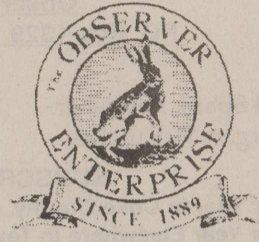


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March 19 is last day to file for May 3 elections

March 19, 2003, is the last day to file for inclusion on the ballot for the May 3 local elections.

West Coke County Hospital District will have two 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Judy Williams and Doug Wilkes are expiring. As of pre-stime, Judy Williams has filed for re-election.

East Coke County Hospital District will have two 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Jesse Sims and Keith Fletcher are expiring. No one has filed for these seats.

The city of Robert Lee will have to fill three council seats currently held by Johnny Carver, Nita Duncan, and Kenneth Green. Jayson Treadaway has filed for the election.

The city of Bronte will have to fill two 2 year council seats currently held

by Marty Boyd and Gerald Sandusky and one 1 year unexpired term, currently held by Martha Ratliff. All incumbents have filed for re-election.

The schools in both Robert Lee and Bronte have been closed this week for spring break. Due to this holiday, filings for these two local entities were unavailable.

Three 3 year terms will be on the ballot for the Bronte Independent School District Board of Trustees. These offices are currently held by Wayne Coalson, Bob Frazee, and Jeff Schoenfield.

The Robert Lee Independent School District Board of Trustees will have to decide on three 3 year terms. These offices are currently held by Freda McCabe, Ron Hill, and Wes Washam.

Signup for DCP deadline April 1

Did you know we are issuing advance payments for DCP? Did you also now that April 1st is the final date to update your crop bases and yields? Producers who did not participate in the 7-year Production Flexibility Contract (PFC) must make their base and yield selection by April 1st in order to participate in this new program. Former PFC participants are eligible for DCP because their farm already has a base and yield established. By April 1st, those farmers must decide if they want to update their bases and yields or use their PFC base and yield.

There are no set-asides and no acreage restrictions. So, make your decisions about your bases and yields, sign your DCP contract and receive your advance payment. Call for an appointment As Soon As Possible.

For more information about DCP or NAP you

may contact our office at; (915) 453-2751, or visit the national website at <http://www.fsa/usda/gov>.

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NAP policy for hay crop deadline March 15

Hay producers, are you aware that March 15th is the final date to come by the FSA office and pay the \$100.00 dollar fee for a NAP policy on your hay crop for 2003. There are no late-filed NAP policies sold so it is very important that you do not miss the March 15th deadline.

Also, producers who had a NAP policy for hay in 2002, March 15th is the deadline for you to turn in all hay production for the year. The production will be used in calculating your NAP hay yield for 2003. Failure to turn in the hay production will cause you to be credited with a 0 (zero) in 2002 and it will hurt your NAP yield. Get it done, turn it in on time.

Finally, producers, please

remember that you must file a Notice of Loss within 15 days of the appearance of a loss or in the case of native and improved grass before the first frost of the year. A late-filed Notice of Loss cannot be approved by the County Committee.

For more information about DCP or NAP you may contact the office at, (915) 453-2751, or visit the national website at <http://www.fsa/usda/gov>.

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Abilene Arts & Crafts Festival set for March 15 & 16

The 12th annual Abilene Arts and Crafts Festival will be held March 15 & 16 in the Abilene Civic Center. Artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest will fill the foyer and main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints, and handcrafted items. Hours for the festival are Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday from noon to 5 pm. There is no admission charge.

Bronte Little League, Softball registration slated

A Little League Baseball and Girls Softball registration will be held Tuesday, March 18, 2003, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm, at the Bronte Community Center.

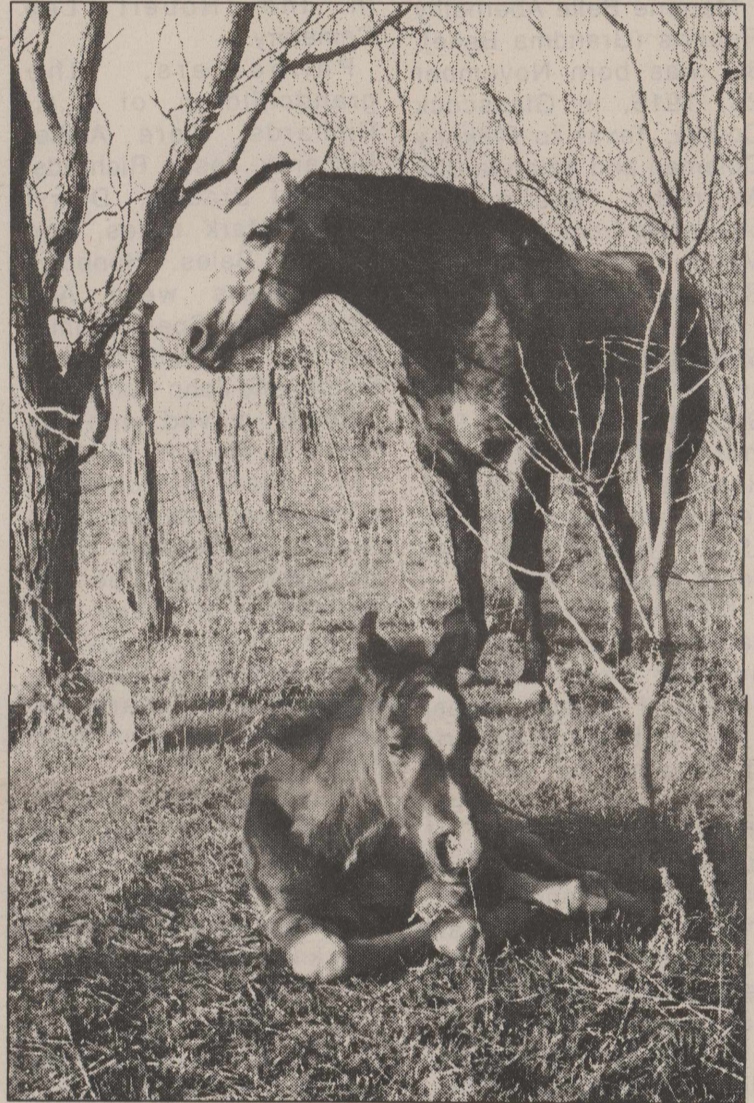
Coke County Roping Club meeting set

The Coke County Roping Club will have their first meeting of 2003 at the arena in Bronte Sunday, March 23, at 3 pm.

A roping practice will follow the meeting.

Walk to Cure Diabetes slated for March 29

San Angelo's "Walk to Cure Diabetes" benefiting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation is set for Saturday, March 29, 2003, at the El Paseo in San Angelo. Registration is at 9:00 am, and the Walk will start at 10:00 am. If your life, or the life of someone you love, has



The calendar may say that spring doesn't start until March 21st, but scenes like this one are proof that spring has already arrived in Coke County. Temperatures in the high seventies and lower eighties are being thoroughly enjoyed by all the county students out this week for spring break.

been affected by this devastating disease -- come join the walk and make a difference!

There will be a children's area and activities for kids, prizes, music, and entertainment. If you are interested in joining the walk, or raising money to help find a cure for diabetes, please call for more information: Linda Horwood at 378-8401, or Joy Brandon at 651-7727.

C. City plans Home & Garden Show

Keep Colorado City Beautiful announces its second annual Home and Garden Show on April 12 and 13, 2003. The event takes place in the historic Railhead Building on the corner of Elm and First streets in downtown Colorado City. Local and area merchants will display products and services for

home improvement, maintenance, landscaping, and beautification.

