennyson**

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Friday, August 31, 2001

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Advice to new college parents

It's that time again. Daughters and sons across the country are preparing to leave home for college. Parents from California to Connecticut are thinking, "Free at last!" Or, more likely, "How can I possibly let her go?"

Relax. Several experts at Southwestern University have pooled their pearls of wisdom about how parents can survive their teenager's first year away from home, what they can do to help and when they need to take a backseat.

James Hunt, acting provost and dean of the faculty, and Sherra Babcock, vice president and dean of students offer some down-to-earth advice to parents of first-year college students.

1. If you did your job as a parent, your teenager is ready to leave.

2. Realize that things have changed enormously since you were seventeen. You may like it, you may hate it, but it's true.

3. Allow your student to experience making decisions on his or her own. Freedom is one thing - being able to set limits has to be learned.

4. For a student trying to settle upon the choice of a course of study, the best advice is and always has been, "Do what you enjoy the most." Students pursuing areas of real interest always do the best, and doing well always opens the most doors in the long run.

5. Don't insist on a career choice that fits your values and interests.

6. Don't be shocked when your son or daughter questions values that you cherish. It's a natural part of developing



Breakfast Monday, Sept. 3 Labor Day Tuesday, Sept. 4 Juice, egg omelet, cereal, his or her own values.

7. Parents need to find ways to take care of themselves - it is vital to the health of a son or daughter that parents don't continue to make the student the center of their lives.

8. Ask your daughter or son about something other than grades.

9. Encourage a balanced lifestyle, paying attention to studying, relationships with new friends, work, spiritual health and physical activity.

10. Realize that their first big experience with independence will make it extremely hard to follow schedules and curfews on visits home.

11. Your student should establish his or her own checking account. It provides a sense of money management.

12. Regarding finances, provide your student with what is needed and a little more without allowing irresponsibility. Make surprises treats rather than bail-outs.

13. Send a bag of groceries back to school with a friend or surprise your student with something he or she wants or needs that isn't part of the support you promised. Most importantly, send mail.

14. The hardest thing for parents to do is to let go. Don't meddle. Be willing to leave your student alone.

15. Encourage your child to stay on campus until Thanksgiving. This will give him or her time to develop relationships, plan weekend activities and create a new community. If Thanksgiving is a little too far off, at least don't encourage your child to come home the first weekend. Or the second.

16. Expect to see some changes in your daughter or son. College is - and should be - a time of growth, exploration, and questioning for a young person. It is part of growing up into an educated and self-confident adult.

17. There is no way to prepare yourself for the mood swings you'll feel as a parent, except to recognize that you'll have them.

18. Don't foster guilt for how much you are spending on

Babcock, Vice President and Dean of Students (512) 863-1581.

RL 4-H Meetings

Reminder: 4-H meetings for the new year will begin Wednesday, September 5, in Robert Lee. Anyone in 3rd through 12th grades is eligible to attend. For grades 7-12, meetings will be during the noon hour in the home economics room, lunch is provided, and for grades 3 through 6, the meeting will be held in the cafeteria at 3:30 pm

RL Band Boosters

The Robert Lee Band Boosters/Band Parents will meet Tuesday, September 4, 2001 at 7:30 pm in the high school library.

RL Sports Boosters

The Robert Lee All Sports Boosters will meet Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 pm at the Robert Lee High School.

RLBC TeamKid is back

Attention pre-K through 6th graders. TeamKid (Kids in Discipleship) is back! It is to be held on Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 beginning September 5th at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. The kids are encouraged to bring a friend and come join the fun! There will be singing, playing games, snacks to enjoy, reading the Bible and learning about Jesus. Parents are also welcome to come.

For more information or any question, please call the Robert Lee Baptist Church 453-2724.



Donate your vehicle to the American Lung Association of Texas, and receive a



Laundry basics for the college bound

When it comes to teaching college-bound students and first-time apartment dwellers how to do their own laundry, it's back to basics. Although new developments in washers, dryers and laundry products offer easy-to-achieve cleaning, basic laundry procedures still need to be followed.

Step one is to read and follow garment care label instructions. The next step is to sort the laundry. Separate whites from colors and light colors from dark. Separate sturdy cottons from delicate and permanent press items. Finally, separate heavily soiled items from lightly soiled ones. As the clothes are sepa-

rated into loads, empty pockets and shake out cuffs. Close zippers and hooks. Repair any holes or tears so they don't grow in the wash. Pretreat stains, collars and cuffs.

