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ROBERT LEE

Work begins on 13th annual Hunters Appreciation BBQ

Initial plans for the 13th Annual Hunters' Appreciation Barbecue began this week. Letters to lease managers, ranchers, and businesses went into the mail on Wednesday from the West Coke County Community Development. Strong supporters of the annual event make donations and receive barbecue tickets to hand out to customers and hunters.

Gaylon Pitcock will serve as chairman again this year with a number of people in supporting roles. Carla Wojtek at C & H Auto and Hardware in downtown Robert Lee has agreed to help with collections, tickets, and information. Joe David Key at Key Feed Store, across the street from the hardware store, has also consented to help. Mail-in can be done to WCCCD at PO Box 226, Robert Lee, TX 76945 or C & H Auto and Hardware, PO Box 239, Robert Lee.

Hunting is a great benefit to our area, and we want to make the hunters, and the visitors accompanying them, welcome.

The barbecue supper is always held on the late evening

by Joan Davis of opening day -- this year on Saturday, November 3. On the first planned Hunters' Barbecue 13 years ago, the WCCCD thought it might take on the daunting job of feeding maybe one hundred hunters. About 300 hungry outdoors people, their relatives, and local folks showed up. It has snowballed from there. Now, in what has become a gigantic community volunteer effort, the thing has swelled to feeding barbecue and trimmings to 900 - 1,000 people, all in about 3 1/2 hours. It has become somewhat of a social event with people visiting and enjoying seeing others they recognize from year to year.

Watch the local paper for further plans. Donations to acquire meal tickets need to be in by Oct. 15.

Homecoming activities

On Thursday, the 27th, students will be "Beating the Drum" from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. They will then have a victory circle around the school ending at 8:30 with a pep-rally in front of the school.





Pageant Association meeting slated

The Coke County Pageant Association will meet on Thursday, October 4, 7:00 pm at city hall in Robert Lee.

Proclamation

During this new century, Texas must continue to conserve and nurture our natural resources. One of our most valuable resources is the senior workforce. Seniors bring to the workplace sound judgment, broad knowledge and experience, and a strong work ethic. Seniors want to remain as active partners in the mainstream of our state's economic and social development.

Texas must intensify our efforts in support of our older workers by investing in their resourcefulness and talents. Seniors have the energy and motivation to compete in today's fast-paced work environment and we must give them the opportunity to share their years of experience, hard work, and dedication. Since 1965, Green Thumb, Inc., through its Senior Community Service Employment Program, has provided seniors with training and employment opportunities to showcase their strengths, their wisdom, and their productivity THEREFORE, I, Jackie Walker, County Judge of Coke County DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23-29, 2001 AS HIRE THE OLDER WORKER WEEK IN Coke County.

RLHS homecoming Robert Lee High School homecoming will be September 28th. There will be a parade through downtown Robert Lee beginning at 2:00 pm. The community is invited to participate in the parade with floats or other entries. This year's theme will be "I Have a Dream".

The parade will end at the high school where a pep rally will be held at 2:50 pm.

The football game against the May Tigers will begin at 7:30 pm. Following the game, a dance will be held at the new recreation hall until 12:30 am.

Class of 1946 to hold reunion

The class of 1946 will be celebrating their 55th class

Archery season opens Saturday

Archery season begins for white-tailed deer in Coke County and across the state this Saturday, September 29, and runs through Sunday, October 28, 2001, in advance of the regular gun season, which begins this year on November 3. Coke County is included in an app. 40-county area which has a bag limit of five deer total this year, with no more than two being bucks. With the increased bag limit, residents may notice more of the camo-clad hunters in the next week or two, because they get an extra deer tag this year if they hunt in one of these counties.

Cub Scout Round-up

Coke County Judge Jackie Walker (seated) signs the proclamation for Older Worker Week, which is September 23-29, 2001. Also attending the signing were (left to right, standing): Dorothy Collins, Bronte Senior Center director; Lois Wallace, Green Thumb employee; Annice Walker, Robert Lee Senior Center director; and Green Thumb employee Flossie LaFon.

reunion during the Steer Homecoming.

Starting the Homecoming will be a parade beginning at 2:00 pm. This will begin at the courthouse and end at the Robert Lee School gym. If you can ride on the '46 decorated float, be at the courthouse at 1:45. A pep rally at the gym will begin at 3:00 pm. The game will begin at 7:30 with the Steers going against the May Tigers.

The class of 1946 would like for their schoolmates to sit together during the game. The class will meet again on Saturday morning beginning at 10:30 am at the high school library. There will be a lunch at 1:00 pm.

For more information, please contact Reba Tabor 453-2895 or Ava Lou Davis 453-2184.

set for Bronte

A Cub Scout Round-up is scheduled for 3:45 on Monday, October 1, 2001, at the Bronte ISD Art Building on West Oliver across from the playground. Those inter-ested must be in the first grade. Children and parents should attend this Round-up. For more information contact Paul Evans at 473-3281.

Notice to 4-H members

4-H members who are interested in applying for the Silver Star Award or the Gold Star Award to be presented at the 4-H Awards Banquet need to complete the application forms by Friday October 5. These can be turned in at the County Extension office or 4-H meeting.

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----- Obituaries

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went to be with the Lord on Monday, September 24, at

SWCD to hold election

The Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election on October 4, 2001 at 9:00 am for a director to represent Subdivision No. Five. The Coke County SWCD is a legal subdivision of Texas State Government. It was organized by local landowners that petitioned for and received a Certificate of Organization from the State of Texas for the purpose of providing for the conservation of soil, water and related resources within the district. The district is selfgoverned by five elected landowners who make up the Board of Directors. Furthermore, it is the purpose of the Soil and Water Conservation district to encourage all landowners and landusers within its boundaries to cooperate in planning and voluntarily apply conservation programs on agricultural as well as urban lands. Regular monthly meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at 9:00 am in the SWCD office located at 214 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas.

In order to serve a four-year term as a director for Subdivision Five of the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District, the person elected must be an eligible voter at least 18 years of age and own land within Subdivision Five. The person must also be actively engaged in the business of farming or ranching and be a resident of the county all or part of which is included in the conservation district. A person is eligible to vote in the election of a SWCD director if the individual holds title to farmland or ranchland lying within the Coke County SWCD and is at least 18 years of age and is a resident of the county all or part of which is included in the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. Anyone interested in conservation of soil, water, plants, and wildlife in Coke County is urged to attend the regular monthly meetings and if you are an eligible voter, come out and vote for a director in Subdivision Five on October 4, 2001 at 9:00 am in the SWCD office.

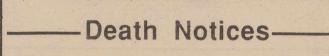
the Robert Lee Care Center. Service was held at 2:00 pm Wednesday, September 26 at the First Baptist Church at Robert Lee with burial in the Paint Creek Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

S.V. was born April 26, 1931, at Moro, Texas, to Robert Lee and Nellie Gray Box. He graduated from South Taylor High School in 1949 and attended Howard Payne College on a football scholarship, where he was named to the All-Texas Conference, Texas College Conference, Little All-American Team. He received a master's degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1964.

