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Friday, August 16, 2002

2002-2003 school year begins Monday, Aug. 19

Classes will begin for both Bronte Independent School District and Robert Lee Independent School District students on Monday, August 19, 2002.

At Robert Lee High School, the first bell will ring at 7:55 am and classes will begin, at 8 am. The bell to dismiss for the day will ring at 3:27 pm. Lunch for junior high and high school students will begin at 12:06 pm, and end at 12:41 pm. The tardy bell ending the lunch period will ring at 12:45 pm. Robert Lee elementary students will begin their lunch periods at 11 am. Your child's teacher can provide the exact times their class will be at lunch.

Bronte High School students need to be present by 7:50 am Monday, August 19. If your high school student has not already checked their schedule, today (August 16), between 8 am and 4 pm, is the last day to do so. Seventh and eighth grade students don't need to check schedules prior to Aug. 19.

Bronte Elementary students should already be registered. However, if your child has not been registered, the documents needed to do so include: birth certificate, Social Security card, immunization record, and a proof of residence (rent receipt or utility bill with the physical address).

The Texas Fiddlers will be performing at the pavillion in the Bronte park Saturday, August 24, 2002. The performance will begin at 7 pm. The group, from Abilene, were among those who performed during Fort Chadbourne Days in June. According to some of those present at their June performance, concert attendees will enjoy an evening of great entertainment.

cover all the state's hunting and fishing regulations; they are free and all outdoorsmen (and women) would do well to read the thing cover to cover. Even if you have hunted or fished all your life, you will always find something that never occurred to you.

Watch the Observer/

Enterprise next week for the dove hunting prospects and observations for the upcoming opening September 1st in our area.

Meet the Steers slated

The Robert Lee All Sports Boosters will sponsor a "Meet the Steers" night at the Baird scrimmage Thursday, August 22

Brisket and sausage will be served, beginning at 5 pm, at no charge. Donations will be accepted during the membership drive for the All Sports Booster Club. Please come out and support the Steers.

encouraged to attend. FMI: Call Keith McCutchen

at 473-2511 or 473-2226.

Scrimmage site changed

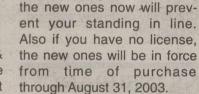
The Bronte football scrimmage set for August 23rd has been moved from Bronte to Garden City. The scrimmage will begin at 6:00 pm.

Bronte ISD earns exemplary rating

The Texas Education Agency has announced the accountability ratings for 2002. Both Bronte

New hunting and fishing licenses are now available

The 2002-2003 Hunting & Fishing licenses went on sale Thursday, August 15, in most places that sell sporting goods. Current license expire on August 31st, but buying



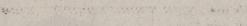
Also available are the Texas Parks & Wildlife Outdoor Annuals. These summaries







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Coke County 4-H members recently attended a multi-county camp held at Buffalo Gap. 4-H members from Shackelford, Coke, Sterling, Fisher and Jones counties participated in character education, leadership, recreation, craft and dance sessions. Those attending from Coke County were: (front row) Kacee Roberts, Blake Millican, Hayden Dillard, Cody Wallace; (back row) Miranda Parks, Briana Brisbin, Stacey Denton, Emilee Yanez, Katie Bessent, Sarah Philley, Molli Hinderliter, Brody Dillard, Taylor Percifull, Cody Denton and Clay Antilley. Leaders attending were Douglas and Denise Roberts and agents, Tommy Antilley and Jan Yanez.

Meet the Longhorns

Meet the Lonahorns night has been set for Thursday, August 22, 2002, at the park in Bronte.

Project Graduation will serve hamburgers starting at 5:30 pm. Meet the Longhorns will start at 7:00

Officials organizational meeting slated

pm.

There will be a meeting to organize a local chapter of sports officials Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 8:30 pm in the Bronte ISD cafeteria.

Anyone interested in officiating sub-varsity football and/or volleyball games is

Elementary and Bronte High School received Exemplary Ratings. Bronte ISD also received the Exemplary Rating for the entire district. The Bronte administration is very proud of receiving the highest ratings. This is possible because of outstanding efforts made by parents. teachers and our students.

Bronte UMC moves worship services

The Bronte United Methodist Church will be worshiping in a tent set up in the church courtyard Sundays, August 18 and 25, while the Sanctuary is being renovated. Sunday morning worship will begin at 9 am for these days.

