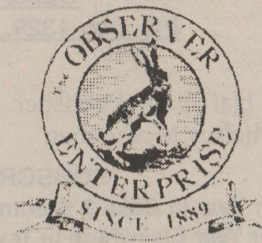


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CCSWCD recognizes Robert Lee educator

Mrs. Linda Burns was honored at the San Angelo Area Awards Banquet in Wall, Texas on March 24, 2005, as Coke County's Conservation Teacher for 2004. On May 10, 2005, another banquet will be held to honor the outstanding conservation leaders in Area II of Texas. The following article is the presentation that earned Linda the Runner-up award in the Area II contest which is judged with 52 other counties in the state of Texas.

Burns Honored as Conservation Teacher

Mrs. Linda Burns is a prime example of the old cliché "dynamite comes in small packages." Coke County has been blessed by the presence of Mrs. Burns in the Robert Lee School system for the past 27 years.

She is a "dynamic" teacher loaded with the positive ammunition needed to make learning exciting and fun. A visit to her classroom may show that she is smaller and shorter than many of her students, but the respect is unbelievable. Discipline is consistent, her love for students is genuine and teaching is the highest priority of her day.

The poster contest is a favorite tool of Mrs. Burns, used to impress upon her students the importance of conserving our soil and water. Quoting a co-worker and friend, "When one says "teacher," Mrs. Burns comes to my mind. Her dedication and commitment to her students has always gained her respect from her peers, students and the students' parents. She believes that every student is "special" and deserves the best education that she is able to give. That belief has often led to her being referred to as "favorite" teacher. Linda Burns is truly a "teacher" in every aspect of the word."

Mrs. Burns believes, "It is very important to maintain dignity and integrity of our resources as it is in teaching and dealing with kids. You must work to shape them, but at the same time, being very careful not to invade them. Land, resources and children are a gift from God. We need to understand what we have, where it comes from and

how to care for it."

Mrs. Burns father, W. E. Jacoby (known as Jake to Coke County producers) was employed with the Soil Conservation Service for more than twenty five years, serving Coke County thirteen of those years. Mrs. Burns relays that her father was the ideal supporter of deferred grazing. Overgrazing was an extreme "sore spot" with her father, so she knows the importance of conserving our natural resources from his example.

Family dedication and determination is evident. The Jacoby family ranch located between Mason and Menard has been certified by the Family Land Heritage Program for being maintained in continuous agricultural operation by the same family for 100 years.

Thirteen years of posters have passed through the hands of Mrs. Burns. The fruits of her labor are evident in the production of three district winners, two district runners-up, three outstanding class awards and two third place Area II awards.

Dedication and support extends past elementary school. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burns are avid Steer fans and have devoted lengthy hours in filming and recording stats for the Steer football team. Linda's support of the students in all activities and her deep love for teaching necessary skills to further the educational process of students earned her the yearbook dedication in 1988. One of the highest honors of her career was the invitation to speak at the commencement exercises of the graduating class of 2001.

Mrs. Burns is an active member of the Southside Church of Christ, a proud member of the historic Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association and has served on the West Coke County Hospital District board. Linda loves the outdoors so she spends time planting flowers, working in the garden and enjoys cooking for her family. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burns have two children and two grandchildren. The Coke County SWCD is proud to recognize Mrs. Linda Burns as Conservation Teacher for 2004.



Burns Honored! Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District Director Joe Ash presents Linda Burns with her award for 2004 Conservation Teacher.

First quarter rains benefit already saturated soils

by Hal Spain, Publisher

Seems like every time it waits a couple of weeks to rain, I get scared we're back in the big drouth of the 90's. That's what dry weather will do to you, I think. It kind'a messes with your mind. Having been born in 1951 in Haskell County during the drouth in the 50's, I grew up appreciating the rain and fearing the drouth more than most folks.

That's why it is such a pleasure to report our rainfall totals for the first quarter this year. We started off 2005 with less than an inch of rain in January from all our reporting stations in the county, but made up for it in February and March. The totals to date range slightly ahead of last year's first quarter to just slightly behind last year's abundant first quarter.

The following totals for the first quarter of 2005 as compared to 2004 represent five locations throughout the county (3 on the west side and two on the east side of the county). I am still working on getting another location on the east side of the county; so if you would like to help us, please let us know. I have

the City of Bronte covered and north of Bronte toward Blackwell, but I need another location south of Bronte or toward Maverick, if you are interested in helping. Thanks so much to the following individuals for helping us with this effort.

The beautiful crop of bluebonnets this year are a testament to the abundant rainfall we have had during the fall and winter. John Stephens, Coke County Bluebonnet Brigade chairman, wants to remind everyone of the upcoming meetings planned in a few weeks to scatter bluebonnet seed throughout the county. We

can already see some of the results of this successful venture, which is in its second season. John reminds everyone not to mow or plow any of the areas where bluebonnets thrive; so they can make seed and expand these locations each year. The brigade meetings will be posted in the paper in upcoming issues.

Sterling Commissioners change April court date

The Sterling County Commissioners Court will change their regular meeting date in April from Monday, April 11, to Wednesday, April 13.

County Rainfall Totals

	Jan. '04	Jan. '05	Feb. '04	Feb. '05	Mar. '04	Mar. '05	Total '04	Total '05
Edith Area Dee & Dessie Kendall	1.4	.5	2.2	2.75	1.9	3.1	5.5	6.35
Divide Area (toward Water Valley) Dolores McCabe Seal	1.4	.75	1.71	2.55	2.09	1.29	5.2	5.14
Valley View Area - Bobby and Jeffie Roberts	1.3	.41	2.4	2.27	2.5	2.41	6.2	5.09
North of Bronte Area Wayne & Melinda McCutchen	2.65	.6	2.55	4.35	2.7	1.9	7.9	6.85
Bronte Area Charles & Dorris Sonnenberg	1.95	.65	2.3	2.76	2.65	3.07	6.9	6.48

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Obituaries



Snapp

Jimmie Pauline Snapp of Bronte went to be with her Lord on March 31, 2005. Services were held April 2, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Bronte, with Brother Morris Johnson officiating. Burial and graveside rites were at Henry Prairie Cemetery in Robertson County. Viewing was held on Friday, April 1, 2005, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte.

