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County receives more rainfall

I'm going to start out this weekend. Then there's that week with an article that we pesky Hurricane Ike in the didn't get in last week's gulf, and the computer issue. submitted an article and we didn't get it in the paper that country. week, don't feel like the Lone Ranger. It happened to this year have been duds as the publisher in last week's issue.

slow rains in Coke County haven't provided much for the past couple of weeks; damage to the areas they so I'll start with last week's have hit, at least in the article and add to it for this continental U.S. week.

holiday weekend came a very short day or so to try to get seem a little weird to people some area rainfall totals. Coke County was blessed once again to receive some our paper, but I have been showers and some heavy thunderstorms on Friday night (August 29) and into I arrived in Coke County early Saturday morning.

holiday weekend). I Spence.

heavier in the Bronte area. species like salt cedar in the The home football game Colorado River basin, and against Junction (on August conservation efforts by 29th) was called in the third ranchers upstream, the lake result of these storms varied level. The current level is from 2.5 to 3 inches in the somewhere near 13%. Bronte area.

If you've ever predictions have it coming pretty close to our part of the

by Hal Spain, Publisher

All of the hurricanes so far far as adding any moisture to our part of the state. The We have had some good, good news is that they also

We'll just keep hoping for With the long Labor Day the best, and maybe one will come our way. That may in other parts of the state who might pick up a copy of trying to get a hurricane to come through here ever since some twenty-five years ago. We have reports on At that time Lake Spence was anywhere from 1 inch to 1.6 somewhere in the inches of rainfall in the neighborhood of 60% full, a Robert Lee area (for the high point that we have never achieved since. Thanks to recorded 1 inch total at Lake some long-running droughts, draining salty water out of The storms were somewhat the lake, water hogging brush quarter due to lightning. The has never again attained that

I can remember former RL Rain is falling outside as I mayor Robert Vaughan write this column on stating that all we needed Wednesday, September 10th. was a two inch rain in the The county has received right place, and we'd have a another inch of slow rainfall, lake full of water again. and we have chances of Things have changed since precipitation through the that time, and I don't think made mowing the lawn a

two inches is going to do it weekly activity over the past A Quilt Show is also in the for us.

My solution to filling up the lake has always included a hurricane. I have stated repeatedly that if we could just get a hurricane to go to Big Spring, we'd have a lake full of water. I am assuming that if we could get a hurricane to go to Big Spring, then we'd have a six to twelve inch flood over our whole watershed area for Spence, which includes Big Spring, Colorado City, and the Snyder area. That would surely get the job done. Of course, it hasn't happened in the twenty-five years I've been here, but we keep hoping. Don't think it can't happen. In fact, we have another chance this weekend. The recent rainfall has

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quail and turkey.

have been received to date.

Medicare information meeting slated

Loraine Rios, senior specialist with Great American Senior Benefits, will be at the small Robert Lee Rec Hall on September 12 at 10:30 am. She will be there to discuss Medicare supplements, available plans, pricing and more.

several weeks. It has also works. If you are interested brought on a wealth of bugs. in participating in the quilt The newly hatched crop of show contact Leta Aldridge at insects, while a bother to 453-2360 or Toni Rainwater most residents, is a real boon at 453-4317. The Antique to our wildlife. These insects Car Show needs entries as are a buffet of treats to young well. To enter contact Dary! Copeland at 453-2380. There No reports of storm damage will also be a variety of musical entertainment this year. Tejano, Country, Bluegrass and Rock music will all be represented at the 2008 Street Affair.

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Due to the inadvertent destruction of past year's records of the vendors who have visited Robert Lee during the Street Affair, this organizers are year's requesting assistance. If you have any way of contacting

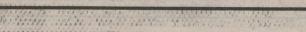


"The Home Place"! That is the title of the oil painting by Olene Strickland that will be auctioned off by the '64 Study Club on December 4.

Friday, September 12, 2008

Coke County Football ROBERT LEE STEERS VS. Garden City Bearkats 7:30 pm • Friday September 12 • Garden City

BRONTE LONGHORNS VS. **Rotan Yellowhammers** 7:30 pm • Friday September 12 • Bronte



Coke County Couples Golf **Tourney slated** There will be a Coke

County Couples Golf Tournament on September 20 and September 21. September Mountain Creek Golf Course 4. at Robert Lee. For more information, please call 473-2156 or 453-2317.

Robert Lee Street Affair Update

Several exciting things have been scheduled for the upcoming Robert Lee Street Affair on October 4. These include a Mariachi Band, Flamenco Dancers, and the 453-5503 for information. Lowriders from San Angelo.

vendors from previous Street Affairs, please contact Scott Smith, Rhonda Toland at 453-2125 or 277-5007, or Toni Rainwater at 453-4317.

Coke County Art Show slated

The Coke County Art Show 20 will be played at Singing will be held in connection Winds Golf Course at Bronte with the Robert Lee Street and on September 21 at Affair on Saturday, October

> The '64 Study Club, sponsor of the show, will accept entries on Friday, October 3, from 10 am to 5 pm.

> A \$5 entry fee will be accepted for each piece submitted. The Robert Lee State Bank is providing the first place cash prize. Call

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Obituaries

Cook

Doris Cook, 89, of Odessa, died September 5, 2008. She was born November 17, 1918, in Olney, Texas, to Murry George and Fannie Bell (Owen) Gilreath. At the age of 6 months they moved to Bronte, Texas, in a covered wagon, where she lived until she married Kenneth Marion Cook. They settled in Odessa, Texas, in 1957.

Doris was known for her sense of humor. When she made a friend, they were friends for life.

She was preceded in death by her parents and leaves behind two children, her son Kenneth Ray Cook and wife Rhonda of San Angelo, Texas, and her daughter Patricia Ann Pucik of Buchanan, Texas. She also leaves behind many wonderful friends and caregivers who have taken care of her during her long illness.

Graveside service was held Monday, September 8, 2008, at 1 pm at Fairview Cemetery, Bronte, Texas, with Pastor Corey Cornutt officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Clements-Wilcox Funeral Home of Marble Falls, Texas.

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...Art Show (Continued from front page)

The '64 Study Club will

Bronte Health & **Rehab** Auxiliary to meet

The Bronte Health and Rehab Center Auxiliary will meet at 1 pm on Thursday, September 18, in the living room at Bronte Health and Rehab Center. This is the first meeting for the 2008-2009 year and everyone is welcome to join this group to lend support to residents and their activities. Lunch will be served for a nominal fee. For more information, call Janet Wommack at 325-473-5388 or Lanette Fletcher at 325-473-6791.

Fort Chadbourne Special Cancellation

Postmark offered

In recognition of the 150th Anniversary of the Butterfield Overland Mail, the Fort Chadbourne Foundation, through the USPS has acquired a cancellation postmark for the day of the event on September 20, 2008. This unique postmark depicts a stagecoach and mules, along with the date and words Fort Chadbourne appearing on the postmark. Mail will be accepted at the event. If you are unable to attend, and wish your mail to have this one time collector's edition cancellation mark, you may mail your cards or letters inside another envelope to Fort Chadbourne, 651 Fort Chadbourne Road, Bronte, contact the following: 325-TX 76933, or the Post Office 468-0031 (bake off & salsa

postmark your mail on this special day. This is a cancellation postmark, so postage will need to be applied before mail can be sent. So don't forget to stamp your cards and letters appropriately. Also, post cards along with stamps will be available at the event. All mail must reach one of the above addresses no later than September 20, 2008 to qualify for the special postmark. Along with the cancellation stamp, collectors envelopes with matchings stamps will also be available for purchase.