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Death Notices Millsap

Graveside funeral service was held for Hall S. (Dock) Millsap on Thursday, August 8, in Grape Creek Cemetery. Mr. Millsap died in San Angelo on Monday, August 5th

Survivors include his wife, Gladys Millsap of San Angelo; one daughter and husband, Merry, and Jerry Jones of San Angelo; stepson and wife, Homer and Pam Stewart of San Angelo; stepdaughter and husband, Winnie and Doug McPeek of Robert Lee; six grandchildren; two great-granddaughters; one great-grandson; one sister, Lela Richardson of San Angelo; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

UnionTexas Retiree's Reunion

by Jeffie Roberts The second Annual Union Texas Petroleum Retiree's Reunion was held in the Recreation Hall in the Coke County Park in Robert Lee, Saturday, August 3, 2002. A delicious meal was catered by Kenny Blanek to a group of 55 retirees, widows, and spouses. Bobby Roberts led the group in prayer.

A short business meeting was conducted by Winton Milliff as Jeffie Roberts served as secretary. Winton welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. He thanked Virginia, Jeffie, and Bobby for all their help in helping him organize the reunion. A round of applause was given to this committee for a job well done and in appreciation for getting all these long time friendsretirees together. Winton and Jeffie reported on telephone calls and correspondence from Chester Wilson, Red Weatherby, Stella Webb, Doris and Johnny Kohutek and Pauline Donley. Jeffie read the minutes from the 2001 first reunion held August 4, 2001 and a list prepared by Virginia of the many deceased employees and retirees. More were added to the list as those present could remember some that were not on the list. Treasurer, Virginia Milliff, gave the treasurer's report.

Winton asked for volunteers to organize and host the 2003 reunion at a location of their choice. No one accepted and the Robert Lee bunch was elected again. Many offered to help next year if Winton, Virginia, Bobby and Jeffie would be in charge.

One of the highlights of the reunion was a slide presentation prepared and given by Earl Kirk of Houston. Retirees present had worked in the Perkins Plant at Silver-Robert Lee, Chaney Dell-Ringwood, Oklahoma, Walnut Bend-Gainesville, Texas, Benedum-Rankin, Texas, Toca Plant-Chalmette, Louisiana, and Choctaw Underground Storage -Plaquemine, Louisiana. The slides were taken in these plants and others located in the U.S.

Mr. Kirk told many stories related to the slides which was of great interest to those retirees present.

Earl Kirk worked for Sunray in Snyder from 1956 - 1959. In 1959, he left Sunray to begin work for Union Texas Petroleum. He worked for Union Texas Petroleum for 16 years. The last eight years he served as the Director of Gas Processing for all U.T.P. The slides were plants. made during these years. He left U.T.P. in 1975.

After 102 years, Union Texas Petroleum sold out completely, their plants have been sold to many companies since. The Perkins plant in the mountains at Silver has been completely dismantled with only concrete pads left on the grounds.

Bobby and Winton prepared a table of Union Texas Petroleum memorabilia that was enjoyed by those present.

Those present for the 2002 reunion were Rick and Sue Morrish and Charles Webb of Ballinger; Bo and Ann Rose of Lawn; Charlie and Donna Stephens of Novice; Bill and Louise Richey of Goldsboro; Joe Tarter, Emmett Banks and Bill and Georgia Barnes of Colorado City; Tom and June Wilkes of Rankin; Jerry Wilkes and Raymond Bloodworth of Silver; Totsy and Betty Hargrove of Whitesboro; F.G. Fisher of Potosi; Don and Ellen Clark and Bob Moore of Enid, Oklahoma; and Forrest and Bertie Wanker of Fairview, Oklahoma.

Also present were Earl and Dixie Kirk of Houston: Albert and Mae Huser, Jr. of Vinton, Louisiana; Buddy and Gayna Eldred of Blackwell; Donald Walker, Joann Meadows, Kathryn (Giest) Stenbarger, and John and Betty Romp all of San Angelo; Dorothy Collins, Larry Robinson, and Steve and Brenda Hines all of Bronte; Nell Hines, Winnie Pitcock, Bob Bagwell, Pete and Emmalee Prentice, D.J. and Nelia Walker, John and Jeanette Jacobs, Winton and Virginia Milliff and Bobby and Jeffie Roberts all of Robert Lee.

Visiting the group in the afternoon were Dale and Sue Wojtek and Ernest Clendennen all of Robert Lee. Winton presented a Union Texas Petroleum cap to the one that traveled the most miles and that was Albert and Mae Husers, Jr. of Vinton, Louisiana, 555 miles.

Local students earn ASU degrees

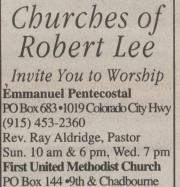
Several Coke County students were among the 220, 2002 summer degree conferees at Angelo State University on Friday evening, August 9th.