After graduating from college, he returned to his home town of Tuscola to coach the South Taylor Flying Tigers. He met Robbie Davidson early in the school year and they married on December 22, 1955. They moved to Sweetwater in 1956, where he served in many capacities, football coach, principal, and superintendent for the Sweetwater and Roscoe school districts.

S.V. and Bobbie retired in 1989 and moved to their ranch west of Robert Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie of the home; 3 sons, Blake of Robert Lee, Marcus and Pam Box of Roscoe and Powell and Joyce Box of Stratford, Oklahoma; five grandchildren, Brandon, Ilannah and Kevin of Roscoe and Blaze and Rikki of Stratford, Oklahoma; three brothers, Troy of Arlington, Sammie and Jean Box of Arlington, and Travis and Mary Lou Box of Abilene.



Bell

Chester "Bill" Bell, 86, of Blackwell died Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2001, in a San Angelo nursing home.

Service was conducted at 2 pm Thursday, Sept. 20, at Johnson's Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Casey officiating. Burial followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Bell of Blackwell; two sons, James C. Bell of San Angelo and Roy Dale Bell of Kaplan, LA; two daughters, Ann Estis of San Angelo and Paula Kay Potter Hays of Dallas; two sisters, Olita Bell of Austin and Lillie Valies and husband, Martin, of San Angelo; one brother, Donnie Bell of Bastrop; three stepchildren, Harvey Fedler wife, Gwen, of and Sunnyvale, CA, Al Fedler of Connecticut, and Kym Collette and her husband, Alan, of New Caney; ten grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Gilbert

Ben Gilbert, 76, of Lubbock and formerly of Midland, died Tuesday, September 18, 2001, in a Lubbock nursing home.

Graveside service was held at 11:00 am Thursday, September 20, 2001 at Fort Chadbourne Cemetery in rural Coke County. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

He is survived by Tom and Toni Farrell.

Tomlinson

MaryAnn Tomlinson, 89, died Saturday, Sept. 22, 2001, at her residence. Graveside services were held at 10 am Wednesday, September 26, in Fairmount Cemetery. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Survivors include children, Lucindy Anderson, Walter Tomlinson, Carol Tomlinson, and Lillie Bryson, all of San Angelo; Marion Thomas Tomlinson, Jr. of Midland; Dorothy Ann Forczek of Spokane, WA; Patricia Tomlinson of Athens; and Zina L. Vogt of Cheyenne, WY; sister, Lena Gardner of Shiloh, TN; and brothers, Henry Bannert of San Angelo and Alouis (Dick) Bannert of Bronte.

Parade entries sought for "affair"

by Joan Davis A Street Affair will celebrate the fall season and our town of Robert Lee on Saturday, October 20. Sponsored by the Economic Development Committee, the street party will feature craft and food booths, a parade, a dessert cook-off, a talent show, entertainment, and an evening dance.

Parade entries are needed soon, and the parade will begin at 10:00 am on that Saturday. Those who care to participate may contact Joan Davis, 453-4777. It's a freewheeling event -- you may ride a horse, bicycle, golf cart, float, pickup, wagon -- anything for fun. Use your imagination; we invite the homecoming floats and the high school royalty to participate that day. Hopefully, the Robert Lee school band will march and play. We are hoping for a color guard from the Fort Concho Cavalry unit. Join us!

"Pizza with Jesus"

Attention Pre-K through 6th graders. Come join TeamKID on Wednesday October 3rd, 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Robert Lee Baptist Church. We'll be enjoying pizza and watching the Jesus Video for Children. TeamKID is an inter-denominational program whose motto is Learning about God, Using the Bible & Living for Jesus. Our Fall Session will meet every Wednesday through December 5th. Any questions, call the RLBC office at 453-2724.



SA Historical & Genealogy Society

The San Angelo Genealogical & Historical Society will meet at 7:30 pm on Tuesday Oct. 1, 2001 at the Church of Christ at 901 N. Main Street, San Angelo, in the fellowship hall.

For more information call Portia Davis at 655-6494.

Bake sale to support relief effort

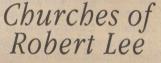
Jake Cotter, age 8, wants to do something for the Disaster Relief Fund in New York. Jake and his friends from Robert Lee ISD are joining together to have a bake sale on Saturday, Sept. 29th at Super H from 9:00 am till sold out.

Please come by and show support for the hard work being done by these children.

For more information, call Tessa Cotter at 453-4794.

RL sets rate increase for trash service

Robert Lee residential and commercial customers will see a 5% rate increase on their November water bill. The last increase was in October 1998. Residential rates are based on the pickup of <u>one</u> 96 gallon container provided by Trashaway Services. Those residents using additional personal containers will be monitored and may be asked to pay for an extra container. See the classified section of this paper for rates.



Invite You to Worship Emmanuel Pentecostal POBox 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 (015) 452 - 2417

(915) 453-2417 Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship

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

Wed. 7 pm Pecan Baptist PO Box 542 •12 W. Sterling City Hwy (915) 453-4645

(915) 453-4645 Rev. Dale Patterson, Pastor

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

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

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

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Bronte VFD donations told July

Shalon's Main Street Market Glenn-Bivins Insurance Mr. and Mrs. Farrington S & S Printing Bronte Evening Lions Club

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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

BEN BESSENT CHEVROLET 453-2632



Chesney Minjarez takes a swat at the pinata during the Diez Y Seiz de Septiembre activities at the Robert Lee Care Center as other youngsters and residents enjoy the festivities.



Members of the Ballet Folklorico Tejas De Dolores Del Rio dance group performed for the residents of the Robert Lee Care Center as part of their Diez Y Seiz de Septiembre celebration at the center.

Bronte Sorosis Club news

The Sorosis Club of Bronte met September 15 at the Curiosity Tea Room in Ballinger. The president, Doris Sims, distributed gifts to each member. Each member received a Christmas ornament made by Doris' daughter.

While waiting to be served, a discussion was held regarding a rummage sale and it was decided on October 6 as date of sale.

Frances Glenn, Jean Fancher and Mary Glenn to write a short history of the club to be part of next year's year book. The door prize was won by Mary Glenn. It was a pretty letter opener. Members present were: Doris Sims, Peggy Hembree, Diane Luckett, Mary Frances Glenn, Jean Fancher, Pat Lee, Lou Anna Peters, Janet Wommack, Mary Glenn, Fredna Moore and Swan Archinal.