The "Bridal Event" offers an additional area of interest for this year's Home and Garden Show. All types of items associated with weddings will stimulate the imagination of those planning marriage ceremonies.

Seminars are planned on several topics related to home maintenance, interior decorating, yard care, landscaping, and gardening. For more information, contact Cindy Fisher at (915) 728-8646.

CC retired teachers to meet

Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, March 17, 2003. The noon luncheon will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

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----- Obituaries -----

Roberts

Marjorie Belle Abernathy Roberts (Grandma Belle), 86, was born November 28, 1916, in Glasscock County, Texas to Pinkney Coleman and Amanda Bell Abernathy. She passed peacefully from this life on March 11, 2003, in Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Belle graduated from Sterling City High School and was very proud to be a Sterling City Eagle. She married R.Q. (Buster) Roberts in Big Spring, Texas, on November 11, 1937. Buster preceded her in death in 1980.

Belle is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Sparks Burdett of Abilene, Texas; a son, Bobby Jan Roberts of Panama City Beach, Florida; two grandsons, Michael Woolley of Lubbock, Texas, and John Burdett of Abilene, Texas; three brothers, Carl Abernathy of Arlington, Texas, Dick Abernathy of San Angelo, Texas, and J.L. (Shine) Abernathy of Miami, Florida; and one sister, Beth McKinney of San Angelo, Texas. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Buster, and siblings, Oscar Abernathy, Arlene Green, Harry Abernathy and Ina Stovall.

A family visitation was held at Shaffer Funeral Home from 6:00-8:00 pm on Wednesday. Graveside service was held at 10:00 am, Thursday, March 13, 2003 at the Sterling City, City Cemetery. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice Care, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, Texas 79604.

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West

Travis "Buddy" West was born December 31, 1925 in Wichita Falls, Texas to Pete and Ina West. He passed away on March 5, 2003, in San Angelo.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, March 9, 2003 at 2:30 pm at the Robert Lee Baptist Church officiated by Brother Ray Aldridge. Burial followed

in the Robert Lee Cemetery.

Pallbearers, the grandchildren of C.G. Richards, were Amber Richards, Jason Richards, Michael Bradley, Darryl Bales, Mark Bales, and Marshall Bales. Honorary pallbearers were Add Davis, Frank Sparks, Elmer Adkins, Bill Hall, Carlton Fields, and John Carver.

Buddy moved with his family to Morton, Texas in 1947, where he worked as a carpenter until retiring to Robert Lee, Texas in 1985. He loved Robert Lee and the people here and was always ready to give a smile, a laugh or invite the community to share his garden, or take them fresh eggs.

He was survived by C.G. Richards, who was his brother-in-law and by 30 nieces and nephews. He will be missed by all who ever knew him.

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Brown

J.A. "Jay" Brown of San Angelo died Thursday, March 6, in San Angelo Community Medical Center. Service was held at 2 pm Monday, March 7, at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel followed by military graveside service in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Brown, 68, was a 1952 graduate of Robert Lee High School.

Survivors include his wife, Sandi Hilton Brown of San Angelo; children, Tanya Osborne of Vale, N.C., and Ronnie Brown of San Angelo; brother, T.C. Brown of Idaho; and sisters, Claudia Cole of Texoma, Pansy Wilson of Odessa and Eunice Laul of El Paso; a number of grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Holland

Ruth Clark Holland, 99, of Brookshire Community passed away Monday afternoon, March 3, 2003, in Bronte Health and Rehab Center.

Funeral service was held at 2 pm Thursday, March 6, at Tennyson Baptist Church. Burial followed in

the Mount Victory Cemetery in Brookshire Community.

Survivors include her grandsons, Cap Holland and Tony Holland of Brookshire Community; nine great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and four nieces.

WCC EMS

Memorials February 2003

Melba Long

Josephine R. Byrd, Joyce & Bobby Walker, Chrys & Lawrence Higgins, Nita & Kenneth Hester

Bill Casey

Nita & Kenneth Hester

Willie Price

Nita & Kenneth Hester

RLCC Memorials

February 2003

Gladys Slaton

Jamie & Bob Boren

Rosalind Robinson

Gloria Ledbetter

RLVFD News

by Marian Thompson, Secretary

Thirteen members and two visitors met at the fire station on March 3 for the regular business meeting. President Robert Wink presided.

The minutes and treasury report were accepted as read.

There were no fire calls for the month of February; however Dispatcher Bud Thompson related to the other members of the removal of a vehicle from the lake. Four members assisted the sheriff's officers with traffic control, as well as washing the silt and mud out of the vehicle.

There were 54 1/2 hours of activities, 1 business meeting, 4 classes, plus the Skywarn Class.

Keith Eubanks, Training Officer, spent last weekend in Del Rio at a Fire Safety Seminar.

The group discussed possible ways to tear down the old gas station and replace it with a usable building. The Standing Committee, which consists of Chief Rick Drennan, Ass't. Chief Keith Eubanks, and Capt. Brian Hamrick, met with 9 members at a special meeting called on March 4th to decide what is needed in a new building.

The Fire Department needs volunteers. Anyone interested in becoming a



Charles Moore and Evelyn Holland were named the Robert Lee Care Center Valentine Party King and Queen.

volunteer fireman may contact any fireman, City Hall, or call Bud Thompson at 453-4423. Members of the fire department can attend classes to become certified firemen. The Fire Department meets every Monday at 7 pm at the station. The first Monday each month is the business meeting, with the remainder being training classes and/or work nights. Visitors are always welcome.

Sorosis Club news

by Swan Archinal

The Sorosis Club of Bronte met February 13 in the home of Diane Lockett.

It was time for our Silent Auction. Diane had us put items to be auctioned on the dining room table. There were pencils and paper to put the item name on and for people to put their bids. The ladies went around the table examining items and putting down their bids. After a few minutes of light hearted competition, we went into the den for the program.

Eva Hendley from San Angelo presented a very interesting motivational program. We were inspired to let nothing stand in the way of success at whatever we tried to do.

After about twenty minutes, we went back to the table to continue bidding. We had ten minutes to make our bids and then went back to continue the program.

At the business part of the meeting we voted on accepting Lanette Fletcher into the club. It was unanimous to accept her.

Members present were Joyce Hoffman, Doris Sims, Fredna Moore, Mary Glenn, Mary Frances

Glenn, LouAnna Peters, Janet Wommack, Diane Lockett, Charlotte, Pat Lee, Marilyn Bivins, and Jean Fancher. Guests were Gloria Burleson, Eva Hendley and Lanette who became a member.

Our next meeting will be with Fredna Moore and Cory Robinson will present a program on Texas History.

The Valentine theme was used in the refreshments and they were enjoyed by all.

Churches of Robert Lee

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Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
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First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
(915) 453-2417

Rev. Steve Rowe, 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

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

Dr. Kenneth G. Patrick, Int. 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 • 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

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11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

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**Blackwell
Euterpean Club
news**

The Blackwell Euterpean Club met on February 20 in the Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Present were Betty Cole, Rosie TenEyck, Tommie Lucas, Dona Sanderson, Bobbie Varnadore, Hulene Magness, Collene Fletcher, Peggy McDonald, Sharon Taylor, Janet Lisso, and Lillie Burwick.

Visitors were Verna Massey, Lori Griffin, Rickie Saunders, and Cenee' Hood.