The type of soil can influence the choice of detergent. Granular detergents work well on mud and clay soils. Liquid detergents work effectively to remove greasy, oily stains and can easily be used to pretreat stains. Always add the detergent first, then the water, to ensure that the detergent is completely dissolved. Add the clothes last.

Bleach helps to remove stains and improve cleaning

power. Follow garment care instructions and bleach label directions for proper use. If there is any doubt, test the garment for colorfastness in an inconspicuous area.

Fabric softener reduces static cling, minimizes wrin-kling and softens clothes. Rinse-added softener goes into the final rinse. Dryeradded softener sheets go in the dryer at the beginning of the cycle.

Water temperature is an important factor in cleaning performance. For best results, use warm water (90 - 110 degrees F) for most loads, use hot water (130 degrees F and above) for whites and heavily soiled items, and cold water (80 degrees F or colder) for lightly soiled or brightly colored items.

Avoid overloading. The wash may get finished faster but it won't be nearly as clean. For best results, items must circulate freely.

Generally, items that are being washed together, can be dried together. Shake the damp items to loosen them before putting them in the dryer. Set controls for "regular" if most of the load is made up of all-cotton fabrics, or "permanent press" if the load contains man-made fibers or permanent press fabrics. To avoid unnecessary wrinkling, remove items from the dryer as soon as it shuts off. Be sure to clean the lint filter after each use.

RLHS Project Graduation

Robert Lee High The School project graduation will hold a bake sale on Friday, August 31. The bake sale will be held at the Robert Lee State Bank. It will start at 9:00 am and be open until all goodies are sold out.

In order to better serve our customers over the busy Labor Day holiday, we have extended our lobby hours on:

Friday, August 31

milk

Wednesday, Sept. 5 Juice, donut, cereal, milk Thursday, Sept. 6 Juice, burrito, cereal, milk Friday, Sept. 7 Juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk

Lunch Monday, Sept. 3 Labor Day Tuesday, Sept. 4 Bean chalupas, lettuce, tomato, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail, milk Wednesday, Sept. 5 Chicken nuggets, potato patty, green beans, pineap-ple, roll, milk Thursday, Sept. 6 Pizza, corn, applesauce, teddy grahams, milk Friday, Sept. 7 Hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tator tots, pears, milk

education.

19. Don't change your student's room into a sewing room until at least the sophomore or junior year. Make sure there is a place at home that is familiar.

20. You've raised a child who can go out into the world and make new friends, new mistakes and new discoveries. The most positive thing parents can do is convey to their student that they trust them, love them, are there for them, believe in their education and are proud of them. 21. Listen.

This article has been provided by the Southwestern University, Georgetown. Texas. The following individuals are available for comment: James Hunt, Acting Provost and Dean of the Faculty (512) 863-1567 or Sherra



3:00 - 5:00 pm

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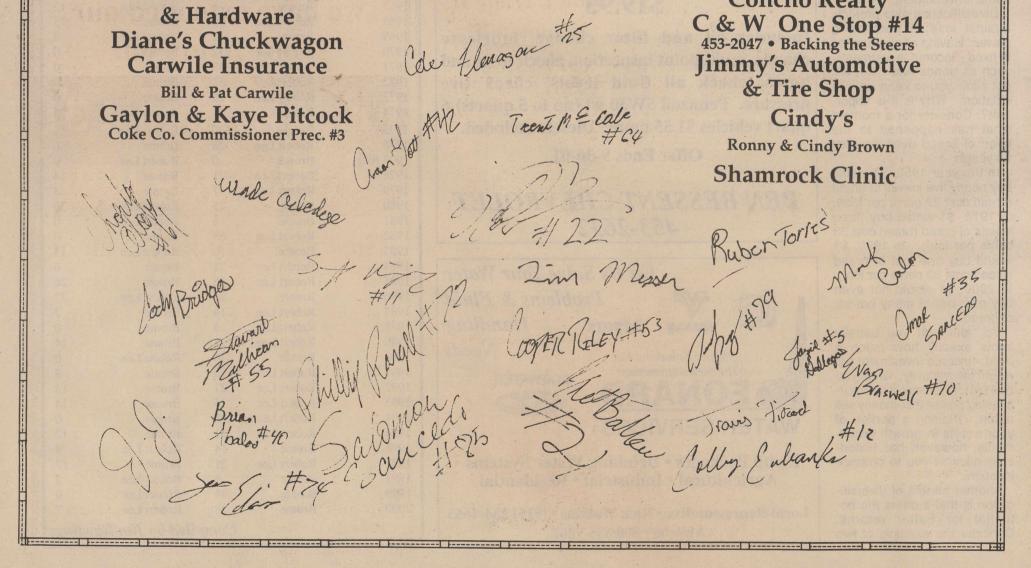
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Diversification can be a life saver

Edward Noble was one of those people who understood that variety is the spice In 1913, he apof life. proached Clarence Crane, the inventor of the peppermint Life Saver, with the idea of producing the candy in a variety of flavors. Crane didn't want any part of this plan, so he sold Noble all rights to the candy for \$2,900.