& 277, mattress fire in back of truck

07/11 - 1630 hrs, Tennyson, grass fire 07/22 - 1800 hrs, N on 277

& CR 288, grass fire 07/23 - 1700 hrs, N on 277 & CR 288, grass fire

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Tennyson road, grass fire 07/28 - 2200 hrs, SW

07/28 - 2200 hrs, SW Lombard, house fire (ceiling fan) 08/03 - 1900 hrs, 153 &

277, Wingate, grass fire 08/10 - 1100 hrs, Chadbourne Ranch, trash fire 08/11 - 1300 hrs, NW Railroad, house fire, control burn

Conleys celebrate

golden anniversary Mr. & Mrs. John Q. Conley celebrated their golden wedding anniversary during a reception in the Robert Lee Recreational Hall.

John Conley and Maudie Watson were married Sept. 16, 1951, in Robert Lee. They have four children, Gayle Bolding of Robert Lee, Quinn Conley of Memphis, Texas, Jackie Grace of Wichita Falls and Mike Conley of San Angelo. They also have nine grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley have lived in Silver, Wichita Falls and Robert Lee since their wedding. He worked for Perkins Prothro Co. for 37 years. She worked for Coke, Tom Green and Wichita county offices.



The next meeting will be with Jane Wheat.

Bronte VFD runs for July and August 07/02 - 1430 hrs, 12 m N on Hwy 277, grass fire

07/04 - 1500 hrs, called to assist Robert Lee with house fire

07/05 - 1530 hrs, 6 1/2 m E on Hwy 384, hay fire 07/08 - 1630 hrs, Hwy 158 08/19 - 1135 hrs. Hubbard Ranch, grass fire 08/19 - 1620 hrs, Massengill Ranch, grass fire 08/28 - 0850 hrs, 2 m S on Hwy 277, truck fire

08/31 - 2100 hrs, SE Railroad, truck fire They are members of First United Methodist Church.

Hosts for the anniversary party were the couple's children.

Saturday, September 29 -- 9:00 am til sold out Super H Grocery - Robert Lee, TX



All Proceeds benefit the Disaster Relief Fund in New York City. Come show your support for the work our kids are doing. FMI Tessa Cotter 453-4794





Lions defeat Longhorns

The Bronte Longhorns were defeated by the Roby Lions Friday night 46-0. After a tough first quarter, with Roby leading 6-0, the Lions started pulling away after that. The Lions used three touchdown plays over 50 yards to strike quickly.

The Longhorns were led in rushing by Cody Lee with 45 yards on 12 carries. Coby Carper led the defense with eight tackles.

The Longhorns next travel to Mertzon to take on Irion County to open up district play. The game starts at 7:30 pm.

Bronte JV volleyball

results announced The Bronte Junior Varsity volleyball teams hosted Monahans on September 18, with both the white and maroon teams taking a loss. The white team fell 5-15, 15-7, and 7-15; and the maroon team went down 7-15, 15-5, and 16-18.

In the Bronte JV Tournament on September 22, the white team finished in a well-deserved second place. According to Coach Pam Hilliard, "the white team has improved so much. I am really proud of the effort and the desire to win. They have a lot of heart and pride for their team. I know that they are disappointed with not winning the championship, but if they



Breakfast Monday, October 1 Cereal, orange juice, teddy grams, milk Tuesday, October 2

Grilled cheese sandwich, apple sauce, milk Wednesday, October 3

French toast sticks, grape juice, milk

Thursday, October 4 Blueberry muffins, pears,

toast & jelly, milk Friday, October 5 keep working hard on improving their serves and keeping their confidence, they will win a lot of games, because if you believe it -- you can achieve it."

In the first round, the white team defeated Sterling City 15-0, 15-0. In the second round, they beat San Angelo Lee 15-10, 15-5. San Angelo Glenn was their victim in the third round, 15-7, 15-7. In the championship they were defeated by San Angelo Edison by the close score of 12-15, 14-16.

The maroon team only lost to the team that went on to win the championship, and according to Coach Hilliard, "I am really proud of their effort."

Team members making the All-Tournament Team were Ryan Martinez, Setter; Kanah Coalson, DS; Logan Acker. Outstanding Leader; and Monica DeLaGarza, also named to the All-Tournament team.

Bronte ISD news

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a public meeting to discuss the 2001-2002 Budget and the Proposed Tax Rate for 2001-2002, on September 20, 2001. The meeting began at 7:30 pm in the BISD board room and was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bronte ISD met at 7:35 pm immediately following the public meeting.

Motion was made and approved to set the Tax Rate at \$1.45 for 2001-2002.

The principals gave their re-Terry Marrs, ports. Elementary Principal, informed the board on the relocating of classrooms prior to the beginning of construction next week. Rick Howell, Secondary Principal, informed the board of parking during the construction and the sixth grade "I Love the United States of America Project". Over \$700 was collected by the class to send to the widows and families of the New York firemen killed September 11th.

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Discussion was held concerning vehicles for the school. Motion was made and approved to purchase a small pickup.

Motion was made and approved to raise UIL academic stipends.

Alan Richey gave his report including: Construction begins Monday, September 24, on the girl's dressing rooms/elementary classrooms project; final plans for the TASB Convention were discussed; TEA Updates were discussed; and board training on Legislative Update School Board Training will be held October 20th, 6 to 8 pm in the Distance Learning Lab.

Motion was made and approved to pay the September 1-20th bills.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next regular board meeting will be October 10, 2001, at 8:00 pm following the board training in the Distance Learning Lab.

Scholarships available to assist young artists

The Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA), the state agency responsible for arts education, arts funding, cultural tourism and other community assistance and services for the arts, today announced a new scholarship program made possible by a generous contribution from the SBC Foundation that will help promising young schoolaged students in Texas to excel in the arts.

The Young Masters Program will provide exemplary students that are engaged in arts studies in grades 8-12 with the financial help they need to pursue advanced study in the areas of visual arts, literature, music, theatre and dance.

The thirteen most talented young artists will receive the title of Young Master and be granted scholarships of up to \$2,500 per year to further their studies in their chosen arts disciplines. Students are eligible to receive the scholar-

ship for up to three years, but they must reapply annually.

"At TCA, we believe that education in the arts is valuable to a well-rounded curriculum because it encourages critical thinking and enhances alternative learning techniques," said TCA Executive Director John Paul Batiste. "This new scholarship program helps promising young artists excel beyond standard curricula by giving them an unprecedented opportunity to express themselves and further develop their talents while receiving valuable mentoring that will help them to succeed."

All Texas students who are U.S. citizens and who are participating in a school-based program, a summer institute, or a specialized course of study or who are receiving private lessons from a qualified professional instructor are encouraged to apply. In order to be considered, students must maintain passing grades in all academic areas.

A brief narrative describing an applicant's course of study and detailing how the student will use the scholarship to advance his/her artistic abilities must accompany all applications. A budget indicating anticipated expenditures will also be required. Applicants must also provide evidence of their previous efforts in the arts by submitting a portfolio, a cassette tape, videotape, slides or some other representation of their creative work.

