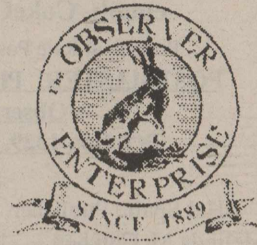


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Runoff election set for Tuesday

Coke County Republicans have three races on their April 11 runoff ballot. These include Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8 - Charles Holcomb (I), Terry Keel; Texas House of Representatives, District 72 - Scott Campbell (I), Drew Darby; Justice, Third Court of Appeals, Place 3 - Will Wilson, Bill Davidson. Coke County Democrats have two races at the state level: U.S. Senator - Barbara Ann Radnofsky, Gene Kelly; Lt. Governor - Maria Luisa Alvarado, Benjamin Z. Grant. Any registered voter in Coke County can vote in the runoff election, even if the voter did not vote in the March 7 primary.

However, switching parties from the primary is not allowed. If you voted in the Democratic Primary in March, for example, you cannot vote in the Republican Primary on April 11.

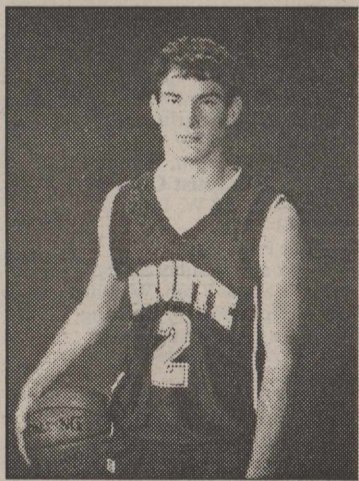
Anyone who votes in either the primary or runoff cannot sign a petition for an independent candidate.

Bronte Chamber Fish Fry slated

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Annual Fish Fry Saturday, April 8, at 6 pm at the Bronte Community Center.

This year's theme will be "Dive into '06" in celebration of the progress underway at the Swimming Pool.

Tickets are on sale now at the Bronte Housing Authority and can be purchased at the door for



Rawls named to Super Team! Logan Rawls, a junior at Bronte High School, was recently named to the West Texas Super Team, as well as to the All Region II Team and Class A West Texas Team. He is the son of Rocky and Terri Rawls.

\$6.00 per adult and \$4.00 for kids 12 and under.

New members of the Chamber and the businesses in Bronte will be introduced. Awards will be given for "Citizen of the Year," "Teacher of the Year," "Student of the Year," and "Pioneer Award".

Super Saturday slated

The First United Methodist Church in Bronte will host a mini vacation bible school, Saturday, April 8, from 10 am to 2 pm.

The event, coined SUPER SATURDAY, is a project of the UM Children's Ministry. The Children will spend the day learning about the Easter story. They will keep with the Easter tradition, by delivering Easter lilies to shut-in families in the community. Games, food and fun will all be plentiful at the event. All children grades Pre-K - 6 are invited to attend.

For more information contact Tiffany Lange 473-2474 or Julie Springer 473-7018.

Date changed for county Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Coke County Easter Egg Hunt has been changed from April 11 to April 10. A date change was necessary due to the April 11 run-off election to be held at the courthouse.

The egg hunt attracts a huge group of children, county-wide, with refreshments for all, prize eggs, and a visit with the Easter Bunny. Hunting will begin at 10:00 Monday morning.

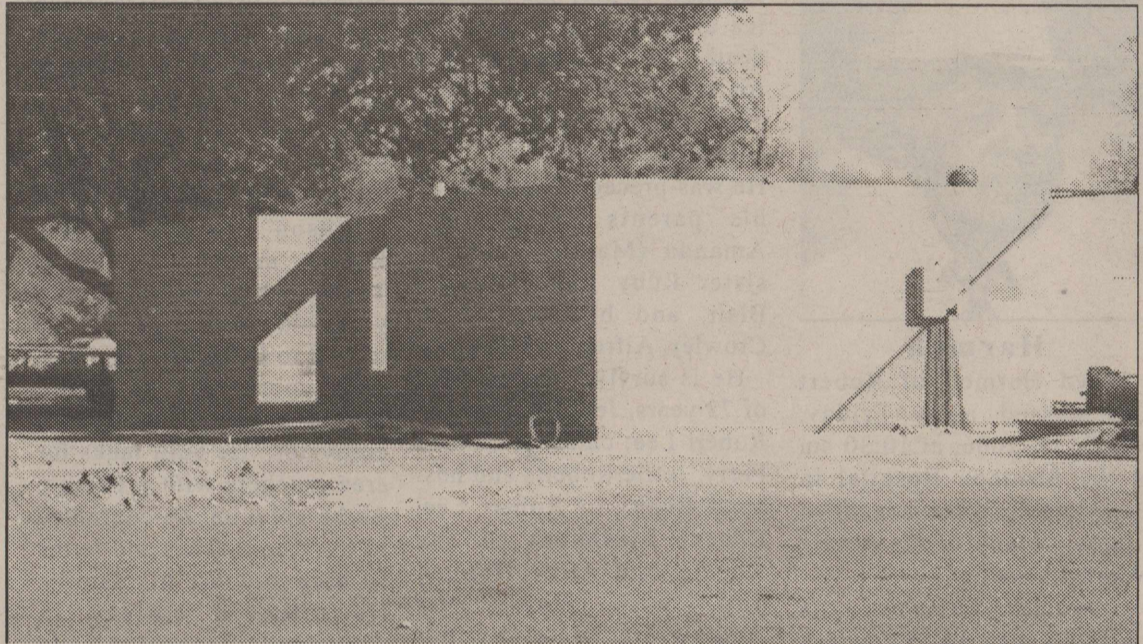
Spring Fling slated for this weekend

The women of the First United Methodist Church are hosting the Spring Fling, an annual bake sale and plant sale. It is scheduled for Friday, April 7, 3pm-6pm and Saturday, April 8, 8am-? at 114 South Washington in Bronte. There will be geraniums, zinnias, tomato plants, pepper plants as well as a female AKC Beagle puppy. The funds raised are to be used for mission projects.

BHRC Easter Egg hunt slated

The Bronte Health and Rehab Center, the BHRC Auxiliary, and the residents of BHRC have planned an Easter Egg hunt on Friday, April 14 at 3:00 pm. All children, kindergarten and younger are invited to participate in the hunt.

