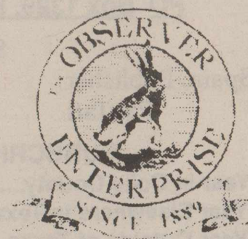


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## Documentation nears completion for old Coke County Jail

The old Coke County Jail's documentation for historic preservation is coming to completion as Kara Dotter, graduate student in the Historic Preservation Department of the School of Architecture at the University of Texas, finishes up gathering samples, measurements, and history for her master's thesis presentation.

While the building is unique in that it remains essentially the same as it was when built in 1907, there are some damages of age which will require repair. In order to qualify for the National Register of Historic Places, all repairs must be made as near to the original intent as possible. Thus the need for the hours of documentation.

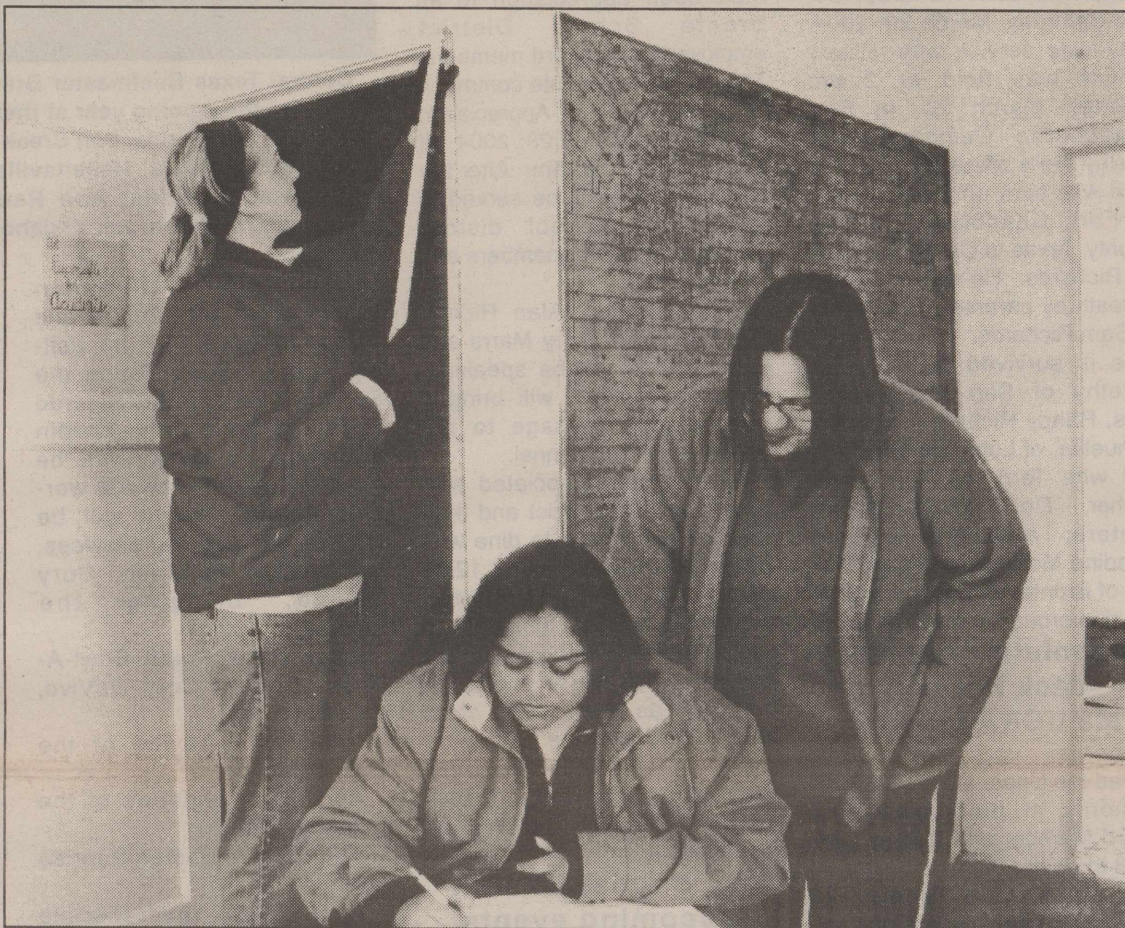
This year-long project is about to be completed. Building components, cell construction, concrete aggregates, paint type, construction approval in the Coke County Court records, and a comparison of jail construction in adjoining counties, as well as

comparison of jails built by the same company that built the Coke County Jail will all be part of the presentation. A draft of the findings will be presented to the UT preservation committee, and the report will be finalized based on the recommendations of this committee.

By verifying all components of the jail and basing repairs on this verification, it is hoped that foundations which fund historical projects will look favorably on the restoration of the Old Coke County Jail.

The Old Jail preservation project has been greatly enhanced by the dedication of local author Bonita Copeland who has designated the proceeds of the sale of her book *A History of the Old Coke County Jail and Sheriffs* to the project.

Jane Austin Bruckner, whose family pioneered Coke County, also dedicated the proceeds of the sales in Coke County of her book, *Grandmother Tales from the Heart of Texas*.



Headed by Kara Dotter (from left), graduate students Aparna Surte and Adrienne Campbell document construction aspects of the Old Jail for a historic preservation project of the Coke County Historical Commission.

The history of Coke County has been brought alive in these two books. The preservation of the Old Jail as a landmark in Coke County will be a testimony to these two authors and the other dedicated historians of Coke County who are working on projects to preserve history.

### Ballots finalized in May 15th local elections

The city of Robert Lee will have to fill two council seats currently held by Beth Prather and Bonita Copeland. Both council incumbents have filed for re-election. Mayor Garland Davis' term is also expiring. Filing for the office of Mayor are Kenneth Green, Joe White and Kimble Middleton.

The city of Bronte will have to fill three 2 year council seats currently held by Martha Ratliff, Charles Sonnenberg, and Leslie Rolls. All incumbents have filed to retain their seats on the Council. Challenging them will be Scott Graves. Mayor Martin Lee's term is also expiring and he has filed for re-election.

Bronte ISD has two vacancies to fill for full 3 year terms. Positions open are currently held by Terry Charles and Gary Acker. Terry Charles and Gary Acker have filed to retain their seats on the Board. They will be joined on the ballot by Paul Williams.

Two places on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees are coming open. These places are

three year terms. The terms of Darrell Pitcock and Bill Burns are expiring. Darrell Pitcock has filed for re-election. New candidates filing include Kevin Roe and Gayle Bolding.

West Coke County Hospital District will have three vacancies. The terms of Joan Cantrell, Rick Sanchez, and Gayland Hurst are expiring. Since there were no filings, a board meeting was held Tuesday, March 23. The board has cancelled the election and appointed the incumbents to continue in their offices.

East Coke County Hospital District has three 2 year terms expiring. The terms are currently held by Ed Cumbie, Billy Joe Lockett, and Mark Duncan. All incumbents have filed for re-election. The board met Tuesday, March 23, and voted to cancel the election since there were no contested races.

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt slated for April 6

The Annual Coke County Easter Egg Hunt will be held on the courthouse grounds in Robert Lee on Tuesday, April 6, at 10 am.

All county children through 1st grade are welcome to come. The huge number of eggs and prizes for special eggs are donated each year by generous individuals and businesses.

A special guest at the annual hunt will be the big Easter Bunny. Refreshments will be served in front of the courthouse.