Jimmie was born in Robertson County, August 16, 1941 to the late James F. Morgan and Lois Mae Vann Morgan. Retiring from Snapp Lease Works, Jimmie and George moved to Bronte where Jimmie was a very active member of the First Baptist Church of Bronte. She was a member of the RSVP where she volunteered with the Salvation Army and her first love, the Bronte Nursing Home auxiliary where she spent countless hours before she fell ill.

Jimmie attended Franklin and Bryan schools and also attended Business College in San Angelo.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one sister. She is survived by her husband, George Snapp of Bronte, two daughters, Vickie Parker and her husband Alan of Robert Lee, Teri Gardner and husband Rick of Blanchard, OK., one son Lea Daggett and wife Revis of Lajitas, eight grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, two stepsons, Jimmy

Snapp and wife Beth, David Snapp and wife Derri, two stepdaughters, Karen Phillips and husband Ricky all of Odessa, and Annette DiStasi and husband Gus of Carrollton, and seven stepgrandchildren. She is also survived by one sister, Janis Morgan Lefevre of Franklin, Tx., two brothers, Larry Morgan of Bryan, Tx. and Bill Morgan of Franklin, Tx., one special uncle Travis Morgan and Aunt

Ione of Franklin, Tx., special friend Dr. Marsha Daggett of Fort Stockton, and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Freddy Crumpler, Scott Boughton, Billy Stokes, Keith Fletcher, Joe Draper, Ronnie Mills, Manuel Sanchez and Jim Guthrie.

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Williams

William Earl (Bill) Williams died at his home with his wife of forty-two years and his loving pets April 2, 2005. Burial will be private and a Memorial Celebration will be observed in Nevada.

Bill was born February 19, 1921, in Oklahoma. He was descended from Revolutionary Ancestors who came to America in 1725 and Irish Ancestors who were famine immigrants. The eighth of 15 brothers and sisters, he had wonderful memories of his family life; he said he never saw a temper tantrum because anyone who got down would be trampled. The Williams family left Oklahoma and went West to work on the dams. Bill said they were in the truck behind Henry Fonda in The Grapes of Wrath. The trip took so long he was a boy when they started and old enough to work when they reached Arizona.

Tolerant of heat, unafraid of heights, he worked as a high scaler until he was conscripted into the 165 Regiment of the 27th Infantry. Basic training was at Schofield Barracks in



Bronte Health & Rehab Center Happenings! The residents of BHRC recently enjoyed a game of Parachute Exercise.

Hawaii. His Commanding General was Ralph (Howling Mad) Smith. Bill survived four major landings as a machine gunner in a heavy weapons company. He was seriously wounded in Saipan but returned to duty for the campaign at Okinawa.

After being Honorably Discharged he worked heavy construction on roads, bridges & dams. In 1958 he bought Williams Mattress Company from his older brother. He retired in October 2000 and moved to Coke County. He told everyone you had to get shots to come here. When he was invited to join the National Rifle Association, he eloquently declined saying he had already belonged to a large rifle association.

Survivors are his wife Frankie Beth Fletcher Williams, a sister Edna McClung, a son Larry Williams, step-son William Holmes, wife Marilu and their children, daughter Cheryl and husband, Carlos Carrasco and their children and many loving nieces and nephews.

The only battle he ever lost was to pancreatic cancer. He valued his vote and good credit. He was a mentor and good role model to many young men who came into his business, and his

personal life through the Diversified Occupation Program in Clark County, Nevada Schools. His favorite charities were Sansum Medical Research, and he was a benefactor of Bellview Christian Schools for forty years.

According to your faith remember him as a good, honest man with a charming flair for down home humor.

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McCutchen

T.C. McCutchen, 79, of Robert Lee died Tuesday, March 29, 2005. Funeral services were held at 2 pm Friday, April 1st, at the First United Methodist Church. Burial followed in the Sonora Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Ann of Robert Lee; one son, Thurston McCutchen and wife Bonnie of Fredericksburg; daughters, Brenda and husband Wayne Bryant of Sonora, Linda and husband Dick Hearn of the Devil's River, Jessie and husband Bruce Kerbow of Sonora, and Callie and husband Dennis

Pedini of Frisco; 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

2nd Annual Texas Mesquite Show coming to San Angelo

The Texas Mesquite Art Festival is returning to San Angelo April 15-17, and promises to bring the best mesquite artisans.

Roger Ellison, San Angelo Festival Director, said over 50 juried artists from around the state will gather at Fort Concho for a three-day celebration of the exquisite and attractive mesquite.

Hours are Friday, 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm and Sunday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Items are available for purchase, with food and drink sold on the grounds. Free parking.

More information on the Texas Mesquite Art Festival and the Association is available by calling the Fest office, (toll free) 1-866-839-3378.

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson
Bronte
(325) 473-3291
Preacher John V. Driggers
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

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. Larry Tianen
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
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm

Pecan Baptist
PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of Robert Lee
on Sterling City Hwy • (325) 453-2004
Rev. Richard Easterling, Pastor
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

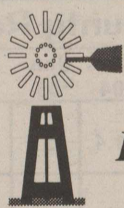
Tennyson Baptist Church
Hwy 277 • Tennyson
Joe Hodges, Pastor
(325) 473-2040
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God
PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2208
Rev. Irene Ford, Pastor
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10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting

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Diabetes Extravaganza set April 9th

Mark your calendars early! Tamara Hargett, RD, LD, CDE and The Juvenile Diabetes Support Group personally invite you to attend the Diabetes Extravaganza. This is a special event designed for adults and children on insulin.

The extravaganza will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2005, from 9 am - 12 noon at the PaulAnn Baptist Church, 2531 Smith Blvd. in San Angelo. RSVP 325-481-2381.

Rabies Clinic offered April 16

On Saturday, April 16, 2005, a 4-H Club sponsored rabies clinic will be held. This clinic will be held from 2 pm until 4 pm in the south end of the show barn, located at the Robert Lee park.

All pets, 4 months of age or older, should be immunized. Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually. A veterinarian will be in charge. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension office at (325) 453-2461.