President Collene Fletcher presided over the business meeting. New officers elected for the ensuing year beginning in September: President - Heather Sanderson; V. President - Janet Lisso; Secretary - Tommie Lucas; Treasurer - Hulene Magness; Librarian - Sharon Taylor; Parliamentarian - Dona Sanderson; Pianist - Jeraldine Hickman and Reporter - Lillie Burwick.

The program, Texas Organ Sharing Alliance, was presented under the direction of Lori Griffin with pupils Rickie Saunders and Cenee' Hood from the Blackwell School. The very interesting program concerned Organ Donation.

The hostesses, Peggy McDonald and Sharon Taylor served delicious refreshments from a Valentine decorated table.

**Black recognized
as distinguished
alumnus**

Assistant State Conservationist Mickey Black was honored on February 17, 2003, by Texas Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources as one of six 2003 Distinguished Agricultural Alumni recipients.

Mickey is a 1964 agricultural economics graduate of Texas Tech. He was honored for the achievements he has attained in his respective position as a proven leader in conservation for 40 years. His commitment has been in helping to conserve our valuable natural resources, enhancing the environment and improving the quality of living in Texas through service to the land and people.

The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) at Texas Tech hosted a private luncheon and reception for the honorees on February 17. CASNR recognizes alumni who have made significant contributions to society and whose accomplishments and careers have brought distinctive credit to the college and to the agricultural profession.

Black, a native of Bronte, is the son of the late Osmo and Kathleen Black.

**Dulaney completes
basic training**

Navy Seaman Recruit James A. Dulaney, son of Cindy L. Register of Houston, and William E. Dulaney of Bronte, Texas, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Service School Command, Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Dulaney completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the key skills and confidence they need to graduate and take to the fleet. "Battle Stations" has been designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly 'Navy' flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a Sailor.

**Coke County
Library news**

The Coke County Library is adding more non-fiction material to the shelves. The books have been made possible by a grant from the Texas Book Festival.

The following non-fiction books have been added: Mothers and Their Adult Daughters: Mixed Emotions, Enduring Bonds, by Karen L. Fingerman; Grandparents: A New Look at the Supporting Generation, by Ursula and Gerhard Falk; What are the Odds: The Chances of Extraordinary Events in Everyday Life, by Jefferson Weaver.

A Paranoid's Ultimate Survival Guide, by Patricia

and Thomas Svarney, is another non-fiction book added. This book has chapters covering Weather, Hazardous Space "Stuff", Travel, Backyard Perils, Body, Home (Hauntings, kitchen hazards, and toxic buildings). Each chapter discusses the hazard, and then has sub chapters on "Judging the Danger" and "Minimizing the Danger". Some of the "hauntings" include pesticides which according to this book can be tracked into the house up to a week after application. Residue has been found to be much higher on carpets in front of doors than on bare floors. Computers is another "haunting" cited. Studies discovered emissions of a chemical compound from the computer monitor's plastic may be detrimental to health. A chemical flame retardant is added to monitors and can cause headaches, nasal congestion and itching. The level of contaminates dropped significantly after the monitors were in continuous use after eight days. The authors ask, "Is this good news?" To minimize the danger the authors suggest good ventilation and caution that this does not eliminate the problem.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12. Story Hour is Tuesday at 10:00. Head Start Story Hour is Wednesday at 9:30. Books may be returned in Bronte to the Main Street Market and to the 24/7 book drop in front of the Library.

**ECC ambulance
runs and memorials
February 2003**

02-06 - 08:45 - Medical Transport
02-06 - 12:20 - Trauma
02-15 - 05:45 - Medical Transport
02-17 - 07:35 - Medical Transport

Memorials

Ray Sanchez
Mr. & Mrs. J.W. Caudle,
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Ed Scott
The Bronte Fire Department had no runs for the month of February.



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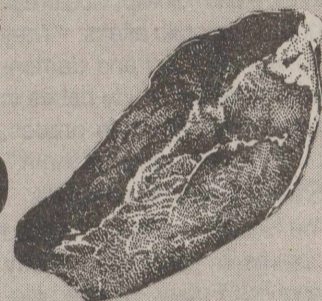


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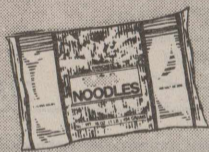
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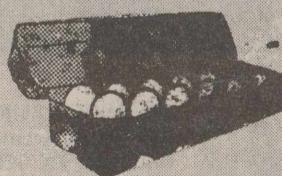
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RL Student named to SPC Honor List

Benjamin Bessent from Robert Lee has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 2002 semester at South Plains College.

Students named to the President's Honor List maintain a straight A or 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum full-time load of 12 semester hours of college-level work. Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

"It's always a pleasure to recognize the students who have been named to our honor lists," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, vice president for academic affairs. "They have worked hard and demonstrated excellent study habits in order to maintain high grades, and SPC is very proud of them."

Steers track results

The Robert Lee Steers scored 81 points at the Irion County Relays last Friday. Those placing were as follows:

- Cooper Riley - 1st - discus - 2nd - shot put
- Anson Lott - 1st - 300 m hurdles - 2nd - 110 m hurdles
- Brian Abalos - 2nd - 300 m hurdles - 3rd - 110 m hurdles
- Travis Pitcock - 4th - high jump - 5th - pole vault
- Andy Mulkey - 4th - 3200 - 4th - 1600

- Sean Edging - 5th - discus - 5th - shot put
- 400 m relay - 3rd - Colon, Flanagan, Abalos, Lott

RLJV boys track results

- Sean Barnett - 2nd - discus - 5th - shot put
- Chris Torres - 5th - 3200, 5th - 1600
- Brandon Soliz - 6th - 800

RL Jr High girls track results

A - division

- Field events:**
- Long jump - 2nd - Brettne Reed - 13' 7"
 - High jump - 3rd - Kelsy Duncan - 4' 6"
 - Shot put - 2nd - Tasha Aguirre - 26' 10 1/2"
 - Discus - 1st - Tasha Aguirre - 73' 10 1/2"

Running events:

- 400 m relay - 5th - Megan Percifull, Kathrine Fryar, Kelsy Duncan, Andrea Pineda - 58.74
- 100 m hurdles - 2nd - Kelsy Duncan - 18.56
- 800 m relay - 6th - Megan Percifull, Kathrine Fryar, Jaden Alexander, Brettne Reed - 2:05.81
- 300 m hurdles - 4th - Kelsy Duncan - 59.59
- 200 m dash - 2nd - Brettne Reed - 31.14

B - division

- Field events:**
- Shot put - 1st - Molly Burns - 26' 11 1/2"
 - Discus - 1st - Molly Burns - 73' 1/4"; 3rd - Brianna Longoria - 51' 6"
- Running events:**
- 200 m dash - 5th - Anna Rojas - 35.44

RLHS golf results

The Robert Lee boys golf team won their own tournament last Tuesday. The team shot a 326 to take top honors with Stewart Millican and Cody Bridges leading the way for the

Steers, as they posted scores of 76 and 77 respectfully. Millican won the medalist trophy and Bridges took second medalist.

Other scores for the Steers were: Evan Braswell 81 (5th medalist), Josh Alexander 92, and Omar Saucedo 92. Robert Lee medalist scores included Vincent McClelland 90, Trey Sawyer 92, and Brandon Soliz 108. Team results are as follows: 1st - Robert Lee (326), 2nd - Blackwell "A" (342), 3rd - Bronte 368, and 12th - Blackwell "B" (527).

