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Filing for local elections ends Monday, March 12

2007

District will have two 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Mary Bessent and Dessie Kendall are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up at the Robert Lee Care Center. The incumbents have filed for reelection.

Hospital District will have two 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Doris Sims and Alonzo Robbins are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administrator's office at Bronte Health & Rehab Center. Both Sims and Robbins have filed for reelection.

have to fill three 2 year council seats. City officials whose terms are expiring are John Carver, Jackie Walker and Gary Payne. Candidate applications may be picked up in the City Secretary's office at Robert Lee City Hall. Incumbents Jackie Walker and Gary Payne will be joined on the ballot by Barbara Jenkins and Troy Wimberley.

The city of Bronte will have to fill two 2 year and one l year council seats currently held by Elton Moore, Misti Bedford and Paula McWright. Candidate applications may be picked up in the City Secretary's office at Bronte City Hall. Incumbents Elton Moore and Paula McWright have both filed for re-election.

Lee

There are several local Independent School District elections set for Saturday, Board of Trustees will have May 12, 2007, and filing for to decide on two 3 year inclusion on ballots has terms. The terms of Kevin begun. The last day to file Roe and Tod Reed are expirwill be Monday, March 12, ing. Candidate applications may be picked up at the West Coke County Hospital Robert Lee Administration Office. Due to RLISD being on Spring Break next week, the Administration office will be open on Monday, March 12, from 2 pm to 5 pm, which is the last day to file an application. As of press time, Roe and Reed have filed for re-election and are The East Coke County to be joined by Brandi Ramon, who has also filed.

Bronte Independent School District has two vacancies to fill for full three-year terms. Positions open are currently held by Terry Charles and Quinda Feil-Duncan. Applications may be picked up at Superintendent's office during regular business hours 8 am to 4 pm, Monday The city of Robert Lee will through Friday. As of press

time, there were no applications that had been returned. Bake sale set

for Saturday

On Saturday, March 10, the Youth Group from Iglesia Bautista Betel Church will be hosting a bake sale at Super H, starting at 9 am.

Please stop by and find something yummy and help support your local youth It would be group. appreciated.



RLHS assists with Sonrisas! The Robert Lee High School Spanish Club participated in the 7th Annual Sonrisas Special Rodeo on Thursday, February 22. Members who attended include Emilee Yanez, Nancy Landeros, Tanner Hanigan, Erika Sheldon, Chelsea Arellano, Sarah Philley, Kelsy Duncan, Brettnie Reed, Becca Skinner, Blake Millican, Libby Trejo, Sarah Jones, Briana Brisbin, Jacob Moreno, Stetson Nesbit, K.W. Roe, Justina Gloria, Dixie Johnson, Jaden Alexander, Eleasar Vera, Kendra Fuentez, Rosa Rojas, Erica O'Neil, Dwin Nanny and Elena Sanchez.

fee to have their hay crop covered under the NAP program. There can be no latefiled applications, as the \$100 fee must be paid by March 15, 2007.

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

BHRC Auxiliary

to meet March 15 Bronte Health and Rehab Center Auxiliary will meet at 1 pm on Thursday, March 15, in the BHRC Board Room. Lunch will be served. A \$2

types of memberships that are available: Active \$5 (per person for those who meet the minimum hours of service); Contributing \$10 (per person, organization or business per year; and may or may not give volunteer service); Supporting \$50 (or more per person, organization or business per year and who may or may not give volunteer service).

If you would like to join, please send your check to Janet Wommack, BHRC Auxiliary Secretary/ Treasurer, Box 184, Bronte, Texas 76933.

Runnels Baptist

Assoc. meeting set The Runnels Baptist Association will meet Monday March 19, at Hopewell Baptist Church for an Executive Board and WMU meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. A meal will be served.

David Williams, Association Moderator, is in charge of the program. Pastors and Executive Board members are encouraged to attend.

RLBC to host DiscipleNow

DiscipleNOW will be held at Robert Lee Baptist Church,

The Robert



FSA Office taking Hay NAP Applications

The Coke-Sterling FSA Office is taking applications from producers who wish to sign up for the NAP Program on their hay crops for the 2007 crop year. March 15, 2007 is the final date a producer can pay his/her \$100

Spring

Forward

Remember to set your

clocks forward one hour

before you go to bed

Saturday night.

donation will be appreciated, but not required.

They would like to invite all interested persons to join. The auxiliary is a great benefit to BHRC. They assist with many activities during the year, such as accompanying residents on bus trips; helping with the Valentine, Christmas, Easter, Halloween and other parties during the year; sponsoring the 4th of July celebration including the auction which serves as their largest fundraiser; purchasing needed items for the enjoyment of the residents such as the TV in the living room, chairs for the living room, special beds, and many other items.

Membership fees are due by April 1, 2007. These are the

Roping Club meeting set

The Coke County Roping Club will have their annual organizational meeting on Sunday, March 18. All those interested are asked to assemble at the arena in Bronte at 3 pm. For more information, contact Paul Tanner at 453-2724. contact Wayne McCutchen at 473-3201.

Singing Winds to host golf tournament

There will be a 2-person, 27-hole select shot golf tournament on Saturday, March 17. Tee off time will be 9 am. Food will be available on the golf course. For more information please call (325) 473-2156.

March 9-11, for students in grades 7-12, beginning on Friday at 5:45 pm at the church. The theme is "Obey Your Thirst", based on 1 Peter 2:1-3. Mark Urguhart, camp pastor of Centrifuge, Glorieta, 2006, will be the speaker. For more information,

Coke County burn ban approved On March 5, 2007, the Commissioner's Court approved a Burn Ban for Coke County. Due to lack of rain in the county it is necessary to prohibit burning in the unincorporated areas of the county. Violation of the Court's Order prohibiting outdoor burning is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

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Death Notices

McCown

Viola Ida Helmers McCown of Miles, died March 4, 2007. Family visitation was

Monday, March 5, at Johnson's Funeral Home. Funeral Worship was held at 11 am, Tuesday, March 6, at Trinity Lutheran church in Miles with Pastor Diane Terrazas officiating. Burial

followed in Miles Cemetery. Survivors include sons Chester and wife Ollie McCown of Miles, Clayton McCown and wife Carolyn McCown of Orient and Sidney and wife Kathy of Robert Lee; daughter Brenda and husband Quinn Conley of Tuscola; 10 grandchildren, Amy Rutherford and husband Matt, Brett McCown and wife Liz, Kendra Buchanan and husband Ken, Amanda McCown, Ron McCown and wife Tracy, Lee McCown and wife Mandi, Dan McCown and wife Jan, Daisy Blair and husband Joe, Cara DeAnda and husband Charlie and Andrea Conley; seven greatgrandchildren, Sheldon McCown, Madison and Oliva Rutherford, Stran, Daylee and Cutter Blair and Shelby Buchanan; and sister-in-law Jo Helmers or San Angelo.