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On Saturday, August 10, 2002, Shandi Dawn Davis received her Master's **Degree at North Texas University in Denton, Texas** in Education with an **Emphasis in Secondary** Education and an **Endorsement Instruction** for Gifted and Talented Education. Shandi is a teacher at Denton High School. She is the daughter of Henry Ellis and **Connie Davis of Amarillo** and granddaughter of Millie Davis of Robert Lee, who made the trip to Denton for the occasion.

Earning degrees in the summer ceremony were Tiffany A. Bruning, MS; Christopher F. Woods, BBA, both of Robert Lee; Vanessa Janelle Fuentes, BA, of Bronte; and Wendy L. Davis, BS, of Blackwell.



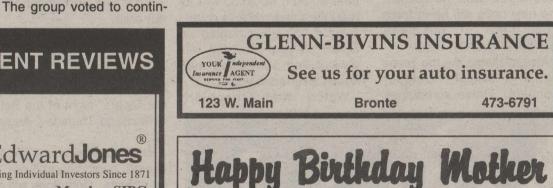
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Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 •8th & Houston (915) 453-2176 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Worship **Robert Lee Baptist Church** PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (915) 453-2724 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday 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 • 6th & Houston (915) 453-2208 Rev. Erma Johnson, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting

4-H seeks members

The Coke County Extension agents will be conducting 4-H meetings in Bronte and Robert Lee to kick off the 4-H year. Any youth who is either 9 years old or 8 years old and in the 3rd grade, and has not reached their 19th birthday by August 31, 2002, is eligible to become a 4-H member. Meetings in Robert Lee will be held the first Wednesday of the month beginning September 4, 2002. The senior 4-H group, grades 7-12, will meet during the lunch break in the Home Economics room (lunch is provided) and the junior 4-H group for grades 3-6 will meet after school in the cafeteria. Bronte 4-H meetings will be held the 2nd Wednesday of the month, beginning September 11, 2002. Grades 3-12 will meet in the library immediately after school.

All 4-H members must attend at least one-half of scheduled 4-H meetings prior to any major event or activity (i.e.: food show, stock show, etc.) to be eligible to participate.

4-H is open to any youth regardless of sex, religion, race, socio-economic level, color, disability, or national origin, who meet the age requirement listed above.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in these meetings, are encouraged to contact the Coke County Extension office at (915) 453-2461 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

Being a member of 4-H offers vast opportunities to gain valuable experience in leadership, learning responsibility, inter-action with others and knowledge in several project areas. Many people have the misconception that 4-H members only learn to cook, sew or have livestock projects, but 4-H is "more than just cooking and cows". Youth can participate in project areas including: gardening, horticulture, electricity, shooting sports, archery, government, wildlife, dog care and training, poultry, and numerous other learning experiences. Through project work, being on judging teams, public speaking, method demonstrations and other 4-H areas, youth can learn valuable lessons in responsibility, being able to think for themselves, be able to speak in front of groups and other beneficial lessons to help them in their lives later on. Also, 4-H is not just for youth - adults and parents are encouraged to become involved as volunteer leaders to assist in club meetings and various project groups. Additional information can be obtained from the Coke Cooperative County Extension office in the county courthouse, or by calling (915)453-2461.



Bob and Patti Frazee of Bronte would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Katy Michelle Frazee, to Corporal Kevin Allen Johnson, son of Morris and Judy Johnson of Bronte. The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Bronte High School and is now an Elementary Education major at Angelo State University. Her fiance is a 1999 graduate of Bronte High School and is stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, serving as an infantry squad leader in the United States Marine Corp. The couple will be wed November 9, 2002, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Eastern Star news

by Jeffie Roberts Robert Lee Eastern Star Chapter No. 187 met August 8, 2002, for their regular meeting. Dolores Roe, Worthy Matron, presided with 13 officers and 4 members present. Jackie Walker, Tammy and Kevin Roe were installed in their official stations. Their monthly business was conducted. The chapter voted to have a garage sale Saturday, September 7, at the home of

Dolores Roe. They also voted to have a booth at the Street Affair in Robert Lee on October 5, 2002.

Dolores gave an informative program on Rob Morris, the founder of the Order of Eastern Star. Beverly Sinclair led the group in prayer for the many sick and bereaved people in our community. A delicious meal was served by Dolores, Tammy and Kevin. Everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship.





Whether you're staying close to home... or going around the world, don't forget your *Pulse* ATM card from Robert Lee State Bank.