Applications for the Young Masters program may be obtained beginning Monday, Sept. 24, 2001 by calling TCA at (512) 463-5535 ext. 42334 visiting by or http://www.arts.state.tx.us. All applications and support documents must be postmarked by Thursday, Nov. 1, 2001. Applications will be accepted from the student, their parents and the student's instructor. All applications will require the signature of the parents, the instructor and the student.

Students will be selected by a citizen panel of experts from across the state based on financial need, level of potential, level of commitment and quality of their proposed plan of action. Disbursement for the first class of Young Masters will begin in January 2002

TCA was organized in 1965

by the Texas Legislature to develop a receptive climate for the arts in Texas. TCA provides funding and other supportive measures, such as arts education and cultural tourism programs, for a variety of arts-related activities, including visual and literary arts, film and multi-media, music, dance and theater. For more information on TCA and its programs, please visit www.arts.state.tx.us.

Pet talk

That slimy fish tank you have may need a good scrubbing, but think twice before you get out the brushes and Mr. Clean.

It's best not to try any household slime-stoppers - in fact, it may be best to let your fish do all the work.

What we might call slime is actually mucous secreted from the fish in order to create a pleasing environment and combat high alkaline pH levels in tap water. Most fish work on a cleaning cycle that lasts about two to three weeks, says Dr. Donald Lewis, professor in the Department of Pathobiology at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University.

The cycle begins when fish are first introduced into a new aquarium. Most owners purchase a tank and fish at the same time, placing fish into the water as soon as the tank is filled. This instant plunge causes the fish to secrete mucous as a way of protecting itself from the high level of ammonia found in tap water resulting from the breakdown of organic matter, Lewis said.

The mucous secretion is a population of bacteria, and the first step a fish takes to deal with the excess ammonia. The bacteria that are produced from the mucous convert the ammonia to nitrites, which in turn convert the nitrites to nitrates.

By the end of the cycle, all three compounds exist and balance out the system. Plants can also be used to help stabilize the environment by absorbing the ammonia, nitrites, and nitrates from the water.

The cycle begins again when the current system is disturbed by: fish excrements, excess food resting on the aquarium floor, adverse environmental conditions, or parasites, Lewis said.

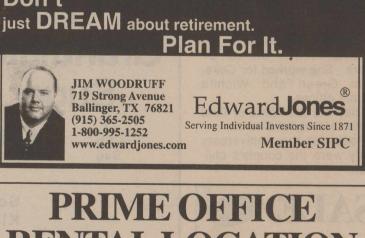
Breakfast burrito, apple juice, milk

Lunch Monday, October 1 Chicken nuggets w/gravy, creamed potatoes, sweet corn, rolls, banana pudding, milk

Tuesday, October 2 Beef chalupa, pinto beans, Spanish rice, lettuce & white tomato, cake w/chocolate icing, milk Wednesday, October 3 Corn dogs, macaroni & cheese, baked beans, tator tots, rice krispie bars, milk Thursday, October 4

Spud day, chili & cheese, baked potato, steamed broc-coli, crackers, jello, milk Friday, October 5 Chick-fil-lay sandwich,

French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, bun, ice cream cups, milk



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Friday, September 28 7:30 pm THERE

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Ivey Motor Company, Inc. Ben Bessent Chevrolet Larry's Automotive Repair

> Germania Insurance **Bill Carwile**

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

Cowboy Cafe

Hidalgo's Restaurant 323 Sweetwater Rd • Bronte

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September 14 Rankin Here 8:00 September 21 Roby There 8:00 September 28 **Irion County** There 7:30 **October 5** Miles Here 7:30 **October 12** Water Valley There 7:30 ** October 19 Eden Here 7:30 **October 26** Menard There 7:30 **November 2** Christoval Here 7:30 **November 9** Open * District Games ****** Homecoming

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Doug Bell David Rawlings Coke Co. Commissioner Pct. 4 Wackenhut Corrections

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TLEESCHOO

Steers roll up 41 points; shut out Bulldogs

by Bill Burns The Steers hosted the Eden Bulldogs last Friday and improved their season record to 4 wins and 0 losses. The Steers have been rolling up a lot of points this year as they have held their four opponents to a total of seven points.

1st quarter

The Steers received the opening kickoff. The kick went to the Steer 5 yard line and after some hesitation by the Steer return men, Colby Eubanks picked the ball up and raced down the left side of the field for a 95 yard return for a Steer touchdown. Stewart Millican kicked the extra point.

The Steers kicked to the Bulldogs and they returned the ball to their own 31 yard line. The Bulldogs fumbled and the Steers recovered at the Bulldog 24 yard line. Eubanks passed for a 22 yard gain to Travis Pitcock. Taylor Clendennen ran for the final 2 yards and a touchdown. Millican again was good on the extra point kick.

The Bulldogs started their next drive at their own 32 yard line. The Bulldogs advanced to the Steer 46 yard line but went to the air and Jaziel Gallegos intercepted for the



Breakfast Monday, October 1 Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk Tuesday, October 2 Juice, pizza, cereal, milk Wednesday, October 3 Juice, Burrito, cereal, milk Thursday, October 4 Juice, muffin, cereal, milk Friday, October 5 Juice, French toast, sausage, cereal, milk Lunch Monday, October 1 Pizza, corn, salad, chocolate pudding, milk **Tuesday, October 2**

Steers. The Steers went to work from their own 32 yard line. Clendennen ran for 38 yards, Eubanks passed to Pitcock for 23 yards, Eubanks ran for 4 yards, and Clendennen picked up the final 2 yards for the touchdown.

One more series of play by both teams and the quarter ended.

2nd quarter

The Steers made three first downs in this quarter and lost a fumble. The Bulldogs made four first downs, but neither team scored.

3rd quarter

The Bulldogs received the kick to start the second half. They could not get a first down and punted to the Steers. The Steer drive started at their own 41 yard line. Anson Lott ran for 9 yards, Bret Ballew ran for 10 yards, Gallegos went for 14 vards, and Clendennen went the final 20 yards for the

RLISD welcomes new board member

The Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees held its regular monthly meeting on Thurs-day, September 20 at 6:30 New member Jess pm. Williamson took his place on the board. Mr. Williamson was recently appointed to the position vacated by the resignation of Ray Aldridge last spring.

Elementary Principal Janet Wallace and Band Director Brad Roberts explained plans for a trip to be taken by the 5th and 6th grade band next spring and received the board's approval for the trip. Trustees also discussed plans for a district goal-setting workshop to be held in October.

Board members also discussed plans and arrangements to attend the Texas Association of School Boards Annual Convention. The convention will be held September 21 - 24 in Dallas. The convention is an opportunity for board members to hear the latest information from state education leaders and to receive required board member training. To conclude the brief agenda, Superintendent Weldon Koepf reported on several items before the board adjourned.

touchdown. Millican was good for the extra point kick.