King

Ralph Clayton King of Brazoria, born in Edith, Texas, died February 15, 2007

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 20,

Central Baptist Church in Bronte. The distribution date will be March 31 at 3 pm. They are also still in need of volunteers.

Concho Valley Cotton Conference set for San Angelo On March 21, 2007, the Concho Valley Cotton Conference will be held at the San Angelo Convention Center from 8 am- 5 pm. Reniform Nematodes,

Verticillium Wilt, Weed Resistance Management, Cotton Root Rot, Early Season Insect Control, Drought Tolerant Cotton, Harvest-aids Challenges, Placement, Fertilizer Untraditionals, Cotton's Role in U.S. Energy and the SRPCGA Annual Meeting will be the topics for the day.

To preregister, call 365-5212, 365-2219 or 659-6522. After March 16, there will be a late registering fee.

Genealogy Workshop

scheduled at ASU Dr. George Schweitzer, distinguished professor at the

University of Tennessee and a genealogist who uses historical reenactment to teach genealogy, will lead the sixth annual genealogical workshop sponsored by the Friends of the Porter Henderson Library and West Texas Collection at Angelo State University on Saturday, March 31.

The program will run from 8:30 am to 4 pm March 31 in the C.J. Davidson Conference

Center in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont on the ASU campus.

There will be a charge for registration and luncheon.

Persons interested in registering should contact the Friends of the Library by phone at (325) 942-2164 or by mail at Friends, ASU Station #11013, San Angelo, TX, 76909-1013.

Coke County Relay for Life set May 11

All cancer survivors are invited to join as honorary guests in the Survivor Lap on Friday at 7 pm, which will kickoff the 2007 relay.

Survivors who wish to participate in the Survivor Lap will need to register at the Survivor Table beginning at 5:30 pm and will also need to pick up their purple T-Shirt and sash to wear during the Survivor Lap at 7 pm. In honor of those who are survivors, they will be provided a complimentary hamburger meal at 5:30 pm for those participating in the Survivor Lap at the Bronte track field.

The strength and courage of each cancer survivor helps community and friends see that cancer survivorship is real and that progress is being made to battle all kinds of cancer, one step at a time.

If you are a cancer survivor and would like to participate, please complete the survivor form and return as soon as possible to: Joe and Glenda Draper, P.O. Box 655, Bronte, TX 76933 or Eddy and Sue Spiller, 724 Brunson, Bronte, TX 76933. **Bronte City Wide**

Garage Sale set for May 5

It's time for Bronte's annual city wide garage sale. The Sorosis Study Club is sponsoring the annual garage sale so that it costs individuals nothing. The garage sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2007 at 8 am.

If you want to participate in the garage sale, please call the City Hall at 473-3501 and get your name on the list.

This is a great opportunity

to clean out your closets and store rooms, and sell, sell, sell! Remember to call City Hall if you would like your address on the free maps to be handed out the morning of the garage sale.

Severe weather safety tips

by National Weather Service Office in San Angelo

1) Stay informed with NOAA All Hazards Radio, local radio, TV or Internet. Always have more than one way to receive weather information in case you lose power. NOAA All Hazards Radio functions like a smoke detector and warns you anywhere and anytime. This is a special device that will automatically alert you of tornadoes, flash floods and severe thunderstorms while you are away from your favorite radio or TV station. NOAA All Hazard Radios are available through any Lions Club member or stop by Rock Solid Communications for more information or to pick up an All Hazard Radio.

2) Know the difference between a watch and warning Watch - means conditions are favorable for severe weather. Warning - means that severe weather such as a tornado, hail or damaging wind storm is very likely or imminent, and has been detected on radar, has been reported by you (public), and/or has been identified by National Weather Service trained SKYWARN Storm Spotters.

county and those around you. Have a road map nearby your TV remote control or radio receiver

4) Know what to do ahead of time. Tornado and high wind safety - Know the safe places from tornadoes and high winds, and be sure your family knows, too. An underground shelter is the safest place. However, the next safest place is an innermost windowless room or hallway on the lowest floor of your home, school, or business away from outside walls and windows.

Abandon mobile homes for a safer place from both tornadic and straight-line winds, and know where to go when a Watch or Warning is issued in your area. Recent statistics prove that people in manufactured homes are at most risk from tornadoes Approximately 8% of all US residents live in mobile homes. From the period 1985-2002, approximately 49% of all tornado deaths occurred in mobile homes. (American Meteorological Society)

Flash flood safety - Always Turn Around Don't Drown when you encounter a flooded low water crossing whether on foot or in a vehicle. Flash Flood related deaths are the number one storm related killer.

Lightning Safety - If you hear thunder, you're too close. If you're caught outside in lightning, your home and your car offers a safer refuge. Stay out of the bathtub, stay away from windows and electrical appliances. Turn off all appli-3) Know the name of your ances prior to the storm.

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 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,

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 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 Jason Martin, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm, Worship 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Wed. **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. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

2007, at 10 am at Dixon Funeral Home in Brazoria with Brother Chuck Beam and Brother Mike Mills officiating. Interment followed at Brazoria Cemetery in Brazoria, Texas.

He is survived by his wife Eva King; daughter, Becky Vernor; son, Larry King; stepdaughter Cheryl Lopez; stepson, Steve Trevino; sister, Lavelta McVicker; brothers, Eldon King and Lester King; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Angel Food Ministries taking March orders The Angel Food Ministries will be taking orders March 9, 12-15, from 3 pm - 7 pm at



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. David Bailey, Pastor 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

St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sun. 5 pm

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Chamber Luncheon! The Bronte Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday, March 6, at the Bronte Housing Authority meeting room. Member calendars were distributed at the meeting. Important topics discussed included the Bronte Centennial celebration, which is set for Labor Day weekend, and the upcoming Chamber Banquet, which will be a Fish Fry in the park on April 21. Michael Bohensky (standing) also discussed the Texas Scholars program and the upcoming Texas Wildlife Brigades with those present.



MacKenzie Ann Word

MacKenzie Ann Word was born on February 14, 2007 at 5:11 pm. She weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are Nic and Jennifer Word. Grandparents are Steve Word, Linda Wright and Mike and Bobbie Fluhmann. Great-grandparents are Sue and J.B. Word, Bernice Wright, Bobbie R. Fluhmann and Betty Jo King.