The Lady Steers played in the first tournament of the year at Merkel last Wednesday. They finished second in the team scores, trailing only Abilene Wiley, as they shot a 391. Team members and scores are as follows: Cara Eaton 94, Lindsay Roe 96, Julie Riley 99, Krystal Soliz 102, Kyla Millican 117, Kindra Matthews 126.

The Robert Lee boys golf team tied for 5th with Breckenridge as they each scored 305 in the Merkel Invitational tournament held on the 10th. Scoring for Robert Lee were Stewart Millican 70, Evan Braswell 81, Josh Alexander 80, Omar Saucedo 74, and Vincent McClelland 85, for a team total of 305. Other Robert Lee medalist scores included Trey Sawyer 95 and Brandon Soliz 97.

Millican placed with a 70 and Saucedo 74.

"Ranchers' Resources" short course offered

Texas Cooperative Extension is sponsoring a three-night "Ranchers Resources" short course series April 7, 14, and 21. The course sites are Abilene Auction (April 7), Ben Richey Boys Ranch (April 14), and the Sears Ranch (April 21).

A total of four Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) continuing education units (CEUs) will be available for persons completing the series.

Gary Bomar, Taylor County Extension agent and a program coordinator, said the short course is designed to provide producers with the latest technical knowledge available. "We'll have everyone from feedlot operators to wildlife folks here to address just about any scenario a West Texas rancher could imagine," said Bomar. "We've tried hard to put together a quality program to really meet the needs of our region's cattlemen. It'll be tough to find a program anywhere with as much practical information as this one offers. We're sure proud of the finished product"

The Abilene Auction located on Interstate 20 North will concentrate on marketing. Speakers and topics include a beef cattle outlook by Stan Bevers, Vernon-based Extension economist, and Randy Carson, Abilene Auction owner. Rex Bland, owner of Cal-Texas Feedyard at Trent, will join Carson for a quality and price live cattle evaluation session that will round out the evening.

The Ben Richey Boys Ranch, located on Loop 322, will feature Dr. Allan McGinty, Extension range specialist at San Angelo. He will offer a hands-on brush control demonstration entitled "Back to Basics of Range Herbicide Management."

Speakers for the final session on the Sears Ranch, located on Highway 277 southwest of Abilene, are Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, and Billy Henderson, local TDA inspector. Rollins will share his thoughts on livestock and wildlife interactions and Henderson will offer CEUs in herbicide laws and regulations.

The program is being sponsored by the Extension offices in



Jordan Camri Digby, age 4, was recently crowned Miss Petite San Angelo 2003. She competed in modeling, talent, photogenic, and portfolio. Her portfolio was judged number one. In the talent category, Jordan competed with girls age 4 to 16 years of age and won the overall talent for this age group. By winning the talent portion, Jordan sang during the Miss San Angelo pageant held that evening.

Jordan is the daughter of Joe and Nikki Digby of San Angelo and the granddaughter of Mario and Sheryl Tavarez of Robert Lee.

Taylor, Callahan, Jones, Shackelford, Nolan and Fisher Counties.

Pre-registration prior to April 1 is \$25 per person for the three-session short course and \$35 for late registrants and at the door.

For further information contact Gary Bomar at (915) 672-6048.

School Menu

Breakfast

- Monday, March 17**
Juice, French toast, sausage, cereal, milk
- Tuesday, March 18**
Juice, pop tarts, cereal, milk
- Wednesday, March 19**
Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk
- Thursday, March 20**
Juice, pancake on stick, cereal, milk
- Friday, March 21**
Juice, pizza, cereal, milk

Lunch

- Monday, March 17**
Salisbury steak, scallop potatoes, corn, rolls, peanut butter, supreme, milk
- Tuesday, March 18**
Corn dogs, tator tots, broccoli/carrots with ranch dip, cookie, milk
- Wednesday, March 19**
Roast w/gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, peaches, milk
- Thursday, March 20**
Taco, cheese, salad, chili beans, pears, Spanish rice, milk
- Friday, March 21**
Ham & cheese, sub salad, chips, pickles, applesauce, milk

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Bronte School Awards
4th Six Weeks
Perfect Attendance

PPCO
Reighlyn Baken, Evan Ferguson, Kaden Hayes

Pre-K
Kayla Arthur, Ean Ward, Cameron White

Kindergarten
Savannah Arthur, Jeffery Brown, Stacia Emfinger, Kourtney Kelton, Oscar Pena, Joshua Puentez, Addison Rosson

1st grade
Met Accelerated Reading Goal

Lauren Allen, Fred Arthur, Austin Odom, Stetsen Emfinger, Lyndsay Hargrave, Brandon Harris, Ty Lee, Bear McDonald, Bailey McGlothlin, John Moore, Marisa Sanchez, Stormy Sims, Angellica Sterling, Megan Yackley, Danielle Stewart

Super Citizen Award
Lauren Allen, Ty Lee, Coby Malone, Bailey McGlothlin, John Moore, Marisa Sanchez, Stormy Sims, Angellica Sterling, Megan Yackley, Danielle Stewart

Perfect Attendance Award
Fred Arthur, Austin Odom, Stetsen Emfinger, Lyndsay Hargrave, John Moore, Marisa Sanchez, Angellica Sterling, Megan Yackley, Danielle Stewart

2nd grade
A Honor Roll
Brooke Bedford, Mario

DeLaRosa, Carson James, Diandra Lopez, Erika Puentez, Caleb Rosson, Ethan Sedden, Jael Williams, Haylee Hoyt

Met AR Goal
Brooke Bedford, Thoren Charles, Cindy Davila, Mario DeLaRosa, Erika Hargrave, Michael Harris, Clint Head, Haylee Hoyt, Carson James, Diandra Lopez, Erika Puentez, Caleb Rosson, Paige Royall, Ethan Sedden, Jael Williams

Super Citizens
Brooke Bedford, Diandra Lopez

Perfect Attendance
Brooke Bedford, Cindy Davila, Erika Hargrave, Kyle Kelton, Brayde Knight, Ayrn Nealey, Thomas Reyes, Adriana Rodriguez, Caleb Rosson, Paige Royall, Zachary Taylor, Jael Williams, Haylee Hoyt

3rd grade
A Honor Roll
Katie Austin, Mackenzie Gibbs, Harley Wallace, Roger Henson

A/B Honor Roll
Austin Brackeen, Kimberly Lee, Jordan Rowan, Jaylon Seales, Maria Fuentez, Creed Coalson, Beau Grigg, Brent Kelly, Leticia Pena, Austin Mertz, Stephanie Huntley

Super Citizens
Katie Austin, Austin Brackeen, Maria Fuentez, Amy Godinez, Sara Lara, Kimberly Lee, Jaylon Seales, Carrie Stewart, Roger Henson, Courtney Murray, Stephanie Huntley, Creed Coalson, Beau Grigg, Mackenzie Gibbs, Brent Kelly, Austin Mertz, Dustin Minjarez, Kaitlin Moore, Leticia Pena, Harley Wallace, Dillon Stewart

Perfect Attendance
Mason Braswell, Conner Clark, Randon Eubanks, Carrie Stewart, Maria Fuentez, Creed Coalson, Roger Henson, Mackenzie Gibbs, Brent Kelly, Austin Mertz, Dustin Minjarez, Leticia Pena, Ashley Reyes, Jonathan Reyes, Vaughn Stilley, Harley Wallace

4th grade
A Honor Roll
Tori Acevedo, Heath Richey, Malinda Sachse, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan

A/B Honor Roll
Michael Evans, Rex Knight, Kerwin Rawls, Kelsey Sedden

Super Citizens
Tori Acevedo, Terron Charles, Cheyenne Hunter, Dakota Rawls, Malinda Sachse, Michael Evans, Chase Harris, Kerwin Rawls

Perfect Attendance
Terron Charles, Reid Clark, Brandon Elliott, Peyton Eubanks, Bennie Fuentez, Joshua Hargrave, Cheyenne Boyd, Dakota Rawls, Heath Richey, Michael Evans, Brittani Harris, Rex Knight, Destiny Lopez, Arlis McMullan, Kerwin Rawls, Kelsey Sedden, Blaze Sterling

AR Goal Met
Tori Acevedo, Joshua

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Hargrave, Cheyenne Hunter, Terron Charles, Bennie Fuentez, Heath Richey, Malinda Sachse, Skyler Ellis-York, Michael Evans, Chase Harris, Rex Knight, Arlis McMullan, Justin Saldana, Kelsey Sedden, Blaze Sterling

5th grade
A Honor Roll
Bill Miller, Shelbi Waller

B Honor Roll
Case Braswell, Kasey Glover, Louie Martinez, Tyler Riney, Kimberly Womack, Emily Fiveash, Stephanie Frasier, Crawford James, Emilie Jimenez, Rob Rosson

Super Citizen Awards
Case Braswell, Chelsea Cook, Louie Martinez, Bill Miller, Tyler Riney, Kimberly Womack, Katie Aguirre, Emilie Jimenez, Krista Moore, Jackson Rowan

Perfect Attendance
Case Braswell, Chloe Grigg, Dannie Martinez, Louie Martinez, Bill Miller, Kimberly Womack, Katie Aguirre, Austin Clayton, Samantha Coffey, Emilie Jimenez, Rob Rosson, Shelbi Waller

Met AR Goal
Stacia Brannan, Case Braswell, Ashley Fisher, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg, Dannie Martinez, Louie Martinez, Bill Miller, Tyler Riney, Kimberly Womack, Katie Aguirre, Emily Fiveash, Crawford James, Emilie Jimenez, Krista Moore

6th grade
A Honor Roll
Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Ty Mackey, Samuel Rawlings

B Honor Roll
DJ Acevedo, Matthew Allen, Cory Glover, Prescilla Lara, Will Macon, Taylor McMullan, Nicole Reed, Reece Springer

Super Citizens
Matthew Allen, Callan Clark, Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Ty Mackey, Samuel Rawlings, Nicole Reed, Miranda Riney, Reece Springer, Samantha Swagerty

Met AR Goal
Israel Cecilio, Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Chase Hoyt, Ty Mackey, Will Macon, Samuel Rawlings, Nicole Reed, Miranda Riney

Perfect Attendance
DJ Acevedo, Israel Cecilio, Callan Clark, Ariel Coalson, Geoffrey Ehl, Ashley Herrera, Ty Mackey, Will Macon, Samuel Rawlings

School board candidate workshop set for San Angelo
Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop,

Tuesday, March 25, 7-9 pm, at the Region 15 Education Service Center (612 S. Irene St., San Angelo).

The workshop will provide interested community members and individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a local trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include what it's like to be a trustee, key responsibilities of

the board, division of authority with staff, how to campaign constructively, and where to find more information. Participants will also view A Call to Service, a Texas Association of School Boards' video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to anyone and admission is free. For more information about the workshop, call Brenda Canul at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6104, or check the TASB Web Site at www.tasb.org for other dates and locations.

NOTICE OF GAS RATE INCREASE REQUEST

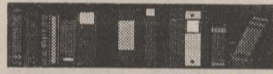
TXU Gas Distribution (the "Company"), in accordance with the Gas Utility Regulatory Act, hereby gives notice of its intent to implement a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to all residential, commercial and industrial customers in the unincorporated areas in the vicinity of the West Region Distribution System ("Enviros Customers"). The West Region Distribution System includes the following cities: Abilene, Albany, Alvarado, Anson, Avoca, Baird, Ballinger, Bangs, Benjamin, Blackwell, Blanket, Blum, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Carbon, Carlsbad, Cisco, Cleburne, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Covington, DeLeon, Desdemona, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Glen Rose, Godley, Gordon, Goree, Gorman, Granbury, Hamlin, Haskell, Hawley, Hermleigh, Hillsboro, Impact, Itasca, Joshua, Keene, Knox City, Lawn, Lipan, Loraine, Lueders, May, McCaulley, Meridian, Merkel, Miles, Moran, Morgan, Munday, Novice, O'Brien, Olden, Osceola, Ovalo, Putnam, Ranger, Red Springs, Rhineland, Rio Vista, Robert Lee, Roby, Rochester, Roscoe, Rotan, Rowena, Rule, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Santo, Seymour, Snyder, Stamford, Stephenville, Strawn, Sweetwater, Sylvester, Talpa, Throckmorton, Trent, Truscott, Tuscola, Tye, Valera, Vera, Weinert, Whitney, Wingate, and Winters.

The proposed revisions to the respective rate schedules will impact Residential Service, Commercial Service, Industrial Sales, Industrial Transportation, Rate Adjustment Provisions (Gas Cost Adjustment, Tax Adjustment, and Surcharges), and Miscellaneous Service Charges (Connection Charge, Read for Change Charge, Returned Check Charges, Delinquent Notification Charge, Main Line Extension Rate, Excess Flow Valve Charge, and Certain Stand-by Gas Generators). The proposed new schedule of rates will also eliminate the Rate Schedule for Public Schools-N and Commercial Contract Public Schools Rate.

The proposed rates are expected to produce a \$357,845 or a 10.27 percent increase in the Company's annual revenues from residential, commercial and industrial enviros customers in the West Region Distribution System. The proposed change will affect 3,494 residential, 475 commercial customers and 18 industrial customers. The proposed change may constitute a "major" change as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code. The proposed changes will have differing impacts on individual residential and commercial customers, depending on consumption and current applicable rate schedules. A residential customer receiving a bill for 6 Mcf will see a bill of approximately \$50.93, which would constitute a change ranging from a decrease of \$6.93 to an increase of approximately \$7.60 per month. A commercial customer receiving a bill for 30 Mcf will see a change ranging from a 14.71% decrease to a 15.39% increase. Information on the change in any specific area can be obtained from TXU Gas Distribution.