Today, Life Savers is a billion - dollar business, and the reason Noble became the owner of it -- and not Crane -was because he knew the value of diversification. He didn't base his success on the sales of just one flavor of candy. He knew that by offering a variety of flavors, he could appeal to more people. At the same time, he protected his business should any one flavor fall from grace with the public.

Like Edward Noble, smart investors understand the value of variety. They know that variety is the foundation of a good investment plan. Whether you call it diversification, asset allocation, or simply "not putting all your eggs in one basket," the benefits of spreading your dollars among a variety of investments cannot be overstated.

One of the main benefits of choosing a variety of investments is that you have some protection should one of those investments experience a downturn. No single investment performs well under all conditions. In fact, different types of investments sometimes go in opposite directions. For example, when the stock market declines, bonds generally perform well and vice versa. Owning both types of investments will benefit you in nearly any economic environment.

Diversification also protects against loss of purchasing power. Having all your money in fixed - income investments, such as bonds and CDs, will not allow you to keep up with inflation. Why is this important? Consider for a moment what has happened to the price of bread over the past 50 years. In the year 1950, \$1 would buy nearly five loaves of bread (bread cost 22 cents per loaf). In 1970, \$1 would buy three loaves of bread (bread cost 33 cents per loaf). In 1990, \$1 would buy one loaf of bread (bread cost 89 cents per loaf). In 2000, \$1 would not even buy one loaf of many brands of bread. So, although you usually know exactly how much a fixed - income investment will return at maturity, what you don't know is how much purchasing power that money will retain. Placing a portion of your assets in growth investments, however, has historically allowed you to outpace inflation.

individuals, each with \$10,000 to invest. Investor A uses the entire amount to purchase U.S. government bonds paying 5.25 percent. Twenty-five years later, his investment is worth more than \$54,000.

Investor B, however, decides to spread his nest egg among five different types of investments. The first three turn out to be good choices. He places \$2,000 in an international growth fund that averages a 15 percent annual return, \$2,000 in a growthand-income fund that averages 10 percent annually, and \$2,000 in a tax-free municipal bond paying 5 percent.

His other two investments are not as successful. One breaks even, and the other is completely lost. How badly do these two investments hurt his return? At the end of 25 years, investor B has more than \$96,000, roughly 44 percent more than investor A.

This example illustrates the importance of diversifying by type of investment. Investor B's portfolio included a growth investment, a growth-and income investment and a fixedincome investment. It's also important to choose a variety of investments within each category.

For example, with growth and growth-and-income investments, such as stocks and stock mutual funds, many investors concentrate too much of their money in companies that are familiar, such as consumer goods and utilities. Others lean too heavily on what's hot, like technology stocks. Stocks and stock mutual funds should represent a variety of companies and industries. Diversifying this way

could protect you from negative events in any one company or industry.

You can also diversify the fixed-income portion of your portfolio. These investments could include bonds with short -, intermediate - and long - term maturities. This practice, called laddering maturities, protects you against interest - rate fluctuations. When interest rates fall, you have money invested at higher rates. When interest rates rise, you have money available to invest at those higher rates.

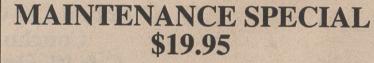
The specific mix of investments that's right for you depends on your needs for safety and return. Ask a professional to review your investments to make sure they're adequately diversified. The few minutes you spend evaluating your portfolio can be a priceless investment. As Edward Noble discovered, diversification can be a life saver.

County justices attend seminar

Judge Jack Moore, Pct. 2 of Bronte, and Judge Joan Davis, Pct. 1 of Robert Lee, attended a legislative update in Lubbock Aug. 7. The **Texas Justice Court Training** Center provided the seminar for legislation enacted recently which impacts changes in the Justice of the Peace offices.

West Texas Rehab **Center news**

San Angeloan Ellen Brown has been named vice president of resource development for West Texas Rehabilitation Center.