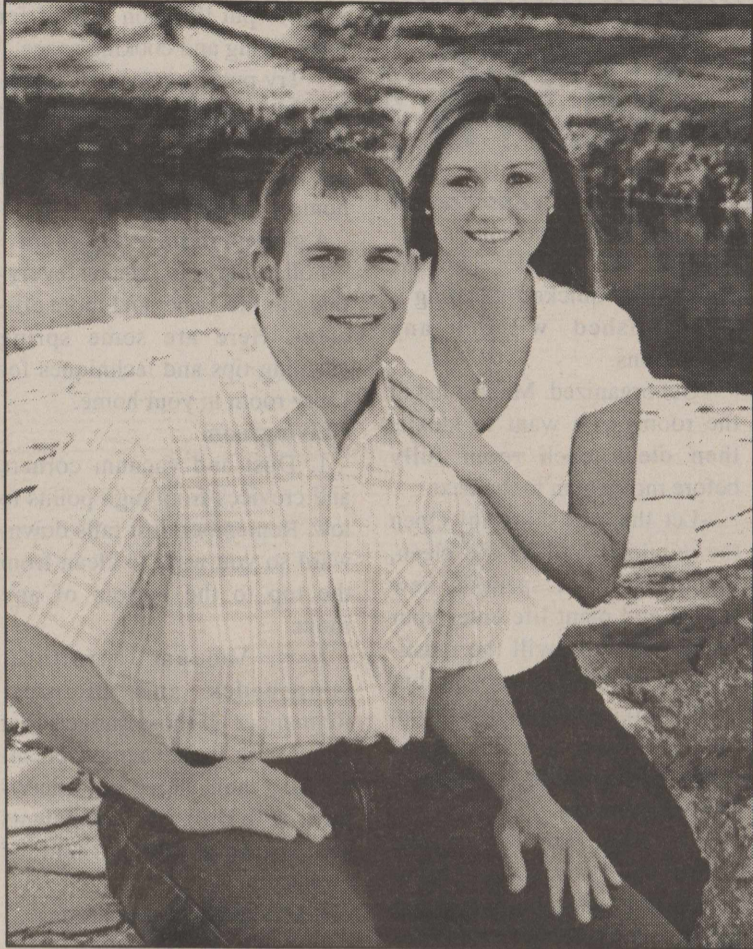
RLCC cookout set April 9

The Robert Lee Care Center is reopening the West Wing. The families have been invited to a hamburger decorating cookout. There will be material to be made into curtains. Any decorator items, especially masculine items, which could be donated, will be appreciated. The public is invited to join the Care Center Saturday, April 9, at noon.

Benefit bake sale set for Mike Boatright

A benefit bake sale has been set for Friday, April 15th, for Mike Boatright. Most will recognize that Mike is a former UPS delivery man for our area. Boatright had recovered from intestinal cancer, but now suffers from a cancer in the lower spinal region.

The bake sale will be held at Robert Lee State Bank on Friday, April 15, from 9 am until it's all gone. Local chefs are urged to donate baked goods, casseroles, etc. to the sale.



Engagement Announced! Kerry Hall and Donna Hall are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Hall to Jack Graves. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Graves of Fort Worth, Texas. The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Bronte High School and earned a Bachelor of Behavioral Science degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 2001. She is employed with MCI as a Commercial Sales Representative in San Angelo, Texas. The bridegroom is a 1997 graduate of Stephenville High School and earned a Bachelor of Behavioral Science degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 2002. He is self-employed in San Angelo, Texas. The couple will be united in marriage on June 11, 2005, at 6 pm at Southland Baptist Church in San Angelo.

Additionally, a benefit account has been set up at RLSB. For more information contact Robert Lee State Bank at 453-2545.

Robert Lee "City-Wide Spring Clean-Up"

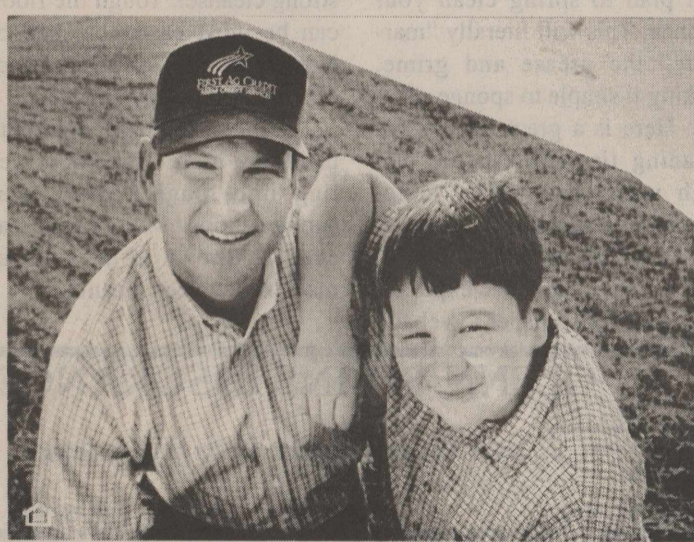
The "City-wide Spring Clean-Up" event is scheduled for the third and fourth Saturdays of April. As always it is sponsored by the City of Robert Lee and Trashaway services. This clean-up allows residents of the city a chance to get rid of clutter from around their homes and businesses.

Residents with a Tuesday trash pick-up will be serviced on Saturday, April 16. Residents with a Friday trash pick-up will

be serviced on Saturday, April 23. Trucks will begin at 7:00 am.

Residents are encouraged to haul brush, tree limbs, shingles, bricks, and lumber materials to the City Landfill on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Brush placed at curbside must be bundled and in lengths of not more than 4-5 feet.

Trashaway personnel will not pick up loads stacked on trailers, or household trash, tires, batteries, chemicals or wet paint. Please be available to help load anything over 50 pounds. If you have any questions please contact City Hall at 453-2831.



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3 12 oz. cans **/\$10**

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Bronte One Act Play advances to area

The Bronte High School One Act Play, *The Cover of Life*, was performed at the UIL zone competition, which was held at the Bronte School on Friday, the 18th of March.

Cheyenne Webb, Lora Martinez and Megan Gibbs made the All-Star cast, and Eric Hendrickson made Honorable Mention. Katie Cooper was named Best Actress. Ryan Martinez and Holly Huskerson had outstanding performances, as well. The stage crew, consisting of Casey Harris, Monica DeLaGarza, and Jonathan Marrs and Melissa Palmer, helped make this a very dramatic and touching story, set in 1943 during World War II. Alternates are Blaine Dyess, Justin Frazee and Cody Moore.

Veribest and Bronte advanced to District competition held in Brownwood on Wednesday, the 30th, and after another winning performance, will be advancing to Area, along with Santa Anna. Awarded were Megan Gibbs, All-Star Cast, Cheyenne Webb, Holly Huskerson and Eric Hendrickson, Honorable Mention, and Katie Cooper was again named Best Actress. The One-Act Play will compete in the Area competition on Saturday, April 9th at Brownwood.