The Fundraiser on September 20, 2008 benefits the Fort Chadbourne The event Foundation. begins at 5:30 p.m. with a steak dinner, live and silent auction, and a show starring Mr. Barry Corbin, star of movies and TV. The show will take place inside the ruins of the Butterfield Stage Stop depicting many of the actual events that happened at the stage stop, and an actual stagecoach pulled by mules will be used in the presentation. Also a Wells Fargo Stagecoach will be on static display along with other buggies. Tickets are \$100.00 per person and may be purchased by calling 325-473-5311 or 325-743-2555.

Miles Cotton **Festival set**

The 31st annual Miles Cotton Festival will be held September 13th. The event is sponsored by the Miles Preservation Authority.

Festivities begin at 6 am with the Miles Masonic Lodge Pancake Breakfast in the Weatherby Hall. Arts and crafts and food booths will open in the City Park at 9 am. Brisket, pork ribs and chicken cook-offs begin at 9 am in the MPA Park, followed by a parade through downtown Miles at 10 am.

The festival will conclude with a street dance from 8 pm to 1 am.

For more information, at USPS, 101 E. Nueces, contests), 325-468-3611 (arts Blackwell, TX 79506, along and crafts and food booths),

Edward Jones



Morning Surprise! Soon after sunrise on September 4, 2008, A.J. Roe III headed west for his third day to clear trees and brush on the Bob and June Gulley ranch, northwest of Robert Lee. As he topped a rise in the road, the owner of All-Texas Grubbing, Inc., saw a bright object in a tree about 20 feet above the ground. Mr. Roe thought it was a bird. Upon closer observation, it was a snake! Still more examination determined it to be a "huge rattlesnake".

Bob Gulley, Coke County rancher and former photojournalist, photographed, displaced and eliminated the five foot long tree dweller.

325-468-3501 (cook-offs) or visit the website www.milestexas.com.

Mtn. Creek Adult/Child golf tourney results announced

Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee recently hosted an adult/child golf tournament. Results are as follows. **Championship Flight**

1st) Jordan and Joe Digby, 2nd) (tie) Logan and Tim Philley, 2nd) (tie) A. Garza and David Hester; 3rd) Mason and Ricky Ross. First Flight

1st) Jordan and Kerry Gartman, 2nd) Jansen and Rick Digby, 3rd) Beacham and Beacham. Second Flight

1st) Justin and Frankie Gartman, 2nd) Josh Tennison and Bill Blair, 3rd) Meagan and Becky Ross.

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 Dale Patterson, 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. Corey Cornutt, 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. 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. George Bradley, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School 10:50 am Worship Wed. 6 pm Choir Iglesia Bautista Bethel 101 Houston • Robert Lee (325) 763-9208 • 320-1354 Sun. 10 am • Worship 11 am & 6 pm • Service Wed. 7 pm

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 508 •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) 453-2482 Jim Dominey, 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

sell tickets for a drawing on December 4 for an original oil painting by Olene Strickland entitled "The Home Place." The painting has a West Texas setting. This generous donation will allow scholarships to be awarded to a graduating RLHS senior. The painting is currently on view at the Coke County Library.

BHS Class of 1948

The 1948 Senior class of Bronte High School will have a 60 year reunion on homecoming day, Friday, September 12, 2008.

Class members will meet at the Housing Authority recreation room from noon Friday, September 12, until midnight. Visitors are welcome.

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

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Gavel passes to **BHS** teacher

(Editor's Note: This article originally appeared in the August 27, 2008 issue of the Borden Star, a weekly newspaper in Gail, Texas).

When former Ag-Science teacher Sid Long left Borden county schools, he took the same position at Robert Lee, Texas. In 1976-1977, one of his students was a sophomore boy named Buddy. Buddy Wallace. Yes, that Buddy Wallace.

Wallace is now entering his 26th year teaching at Borden County, but as of July 31, he is beginning a prestigious year-long term as President of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, or VATAT.

Serving as President is an honor of big-size proportion: Texas boasts over 1,500 Ag-Science teachers. One of VATAT's family branches-the FFA -counts over 60,000 student members and is growing.

Wallace accepts the challenge of leadership in multi-faceted this organization.

"The bottom line is that we all work together to promote the education of our youth," said Wallace.

VATAT is a sixty-member board which meets four times annually at its headquarters in Austin.

Wallace has served nine years on the board. His peers elected him to the fiveyear leadership commitment. After serving as President this year, Wallace will return to chair committees in his role as Past President and then to chair the Texas FFA Board.

As this year's President, Wallace fills a position that demands public speaking skills, in-depth knowledge of the organization's goals, and even some legislative savvy. "There may be

opportunities when the Texas

behalf of all Ag. Programs," said Wallace. "It's sort of like being the mouthpiece for become a focus of VATAT. the organization."

important role as far more than a chance to persuade politicians. He wants to persuade more young Ag-Science teachers across the by outgoing President Alton state to become involved in Mitchell, Vo-Ag instructor at VATAT.

tackle this next year is one of historical implications as the promoting membership to our first woman officer, Sandra young teachers. professional organization, in VATAT offers so many President. benefits to teachers. In turn, Wallace will be on hand to those benefits help our see history as he passes the students," said Wallace.

The Big Picture. And Wallace the Texas organization. sees the big picture as including, the recruiting, have taken Wallace to retaining, and development of Arkansas this summer to future Ag-Science teachers in attend the Region II (Texas, Texas. For perhaps the first Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma, time in the state's history, a Louisiana, New Mexico and shortage exists in this field. Colorado) meeting of the Wallace wants to address that Agriculture Association of in his platform.

Wallace. If we can institute a December for the national massive mentorship training AAE meeting. program, we can have a great the Vo-Ag programs.

Wallace should know. was Mr. Long who years ago Wallace. had the kind of influence to

legislature returns to session which Wallace is referring in January 2009 to testify on when he passionately talks about mentoring.

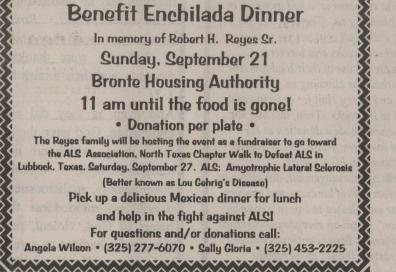
Leadership training has This year the organization Those closest to Wallace hosted the first ever VATAT know that he views this leadership training in Corpus Christi.