Includes oil and filter change, lubricate chassis, multi point inspection, check belts and hoses, check all fluid levels, check tire pressure. Pennzoil 5W30 wt (up to 5 quarts) 6 quart vehicles \$1.55 more. Diesels excluded.

Offer Ends 9-30-01

According to WTRC President Woody Gilliland, Brown will continue to maintain close ties with Rehab's individual and business donors in the Concho Valley, but will also take on corporate responsibilities for implementing new strategies to enhance the organization's non-treatment revenues.

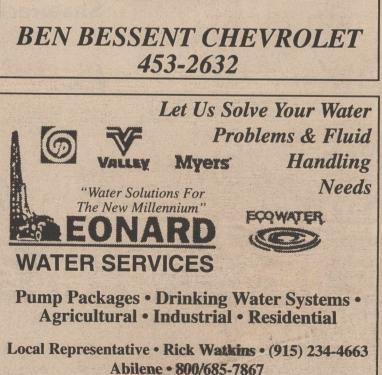
A 20-year employee of Re-

hab, Brown has served as director of donor relations for the Concho Valley for the past 12 years and has been instrumental in initiating major fund-raising events in the San Angelo area.

Eva Horton, who has been a member of WTRC San Angelo staff for eight years is to serve as interim director of the Donor Relations Department.

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Another benefit of diversification is that it offers the potential for better returns. Consider the example of two



28th annual sheep and goat field day

State Representative Rob Junell is the scheduled keynote speaker for this year's 28th Annual Sheep and Goat Field Day at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center on September 6, 2001

The Center is located north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87. Registration runs from 8:30 - 9:30 am. Morning field tours begin at 9:30 am.

Junell is to speak at 2:00 pm on Texas water issues and how actions taken by the 77th Legislature will affect the future of West Texas water.

The morning's five-stop tour includes the introduction of a new interactive compact disc sheep production series authored by Dr. Ed Huston, the Center's range nutritionist. The CD offers novice and veteran producers-alike a quick reference covering a wide variety of sheep management topics. Dr. Andres de la Concha, another San Angelo researcher who also shares time at College Station, will update producers on sore mouth cases in meat goats previously vaccinated against the disease.

Dr. Frank Craddock, state Extension sheep and goat specialist, will man a stop dealing with the growing hair sheep industry. Other tour speakers and their topics include: "Desert Termite/Grass Die Off/Rangeland Monitoring," Dr. Darrell Ueckert, San-Dr. Tom "Wildlife Food-Cottonseed

until 1:00 pm. Cost for the meal is \$8 per person.

COUNTRY AGENTS,

NEWS

by Tommy Antilley

Coke County Agent

The afternoon program begins at 1:00 pm with industry updates from the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser's Association, National Sheep Improvement Center, Mohair Council of America, Rancher's Lamb, and the Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board.

Junell will conclude the day's activities with his scheduled 2:00 pm address.

For further information contact the Center at (915) 653-4576 or the Coke County office at 453-2461.

Extension Service changes name

Extension changed its name the other day, but the work we do for you as Extension agents in Coke County will continue right along.

There'll be no interruption in service, and if anything, we'll be even more committed to serving all the folks in this county.

Our name no longer is the **Texas Agricultural Extension** Service. Instead, by unanimous vote of the Board of Regents of the Texas A&M University System, our new name is Texas Cooperative Extension.

Extension's name had been unchanged for many years -why change now? It's all about our mission. Extension programs have always sought to serve all Texans. Extension began its work early in the last century, when most Texans lived in the state's rural areas, and agriculture was the predominant employer, perhaps the only local industry. Extension specialists and their practical, how-to educa-Texas A&M, the state's landwhere people lived, reaching

barns, homemakers around the kitchen table, and children in 4-H clubs.

We all know that times have changed; more than 80 percent of Texans now live in cities, most of them in the state's huge metropolitan areas. Over the decades, Extension also changed, taking its educational programs to the cities, where the need for practical advice and education is as great as ever.

Extension agents today, for example, help home gardeners save water and reduce pollution by making informed choices on landscape plantings, fertilizers and pesticides. We help parents adopt good food safety and nutrition practices, consider child care choices, balance family budgets. We reach more than one million children with 4-H programs, ranging from rocketry to embryology, that are provided mainly in school classrooms instead of traditional clubs. But the good work Extension does seems to be one of the best-kept secrets in the cities. Research showed that people in urban areas saw the reference to agriculture in Extension's name and assumed the agency didn't do anything for them. So when they needed help, they didn't think of Extension.