Good Luck and hats off to a very hard working group who have done a superb job in representing their school. We are very proud of our youth's accomplishments here at the Bronte Schools. Oh, and break a leg in Brownwood!

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, April 11

Holiday

Tuesday, April 12

Cereal, diced pears, toast, jelly, milk

Wed., April 13

Sausage roll, assorted juice, milk

Thurs., April 14

Breakfast pizza, applesauce, milk

Friday, April 15

Pancake and sausage on a stick, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, April 11

Holiday

Tuesday, April 12

Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, corn, fresh fruit cup, milk

Wed., April 13

Nacho grande, lettuce & tomato, apple, cornbread, picante sauce, milk

Thurs., April 14

Diced turkey, ham, potato (baked), broccoli w/ranch, fruit cobbler, milk

Friday, April 15

Corn dog, waffle fries, baked beans, orange quarters, chocolate chip cookies, milk

BHS District golf results posted

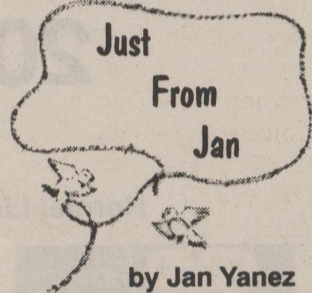
The first of two rounds of District Golf was played Monday, April 4, in Abilene. The boys' teams from Coke County led the pack by placing first and second in the team standings. Robert Lee had a score of 328 with Bronte coming in second with a 349. Robert Lee's second team took fourth place with a 370.

Scoring for Bronte were B. J. Bilbrey, 78; Logan Rawls, 81; Zach White, 91; Garrett Jackson, 99; Cory Cooper, 100; C. T. Lloyd, 126; and Chris Brown, 138.

B. J. Bilbrey was 3rd place medalist, with Logan Rawls being named 5th place medalist.

Sarah Basquez scored a 116 in the girl's competition.

District 2nd Round competition will be held Monday, April 11, in Abilene.



by Jan Yanez
Cooperative
Extension Agent

Spring Cleaning

Spring is here! It's time to get rid of a winter's worth of dust and grime. Unfortunately, it's also the time of year when we all want to be outside enjoying the fresh air. The last thing on our minds is cleaning. Yuck! But the good news is that with a thorough spring cleaning, all of the fragrant crispness of spring-time can be felt throughout the house. And with the following gameplan to guide you, you'll be able to clean up quickly and efficiently, with plenty of time left over to stop and smell the newly budding roses.

Before you clean

Even before you clean, there are a few precautions you should take so that cleaning can be finished as painlessly as possible.

-- Wear comfortable, old clothes that you won't mind staining or getting dirty.

-- Take stock of your cleaning needs and supplies. Don't wait until you're about to clean the oven to find out that you don't have any oven cleaner left. Have everything on hand and ready to go for a smooth time.

-- Prepare one bucket of supplies to bring with you to every room. All you really need are a few rags, some paper towels, furniture polish, and one good all purpose glass and counter cleaner. These items will do the trick for most cleaning jobs. Also, grab two empty garbage bags: one to carry garbage you find along the way, and the other to fill with things you no longer want but are still useful. You can give these items away or sell

them at a later date.

--Turn off the TV and the phone! The quickest cleaning is accomplished without any distractions.

--Get organized. Make a list of the rooms you want to tackle, then clean each room fully before moving on to the next.

--Let the sun shine in! Open the windows and let the clean, green aroma of spring's new flower and plant life enter your home. Not only will the mustiness of winter be removed, but you'll also protect yourself from inhaling dust and dangerous fumes from cleaning products.

During cleaning

--Play some fun, lively music. Before you know it, your adrenaline will start pumping and you'll be dancing your way through the house.

--Toss away everything you don't use. I mean everything! Be ruthless. Decorators worldwide are now embracing the simple beauty of barer rooms for easier living.

--Gather the extra items in your life and give them to charity, or sell them at a spring-time yard sale. Get the whole family in the act by telling kids that they can keep the profits from selling toys they no longer use.

--Work around the room in one direction, either left or right. This way, there won't be any time wasted in criss-crossing the room, or vacuuming that same spot twice.

--Clear it off and put it away. This is really the first step to cleaning any room. In the living-room this means putting away books and recycling old magazines. Clear away all knickknacks and family photos so that dusting and polishing can be finished in a snap.

--In the bedrooms, remove items stored under the bed, and file away or throw out papers.

--In the kitchen, remove everything from counters and take down curtains.

--In the bathroom, clear away potpourri holders, magazines, and waste baskets. Take down the shower curtain and liner for laundering.

--Just remember to tackle one room at a time. Remove these items and cleaning will be much easier.

-- Wear rubber gloves! Even though it is harder to grip things with gloves than it is with bare hands, it is worth using them to protect your skin from the harshness of hot water and drying chemicals.

After cleaning

When you're finished cleaning, it's time to put back those items you need and love. Here are a few things to keep in mind.

--The only necessary appliances on kitchen counters are the ones that you use daily or weekly. Stash anything else in cabinets or cupboards. Also, if you have a counter full of cook books you seldom use, you may

want to put them on a shelf for more living and cooking space.

-- Try putting treasured knickknacks and photos on different tables, shelves, or even in different rooms. This will give your home a fresh new look.

A gameplan for every room

Following a list makes everything in life easier and more efficient. Here are some spring cleaning tips and techniques for every room in your home.

• Livingroom

1. Dust and vacuum corners and crevices from high points to low. Remember dust falls downward so you want to clean from the top to the bottom of any room.

2. Vacuum furniture, lampshades and pictures. Remember all those gadgets that come with your vacuum cleaner? Use them here, and experiment with different attachments for furniture and corners of rooms.

3. Vacuum or wash curtains.

4. Dust wood furniture.

5. Dust mop floors.

6. Vacuum carpet.

7. Take plants outside for a gentle washing with a fine spray from your garden hose. Plants and their pots get dusty over the winter.

• Bedrooms

1. Wash, or dry-clean curtains.

2. Take blinds outside and wash them with a mild ammonia solution. Rinse with that good old stand by--the garden hose!

3. Strip bed linens and dust ruffle.

4. Vacuum your mattress and box spring. Flip and rotate the mattress before putting on new sheets. This will prevent dips from forming on the mattress, and keep it firmer longer.