If you have any Easter candy and/or plastic eggs that you would like to donate for this



Bronte Pool Update! The pool should be on track for a Memorial Day weekend opening, according to coordinators Susan Williams and Ron Cooper. The pool committee has spoken with the county commissioners, who report that the contractors were a little ahead of schedule in early March and don't anticipate any problems in getting the pool completed by late May. The concession stand/restrooms are being finished. This structure is being built on the north side of the pool, which should allow the concession stand to also be used for golf tournaments and other park events. The deck area on the west side of the pool will extend about 16 feet, occupying the former street area. County officials have ordered the diving board, slide, and lifeguard stand. In order to satisfy conditions of one of the grants, handicapped and multi-purpose areas must include horseshoe pits and a game table. Once the specs on the game table are identified, it might be that Ron Cooper's art class at the school can assist with the design and/or production of the table. Final details to complete the pool area will involve installing fencing around the completed pool and outbuildings, and purchasing outdoor furniture for the observation areas. As for funding status, it is the pool committee's understanding that the major funding needs have been met. That is an incredible achievement, given the scope of this project and the fact that virtually all of the monies have come from community fundraisers, initiatives/grant writing, and our school kids. Initially, the pool committee thought they would have to wait a year or so to collect the funding necessary to build a new concession stand and bathhouse, but that structure is nearing completion. There are still some minor needs for funding to finish details such as the fencing and furnishings mentioned above. It is anticipated that most of the existing chain link fence can be reused, but hoped that a more decorative fence can be installed across the front (north side).

event, please take them to the Bronte Health & Rehab Center.

Golf Club

Scrambles slated

Mountain Creek Golf Club will be holding weekly Thursday evening 9-Hole Scrambles beginning on April 13. Please register by 5:15 pm to tee off at 5:30 pm. For more information, call 453-2317.

City Hall

holiday closing

The Robert Lee City Hall will close on Friday, April 14, in observance of the Good Friday Holiday. The City Landfill will be open. Residents are reminded that the new rates and regulations go into effect at the City Landfill on April 15. For more information call City Hall at 453-2831.

Holy Week Services slated

Robert Lee United Methodist Church will have Easter services on Holy Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. and on Good Friday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. Also, the Robert Lee community of churches will celebrate Easter

morning at the Amphitheatre, 7:00 a.m. for Sunrise services and later Sunday Services at individual churches.

The First United Methodist Church in Bronte will host evening services at 7:00 pm on Holy Thursday, April 13 and Good Friday, April 14. Easter Sunday Service will be April 16 at 11 am.

RLBC hosting week of activities

The men of Robert Lee Baptist Church will be serving a Ladies Breakfast, Sunday, April 9 at 8 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Also the same day being Palm Sunday, the children of the church and community will participate in a Palm Processional and sing in the morning worship service beginning at 11 am. The church will also hold Good Friday Services with the observance of the Lord's Supper on April 14 at 7 pm.

Congressman's Staff to visit Coke County

A representative from Congressman Mike Conaway's San Angelo Regional Office

will be in Coke County, Wednesday, April 12, to visit with constituents on a one on one personal basis. They will be in Robert Lee from 9:30am - 11:30am at the County Courthouse. Then they will be in Bronte from 1:30pm - 3:30pm at the City Hall. This is an opportunity for constituents to visit with their Congressman's staff, to ask questions, share concerns and request services.

Journey to the Cross scheduled

The First United Methodist church of Bronte is inviting the community to join the Journey to the Cross on Good Friday, April 14 at 10:00 am. All participants are asked to meet at the intersection of Highway 277 and Wilkins Road, just before the Colorado River bridge (approximately 2 miles south of Bronte). There will be a short message followed by the journey back to The First United Methodist Church in Bronte. A short message and light lunch will follow.

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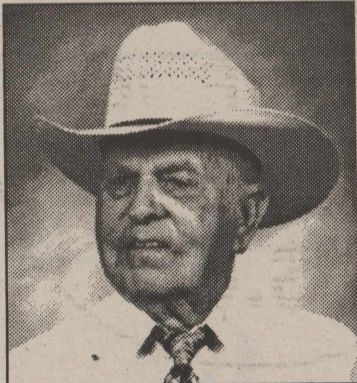
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Harmon

Floyd Harmon of Robert Lee passed away Friday, March 31, 2006, at 10:30 am at the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo after a sudden illness. Many of his family were by his side.

Graveside services were held at Robert Lee Cemetery at 2:30 pm on Sunday, April 2, 2006, with Bro. Mike Poye officiating. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Floyd was born March 8, 1913, in the Edith Community in Coke County, Texas. His parents were Thomas Rudolph (T.R.) and Amanda Elvira (Mandy) (Sparks) Harmon.

He married Jessie Dora Creech on December 18, 1932, in Coke County, near Robert Lee, Texas. To this union were born four children, Lawana Perry, Dorene Mashburn, Jeffie Roberts, and Jerry Harmon.

Floyd was a gentle but firm person. He loved people and never met a stranger. He always had a smile on his face. He was a hard worker and loved to work his land. He was a stockfarmer, sheared sheep for added income, and served his community. He started working for Coke County as a road-hand in 1953. He was elected Coke County Commissioner Precinct 3 in 1960 and served until 1972. He was Baptist in belief, served on the Robert Lee Independent School Board of Trustees in 1951, and served as one of the original directors on the Rural Water Board.

He and his wife enjoyed his retirement in 1972 and continued to work on their farm west of Robert Lee. He sheared his own sheep for the last time at the age of 83 years. He was an avid gardener and loved his vegetable and rose gardens, which he was always pleased to share with his family and friends.

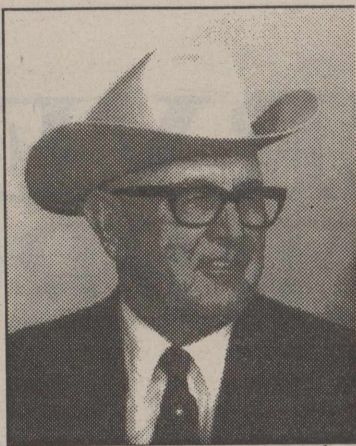
As a teenager, he taught himself how to play the harmonica and enjoyed it until his death. He enjoyed playing it for his children's entertainment. His family and friends enjoyed his music also.

He was preceded in death by his parents Thomas and Amanda (Mandy) Harmon, sister Ruby Lee (Harmon) Blair, and brothers Finis, Crowley, Alfred, and Cortez.