Extension's leaders believe the name change will improve our ability to serve more Texans, regardless of where they live and how they make a living. But just because agriculture is no longer Extension's name, it doesn't mean we'll stop supporting the state's \$15 billion agriculture industry. Nor does it diminish our longstanding commitment to the state's rural counties, where most of us in Extension

work to strengthen families and nureconomic development in small communities.

Cooperative Extension is one of the few agencies that has a presence in every county and that won't change.

Why the word "cooperative" in the new name? It acknowledges Extension's foundation-the cooperation that exists between county commissioners courts, Texas A&M, and the USDA to make the agency's work possible.

It also more closely aligns Extension with the work of its sister agency, the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University. Finally, the name signals Extension's increasing role in serving as a catalyst, a partner, and a cooperator with others in getting positive things done for the people of Texas. We have changed our

name, but we're keeping our promises to serve you.

Living trust scams

Living trust sales are a growing area of consumer fraud. It is estimated that thousands of consumers lose between \$500 and \$5,000 each year through unnecessary living trust purchases.

Living trusts are generally established by people attempting to avoid probate, the legal process that transfers a person's assets after death. When a living trust is established, assets are immediately transferred to the trust, and the trust is considered owner of the assets.

For Texans with properly drafted wills who do not own property in another state, a living trust is usually unneces-

"While living trusts meet the needs of some consumers, they are not the best option for everyone," says Texas Young Lawyers Association President Amos Mazzant of

Sherman. "The cost of creating, funding and administering a living trust outweighs the benefits for many people."

Con artists often mislead senior citizens to believe that living trusts help reduce death taxes and avoid creditors, contested wills and guardianship expenses. Some salespeople falsely claim that probate requires excessive time and money and that a living trust is the only way to avoid probate.

When estate planning, consumers should take sufficient time to make decisions, realizing that legitimate advisors will not encourage a hasty decision. Seniors should speak to a trusted and knowledgeable source before making a commitment and avoid responding to offers they do not fully understand.

Consumers should be cautious of businesses that promote living trusts through free seminars and estate analyses, telemarketing, direct mail, door-to-door sales and advertisements without describing the pros and cons of selecting a living trust.

If a living trust appears to be a consumer's best option, it should be drafted by a licensed Texas attorney with expertise in estate planning to ensure that the document is tailored to meet state law requirements. A trust prepared by an attorney will generally cost less than the prices charged by sales representatives

Anyone who believes they have been a victim of a living trust scam should call the State Bar of Texas at 800-204-2222. While non-attorneys are not subject to State Bar rules, they may be practicing law without a license.





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FOR SALE HOUSE FOR SALE

LOCATED IN SOUTH **ROBERT LEE!** 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home with

Huge Utility Room! Glassed in Sun porch for Plants! Double Carport! \$20's!!! AUSTIN STONE

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2 STORY Fabulous 4 Bedroom 2 1/2 Bath Home! 2 Fireplaces! Huge kitchen/dining area! Many French Doors! Horse Barns & Stalls on Acreage! VICTORIAN HOME

BRONTE Bedroom Home with 3 Fireplaces! High Ceilings. Formal Huge Windows! Dining with French Door. Shop Bldg! Fenced yard. \$30's!!!

NEAR THE RIVER 23 Acres South of Bronte! Pecan Orchard with water system! Older Mobile Home. Fenced & Cross Fenced! Price Reduced!!! 160 ACRES MOUNTAINOUS & **REMOTE!** Scenic Country with Excellent Hunting! 350/acre! 200+ ACRES PASTURELAND

with Fields. Water wells. Mobile Home. Creek. **Excellent Hunting!** 600+ ACRES

Mountain Views and Rolling Pasture. Scenic & Remote. **Choice Hunting!**

Concho Realty Becky Clendennen Office - 653-4535 Home - 453-4748 1-800-530-4242



SELMER BUNDY II Alto sax bought new for \$1400.00. Will sell for \$600.00. Call Dallas Johnson by owner in Bronte. Three 453-4714. 05a-1tp 30-06 Savage rifle w/scope and hard-shell case - \$250. 473-2023. 05b-1tp FOR SALE 90 Chevrolet Cavalier. Air, runs good. \$750.00. 650 Yamaha motorcycle. 1985 model - \$1200.00. 453-2726. 05a-2tp ROBERT LEE 4 BR, 2 bth, large den with second living area. CA/CH over 2100 sq. ft. Priced to sell. 3 BR, 2 bth, CA/CH, fireplace on one acre overlooking Lake 📼 Spence. 3 BR, 2 bth, CA/CH, large shop, across from school. 2 or 3 BR, 1 bth, sunken living room, CA/CH. 2 BR, 1 bth, CA/CH, sunin 1903. room or 3rd BR, large kitchen,

single garage, over 1800 sq.