### Rabies clinic to be held in Bronte

Dr. Jimmy Smith, along with Bronte FFA and the City of Bronte, will hold a rabies clinic for dogs and cats on Tuesday, March 30th. The clinic will be held in the foyer of Bronte High School from 4 pm until 6 pm. It is mandatory for all dogs and cats in Bronte to be tagged and vaccinated for rabies, due to the current rabid varmints in the area.

If you have any questions, please call Pioneer Vet Clinic in Winters at 754-5487.

### Red Hat Mamas set April 6 meeting

The Red Hat Mamas (Red Hat Society) will meet at 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 6th at Nana's in Robert Lee. You are welcome to join this group where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life.

### RLVFD fund-raiser to help match grant

The Night-On-The-Town raffle being offered by the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department includes dinner for two at Zentner's Daughter Steak House and two tickets to the Southwest Plaza movie theatre. Tickets are \$1 for a full night of food and fun.

Tickets are available at City Hall, the library, and from any member of the fire department. Mayor Davis has said that if he wins, he will give his winnings to the person who sells the most tickets.



Nina Brewer (right) displays the service award and resolution presented to her by the Upper Colorado River Authority. UCRA Director Jeffie Roberts made the presentation honoring the late UCRA Director Jack Brewer for his years of dedication to the mission of the organization. Approximately 40 attended the presentation ceremony, held Tuesday, March 23, at Robert Lee City Hall.



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**Death Notices**

**Richards**

Grant Esteen Richards, 81, died Saturday, March 20, 2004. Graveside service with military honors was held at 2 pm Tuesday, March 23, in Fort Chadbourne Cemetery with Wesley Wells officiating.

He was born on Oct. 6, 1922, in Fort Chadbourne, Coke County, Texas to Carl "Buck" and Iva Richards. He was preceded in death by parents and a brother, Sam Richards.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of San Angelo; two sons, Randy Richards and wife, Manuelita, of Lohn; Bill Richards and wife Terri, of Plano; one brother, Dolf Richards of Winters; and two sisters, Irmadine McKown and Clay Dell Bell of Bronte; four grandchildren and numerous nephews.

**Resolution honors Jack Brewer, late UCRA Director**

Whereas, Jack Brewer has served the Upper Colorado River Authority in the capacity of Board Member and Officer from 1998 through 2003;

Whereas, the Board of Directors of the Upper Colorado River Authority have met on February 24, 2004, and have agreed to formally acknowledge Jack Brewer for his commitment and service to said board;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That:

The Upper Colorado River Authority Directors and its employees recognize Jack Brewer for his years of dedication and benefaction to the mission of this agency;

The Upper Colorado River Authority Directors and its employees honor Jack Brewer for his contribution to the community at large and to the people of Coke County.

The Upper Colorado River Authority Directors and its employees further authorize that said resolution and acknowledgement be presented to Nina Brewer, wife of Jack Brewer, in memory of his legacy to the people who he so enthusiastically served.

Passed and Approved on the 24th day of February 2004, by the Upper Colorado River Authority.

Fred R. Campbell, Chairperson  
Hope Huffman, Secretary

**RLBC Youth to attend concert**

The Youth of Robert Lee Baptist Church will attend the FREE Jamie Slocum Christian Concert, Saturday, March 27th, in San Angelo. The youth will meet in the parking lot and leave at 5 pm. For more information, contact Cory DeVivo, Youth Minister, at 453-2724.

**Central Baptist to honor School District employees, directors**

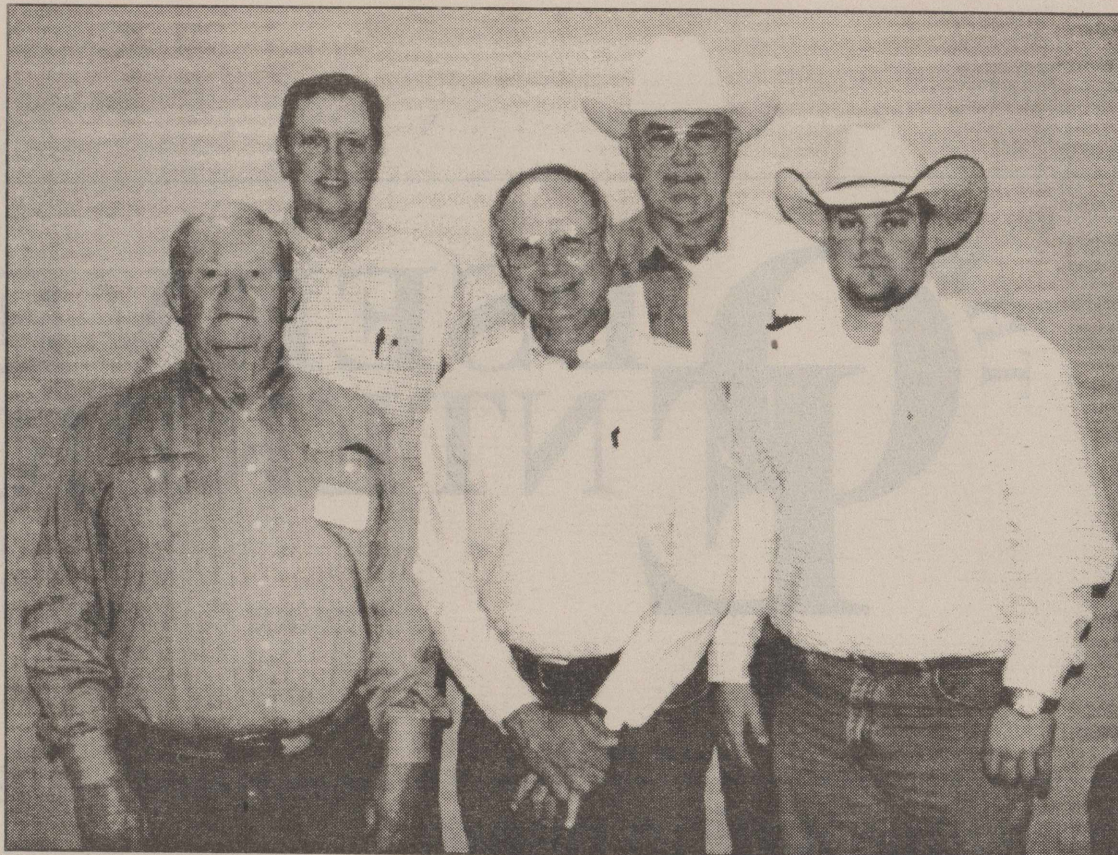
The members of Central Baptist Church wish to show their deep appreciation to all Bronte School District employees and board members. They invite the Bronte community to their School Appreciation Day service March 28, 2004. It will begin at 11:00 am. After the service, lunch will be served to all Bronte school district employees, board members and their families.

Superintendent Alan Richey and Principals, Terry Marrs and Rick Howell, will be speaking. Pastor Tim White will bring a motivational message to the school district personnel.

All of those associated with Bronte School District and their families are invited to dine with the church family around 12:00 noon. If you are a school district employee and are not able to attend the 11:00 service, you are still invited to the luncheon. A request has been made of all those who will be dining to RSVP so a place can be saved for you and your family. Please call 473-4811 for your reservations.