The Bulldogs made two first downs, but gave the ball up on downs. The Steers took over at their own 29 yard line. Clendennen ran for 14 yards and 5 yards, Ballew ran for 9 yards and 1 yard, Pitcock caught a pass for 11 yards, Eubanks ran for a 25 yard gain, Clendennen gained 2 more yards and Ballew scored from 1 yard out. Millican kicked the extra point.

4th quarter

The Bulldogs started the quarter with the ball but passed on the first play and Eubanks intercepted and returned it for a 45 yard touchdown. The extra point attempt failed. Pitcock recovered a fumble for the Steers and Gallegos intercepted his second pass of the night.

Steers 41 - Bulldogs 0. Great job Steers!!!

RLISD sets open house

All parents and community members are cordially invited to attend Open House at Robert Lee ISD on Monday, October 1 from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria. Teachers will have student work on display in the classrooms. Everyone is encouraged to view the new Distance Learning Lab/Classroom located in Room 109 of the elementary school. For additional information, you may contact the school office at 453-4555.

RL band news

The Robert Lee Band Boosters/Band Parents will meet Tuesday, October 2, 2001, at 7:30 pm in the high school library to discuss the upcoming band contest.

RL PTO suggestion boxes placed

Suggestion boxes for the Robert Lee PTO will be placed at the Robert Lee Post Office and the school. The PTO hopes that parents, community members, teachers, and students will contribute ideas on how the PTO can best meet the needs of our school. For additional information about the suggestion boxes or the PTO, please call Karla Hamrick at 453-4780 or Lorrie Martin at 453-4500.

Mon-Fri

8 am-5:30 pm Saturday

8 am-5 pm

State reaches CHIP enrollment goal

Gov. Rick Perry recently applauded the TexCare Partnership for reaching its goal of enrolling 428,000 children in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). The enrollment goal was reached in just 18 months.

"When we created CHIP in 1999, few thought Texas could reach its goal of enrolling 428,000 children," Perry said. "We not only reached our goal, we reached it faster and more effectively than any other state."

In a ceremony at Becker Elementary School in Austin, Perry presented Erica Gonzales and her three children -Marina, Gilbert, and Eric - with a special certificate of recognition for being the 428,000th CHIP enrollee in Texas. The Gonzales family is from Austin.

'The Children's Health Insurance Program means that hundreds of thousands of Texans can sleep better at night knowing that our state's most precious resource - our children - have health coverage," Perry said.

'CHIP enrollment success is due, in large part, to those schools, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, and countless individuals around the state that successfully joined together to make Texas parents aware of affordable children's health insurance through the TexCare Partnership," Perry said.

CHIP is a national program designed for families whose income disqualifies them for Medicaid, but cannot afford commercial insurance. The State of Texas developed the TexCare Partnership to raise awareness of new children's health insurance options and to help Texas families obtain affordable coverage for their uninsured children (from newborns through age 18).

CHIP offers a comprehensive benefits package with a full range of coverage, including regular checkups, immunizations, prescription drugs, eyeglasses, lab tests, X-rays, hospital visits, dental care and mental health care - from a broad choice of doctors.

In addition to success with CHIP, Perry noted that the recently completed legislative session expanded Texans' access to quality health care. He pointed out that Medicaid funding increased by \$4 billion, funding for CHIP increased by \$935 million, and funding for new rural and border health care priorities was also secured.

The Medicaid enrollment process in Texas was simplified, making it easier for hundreds of thousands of additional children to be insured and to get routine and preventative health care.

"Between Medicaid simplification and the Children's Health Insurance Program, our young Texans will receive the care they need when they need it," Perry said.

Texas families seeking additional information about CHIP or wishing for health insurance can contact TexCare Partnership at (800) 647-6558 or visit the TexCare Partnership website (www.texcarepartnership.com

Southern gospel music group to perform

Sof'n The Blow Music Company and Stars of Gospel Music Concerts present an evening of Southern gospel music in Abilene, Tx, Friday evening October 5, 2001, at Moody Coliseum on the campus of Abilene Christian University. Concert time is 7 PM

The promoters of the event are making 1022 seats available to church youth groups and college students free of charge. Reservations must be made in advance to get these tickets. They will not be available at the door. For tickets and any other information, please call 1-800-992-7469.



Chicken O's, macaroni & cheese, English peas, rolls, apple slices, milk Wednesday, October 3

Tuna fish sandwich, chips, pork & beans, bananas, milk Thursday, October 4 Lasagna, green beans, strawberries, sliced bread, milk Friday, October 5

Hamburgers, salad, pickles, tator tots, ice cream, milk



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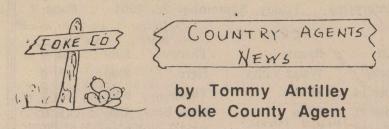
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Avoid fraud in times of turmoil

With the destruction of the World Trade Center in New York and the attempted destruction of the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., on September 11, the world changed. A lesson to learn from these recent events is to never let our guard down, in more ways than one. Although Americans as a whole are pulling together to recover and rebuild from this tragedy, con artists don't let an opportunity to make a quick buck

Disaster Update

By the time you receive the following information, it will have been updated several times; however, the following information from the Federal **Emergency** Management Agency (FEMA), may contain some facts concerning the disaster that you might not already know:

As of September 23, 2001, federal, state, and local government response and recovery operations continue in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. A total of 6,547 federal employees are working in direct support of operations in New York and Virginia. This includes 1,544 from (FEMA) and its Urban Search and Rescue task forces. Here is their latest information, as of Sept. 23: **New York**

* State officials report as of yesterday, 261 bodies have been recovered from the World Trade Center, of which 194 have been identified. The number of injured is 6,408, of which 415 remain hospitalized and 6,333 persons are currently registered as missing.

90,937 tons of debris have been removed from the WTC site to a landfill on Staten Island.

The American Red Cross has seven shelters open in the New York City metropolitan area with a population of 76 people. All shelters in New Jersey have been closed.

The latest report indicates 7.716 New Yorkers have called FEMA's toll free

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and tax record purposes, pay by check. Use the official full name of the charity and not initials on your check.

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For a list of legitimate agencies accepting donations, visit Web the site http://dailynews.yahoo.com/f c/US/EmergencyInformation/.

Farm program attacks unjustified

by The Texas Farm Bureau A series of stories by the Associated Press recently has caused much commotion about who receives government farm program payments.

The United States has provided its farmers with various forms of assistance for more than 70 years. In some years farm program subsidies are large, totaling over \$20 billion. Assistance levels shrink in other years. In the first half of the 1990s, direct payments to farmers averaged slightly over \$9 billion per year.

Farm program payments exist for a number of reasons. Historically, farm programs have been associated with low prices and depressed farm income.