5. Polish wood furniture and dust knickknacks.

6. Vacuum everything, from the floor behind and under the bed to the carpet, lampshade and pictures.

7. Clean mirrors and wipe down light fixtures and lamps.

8. Dust mop wood floors.

• Kitchen

1. Let cleansers do the scrubbing for you! Spray your oven with cleaner the night before you plan to spring clean your kitchen. This will literally "marinate" the grease and grime, making it simple to sponge off.

2. Here is a great microwave cleaning tip: fill a paper cup with water and a few tablespoons of baking soda. Nuke it for about 30 seconds, or until you see the contents explode! Then just take a paper towel and

wipe it all off. The explosion spreads the cleanser over the entire area, and you can even use the moistened rag or paper towel to wipe outside the microwave and its surrounding area.

3. Vacuum stove vents, refrigerator coils, floor, and counters.

4. Defrost that freezer. A blow-dryer aimed at the ice will speed up the process. Get rid of old foods, or those jars of things you thought you'd like but never ate.

5. Clean the inside of freezer and fridge with a solution of three tablespoons of baking soda and one quart of warm water.

6. Clean outside of fridge with glass cleaner.

7. Clean counters, appliances and stove top with an all purpose glass cleaner or the baking soda solution listed above.

8. Wash out the trash can and spray it with a good disinfectant before putting in a new lining. Leave it outside the kitchen for the next step.

9. For linoleum floors, spray a foaming tile cleaner and take a five minute break, (you can change the CD, or start clearing out items in another room). When you come back, you just need to sponge mop the floor. The foaming cleanser will have already lifted up the dirt so you don't have to.

• Bathrooms

1. Spray shower and tub with strong cleanser.

2. Pour cleaner into the toilet bowl, and spray the outside with the same cleaner. Let the chemicals do the cleaning while you do the next steps.

3. Clean mirrors, chrome, bathroom scale, and light fixtures with glass cleaner.

4. Vacuum everything! This will remove dust and hair that is so hard to get up when surfaces are wet.

5. Empty and clean the waste-paper basket.

6. Clean the sink and wipe off the cleanser you already applied to the shower and tub.

7. Working from the top of the toilet down, clean the outside, and brush and flush the inside.

8. Scrub the floor with a strong cleanser. Tough tile floors can be most easily cleaned by hand with the scrub-brush side of a bathroom-only sponge.

9. One more tip: spaghetti mops are more efficient at getting into tough corners than sponge mops. Many types can even be thrown in the washing machine between cleanings.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RL girls golf results

Results from the Eden Invitational Tournament held March 29th.

1st Place team-Robert Lee Orange: Julie Riley, Kelsy Duncan, Cara Eaton, Kyla Millican, Lindsey Roe

2nd Place team-Robert Lee Black: Ashley James, Sarah Philley, Becca Skinner, Jaden Alexander, Brettinie Reed

Medalists: 1st - Julie Riley - 86; 2nd - Kelsy Duncan - 90; 3rd - Cara Eaton - 93; 4th - Sarah Philley - 96; 5th (tie) - Kyla Millican, Ashley James - 97

RL boys golf results

Results from the Eden Tournament held on March 30th.

Team results: 1st - RL Orange - 322; 2nd - Sterling City - 323; 3rd - Bronte - 337; 4th - RL Black - 353 (13 team field)

Robert Lee Orange individuals: Cody Bridges - 79; Jonathan Pagan - 79; Cameron Hodge - 81; Omar Saucedo - 83; Taylor Percifull - 89

Robert Lee Black individuals: Clay Antilley - 82; Brandon Soliz - 88; Brody Dillard - 91; Brandon Phillips - 92

Results of 1st Round of District play held at Abilene Maxwell on April 4th.

Team results: 1st - RL "A" - 328; 2nd - Bronte - 349; 3rd - Eden "A" - 364; 4th - RL "B" - 376 (13 team field)

RL "A" results: Bridges - 77; Pagan - 80; Saucedo - 87; Hodge - 84; Percifull - 93

RL "B" results: Antilley - 103; Soliz - 84; Dillard - 95; Phillips - 94

Medalist standings: 1st - Buckner (Blackwell) - 75; 2nd - Bridges - (RL) - 77; 3rd - Bilbrey (Bronte) - 78; 4th - Pagan - (RL) - 80; 5th -

Rawls (Bronte) - 81

The final round of district will be April 11th at Abilene Maxwell Golf Course.

RLJH track results

Results of the District 12-West Zone track meet held on March 31st.

7th grade girls

100 m dash - 3rd - E. Sheldon - 15.33

200 m dash - 3rd - E. Yanez - 32.79

400 m dash - 1st - M. Hinderliter - 1:13.82

400 m relay - 2nd - N. Landeros, E. Yanez, O. Trejo, M. Hinderliter - 59.43

800 m relay - 1st - N. Landeros, O. Trejo, S. Jones, E. Sheldon - 2:15.74

1600 m relay - 1st - N. Landeros, E. Sheldon, E. Yanez, M. Hinderliter - 5:27.19

Long jump - 2nd - M. Hinderliter - 13'-6 3/4"; 4th - E. Yanez - 12'-8 1/4"

Shot put - 1st - S. Jones - 26'-4 1/2"; 2nd - B. Saucedo - 25'-2 1/2"

Discus - 1st - S. Jones - 72'-3"; 4th - B. Saucedo - 53'-7"

Triple jump - 1st - M. Hinderliter - 25'-8 1/2"; 3rd - E. Sheldon - 24'-2 1/2"

High jump - 1st - E. Sheldon - 4'-2"; 3rd - E. Yanez - 3'-8"

8th grade girls

100 m dash - 1st - M. Ybarra - 13.60

200 m dash - 2nd - M. Ybarra - 29.48

400 m relay - 5th - O. Perez, N. Rojas, H. Austin, M. Ybarra - 55.00

800 m relay - 4th - O. Perez, N. Rojas, H. Austin, J. Sheldon - 2:19.21

100 m hurdles - 6th - H. Austin - 21.77

Long jump - 5th - M. Ybarra - 12'-6 1/2"

Shot put - 2nd - A. Minjarez - 30'-4 1/2"

Discus - 2nd - A. Minjarez - 71'-11"

Pole vault - 2nd - H. Austin - 6'-6"; 4th - T. Foster - 5'-6"