At the induction ceremonies held the last week in July, Wallace was given the gavel Eastland High School. The "The challenge I want to ceremony also had some As a Choate of Athens, was sworn as VATAT's Vice-Next year, gavel to Choate who will be His mantra for 2008-2009: the first woman President of

Presidential responsibilities Educators. He will travel to "Mentoring is the key," said Charlotte, North Carolina in

"I feel blessed to have such impact on the future of all of support of our board and administrators to allow me to It fulfill this position," said

Borden County's



administration is quick to point out their reason for being so supportive.

"Buddy is a man of integrity, said Superintendent Jimmy Thomas. "He is the role model we are looking for in a teacher."

(Editor's note): Buddy Wallace is the son of Jewell and the late J.C. Wallace of Robert Lee. He is married to Kip Wallace, the daughter of Beth Prather of Robert Lee.

Check Out Coke County Library

September is Library Card Sign Up Month. Actually, every month is library card sign up month. Signing up at the Coke County Library is free. Once your information is recorded, it is not necessary to have your card in hand to check out books.

The recently acquired Loan Star Library books and books on CD's will cover many interests including biographies, reference books on health. science, social science, sports and other non fiction titles. CD's include westerns, detective, and recent best sellers. These funds come from federal funds allocated to state libraries to be allocated among public libraries across the state.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12: Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; and Fridays, 8-12. Books may be returned to the Main St. Market in Bronte and to the 24/7 book drop on the library porch. Call 453-2495 for information.

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CCRT meeting set The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, September 15, 2008. The noon luncheon meetng will be held at the

Bronte. Bronte Secondary Campus Site-Based meeting held

First Baptist Church in

A Bronte Secondary Campus Site-Baed meeting was held on September 3, 2008, at 3:45 pm in the school library.

Review of Academic Rating and Campus Improvement Plan 2008-2009. It was discussed.

There would be 3 campus site-based meetings a year. The campus improvement plan is a living document. The committee reviewed 07-08 goals and summative The Student goals. Assessment Team was discussed. Sub-groups from the CIP were examined (econ. Dis.). Goal 1-Last year, 07-08, was the first year 8th grade science was included. All 8th grade, ESL, and Spec. Ed students took a test and were included in scores.

Goal 2—All secondary teachers are highly qualified.

Goal 3—Mr. Bedford is working on safety plan. We are being proactive in approaches.

Goal 4—Bronte ISD has had few dropouts in the past years. State requirements for graduation have increased. SSI and other initiatives make it more important for teachers to be concerned about student success. We need to look at promoting graduation—minimum plan/recommended plan.

Goal 5—We have sitebased meetings, Texas Scholars, Athletic Booster Club, Elem, Booster Club. It was suggested to the group to come up with other initiatives to promote communication between parents and the school.

Goal 6 The attendance rate for Bronte ISD was 95.83%. Bronte Secondary will look at having class competitions for yearly attendance. Goal 7—Bronte ISD participated in random drug testing for students involved in categories to be Recognized -College Prep classes are

focused on reaching standard. -Implementing Action plan for ESL in CIP.

-ideas regarding community/parent/school partnerships to help with outside needs (school supplies—xmas.) —Mr. Cooper inquired

about a possible tracking system. -maybe a website -reunion after 2-3 years

(food) -get info. from students



Helpful Sleep Habits for Back To School Students

As the new school year gets underway, it is more important for students to be getting enough sleep. Teachers and administrators

be across the nation are discussing ways to prevent are our yawning, sleep-deprived ard. students from nodding off in class. While school districts stay up late debating possible ng solutions, parents can make a difference and take pro-active with steps at home to alleviate ool their student's daytime fatigue.

According to the Better Sleep Council, a non-profit organization dedicated to educating the public on the importance of quality sleep to good health, the first step in helping kids from dozing off in school begins at home.

We often tell parents that educating their child about how to get a good night's sleep is as important as teaching them proper hygiene and nutrition.

One very important thing you can do to help your child sleep better is create a sleepsmart bedroom environment. Here are a few things you should bear in mind to make your sleep environment more restful:

* Mattress/Foundation

If your child has trouble falling asleep or complains of tossing and turning throughout the night, you should consider their mattress

Truly wonderful and amazing are accurate descriptive words for our friends and family in Coke County and surrounding areas! We are simply overwhelmed and humbled by the outpouring of love and concern shown us since Bruce's lung cancer diagnosis in early May. Our special thanks to everyone who had any part in the recent tremendous benefit held for us. Thank you to the

organizers, bake sale workers, volleyball concessions workers and the Longbranch Barbecue cooks and workers.

Thanks to Rick and Kay Styles for the use of their business, the bank for the bake sale site, the school for allowing us to have the tournament concession stand, and Kerry Hall for ordering and keeping the products supplied to the cooks. Then, last but not least, thank you to everyone who made a donation at the

Longbranch, purchased a bake sale item, visited the volleyball concession, or purchased an FCA t-shirt.

Thank you for all the cards, words of encouragement, donations to the special bank account, and other acts of kindness and concern shown us. We are so fortunate and blessed to live in a county where "neighbor helping neighbor" is still an everyday occurrence. We covet your continued prayers as Bruce continues cancer treatment. Again, our heartfelt thanks to everybody

for everything done for us!!! Bruce & Fran Sonnenberg



might be stealing their sleep. The Better Sleep Council urges parents to take some time and consider whether their child's mattress is still doing its job - providing adequate comfort and support. It is important to remember that as children's bodies grow and change, so does their mattress needs. The size that was right when you first bought their mattress may no longer be appropriate. Likewise, parents should not give their hand-me-down teens bedding. A good rule of thumb: If a bed is no longer good enough for you, it's not good enough for your teens, either.

* Lighting

Keep the room dark - light is one of the most powerful time cues. The rising sun can stimulate the brain into wakefulness long before the alarm goes off. A dark room is the most conducive for a good night's sleep.

* Noise

Be aware of noise - from the TV, loud conversation or music, for example - that could interrupt your child's sleep or prevent him or her from sleeping. Steady, low sounds like the whir of a fan or air conditioner can be helpful because they help block out other noises.

* Temperature

Keep the room at the ideal temperature - about 60 to 65 degrees Fahrenheit. A room that's too hot or too cold can disrupt sleep.

Be sure and try these new ideas and help your child get a good night sleep!



Destroying the Foundations of Society

If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do. • *Psalms 11:3*

Results of Ignoring God's Word

For <u>what if some did not believe?</u> Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect? Certainly not! Indeed, <u>let God be true but every man a liar</u>, as it is written: that you may be justified in your words, and may overcome when you are judged. • *Romans 3:3-4*

Because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. • Romans 1:21

And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness they are whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful; who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them. • Romans 1:28-32

Nations and Ideas (Evolution) Have Risen and Fallen, but God and His Word Still Stands

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. • I Corinthians 3:11

Goal 8—Formulate career goals for students. 90% of 08 seniors took an ACT or SAT test.

in extracurricular activities.

Goal 9—Improve prep and maintain high percentage of student success.

Goal 10—Continue to increase usage and availability of technology to all students.

Goal 11—BISD offers accelerated instruction in summer school. BISD accelerates students with the curriculum.