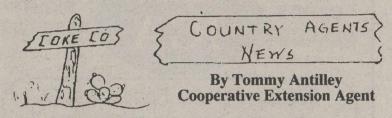
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August marks deadline to tag sheep & goats

August 1 signaled the deadline for sheep, as well as many goats, to be identified with an ear tag approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) when the animals are moved from the farm for exhibition or sale. The ear tag is imprinted with a ranch identification number, which makes it possible to trace the animal back to the farm where it was born, in case scrapie infection is detected later in the animal. The identification tags, combined with accurate record keeping, are key elements of the national program to eradicate scrapie, the fatal, degenerative disease that can affect the brains of sheep and, sometimes, goats.

"In November 2001, USDA introduced a new national scrapie eradication program at the request of the American Sheep Industry Association. Since then, we've been in a 'grace period,' while producers obtained ear tag supplies and became familiar with the regulations," said Dr. Linda Logan, Texas' state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "August 1 signaled the end of this 'phase-in period,' and the deadline for identification tags to be applied to sheep and many goats before they are sold or commingled with those from other farms."

"During the past eight months, more than 9,300 Texas ranchers have called the TAHC for a premise, or ranch identification number. This number is printed on the rancher's supply of the metal or plastic ear tags provided at no cost by the USDA," said Dr. Logan. "The back side of the tag is imprinted with an individual animal number, so ranchers may keep detailed records on each sheep or goat, if they wish."

Scrapie regulations require the following animals to have the official ear tag before they are sold or are exhibited: *all breeding sheep, regardless

of age *all sheep 18 months of age or

older *all breeding goats and goats over 18 months of age, except low risk goats. Low risk goats are goats that have not been commingled with sheep, except low risk (whitefaced) commercial sheep.

*Sexually intact sheep or goats for show or exhibition. (Sexually intact animals are animals that have not been neutered.)

*Any sheep or goats that are considered to be at high risk, exposed to or positive for scrapie.

"In lieu of an ear tag, a tattoo can be used as identification for registered meat or dairy show goats, as long as the animals move with their registration papers," explained veterinarian Terry Conger, TAHC's state epidemiologist. A premise identification ear tag is to be placed on the animal when it moves to slaughter, or if it sold without registration papers, he said.

"Wethers, which are neutered sheep, do not have to be tagged prior to an exhibition or a sale. Furthermore, commercial goats that haven't had any contact with sheep, don't have to be tagged for sale," explained Dr. Conger. "Commercial goats are those that are raised or bred for meat or fiber production and are not used for exhibition and are not registered with a breed association."

Ranchers who haven't obtained a premise number and ear tags can still sell their animals," explained Dr. Logan. "Animals can be tagged by livestock market personnel, who may charge a small fee, to cover costs for ear tag application and for the required record keeping." However, he encourpremise identification number and tags by calling the TAHC's 'tag line' at 1-866-873-2824. There's no charge for the call, premise number or tags, he said.

Key elements of Texas' scrapie regulations for animal identification and movement requirements include:

*Tagging of eligible animals prior to in-state or interstate movement or exhibitions..

*Maintaining records for five years. Ranchers, markets, terminal feedlots, or persons providing tags must keep records that include:

1) date, number and species of animals tagged, bought or sold. 2) name and address of the person or market from which the animals were obtained or sold

3) agents, such as agricultural science teachers or livestock markets, who supply ear tags, must maintain records that include the animal owner's name, address and the premise identification number for each animal.

Personal

Crystal Hammerton, granddaughter of Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee, and Ryan Stanford spent a few days in the home of her grandparents. Crystal and Ryan will be starting colleges for the second year at Tarleton State University in Stephenville on August 26, 2002.

RLVFD memorials/donations

Memorials Glenda Service

Mr. & Mrs. Garland Davis **Carroll & Amanda Wilkes** Wilbern & Charlotte Millican Mark & Cindy Riley & family **Hadley Richards** Clayton & Pansy Bloodworth Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Rasco **Ruth Beal** Mrs. Fay Roe & family Mary Jo Harmon Daryl & Myna Kay Copeland & Margaret Jones Mrs. Fay Roe & family Mr. & Mrs. Bill Blair **Griffin Lenoir** Mrs. Fay Roe & family Lucille Bryan Mark & Cindy Riley & family **Bobby Baker** Mark & Cindy Riley & family

JoNell & Maurice Yarbrough **Floy Sawyer**

Mark & Cindy Riley & Family **Debbie Conley** Mark & Cindy Riley & family

Don Sparks

Mark & Cindy Riley & family

Howard Shaffer Mr. & Mrs. Wilbern Millican

Donations City water customers

Runnels Baptist

Association news The Runnels **Baptist** Association will meet Monday, August 19, 2002 at First Baptist Church in Winters.