Red Canyon Gun Club results

Red Canyon Gun Club had their monthly silhouette pistol and rifle matches on Saturday, March 3, with strong gusting winds up to 25 mph, making holding a rifle or pistol off hand on silhouettes a difficult task. Shooting numbers were down from last month with 13 shooters, due to strong winds.

Richard Johnson was match winner in silhouette pistol, Ed Miller of Kerrville was second and Howard Droll of San Angelo took third place.

Dan Warren of Valera.

and second was Deryck Pocock. Match winner in class A was

John Warren of Valera, second place was James Adams, and third place went to Ed Miller.

Match winner in scoped smallbore rifle was Jim Horn and second place was Marshal Bevan of Carlsbad, Texas.



Heart Attack:

Warning Signs and **Tips on Prevention**

What is a heart attack? A heart attack (also called myocardial infarction) is when part of the heart muscle is damaged or dies because it isn't receiving oxygen. Oxygen is carried to the heart by the arteries (blood vessels). Most heart attacks are caused by a blockage in these arteries. Usually the blockage is caused by atherosclerosis, which is the buildup of fatty deposits (called plaque) inside the artery. This buildup is like the gunk that builds up in a drainpipe and

J.D. Stoddard of Lawn, Texas for more than a couple of seconds.

> Don't ignore the pain or discomfort. If you think you are having heart problems or a heart attack, get help immediately. The sooner you get treatment, the greater the chance that the doctors can prevent further damage to the heart muscle.

What should I do if I think I am having a heart attack? Right away, call for an ambulance to take you to the hospital. While you wait for the ambulance to come, chew one regular tablet of aspirin. Don't take the aspirin if you're allergic to aspirin.

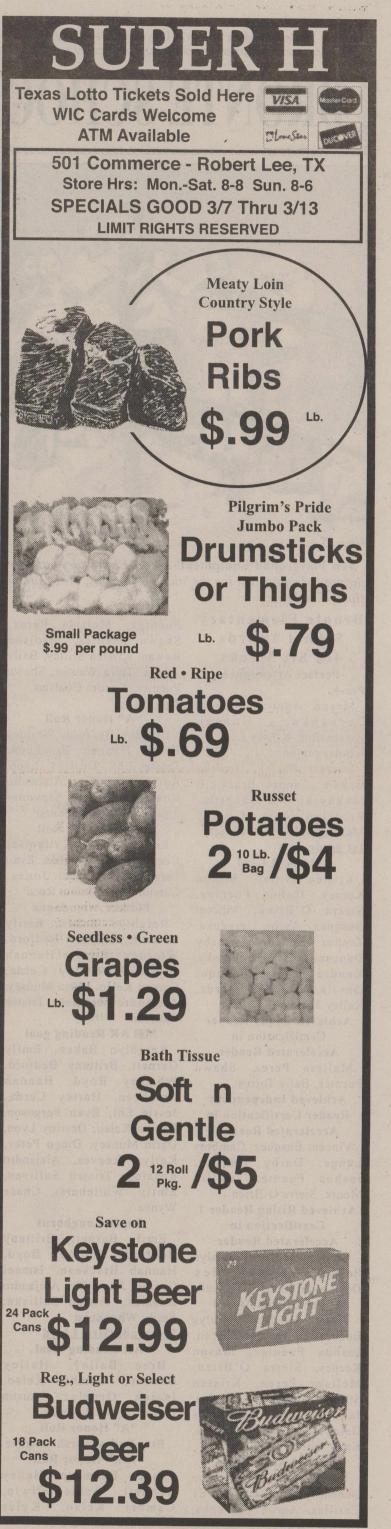
In the hospital, you might be given "clot busters" that reopen the arteries to your heart very fast. Nurses and technicians will place an IV line (intravenous line) in your arm to give you medicines. They will also do an electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG), give you oxygen to breathe, and watch your heart rate and rhythm on a monitor.

Risk factors for a heart attack:

* Smoking * Diabetes

* Increasing age--83% of people who die from heart disease are 65 years of age or older

- * High cholesterol level
- * High blood pressure
- * Family history of heart



Texas, took the high overall in smallbore cowboy rifle.

First place AA class was Deryck Pocock of Valera, Texas and second place AA class went to Jim Horn of Carlsbad, Texas.

James Adams of Abilene was high overall in A class, second place was Ed Miller of Abilene, and Earl Williams of Kerrville took third place.

The Junior class match winner in smallbore cowboy rifle was Panther Creek high schooler Benton Warren, who won the National Championship in 2006; second place went to his brother, Arron Warren and third place was brother, John Warren. Match winner in big bore cowboy rifle was again Dan Warren. First in AA class was

slows the flow of water.

Heart attacks can also be caused by a blood clot that Mexican Americans, Native gets stuck in a narrow part of an artery to the heart. Clots are more likely to form where atherosclerosis has made an artery narrower.

How do I know if I'm having a heart attack? The pain of a heart attack can feel like bad heartburn. You may also be having a heart attack if you:

* Feel a pressure or crushing pain in your chest, sometimes with sweating, nausea or vomiting.

* Feel pain that extends from your chest into the jaw left arm or left shoulder.

* Feel tightness in your chest.

* Have shortness of breath

attack

* Race--African Americans, Americans and Native Hawaiians are at greater risk. * Atherosclerosis (hardening of the arteries)

* Lack of exercise

* Stress

* Obesity

* Sex--More males have heart attacks, although heart disease is the leading cause of death for American women.

How can I avoid having a heart attack? Talk to your family doctor about your specific risk factors (see box above) for a heart attack and how to reduce your risk. Your doctor may tell you to do the following:

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ESCHOO



New Playground Equipment! Bronte Elementary has recently acquired two new pieces of playground equipment for the students to enjoy. They are an outdoor climbing wall and an Alpine Climber.