**RL Baptist Church upcoming events**

March 27th - Youth attending Jamie Slocum Christian concert



Central Texas Beefmaster Breeders elected two new directors and chose officers to lead the group for the coming year at their annual meeting in Temple Saturday, March 6. Directors include (from left) Don Fields, Salt Creek Beefmasters, Robert Lee; Secretary/Treasurer Allan Lanik, Rocky Creek Beefmasters, Hallettsville; Vice President J. A. Girgenti, Girgenti Beefmasters, Amite, Louisiana; President Ron Ranly, Ranly Beefmasters, Lott; Jimmy Morgan, Simon Creek Beefmasters, Overbrook, Oklahoma; and (not pictured) Mackie Bounds, Swinging B Beefmasters, Axtell.

March 28th - Ukrainian Missionaries, Max Sulkov and Vadym Belyayev, will be visiting and speaking during the Sunday School hour; Ricardo Silva, student from Hardin Simmons University will be guest speaker in the AM worship service; Youth will be leading the evening services, with Youth Minister, Cory DeVivo, bringing the message.

April 3rd - Youth Bowl-A-Thon, contact Cory DeVivo, 453-2724, FMI.

April 4th - Laying of the Palms Service

April 9th - Shadows of the Cross Service

April 11th - Easter Sunrise Service

April 23-25 - Youth Disciple NOW

May 23rd - Graduation Senior Sunday &

**Baccalaureate**

June 7-11 - Vacation Bible School

June 21-25 - Pre-Teen Camp

June 26th - 100th Celebration

June 29th - Blood drive

July 12-16 - Youth Camp

**FSA announces DCP sign-up underway**

The FSA Office is currently signing producers up for the 2004 DCP program. This is the farm program which began last year. Each year producers are required to sign up for the current year. If you participated last year and want to participate in 2004, we encourage you to make an appointment and sign up. Signup will continue until June 1, 2004.

Keep in mind that if you cash lease a place, the FSA must have a copy of the cash lease on file before payments are made. For those producers wishing to sign a producer statement of the cash lease, they may do so but no payment can be made until after June 1, 2004.

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**Bronte Church of Christ**  
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson  
Bronte  
(325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers  
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**Central Baptist Church**  
324 S. Franklin • Bronte  
(325) 473-4811

Tim White, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
11 am & 6 pm Worship  
Wed. 6 pm

**Emmanuel Pentecostal**  
PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy  
Robert Lee  
(325) 453-2360

Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

**First Baptist Church**  
424 S. Washington • Bronte  
(325) 473-2331

Bro. Morris Johnson, Pastor  
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,  
10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Youth  
and Worship

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting  
**First United Methodist Church**  
Corner of Washington & Holmes  
Bronte  
(325) 473-3281

Rev. Carol Fiero  
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship  
5:00 Youth

**First United Methodist Church**  
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne  
Robert Lee  
(325) 453-2417

Rev. Steve Rowe, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
11 am Worship  
Wed. 7 pm Choir

**Iglesia Bautista Bethel**  
101 Houston • Robert Lee  
(325) 453-5003 • 453-2296

Pastor: Basilio Esquivel  
Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am  
& 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm

**Northside Church of Christ**  
PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne  
Robert Lee  
(325) 453-2619 or 453-2270

Tommy Williams, Minister  
Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm;  
Wed. 7 pm

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church**  
601 W. 10th, Robert Lee  
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Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor  
Sat. 6 pm

**Pecan Baptist**  
PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of Robert Lee  
on Sterling City Hwy  
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Sun. 10 am, Sunday School  
11 am & 7 pm, Worship

**Robert Lee Baptist Church**  
PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th  
(325) 453-2724

Bro. Mike Poye, Pastor  
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting  
**Southside Church of Christ**  
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston  
Robert Lee  
(325) 453-2176

Frank J. Daniels, Preacher  
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School  
11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Worship  
**Tennyson Baptist Church**  
Hwy 277 • Tennyson  
Joe Hodges, Pastor  
(325) 468-0014

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting  
**Victory Assembly of God**  
PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston  
Robert Lee  
(325) 453-2208

Rev. Irene Ford, Pastor  
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting



**"Real Life in Jesus Campaign" begins at Bronte FBC**

Bronte's First Baptist Church is hosting a "Real Life in Jesus Campaign" beginning this Sunday, March 28, and continuing through Wednesday, March 31. Service times for Sunday are 10:55 am and 7:00 pm. Monday through Wednesday times are noon (for a potluck lunch and Bible study in the church's Fellowship Hall) and 7:00 pm. Sunday night will be Youth Night and Sunday School Night. There will be a special youth (grades 7-12) pizza supper on Sunday at 6:00 pm. Monday night will be Pack-a-Pew/Bring-a-Friend Night. Tuesday night's service will be Red, White, and Blue night. Wednesday will be Children's/Family Night with a hot dog supper for children in grades 1-6 at 6:00 pm.

Speaker for these special services will be evangelist David Burk, president of Total Surrender Evangelistic Association. David is no stranger to our area, his home base being Sterling City. He has preached several times in Bronte, Robert Lee, San Angelo, and several other area communities. He and his wife Debbie have three children. They have served in several states and in foreign countries such as Russia, Venezuela, Cambodia, New Zealand, and South Africa. His messages speak clearly as to what God's Word has to say to the needs of our lives and our society.

Praise and Worship music leaders will be Sherman and Tammy Aten of Aten Ministries in Granbury, Texas. Sherman and Tammy are music evangelists who have also served in our area on numerous occasions. They have two children. Their unique blend of hymns and contemporary music helps everyone to experience and enjoy a time of worship.

Pastor Morris Johnson says, "I want to invite and encourage everyone to take advantage of these opportunities for a life-changing experience with Jesus Christ." For more information, call 473-2331 or 473-5661. First Baptist Church is located at 424 S. Washington in Bronte.

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Tony and Judy Mann of Lubbock announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amanda Beth Mann of Amarillo, to Roy Brent Gibbs of Hereford. Brent is the son of Bill and Judy Gibbs of Robert Lee. The couple plan to be married May 1 at LakeRidge United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Lubbock Cooper High School. She earned a bachelor of business administration from Texas Tech University and is a candidate for summer graduation from West Texas A&M University with a master's degree in education. She is a graduate assistant at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

The prospective groom is a 1991 graduate of Robert Lee High School. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees in agriculture from Texas Tech University and is a graduate of the TCU Ranch Management Program. He is a vice-president and commercial lender with FirstBank Southwest in Hereford.

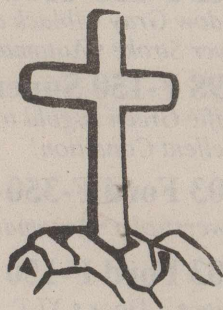
member of the fire department. Mayor Davis has said that if he wins, he will give his winnings to the person who sells the most tickets.

The funds will be used to help match a \$45,000 grant from the San Angelo Health Foundation to construct a new fire station at the intersection of Highways 158 and 208 in Robert Lee. The roof collapsed on the old filling station being used to store equipment. Building a new station is a high priority situation. Reaching the

goal is becoming more urgent with the advancing prices of metal.

The RLVFD fire station fund at Robert Lee State Bank is receiving funds for the station. Checks may also be sent to City Hall. Memorial funds can be dedicated to this drive as well.

Find a Volunteer Fireman, tell him thanks for serving the community and get a raffle ticket for a Night-on-the-Town for two. The drawing will be held Monday, April 5, 2004.