He is survived by his wife of 73 years, Jessie Harmon of Robert Lee; children Lawana Perry, Jeffie Roberts and husband Bobby of Robert Lee; Dorene Mashburn of San Angelo and Jerry Harmon and wife Janie of Weatherford; his sister Inez (Harmon) Harper and husband Kenneth of Robert Lee; brothers J.D. Harmon and Milton (Bill) Harmon of Robert Lee, Alf Harmon and wife Dorothy and Randle Harmon and wife Mary Ann of San Angelo; Sisters-in-law-Nola Harmon of Robert Lee, Ethel Harmon of League City, and Olean Stricklan of Eldorado. He is also survived by eleven grandchildren, Marshall Millican, Troy Millican, Rena Johnson, Rick Mashburn, Sheila Farrar, Douglas Roberts, Jeanette Lee Boyd, Darwin Harmon, Damon Harmon, Tammy Hortenstine and Jason Harmon, 16 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Honorary pallbearers were Floyd's grandsons, Marshall Millican, Troy Millican, Rick Mashburn, Douglas Roberts, Darwin Harmon, Damon Harmon, Jason Harmon and grandsons-in-law, Steve Johnson, Jim Farrar and Lee Hortenstine.

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Pentecost

Nolan Courtney Pentecost, 89, of San Angelo and formerly of Sanco, went home to be with the Lord Jesus on March 31, 2006. Graveside services were held at the Sanco Cemetery on Sunday, April 2, at 10:30 am.

Nolan was born in Rockwood, Texas, on July 9, 1916, to Will S. and Betty Ferguson Pentecost. His family moved to Oplin, Texas, when he was three years old, then in 1927, they moved to Coke County. At a very young age he began driving a team of horses to a cultivator. He built tanks for area ranchers with a Fresno. As he grew up, he continued to work on ranches and farms to help support his family. He attended college in Cleveland, Tennessee, and later worked for M System Food Stores in San Angelo. Shortly before World War II he moved to San Diego, California, where he became foreman for Consolidated Aircraft. During the war he built B-24 Liberators and PBY5A Catalinas.

He married Mary Jo Bird of Sanco on May 19, 1944. In May 1945, they left San Diego and moved back to Sanco, where they lived for more than 50 years. During that time they raised registered Hereford cattle and also sheep. He had been a member and past president of Farm Bureau. He was also a member and past president of Concho Hereford Association. He had been a member of First Evangelical Methodist Church in San Angelo. He served as president of the Sanco Village Association for many years and was instrumental in holding the Sanco Homecoming during those years. He continued to ranch until after Mary Jo's death on October 6, 1996. In 1997, he retired from ranching, moved

to San Angelo and later married Evalyn Moehnke.

Nolan was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Mary Jo; a brother, James Franklin Pentecost; his sisters, Edna May Bodenheimer, Allene McCullough, Loma Preslar, and Margie Casselberry.

He is survived by his wife Evalyn; also by his son, James Bird Pentecost and wife Kathy of Robert Lee (Sanco), grandsons Mike Pentecost and wife Susan, and Travis Pentecost, all of Sanco; granddaughters Janet Tensley and husband Ron of Odessa, Rachel Frost and husband Jason of Livingston, Montana; great-granddaughters Taylor Tensley of Odessa, Joleen Frost and Katelyn Frost of Livingston, a brother, Bill Pentecost and wife Sarah of San Angelo, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

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Boeckman

Lynda Michelle Boeckman died March 30, 2006, in Austin, Texas. Michelle Cherry was born in Lubbock, Texas on May 31, 1962. She grew up in New Orleans and graduated from Memorial High School in Houston. In 1984, Michelle received her Bachelor of Arts in Plan II, Phi Beta Kappa, from the University of Texas at Austin. Michelle then attended The University of Texas School of Law, and received her J.D. with honors in 1986.

She married Jim Boeckman on May 30, 1987 in Dallas, Texas. Jim and Michelle lived in Dallas; Adelaide, Australia; and since 1997, in Austin. Michelle practiced law with Hughes & Luce in Dallas and Ericsson Network Systems in Richardson, Texas. Michelle then joined

Jim for a two-year overseas adventure in Australia. Their daughter, Taylor Elise was born in Dallas, Texas on May 16, 1997.

Michelle will be greatly missed by her family and many friends whose lives she touched, including her husband Jim and daughter Taylor of Austin; mother Mary Beth Snyder and husband Glen Snyder of Athens, Texas; father Dr. George Cherry and wife Chris Cherry of Oxford, England; sister Joanna Cherry of Oxford, England; brother Jonathan Cherry of Shanghai, China; father-in-law and mother-in-law John and Susan Boeckman of Springfield, Missouri.

Michelle was the granddaughter of the late Raymond and Josie Schooler, longtime residents of Coke County.

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Bronte Elementary schedules pre-registration

Bronte Elementary has scheduled pre-registration for the 2006-2007 Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Pre-K and Kindergarten for all students residing in the Bronte school district for Thursday, April 20, from 2:30-4:00 pm.

In order to enroll you must bring the following documents with you: immunization record, social security card, birth certificate and proof of residence (i.e. utility bill, rent receipt, etc.).

If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please call the elementary office at 473-2251. Bronte ISD Daycare will be open for students enrolled in Pre-K and their younger siblings.

Days of operation will be Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-4:00 pm, based on school calendar.

There is limited space available so call 473-2251 for information.

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) 655-9784 or 453-2685
Portis Ribble, Minister
Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
Wed. 6 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
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting

The First United Methodist Church
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of music, games, crafts and a mission
project. All children grades Pre-K thru 6
are invited to attend!
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473-7018 or Tiffany Lange 473-2474

WCCHD meeting minutes

By Marilyn White

The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, March 28, 2006 at 5:30 pm at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Members present: Dessie Kendall, Rick Sanchez, Gayland Hurst, Mary Bessent, and Mike Lomas. Others present: Teri Tedford, Administrator; Jan Magness, Accounting; Christi Phillips, Accounting; and Marilyn White.

Dessie Kendall called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. President Kendall announced that a quorum was present.

Mary Bessent made a motion to excuse Mike Lomas from the February 28 board meeting. Motion was seconded by Rick Sanchez. Motion passed.

Gayland Hurst asked about personnel who clean the residents rooms. He had a report from the Ombudsman questioning the cleanliness of the rooms. Gayland stated "There should be enough staff on duty at all times to keep the rooms clean". The rooms should be checked on a regular basis for cleanliness. There was also a question regarding staff in the laundry room. The Administrator was told to immediately start hiring personnel for the laundry room and was given the authority to hire as many as were needed to get the job done. Rick Sanchez suggested that a "gripe box" be set up for residents to make suggestions or voice complaints. Mike Lomas stated that cleanliness and maintenance are essential. He suggested hiring additional full time personnel to mop and polish floors and to paint walls both in the residents' rooms and the halls.

The board discussed the financial reports for February 2006.

Mary Bessent moved that the financial reports be approved as printed. Mike Lomas seconded. Motion passed.

Current census is 57. The contractors are almost finished with the floor. Arrangements have been made to donate used furniture and equipment to Coke County for an auction. A Pharmacy Consultant is needed to check residents charts for medicine interactions, duplications, or problems. The Board Plaque has been corrected. The facility is non smoking for employees. The residents have the right to smoke in designated areas. The roof has been completed, inspected and the insurance company is satisfied and have issued a check.