Bronte Elementary School awards 4th Six Weeks **Perfect Attendance**

Pre-K

Mason Aguirri, Karissa Cervenka, Hunter Hortenstine, Kinsey Lee Kindergarten

Everett Bailey, Joshua Baken, Tanner Braswell, Makaylah Delacerda, Brooklyn Jones, Cassidy McWright, Kaylee Puentez 1st grade

Met A/R Goal

Kristen Stilley, Mason Keeney, Joshua Fuentez, Sierra O'Brien, Vincent Basquez, Aaron Cervenka, Tanner Bedford, Darby Duncan, Analyn Bohensky, Kendra Coalson, Jaqui Davila, Dayana Perez, Kailey Torres

Achieved Ready Reader **Certification in Accelerated Reader** Melissa Perez, Shawn Puentez, Baily Torres **Achieved Independent Reader Certification in Accelerated Reader**

Fuentez, Melissa Perez, Shawn Puentez, Madison Rowan, Kristen Stilley, Baily Torres, Tiara Watson, Shawn Puentez, Kendra Coalson 2nd grade "A" Honor Roll

Brittany Bedford, Whitney Boyd, Hannah Brackeen, Jessie Ehl, Destiny Lyon, Katlyn Reeves, Alejandro Rosales, Sarah Stevens-Smith, Emily Whitehurst

"A/B" Honor Roll Emily Barnett, Ismael Cecilio, Harley Cerda, Evan Ferguson, Ryan Jones, Carson Kelso, Justin Reed

Perfect Attendance Reighlyn Baken, Emily Barnett, Brittany Bedford, Whitney Boyd, Hannah Brackeen, Harley Cerda, Carson Kelso, Darin Munsey, Alejandro Rosales, Tristan Sullivan

Met AR Reading goal Reighlyn Baken, Emily Garnett, Brittany Bedford, Whitney Boyd, Hannah Brackeen, Harley Cerda, Jessie Ehl, Evan Ferguson, Carson Kelso, Destiny Lyon, Darin Munsey, Diego Perez, Katlyn Reeves, Alejandro Rosales, Tristan Sullivan, Emily Whitehurst, Chase Wynne

Super Citizen Bree Bailey, Sarah Sanchez

Perfect Attendance Ashlee Irwin, Cambri Kelso, Emmery McCullough, Austin Parker, Kyler Richards, Sarah Sanchez, Ean Ward

3rd grade-Mrs. Wilson "A/B" Honor Roll

Kellie Thorn, Chris James, Jerica Davis

AR Goal met Payton Cutting

Super Citizen

Tucker McMullan, Kellie Thorn, Chris James, Jerica Davis

Perfect Attendance

Payton Cutting, Jerica Davis, Kellie Thorn, Cami White

4th grade-Mrs. Coalson Met A.R. Reading Goal Jensen Reed

"A/B" Honor Roll

Jessica Arthur, Crystal Bilbrey, Stacia Emfinger, Jensen Reed

Perfect Attendance Jessica Arthur, Crystal Bilbrey, Charissa Caston, Stacia Emfinger, Carlos Fuentez, Edward McVey, Josh Puentez, Dakota Pullen 4th grade-Mrs. Bearden "A" Honor Roll Marley Braswell, Caleb **Byars**

Stevens-Smith, Courtney Wyatt

Perfect Attendance

Fred Arthur, Stetsen Emfinger, Coby Malone, John Moore, Shanyia Parker, Mizael Perez, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley

Met AR Goal Halfacer, John Moore, Yackley 6th grade

"A" Honor Roll Braswell, Carson James, Caleb Rosson, Jael Williams "A/B" Honor Roll

Thoren Charles, John 7th Grade Mason Hoyt, Eiland Michelle Rhodes

Perfect Attendance

Brooke Bedford, Kaithlyn Braswell, Thoren Charles, Randon Eubanks, Nathan Fillman, Kyle Kelton, Brayde Knight, Erika Puentez, Caleb Rosson, Paige Royall, Ethan Sedden, Jael Williams

Met AR Goal

Carson James, Mario Delarosa, Kaitlyn Braswell, Brooke Bedford, Caleb Rosson, Paige Royall, Michelle Rhodes, Jael Williams, Brayde Knight, Grady Barnett, Nathan Fillman, Erika Puentez, Zachary Taylor

BISD Honor Rolls announced

"A" Honor Roll

12th Grade Eric Hendrickson, Philip Rawlings, Logan Rawls 11th Grade

Emily Austin, Stephanie Flores, Holly Huskerson, Gus Saunders

9th Grade

Bill Miller

8th Grade

Ali Franco, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey

7th Grade

Austin Brackeen, Mackenzie Gibbs, Kimberly Lee, Jill Scott, Harley Wallace

"A-B" Honor Roll 12th Grade

Katie Cooper, Johnathan Ehl, Jonathan Marrs, Heather shot put - 6th; Mitchel, Juston Taylor, Rick

Nathaniel Rosales, Mason Lee, Terrah Macon, Savannah Martinez, Marcy McMorris **10th Grade**

Ariel Coalson, Shannon Deller, Jessi England, Sam Rawlings, Reece Springer 9th Grade

Case Braswell, Ernesto Casillas, Ricardo Casillas, Ashley Fisher, Emily Fiveash, Stetsen Emfinger, Tammie Crawford James, Louie Martinez, Kolten Pena, Rob Manuel Perez, Megan Rosson, Jacob Scott, Shelbi Waller, Kim Womack 8th Grade

Cheyenne Boyd, Ginny Brooke Bedford, Kaitlyn Caston, Terron Charles, Rachael Dellar, Benny Kyle Kelton, Erika Puentez, Fuentez, Kim Nixon, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Kelsey Sedden

Shelby Amendt, Katie Austin, Stephanie Barba, Jordan Baumann, Creed Coalson, John Deller, Kassie Fillman, Amy Godinez, Beau Grigg, Brianna Harper, Leah Jones, Austin Mertz, Kaitlin Moore, Kaleb Parks, Rani Parks, Alexia Pena, Leticia Pena, Brenda Perez, Jordan Rowan, Jaylon Seales.

Bronte Longhorn track results

By Brandon Moore The varsity and JV boys track teams competed at the Blizzard Relays in Winters. Despite the grueling wind, it was a great meet. These guys have been working very hard over the last 2 weeks in preparation for the 1st meet. We brought home quite a few medals between the 4 guys we ran on varsity and the 3 that were on JV. I'm very pleased with everyone who was at the meet. I'm looking forward to a great season! Below are the meet results.