**Real Life in Jesus Campaign**

**March 28 - 31**

**First Baptist Church**

Bronte, Texas 424 S. Washington

**7:00 p.m. each night**  
(also Sunday at 10:55 a.m.)

Biblical Preaching by  
**David Burk**

(Total Surrender Evangelistic Association)

Praise & Worship led by  
**Sherman & Tammy Aten**

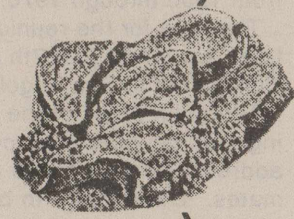
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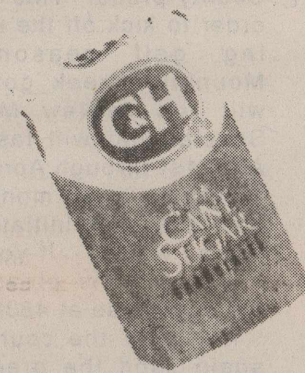
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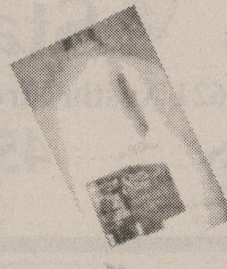
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# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

## RL boys golf results posted

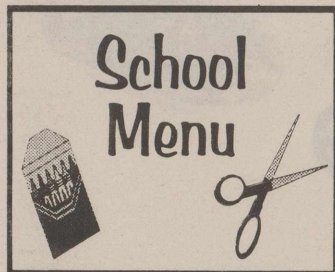
On March 16th, in a 13 team field, the Robert Lee boys golf team finished 5th, with a team score of 332, in the Baird Tournament held at Shady Oaks Country Club. Individual scores: Jonathan Pagan 81, Omar Saucedo 82, Josh Alexander 82, Evan Braswell 87, and Vincent McClellan 87.

## RL 2004 Project Graduation to host late night lock-in

Project Graduation 2004 is hosting a late night lock-in at Mr. Gatti's on March 26, 2004. Members are inviting the students of Robert Lee ISD, their families, their friends, and citizens of Robert Lee who would like to support the Seniors of RLHS.

The purpose is to raise money for the project. There will be a cover charge, and for this you will receive the All You Can Eat Buffet, 16 tokens, free bumper car rides, and movie screenings. It will last from 10:00 pm until 1:00 am. Sponsors of Project Graduation will attend.

The catch is that there must be at least a hundred people. Everyone is asked to sign up and pay the cover charge by the 23rd. Advance tickets are for sale from Project Graduation sponsors, Seniors, Mrs. Wallace or Mrs. Service at the school. If for any reason the lock-in does not occur, then all monies will be refunded in full. A list of names and information will be kept.



### School Menu

#### Breakfast

**Monday, March 29**  
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk  
**Tuesday, March 30**  
Juice, donut, cereal, milk  
**Wed., March 31**  
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk  
**Thurs., April 1**  
Juice, burrito, cereal, milk  
**Friday, April 2**  
Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk

#### Lunch

**Monday, March 29**  
Chili, baked potato, cheese, pineapple, milk  
**Tuesday, March 30**  
Chicken O's, macaroni & cheese, green beans, bread, peaches, milk  
**Wed., March 31**  
Fajitas, salad, ranch style beans, mandarin oranges, milk  
**Thurs., April 1**  
Tuna or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, chips, pickles, fresh fruit, milk  
**Friday, April 2**  
Hot dog, chili, cheese, potato patty, pork & beans, fruit cocktail, milk

Come and enjoy an evening of food and fun while supporting the Robert Lee Seniors of 2004.

## RLHS Exes to have planning meeting

A meeting will be held Thursday, March 25th at 5 pm at Nana's to organize a reunion for anyone who attended the classes that graduated from 1950 through 1970.

The date for the reunion has been set for August 7th at the Holiday Inn in San Angelo.

The main focus of the meeting will be obtaining correct addresses for all those classmates. Other items to be discussed are announcements, program, meal planning, fee charges, and color scheme.

For more information please contact Fran Lomas at 453-2894.

## Mountain Creek golf club schedule announced

The Mountain Creek board of directors has set up this year's schedule of tournaments and promise to have some spectacular outings sure to make Coke County proud. This year in order to kick off the upcoming golf season the Mountain Creek golf club will run a New Member Special that will last from April 1st through April 30th. With your three month pre-paid dues, the initiation fee will be waived. If you have any questions please call the clubhouse at 453-2317.

This year the course will again sand the greens on

the 21st of April and will have a workday to make improvements on the course on the 24th of April followed by an ABC Scramble.

April 17th - Project Graduation

May 15th - Adult/child  
June 12th - Ladies only  
June 19th-20th - 4 person  
July 17th-18th - 4 person  
August 7th - Suzie Wilson - 3 person  
August 21st - Casey Eubanks Memorial - 3 person  
Sept. 18th -19th - Coke County Couples  
Oct. 9th - 10th - Club Championship

Other tournaments will be announced during the year. Get ready to have a chance at some very valuable hole-in-one prizes that will be available on select tournaments this year. Everyone grab your clubs and plan on having some awesome fun at the course this year.

## Letters to the Editor

As a patriotic American living in a dangerous corner of the world, I am heartened to observe the tremendous strides the Bush administration is making toward reforming the Middle East. President Bush's call for a democratic Middle East is a bold step forward that is badly needed. In this region where such basic American rights as freedom of worship, freedom of speech, and freedom of



Julia Cruz (left) placed first at the State Powerlifting meet held in Killeen Saturday, March 20, 2004. She finished with a weight total of 710 which was the best among Class A lifters. Stacey Denton placed 4th at the State Powerlifting meet in her weight division.

assembly are prohibited, it is a refreshing change of perspective for our President to speak of democracy in this region.

But Bush is not confining his steps to mere rhetoric. He is a man of decisive action. We Americans can be proud that he has liberated two oppressive countries - Afghanistan and Iraq - and has established democratic institutions in both of them. For example, the development of the recent Iraqi provisional constitution is an enormous achievement by the Bush administration in fostering the winds of freedom and democracy.

While there is some resistance here to change in the status quo, I sense that people in the Middle East are, down deep, receptive to the opportunity to consider the establishment of democracy and

freedom. Being captives of oppressive regimes, they may not openly call for such change, but I feel they are amenable to it. This is the sense that I get from a street-level perspective of people in the Middle East.

Therefore, now is not the time for America to falter in its campaign to bring peace, freedom, democracy, and justice to the Middle East. I strongly encourage all my fellow Americans back home to continue to give your full support to our President at this time of critical change in the Middle East. Together we may very well see the institution of a more peaceful region and a more peaceful world. And for this, we can be grateful to the sagacious leadership of George W. Bush.

Sincerely,  
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# BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

## Coalson wrestles winner in calf scramble

The Reliant Stadium arena filled with excitement as Riley Coalson of Bronte, lined up with 27 other young men and women for the RodeoHouston calf scramble.

Strength and determination took over as Riley managed to capture one of 14 elusive calves and pull it into the winners' square during the Tuesday, March 16 performance of the Houston show.

In exchange for his successful scramble, Riley, a member of Bronte FFA, will receive a \$1,000 calf purchase certificate donated by Coastal Power Systems. The certificate is to be used for the purchase of a registered beef heifer.