RATINGS—Bronte Secondary was Academically Acceptable for 2007-2008 -have to be 75% or above Odessa's NEW Ratliff Ranch Golf Links is open and ready for you to take your best shot. The beautifully renovated 18-hole course, grill, clubhouse, pro shop and new tournament pavilion are waiting...for you!

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For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. • *Matthew* 5:18

But the word of the Lord endures forever. Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you. • I Peter 1:25

We are Destroying Moral Values on Which Civilization is Built Upon (i.e. Ten Commandments)

Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Woe to men mighty at drinking wine, woe to men valiant for mixing intoxicating drink, who justify the wicked for a bribe, and take away justice from the righteous man! • Isaiah 5:20-23

This Topic Continued Next Week!

Victory Assembly of God Corner of 6th & Houston • Robert Lee Pastor Irving Smith



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GOLF LINKS

Remembering **Caroline Byrd** Johnson of Hayrick

By Jane Austin Bruckner Do you know where your Coke County grandmothers are buried? You may need to look for them. First, check in the Coke County Cemetery Book, by Copeland and Smith, to see if their names are listed. If not, then you must go to the cemetery and look for them. I knew Caroline Mills Byrd Johnson was buried in Hayrick Cemetery, Coke County, but she is not listed in the cemeteries book. However, her third husband, is listed; A(lbert) B(yron) Johnson. Also, their Baby Johnson is listed. When I couldn't find Caroline in the cemetery book, I went looking for her. I found the inscription !!! Please add Caroline Mills Byrd Johnson died July 19, 1892, buried at Hayrick, to the Coke County Cemetery book.

Caroline Mills Byrd Johnson who died July 19, 1892 was buried at Hayrick Cemetery in Coke County. Born 1824 in Tennessee, married John Byrd in Henry County Tennessee on Dec 4, 1842. They lived in Carroll County Tennessee and had three children there: James Franklin Byrd, Nannie Francis Byrd and Anna Bell Byrd. In 1850, she divorced James Byrd, married William Wilson in 1853. They were on the way to Gonzales, Texas, when Wilson died and she gave birth to their daughter Sallie Wilson in San Antonio on March 01, 1854. Caroline's parents, James and Mary Terrell Mills from Tennessee then lived in Gonzales. Caroline's Dad, James Mills, entered the Republic of Texas Army on February 23 1836 at Gonzales, Texas in Captain McFarland's Company A the First Regiment of Artillery. Served two years. He and his wife are buried in Gonzales Texas.

Caroline came to present day Coke County with third

with a wrought iron fence. Also, in nearby graves are

Caroline's son: James Franklin Byrd and his

wife Eliza Elizabeth May Byrd. A Texas Historical grave marker recognizes James Byrd's service in the Civil War. Their graves are enclosed by a wrought iron fence. In nearby graves are Caroline's daughter: Nannie Francis Byrd Caraway and her husband, Wiley T. Caraway, enclosed with a wrought iron fence.

Gratitude goes to Mrs. Riley Waldrop who helped me find the inscription recently. We are indebted to the women who spent untold time and resources to compile the valuable Coke 4555 or Child Find at 325-County Cemeteries book, and we thank the families who maintain the cemeteries.

Child Find

Do you know of a child ages 0-21 who shows signs offering free English as a of developmental delay, ongoing learning problems, behavioral or medial

problems that interfere with learning.

Child Find is the ongoing process of lacting students with disabilities for special education services. The **Region 15 Education Service** Center coordinates efforts with local school districts to assist in the identification of students with disabilities for special education services according to the procedures established by the Commissioner of Education and the Texas Education Agency.

Public Education in Texas is for Every Child. Don't leave any child behind.

For more information, call the Robert Lee ISD at 453-658-6571.

Howard College to offer free **ESL** classes

Howard College will be Second Language classes to residents of Coke County beginning in October.

The Observer/Enterprise Friday, September 12, 2008 Page 5 English as a Second Coke. Las clases comienzan Language (ESL) classes provide instruction for nonnative speakers of English. ESL instruction ranges from providing basic language

and life skills for complete beginners to helping advanced students refine their English in preparation for higher education, vocational training, or a career. Reading, writing, listening, speaking, and grammar are included in ESL instruction. Evening classes will be held at Robert Lee High School twice a week and will be taught by certified ESL teachers. Anyone living in Robert Lee, Bronte, or the surrounding area is encouraged to attend. No ID required. Please call the Robert Lee School at 453-4555 if interested, as there must be a minimum number of students in order for

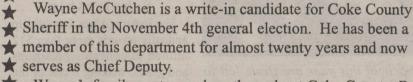
classes to be provided. Howard College ofrecerá clases de ingles para los residentes del condado de *********************************

en octubre. Las clases se extienden de la lengua básica y las habilidades de la vida para los principiantes a los estudiantes avanzados con la oportunidad para que refinen su ingles con objeto de una educación más alta, de la formación profesional o de una La lectura, la carrera. escritura y la gramática se incluyen en la instrucción del ESL. Las clases serán en la secundaria de Robert Lee dos veces por semana. Si esta interesado llame por favor a la escuela de Robert Lee al número 453-4555. Debe de haber un mínimo de 10 estudiantes para que las clases sean proporcionadas.

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Wayne's family roots run deep throughout Coke County. Both of his parents were born and raised in Coke County, his mother at Silver and his father at Hayrick. He is married to Melinda, his wife of twenty-seven years and a 1980 Coke County graduate. The McCutchens returned home to Coke County to raise their children. The couple has two daughters, Morgan and Ashley, who started school here and graduated from Bronte ★ High School in 2002 and 2005, respectively. Morgan graduated ★ from Angelo State University in 2005 and serves as editor of ★ the Observer/Enterprise. She recently married Jarrett Webb. * Ashley is a student at Angelo State University pursuing a T degree in communications.

A true believer in the motto "To Protect and Serve", Wayne sees his position as a law enforcement officer as more of a

calling, rather than a job or even a career. The safety and security of Coke County citizens is a grave responsibility to him.

tu Over the last two decades, Wayne has oftentimes been the one called when a crisis develops or tragedy strikes. He's dealt with family violence, burglaries, automobile accidents, child abuse, death notifications, etc. He's done this with honor, integrity, dedication, and a deep sense of compassion. On the other hand, Wayne is known for his sense of humor. This trait serves him especially well as he interacts with Coke County's young people or when a tense situation needs to be defused. Though known as a nice guy, people know where he stands and where he draws the line. Because he treats those with whom he comes in contact in a professional capacity with dignity, he usually comes away with their respect and cooperation.