A complete copy of the Statement of Intent, filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas on January 31, 2003 is available for inspection in the Company business office located at 1601 Bryan St., Dallas, Texas 75201. Persons with questions or who want information about this filing, or a copy, may contact TXU Gas Distribution at 1-800-460-3030. Any affected persons may file written comments or protest concerning the proposed change in enviros rates by March 21, 2003, with Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, March 17
Cereal, orange half, toast, milk

Tuesday, March 18
Breakfast pizza, apple juice, milk

Wednesday, March 19
Sausage rolls, sliced peaches, milk

Thursday, March 20
French toast sticks, grape juice, milk

Friday, March 21
Blueberry muffin, orange juice, teddy grams, milk

Lunch

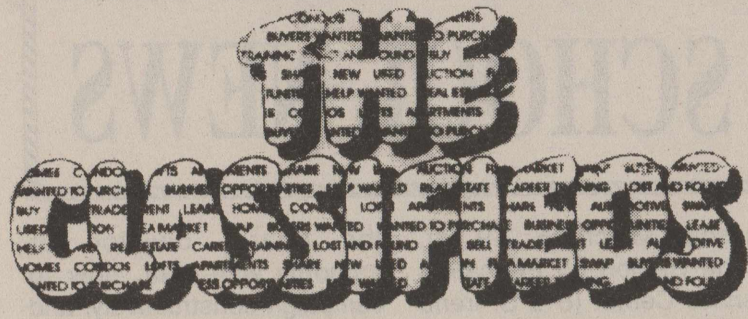
Monday, March 17
Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, rolls, milk

Tuesday, March 18
Tacos with cheese, lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, taco shells, spice cake, milk

Wednesday, March 19
Grilled cheese sandwich, beef & vegetable soup, carrot sticks, corn bread, pink panther cake, milk

Thursday, March 20
Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, corn on the cob, bread sticks, jello, milk

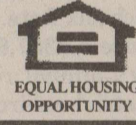
Friday, March 21
Sub sandwiches, sliced turkey and cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle, orange half, bun, chips, sugar cookies, milk



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MISCELLANEOUS

I, RONDA SEDDEN
 do hereby resign as treasurer of Bronte Baseball Boosters effective 03-10-03.
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LOST
 Small Sheltie collie, sable & white. No collar. Her name is Little Girl. Offering \$150 reward. No questions asked. Was seen picked up by a later model white Ford pickup. Call 915-728-9247.
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PRAYER CONFERENCE
 with Rev. Tom Thompson, Saturday, April 5th, 9 am - 4 pm. Everyone welcome, United Methodist Church, Bronte. FMI 473-3281
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Bronte 4 BR, 2 BA SOLD kyard 4 BR, 2 BA Brick Home, over 2100 sq. ft. in a good location 2 BR, 1 SOLD home	Blackwell 2 BR, 1 SOLD dated rock home with garage apartment 3 BR, 2 BA, extremely nice 11 yr old brick home, single garage, storage building, very nice storm cellar Lake Spence Area, 2 BR, 1 BA, Ceramic tile, sundeck, guest quarters.	Robert Lee 2 BR, 1 SOLD apartment 3 BR, 1 1/2 BA, Brick home, 2 lots, Carport, Storage building Priced to Sell, 4 BR, 2 bth, large den with second living area. CA/CH over 2100 sq. ft. Priced reduced, 2 BR, 1 bth, CA/CH, sunroom or 3rd BR, large kitchen, single garage, over 1800 sf	Acreage 740 +/- Acres. Live water creek with pecan trees, rolling hills, excellent livestock pens, choice hunting 834 +/- AC. On the Colorado River. Scattered live oak trees. Excellent hunting. 700 +/- Acres, priced to sell, rolling cedar hill Under Contract , electricity, Excellent Hunting 500 +/- AC SOLD rolling Cedar Hills, Rural 480 +/- AC SOLD age, 2 water wells, some 448 +/- AC Under Contract water and excellent hunting 320 +/- AC. highway and county road access. Choice building site. Convenient to Bronte. Seller will divide. 292 +/- Acres, very nice 11 yr old brick home, barns, all steel pens, setup for goat operation, scenic mountain area 122 +/- Acres, waterwell, view of Lake Spence.
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Other Listings Available

GARAGE SALES

MOVING SALE
 Stove - ref. - deep freeze - antiques - clothes - tools. Fri. & Sat. Mar. 14th & 15th. 8:00 am. 210 E. 6th, Robert Lee. No early shoppers.
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ESTATE SALE
 8:00 am, Sat. Mar. 15th. Bronte (across from Town & Country).
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GARAGE SALE
 Saturday, March 15 - Lots of antiques (old pedal toys, cook-stove, fridge, picnic coolers, etc.), boating accessories, air compressor, clothes and misc. Across from Town & Country, Hwy 277, Bronte.
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CARD OF THANKS

WE WISH TO THANK
 all the people who sent cards, flowers, plants and food to us during the loss of our mother. Special gratitude to those who have and continue, to keep me and my little family in their prayers.
 On behalf of the Pena Family
 Martin, Angie, Sarah & John Basquez
 33-1tc

FOR THE SUPPORT
 and comfort you gave us during our time of loss, we sincerely thank you. Whether it was your thoughts, calls, cards, visits, flowers, food or especially your prayers, it has meant so much to us. Thank you again.
 The families of
 Gib Wallace
 33-1tc

THANK YOU
 Our sincere thanks to everyone for the prayers, food, cards, and flowers during my illness. We appreciate everything very much. Thank you for your thoughts and concern. Dave hopes I'll be back to work soon.
 Betty Hughes and Family
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NOTICES

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINES
 The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives notice of filing deadlines for the May 3, 2003 Election. Two (2) Directors will be elected for a term of two (2) years each. Candidates may file applications for inclusion on the ballot bet-

ween February 17, 2003 and March 19, 2003. Applications and petitions may be obtained at Robert Lee Care Center during normal business hours, 9 AM - 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Any questions may be addressed to Roger Alexander, Administrator.
 32-2tc

INFORMACION DE EL DIA FINALE PARA LOS DATOS
 El Consejo De Directores del Hospital Distrito Del Condado Oeste De Coke hacen saber que el dia 3 de Mayo, 2003 sera el dia final para hacer los datos para las elecciones. Cada dos (2) directores seran elejidos para un termino de dos (2) anos. El dia 17 de Febrero, 2003 hasta el 19 Marzo, 2003 seran los dias para que los candidatos llenen las aplicaciones; favor de incluir su nombre en las balletas. Las aplicaciones seran obtenidas de las 9 AM - 5 PM en el Robert Lee Care Center. Si tienen preguntas llamen al Administrador Roger Alexander.
 32-2tc

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILLIE ANSEL FOLEY DECEASED
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of WILLIE ANSEL FOLEY were issued on March 4, 2003, in Cause No. 1621 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to:
 RILEY LEE SISCO
 The residence of such Executor is Coke County, Texas. The mailing address for the Executor is:
 RILEY LEE SISCO
 C/O NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
 Attorney-at-Law
 P.O. Box 970
 Robert Lee, TX 76945
 915/453-2576
 FAX: 915/453-2577
 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
 DATED MARCH 4, 2003.
 NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
 Attorney for the Estate
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**Arrests/Charges
filed/Dispositions for
February 2003**

Franciso Cura Gloria, Open container of alcohol in vehicle, 02-02-03

Daniel Flores, Possession of Marijuana - Release of Surety, 02-08-03

Georgina Louise Garcia, Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz. Release of Surety, Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz. Forfeiture of Bond, Bail jumping and Fail to Appear, 02-11-03

Timothy Daryl Cunningham, Escape While Arrested/Confined Felony, 02-11-03

Juan Jose Garcia III, Driving While Intoxicated, 02-15-03

Jefferey Montemayor Duran, Possession of Marijuana, 02-15-03

Israel Fuentes, Driving While Intoxicated, Motion to Revoke Probation, 02-16-03

Markus Dewayne Graves, Theft Class B, 02-20-03

Jeffrey Garlin Trotter, Unlawful Carrying a Weapon, 02-21-03

Walter Blake McKee, Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, 02-23-03

Anthony Jared Gibbs, Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor 3rd, 02-23-03

Chelsy Lashay Berryhill, Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol by Minor, Open Container of Alcohol in Vehicle, 02-28-03

Rebecca Lee Perry, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Open Container of Alcohol in Vehicle, 02-28-03