This is the beginning of a yearlong project of grooming, feeding and caring for the heifer. Supervised by Jay Henderson, Riley's agricultural science teacher, he must keep accurate and detailed records of the animal's progress, submitting records to both the Show and the donor to chronicle the heifer's development.

In 2005, Riley will return with his heifer to the Houston Livestock Show in Reliant Center for a special competition and a \$250 bonus from his donor.

## BISD trustees meet in Special Session

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees met in Special Session Tuesday, March 23, 2004, 7:00 pm. Those in attendance were Wayne Coalson, Kendall Gibbs, Jeff Schoenfield, Gary Acker, Bob Frazee, Terry Charles, and Alan Richey. Absent was David Scott. Also present were Michael Bohensky and Rocky Rawls.

The cost analysis estimates

and options for the new gym were discussed by the board. Approval was given for the letting of bids on the new gym construction.

The School Calendar for 2004-2005 was reviewed. Alan Richey, Superintendent, informed the board on several items including funding.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the president at 9:15 pm.

## Former Bronte teacher receives recognition

Jennifer Robinson Davidson has been selected for inclusion in the eighth edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2004.

Mrs. Davidson is currently teaching at Veribest School and was nominated by Elizabeth Holik. Only high school & college students who have been cited for academic excellence themselves in the Who's Who Among High School Students and The National Dean's List are invited to nominate one teacher from their entire academic experience.

As indisputable testimony to the value of outstanding teachers, Who's Who will honor a select 5% of our nation's teachers. America's best teachers will be recognized just as the best doctors, lawyers, athletes, business people and other professionals have traditionally been honored.

Mrs. Davidson is married to Gregg Davidson. They have four children, Garrett, Madeline, Emily and Camberly.

## City Wide Garage Sale scheduled

The Sorosis Study Club will be sponsoring the City Wide Garage Sale Saturday, May 1st. It has been a huge success in years past, and we would encourage everyone to participate in the City Wide Garage Sale.

If you are planning to have a garage sale on May 1st, you need to call Pat Martindale at City Hall 473-3501, or Marilyn Bivins At 473-6791.

If you have a few items that you would like to donate to the Sorosis Club's Garage Sale, we would truly appreciate it. All of our proceeds goes to Friends Of

The Pool and to high school scholarships. Remember to mark your calendars for May 1st.

## Poetry contest open to area residents

The Talent Literary Guild is sponsoring an amateur poetry contest, free to everyone. There are 50 prizes in all, including a \$1,000.00 grand prize.

To enter, send one entry of 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 1257 Siskiyou Blvd., PMB 4, Ashland, OR 97520, or go to [www.freecontest.com](http://www.freecontest.com).

Poems may be written on any subject, using any style. The deadline for entering is March 27, 2004. The Editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems.

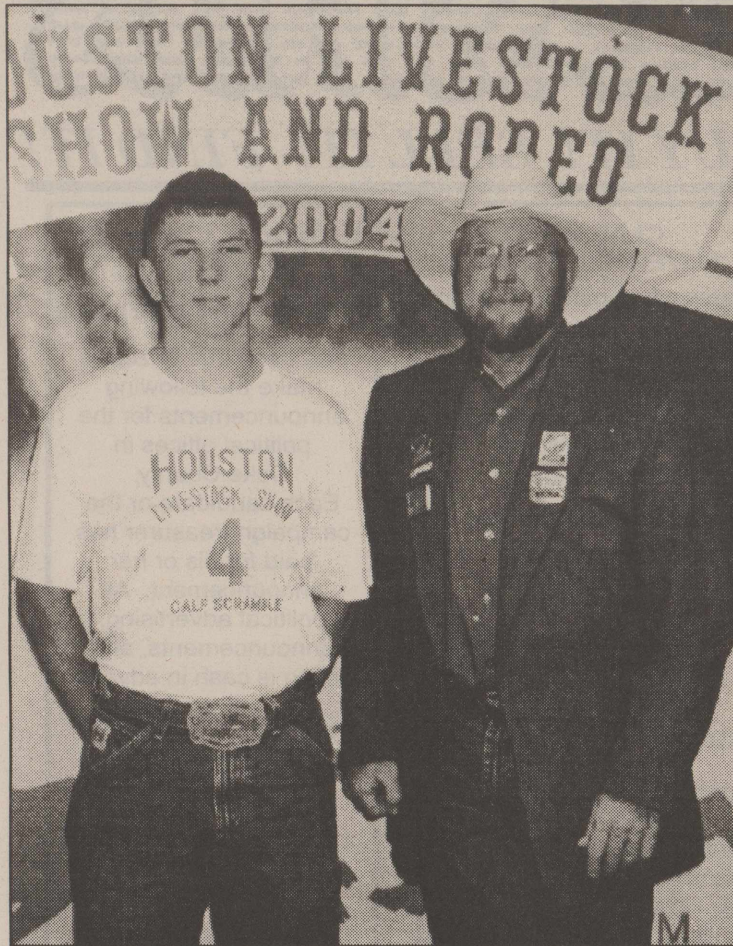
## ASU "College Days" slated April 3

Angelo State University is inviting prospective students to participate in "College Days" April 3 for a close look at various aspects of university life, ranging from academic programs to social and cultural opportunities.

In addition to sampling the various academic and extracurricular programs available at the university, students and their families will also be treated to lunch compliments of the university and offered complimentary tickets to a Rambelle softball double-header against Texas Woman's University

Activities will begin at 9:30 am with check-in at the C.J. "Red" Davidson Conference Center in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont. The program will begin at 10 am in the Davidson Center with a welcome by ASU President James Hindman. Tours of the campus will then be conducted, including a stop at the Food Service Center for the complimentary lunch.

After lunch students and



Riley Coalson (left) was one of the fourteen young people who caught their calves at the 2004 Houston Rodeo Calf Scramble on March 16. He is shown with Don Cook, donor.

their families will return to the Davidson Conference Center for the ASU Expo, where information will be available on academic programs, student organizations, extracurricular activities, financial aid, Carr Academic Scholarships, residence halls and other areas of interest to prospective students and their parents.

Special information sessions will also be presented for students interested in a variety of ASU programs, including education, nursing, physical therapy, pre-law and pre-health

professions.

Throughout the event ASU faculty, staff and students will be available to welcome guests to campus and to answer their questions about all aspects of student life at ASU.

College Days coordinator Bonnie Stennett said the event is a great opportunity for prospective students to get acquainted with ASU, its faculty and the educational experience it offers.

For more information, contact the ASU Office of Admissions at (325) 942-2058.

## School Menu



### Breakfast

#### Monday, March 29

Cereal, mixed fruit, toast, jelly, milk

#### Tuesday, March 30

Blueberry muffin, applesauce, teddy grams, milk

#### Wed., March 31

Sausage rolls, assorted juice, milk

#### Thurs., April 1

Breakfast pizza, assorted juice, milk

#### Friday, April 2

Pop tart, assorted juice, biscuit, milk

### Lunch

#### Monday, March 29

Beef enchiladas, tossed salad, ranch style beans, Spanish rice, brownies, milk

#### Tuesday, March 30

Pigs in a blanket, tator tots, pork & beans, macaroni & cheese, chocolate pudding, milk

#### Wed., March 31

Frito pie, chili & cheese, sweet corn, tossed salad, corn chips, jello, milk

#### Thurs., April 1

Spaghetti, tossed salad, mixed vegetables, mixed fruit, bread sticks, milk

#### Friday, April 2

Chick-Fil-Lay sandwich, lettuce & tomato, pickles, French fries, chocolate chip cookies, milk

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On Friday, March 26, I, Kelly Seales, would like to invite all Women of Bronte and surrounding areas that know (and preferably like) me to a Lucky To Have Friends party.