7th grade boys

400 m dash - 4th - I. Landeros - 1:20.47

400 m relay - 1st - D. Batten, B. Millican, C. Carera, A. James - 58.34

800 m relay - 1st - D. Batten, B. Millican, C. Carera, M. Perez - 2:12.75

1600 m relay - 1st - D. Batten, B. Millican, C. Carera, M. Perez - 5:35.87

110 m hurdles - 1st - A. James - 21.39

300 m hurdles - 2nd - A. James - 55.13

Long jump - 3rd - B. Millican - 13'-2 1/2"

High jump - 1st - A. James - 4'-8"

Pole vault - 2nd - B. Millican - 7'-0"; 4th - A. James - 6'-6"

8th grade boys

400 m relay - 4th - K. Duncan, J. Martinez, M. Rodrigues, J. Womack - 56.74

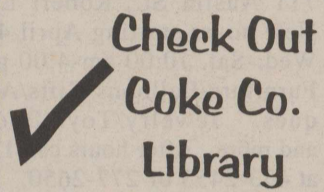
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Duncan, J. Martinez, M. Rodrigues, J. Womack - 2:02.28

1600 m relay - 4th - K. Duncan, J. Martinez, M. Rodrigues, J. Womack - 5:10.98

Discus - 5th - J. Martinez - 92'-0"

Pole vault - 2nd - M. Rodrigues - 6'-6"



The Coke County Story Hour Graduation has been set for Tuesday, April 26, at 10:00 am. All parents, family and friends, caregivers, and the citizens of Coke County are invited to congratulate the 2005 class of life-long learners.

Graduates will receive caps and certificates and refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

A book sale is being planned for Friday, May 6th and Saturday, May 7th on the porch of the library, weather permitting. There will be a good selection of paperbacks as well as some nice non-fiction hardbacks. Some new current fiction will be available in hardback for \$1.00 each. Paperbacks will be ten cents each and hardbacks will be twenty-five cents each.

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

Rodriguez receives prestigious honor

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Michael Rodriguez from Robert Lee has been named a United States National Award Winner in Mathematics.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Michael Rodriguez, who

attends RLJH, was nominated for this national award by Tammy Roe, a teacher at the school.

Michael will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Michael is the son of Mike & Mary Rodriguez from Robert Lee. The grandparents are Frank & Lupe Rodriguez of San Angelo and Sotera Galvan & the late Juan Galvan of Robert Lee.

Trejo named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Stephanie Trejo from Robert Lee has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted.



Stephanie Trejo

These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Stephanie Trejo, who attends Robert Lee High School, was nominated for this national award by Jill Lankford.

Stephanie will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

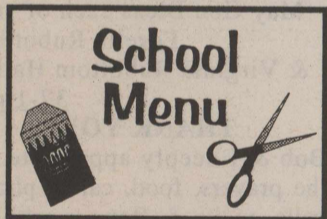
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Stephanie is the daughter of Abel and Martha Trejo from Robert Lee. The grandparents are Romualda Ramirez of Hidalgo, Mexico and Sotera Galvan and the late Juan Galvan of Robert Lee.

RL Little League seeking donations

Robert Lee Little League Baseball will be soliciting donations and sponsorships in Robert Lee for improvements to the field. FMI or to make a donation, call Frankie Gartman, 453-4629, Laura Bell, 453-4565, or Robin Munoz, 453-4480.



Breakfast

- Monday, April 11
Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk
- Tuesday, April 12
Juice, burrito, cereal, milk
- Wed., April 13
Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk
- Thurs., April 14
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk
- Friday, April 15
Juice, donut, cereal, milk

Lunch

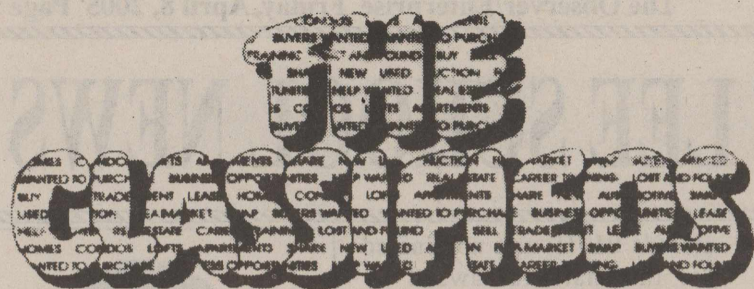
- Monday, April 11
Pizza, corn, salad, applesauce, teddy grahams, milk
- Tuesday, April 12
Chicken A La King, rice, egg roll, pineapple, milk
- Wed., April 13
Sausage wrap, salad, ranch beans, fresh fruit, milk
- Thurs., April 14
Chicken strips, mac & cheese, green beans, sliced bread, peaches, milk
- Friday, April 15
Hot dog, chili & cheese, tator tots, pears, milk

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CARD OF THANKS

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 We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who sent food, flowers, cards or called. For the many acts of caring in this time of the loss of our loved one, Ted Hatley. Thanks to Bro. Mike Poye & Roger Alexander for the beautiful service. To all who donated food & ladies of Robert Lee Baptist Church for preparing & serving the meal. To Garland Davis for being there in our time of need. To George & Thelma Lomas for all your unselfish acts of kindness during & after Ted's passing.
 A special thanks to Jerry & Louise Bower & Ron & Joyce Waggoner for their love, care & support during this difficult time.
 Also the many prayers which held us all together.
 May God Bless each of you.
 Loretta Rubottom & Virginia Rubottom Hatley
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would like to express their heartfelt thanks to everyone during their time of sorrow. Thanks to everyone who called, brought food, sent flowers, memorials and cards. Special thanks to John Driggers and David Bedford for the beautiful service. We are lucky to live in a community where everyone cares for their neighbors. We appreciate everyone's love and support.

Brenda & Steve Hines, Merritt Scott, DeWitt Scott, Viva Caldwell
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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BRONTE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Bronte will hold a Public Hearing at 6:45 pm on April 14, 2005, at the City Hall. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow for final public comments regarding the completion of the Texas Community Development - STEP II Water System Improvements (Contract Number 722106). The general public is invited to attend and participate. Should any non-English speaking citizens desire to address the City during the public hearing and need the assistance of an interpreter, the City will attempt to provide one if sufficient notice is provided. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend this meeting should contact the City Secretary to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the City Secretary at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Martin Lee, Mayor
City of Bronte
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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the registered voters of Robert Lee, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2005 for voting in a City General Election to elect three council members to regular terms.