2 BR, 2 bth, CA/CH on hilltop with two acres with mountainous views.

New listing - at the edge of town, 2 BR, 2 bth, CA/CH brick home.

Seller will pay buyers closing cost on this 3 BR, 2 bth with good storm cellar, priced at \$21,900.

RANCH AND HUNTING PROPERTIES

2350+/- AC. with older ranch house and pens. Rolling hills with creek. Will divide. Great Deer, Turkey, Quail and Dove hunting. 1220+/- AC. rolling to mountainous area. Utilities. Will divide. Great Deer, Turkey, Quail & Dove hunting. 448+/- AC. electricity, good water and excellent hunting. 320+/- AC., 5 BR rock house. Scenic mountain views. Good hunting. 320+/- AC. highway and county road access. Choice

building sight. Convenient to Bronte. Seller will divide Other Listings Available.

ASHMILLICAN-CARSON REAL ESTATE

453-5144 OFFICE MARSHALL MILLICAN JOE ASH 473-0164 MOBILE 473-0437 MOBILE 453-2554 HOME 453-9002 HOME

FOR RENT

NICE! NEW! BRICK! 3 bedroom 2 1/2 baths 2 bedroom 2 baths Now Available! Call: 915-473-3105 for information or 915-473-9548 Santa Fe Crossing Duplexes 320 SE Railroad Bronte, Texas 76933

TAKING APPLICATIONS for one, two, & three bedroom apartments. Contact Housing Authority of Robert Lee, 710 N. Bishop, 453-2912. Equal Housing Opportunity.

FOR RENT Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221.

03b-tnc

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 1 bath. 1214 Chadbourne, Robert Lee.

51a-tnc



ANNIE G'S **ARTISAN CRAFTS**

gifts, art, antiques, kites and t-119 West Main, shirts. Bronte. 473-2324.

05b-tnc

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

PROFESSIONAL DOG

grooming. Call Susan 473-2515.

50b-tnc

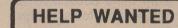
PARKER PLUMBING **Residential & Commercial. All** types plumbing repair - new construction, remodeling, fixtures, and sewer service. Licensed Master Plumber. 473-2131, Bronte.

34b-tnc COMPUTERS

Complete systems, repairs upgrades, internet. Call Ed @ EMCO Computers. 473-3004.

32b-tnc

BRONTE TIRE SHOP New & Used Tires Hwy 277 North • Bronte 473-5219



Hiring LVNs & CNAs All shifts, full time, part time and PRN. Contact Rhonda or Larry **Runnels** County **Rehabilitation and Nursing Center** 1800 N. Broadway Ballinger, Texas 915-365-2538

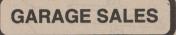
IMMEDIATE OPENING for full time LVN. 6A - 6P. Contact Sarah Lee at Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters. 754-4566.

50B-tnc CNA'S NEEDED

for full-time & part time hours. Friendly, caring environment. Sr. Citizens Nursing Home, Winters, Tx. Contact Sarah Lee RN at 754-4566.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Coke County is taking applications for a full time OR part time roadhand in Precinct #1 Robert Lee, Texas. Applications may be picked up and returned to the Coke County Judges Office. Contact Paul Burns, Commissioner for fur-Coke ther information. County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



GARAGE SALE Saturday, Sept. 1, 8:00 - ? Burritos, furniture, clothes, misc. 214 S. Jefferson, Bronte.

06b-1tc

GARAGE SALE 210 South Randall, Bronte. Sat., Sept. 1st, 8 am - ? 06b-1tp

LABOR DAY GARAGE SALE

Sat., Sun. & Mon. Barrett Ranch, 5 miles east Blackwell. See signs on Hwy. 1170 & Hwy. 277. 06a-1tp

GARAGE SALE Sat. Sept. 1. 6 W. 15th St., Robert Lee. 7:00 am - ? 06a-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

THANK YOU

from the family of Louise Clendennen. We would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support given us during our time of sorrow. Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, food, flowers, phone calls, visits, and other acts of kindness. The value of living in this community during our loss cannot be measured.