The Executive Board and WMU will meet at 5:30 pm and the evening meal will be served at 6:30 pm. A program on State

Missions will begin at 7:15 pm. Roy Epperson, Director of Missions, is in charge of the program.



Robert Lee Breakfast Monday, Aug. 19 Juice, donut, cereal, milk Tuesday, Aug. 20 Juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk Wednesday, Aug. 21 Juice, muffin, cereal, milk Thursday, Aug. 22 Juice, biscuit/sausage, cereal, milk Friday, Aug. 23 Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk Lunch Monday, Aug. 19 Burrito, tator tots, salad, peaches, milk Tuesday, Aug. 20 Chicken O's, mac & cheese, green beans, strawberry jello, ranch rolls, milk Wednesday, Aug. 21

Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, English peas, rolls, pears, milk

Thursday, Aug. 22 Pizza, salad, potato patty, chocolate cake, milk

Friday, Aug. 23 BBQ on a bun, pickles, ranch style beans, French fries, fruit, milk

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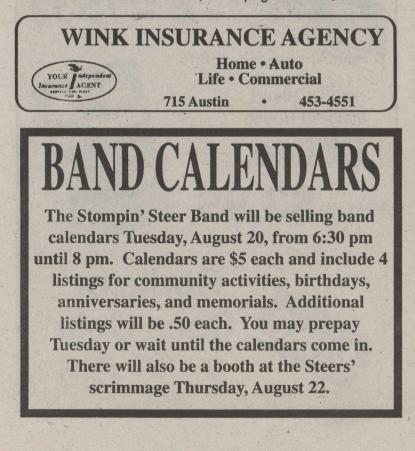
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normal values, then that's what we'll do."

Every bank repossessed and other pre-owned vehicle will be available for just a \$59 possession fee* then start making payments. Payments start as low about anyone who is em-

and the best finance terms possible. Mr. Beaty said. 'We'll have over \$4 million in financing available for this event. so chances are we can arrange financing for just

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Stompin' Steer Band Calendars

It's time to strike up the band! The Stompin' Steer Band will be selling band calendars on Tuesday, August 20th from 6:30 until 8:00 pm. Band calendars are \$5.00 each, which includes four (4) listing for community activities, birthdays, anniversaries, and memorials. Additional listings will be 50 cents each.

You may prepay on Tuesday or wait until the calendars come in. If for some reason your house is missed or you are not home, the Stompin' Steer Band will have a booth at the Steers' scrimmage on Thursday, August 22nd. Calendar sales are used for concert fees, band trips and meals throughout the year. Memberships to support the Stompin' Steer Band are available for \$5.00 a person or \$10.00 a family.

Please support the band what would a pep rally be without the band or the BIG touchdown without the FIGHT SONG!

BISD board news

The Bronte Independent School District held a public meeting at 7:00 pm, Thursday, August 8, 2002, in the district board room to discuss the budget for 2002-2003 and the proposed tax rate for 2002-2003. A quorum of the Board of Trustees

School

Menu

Bronte School Menu

Breakfast

Cereal, peaches, toast &

Pop tarts, orange juice, ted-

French toast sticks, apple

Donuts, applesauce, toast

Breakfast burrito, grape

Lunch

Monday, Aug. 19

Tuesday, Aug. 20

Thursday, Aug. 22

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jelly, milk

juice, milk

& jelly, milk Friday, Aug. 23

juice, milk

and four school employees were present. The public meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

The regular board meeting was called to order immediately following the public meeting at 7:30 pm. Jeff Schoenfield was absent from the meeting.

A Resolution to adopt the Budget for 2002-2003 was passed by the board and a tax rate of \$1.45 was set for 2002-2003.

Rick Howell, Secondary Principal, and Terry Marrs, Elementary Principal, gave an update on their campus activities and plans for the beginning of school.

The board reviewed the 2002 TEA Accountability Summary. The results were Exemplary Rating for the BISD Secondary Campus, Exemplary Rating for the Elementary Campus and Bronte ISD received an Exemplary Rating as a District.

Board approval was given the 2002-2003 Student Handbook and Code of Conduct, the Adjunct Faculty Agreement, Unemployment Agreement with TASB, and the Agreement with Wackenhut Corporation. The July bills were approved for payment.

Personnel items included the hiring of Rodney Boerm and Terri Blair as teachers at the CCJJC.