Varsity boys

Larry Rosales - 400m relay -2nd, shot put - 3rd, discus -4th;

Cody Wallace - 400m relay -2nd, 100m dash - 5th, discus -6th:

Mason Jackson - pole vault -1st, 100m dash - 2nd, 200m dash - 2nd, 400m relay - 2nd, Eddie May - 400m relay -2nd, 100m dash - 3rd, 200m dash - 3rd. JV boys

Vincent Basquez, Cambrey Lange, Darby Duncan, Joshua Fuentez, Collin Moore, Sierra O'Brien **Achieved Rising Reader 1**

Certification in Accelerated Reader Tanner Bedford, Analyn Mercedes Bohensky, DelaCerda, Chelsea Trussell

Super Citizen Award Tanner Bedford, Analyn Bohensky, Darby Duncan, Joshua Fuentez, Mason Keeney, Sierra O'Brien, Melissa Perez, Kristen Stilley, Miranda Tijerina, Jaqui Davila, Mercedes DelaCerda, Shawn Puentez, Kaily Torres, Baily Torres

Perfect Attendance

Tanner Bedford, Analyn Bohensky, Emmanuel Casillas, Aaron Cervenka, Darby Duncan, Joshua

Super Longhorns Emily Barnett, Brittany Bedford, Whitney Boyd, Hannah Brackeen, Ismael Cecilio, Jessie Ehl, Alejandro Rosales, Tristan Sullivan, **Emily Whitehurst** 3rd grade-Mrs. Lloyd **AR Reading Goal**

Bree Bailey, Hailey Bennett, Cambri Kelso, Isaiah Ornelaz, Austin Parker, Kyler Richards "A" Honor Roll Bree Bailey, Sarah Sanchez "A/B" Honor Roll

Jaden Baumann, Hailey Bennett, Ashlee Irwin, Cambri Kelso, Kyler Richards, Ean Ward

"A/B" Honor Roll Maria Franco, Joshua Means, Alondra Perez

Perfect Attendance Dakota Arthur, Marley Braswell, Josh Means, Savannah Arthur, Caleb Byars, Oscar Pena, Jacob Baken, Kourtney Kelton, Jared Scott

Met A/R Goal Marley Braswell, Caleb Byars, Moriah Royall 5th grade

"A" Honor Roll

Ty Lee, Megan Yackley "A/B" Honor Roll

Stetsen Emfinger, Tammie Halfacer, Kaleb Reyes,

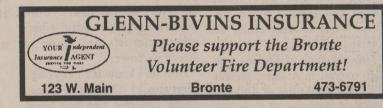
Wheless 11th Grade

John Basquez, Blaze Coffey, Casey Harris, Kyler

Louie Martinez - 110m dash - 3rd;

Will Macon - discus - 2nd,

Crawford James - 100m dash - 6th, 400m dash - 6th.



Paul's Body Shop

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PAUL KNIGHT

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



RLHS Visits KSAN! The Robert Lee High School Spanish II and Spanish III classes enjoyed experiencing the career worlds of television, radio and newspaper. They toured the KSAN and KLST television studios, KKCN and KGKL radio stations and The San Angelo Standard Times. The twenty students and four sponsors pictured with KSAN's reporter, Nicole Sanchez, a Robert Lee High School graduate, are Kelsy Duncan, Dixie Johnson, Sarah Philley, Holly Austin, Molly Burns, Kaden Duncan, Josh Gallegos, Prescilla Lara, Arrin Minjarez, Olga Perez, Michael Rodriquez, Norma Rojas, Mason Ross, Cori Torres, Garrett Blair, Jeremy Martinez, Jodi Sheldon, Jimmy Womack, Taylor Foster, Heather Williams, Kathy McCown, Vianna Madrid, Dwin Nanny and Elena Sanchez.

RLHS golf results

On February 27, the Lady Steers began their '07 golf tournaments with a win at their first stop of the year in Bronte. The Lady Steers shot a 373 to capture the first place trophy.

The Lady Steers were led by Kelsy Duncan's 84, which also gave her first place medalist honors, and Sarah Philley's 92, taking second place medalist honors. Others on the Orange team included Jaden Alexander 98, Becca Skinner 99 and Brettnie Reed 115.

The Black team shot a 473 with individual scores as follows: Kasie Skinner 109, Molly Burns 123, Briana Brisbin 115, Megan Percifull 130 and Emilee Yanez 126. Next stop on the tour will be held at Robert Lee on March 20th.

On February 28, the Steers golf team also took first place at Bronte, with a 322 team total. The Steers were led by Johnathan Pagan and Brody Dillard's 78s, tying them for third place medalist. Others on the Orange team included Kevin Honse 82, Taylor Percifull 84, and Kaden Duncan's 97. The Black team shot a 379 with their individual scores as follows: Mason Ross 84, Clay Antilley 87, Cody Brosh 102, and Blake Millican 106. The boys will play in the Robert Lee Invitational on March 21.

100m dash - 4th) Raquel K.W. Roe Rojas, 2nd) Kimberly Roach; 800m relay - 2nd) Amanda Mendoza, Sara Walker, Luke Thurman Kimberly Roach, Connie Saucedo; 400m dash - 3rd) Raquel Luke Thurman Rojas; 300 hurdles - 1st) Connie Josh Gallegos Saucedo; 200m dash - 4th) Skyler - Michael Rodriquez Rainwater; Triple jump - 4th) Victoria Michael Rodriquez Roe; Shot put - 1st) Sara Walker, Josh Gallegos 2nd) Skyler Rainwater, 4th) Lindsey Vallery, 5th) Diana Vera; High jump - 3rd) Amanda Gallegos Mendoza; Discus - 2nd) Lindsey Vallery, 3rd) Sara Walker, 6th) Kimberly Roach; Long jump - 6th) Heidi Austin, 7th) Connie Saucedo. **Boys results** 2400 - 3rd) Luke Sheldon, 4th) Jorge Rostro; 110 hurdles - 4th) Dustin Brown: 100m dash - 5th) Keanu Henson, 1st) Daniel Nowlin,

Varsity Shot Put - 6th) 40'2" -Discus - 2nd) 127'71/2"-Eleasar Vera 4th) 120'7"-Triple Jump - 3rd) 38'10" -3200m run - 2nd) 12:34.91 1600m run - 6th) 5:42.58 -800m run - 1st) 2:12.91 -Long Jump - 1st) 19'7"-Josh Gallegos 200m run - 2nd) Josh **Girls results** Discus - 2nd) Becca Skinner; Shot Put - 2nd) Arrin Minjarez; Triple Jump - 3rd) Jodi Sheldon; Long Jump - 4th) Jodi Sheldon, 6th) Emilee Yanez; 400m relay - 6th) A. Sawyer, C. Conner, A. Minjarez, N. Rojas; 100 hurdles - 6th) Holly Austin; 400m dash - 1st) Logan 800 relay - 3rd) (in their

Philley, 2nd) Keanu Henson; heat)-O. Perez, E. Yanez, M.