**51st District Court
Disposition 02-03-03**

The State of Texas vs: Rondal Duray Johnson
Charge: Felony Criminal Mischief

Plea: 3 years I.D. - Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice, Restitution \$23,533.50

The State of Texas vs: Jody Lee Hare
Charge: Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle

Plea: 605 Days State Jail

The State of Texas vs: Jody Lee Hare
Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 3rd or more

Plea: 4 yrs. I.D. - Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice

The State of Texas vs: William Brady Roe
Charge: Endangering a Child

Plea: Pre-Trial Intervention Program for a Period of One Year

The State of Texas vs: Kyle Jay Weatherwax
Charge: Burglary of a Habitation

Plea: Serve a term of confinement in a Relapse Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility for a term of not less than 90 days or more than 1 year

**51st District Court
of Coke County
Disposition 02-06-03**

State of Texas vs: Jesus Keith Pedraza
Charge: Felony Criminal Mischief

Plea: 3 years I.D. - Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Restitution \$23,533.50

**Coke County Court
Dispositions 2-10-03**

The State of Texas vs: Matthew Blake Goldsmith
Charge: Driving While Intoxicated

Plea: \$1000 Fine, \$236 Court Cost, 90 days Jail, Probated 12

mo., 40 hrs. Community Service, DWI School

**Coke County Court
Dispositions 2-20-03**

The State of Texas vs: William Trey Taylor
Charge: Driving While License Suspended

Plea: 6 days jail time

The State of Texas vs: Clayton Dee Nagle
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

Plea: 12 months deferred adjudication, \$400 fine, \$201 Court Cost, 40 hrs. Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Shawn Horace Short
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

Plea: 6 months deferred adjudication, \$400 fine, \$201 Court Cost, 40 hrs. Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Tom Akkey McVae
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

Plea: 12 months deferred adjudication, \$400 fine, \$201 Court Cost, \$140 Restitution

The State of Texas vs: Alonzo Ovielo Rico
Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 1st

Plea: 90 days jail, probated 12 mo., \$1,000 fine, \$236 Court Cost, DWI School, 60 days CSR, Drivers License Suspension

The State of Texas vs: Michael Gene Hodges
Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor

Plea: \$300 Fine, \$236 Court Cost, 40 hours CSR, 6 mo. probation

The State of Texas vs: Michael Ryan Sallee
Charge: Driving While License Suspended/SR

Plea: 12 mo. deferred adjudication, \$350 fine, \$201 Court Cost, 40 hrs. CSR

The State of Texas vs: Jesse Alan Luxton
Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor

Plea: \$300 fine, \$211 Court Cost

The State of Texas vs: Joe Lewis Torres
Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor

Plea: \$300 fine, \$211 Court Cost

The State of Texas vs: George Richard Garcia Jr.
Charge: Driving While License Suspended

Plea: 60 days jail, credit given for time served

The State of Texas vs: Georgina Louise Garcia
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

Plea: Dismissed

The State of Texas vs: Georgina Louise Garcia
Charge: Bail Jumping & Fail to Appear

Plea: 20 days jail, \$211 Court Cost

The State of Texas vs: Carlos Alvarado
Charge: Driving While License Suspended

Plea: 60 days jail, probated 12 mo., \$300 fine, \$236 Court Cost, 40 hrs. Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Jose Deleon Jr.
Charge: Possession of Prohibited Weapon - Knuckles

Plea: 9 mo. deferred adjudication, \$300 fine, \$201 Court Cost, 40 hours Community Service

The State of Texas vs: James Donald Vivian
Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 2nd

Plea: 180 days jail, probated

18 months, \$1,200 fine, \$236 Court Cost, 100 hours Community Service, DWI School, Driver's License Suspension

The State of Texas vs: Alonso Gonzales
Charge: DWI 2nd

Plea: 180 days jail, probated 18 months, \$1,200 fine, \$236 Court Cost, 100 hours Community Service, DWI School, Driver's License Suspension

The State of Texas vs: Christopher David Collingsworth
Charge: Felony Criminal Mischief

Plea: 3 years ID - Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice, \$23,533.50 Restitution

State of Texas vs: John Leon Wright III
Charge: Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver

Plea: 7 years I.D. - TDJC, Probated for 7 years, \$1,500 fine, \$140 Restitution

**51st District Court
Dispositions 02-24-03**

The State of Texas vs: Markus Dewayne Graves
Charge: Theft

Plea: 6 mo. Deferred Adjudication, \$176 Court Cost, 40 hours Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Robert Ellison White Jr.
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

Plea: \$400 fine, \$176 Court Cost, 12 mo. Deferred Adjudication, 40 hours Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Tawnia Swafford
Charge: Theft by Check

Plea: 9 months Deferred Adjudication, 40 hours Community Service, \$200 fine, \$226 Court Cost, \$68.50 Restitution

The State of Texas vs: Dawn Michelle Larsen
Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to Minor

Plea: 3 months Deferred Adjudication, \$200 fine, \$176 Court Cost

**Coke County Court
Dispositions 02-26-03**

The State of Texas vs: Markus Dewayne Graves
Charge: Theft

Plea: 6 mo. Deferred Adjudication, \$176 Court Cost, 40 hours Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Robert Ellison White Jr.
Charge: Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz.

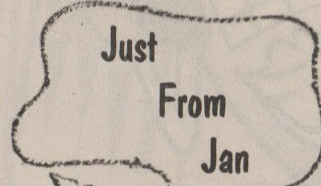
Plea: \$400 fine, \$176 Court Cost, 12 mo. Deferred Adjudication, 40 hours Community Service

The State of Texas vs: Tawnia Swafford
Charge: Theft by Check

Plea: 9 months Deferred Adjudication, 40 hours Community Service, \$200 fine, \$226 Court Cost, \$68.50 Restitution

The State of Texas vs: Dawn Michelle Larsen
Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to Minor

Plea: 3 months Deferred Adjudication, \$200 fine, \$176 Court Cost



by Jan Yanez
Cooperative
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Nutrition and physical activity vital to health

Good nutrition is vital to your health. It is even more effective when coupled with regular physical activity. A physically active lifestyle offers many rewards - from heart health to strong bones to stress relief.

Study after study shows that people who follow healthful eating plans and stay physically active are more successful at losing - and keeping off - extra pounds of body fat. In fact, physical activity along with a healthful eating plan appears to be the key to maintaining a healthy weight.

How can physical activity help you manage your weight and enhance your body image?

*Physical activity burns energy. The longer, more frequent-

ly and more vigorously you exercise, the more calories you burn. When you burn more than you consume, your body uses its energy stores and you lose weight.

*Physical activity helps you keep muscle and body fat. Without exercise on a weight loss diet, you lose lean body tissue along with body fat.

*Physically active people have more lean body mass. Even when you're not moving, lean body mass requires more energy to maintain than fat tissue. So at the same weight, you may be able to consume slightly more calories without gaining weight than someone with more body fat.

*Physical activity speeds up your metabolism for up to 12 hours, even after you stop. You'll burn more energy even at rest.

*Physical activity can help relieve stress.

*Many people who become more physically active opt for foods with less fat, fewer calories and more complex

carbohydrates.

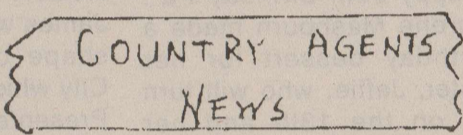
For weight control, you don't need to be an exercise fanatic with strenuous daily workouts to get the benefits. Step aerobics or pedaling away on a stationary bike may not be right for you. That's OK, because moderate, consistent physical activity can do the job. In fact, any activity you enjoy and stay with can be the right one for you. If you make exercise enjoyable, you're more likely to stick with it.