Location of polling place: Coke County Courthouse at 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Coke County Courthouse, Clerk's Office, 13 E. 7th Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Friday, beginning on April 20, 2005 and ending on May 3, 2005.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Mary Grim, Box 150, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945.

Joe V. White, Mayor
City of Robert Lee
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AVISO DE ELECCION CITY

A los votantes registrados del Robert Lee, Texas:

Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales

sitados abajo se abirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de Mayo de 2005 para votar en la eleccion para legir eleccion tres miembro(as) del consejo para termo regular.

Direccion de las casillas electorales: Condado de Coke a las 13 E. 7th Street en Robert Lee, Texas.

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Condado de Coke en el Oficio de Secretaria a las 13 E. 7th Street en Robert Lee, Texas. Entre las horas de 8:00 de la mañana - 5:00 p.m. de la tarde, el lunes - el jueves y entre las horas de 8:00 de la mañana - 1:00 de la tarde el viernes empezando el 20 de Abril, 2005 y terminado el 3 de Mayo de 2005.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Mary Grim, Box 150, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945.

Joe V. White, Mayor
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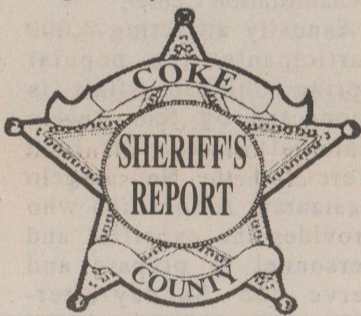
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Arrest/Charges Filed March 2005

Cornado Garza - Making Alcohol Available to a minor, 3-5-05

Timothy Scott - Driving while license invalid, 3-10-05

Duncan Hyden - Driving while license invalid, 3-11-05

Humberto Morales - Display wrong or altered license plate, 3-11-05

Robert Lee Ochoa - Possession of Marijuana <2oz., 3-13-05

Dahlia Dehoyes - Possession of Marijuana <2oz., 3-13-05

Gordon Johnson - Driving While License Invalid, 3-19-05

Diana Salazar - Possession of Marijuana <2oz., 3-20-05

Kathryn Carter - Possession of Marijuana <2oz., 3-20-05

Michael Smith - Assault Causing Bodily Injury F.V., 3-28-05

Linda Barrera - Assault, 3-28-05

Michael Zapata - Out of County Warrants, 3-29-05

David Engard - Possession of Marijuana <2oz., 3-31-05

Coke County Court Dispositions

March 29, 2005

The State of Texas vs. Zachary Atkinson, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: 30 Days Deferred Adjudication, Fine \$1000.00, Court Cost \$211.00

The State of Texas vs. Tiffany Summer Thomas, Charge: Driving while license invalid, Plea: Fine \$200.00, Court Cost \$211.00

The State of Texas vs. Martin Godinez, Charge: Assault Causing Bodily Injury, Plea: 90 days probated 12 months, Fine \$800.00, Court Cost \$286.00, 40 hours community service, Attend anger control class.

The State of Texas vs. Monica Ortiz, Charge: Theft by Check, Plea: Fine \$100.00, Court Cost \$261.00, Restitution \$145.00, Reduced to a Class C misd., issuance of bad check.

Capitol Comments

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

The Border Patrol helps guard against terrorist infiltration from the south

Something ominous is happening on our southern borders. For years, we have faced masses of poor workers illegally entering our country in search of jobs, as well as a smaller number of more dangerous narcotics smugglers. But today we have evidence that the same terrorists who killed 3,000 Americans on September 11, 2001, are now infiltrating the United States through our southern border.

Suspected al-Qaeda sleeper agent Mohammed Junaid Babar has told investigators of a scheme to smuggle terrorists across the Mexican border. Babar is tied to a terror plot to carry out bombings and assassinations in London. Along the Mexican border there have been stories of suspicious items picked up by local residents, including Muslim prayer rugs and notebooks written in both Arabic and Spanish.

We have also seen numerous reports of Middle Eastern males, speaking Arabic or Farsi, who have been caught crossing the American border with Mexico. Adnan Shukrijumah, a top al-Qaeda operative whom the FBI wants for questioning, met with alien smugglers in Mexico and Honduras in 2004 and was seeking ways to bring al-Qaeda members into the United States. Recently, Mahmoud Youssef Kourani, who was smuggled into our country from Mexico in 2001, was sentenced to five years in prison for helping the jihadist terror group Hezbollah.

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They continue trying to penetrate the United States because they want to attack us in our homeland. Time Magazine recently reported that Osama Bin Laden has personally urged his Iraqi-based lieutenant, Abu Mousab Al-Zarqawi, to attack America itself and that Al-Zarqawi believes terrorists can bribe and buy their way through Mexico and into the U.S.

Al-Zarqawi and his fellow terrorists are banking on the fact that they can slip across our border with Mexico by walking through the desert or wading across the Rio Grande. They have changed their tactics because entry through official border crossings have become more difficult thanks to new passports, more visa controls and an increase in computer identity checks instituted as part of the War on Terror.

The terrorists are counting on southern border policy and an over-worked and undermanned Border Patrol to allow them to slip into our country. Under present regulations, the Border Patrol automatically turns back Mexicans caught at the border, but detains non-Mexicans for deportation hearings. The majority are released pending their court hearings, which allows them to easily disappear into the general population. The Border Patrol reports it released 5,775 of Other Than Mexican (OTM) illegal immigrants in 2002; by 2004, that number soared to 30,075. Those who are released are assigned a court date for a deportation but the no-show rate for these court meetings is as high as 90 percent. We are not sure how many of those who are released are from countries with known jihadist organizations such as al-Qaeda.

Clearly recognizing our serious

border vulnerability, Congress passed the Intelligence Reform bill last year which authorized an increase of 10,000 new border patrol agents over five years. Additionally, it included provisions to add 8,000 detention beds and 800 additional interior investigators to bolster border security. Unfortunately, the draft budget only allocated enough to cover 210 agents, 143 investigators and 1,920 beds.

Since 2001, 1,300 agents have been added to the force, but this number is still not sufficient to patrol the 6,900 miles of borders with Canada and Mexico. Texas alone shares a 1,254-mile border with Mexico.