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RLHS Beta Club! The Robert Lee High School Beta, which is sponsored by Mrs. McCown, hosted the monthly birthday party for January at the Robert Lee Care Center on January 22, 2007. They helped celebrate the birthdays of RLCC residents, Vivian Fields, Esther Howell and Anna Stevens. Members include (from left to right) Erica O'Neil, Andrea Pineda, Cori Torres, Rosa Rojas, Briana Longoria, Anna Rojas, Gaby Saucedo, and Prescilla Lara. Also, Robert Lee Elementary students made posters with famous people that were born in January and shared some history about them with the residents.

working with the Permian Basin Area Foundation to award these scholarships. Bronte and Robert Lee high school seniors may download the scholarship application forms off the website at www.pbaf.org. When you access the website, click on scholarships on the left-hand side of the page. From there you will proceed to Coke County, where you can print out the 2-page application under the title Coke County Community Fund Scholarship. You may also apply online on the pdf form provided; however, both Robert Lee and Bronte schools are planning on forwarding all the applications together in one mailing prior to the scholarship deadline.

Scholarship funds are available to Coke County high school seniors who are preparing to enter college or a vocational school in the summer or fall enrollment period. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:

a. Financial need.

b. Exhibition of extracurricular involvement in school, church, and community activities.

c. Academic proficiency, plus the desire and dedication to succeed in a college or vocational school environment. If you are interested in applyLee, either Sheri Millican or Dwin Nanny). The deadline for these applications is March 31, 2007. Please contact your counselor for more information, including the local deadline for completing and mailing the applications.

AON to sell

chicken spaghetti

The AON Service Club will be selling pans of chicken spaghetti on Sunday, March 25, to benefit the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship Fund. For more information, contact Tiffany at 453-2036.

Jon Hart Trunk Show scheduled

Kickin' Up Roses, at 824 Austin, in Robert Lee will be hosting a Jon Hart Trunk Show on Monday, March 19, from 10 am until 3 pm. Jon Hart representatives will be on hand to answer questions and assist customers with orders. Any item purchased during the trunk show will receive free monogramming.



RLJH track results

The following results are from the RLJH track meet held in Robert Lee on February 27. All running event places are by heats. **Girls results**

2400 - 3rd) Sara Walker: 6th) Kacee Roberts: 400 relay - 5th) Megan Ross, Raquel Rojas, Kacie Roberts, Heidi Austin;

300 hurdles - 2nd) Dustin Brown:

2nd) Jose Fabian;

200m dash - 3rd) Haden 5th) Jose Fabian;

1600m relay - 1st) Logan Philley, Haden Dillard, Luke Sheldon, Jorge Rostro; Shot put - 4th) Haden

Dillard;

High jump - 3rd) Logan Philley;

Philley.

RLHS track results held on March 2. Steers results: JV boys

3200m run - 1st) 12:42.12 -K.W. Roe 800m run - 6th) 2:35.81 - The local organization is

Hinderliter, B. Reed;

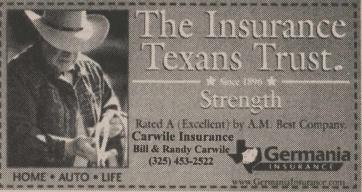
1600m - 6th) Jodi Sheldon 1600m relay - 4th) E. Dillard, 2nd) Daniel Nowlin, Yanez, E. Pearcy, J. Sheldon, M. Hinderliter.

Coke County Foundation to fund \$8,000 in new scholarships to graduating seniors Four Bronte and four Long jump - 4th) Logan Robert Lee high school seniors will be the recipients of \$1,000 scholarships this Following are the results of spring, as a result of recent the Cross Plains track meet action by the Coke County Foundation. The \$8,000 scholarship total makes the foundation the largest local donor of scholarships in Coke County.

ing for one of these scholarships, please contact your school counselor (at Bronte, Micah Arrott, and at Robert

in the body of the email and photos as a jpeg attachment.





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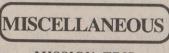


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MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER Bake Sale for Monica DeLaGarza. Saturday, 8 am -In front of First National Bank in Bronte.

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MOVING OUT SALE Simpson Ranch Office 21 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee. March 10, 2007, 8 am-Noon. Clothes, household goods &

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adequately express our gratitude for all the prayers, cards, food, flowers, phone calls and visits during my recent surgeries and recuperation. God heard and has answered every prayer in His Name. He will continue to answer those prayers according to His Will. A special thank-you to those who sat with Gaylon and my mother during my surgeries. Also thank you for the monetary contributions, the account at Robert Lee State Bank and the anonymous bill paying.

May God Bless You All with our love, Gaylon and Kaye

<u>33-1tc</u> TRIBUTE FOR **DOROTHY (DOT)** COLLINS

The marker for Dorothy Collins was put into place February 17, 2007. The Class of 1948 would like to express our appreciation for the monetary donations and love everyone showed her.

> In Loving Memory <u>33-1tc</u>



NOTICE TO **CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS** DEPARTMENT OF

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Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINT **ENANCE/BUILDING** FACILITIES

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TREE AND BRUSH REMOVAL in COKE County will be received on March 29, 2007 until 1:00 pm and opened on March 29, 2007 at 2:00 pm at the District Office an estimate of for \$31,935.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification

information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 22914

State Office Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s) San Angelo District

District Engineer 4502 Knickerbocker Rd

San Angelo, Texas 76904 Phone: 325-944-1501 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Lance D. Evans, Defendant, Greeting: YOU (AND EACH OF ARE HEREBY YOU) COMMANDED to appear before the 51st D

located at 13 East 7th Street, in the City of Robert Lee, Coke County Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock am of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, the date for answer being the 2nd day of April, A.D. 2007, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 12th day of February, A.D. 2007, in this cause, numbered 4209 on the docket of said court and styled WILLIAM L. ARCHER, SR. AND WIFE, NITA ALLEN ARCHER, Plaintiff, vs. LANCE D. EVANS, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows to-wit:

Plaintiffs seek a court order to require Defendant to sell to Plaintiffs the undivided interest of Defendant in the property in accordance with the Chapter 29 of the Texas Property Code.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness, Mary Grim, Clerk of the 51st District Court(s) of Coke County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at office this the 12th day of February, A.D. 2007. Mary Grim Clerk,

51st District Court Coke County, Texas By Sharon Lee, Deputy 13 East 7th Street Robert Lee, TX 76945 NOTICE

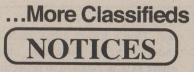
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may brief taken against you.

Greg Gossett, Plaintiff's Attorney



P.O. Drawer 911 San Angelo, TX 76902 30-4tc A PUBLIC HEARING will be held March 12, 2007 at Robert Lee City Hall, 6:30 pm for citizen input on a Robert Lee Economic Development Corporation 4B allocation to construct 10 recreational vehicle pads in the Coke County Park in Robert Lee at an estimated cost of \$3,000 each, including sewer, water, electricity, and pad construction. description of the project is available in Robert Lee City Hall. Also a project is proposed to allocate \$9,000 to the amphitheater upgrade project for a cover on the performance stand, OSHA paths, pad for equipment housing and wiring necessary for sound and lights.