The party will have a St. Patrick's Day theme, so please wear green if you don't want to get pinched. And don't plan on claiming you have on green underwear, because we'll make you prove it! And green eyes don't count!

For those of you who are just interested in what I've done to "The House", please bring an open mind and don't expect to step back into 1910 - maybe the Twilight Zone instead. Be prepared for a strange Open House at 6 pm.

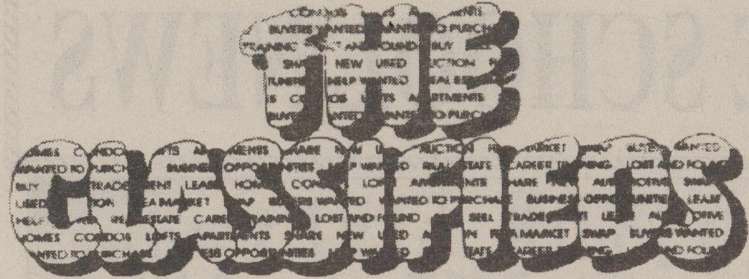
At 7 pm, for all my Party Girls, please bring a dish (with food in it) and a Friendship Gift, if you would like to participate in the Gift Exchange. Let's put a \$10 limit on it. Please make sure you bring something you like, since you might be taking it home with you!

I also have fun, but harmless, games planned with fabulous prizes!

Please attend if you can, tell others who need to know, and wear your best St. Patrick's Day attire. If you have questions or fears and just to let me know you can come, please call me at 473-6116 so I can plan on how many "accessories" to purchase!

I am so happy to live in a community where I am able and blessed to have so many friends, of all ages, and I hope they will come to my party.





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**Political Calendar**  
**The Observer/Enterprise**  
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 35-1tp

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 35-1tc

**FOR SALE**  
 1995 T-bird, 112,000 miles. \$3200 OBO. 453-4641.  
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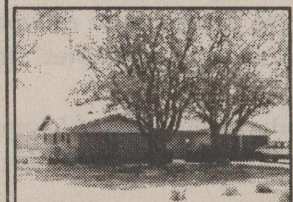
**FOR SALE**  
 252 acres, farm, pasture land, deer, turkey. 2 bedroom house. Kickapoo Creek. \$600 an acre. 2 miles NW of Bronte, Texas. Wayne Rogers. 254-799-7426.  
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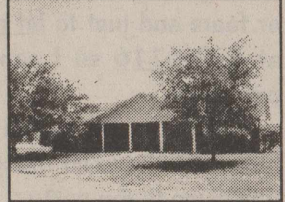
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**HOUSE FOR RENT**  
 \$350 month. 312 S. State, Bronte. Hoyt 473-7703.  
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**FOR RENT**  
 Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221.  
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**TAKING APPLICATIONS**  
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 29-EOW

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**Other Listings Available**

Watch the wildlife from the front porch, 2 BR, 1 BA Brick veneer home, \$20's

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**Price reduced, 2 BR** 1 bth, CA/CH, sunroom or **Under Contract** kitchen, single garage, over 1800 sf, large storage/shop

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**147 +/- AC.** All Pasture. Convenient to Robert Lee. Flat to rolling terrain. Good hunting.

**130 +/- AC.** Convenient to Bronte. 3 BR, 2 BA home with 30x40 Shop.

**93 +/- AC.** Highway frontage, water well, 81 ac. CRP income.

**80 +/- Acres,** Very nice ranch style home with 3 BR, 2 BA 2 Living Areas. All Steel Horse and Cattle Pens. 3 Large Barns.

**CARD OF THANKS**

**THANK YOU**  
 We would like to thank everyone who called, came by, or showed compassion and caring during the loss of my mother, Helen Mathers.  
 Thank you so much,  
 Robert & Mona Mathers  
 35-1tc

**NOTICES**

**A PUBLIC HEARING**  
 shall be held on the proposition to be included on the May 15, 2004 ballot. The proposition would authorize the Bronte 4A Economic Development Corporation to transfer funds to the Bronte 4B Economic Development Corporation to participate in the renovation of the park swimming pool and the paving of city streets.  
 The Hearing will be held on April 29, 2004, at 5:00 pm at the City Hall, 114 South Washington.  
 35-5tc

**UNA VISTA PUBLICA**  
 sera aguantada la proposicion para ser incluida en el el 15 de mayo de 2004 la votacion. La proposicion autorizaria el Bronte 4A la Corporacion Economica del Desarrollo a transferir los fondos al Bronte 4B la Corporacion Economica del Desarrollo para tomar parte en la renovacion del piscina del parque y el pavimento de las calles de la ciudad.  
 La Vista se tendra en el 29 de abril de 2004 en 5:00 de la tarde en el municipalidad,  
 114 Washington del sur.  
 35-5tc

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**  
 To the public and, See Listing Below, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of the sale of the contents of Units, See Listing Below, of the storage facilities located at the southeast corner of Commerce Street (TX 158) and East 6th Street, the northwest corner of Bishop Street and West 10th Street (TX 208) and the southeast and northeast corners of Chadbourne Street and West 8th Street. The contents of the units will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted no sooner than 2 April 2004.  
 Charity Elam - 146  
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 33-tnc

**HELP WANTED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**  
 given that Coke County, Robert Lee Park is accepting applications for lifeguards. Applications can be picked up in the Judge's office. For further information, contact Curtis Walker at 453-2714. All applicants must be 16 years of age or older. Coke County is an equal opportunity employer.  
 35-2tc

**BRONTE ISD**  
 is accepting applications for the Superintendent's Secretary. For applications contact the Superintendent's Office - 325-473-2511, PO Box 670 Bronte, Texas 76933. Position open until filled. BISD is an EOE.  
 34-2tc

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**  
 given that Coke County is now accepting applications for a Senior Citizen Coordinator in Bronte, Texas. Applications for this position may be picked up in the Coke County Judge's Office at the Robert Lee Courthouse. Applications will be taken through April 2, 2004. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.  
 34-2tc

**GARAGE SALES**

**YARD SALE**  
 Lots of stuff. Sat. 8-?. 608 W. 17th, Robert Lee.  
 35-1tp

**ESTATE SALE**  
 414 SW Railroad, Bronte. Fri. & Sat., 26th & 27th, 8 am - ?. Some furniture, misc., tools.  
 35-1tp

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 Email:  
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 Please send articles in the body of the email and photos as a jpeg attachment.  
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## NOTICES

### NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ROBBIE P. JONES, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ROBBIE P. JONES were issued on March 19, 2004, in Cause No. 1645 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to:

**DANNY JONES**

The residence of such Executor is Coke County, Texas. The mailing address for the Executor is:

**DANNY JONES**  
C/O NANCY FIREBAUGH  
ARTHUR  
Attorney-at-Law  
P.O. Box 970  
Robert Lee, TX 76945  
325/453-2576  
FAX: 325/453-2577

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 19, 2004.

**NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR**  
Attorney for the Estate  
35-1tc

### NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE

Notice is HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 113th District Court Harris County, this 24th day of June 2002 by Charles Bacarisse of said 113th District Court Harris County, Texas for the sum of \$319,512.03 Dollars under a Writ in favor of Gustav Alker, Jr. and Robert E. Alker in a certain cause in said court, No 2001-41044 and styled Gustav Alker, Jr. and Robert E. Alker vs. Robert V. Holland Jr. individually, and d/b/a Holland & Associates and Robert V. Holland Jr. P.C. placed in my hands for service, I, Rick Styles as Sheriff of Coke County, Texas, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Coke County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

A tract of land, Holland Properties, containing approximately 544 acres of land, more or less, consisting of the following:

1. All of the Johann Biber Survey No. 502, State Abstract No. 28, Patent No. 341, 132.3 acres.

2. All of the Matthias Diecop Survey No. 501, State Abstract

No. 90, 89.76 acres

3. All of the Charles W. Hageman Survey No. 500, State Abstract No. 179, 58.18 acres

4. All of the Charles W. Hageman Survey No. 499, State Abstract No. 180, 48.0 acres

5. All of the Hermann Hartman Survey No. 498, State Abstract No. 184, 26.66 acres

6. All of the Hermann Hartman Survey No. 497, State Abstract No. 183, 40.0 acres

7. All of the Max Herbst Survey No 496, State Abstract No. 182, Lake lots

8. All of the J.F. Norfleet Survey, No. 9, State Abstract No. 917, 55.49 acres

9. All of the T.M. Warren Survey, No. 3, State Abstract No. 1208, 80.0 acres

10. Upon the W.L. Clawson Survey, No. 1, State Abstract No. 1163, lake lots

11. Lot 3, Block 2 of the original town of Robert Lee, Coke County Texas, on and forming a part of the L.B. Harris Survey No. 2, vacant lot

12. Lot 7, Block 2 of the original town of Robert Lee, Coke County Texas, on and forming a part of the L.B. Harris Survey No. 2

13. Lot 3, Block 87 of the original town of Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas, on and forming a part of the L.B. Harris Survey No. 2, State Abstract No. 200

14. Two (2) Tracts of land, same being out of the L.B. Harris Survey No. 3, including: All that portion of land South of a line through such survey, such line being more specifically described as:

Beginning at a point in the East line of the Harris Survey No. 3, said point being North 30 degrees East 889 feet from the Northeast Corner of the S.A. Maverick Survey No. 985, and in the center line of the location of State Highway No. 158 at Station 48 plus 53.

Thence North 78 degrees and 24 minutes West, 2720 feet to a point in the South line of the 200 acre tract described in Volume 6, Page 195, of the Deed Records of Coke County, said point being 5.60 Degrees East 1282 feet from the Southwest corner of said 200 acre tract and in the center line of the location of State Highway No. 158 at Station 75 plus 73.

All that portion of land East of the center line of (Texas) State Highway No. 208, same being the center line of a tract

of land conveyed by G.A. Roe to the State of Texas in a deed recorded in the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, Volume 59, Page 344, on May 16, 1939.

All that portion of land adjacent to a tract of land from Fred Roe, Et Al to Pauline Roe Holland, by Deed filed May 24, 1962, Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, Volume 140, Page 339, and being more specifically described as follows:

Beginning at a point comprising the present Northeast corner of such property,

Thence West along the present Northern boundary to a fence,

Thence North along such fence to the corner of such fence,

Thence West along such fence to the corner of such fence,

Thence West along such fence and extending to a point two hundred feet West of the present Western boundary line,

Thence South parallel to the present Western boundary line to the center line of (Texas) State Highway No. 158,

Thence East along such center line to a point on the line of the present Eastern boundary,

Thence North to the point of Beginning.

Levied upon as the Property of Robert V. Holland Jr. Individually, and d/b/a Holland & Associates, and Robert V. Holland, Jr. P.C. and that on the fourth Friday of March the same being the 19th day of April 2004. At the Court House door of Coke County, of the City of Robert Lee Texas, between 10 am and 4 pm, by virtue of said levy and said Writ I will offer for sale and sell at public venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said property. In compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English Language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Observer/Enterprise, a newspaper published in Coke County.

Witness my hand, this 24th day of June 2002.

Rick Styles,  
Sheriff of Coke County, Texas  
35-3tc

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Invited to Attend 2nd Stakeholders, Meeting on TMDL Project on April 12,

### 2004 in Ballinger

This 2nd stakeholders' meeting will provide citizens of Coke and Runnels counties with an opportunity to be informed and offer input on the current Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) project.

A 66-mile portion of the Upper Colorado below E.V. Spence Reservoir has high concentrations of chloride and total dissolved solids. The state environmental agency - the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) - has contracted EA Engineering, Science & Technology, Inc. (EA) to initiate the TMDL study.

A public meeting on the

project will be held on Monday April 12, 2004, from 7-9 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall 700 Railroad Avenue, Ballinger, Texas.

At the meeting, EA and their subcontractor Louis Berger Group, Inc will review the sources assessment and discuss the technical approach to modeling. A data results presentation will be given and an overview of the next phase will be discussed. The TCEQ and EA will formally discuss the data results and modeling with the Stakeholder Group, and encourage comments and input from the public.

34-4tc



## COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

By Tommy Antilley  
Cooperative Extension Agent

### 4-H Members Place at Houston

Last week during the Houston Stock Show several 4-H members placed their livestock projects. In the Market Lamb show Allison Millican placed seventh in the medium-weight Finewools and Cody Bridges placed thirteenth in the heavy Finewools. In the Market Swine show Kyle Kelton

placed his Hampshire barrow twenty-fourth in the light class and Katie Bessent placed her heavy-weight Hampshire twenty-first.

These, and other Coke County 4-H members, should be commended, as for the ninth straight year, 4-H members have placed their lambs, pigs, steers and goats at every major stock show in Texas.

### Texas Folklife Festival slated for June

What better way to travel the world in four days than to visit the 33rd annual Texas Folklife Festival! Mark your calendar for June 10-13, 2004, at the Institute of Texan Cultures in downtown San Antonio; savor authentic international cuisine, delight in the music and colorful costumes of the finest entertainers, and browse through the arts and crafts market.

The Festival runs 5-11 p.m., Thursday, June 10, and Friday, June 11; noon-11 p.m., Saturday, June 12; and noon-9 p.m., Sunday, June 13.

Group and other discounts are also available. To order advance tickets (May 1-

June 1) visit [www.texasfolklifestival.org](http://www.texasfolklifestival.org), or write to Texas Folklife Festival, 801 S. Bowie St., San Antonio, Texas, 78205-3296, or for more information call 210-458-2390.

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### First Ag Credit distributes dividend

First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services' stockholders should watch their mailboxes for their part in the \$5.2 million cash patronage dividend being distributed based on 2003 financial results. The patronage dividend will reduce most customers' net cost of borrowing by approximately 70 basis points, or almost three-quarters of a percent.

This is the sixth consecutive year that over 6,500 First Ag Credit stockholders will receive a cash dividend from their agricultural financing cooperative. Members will receive their checks this month.

Since January 1997, the association has returned approximately \$35 million in cash to its customers. Keith Vandivere, chairman of the board from Brownfield, said the refund is an indication of the financial strength of the organization as well as "the dedication we have to our stockholders."

First Ag Credit, FCS has nearly \$1 billion in loans outstanding and serves a 113-county territory in Texas with 36 primary credit offices conveniently located throughout.