Board correspondence included Mr. Richey's informing the board that they had been chosen as a top five Honor Board in the State by TASA/TASB. The board will be recognized at the Annual TASA/TASB Convention, September 27th.

The Superintendent Alan Richey's report included a facilities. and construction update and a reminder that a Special Board Meeting has been called for on August 29, 2002, 8:00 pm and the annual Back to School Faculty Cookout is Thursday, August 15, 2002, 7:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

SACHS reunion update

On August 30th and 31st, 2002, the San Angelo Central High School Classes of 1967 and '68 will host a reunion, at The Ft. Concho Museum in

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San Angelo, which will be open to all SACHS graduates from the classes of 1965- '69.

Please see the reunion web site or contact a reunion representative for more details. Reunion Web site: www.angelfire.com/tx/68cen-

tral/60reunion.html or class of '67 representative Herschel Carmichael 658-7221; class of '68 representative Shireen Jackson 653-4638.

RL Street Affair chairmen to meet

The Robert Lee Street Affair chairmen and committee members will meet at 5 pm on Thursday, August 22, at the Coke County Library.

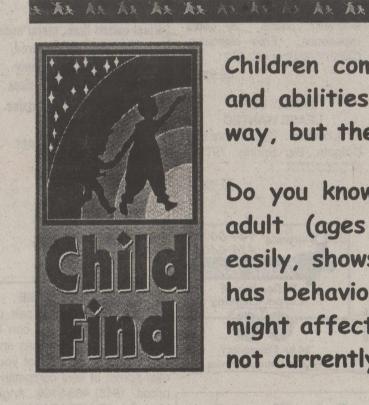
Committee chairmen have been working for two months to make sure that the events of the Street Affair, set for Saturday, October 5, are organized and fun for those involved and those who attend. This is seen as an opportunity for community participation and to showcase Robert Lee.

Events so far planned are a parade, a 5K run, handmade crafts booths, food booths,

organization booths, an art show, an antique car show, Old Jail tours, library book sale, dessert cook-off and sale, talent show, dance, raffle award for the Coke County jail replica by Mr. Ted Disko, raffle tickets are available at City Hall, and award to the winner of the glass ceramic lamp ticket sale (tickets on sale at the Courthouse and at participating businesses).

News from ACT

The next ACT Assessment will be administered on September 28, 2002. College bound high school students must register for the college admissions exam by August 23 - the deadline for having the registration postmarked. There is a late registration postmark deadline of September 6, but an extra fee is charged for late registrations. Students can get registration packets from their high school counselors or register online at www.act.org.



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Do you know of an infant, child or young adult (ages 0-22) who does not learn easily, shows signs of developmental delay, has behavioral or medical problems that might affect his/her success in life, and is not currently receiving services?

If you do, please call the Special Education Director or Child Find contact in your local school district for information on available help at no cost.

Robert Lee ISD Child Find Contact Small Schools Cooperative Martha Elder, Contact

Monday, Aug. 19

Steak fingers with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, banana pudding, milk

Tuesday, Aug. 20

Taco salad with cheese, lettuce & tomato, refried beans, Spanish rice, tortilla chips, pink panther cake, milk Wednesday, Aug. 21

Submarine sandwich, ham & cheese, lettuce & tomato, pickles, orange, bun & chips, sugar cookies, milk Thursday, Aug. 22

Spud day, chili & cheese, potato (baked), steamed broccoli with cheese, crackers, jello, milk **Friday, Aug. 23**

Cheese burgers, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, buns, peanut butter cookies, milk 1323 Hamilton Robert Lee, TX 76945 453-4557 3132 Executive Drive San Angelo, TX 76904 915/947-0939

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Or you can make a **Child Find** referral to: **Education Service Center Region XV** 612 S. Irene San Angelo, TX 76903 **915/658-6571**



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family wish to express our thanks to all the special people who have blessed our family with your prayers, thoughts, food, and kind words during the illness and loss of our family member. Hadley had so many friends and he enjoyed each and everyone of you so much. A special thanks to the Minister (Garry Bivins) and Father Wade for such a beautiful service, to the quartet for the wonderful songs, to Bonita Copeland for the lovely music, for the wonderful flowers, and to all the ladies that participated in the dinner that was served at the Baptist Church. Mere words cannot express the love and thanks that we all feel for all you have done for us.