Physical activity levels - What would your physical activity level be classified as?

Mild - Billiards, leisurely canoeing, golfing with a cart, playing piano, walking at a pace of two miles per hour.

Moderate - Calisthenics (no weight), leisurely cycling, golfing without a cart, swimming (slow), walking at a pace of three or four miles per hour.

Vigorous - Chopping wood, climbing hills, cycling, jogging 10-minute miles, swimming, tennis, walking at a pace of five miles per hour.



By Tommy Antilley
Cooperative Extension Agent

Small grain production

Besides water, fertility or necessary plant nutrients is the most limiting factor in small grain production. Even if we receive good moisture during the remainder of the growing season, low fertility will lower the potential for grain production. We have been fortunate to get rain at times this fall and winter and our grain crops looks fairly good, but if you plan to harvest for grain production, now is the time to possibly top-dress for increased production.

There are a few basic rules of thumb to top-dressing this time of year. If additional nutrients, mainly nitrogen, are applied before the flag leaf which holds the grain head emerges from the ground, the added nutrients will aid in three distinct ways. First, it will increase the number of spikelets on the head, increase the size of each spikelet and finally increase the size of the grain itself. If the seed head has already emerged the ground, increased fertilization will only increase the size of the seed itself. Additional fertility needs to be placed now to get the full benefit. The best method of determining how much fertilizer is needed is by taking a soil sample and actually finding out what is needed. If a soil sample is not taken, there is a rule of thumb that it takes 2 pounds of nitrogen and 0.8 pounds of Phosphorous to produce one bushel of grain.

Lawn and landscape tips

With the recent showers and moisture we have received the last couple of weeks, we are beginning to see an influx of winter weeds in our lawns and landscapes. Though unsightly, these weeds are not doing any harm and there is virtually no chemical means of getting rid of them at this time. As the weather begins to heat up, these winter time weeds will

die out on their own. The proper time to control these weeds was back in the fall with a pre-emergence weed killer. If they continue to grow and look bad in your lawn, the simplest thing to do is keep them mowed down and they will gradually die out as the grass greens up.

These warm sunny days will begin to green up your plants around the home, but it is still too early to apply fertilizer to our lawns, shrubs and trees. There is still a chance of a killing frost or freeze until about Easter, and fertilizer will be better utilized once the soil warms up and we are passed freeze hazards.

Some of our so called evergreens are beginning to look as if some of their leaves are dying. This is a natural thing for them to do. Even though trees, like live oak, are called evergreens, they will lose some of the old leaves during this time of the year and begin to produce new leaves as the soil and weather warms up. Don't be discouraged by a few brown leaves on evergreen trees. Live oaks and some of the pine type of trees will shed leaves and needles in the springtime.

Free dogwood trees

Ten free white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during March 2003.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, sent a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Dogwood Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31, 2003.

Harmon celebrates 90th birthday

Lee and Tammy Hortenstine of Bronte recently hosted the 90th birthday party for her grandfather, Floyd Harmon, of Robert Lee. They were assisted by Jerry and Janie Harmon of Weatherford. Balloons, tablecovers, and streamers of many festive colors adorned the patio. Lee and Jerry kept the barbecue grill glowing with appetizers of deer meat, jalapeños, cream cheese and onions wrapped in bacon. Then they cooked hamburgers and sausage links for the main meal. All the trimmings were prepared by the ladies.

After the hamburgers, the group sang "Happy Birthday, Pa" as Floyd blew out the candles on his birthday cake which read "Happy 90th Birthday Pa". Dorene Mashburn made a birthday dessert for her sister, Jeffie, who will turn 66 on the 13th and her brother, Jerry, who turned 64 February 22. The group sang "Happy Birthday" to them, also. Ice cream was served with the cake.

Those attending the party were Floyd and Jessie Harmon; Bobby and Jeffie Roberts; Douglas, Denise, Kacee, and James Roberts; and Marshall and Sheri Millican, all of Robert Lee; Lawana Perry of Carlsbad; Wayne and Dorene Mashburn, Rena Johnson, and Jason Harmon of San Angelo; Darwin and Joan Harmon of Big Spring; Jerry and Janie Harmon of Weatherford; and Lee, Tammy, and Hunter Hortenstine of Bronte. Bill and Dorothy Harmon of Waxahachie came by for a short visit.

Royall honored with retirement party

by Jeffie Roberts
James Royall, Robert Lee Water Superintendent, was honored with a retirement party at the Robert Lee City Hall, Thursday, February 27, 2003. Mayor Garland Davis, City Secretary Kay Torres, members of the City Council and their spouses prepared and served refreshments to 80 plus friends and relatives in attendance. Barbara Sparks baked and decorated the large cake for the party. The cake had a miniature front-end loader, crossroads, fishing boat with fish on stringers hanging on a wooden fence with a sign reading "GONE FISHING". Other refreshments were cookies, mints, peanuts, and peach tea served by Nita Duncan, Bonita Copeland, Rose

Marie Davis, Beth Prather and Kay Torres. The centerpiece was a beautiful silk floral arrangement which was given to James and Diane after the party.

Friends and relatives present were from Robert Lee, Bronte, Sterling City, San Angelo, Miles, Ozona, and Abilene. James received many nice gifts and some gag gifts. Among those - the City gave to James and Diane a nice rocker from Key Feed Store, a gag gift from Sterling City Water Department was a pine tree and a miniature hoe with a shorter than usual handle because James always said a normal hoe handle was too long to lean on.

As James entered the room everyone sang "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow". Garland Davis, Mayor of Robert Lee, presented James with a plaque in the shape of Texas from the City which read: Presented to James W. Royall In Recognition of 22 years Loyal and Dedicated Service To the City of Robert Lee 1981-2003

James and Melba Royall and son, Ricky, moved to Robert Lee from Anton, Texas, in the summer of 1981 while daughter, Brenda, moved to Levelland to attend college. James began working in Robert Lee November, 1980, prior to his family moving. James had been Water Superintendent at Anton but was working for the Water Department in Littlefield at the time he accepted the job in Robert Lee. Robert Vaughan was Mayor of Robert Lee, Edna Havins City Secretary and Jeffie Roberts part time office employee as James began his career in Robert Lee. Others James worked with were: Mayors - Wilson Bryan, Jackie Walker, John Conley, Kelly Nichols, and currently Garland Davis. Others were office employees Ruth Robertson, Bonita Copeland, and currently City Secretary Kay Torres and Peggy Coppedge.

James's son, Ricky, worked for the Robert Lee Water Department under the supervision of his dad. Later Ricky became the Water Superintendent of Bronte, which is unusual to have father and son working as Water Superintendents in the same county.

James's wife of 40 years, Melba Dean Royall, died January 4, 1999. He later married Diane Johnson of Robert Lee, owner of Diane's Chuckwagon Restaurant.

Danny Williams of San Angelo began his new job



The Robert Lee Care Center Valentine Party was hosted by D.J. Gary Karschner with VistaCare Family Hospice. Mr. Karschner's grandchildren helped entertain the residents during the party.

as Robert Lee Water Superintendent on March 1, 2003. He, his wife, Mary and daughter, Heather will be moving to Robert Lee. Heather is in the seventh grade.

RLCC Activity Department Memorials for February 2003

Wilma Moore
Mary Kay & Mike Henson

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