A Job Fair will be held at Howard College on May 3, 2006 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. A table will be set up for hiring. Duties of the Administrator and Board of Directors tabled for new Board of Directors.

Judge Roy Blair will attend the next regularly scheduled meeting to give information on the new voting machines.

New board members will be sworn in by Judge Blair at the conclusion of the meeting. The next regular meeting is set for April 25, 2006, at Robert Lee Care Center at 5:30 pm.

Rick Sanchez moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mike Lomas seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Local Pastor publishes first book

Pastor Tim White of Central Baptist Church in Bronte, Texas has published his first book, A Single Heart. It is a novel about a teen struggling with his relationship with God, while facing issues of dating, popularity, morality, forgiveness and faithfulness. As his football career advances, his spiritual and social life goes through some chal-

lenges as he seeks balance in his Christian walk.

White says, "There is a shortage of novels for teens that deal with real, current issues they face from a biblical viewpoint. I tried to utilize our experiences of successfully raising a teen who struggled with clinical depression, and our 20-plus years experience working with youth, to offer the examples youth pastors and Christian parents want their students to follow in a fun, exciting story."

White has been pastor of Central Baptist Church for over two years. He has substitute-taught at Bronte ISD and Robert Lee ISD, as well as taught at the Coke County Juvenile Justice Center. He has worked on staff at several Baptist churches such as First, Crandall; First, Desoto; Antioch, Palestine; South Jefferson, Mount Pleasant; and Calvary, Mesquite.

Winters hosting Mayfest Celebration

Are you interested in a fun day? Then come to the Mayfest Celebration in the Winters City Park complex on Saturday, May 6. The annual event is hosted by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce. Festivities will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the Arts & Crafts Show in the Community Center. Vendors will offer a variety of gifts, homemade crafts, food items, plants and much more. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy more vendors and entertainment in the park. An exciting assortment of children's games and activities will take place throughout the day. The ever-popular softball tournament will be in the nearby sports area with prizes awarded to the winning teams. Anyone interested in a vendor booth, providing entertainment or competing in the softball tournament is asked to call the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 325-754-5210 or e-mail at wacc@wtxs.net. Deadline for registration is Monday, May 1.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

UIL District Academic Meet results

The annual UIL District Academic Spring Meet was held March 31, 2006, at Water Valley. Results are as follows: Accounting - 6th) Philip Rawlings; Calculator Applications - 5th) Juston Taylor; Current Issues - 4th) Garrett Acker (alternate to regional); Computer Applications - 6th) Estephanie Flores; Feature Writing - 1st) Jessi England (advances to regional); Literary Criticism - 3rd) Casey Harris (advances to regional); Poetry - 5th) Ariel Coalson; Spelling - 4th) Jonathan Marrs (alternate to regional).

Bronte JH boys district track results

The Bronte boys 7th grade track team placed 1st in Zone 1 District Champions. Individual and team results are as follows:

Long jump - 2nd) Thomas Foster, 3rd) Arlis McMullan, 4th) Jake Cotter; Triple jump - 1st) Kerwin Rawls, 3rd) Heath Richey, 5th) Chase Harris; Pole Vault - 1st) Heath Richey, 2nd) Kerwin Rawls; Discus - 1st) Hadley Holland; Shot put - 1st) Hadley Holland, 3rd) Thomas Foster,

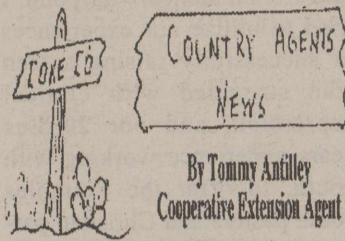
4th) Skyler York; 400 meter relay - 1st) Kerwin Rawls, Hadley Holland, Heath Richey, Thomas Foster; 800 m - 1st) Arlis McMullan; 100 m - 1st) Thomas Foster, 2nd) Chase Harris, 3rd) Jake Cotter; 800 meter relay - 1st) Kerwin Rawls, Arlis McMullan, Hadley Holland, Chase Harris; 400 - 4th) Jake Cotter; 200 - 4th) Chase Harris; 1600 - 3rd) Arlis McMullan, 4th) Terron Charles; 2400 - 2nd) Terron Charles; 1600 meter relay - 1st) Kerwin Rawls, Heath Richey, Hadley Holland, Thomas Foster.

The Bronte Jr. High 8th grade boys also placed 1st in Zone 1 District Champions. Individual and team results are as follows:

Long jump - 6th) Jose Luis; Triple jump - 3rd) Dakota Rawls; High jump - 1st) Rob Rosson, 2nd) Dakota Rawls, 4th) Louie Martinez; Pole vault - 5th) Rob Rosson, 6th) Louie Martinez; Discus - 3rd) Haydan White; Shot put - 4th) Audie Miller, 6th) Wes Suter; 400 meter relay - 2nd) Jacob Scott, Rob Rosson, Dakota Rawls, Audie Miller; 800 m - 1st) Jacob Scott; 110 m hurdles - 1st) Rob Rosson, 3rd) Haydan White; 100 m - 6th) Audie Miller; 800 meter relay - 3rd) Louie Martinez, Haydan White, Audie Miller, Jose Luis; 400 m - 3rd) Dakota Rawls; 300 m hurdles - 1st) Louie Martinez, 3rd) Tyler Riney; 200 m - 5th) Wes Suter, 6th) Haydan White; 1600 m - 2nd) Kolten Pena, 6th) Jose Luis; 2400 m - 2nd) Kolten Pena; 1600 meter relay - 2nd) Louie Martinez, Jacob Scott, Dakota Rawls, Rob Rosson.

Bronte OAP advances to Area contest

The Bronte High School One Act Play cast and crew placed first at the District contest. They will now advance to the Area contest on Saturday, April 8, at Santa Anna. Megan Gibbs was named Best Actress as well as Cheyenne Webb, Holly Huskerson, Katie Cooper and Eric Hendrickson being named to the All-Star Cast. Other members of the cast included Garrett Acker and Casey Harris. The tech crew consisted of Ariel Coalson, Jessie England, Jonathan Marrs and Melissa Palmer.



By Tommy Antilley
Cooperative Extension Agent

National Animal ID and Premise Registration meetings set for April 11 & 13

There has been lots of print, talk and rumors about the proposed National Animal Identification Program over the last several months' and there are still several questions to be answered before it becomes final. As it stands now, there are two parts to the National Animal ID program; one is registering a premise and the second is registering individual animals. Although the animal registration is still a good ways off, premise registration is being strongly encouraged to producers.