To give our Border Patrol more help, I introduced and passed an amendment to the Senate Budget Resolution to provide sufficient funds for the 2,000 new border patrol agents. This will bring this year's number of new border patrol agents to the number required by the Intelligence Reform bill passed by Congress in December. My amendment provides \$352 million for new agents. Instead of creating new spending, the funds would be transferred from the \$33 billion set aside for international affairs.

President Bush, Mexican President Vicente Fox and Canadian Prime Minister Paul Martin held a summit on March 23 at which they announced establishment of the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP). Their goal is to provide for better regional security as well as prosperity by developing compatible systems for screening passengers, goods and cargo.

While I welcome the assistance of Canada and Mexico, America's security depends upon our own government. I will continue efforts to ensure our Border Patrol has sufficient resources to do its job.

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Runnels Baptist Assoc. meeting set

The Runnels Baptist Association will meet Monday, April 18, for a 'Senior Adult Rally'. The rally is for all ages. It will be held at First Baptist Church, Bronte.

The executive board and the W.M.U. will meet at 5:30 pm. The evening meal will be served at 6:15 pm.

The program will begin at 7:00 pm. Morris Johnson, Moderator, is in charge of the program. Dr. Don Newbury will be the guest speaker.

The public is invited to attend.

Head Start enrollment set for April 12 & 13

Robert Lee Head Start, located at 820 Commerce in Robert Lee, has set their 2005-2006 enrollment for Tuesday, April 12th and Wednesday, April 13th, from 12:30 - 3:15 pm.

Parents, be sure and bring the following documents:

- *Child's birth certificate
 - *Child's Social Security card
 - *Proof of insurance or Medicaid
 - *Proof of income, may include:
 - *IRS form 1040/W2
 - *Child support information
 - *Proof of TANF/SSI/Food Stamps
 - *Paycheck stubs for the prior 12 months
 - *Copy of child's last IEP or IFSP
 - *Copy of child's shot records
- FMI contact Mary Ann Garcia at 453-2536.

Fort Chadbourne needs buttons

Fort Chadbourne is in need of 1" or larger buttons, (2 or 4 hole) for Fort Chadbourne Days 2005. In the 1850s, a button yoyo (a large button on a string) was a favorite toy of all the children. These yoyos will be handed out on "School Day".

School Day is slated for Friday, May 20, this year. Average attendance has been 1000 -1200 students for the last couple of years so the need for lots of buttons is great.

Hometown Hardware is the button drop off place or come and visit the Fort. For more information, call the fort at 743-2555.

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- 3-5 - medical
- 3-9 - medical
- 3-10 - trauma
- 3-12 - medical
- 3-12 - medical
- 3-12 - medical
- 3-13 - patient refused service

- 3-15 - patient refused service
- 3-20 - medical
- 3-21 - patient refused service
- 3-22 - trauma
- 3-24 - medical - air-med
- 3-24 - medical
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RLCC collecting old cell phones

The Robert Lee Care Center has been sent collection boxes by Pace-Butler for your old cell phones. Pace-Butler will pay Robert Lee Care Center \$5.00 to \$50.00 for each cell phone. The collection boxes for your old cell phones are located at the Courthouse, the Windmill Restaurant and at the Robert Lee Care Center.

USDA Rural Development to hold forum on available programs

Bryan Daniel, State Director for Texas USDA Rural Development, announced a series of forums to be conducted for rural communities throughout the state of Texas. The forum is free to the public and speakers will provide information to all interested individuals and entities about the various housing, community, and business and industry programs available through USDA Rural Development.

The forum for Coke, Irion, Runnels, Sterling and Tom Green Counties will be held Wednesday, April 13, 2005, 10 am, at the Ballinger Community Center, 200 Crosson Avenue, Ballinger, Texas. The session will feature a presentation and discussion of all USDA Rural Development programs, in both direct and guaranteed lending opportunities, for rural utilities, community facilities, business and industry, single and multi-family housing.

"USDA Rural Development is committed to making its programs and services available to all rural Texans, including individuals, small businesses, municipalities, community based organizations and traditionally underserved portions of the population," said Daniel.

Through the numerous programs offered by USDA, Rural Development is com-

mitted to enhance the quality of life in rural communities by improving the flow of capital to businesses and addressing the essential needs of housing, water, education and health care.

There is no cost to attend and interested individuals are invited. To learn more or to make reservations, please call USDA Rural Development in Abilene at (325) 690-6162, Ext. 4.

City-wide garage sale scheduled for May 7th

It's that time again! It's time for the annual Bronte City-Wide garage sale. The garage sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2005 at 8 am. So clean out those closets. Clear the clutter in your garage. And don't forget to call Pat or Kim at City Hall (473-6791) to get your name and address on the city-wide garage sale map to be distributed that Saturday.

And for those of you who are not having a garage sale, make sure to mark your calendars down for Saturday, May 7, 2005 at 8 am.

Spring Chicken Affair slated April 17

April 17th is the date a host of sponsors, vendors and volunteers will be offering food and fun for the entire family at the 23rd annual Spring Chicken Affair which benefits West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Annually attracting 4,000 participants, the popular Spring Chicken Affair is sponsored by San Angelo National Bank, HEB food store and the San Angelo Restaurant Association who provides the expertise and personnel to prepare and serve the Sunday-after-

church chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

Tickets for the event-to be held from 11 am to 2 pm-are available in advance at the Rehab Center, San Angelo National Bank and HEB. They're \$7 per person and also will be available at the event which is held behind SANB on Knickerbocker Road.

Nite Shift, an eclectic group of musicians from Kerrville, will provide musical entertainment during the event. Their sound ranges from classic country and rockabilly to Spanish songs and ever-popular oldies.

For those who can't stay and enjoy the activities, take-out service will be available. Also, thanks to Home Motors Wrecker Service, volunteers will deliver plates of food to homebound individuals within the San Angelo city limits who have no transportation or have physical limitations which prevent them from attending.

"In 22 years, the Spring Chicken Affair has raised more than \$468,000 for the Rehab Center, thanks to the generous support of sponsors, vendors and the thousands who attend each year," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland. "All of us at Rehab are deeply grateful to everyone responsible and we invite the Center's friends from nearby communities to come join the fun and help us hit the \$500,000 mark".

Events such as Spring Chicken Affair make it possible for the Center to serve all who seek its service, regardless of their financial circumstances. For more information about the event or Rehab programs, visit the website at www.westtexasrehab.org or phone 325-223-6300.

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