<u>33-1tc</u>



NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF COKE**

By the virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Honorable 51st Judicial District Court of Coke County, Texas, on the 5th day of March, 2007, in the following case to the Sheriff directed, the following property, which is more particularly described in the judgment entered in that cause, was levied on the 5th day of March, 2007, will be sold at 10:00 am on the 3rd day of April, 2007, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse in Coke County, Texas in the City of Robert Lee, Texas, to satisfy judgment with interest and with all cost of suit in favor of Blackwell Independent School District, Et Al, and other taxing units and against those defendants listed in said judgments and Orders of Sale. Cause #4089 BLACKWELL

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS

ROY TAYLOR

All Lot 4, Block 5 of the McDorman Addition, Blackwell, Texas

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS THE 5TH day of

March, 2007.

Rick Styles COKE COUNTY SHERIFF

BY: Misti Hayes All bidders should contact the Coke County Central Appraisal District to comply with Section 34.015 of the Texas Property Code.

33-3tc

...Heart Attack Signs (Continued from Page 3)

* Quit smoking. Your doctor can help you. (If you don't smoke, don't start!)

* Eat a healthy diet. Cut back on foods high in saturated fat and sodium (salt) to lower cholesterol and blood pressure. Ask your doctor about how to start eating a healthy diet.

* Control your blood sugar if you have diabetes. * Exercise. This sounds hard if you haven't exercised for a while, but try to work up to at least 30 minutes of aerobic exercise (that raises your heart rate) at least 4 times a week.

Learning Lab technology. On Thursday, March 1, the Bronte 6th and 7th graders joined 132 schools across Texas for the videoconference program hosted by the Jaycees, Sweetwater ISD and Region 14 ESC.

The Sweetwater Jaycees annually host the Sweetwater Rattlesnake Roundup during the second weekend in March. To help educate Texas students, Mr. David Sager, a professional rattlesnake handler, education officer, and safety expert for the Sweetwater Jaycees visited with the Texas students concerning the rattlesnake's habitat, characteristics, life cycle, different species, safety, and emergency medical treatment if bitten.

Cooperative Extension Agent Scalping Your Lawn - Should

I TOKE TO

LOUNTRY AGENTS,

NEWS

By Tommy Antilley

You Do It? There are usually pros and cons to every decision you make in life--even scalping your lawn. Scalping is defined as the removal of an excessive quantity of leaf tissue at any one mowing, resulting in a stubbly brown appearance due to exposed stems, stolons, crowns, dead leaves and even bare soil. While scalping is not normally recommended for the warm season turfgrasses during the active growing season or prior to winter dormancy, it can be a beneficial cultural practice in late winter to early spring. Benefits from early season scalping prior to green-up include earlier spring green-up, control of some winter annual broadleaf weeds, and removal of some debris that could contribute to thatch accumulation. Scalping during the growing season will cause undue stress or potential injury to

the turfgrass plants.

A more appropriate time to scalp warm season grass lawns is just prior to spring green-up. Drop your mower cutting height down to 1/2 -1 inch and begin mowing. It is an excellent practice to remove old, dead plant material and to expose the soil to sunlight to warm the soil for quicker lawn green-up. Scalping too early may injure the turfgrass by exposing plant parts such as stolons and crowns to frost or extremely low temperatures. If delayed until the grass is actively growing, scalping will result in turf stress and shock the grass plant to the point that it slows growth until it can recover. Take caution to not overdo scalping on lawns with heavy thatch--especially on St. Augustine grass. If the active stolons (runners) are located in the upper portion of the thatch, scalping may cause a tremendous amount of damage to these vital plant parts and result in turf injury and even death.

Scalping creates a good bit of debris so it will be necessary to haul off all the old, dead plant material that is removed during the scalping process. However, do not bag this material and send it to the landfill. Landfills are not appropriate sites for disposing of yard waste. Instead, use the debris in your own compost pile or send it to a city or commercially owned compost site.

Scalping is a great cultural practice to help produce a strong, healthier stand of turfgrass when done correctly. However, use caution when scalping your lawn so as not to cause any injury or stress to the lawn.

It's Time

to Sharpen **Mower Blades!**

Spring green-up will be here before you know it, so it is time to drag the old lawnmower out of the garage and get it ready for your lawn. One practice that is

sometimes ignored, but extremely important, is sharpening your mower blades.

Dull blades will not only cause your lawn to look unattractive, but can also place undue stress on your lawn. Leaf tips become splintered and ragged, which leaves a straw colored appearance. These jagged-edged leaf tips are entry points for small insects and disease pathogens, which can cause damage to your turf. So, pull the blades off the mower each month or so and give them a good sharpening. If they are in terrible shape, replace them--you'll be impressed with the results! If this is something that you do not feel comfortable doing yourself, then take your mower blades to a repair shop and have a professional do it for you. Your lawn will show its appreciation by an improved appearance. It will be healthier too!

Spreader and Sprayer Calibration!

Do you apply fertilizers, compost, or pesticides to your lawn? If so, having your equipment clean, calibrated and "ready to go" is drawing near. Applications of these products normally occur during the growing season, so it is important and timely to have your equipment calibrated prior to the first use of the season.

Calibration of spreaders and sprayers is a relatively simple task. It doesn't take a lot of time, but is essential in order to apply products in measured amounts and in an environmentally safe manner. So take the time to calibrate your equipment - it's good for your lawn and our environment! More detailed information on calibrating spreaders and sprayers may be found on the Aggie-Turf web site under "Turf Tips".

Turfgrass Mathematics!

Have you ever felt uncomfortable about applying products, such as fertilizer, compost, or pesticides to your lishing our time zones

lawn? Are you scared of all the calculations and formulas?

Don't worry! It's not so bad. You just need to take your time, apply the correct formulas, and get help if you run into trouble. Can you make mistakes? Absolutely!! It is extremely important to double-check your work so that you do not apply products to your lawn in an inappropriate manner and unsafe amounts. Many lawns have been damaged due to improper applications of lawn products. Remember, read the labels, do your math, and check your calculations. Applying lawn products in measured amounts is the right thing to do to keep your lawn healthy and our environment clean!

For more information on mowing and sharpening your blades; calibrating spreaders and sprayers; and "Turfgrass Mathematics" and formulas to use for proper application, go to the Aggie-turf web site at http://aggie-turf.tamu.edu and click on "Turf Tips."