To begin with, as the program stands now, producers of any type of livestock, sheep, goats, swine, horses, cattle, poultry, etc will have to register their premise. It doesn't matter if you own one animal or thousands. The premise registration will be a permanent number that is assigned to a particular location where livestock are handled, raised or comingled. This number will be a unique 7 character alphanumeric (combination of numbers and letters) ID for a specific geographical location that will remain with the property regardless of ownership from now on.

Texas Animal Health Commission will be the ones handling premise registration for Texas. In December they passed a law that obtaining a premise ID after July 1, 2006 would carry a fee of \$10 per year for a two-year period. Now TAHC has postponed



Tournament Participants! The Rockets (top photo) and the Spurs participated in the 12 & Under Basketball Tourney held Saturday, March 4, 2006, in Bronte. The tournament benefited the "Friends of the Pool," and was reported to have raised over \$3,000 to help with the cost of the new dressing rooms and concession stand at the Bronte pool.

both the July 1 deadline and the \$10 per year fee. This does not mean that producers will not be required to obtain a premise ID number. It will still be in your best interest to obtain this premise ID.

Producers that raise any type of domestic livestock will eventually be required to comply with the National ID program. If you don't own land and only lease land for livestock you still must obtain a premise ID.

We will be having two Animal ID and Premise registration information meetings on April 11, at 7:30 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall and on April 13, at 7:30 pm at the Bronte Community Center. Tommy Antilley, Coke County Extension Agent-Ag will be giving a short program on how the National Animal ID program

is proposed and will be implemented. We will also assist producers in completing the forms to obtain your Premise ID number if you so desire that night. For additional information, contact the Coke County Extension office at 453-2461.



School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, April 10
Cereal, diced pears, biscuit, jelly, milk
Tuesday, April 11
Breakfast burrito, assorted juice, milk
Wednesday, April 12
Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk
Thursday, April 13
Honey bun, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk
Friday, April 14
Holiday

Lunch

Monday, April 10
Pizza, tossed salad, corn, fruit cup, pink panther cake, milk
Tuesday, April 11
Nacho grande, tossed salad, refried beans, assorted fruit, nacho chips, cinnamon roll, milk
Wednesday, April 12
Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, sliced peaches, bread sticks, chocolate pudding, milk
Thursday, April 13
Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, carrot sticks, pear jello, milk
Friday, April 14
Holiday

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The First United Methodist Church of Bronte



would like you to join the

Journey to the Cross

April 14, 2006 at 10 am

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There will be a short message followed by the journey back to the First United Methodist Church where a light lunch will be served.



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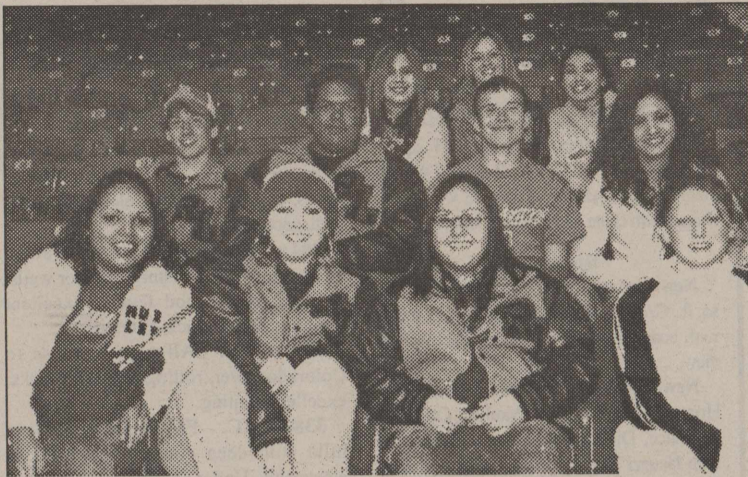
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



RLHS Spanish Club Assists Sonrisas! *The Robert Lee Spanish Club recently volunteered at the Sonrisas Rodeo in San Angelo. Participating students included Carolina Vera, Rosa Rojas, Stephanie Trejo, Taylor Foster, Brody Dillard, Eleasar Vera, Chris Torres, Anna Rojas, Briana Longoria, Kasie Skinner and Julie Samaniego. Sponsoring the group were Dwin Nanny, Kelly Beuschel and Elena Sanchez.*

Batten named National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Devin Lee Batten 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.

Devin Lee Batten, who attends Robert Lee Junior High, was nominated for this national award by Tammy Roe, a teacher at the school. Devin Lee Batten will appear in the United States Achievement Academy's 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 excel-

lence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Founder 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 qualified sponsor.

Devin Lee Batten is the son of Jasmine Sabrsula from Robert Lee and Stephen Batten of Austin. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Batten of Austin, and Chris Miller of Austin.

Land management after wildfire

Submitted by Mark Sides

What can landowners do to manage property after wildfire? Has your property been affected by wildfire? Are you unsure about what to do now and who to turn to for help?

Recent wildfires have been devastating to people, homes, barns, fences, livestock, hay bales, or standing grass that was needed for winter forage. In the areas burned by wildfires, it may look like the flames destroyed all the vegetation.

"Wildfires can affect the vegetation in ways that are very similar to the effects of prescribed fire and can provide valuable control of brush species," states Susan

Baggett, State Resource Conservationist for NRCS in Texas. "Loss of vegetation not only affects forages for livestock and wildlife habitat, but it can lead to increased soil loss due to erosion by wind and water."

Many landowners may be left with the fear that vegetation will not return unless it is re-seeded. Even though the initial appearance on the land may be that of a moon-scape, in most cases native plants evolved with fire and are still alive. They can recover with a management plan. Factors that affect recovery time include types of plants and their adaptation to fire, fire intensity, precipitation (before and after the fire), soil type, previous history of grazing and fire, presence of weeds (competition), season of fire, and management after the fire.

Burned vegetation still provides protection from soil movement due to remaining plant roots and plant parts. Instances where erosion could occur include areas where active erosion occurred prior to the wildfire, on very steep slopes, in very sandy soils, and along drainages until the vegetation recovers. Usually within two years, the erosion rates return to pre-burn conditions.

Most native trees, shrubs, forbs and grasses have mechanisms of coping with fire. Some will grow new leaves; some will re-sprout, while others have fire resistant seeds that will sprout following a fire. Bunchgrasses, like little bluestem, accumulate dead material above the root crown and the center of the plant dies over time. After a fire, it sometime appears that the plant was killed, when in fact the center of the plant was already dead. This can be observed by examining burned and unburned plants in the same area. In contrast, rhizomatous grasses, such as big bluestem or sideoats grama, have growing points below the soil surface and do not accumulate fuel next to the root crown.