Many question the need for subsidies and fail to realize the basic differences between farming and other businesses. The first reason is that crop production is completely at the mercy of the weather. Droughts or floods may literally reduce the crops of some individual producers to zero. Yet, several consecutive years of unusually good growing weather can result in large surpluses and low prices.

In recent years there have been two other important factors influencing farm programs and government payments. First is the level of subsidies from countries with which our farmers compete.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), made up of the largest developed countries in the world, has developed a methodology to define and standardize farm program payments, including direct and indirect financial support by governments. The measurement is called Producer Support Estimates (PSE).

year 2000, Japan is the leader with PSEs averaging \$4,605 per acre. The European Union (EU) is second highest with an average PSE of \$308 per acre while the United States comes in at \$49 per No other major acre. countries come close to the level of farm subsidy expended by the EU and Japan. If the farm subsidy playing field is ever going to be leveled, it will have to start with international agreements that limit subsidies in Japan and the EU.

In the category of aggregate spending, the EU has the highest PSEs with just over \$90 billion, Japan is second with \$60 billion and the US is third with \$49 billion. There is one measure where the US comes in first, and that is the amount of PSE per farm.

This is only because farms are, on average, far larger in the US than in other countries.

There is no way an individual farmer can compete with the treasuries of foreign governments. This has become more of an issue over the last 30 years, as the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) for the EU was developed and increasingly subsidized. Other governments also provide subsidies and/or trade barriers to enhance farm income and protect the commodities they produce from world competition.

US farmers would certainly prefer to get their income from the marketplace as opposed to the government. However, our farmers must survive in a world of high foreign subsidies, costly government regulations, and adverse growing conditions. US consumers have the most healthful, nutritious, and reasonably priced food supplies in the history of the world. Farm programs deserve some of the credit for this. These programs also promote social stability and economic prosperity in the rural areas. Farm programs are designed to encourage the

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production of food. Though often taken for granted, this is a vital component of our national security.

In an annual federal budget of more than \$2 trillion, farmers hope that roughly \$20 billion per year on the high side and much less at other times, could be recognized for the bargain it is.

If US farmers cannot compete, then our food will be grown somewhere else. Is America ready for that? Perhaps the time has come to view the federal farm programs for what they really are national food security programs.

Oktoberfest

Every first weekend in October, Fredericksburg's hills come alive with the sound of music - German music, that is. This year's Oktoberfest - the 21st - promises to be no different.

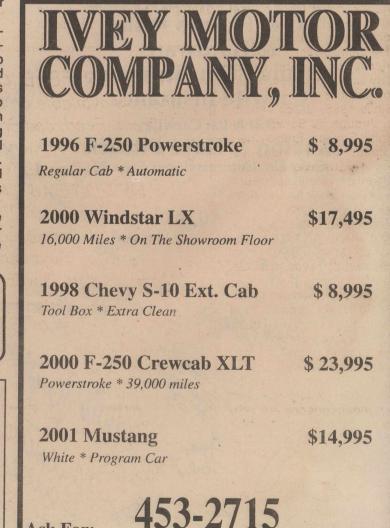
Oktoberfest will be held October 5, 6, & 7 this year, on the grounds of Fredericksburg's downtown Marktplatz. The gates open on Friday evening at 6:00 pm and the festivities last until Sunday at 6:00 pm.

Nearly thirty bands and other performers are scheduled to be on hand to entertain the expected crowds. There will be plenty of entertainment for the young ones, too.

There will be a Front Gate Tent for the strollers and a Main Street Tent added to provide more continuous entertainment throughout the entire weekend.

If you would like more information about Oktoberfest, advance ticket information, or a free brochure, please call the Fest Office at toll-free 1-866-839-3378 or visit www.fredericksburg-texasevents.com.

Children have never good at been very listening to their elders but they have never failed to imitate them. **James Baldwin**



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teleregistration phone number to register for assistance.

* Nine FEMA and two non-FEMA Urban Search and Rescue task forces are assigned to the WTC site.

Five Disaster Medical Assistance Teams are working 8-hour rotations providing medical services at five operating clinics within five blocks of WTC site. Virginia

All Urban Search and Rescue task forces at the Pentagon site have demobilized.

* At the Pentagon, officials report 125 dead or unaccounted for, not including aircraft passengers. To date, 117 remains have been recovered and transported to Dover Air Force Base, DE, for identification.

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Keep long-term perspective in times of crisis

The tragic events at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania shocked the nation and the world. As an individual, you no doubt felt appalled and deeply saddened. But as an investor, you also have to deal with the "aftershock" - specificially, the impact such a horrific event has on the world's financial markets.

There's nothing you or anyone else can do to control world events, or how the markets respond to them. Consequently, it's important not to base your investment decisions on recent headlines, no matter how dramatic they may be

Sadly, there have been other national tragedies in our past, although arguably none as horrific as the events on Sept. 11. Thankfully, we live in a country that is resilient, and the financial markets have

Green Thumb promotes older worker week

Each year Green Thumb, Inc., promotes Hire the Older Worker Week which spotlights seniors and the contributions they bring to the labor force. During this week, employers are encouraged to recognize the rich potential seniors bring to the workplace and to profit from their broad experience and strong work ethic.

According to Diane Cowan, Green Thumb Program Director, "During this important week, September 23 through September 29, let us focus upon the important contributions of our senior workers. Already we see in this century an ever-increasing demand for skilled workers. We must retain qualified older workers currently in our labor market and give other older job seekers the opportunity to prove themselves. Hiring experience, dependability, reliability and dedication is just good business!"

Since 1965, Green Thumb, Inc. through its Senior Community Service Employment Program, has provided seniors with training and parttime employment opportunities, which allow for transition

historically reflected that. And, over the past four decades, the rebounds have come fairly quickly after the onset of a major crisis. For instance, at the height of the Cuban Missile Crisis - a period of extraordinary fear for most Americans - the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell more than 9 percent. Yet, just over two months later, the Dow had gone up nearly 29 percent.

We can also go back to October 1987, when the stock market crashed. At its low point, the Dow was down 34 percent - and yet, two months later, the index had regained a full 15 percent. And in the years since then, the Dow: soared from record high to record high.

The point is that the stock market is resilient. Throughout its history, it has trended upwards in the long - term, despite short - term blips, bumps and crises.

Nonetheless, it can still be difficult to maintain your focus in the face of calamity. That's why you should consider following these basic investment principles:

*Maintain a long - term perspective - short - term setbacks can be discouraging, but keep in mind that you're not investing for next week or next month. You're investing to achieve long - term goals, such as college for your kids or a comfortable retirement. That's why it's best to look beyond today's events and stay focused on the future. It's easy to do this when times are good - but it takes real discipline to stay on your path when the road gets rough.

*Diversify your portfolio -The best way to protect yourself against short - term market fluctuations is to diversify your holdings. Not all investments respond in the same way to the same circumstances. For example, when stocks are down, bonds may be up, or

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vice versa. By building a diversified portfolio containing stocks, bonds, government securities and money market instruments, you'll give your-self more opportunities for success.