The Hadley Richards Family 04-1tc



PUBLIC HEARING COKE COUNTY Proposed Budget 2002-2003 August 26th, 2002 8:00 am **Commissioners Court Room** Coke County Courthouse 13 East 7th. St., Robert Lee, Texas.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF KATIE S. **BLACKWOOD, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of KATIE S. BLACKWOOD were issued on July 30, 2002, in Cause No. 1612 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to:

ROBERT G. BLACKWOOD

The residence of such Executor is Coke County, Texas. The mailing

proposed tax rate for tax year 2002. The proposed tax rate is 0.45932

COMBINED NOTICE

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

City of Robert Lee P.O. Box 26 Robert Lee, Texas 76945 915/453-2831

TO: All Interested Agencies, Groups and Persons

Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the City of Robert Lee, Texas intends to request the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for TCDP Project Contract Number 722939.

Project Title: Robert Lee Water System Improvements Project

Project Description:

The most urgent community development need facing the City of Robert Lee is to construct a 100,000 gallon ground storage tank at the water treatment plant.

This project involves \$79,967.00 of TCDP grant funds and \$8,783.00 of local funds for a project budget total of \$88,750.00.

Finding of No Significant Impact

It has been determined that such a request of release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the City of Robert Lee has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reason for such a decision not to prepare such a Statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated.

An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by the City of Robert Lee which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such a statement is not required. The Environmental Review Record is on file at City Hall and is available for public examination and copying upon request, at the City Hall office during normal business hours.

Public Comments on Findings

All interested agencies, groups and persons, disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the address as set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the addressed specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so eceived will be considered and the City will not request the release of funds or take administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the proceeding sentence.

per \$100 of value.

address for the Executor is:

ROBERT G. BLACKWOOD

C/O NANCY FIREBAUGH

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Attomey-at-Law

P.O. Box 970

Robert Lee, TX 76945

915/453-2576

FAX: 915.453-2577

this Estate which is currently being

administered are required to present

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NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR

SMALL TAXING

UNIT NOTICE

The East Coke County Hospital

District will hold a meeting at 6:30

pm on August 26, 2002 at 423 S.

State St., Bronte Health and Rehab

Center, Conference Room, Bronte,

Texas to consider adopting a

DATED August 9, 2002.

Attorney for the Estate

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manner prescribed by law.

All persons having claims against

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in East Coke County Hospital District by 3.00 percent.

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SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The West Coke County Hospital District will hold a meeting at 5:00 pm on August 27, 2002 at 307 W. 8th St., Robert Lee Care Center Boardroom, Robert Lee, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2002. The proposed tax rate is 0.25000 per \$100 of value.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS The City of Robert Lee may apply for one or more Texas Community Development Program grants under the Community Development Block Grant Fund. The City is soliciting

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Opportunity Employer. 04-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ROBERT LEE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Robert Lee will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 pm on August 22, 2002 at the City Hall in regards to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for a Texas **Community Development Program** (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate. in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

> Mayor City of Robert Lee 04-1tc

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF **PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY** IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) show below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION /MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

District: San Angelo Contract 6082-23-001 for MOWING **RIGHT OF WAY in STERLING** County, etc will be received on September 10, 2002 until 11:00 am and opened on September 10, 2002 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$150,417.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit pregualification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from **TxDOT's** website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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Release of Funds

The City of Robert Lee will undertake the activities described above with Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I from its Program Year 2000 under grant numbered 722939 from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Robert Lee is certifying to ORCA that Garland Davis in his official capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Robert Lee may use the Block Grant funds and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. ORCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and the procedures described in 24 CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Office of Rural Community Affairs, P. O. Box 13941, Austin, Texas 78711.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the ORCA. No objections received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by ORCA.

Garland Davis, Mayor City of Robert Lee

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he best way to keep children ne is to make the home a pleasant atmosphere - and let the air out of the tires.

Dorothy Parker

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History needed on former sheriffs by Bonita Copeland

A history is being prepared of the old jail and the sheriffs of the county.

Do you have pictures, clippings, memorabilia of any of these fellows who were the early sheriffs of the county?

Contact Bonita Copeland, 209 W. 14th, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. These fellows are due our tribute.

(The following article appeared in the Observer on Friday, July 11, 1958.)

Pictures on display of 14 sheriffs who served county

Coke County has had fourteen sheriffs since the county was organized 69 years ago, and photographs of every one of them are now displayed at the courthouse in the office of Sheriff Paul Good.

The pictures were secured by Hawley C. Allen of Robert Lee, a former sheriff of both Coke and Tom Green Counties, and it required a year or more to obtain all of them.

Some of the photos were not too good, but they have been retouched and enlarged so that all of them are displayed in 8x10 inch frames.