Ernest Clendennen and family 06a-1tc

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS State of Texas -

County of Coke KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary

for the Estate of CARL J. RUSK WILSON, Deceased, were issued on August 27, 2001, in Docket No. 1594, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to BENNIE HELEN RUSK. The address for the Independent **Executrix is:**

P.O. Box 14

Robert Lee, Texas 76945 All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to BENNIE HELEN RUSK, at the above address. Dated the 27th day of August, 2001. J. RUSSELL ASH, Attorney at Law State Bar No. 00785672 P.O. Box 924 Big Lake, Texas 76932 (915) 884-2133 (915) 884-2935 (fax) ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE OF CARL J RUSK WILSON 06a-1tc



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bedroom, 2 bath with shop Priced in the \$50's. 473-2515.

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FOR SALE

Small down, then pay off 2000 Mazda P/U, low mileage; and 1997 Ford Aerostar, excellent condition. 453-9768. 06a-2tp

HOUSE FOR SALE Special sale terms on this roomy home in RLISD. See at 508 W. 9th. Will re-model to suit. Call John Sage at 915-655-9141 for details.

04a-tnc

FOR SALE

2000 Pop-up camping trailer, with slide-out & large storage compartment in front. Sleeps 6 adults comfortably. Call Shane Kelton at (915) 234-7285, after 5:00 pm. 05a-3tp

THE "BARBER " SHOP Debora England, 223 N Lombard, Bronte. 473-4026. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9 am-6 pm.

17b-tnc

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



24 hr. Emergency Water Damage Service

Tuna was first canned

05a-2tc

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED for a permanent part time position in the Coke County Clerk's office located in the Courthouse. Applications will be accepted through September 7, 2001. EOE. 453-2631.

06a-1tc

COKE

County Sheriff's Department is accepting applications for a TCLOSE Certified peace officer through Sept. 10. Apply at 13 E. 7th, Robert Lee. 915-453-2717

06a-2tc

A frappe is a milk shake.

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The West Coke County Hospital District will hold a meeting at 5 pm on September 10, 2001 at Robert Lee Care Center, 307 W. 8th St. Robert Lee, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2002. The proposed tax rate is 0.250000 per \$100 of value The proposed tax rate

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would increase total taxes in West Coke County Hospital District by 5.40 percent.

06a-1tc STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE Order Creating a Justice Court Technology Fund and Establishing the Technology Fee, Pursuant to Article 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure

The Commissioners Court of Coke County hereby adopts the following order, pursuant to Article 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure:

1. A justice court technology fund is created to finance the purchase of technological enhancements of the justice court. All court costs collected under this order shall be maintained in the justice court technology fund in the county treasury, subject to expenditure by the commissioners court as permitted by law.

2. Upon conviction or deferred disposition of an offense committed on or after September 1, 2001, the justice court shall collect a technology fee of \$4.00 for deposit in the justice court technology fund.

Read and adopted by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays this 13 day of August, 2001.

> Jackie Walker County Judge Mary Grim County Clerk 06a-1tc

Social Security News

Fredi Franki Social Security Manager

San Angelo Office How would you like to get answers to your questions about Social Security without having to ask them? That's possible with Social Security's new online service that provides the most frequently asked questions about the program, according to Fredi Franki, manager of the Social Security office in San Angelo. The questions can be found on the Social Security Internet website at www.ssa.gov.

"We figure if a lot of people are asking the same question, it's information that most people need to know," Franki said. "So now we make the answers available to everybody."

There are 20 major cate-

America's workers deserve a break from big labor

by Stephen Gleason, VP Nat'l Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation

While Americans take time out to enjoy the fruits of their labor, countless hardworking Americans have little to celebrate this Labor Day. From the flashing lights of Broadway to the berry farms of California, runaway union power is steamrolling workers from all walks of life.

For union-abused workers, Big Labor's claim to being their "protector" is nothing more than hypocritical nonsense. Consider, for example, three lawsuits recently brought by National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation Attorneys.

Actors Equity Association union officials hit Barry Williams, who played "Greg Brady" on the popular 70s sitcom "The Brady Bunch," with a \$52,000 fine and launched a nationwide smear campaign after he signed onto a non-Equity production of "The Sound of Music."

Williams, who was never told of his right not to join the union, cannot legally be subject to exorbitant fines or any other forms of union "discipline." But those facts haven't fazed union officials, who seem hell-bent on making an example out of him.

In California, berry picker Francisco Alcazar and 150 of his fellow employees at Oxnard Coastal Berry were fired at the demand of United Farm Workers (UFW) union kingpins. The union, which bills itself as a defender of "exploited farm workers," ordered the mass firing because the workers refused to join the union and pay full union dues.

Meanwhile, Machinists union officials had lowa single mother Jean Green illegally fired from her job as a United Airlines customer service clerk last Mother's Day for exercising her right not to join the union.