It's natural to feel distraught in the wake of crises or tragedies. Yet, by following these few simple guidelines, you'll be able to take the emotion out of your investment decisions.

VistaCare Hospice offering community programs

VistaCare Hospice is offering two special programs to the residents of the Concho Valley. These programs are free of charge to participants.

The first program is "Life After Loss" which deals with the issues a person may face after the death of a loved one. The discussions are 90 minutes in length and will be held on 6 consecutive Thursdays beginning at 6:30 pm on the 4th of October.

The second program is for the training of Hospice volunteers. The training will be held October 16, from 6 - 8 pm, & October 19th, 9 am to 5 pm. Lunch will be provided.

All training will be at VistaCare Hospice located at 940 B Arroyo Drive in San Angelo. Call Jill Stewart 947-0123 to pre-register.

Letter to the Editor Dear Hal,

At the age of 83, and now with the uncertainty of times, we don't know what future I have left will bring, but keeping in touch with Robert Lee, where I left my heart, is one of the few bright spots in an otherwise difficult existence.

With this check, I'm sending a prayer that God will bless all of you who keep the Observer/Enterprise going, & a thanks from me for each issue that is the next best thing for a visit there!

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Library News

To verify the various stories which come in via the Internet regarding the September 11 tragedy, go to www.snopes2.com/inboxer/scams. The scam email requesting money to track Bin Laden by computer hackers, American songs banned from the airways, lighting candles at a specific time are some of the untruths being forwarded by the thousands. The pattern of "11" in the terrible act is questioned, and a good case for a pattern of "2" is also presented.

Internet users should be advised that email asking that information be forwarded to all "your friends" is often a scam to get all your friends' email addresses to add to spam lists. Often the most heartrending stories or prayers are used to create email mailing addresses. It is unfortunate that the scam artists force us all to be wary.

Internet access is available at the Coke County Library. Anyone with an interest in using the Internet is welcome to come in and ask for assistance with research. Questions that might be answered via the Internet may be called in as well. Material can be printed out in limited pages.

TexShare Library Cards are available at the Library. Any patron with a clear record is eligible to obtain a card which may be used in any participating library in the state of Texas. Borrowers are expected to return the books on

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time to the library from which they were borrowed.

Story Hour is Tuesday at 10. Library hours are Tuesday, 8-12; Wednesday, 8-4: Thursday, 1-5; and Friday, 8-12. Books may be returned to Main Street Market in Bronte as well as to the counter at the Coke County Library.

Social Security news

by Fredi Franki Social Security Manager San Angelo Office

If you're a physician or other health care provider (or just curious about what goes into disability decisions), you'll want to consult Disability Evaluation Under Social Security (also known as the "Blue Book"), now available online at Social Security's website, www.ssa.gov. It explains how the Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability programs work and shows what kind of information health professionals can furnish to help ensure prompt, sound decisions on disability claims for their patients.

General information includes an explanation of:

*the Social Security definition of disability in adults and children'

the disability determination process; and

*the role of the health care professional.

In addition, there is information provided about what evidence is required before a disability determination is made and the actual "Listings of Impairments" that Social Security uses to help determine disability for both adults and children.



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back into the mainstream.

Funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, the program serves primarily rural areas in 132 Texas counties. Green Thumb give older, economically-disadvantaged job seekers the opportunity of sharing their years of experience, hard work, and dedication through work assignments in locally-based organizations. Through their participation, the seniors maintain their independence as productive contributors to their communities and profit from job-skills training which allows for transition back into private sector employment.

For more information regarding senior employment and training opportunities, contact Green Thumb, Inc., P.O. Box 7898, Waco, Texas 76714, 254-776-4081.

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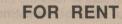
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FOR SALE 96 Ford 250 club cab 5 speed, runs great. \$8,500.00. 473-6971. _________10-1tc

FOR SALE 1984 29 foot Jayco RV. Good condition. \$3900.00. Call 915-453-2898 (night), C. Wilson.

<u>10-2tp</u>



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 44a-51tp

FOR RENT Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221. 03b-tnc

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

29a-EOW

MISC

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

<u>34b-tnc</u>

TREES TRIMMED topped or removed. Call 453-

9902 after 6 pm. <u>37a-tnc</u>

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

CARRY OUT AND DELIVERY Pizza Franchise. Financing available for qualified individual. Call Lance 1-800-310-8848.

08-4tp THE "BARBER " SHOP Debora England, 223 N. Lombard, Bronte. 473-4026. **PROFESSIONAL DOG** grooming. Call Susan 473-2515.

50b-tnc ANNIE G'S ARTISAN CRAFTS gifts, art, antiques, kites and tshirts. 119 West Main, Bronte. 473-2324. 05b-tnc

THE ROBERT LEE-SILVER LIONS CLUB would like to thank the community for the support of our flag project. During the last days we have had flags out especially for the Sept. tragedy. To the person who took the two flags, we would appreciate their return.

HAIRCUTS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Will travel to your home! Call 450-8323 (local) for an appointment. All haircuts are \$10.00.

> 10-1tp CASH

for new or used small dish satellite systems. Direct TV, Dish Network, RCA, Hughes, & Sony. Will pick up. Call (915) 556-2648.

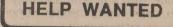
BRONTE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

needs a freezer! Please call 473-4304, 473-6261, 473-7302, or 473-2105 if you have a freezer to sell or donate.

HOME REPAIRS

Will do all types. Plumbing, electric, floor covering, painting, carpentry, & dry wall. 453-2865.

<u>10-2tp</u>



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. <u>28b-tnc</u>

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

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

50B-tnc

GARAGE SALES

SUPER YARD SALE

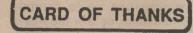
* Everything must go. Friday & Saturday, 28th & 29th, 602 S. Washington, Bronte.

10-1tp 3 FAMILY

GARAGE SALE

1201 Washington, Robert Lee. Saturday, 8:00 am til ?. Furniture & doors. Lots of stuff.

<u>10-1tp</u>



WE WISH TO EXPRESS our appreciation to everyone who made our 50th wedding anniversary party a wonderful success. In addition, we treasure all the great cards.

> Thanks so much, John & Maudie Conley <u>10-1tp</u>

NOTICES

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF COM-PENSATED SERVICES West Coke County Hospital District of Robert Lee, TX, will provide from October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002 Compensated Services to all eligible persons who request those services. These services will be available during this time period until such time as the Compensated Services Program might be modified or terminated by the Hospital District Board of Directors. Services of the Shamrock Clinic will be available as compensated services. Eligibility for compensated services will be limited to persons who currently are and have been residents of the WCCHD for a period of six months or more and whose family income is within the income guidelines established by the WCCHD Board of Directors and shown to be effective August 1, 1999. Application for this program can be made at the business office of the Robert Lee Care Center. This notice is published in accordance with Chapter 315, H.B. 1013 enacted April 8, 1963 establishing the WCCHD.