Woody plants are adapted to fire by location of buds or

protective bark. Most woody plants resprout if top growth is killed. Once top growth is lost, dormant basal buds below the soil surface being growth. Plants such as Ashe juniper though, lack basal buds and do not re-sprout. Many woody plants have thick bark and are adapted to intense fire. Eastern cottonwood, post oak, and shortleaf pine are examples of fire tolerant woody plants.

Management prior to wildfire will effect recovery time. Plants that had a healthy root system at the time of the burn will recover the quickest. A flush of weeds could be expected the first season after a wildfire. However, these may be plants that benefit wildlife and typically within 2 years following a wildfire, will decline as grasses increase. The key point is to identify the weeds, understand their life cycle, evaluate their impact on recovery, then make a decision regarding weed control.

It is important to recognize three distinct growth stages of plants to plan for recovery.

1. During the "green-up" or early stage of the growth, perennial grasses can be defoliated rather intensively without permanent damage to the plant; as long as the growing point remains below the point of defoliation and is unharmed.

2. As soon as the grasses shift from the short-shoot growth stage to the early reproductive or long-shoot stage excessive grazing can be detrimental, but not necessarily "life threatening" to perennial grasses.

3. It is the period between post-reproduction and dormancy during which perennial grasses periodically must be rested to insure their long-term survival and vigor.

Management considerations following a wildfire include:

*Some areas may need to have grazing deferred until plant growth is adequate to support grazing. This will be dependent on precipitation.

*Stocking properly.

*Avoiding grazing the same areas and plants at the same time each year.

*Rotate livestock between pastures to allow plant recovery. Additional practices such as temporary fencing and new water facilities may be needed.

*With adequate precipitation, areas can be grazed with intensive early stockings (IES). The key is to remove cattle by July 1 if using IES and not graze the area again until after frost.

*Apply fertilizer according to a soil test for introduced species.

*Utilize rotation of sale, mineral and feeding locations to better distribute grazing.

*Weed control may be necessary. Types of weed control include herbicides, flash grazing or intensive early stocking with livestock.

*Monitor to ensure management decisions are restoring desired plants.

Fire has been and still is an essential part of maintaining healthy native grassland, rangeland, and forest lands and has positive impacts. In many cases, prescribed fire can reduce the potential for future wildfires.

The information is meant to provide some guidance in helping landowners make decision following wildfire events. The impacts of wildfire will vary in each situation as will the course of action and management needed following the wildfire.

For further assistance, contact your local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or Soil and Water Conservation District.

School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, April 10

Juice, sausage & biscuit, cereal, milk

Tuesday, April 11

Juice, pig in blanket, cereal, milk

Wednesday, April 12

Juice, donut, cereal, milk

Thursday, April 13

Juice, French toast, sausage, cereal, milk

Friday, April 14

Holiday

Lunch

Monday, April 10

Burrito, salad, corn, peaches, chocolate pudding, milk

Tuesday, April 11

Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, pineapple, milk

Wednesday, April 12

Baked potato, chili, crackers, broccoli, peaches, milk

Thursday, April 13

Early Release-Chicken sandwich, pickles, tator tots, banana & peanut butter, milk

Friday, April 14

Holiday

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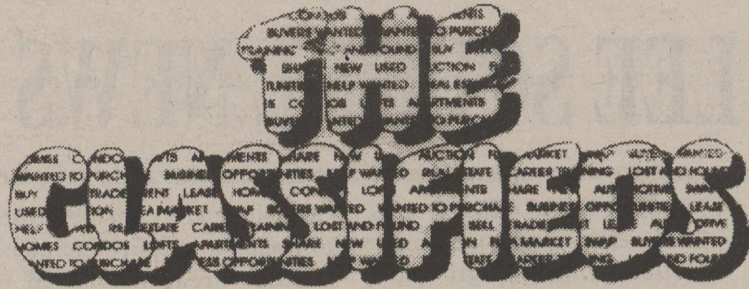
Saturday, April 15

Friday route - 7:00 am

Saturday, April 22

- Please provide assistance loading any item over 50 pounds
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Hal Spain

COKE COUNTY TREASURER

Phelan Wrinkle

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Robert Feil

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

Bobby Blaylock

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Josie Dean

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FOR SALE

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09-tnc

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36-2tp

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37-1tp

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16-eow

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08-tnc

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314 +/- AC. County Road access, two water wells with concrete reservoirs and electricity, mobile home cover, pens and barn, hay shed, all pasture with some deferred cultivation, rolling terrain with deep brushy draw, panoramic mountain views. Choice Hunting.

160 +/- AC. FM road access, all pasture, w **SOLD** mountain views, good hunting.

160 +/- AC. FM road access, all pasture, flat **SOLD** n, water well, electricity, Good Hunting.

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We have Buyers,
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CARD OF THANKS

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To all for your prayers and concern while I was in the hospital and since I have been back in Robert Lee. The cards, calls, visits and all other expressions of friendship and love shown to me and my family, are deeply appreciated.

J.C. Wallace and family
37-1tp

OUR HEARTS OVERFLOW

with appreciation for the love, concern and kindness shown our family during the loss of our husband, father and grandfather. The prayers, food, flowers, contributions and visits have eased our grief. We wish to extend a special thank you to Mary, Jeanette and Jackie with EMS, Bro. Mike Poye, Robert Lee Eastern Star and all our community friends that prepared, brought and served food.

Jessie Harmon, Lawana Perry, Dorene Mashburn, Jeffie and Bobby Roberts, Jerry and Janie Harmon, grandchildren and great-grandchildren
37-1tp

DAISY TROOP #192

would like to say Thank You to everyone in the community for supporting our troop during the bake sale. We are off to a good start, and our girls are enjoying themselves and learning positive and lifelong lessons. We hope to continue for years to come and we wouldn't be able to operate without you. Thanks again.

37-1tp

NOTICES

NOTICE

Robert Lee ISD is accepting proposals for the renovation of two high school restrooms. The renovations must meet ADA standards. For specifications and details contact Aaron Hood, Superintendent, Robert Lee ISD, (325) 453-4555. Deadline is April 11, 2006. Robert Lee ISD has the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

36-2tc

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS

On May 24th, 2006, at 4:00 pm, the Board of Commissioners for the Robert Lee Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Annual and Five Year Plans. The meeting will take place at the office located at 710 Bishop Street.

The draft plans and all supporting documentations are available to the public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 710 Bishop St. on weekdays during the hours of 9 am to 4 pm.