With years of law enforcement training under his belt, Wayne is a fully certified peace officer in the State of Texas who has been offered many opportunities to work with other departments. He never accepted one of those positions because he feels a loyalty to Coke County. As he will tell you, "I've never had a desire to be a ★ police officer anywhere other than Coke County. The people of Coke County are the ones I wish to serve." Through his experience in the department, Wayne is knowledgeable in all aspects and duties required of the sheriff, from budgets to scheduling and personnel. He knows what it takes to protect this county -a county with two cities, one community and two lakes – with limited manpower and limited funding. As those who have worked with Wayne will tell you, he has a remarkable work ethic and very little patience X with colleagues who do not. If elected as Sheriff, he promises the citizens of Coke County that they will have a professional and courteous law enforcement office. He, along with his officers, will strive to keep Coke County a safe and peaceful environment in which to live and work.



husband, Albert Byron Johnson about 1857. They had five children: William Alfred Johnson was born in 1860, died two months He is buried at later. Hayrick. His small headstone has a lamb on top, with inscription: Baby Johnson. There was no date: but family knows he was buried in 1860. This is the oldest grave in Hayrick. Albert Byron Johnson died March 4, 1888 and is buried at Hayrick. His gravestone is a white square marble column, with a Masonic symbol above his name? When Caroline died July 19, 1892, her name was inscribed C.M. (for Caroline Mills) wife of A.B. Johnson. Their graves are surrounded

If you vote for Wayne, you can rest assured you are voting for experience, stability, responsibility and loyalty to all the citizens of Coke County.

Write-In Vayne McCutchen Coke County Sheriff For





BJH Cheerleaders! Cheering for Bronte Junior High School this year are (from left to right) Jael Williams (8th grade), Brooke Bedford (8th grade), Erika Puentez (8th grade), Courtney Wyatt (7th grade), Bailey McGlothlin (7th grade) and Rachel Everheart (7th grade).



Breakfast Monday, September 15 Cereal, mixed fruit, toast, jelly, milk Tuesday, September 16 French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk Wednesday, September 17 Sausage rolls, pineapple

tidbits, milk Thursday, September 18 Donut, assorted juice,

toast, jelly, milk Friday, September 19

Peanut buter & jelly sandwich, assorted juice, milk

Lunch Monday, September 15 Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, carrot coins, fresh apple, hot roll, milk

Longhorns take down the Lions

by Coach Kevin Burns The Bronte Longhorns defeated the Roby Lions this past Friday by a score of 35-0. Things went well early for the Horns as they jumped on a Lion fumble on their opening drive and turned it into points. The first score for the Horns came on a Dakota Rawls pass to Lahne Burns from 16 yards out. The PAT from Ernesto Casillas was good and the Horns led 7-0. Just as the first period was about to end, Rawls scored from 50 yards out. Earlier in the period he scored on a long run but it was brought back due to a penalty. This closed out the first period with Bronte leading 14-0.

After pinning the Lions on their next possession, the Roby punter bobbled the snap and tried to escape around the left side of the line, but Louie Martinez made a nice play and tackled him short of the first down and gave the Horns great field position. A few plays later Sam Rawlings scored from 10 yards out and Casillas booted the extra point and the Horns led 21-0. Roby again fumbled the ball around midfield and the Horns drove the ball down to the 12 yard line where Rawls scored again on a bootleg as he outran the Roby defenders to the corner of the endzone. This made the score 28-0 at halftime.

first actual drive of the evening. The Lions moved the ball to first and goal from the three yard line, but the Horn defense stiffened and kept the Lions out of the end zone. The Horns were able to move the ball out of their territory and change the field position battle. The big play on this drive was a screen play to Eddie May that covered 44 yards.

Early in the fourth quarter the Longhorns scored their final touchdown on a May run from 2 yards out and the Casillas PAT made the final score 35-0.

Tonight the Horns play their Homecoming game against the Rotan Yellowhammers who are 1-1 this season. Rotan defeated the Winters Blizzards last week 32-13 in the finale of the Sammy Baugh Classic in Sweetwater. Kickoff is set for 7:30 pm tonight. See ya there!

SAT Reasoning Test must least a "B" average and participate includes a required writing done online at you may pick up a registration packet in the counselor's office.

Fee waivers are available to junior and senior students who qualify for free or reduced lunches. Call or see Mrs. Timmerman, counselor for more information. Please keep in mind that the ACT and SAT tests will be offered several times throughout the spring semester. The ACT test is offered at Bronte High School in October, April and June. Free study guides are available in the counselor's office. The high school library has practice test preparation books available to students. The ACT and SAT websites also have free practice items available online. For more information, please call the BHS counselor's office at 473-2521.

Horatio Alger Scholarship

The Horatio Alger Scholarship annually awards more than \$12 million in college scholarships and grants, making it one of the nation's largest scholarship providers. Scholarships are provided to students throughout the nation who have financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Scholarship criteria also include high school graduation in spring/summer of 2009, commitment to pursue a bachelor's degree, and United States citizenship. Students may submit online applications at www.horatioalger.com/scholarsh ips. The deadline to apply is October 30, 2008.

Wendy's High School Heisman Award

For the past fourteen years, Wendy's Restaurants have teamed up with the Heisman Memorial trophy Committee to create the Wendy's High School Heisman Award. The award honors both male and female high school students who excel in academics, athletics, and student leadership. Eligibility is limited exclusively to men and women entering their senior year of high school in the 2008-2009 academic year who have at

register before September 9th in at least one school-sponsored in order to avoid late fees. sport. Students may apply online The cost of the SAT at www.wendysheisman.com. The Reasoning test is \$45.00 and deadline to apply is October 1, 2008. Free Wendy's \$5 to \$50 gift portion. Registration may be cards will be awarded to the first 41,000 applicants. For more www.collegeboard.com or information, please visit the web site or the scholarship bulletin board at Bronte High School.

Coca-Cola Scholarship

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation is awarding 250 scholarships to current high school (or home-schooled) seniors attending school in the United States. Seniors who carried a 3.0 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school are eligible. Students may apply online at www.cocacolascholars.org.

The deadline to apply is October 31. More information is available on the scholarship bulletin board at Bronte High School.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund now open

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF), the nation's preeminent organization supporting Latino higher education, announced today scholarship applications for the 2009-2010 academic year will be available online beginning September 1, 2008. Current and prospective students may apply online at APPLY.HSF.NET.

To be eligible for HSF's General College Scholarship Program, applicants must be: a U.S. citizen or legal resident planning to enroll full-time in a degree-seeking program at an accredited institution of higher learning in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam or the U.S. Virgin Islands and have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

By filling out an HSF application, a student automatically is considered for more than 3,000 different scholarships. Applications are available only online. There no longer are any paper application forms.

The online system allows a student to begin an application in a file that can be accessed and revised again later, prior to completion. The finished application must be submitted prior to the February 18, 2009 deadline.

Tuesday, September 16

Crispy taco with cheese, lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, taco shells, banana pudding, milk Wednesday, September 17 Chicken noodle soup, grill cheese sandwich, fresh broccoli with ranch, strawberries & bananas, crackers, milk

Thursday, September 18

Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, tossed salad, peaches, Texas toast

Friday, September 19

Chicken patty sandwich, tator tots, ranch style beans, assorted fruit, bun, pink panther cake, milk

After muffing the second half kickoff, the Lions

ACT and SAT **Test Deadlines**

Students interested in taking the October 25, 2008 ACT test must register by September 19, 2008 in order to avoid late fees. Students may register online at www.actstudent.org or pick up an application in the high school counselor's office. The cost of the ACT test is \$31.00 or \$46.00 if a student registers for the ACT Plus Writing test. If someone is unsure which test to sign up for, please consult the high school counselor.