### Luckett gang gathers for cookout

The Luckett Gang gathered at Billy Joe and Diane Luckett's last Monday for a big hamburger cookout. Usually we gather out at the tank for cookouts, but due to the rain - it was too wet.

Guests were Cindy and Russ Stewart from Decatur, ILL.; Connie, Tim and Riley Bozarth from San Angelo; Connie and Cindy are daughters of the late Allen Bryan and Pat Bryan Oglesby. There were lot of pictures taken.

Those present and enjoying food, hamburgers and all the trimmings, along with cake, pie, cookies, ice tea, and coke were Cindy & Russ Stewart, Decatur, ILL.; Connie, Tim, Riley Bozarth from San Angelo; and Tim's parents Darrell and Peggy Bozarth; Matthew Plowman from Lubbock; Joy McDaniels from San Angelo; Dewey Luckett, Helen Murtishaw, Bill and

Diane Luckett, Joey Luckett from Bronte; Christine Barker from Abilene; Joe Bryan from Winters; Christine and Joe were sister and brother of the late Allen Bryan.

### The '64 Study Club news

The '64 Study Club met on March 10, 2004 at the Catholic Church Fellowship Building with 27 members and 1 guest present.

The program was on Aging Successfully: It's Your Choice, a video tape from Scott and White.

Hostesses were Johnetta Lawrence, Carolyn Long, Patti Ivey, Charlotte McKnight and Jackie Walker.

Celebrating birthdays in March are Caryl Benton, Faye Blair, Josie Castleberry, and Beverly Sinclair.

### Pancake Supper set for Sterling City

A Pancake Supper, with donations benefiting the Sterling City Senior Citizens Center, will be held Saturday, April 3, 2004, from 6 to 8 pm at the Sterling Community Center.

Other activities set for the event include Bingo from 3 to 6 pm; a Pancake Eating Contest at 5:30; and presentation and raffle drawing at 8 pm.

Music will be provided by D. J. Tracey Potcox of Brady. On the griddle will be the "Pancake Kid", Wesley Turner.

Call Nell Castro at 325-277-9137 or 325-378-4400 for more information.

## FINANCIAL FOCUS

With Jim Woodruff of EdwardJones

### How should you get income from investments?

You can invest for at least two key reasons: growth and income. If you're looking for growth, you'll need to invest in stocks that have the potential for capital appreciation. But if you also want to get income from your investments, you've got some choices to

make.

You can, of course, invest in fixed-income vehicles, such as bonds. Bonds typically pay regular interest payments, and, as long as the bond is held until maturity, the principal amount is returned, provided the issuer doesn't default - a risk you can greatly reduce by purchasing only those bonds that have received the highest grades from independent rating agencies.

However, you can also get income by investing in stocks that have a history of paying dividends - and now, since the tax rate on dividends has been cut, these investments may look even more attractive.

In the short term, most common stocks will typically offer lower income than bonds or CDs. But many high-quality stocks have consistently increased their annual dividends - which means you have the potential for rising income.

That's not to say you should abandon your bonds in favor of dividend-paying stocks. No matter how high the quality of the stocks, they will still carry more investment risk - at least in terms of potential loss of principal - than high-quality bonds. So, when you're investing for income, you will likely want to choose the mix of dividend-paying stocks and bonds that best fits your individual risk tolerance and long-term goals.

### Income strategies during retirement

You'll always need to

know how to get income from your investments. But it's particularly important to make the right choices during your retirement years. At this time of your life, you'll need to look beyond the issue of bonds vs. stocks to a new dimension: Which sources of retirement income should you tap first?

To answer this question, you'll have to take stock on where your retirement income is coming from. You can probably anticipate drawing from three main sources: tax-deferred accounts (such as your traditional IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan); taxable savings and investments; and Social Security.

The exact formula you choose for getting income from these three separate pools will depend on your individual needs and circumstances. However, it may be a good idea to spend down your taxable savings before you touch your tax-deferred plans. By following this strategy, you can keep these account earning potentially growing on a tax-deferred basis until

you must start taking withdrawals at age 70 1/2.

### How about Social Security?

When should you start taking these payments? Again, there's no one right answer for everyone; you'll have to weigh a variety of factors, including your other sources of income, your age at retirement and your expected life span. Keep in mind that, although you can start taking Social Security at age 62, your monthly checks will be larger if you wait until your full retirement age, which can be anywhere from 65 to 67. For every year past your normal retirement age that you delay collecting benefits, you'll get "bonus" payments, which can be substantial. Once you reach 70, you'll have earned the largest payment you're going to get.

Your financial professional can help you determine the appropriate strategies for drawing on your investment income and retirement plans. Maintaining a sufficient level of income is obviously essential to your financial well being - so you'll want to make all the right moves.

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## Repossessed Vehicles Sold To The Public Due To Overstocked Inventory Conditions At Local Dealership

SAN ANGELO, TX - Bank Repossessed cars and trucks will be sold directly to the public. These vehicles are some of the most hunted for bargains in the Automotive Industry. A large selection of brand new Model cars, trucks, vans, sport utility vehicles, as well as dozens of rental and lease return vehicles, auction vehicles, and dealership used vehicles will be offered for immediate sale at incredible savings to the buyer.

Banks often unload repossessed vehicles to dealerships at rock bottom prices. This week MITCHELL BUICK PONTIAC GMC is passing on the savings to the buyers. The dealership is overstocked and must make room for already scheduled-to-arrive vehicles. They are willing to sell these bank-repossessed vehicles regardless of profit.

This Wednesday, March 24th through Saturday, March 27th over 200 new, repos-

sessed and other pre-owned vehicles will be available, some for thousands below normal values.

"This is an incredible opportunity for bargain hunters! They may never see savings like these again." - Alvin Beaty, MITCHELL BUICK PONTIAC GMC.

Every repossessed, off-lease and other preowned or new vehicle will be available, some only \$37 down\* then start making payments. "It's so easy," said Alvin Beaty.

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"We'll even mark each qualifying vehicle right on the windshield. Just pick your vehicle and pick your payment."

The selection of vehicles ranges from luxury, 4x4s, SUVs, even economy cars; almost every price range imaginable will be avail-

able. "Many of the vehicles are still under factory warranty" said Alvin Beaty. "That's a great reason to buy now!"

The dealership is under an inventory crunch and must sacrifice these vehicles regardless of profit. This Wednesday through Saturday, they will have extra sales and finance staff to assure prompt, quality service and the best finance terms possible.

This event is the opportunity many new & used car shoppers have been looking for. "Our excessive inventory is a problem for us, but it's an opportunity for the bargain shopper," said Alvin Beaty. The \$37 down Repo Event ends Saturday, 6:00 p.m., March 27th. The remaining inventory will be sent to auction.

Questions regarding this event can be directed to (325) 949-1811. MITCHELL BUICK PONTIAC GMC is located at 4105 Sherwood Way in San Angelo.

\*Bank Approval Required On all credit applications, \$37 Possession Fee plus tax, title and license fees. Negative trade equity will be added to amount financed. Amount of down payment may vary with credit worthiness. Example: '99 Chevy Lumina - Stk#U2508A - \$37 + TT&L down. 5.9% APR - \$99 per month for 60 months through Bank One. Customer Responsible for taxes, title, tags. Vehicles subject to prior sale. Limit 2 vehicles per household. See dealer for details Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC 2004.

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