37-1tc

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF NORMA A. MONTGOMERY, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of NORMA A. MONTGOMERY were issued on April 3, 2006, in Cause No. 1677 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to:

TROY EUGENE MONTGOMERY

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

TROY EUGENE MONTGOMERY
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 April 3, 2006.
NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
Attorney for the Estate
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...More Classifieds

NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

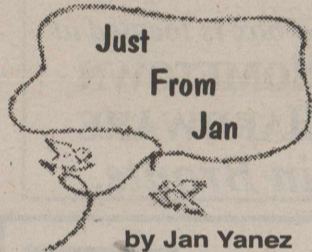
Notice is hereby given that Coke County is now taking applications for a roadhand in Precinct #1. It is a 40 hour per work week job, which provides health insurance, retirement, paid vacation, and sick leave. Applications for this position may be picked up in the Coke County Judge's Office at the Robert Lee Courthouse. All applications must be returned to the Coke County Judge's Office by 9:00 am on Monday, April 10, 2006. For further information, call Commissioner Troy Montgomery at 473-0146. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners Court is taking applications for a Park Caretaker in Bronte. It is a 40 hour per week job, which provides health insurance, retirement, paid vacation and sick leave. Applications are available in the Coke County Judge's Office and must be returned by 9:00 am on Monday, April 10, 2006. For additional information, please call 453-2641 or Contact Commissioner Bill Wheat at 473-8504 or Commissioner George Snapp at 473-8503. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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by Jan Yanez
Cooperative
Extension Agent

Clutter Control Tips

Spring is just around the corner and so is spring cleaning!! One of the very first steps in giving your home a good thorough spring cleaning is getting a handle on the clutter!

First you need to do a major de-cluttering of your home if you have not done this recently. Begin this task room by room, or spot by spot; the junk drawer first, the overloaded end table, your desk, etc. Then move through that room until it is done. Make sure you have boxes for things to give away, garbage bags for things to throw away, and a box or container for items that you want to keep but need to find their way to a new home.

Be ruthless!! Don't keep anything you really don't need or that does not have extreme sentimental value to you. The weight of carrying around such items is

depressing and can prevent you from moving forward in life. "Stuff" is not worth the toll it can take on you.

After the spring de-cluttering is done, you will need to develop clutter-free habits. If you build these habits into your life you can break the cycle that allows things to get built up to where they are overwhelming for you.

Keep the following tips in mind when making new daily habits. If you keep a homemaking journal then write these tips down and read them daily until this is a way of life for you.

1. Don't let piles build up. Put things away when finished with them.

2. Deal with things as they come into the house. Toss the junk mail, file the bills, set the personal mail on your desk and read and respond as soon as possible.

3. Set times each day to walk around the house and put things into their correct place. My father used to always say, "A place for everything and everything in its place". This may not be original but that is where I first heard it. I let that little phrase dance through my head when I deal with my things. So, make a spot for all items that you have. If the items are keepers then make sure you have a shelf or a tote or box to deal with each item. There will be no question as to where something goes if it has a prepared place.

4. Throw away anything that you really do not need and is not worth making a place for. Remember you just most likely can't keep every piece of art work your child brings home, or every issue of your favorite magazine, or every recipe that you print out. If it has value to you then make a file for the art work and resign to keep only a couple pieces each year. Buy a few large 3-ring binders for the magazines and the recipes so that they have a neat organized place to be. Figure out what to do with the things you really want, toss or give away the rest.

Clutter can rule your life! It can make an otherwise reasonably clean home feel

like a disaster. It can make you feel overwhelmed and depressed. Developing good clutter control habits will help to keep your home from feeling overwhelmed.

FSA office taking signups for 2006

The Coke-Sterling FSA office is currently taking sign-up applications for the Farm Crop Program (DCP) for the 2006 crop year.

Producers must sign up each year to participate in the farm program. The office started taking sign-ups for 2006 in November.

Producers must have a correct and completed CCC-502 (Pay Limit) on file with the office before any payments can be made.

Producers have until June 1, 2006 to sign up in DCP. After June 1st, producers may still sign up but there will be a \$100.00 administrative fee per farm applied.

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Due to the situation of having only 2 employees in the office, it is a must for everyone to make an appointment. There are many days when, due to illness, meetings, field work, vacation time, doctor appointments, there is only one person in the office. There have been some days when the office was forced to close early due to unforeseen events. There is nothing that can be done about this. If you live out of town, it will be in your best interest to call ahead and make an appointment.

Producers may come by the office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

FSA approves haying & grazing of CRP

The Coke-Sterling FSA office is currently taking applications from producers with CRP contracts to graze or hay their CRP acres. To graze or hay it will cost the producers 25% of the

total yearly CRP Payment.

If a landowner requests to hay his/her CRP, it must be hayed only once and the haying must be completed by May 1, 2006. Producers will then have 10 days to have all hay removed from the CRP fields. This means all haying operations must end by May 11, 2006.

If the landowner requests to graze his/her CRP, all livestock must be removed by June 1, 2006. Producers may lease their CRP out for grazing but only for the amount that their CRP Payment is to be reduced by.

Producers who wish to hay or graze must visit the county office and make a request and outline maps of the fields to be hayed or grazed before any haying or grazing can take place. Producers must also sign and date a register for haying or grazing at this same time. This will authorize the reduction of the CRP payment by 25%.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the members of the Carlsbad Work Camp have worked tirelessly to help the City of Bronte improve the appearance of our City, complete grant projects and maintain the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, our Community is fortunate to have the Work Crew to work for the betterment of this Community; and

WHEREAS, IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT the City of Bronte recognize the accomplishments and service of these individuals;

NOW THEREFORE, let it be known that I, Martin Lee, Mayor of the City of Bronte, Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of April 9-15, 2006, as

CARLSBAD WORK GROUP RECOGNITION WEEK and call on all citizens in the Community to join me in recognizing the invaluable contributions made by these individuals in this Community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bronte, Texas, to be affixed this 27th day of March, 2006.

Martin Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pat Martindale, City Secretary

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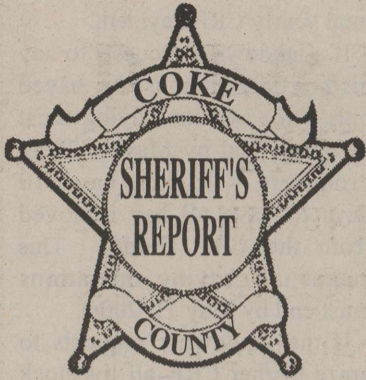
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Editorial & Advertising Deadline is 2 pm on Tuesday preceding publication.