Students interested in recovered and went on their taking the October 4, 2008

High school seniors, with a GPA of 3.3 or higher, may also apply to the Gates Millennium Scholars Program. A separate application is required for this program and can be found at www.gmsp.org.



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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NE

Steers trap the Panthers

By Tom Sawyer First home game of the season results in Steers first win. The Steers put on a show on offense and defense that can only make you want more football and fans there will be a lot more exciting football to come this season. Two defensive touchdowns came in the 2nd quarter by Stetson Nesbit and Haden Dillard on one interception and one fumble return respectively and some great defense and tackling led by Michael Rodriguez and Josh Gallegos. Follow the Steers this week when they travel to Garden City.

Scoring summary 1st quarter

Steers - 14 yard run by Gallegos with 4:37 left,

Gallegos PAT kick **Robert Lee - 8**

Panther Creek - 0

2nd quarter

Steers - 24 yard Interception by Nesbitt with 9:50 left, Gallegos PAT kick; Steers - 19 yard Fumble return by Dillard with 8:56 left, Gallegos PAT kick;

Panthers - 42 yard run with 6:57 left, PAT kick failed;

Steers - 78 yard run by Gallegos with 6:40 left, PAT kick failed;

Steers - 51 yard run by Gallegos with 5:40 left, Gallegos PAT kick; Panthers - 5 yard pass with



Juice, muffin, cereal, milk

Gallegos with 4:25 left, PAT for further notices from the kick failed; Steers - 37 yard pass from student's teachers/coaches.

left, Gallegos kick **Robert Lee - 52** Panther Creek - 12

3rd quarter Steers - 1 yard run by school on Monday, Sept. 15. Gallegos with 5:25 left, Game over

Robert Lee - 58 Panther Creek - 12

Steer Statistics

Stetson Nesbit - 1 reception for 9 yds., 4 tackles and 1 sack, 1 fumble recovery and 1 interception for 24 yd. TD; Jeremy Martinez - 3 receptions for 81 yds., and 1 TD, 1 tackle and 3 hurries;

Josh Gallegos - 15 carries for 159 yds., and 4 TD's, 2 for 2 passing for 43 Yds., 6 tackles and 1 fumble recovery;

22 yds., 1 reception for 18 yds., 3 tackles, 2 hurries, and 1 fumble recovery for 19 yd. TD;

Michael Rodriquez - 5 tackles and 1 interception with 20 yd. return;

Blake Millican - 4 tackles: K W Roe - 1 tackle; Cody Brosh - 1 carry, 4 for

6 passing for 72 yds. 1 interception and 1 TD, 1 reception for 7 yds., and 3 tackles.

Good luck against Garden City! Go Steers!

RL school pictures slated for Sept. 15

school website and notes from Brosh to Martinez with 1:16 Order envelopes will be sent home for sports packets the week before the actual picture day. Please bring these order envelopes to

RL Project Grad selling pizza kits

Robert Lee Project Graduation 2009 is hosting a Little Caesar Pizza Kit fundraiser now through September 22. Orders can be placed through any Robert Lee Senior, by email to ross052381@msn.com, or by phone to 453-4671.

RLHS Homecoming slated September 19

The Robert Lee High School homecoming will be September 19. There will be Haden Dillard - 1 carry for a parade through downtown Robert Lee beginning at 2. The community is invited to participate in the parade with floats or other entries.

This year's theme will be "Rock the Red Devils". The parade will end at the high school where a pep rally will be held at 2:50 pm.

The football game will be against the Rankin Red Devils at 7:30 pm.

RL FCCLA to host brisket dinner

The Robert Lee FCCLA will be hosting a brisket dinner on Friday, September 19, 2008, before the ticket or for more information call Sheri Millican at 453-4555. **Order Swine**

Validation Tags

Any 4-H or FFA members who plans on showing swine at a major stock show (Fort Worth, San Angelo, San Antonio or Houston) must order validation tags by September 21, 2008.

Please call the Extension office at 453-2461 to place your order. If you are showing only at the county show you will not need to order validation tags.

RL Homecoming activities slated

There will be several homecoming activities slated the week of September 15-19. The Burning of the RL will be Wednesday, September 17, at 8 pm behind the school in the back parking lot. "Rock the Red Devils" Homecoming dress up days for Pre-K through 12th grade are as follows. Monday- School Pictures Day, Tuesday- Rock Star Day, Wednesday- Class Color Day (each class will select a color to wear), Thursday- Dress the 80's Day, Friday- Steer Spirit Day. A Homecoming parade and Friday, September 19.

RLISD Board of Trustees hold

special meeting

On Wednesday, August 27, 2008, a special meeting was held in the Robert Lee High School Library of the public school building at 7 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Roe.

Members Present: K. Roe, I. Torres, W. Washam, J. Roberts, B. Brosh, T. Reed, T. Sawyer Members Absent: None

At 7:03 p.m. meeting called to order by President Roe, quorum of members present.

Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate & Budget.

Invocation and pledge led by Kevin Roe.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2008 meeting seconded by Irma Torres. Motion carried.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to accept the financial report, pay the bills and approve budget amendments as presented seconded by Brandi Brosh. Motion carried.

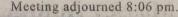
Tod Reed made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 Budget by function seconded by Wes Washam. Motion carried. Jeffie Roberts made a motion to approve Board Resolution explaining intent to exceed or fall short of proposed expenditure targets established by the Commissioner of Education. Motion seconded by Irma Torres. Motion carried. Wes Washam made a motion to designate \$900,000 of fund balance seconded by Tom Sawyer. Motion carried.

Brandi Brosh made a motion to adopt the 2008-2009 M&O Tax Rate by Ordinance as \$1.04 and approve the 2008-2009 I&S Tax Rate by Ordinance as .44 pep rally will also be held on cents for a total Tax Rate of \$1.48. Motion seconded by Tod Reed. Motion carried.

> Discussion was held regarding the central heat and air in gymnasium.

Supt. Hood gave an update on the construction plan and first week of school.

Next regular school board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 7 pm.





ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL

Friday September 12 7:30 pm Garden City

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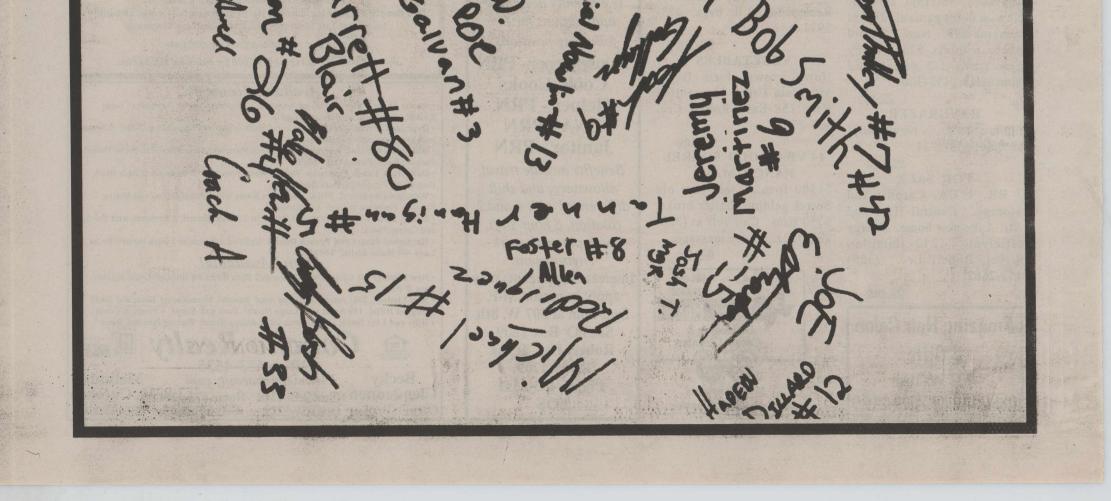
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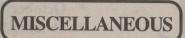
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402 E. 3rd, Robert Lee. Weather permitting. Fri. 12th & Sat. 13th, 9-5. Dearborn heater, vacuum, lots of misc. Mens: large: shirts, belts, slacks (new & nearly new), shoes size 9. Ladies: small jeans, slacks, blouses, blazers, large bras (some new), size 14 dresses size 7 shoes and boots. Cheap prices!

> <u>09-1tp</u> **ESTATE SALE**

Friday & Saturday, 8 am-?. White trailer behind Rangel's in Robert Lee. 09-1tp



ORDINANCE #444 Fixing and levying a Tax for the year 2008 Upon all City Property within the Corporate Limits of the City of Blackwell, Texas. BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Blackwell, Texas:

Section 1. That the budget for fiscal year 2008-2009

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having been presented, approved, and adopted on the 2nd day of September, 2008, there is now and hereby fixed, levied, and assessed, and ordered collected on each hundred dollars valuation of all taxable property, real, personal, and mixed within the corporate limits of the City of Blackwell for the TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT THE SUM OF \$0.20628 dollars apportioned and divided as follows and composed of the following specific levies, in the amount and for the purpose following:

(a) For the General Funds-\$0.20628 on each \$100.00 valuation of property.

READ, VOTED UPON. PASSED AND ADOPTED BY unanimous vote of "AYE" as an emergency measure, which takes effect from and after its present reading and adoption this 2nd day of September, 2008.

> Ronald Harris, Mayor ATTEST: Barbara Kelley, **City Secretary** 09-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County is taking bids for a 1998 or newer 12-15 yard dump truck with tarp, Cummins engine, spring suspension. Bids will be taken until Sept. 15, 2008, 9:00 am. Send bids to Coke County Clerk. 13 East 7th, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. 08-2tc

Ingram Concrete, a division of U.S. Concrete, Inc. now hiring full-time positions at both of our Sand and Gravel operations 1816 Double Barrel Road, Bronte, Texas 76933 1251 Valley View Road, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 Wage Reviews after 90 days and 1 year 40 Hours per Week Guaranteed Two Weeks Paid Vacation After 1 Year Full Benefit Package including: Health Insurance w/Dental, Disability Insurance, Life Insurance, 401k w/Company Matching Come be a part of our growing company. Apply in person or call (325) 473-2090 for additional information. Available Homes! • Austin Stone 2 Story! 2 Living Areas and 2 Fireplaces! Master Downstairs! Large Kitchen with Island! 6.7 Acres with Barn!!! • Oversized Living Area! Fireplace and Built-In Shelves! Large Master Suite! Sunroom leads to covered patio! Double Garage! • Hillcrest Addition! 4 Bedroom 2 Bath Rock Home with Metal Roof! Hardwood Floors! Enclosed Patio! Fenced Yard! \$60's!!! • Oak Creek Lake! Panoramic Views! Water Frontage! 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Brick Home with Fireplace! Boat Dock!!! • Woodlawn Addition! Brick 3 Bedroom Home with Formal Living and Dining Rooms! Fireplace in Den! Sun Room!!! • Stucco 2 Story with Acreage! 4 Bedroom 2.5 Bath Home! 6.5+ Acres with Storage and Carport/Barn! \$90's!! · Hardwood Floors and French Doors! Updated 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home! Extra

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CONSTABLE **PRECINCTS 1 & 3** Marshall Millican (Dem.) **COKE COUNTY** SHERIFF Randall Jacks (Dem.) George Brickey (Rep.) Wayne McCutchen

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> <u>03-tnc</u> **HOUSE FOR SALE**

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<u>09-tnc</u> FOR SALE **TRITICALE SEED** Recleaned, 50 lb. bags. 473-

cameras \$90. New Polaroid photo printers \$25. Many new items 1/2 price! Ed Martindale, 473-3004.

<u>22-tnc</u> HAYGRAZER Square bales. New Crop. \$5/bale. 453-2731.

<u>05-tnc</u> FOR SALE

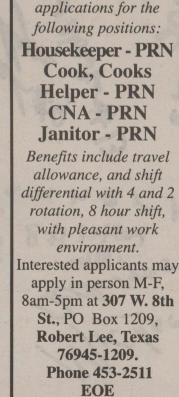
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3977. 09-3tc VEGETABLES Home grown, farm fresh. Mountain Creek Mercantile, Hwy 158 East, Robert Lee. 453-2731. <u>05-tnc</u> **14 YEAR OLD SORREL RANCH MARE** \$1500 firm. 2 1/2 year old Sorrel gelding, halter broke, \$750 firm. Call Jeff at (325) 282-3321. Leave message. 07-4tc

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM HAWLEY ALLEN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of WILLIAM HAWLEY ALLEN were issued on September 2, 2008, in Cause No. 1715, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to: **BOBBIE ALLEN**

The residence of such Executrix is Coke County, Texas. The mailing adress for the Executrix is:

BOBBIE ALLEN 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 **SEPTEMBER 2, 2008.** NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR Attorney for the Estate <u>09-1tc</u>

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The City of Robert Lee will hold a meeting at 6:00 pm on September 23, 2008, at Robert Lee City Hall, 6 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2008. The proposed tax rate is 0.037978 per \$100 of value.

09-1tc WEST COKE COUNTY **HOSPITAL DISTRICT DBA ROBERT LEE CARE CENTER NON-**

DISCRIMINATION POLICY Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Americans Disability Act of 1975, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, provides that no person in the United States, on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, age, sex, or handicap, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any of our programs, activities, financial assistance programs, admission policies, training programs, or employment practices. It is the policy of this facility that admission, recruitment, employment, and all administrative practices be conducted in compliance with Grievance these Acts. procedures for all personnel have been implemented for resolving complaints that provide for immediate levels of discussion fact finding, hearing and appeal to the administrator, if necessary, without fear of reprisal of any form. Any person who feels he or she has not received treatment in accordance with our policies and practices may submit a complaint to the person or agencies listed below: State Department of Health Office for Civil Rights Telephone Number:

800/868-1019 Facility Administrator Telephone Number: 325/453-2511 Area Ombudsman Telephone Number:

325/944-9666 Our non-discrimination policies are provided to our employees and residents upon employment/admission. A copy is posted on our resident and

employee bulletin boards. Contact the administrator or his/her designee for a copy of information relative to how this policy is disseminated to persons with disabilities (sight/hearing impaired, language barriers/translation, etc.).