Here is the list of sheriffs and the dates they held office:

Frank Buchanan, 1889-92; Ben F. Montgomery, 1892-94; L.B. Murray, 1894-1902; W.B. 1902-04: W.T. Green. Hazlewood, 1904-06; Will Hickman, 1906-14; Jim H. Burroughs, 1914-16; L.J. Cowart, 1916-19; W.B. Hamilton, 1919-23; H.C. Allen, 1923-26; Sam Russell, 1926-31; F. S. Higginbotham, 1931-33; Frank Percifull, 1933-47; Paul Good, in office since 1947.

Frank Buchanan, the county's first sheriff, was a brother of the

late Jess Buchanan and of Dan Buchanan, who now resides in Abilene. A picture of Ben Montgomery was secured from a daughter living in Canada.

W.T. Hazlewood has a son and granddaughter in Amarillo. Will Hickman was a brother of Bob Hickman of Bronte and Commissioner Ed Hickman of Edith.

Cowart is buried in Robert Lee Cemetery. He has a son in Dallas. L.B. Murray, who was sheriff eight years, was the father of Effie and Nancy Murray of Robert Lee. Sam Russell was a brother of Cortez and Bailey Russell and Miss Mettie Russell, all of Robert Lee.

Longest period in the office was 14 years served by the late Frank Percifull. He was not a candidate in 1946 and was succeeded by his deputy, Paul Good, present sheriff.

Mr. Allen was deputy and also sheriff of Tom Green County before moving to his ranch near Hayrick.

Besides Sheriff Good and Mr. Allen, the only other surviving Coke County sheriff is F.S. Higginbotham, who resides on his farm a few miles north of Bronte.

TNRCC to collect recyclables

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) is offering rural Texans the opportunity to dispose of properly rinsed plastic pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters, and lead acid batteries free of charge.

The purpose of the Texas Country Cleanup campaign is to offer rural areas the same recycling opportunities as metropolitan areas. In 37 cleanups last year, 2,729 participants recycled 38,520 empty pesticide containers; 33,943 gallons of used motor oil; 63,285 used oil filters;

453-4567

and 3,785 used lead acid batteries. The collection will be held from

8 am to 12:00 pm (noon) at:

*August 21 - Robert Lee, Coke County Show Barn (From Highway 208 turn north on Austin Street and go 1/2 mile located on right)

*August 22 - Wall, Wall Co-Op Gin #1 (9 miles east of San Angelo on Highway 87)

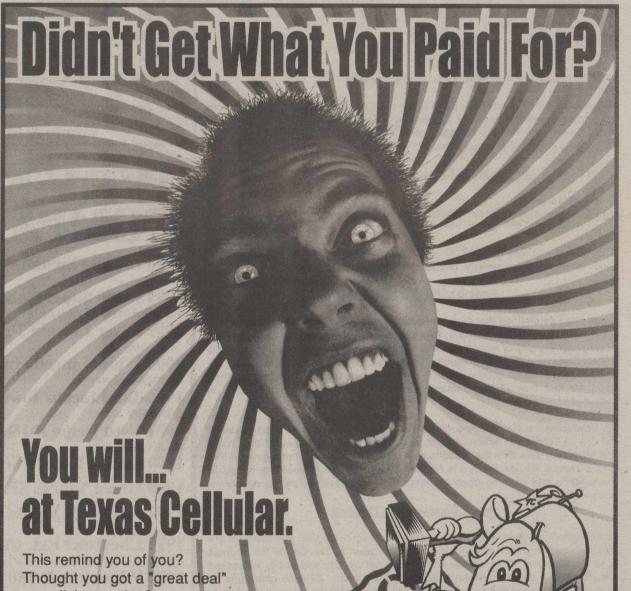
Empty plastic pesticide containers must be clean, triplerinsed, or high-pressure rinsed to be accepted. No hazardous waste or tires will be accepted. There is a two-drum limit per participant on oil filter recycling, and filters will not be accepted from businesses that change oil for a fee.

Texas Country Cleanup is cosponsored by the TNRCC's Small Business and Environmental Assistance Division, Texas Cooperative Extension Service, Texas Department of Agriculture, and USAg Recycling.

For more information about the collection program, please contact the Coke County Extension agent at 453-2461.



Nicole Sanchez recently participated in the State 4-H Photography Contest which was held during the State Roundup. Over 600 4-H members from across the state entered their photos in this contest. Nicole earned a first place ribbon with a photo of her brother Zach and a snow covered Hayrick Mountain scene.



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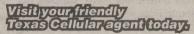
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