This notice is made in

09-2tp

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, sunroom or 3rd BR, large kitchen, single garage, over 1800 sq. ft.

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

RESTAURANT IN ROBERT LEE Hwy 158 frontage. Abundant parking. Excellent location, & ready to open. BAYVIEW ESTATES

2 BR, 1 bath house, with guest house. Many improvements - decks & greenhouse. Priced to sell.

Concho Realty Becky Halfmann, Realtor (915) 397-2533 rhalfmann@apex2000. net

<u>09-4tc</u>



day, 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



COMPUTERS Complete systems, repairs upgrades, internet. Call Ed @ EMCO Computers. 473-3004. 32b-tnc Texas Department of Transportation 4502 Knickerbocker Rd. San Angelo, TX 915-944-1501 Location: Robert Lee Maint. Section S.H. 158 East, Robert Lee, TX Job Title: Maintenance Tech. I Job Vacancy Number: 00-1198 Closing Date: 10/03/01 at 5:00 p.m. Salary: \$8.42 - 11.03 per hour

Minimum Requirements: Entry Level Position. Must have or obtain within 60 calendar days from date of employment a Commercial Driver's License with the X endorsement. Must be able to report within 30 minutes of notification on a 24-hour basis.

A Completed Application is Required. (The above is not a complete list of requirements or qualifications) For additional information call Human Resources at 915-944-1501, go by any TxDOT office or use our Internet home page at http://www.dot.state.tx.us/ An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for the above job may call Human Resources. You may also call the telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at 512-416-2977. An Equal Employment Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer

NOTICES

compliance with the plan administration for annual public notification of service availability.

10-1tc NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF INDIGENT HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE

West Coke County Hospital District of Robert Lee, TX, will provide from October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002 Indigent Health Care services to all eligible persons who meet the Hospital District eligibility requirements. Any resident of WCCHD is eligible to apply for these services. Eligibility criteria includes household

composition, income and other available resources. Supporting documentation is required for all components of eligibility. Eligibility for Indigent Health Care services will be limited to persons who can prove residency in the WC-CHD and whose family income meets the criteria of the current poverty income guidelines established by the Texas Department of Health as shown to be effective May 2000. Application for this program can be made at the business office of the Robert Lee Care Center. This notice is made in compliance with the plan administration for annual public notification of service availability.

10-1tc ORDINANCE NO. 1112

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF **ROBERT LEE, TEXAS FOR**

THE TAX YEAR OF 2002. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY** OF ROBERT LEE, TEXAS, THAT:

We the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, do hereby levy and adopt the tax rate of One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) valuation for this City for the tax year 2002 as follows:

.347908 FOR THE PUR-POSES OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

0 FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON DEBT OF THIS CITY

.347908 TOTAL TAX RATE The Tax Assessor is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of the City of Robert Lee employing the above tax rates.

The above ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas on this the <u>10th</u> day of September, 2001, and was executed in duplicate.

Commissioners for the Bronte Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five Year Plan and Annual Plan. The meeting will take place at 116 Northeast Railroad in the office of the Bronte Housing Authority. The draft plans and all supporting documentation are available to the Public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 116 Northeast

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Pet talk

Just like the television

Minutes can mean the dif-

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arises, and a walk around the

block or a hike through the

woods may be dangerous or

even prove fatal if you lack the

right knowledge to care for

your pet in an emergency sit-

uation. Dr. Sonya Gordon of

10-1tc NOTICE OF **REQUIREMENT TO** COMPLY WITH THE SUBDIVISION AND SERVICE EXTENSION POLICY OF COKE COUNTY WATER

am.

SUPPLY CORPORATION Pursuant to Chapter 13.2502 of the Texas Water Code, Coke County Water Supply Corporation hereby gives notice that any person who subdivides land by dividing any lot, tract, or parcel of land, within the service area of Coke County Water Supply Corporation, Certificate of **Convenience and Necessity** No. 11382, in Coke County, into two or more lots or sites for the purpose of sale or development, whether immediate or future, including resubdivision of land for which a plat has been filed and recorded or requests more than two water service connections on a single contiguous tract of land must comply with the Developer, Subdivision, and Non-Standard Service Requirements contained in Coke County Water Supply Corporation's tariff.

Coke County Water Supply Corporation is not required to extend retail water utility service to a service applicant in a subdivision where the developer of the subdivision has failed to comply with the Subdivision Policy.

Applicable elements of the Subdivision Policy include:

*Evaluation by Coke County Water Supply Corporation of the impact a proposed subdivision service extension will make on Coke County Water Supply Corporation's water supply system and payment

of the costs for this evaluation;

*Payment of reasonable tees for reserving water supply capacity;

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service area map also are filed of record at the Texas Natural Texas A&M University's Col-**Resource** Conservation lege of Veterinary Medicine Commission in Austin, Texas, says pet owners may need and may be reviewed by consome helpful tips on taking tacting the TNRCC, c/o Utility care of your animal when time Rates and Services Section, is limited. Water Utilities Division, PO Box 13087, Austin, Texas

There are many every day activities that can be hazardous for pets if the right action is not quickly taken. One of the most common emergency situations is when an animal is involved in a car accident. Any time an animal collides with a motorized vehicle, it should be taken immediately to a veterinarian, even for what appears to be minor bumps and bruises.

"Dogs and cats do not have the ability to tell us where it hurts and there may be internal problems that cannot be noticed by the owner," said

Gordon.

When the damage caused by an accident leaves the pet immobile, Gordon suggests using a large towel or heavy blanket held tightly to simulate a stretcher to carry the animal. Never pick up an injured animal and hold it unless it is very small and can be sufficiently restrained.

Also, she says persons should remember to be careful when working around injured animals as they may accidentally bite a caregiver, even their owner.

Remember to keep your pet warm and use clean fabric like a towel, a bandage, or T-shirt to cover any open wounds. This will help keep the wound clean and allow the blood to clot to help limit bleeding.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS OCTOBER 1, 2001 AT 5:30 PM **BRONTE HOUSING** AUTHORITY

The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Housing Authority of the City of Bronte to prepare a Five Year Plan and an Annual Plan covering

operations of the Public Housing. On October 1, 2001 at 5:30 pm, the Board of Lee, Texas; the tariff and

*Forfeiture of reserved water supply service capacity for failure to pay applicable fees;

*Payments of costs of any improvements to Coke County Water Supply Corporation's system that are necessary to provide the water service;

*Construction according to design approved by Coke County Water Supply Corporation and dedication by the developer of water facilities within the subdivision following inspection.

Coke County Water Supply Corporation's tariff and a map showing Coke County Water Supply Corporation's service area may be reviewed at Coke County Water Supply Corporation's office at 10390 W: State Highway 158, Robert

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