In each instance, union officials violated well-established U.S. Supreme Court precedents, including the landmark CWA v. Beck deci-

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sion won by Foundation attorneys, which states that workers cannot be forced to join a union or pay dues attributable to activities unrelated to collective bargaining, like politics.

However, to prevent workers from knowing about these rights, union officials have even gone as far as suing the Bush Administration to stop the enforcement of a common sense Executive Order that merely requires federal contractors to inform employees of their rights. Union bosses ironically complained that the Executive Order imposes "substantial administrative burdens" on businesses.

Even when workers find out about their rights, union officials often resort to harassment, intimidation, and violence to keep them from exercising those rights. The National Institute for Labor Relations Research has documented nearly 10,000 mediareported incidents of union violence since 1975 and estimates that there have been an additional 80,000 unreported incidents within that same time period.

For example, during a strike at a General Motors brake supplier, Shucheng Huang exercised her Right to Work in order to provide for her children. United Auto Workers (UAW) union militants responded with a vicious campaign of terror in which they placed a freshly severed, bloody cow's head on the hood of her car, smashed her windows, and followed up with death threats. UAW toughs terrorized other nonstriking workers by slashing their tires, destroying work stations, hurling tools and auto parts at them, and even pouring hazardous chemicals on them.

Fortunately, justice was won in this case, as Foundation attorneys forced the payment of an undisclosed monetary settlement. But many employees still live and work in fear when they confront union tyranny.

On this Labor Day, these recent stories of union abuse should lay to rest union offi-

cials' false claims to be defenders of working Americans. When, in their pursuit of power, union bosses systematically trample the civil rights of working men and women, not even their slick lawyers and spinmeisters can conceal the fundamental hypocrisy.

Established in 1968, the

National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation is a nonprofit, charitable organization which provides free legal aid to employees whose rights have been violated by compulsory unionism abuses. The Foundation can bo reached at 1-800-336-3600 and its website can be accessed at www.nrtw.org.

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Want to Enrich Your Family for a Lifetime?

NewsUSA

speaking and arrive in America in August with medical insurance and their own spending money. The host family will provide the student with room, board and a supportive family atmosphere.

The student provides the host family with a window into a new and exciting culture, giving everyone the opportunity to personally experience a different culture from a new perspective. Students will attend the local high school for one year and return to their country the following June.

All AISE students are carefully screened by AISE representatives and are placed with the family that best matches the needs and desires of both the host family and the student.

"My family integrated, treated and regarded me as their own son from the start, so that now I really consider them my second family," said Philipp Clodius of Germany, who lived in Arkansas during his exchange. "I would really like to thank my natural family for this unbelievable opportunity they have given me and my 'second' family for giving me such an awesome home."

Opening your home to an exchange student is a cultural and international adventure for the entire family.

"I won't ever forget my wonderful host family and all my great new friends and great moments," said Jenni Hiltunen of Finland, who lived in Iowa.

For information on hosting an international student, call 1-800-SIBLING (1-800-742-5464).



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An international student is greeted by her American host family.

(NU) - Would you like to enrich your family's future for a lifetime? Then you should host an exchange student today.

American Intercultural Student Exchange (AISE) is looking for host families for international students from Scandinavia, Europe, Russia, South America and Asia. One of these bright 16- to 17-yearold high school students can provide your family with an exciting and unforgettable international experience. Whether as a member of your family for one semester or for one year, this is an experience that will last a lifetime.

AISE is a nonprofit educational foundation whose purpose is to encourage world peace through its student exchange program.

"I know that my life will never be the same after this, thanks to AISE and my wonderful host family," said Ellen Mariettoff of Norway, who was hosted in Utah. "Hey, guys, don't let the rest of this year slip through your fingers. It's too valuable."

All students are English-

gories of questions divided into subcategories. A person seeking information can search the topic of interest by keywords or phrases and all the related questions and answers will appear. In addition, the program allows users to send their evaluation of the answers to Social Security and receive emails automatically when new information on their subject of interest becomes available.

"This is an alternative to our 800 telephone number or waiting in line at the office for people who just need basic information," Franki said.

He/she said once a person gets online, he/she may find other Social Security services useful, including our benefits planner, Social Security eNews, an electronic newsletter, and our history pages.



Richard Bruner, Jr.

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Red • 13,000 Miles 2000 Windstar LX	\$17,495
16,000 Miles 1999 Mercury Villager	\$13,495
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Watch Out For The Children As They Head Back To School