Initial employment orientation and annual in-service training programs are provided to our staff relative to our established non-discrimination policies and procedures.

<u>09-1tc</u> Miranda Lambert and Blake Shelton to perform charity concert in Abilene

Country music sensations Miranda Lambert and Blake Shelton will be performing an acoustic set in an intimate setting at the Legends Country Concert Sunday, September 14 in Abilene, Texas. Lambert and Shelton will be performing to help raise funds for Hendrick Children's Hospital and Children's Miracle Network in Abilene.

The performance, which is presented by the National Rifle Association Foundation, begins at 8 pm at Frontier Texas! in downtown Abilene. Because of the generosity of Lambert and Shelton, 100 percent of the proceeds from ticket sales go to benefit the sick and injured children served through Hendrick Children's Hospital and Children's Miracle Network.

"We are very fortunate these two award-winning artists have stepped up to help our cause," said Melinda Blay, Children's Miracle Network coordinator at Hendrick Medical Center. "Both artists regularly sell out concerts with thousands of tickets, so it is a unique honor to have them in

Abilene to help raise funds and awareness for the kids served by Hendrick Children's Hospital."

For more information about the concert or for ticket, information, look online at www.legendsdovehunt.com or contact Children's Miracle Network at Hendrick at 325-670-6557.

WTRC Round-Up gearing up

Ed Cumbie, Coke County resident is providing leadership for West Texas Rehabilitation Center's 49th Annual Round-Up for Rehab. "I've agreed to help with Round-Up because I know how important Rehab is to children and adults in our area who need physical rehabilitation care," said Ed

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Cumbie. do one of three things: donate an animal to one of Rehab's auctions this fall, send a cash donation to WTRC, or mark your calendar right now to tell your auction house to cut a check to Rehab for one or more animals when you go to market later this year."

"Round-Up for Rehab is our oldest fund-raiser," said WTRC president Woody Gilliland, "and we've been blessed every year to have tremendous agriculture industry support-in good times and bad; when water tanks have been full or dry. What ranchers need to know is that we never take that year.

support for granted...and we Added Cumbie, "My work very hard every day to request to ranchers is that you continue to deserve such loyal friendship."

> Fall sales of particular interest to local ranchers are the cattle sale September 25 and the sheep/goat sale September 23 at Producers Livestock Auction in San Angelo and the sheep/goat sale October 27 at Junction Stockyards.

> Concho Valley general chairmen are Jody Frey of San Angelo and Bob Helmers of Christoval. They're joined by Big Country general chairmen Mike Alexander and Randy Carson, and legendary cowboy singer/poet Red Steagall, who's serving as honorary chairman of Round-Up for the fourth

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Notice of Tax Revenue Increase Coke County conducted public hearings on September 2, 2008, and September 8, 2008, on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of Coke County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 2.93 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$0.569587 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,501,144.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.525740 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,528,319.

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The Coke County Commissioner's Court of Coke County is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 22, 2008, at Commissioner's Courtroom, 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, at 9:00 am.



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...WTRC Round-Up (Continued from previous page)

"We're off to a great start for Round-Up 2008," said Helmers, "thanks to wonderful rains we've had recently-and thanks to the tremendous early support we've received from corporate sponsors." Major donors include Heartland Alliance of America, Farm and Ranch Healthcare Inc., Lone Star Beef, Group IV Member-Owned Electric Cooperatives, Family PowerSports, Strongpoint/Pied Piper Pet & Wildlife and Wrangler. Providing additional support are TXP Inc., Mueller Metals, Walco International, A-B Distributing Co., and First Ag Credit.

Arrangements for hauling donated animals can be made through local chairmen or by calling WTRC-San Angelo at (325) 223-6300. Information about Rehab Center services is available at www.westtexasrehab.org.

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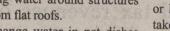
Dolly and Tropical Storm Edouard have sent the Texas mosquito population soaring. While aerial spraying against mosquitoes continues in Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy counties, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) officials say there are several things people can do to protect themselves.

"The number one thing that people can do to keep from being bitten by a mosquito is to use an insect repellent every time they are outside," said Dr. David Lakey, DSHS Commissioner. "People should look for repellents that contain DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535; and always follow label directions."

DSHS suggests the following steps to help cut down on the mosquito population:

* Empty or get rid of cans, buckets, bottles, old tires, empty pots, plant saucers and other containers that hold water.

* Keep gutters clear of debris and standing water. Remove standing water around structures and from flat roofs.



BHRC Trip! On July 25, Bronte Health and Rehab Center resdients took a trip to Sunset Mall in San Angelo for a stroll, some ice cream and milkshakes and a little shopping. Pictured are (back row, left to right) Corina Reyes (staff), Suzi Reyes, Janet Womack (volunteer), Clemis Reed, Nina Bivins, Melinda Coalson (van driver), Dustin Reyes (volunteer), Lula Stilley, Verna Akers, (front row, left to right) Alvinia Morrison, Lum Lasswell and Hubert Singletary. Not pictured is Activity Director Kendal Johnston.

daily. Change water in wading pools and bird baths several times a week.

* Fill in low areas in the yard and holes in trees that catch water. * Maintain your backyard pool

or hot tub and be sure someone takes care of it if you are out of town. * Cover trash containers so they will not collect water.

* Water lawns and gardens carefully so water does not stand for several days.

* Repair leaking plumbing and outside faucets.

* Screen rain barrels and openings to water tanks or cisterns.

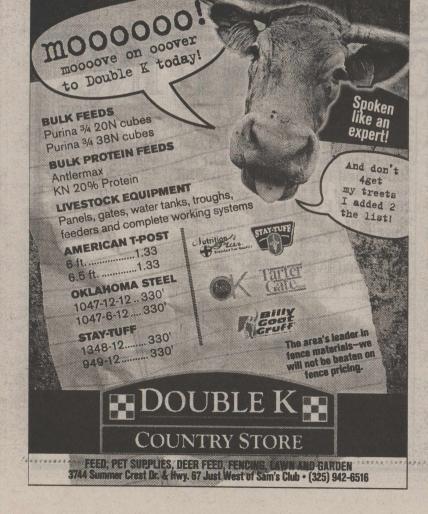
* Keep drains and ditches clear of weeds and trash so water will not collect.

In addition, be sure door, porch and window screens are in good condition.

* Change water in pet dishes **0% FINANCING FOR 60 MONTHS*** LEAN & MEAN \$190.00 PER MONTH " WHAT YOU NEED. **F1520** NEW HOLLAND 35 hp



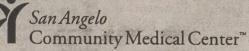
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Hunter Ashley is a normal kid who plays hard. He's broken bones, had a concussion, but through it all, San Angelo Community Medical Center was right by his side. "They come out to check on us," says Hunter, whose team benefits from Community's Athletic Trainers. "They're even there to tape our ankles." Hunter and his high school baseball team made it to the state tournament this year, a first for the Grape Creek Eagles. And through it all, from middle school and beyond, Community's sports medicine team is there to patch teams up and cheer them on. For more information, visit sacmc.com today.

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