Get a Jump Start on **Springing Forward**

Starting this year, Daylight Saving Time has been changed from its traditional calendar dates to a start three weeks earlier -- Sunday, March 11 -- and a finish one week later-Sunday, November 4. Daylight Saving Time is practiced in order to gain an extra hour of daylight during the early evening, resulting in the conservation of energy by substituting natural sunlight for electrical lighting.

According to The Old Farmer's Almanac, Daylight Saving Time first began in 1918 during World War I to allow for more evening light and save fuel for the war effort. Since then, Daylight Saving Time has been used on and off, with different start and end dates.

Benjamin Franklin first suggested the idea in 1784. It was later revived in 1907, when William Willett proposed a similar system in the pamphlet The Waste of Daylight. The Germans were the first to officially adopt the light-extending system in 1915, followed by the British, and in 1918 the United States, when Congress passed the Standard Time Act, estab-



* Lose weight if you're overweight. Your doctor can advise you about the best ways to lose weight.

* Control your blood pressure if you have hypertension.

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"Snake, Rattle, and Stand Still" was the title of the Sweetwater Jaycees presentation using Distance

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Agency on Aging to be in Coke County Representatives from the Coke County Area Agency on Aging will be in Coke County on Monday, March 12. They will be in Bronte at the Bronte Senior Center at 10:45 am and in Robert Lee at the Robert Lee Senior Center at 11:30 am.

Intake specialists will be available to assist with any questions about services they offer or if anyone needs help applying for services.

Texas A&M lists graduates and honor roll

Diplomas were awarded to 3,560 Texas A&M University graduates during mid-year commencement ceremonies.

Among those graduating from the Coke County area were: Erin Elizabeth Millican, Robert Lee, Bachelor of Science in Animal Science and Wesley Craig Howell, Bronte, Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Science.

Texas A&M University has also named its honor students for the fall 2006 semester, recognizing them for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours during the fall semester who have maintained a 3.75 or higher grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0.

Wesley Craig Howell, of Bronte, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll.

Play It Safe at ATMs

The use of ATMs continues to grow at record rates. It's estimated that there are more than 1.5 million machines installed worldwide and new ATMs installed every five minutes.

With millions of successful ATM transactions carried out daily and the ATM being used safely for more than three decades, it should be noted they are susceptible targets of fraud. And, being a part of the electronic world means that the thief doesn't have to be nearby or even in the same country. In fact, financial security leader

Diebold reported in a recent white paper that last year Russian police arrested a group of criminals accused of stealing at least \$500,000 from U.S. bank accounts in a cross border ATM scam and those defrauded had never been to Russia. The gang had obtained stolen account information and Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) from organized crime groups in the United States, Canada and France.

It is important to note that most of what is commonly called "ATM Fraud" is actually Debit Card Fraud having much more to do with the compromise of PINs and fraudulent Debit Card use that with the integrity of ATM hardware. (The Global ATM Security Alliance reports that just .0016 percent of all ATM transactions are affected by crime or fraud, worldwide.)

Armed with a card holder's PIN---often obtained through casual observation---a thief can use data from a magnetic stripe to reproduce or clone ATM cards using inexpensive, commercially available equipment---and, could easily empty the targeted bank account within a matter of

days. PULSE EFT Association has put together a checklist to follow for card security and personal security.

ATM/Debit Card Safety

* Treat your card like cash. Keep it in a safe place.

* Keep your personal identification number (PIN) a secret. * Do not disclose card information over the phone to anyone. No one needs to know your

PIN, not even your financial institution. * Never disclose information

about your card in response to an unsolicited e-mail or request. * Make certain your Internet

shopping sites are secure. * Protect your card's magnetic stripe. Do not expose your card's magnetic stripe to magnetic objects.

* Report a lost or stolen card at once.

* Carefully review your account statements. **ATM Safety**

* Observe the ATM surroundings before approaching a walkup ATM. If anyone or anything appears to be suspicious, cancel your transaction and leave the area at once.

* If an ATM is obstructed from view or poorly lit, go to another ATM. It is a good idea to take along a companion when using an ATM, especially at night.

Minimize time spent at the ATM by having your card out and ready to use. Do not let anyone see how much money you withdrew, and never count your money at the ATM.

* Never allow a stranger to assist you in conducting an ATM transaction, even if you have trouble or if your card is stuck.

* Stand between the ATM and anyone waiting to use the terminal so that others cannot see your PIN number or transaction amount

* Look for possible fraudulent devices attached to the ATM. If the ATM looks different or appears to have any alterations or attachments to the card slot or PIN pad, do not use it. **Drive Up ATM Safety**

* Keep the doors locked, windows up and engine running at all times when waiting in line.

* Leave enough room between cars to allow for a quick exit should it become necessary.

* Before lowering the window to use a drive-up ATM, observe the entire surrounding area. If anyone or anything appears to be suspicious, cancel your transaction and drive away at once.

* Minimize time spent at the ATM by having your card out and ready to use. Once your transaction is complete, take your money, card and receipt and immediately drive away from the terminal.

* If anyone follows you after you have completed your ATM transaction, go immediately to a crowded, well-lit area and call the police.

Spring Ahead...Fall Back on Sun Protection

Daylight Saving Time will begin two weeks earlier this year, starting Sunday, March 11 at 2 am. An extra hour of daylight each day means more exposure to ultraviolet radiation. With more than 90 percent of all skin cancers caused by sun exposure, The Skin Cancer

Foundation reminds everyone about the importance of using sun protection before going outdoors.

"After a long, cold, and dark winter, Daylight Saving Time is something we all look forward to," said Perry Robins, MD, President of The Skin Cancer Foundation. "However, it's important to remember to keep skin protected, even when the sun may not feel that strong."

Up to 90 percent of visible skin changes commonly attributed to aging are caused by the sun. So as Daylight Saving Time approaches, make sure to follow these safety tips from www.skincancer.org:

* Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher. Apply sunscreen liberally and evenly to all exposed

skin. Don't forget areas such as underneath the nose and chin, where skin is exposed to reflection from sidewalks and sand.

* Reapply sunscreen at least every two hours, and more often after swimming or sweating.

* Cover often-missed spots: lips, ears, around eyes, neck, scalp and hands. Keep lips protected with an SPF 15+ lip balm.

* Wear protective clothing including a wide-brimmed hat and UV-blocking sunglasses with wraparound or large frames.

Seek the shade, especially between 10 am and 4 pm.

* Protect children from the sun and teach them sun safety.

* Practice skin self-examination once every month. If you spot anything suspicious, see a physician immediately.

* See your physician every year.

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