Arrest/Charges Filed February 2006

Jody Cade Brooks, Evading Arrest w/a Motor Vehicle, 2-4-06
 Jerrall Dean Fleming, Out of County Warrant, 2-4-06
 Alberto Flores, Driving While License Invalid, 2-19-06
 Clinton Johnson, Burglary of a Building, Fail to Identify, 2-22-06
 Francisco Ortiz, Driving While License Invalid, 2-25-06
 Norman Hurt, DWI 2nd, 2-26-06

County Court Dispositions February 6, 2006

The State of Texas vs. William Leon Craig, Charge: DWI 1st, Plea: Pre Trail Intervention
 The State of Texas vs. William Leon Craig, Charge: Evading Arrest with a Vehicle, Plea: Three Years Deferred Adjudication
 The State of Texas vs. John Leon Wright, Charge: Possession of Controlled Substance >4G <200G, Plea: Six Years TDCJ

County Court Dispositions February 15, 2006

The State of Texas vs. Lenice Linthicum, Charge: Driving While License Invalid, Plea: Fine \$300.00, Court Cost \$220.00
 The State of Texas vs. Lavoy Dee Barrett, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: Fine \$400.00, Court Cost \$220.00
 The State of Texas vs. Micah Kuhn, Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, Plea: Fine \$300.00, Court Cost \$220.00
 The State of Texas vs. Tommy Joe Diaz, Charge: Driving While License Invalid, Plea: Fine \$300.00, Court Cost \$224.00, Probated 12 Months

The State of Texas vs. Erick Martinez, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz, Plea: Probated 12 Months, Fine \$400.00, Court Cost \$245.00, 24hrs Community Service

The State of Texas vs. Antonio Sandate Jr., Charge: Possession of Marijuana <4 oz, Plea: Probated 12 months, Fine \$600.00, Court Cost \$236.00

The State of Texas vs. Bartley Goodman, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: Dismissed

The State of Texas vs. Bartley Goodman, Charge: DWI 2nd., Plea: Fine \$1000.00, Court Cost \$331.00

The State of Texas vs. Tony Bell, Charge: Assault Family Violence, Plea: 60 Days Jail Credit

The State of Texas vs. Tony Bell, Charge: Terroristic Threat, Plea: 30 Days Jail Credit

The State of Texas vs. Tony Bell, Charge: Resisting Arrest, Plea: Dismissed

Arrest/Charges Filed March 2006

Josephine Hernandez, Out of County Warrant, 3-5-06
 Regina Garcia, Possession of Controlled Substance, 3-5-06
 Sheridan Blaze Spencer, Evading Arrest with a Vehicle, 3-12-06

Robert Thompson, Driving While License Invalid, 3-26-06
 Brent Gregston, Assault Family Violence, 3-30-06

County Court Dispositions March 13, 2006

The State of Texas vs. Candida Whitehead, Charge: Theft by Check, Plea: Guilty, \$389.27 Restitution, \$100.00 Fine, Court Cost \$200.00

County Court Dispositions March 15, 2006

The State of Texas vs. Zachary Kincaid, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz, Plea: Guilty, 12 Months Deferred Adjudication; Fine \$400.00, Court Cost \$224.00, 24 Hours

The State of Texas vs. Paul Overhulser, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: Fine \$400.00, Court Cost \$466.00

The State of Texas vs. Gary Dale Bilbrey, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: 30 days jail credit time served 38 days

County Court Dispositions March 16, 2006

The State of Texas vs. Monica Barrera, Charge: Theft >\$500.00 <\$1500.00, Plea: Guilty, 180 Days Probated 18 Months, Fine \$500.00, Court Cost \$286.00, Restitution \$767.21, 80 Hours of Community Service

County Court Dispositions March 28, 2006

The State of Texas vs. Dahlia Dehoyos, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: Guilty, Fine \$1000.00, \$211.00

The State of Texas vs. Robert Ochoa, Charge: Possession of Marijuana <2oz., Plea: Dismissed by County Attorney

**Check Out
Coke County
Library**

National Library Week is April 2 through April 8. It is a week to celebrate libraries across the nation and to encourage reading for pleasure, entertainment, and learning.

The Coke County Library provides a free membership, Inter Library Loan, Tex Share Cards, book-on-tape, Internet access, regional materials, local history, reference materials, non-fiction, recreational reading in all genres, classics, young adult, and children's and toddlers' books. Books may be returned to the library, the 24/7 book drop and Main Street Market in Bronte.

Story Hours are conducted for Head Start students and for three to five year olds. The library is available for small meeting groups.

The Inter Library Loan program allows patrons to order books not in the Coke County Library. Placing an order to ILL gives readers access to all public and university libraries across the nation. The Tex Share Card allows patrons in good standing access to public libraries in Texas. Also available from the

Texas State Library is a book-on-tape program available for the visually impaired whereby tapes are shipped on a regular basis to patrons' mailing address.

The library has a collection of books in large print, which includes westerns, romance, mystery and non-fiction materials.

National Library Week is a time to encourage readers to visit public libraries and become a patron. Any week is a good time to visit. The Coke County Library is at 706 Austin Street. The phone number is 325-453-2495. The hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12.



Livestock & Wildlife...Maximizing Profit, Minimizing Conflict

Landowners or producers that are interested in developing or maintaining wildlife income as part of the total ranch efforts can attend a seminar that will be held May 10 and 11 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in San Angelo for a two day program sponsored by the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers and the Texas Wildlife Association.

The meeting will begin on Wednesday afternoon with check-in at the TAMU Center in San Angelo at 12:30 pm. Afternoon topics discussed will

include Landowner Perspectives; Setting the Stage: Camouflage Cowboy Hat; Watershed Walk; tour of S Ranch on Life Lessons from Livestock; Plant ID; social and catered dinner with topics on "Show Me The Money"; and Maximizing Profit-Minimizing Conflict.

The* meeting will continue Thursday morning at 7:30 am with refreshments at the TAMUCenter and a tour of Clark Ranch with topics that include: Comparative anatomy necropsies; Water For Texas and Texans; Up In Smoke; Management Dilemmas following Wildfire and catered lunch with closing comments.

There will be 4 CEU's given with 2 in general and 2 in IPM. Cost of the seminar will be \$50 for members of the Association and \$75 for non-members. The first 150 participants will be taken.

Input requested on Benefit Auction

Gene Montgomery, Coke County Commissioner Pct. 1, is requesting input from county residents regarding an annual county consignment auction. The proposed auction would benefit various charitable organizations in Coke County. To contact Commissioner Montgomery, call 473-0146.

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 Invites you to join us for
Holy Week Services

Thursday, April 13th	7:00 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, April 14th	12:00 noon	From the Cross to the Church
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Liturgy
Saturday, April 15th	8:30 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 16th	7:30 a.m.	Sunrise at the Cross
Easter Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Mass
	11:15 a.m.	Mass
	5:00 p.m.	Mass at St. James