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Early voting in Primary Election run-off begins Monday, July 23

Early voting in the Democratic and Republican Primary Election run-offs will begin Monday, July 23, and continue through Friday, July 27, 2012, at the County Courthouse. Consolidated polling places for the Tuesday, July 31, run-off election are the Recreation Hall at the County Park in Robert Lee for Precincts One and Three, and the Senior Citizens Center in Bronte for Precincts Two and Four. Voting hours are 7 am to 7 pm.

In Coke County, both the Democrats and Republicans will have a Primary Election run-off to determine the candidates to be placed on the November General Election ballot in five statewide political races.

The most widely publicized race is for retiring senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson's United States Senate seat. On the Democratic side, Paul Sadler is facing Grady Yarbrough. For the Republicans, current Texas Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst is battling Ted Cruz, a Tea Party favorite who has served as Texas Solicitor General.

Republican candidates for

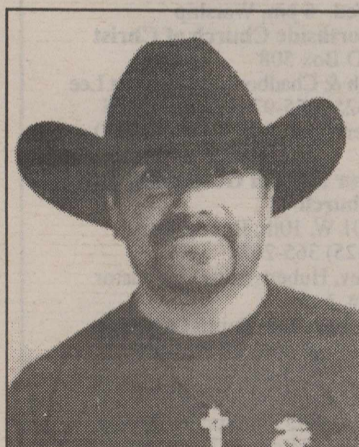
Railroad Commissioner (full term) are Warren Chisum and Christi Craddick. Warren Chisum serves as State Representative from Pampa and faces Christi Craddick who is an attorney and small business owner in Austin.

Republican candidates for Railroad Commissioner (unexpired term) are Barry Smitherman and Greg Parker. Smitherman was appointed to a vacancy on the Commission in July of last year and is opposed by Greg Parker who serves as County Commissioner in Comal County.

Republican candidates for Justice, Texas Supreme Court, Place 4, are David Medina and John Devine. Justice Medina serves in the position for which he is seeking re-election and faces John Devine who has served as district judge in Houston and who has run for and lost two races for Congress and one race for the Texas House.

Coke County Democratic Party Chair Bob Houck stated "Voting is the basic duty of citizenship in the United States. It is a privilege to vote, so please take the time to participate in this election."

5th Annual Joe Torres Memorial Golf Tournament set for July 28



The 5th Annual Joe Torres Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for July 28, 2012, at the Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee.

This tournament is in honor of Joe Torres. Joe served the community for 18 years working for the City of Robert Lee. His legacy is carried on through his daughter, Ashley Torres, and sons; Garrett & Jayton Torres. All

proceeds will benefit Garrett and Jayton so that they may have a brighter education and future.

The tournament format will be a 3-person scramble, 18 hole shotgun start featuring cash payouts and prizes beginning Saturday, July 28 at 10 am. Registration is between 8 am and 9 am. Entry fee includes green fee and a meal. To sign up and reserve a cart (limited carts), contact Mountain Creek Golf Course at (325) 453-2317. To obtain more information, please contact Jonathan Torres (325) 262-0399, Lewis Samaniego (325) 260-8818, or Gina Williams (325) 763-8034.

Benefit Bake Sale set for Friday

A Bake Sale for Brewer's Baseball Team has been slated for Friday, July 20, at



County Cooperation! Robert Lee Mayor, John Jacobs (left) presents Gerald Sandusky, Mayor of Bronte, with a plaque in recognition and appreciation to the City of Bronte for their neighborly support to the City of Robert Lee. The people of Bronte, by selling treated water to Robert Lee, is helping to serve their neighbors in Coke County during this crisis of water shortage.

Coke County Hardware in Robert Lee. The bake sale will begin at 8 am.

For more information, contact Cynthia at 763-7389 or JP at 763-7540.

Robert Lee Community Band to form

A meeting will be held Tuesday, July 31, at the Robert Lee High School bandhall at 6 pm for those individuals interested in forming a community band. Any and all horn players or drummers, ages 14 and up, are welcome. Even if you are a "little rusty", please don't hesitate to give this community band a try.

The band will be under the direction of Steve Ratliff, retired band director. It will be fun - and just might strike up some more school spirit on Friday nights.

Free Athletic Physicals slated for Bronte Students

Athletic Physicals for Bronte students in grades 7, 9, and 11 are set for Saturday, August 4, 2012, at 9 am.

The bus will leave Bronte High School at 8 am. Please be at the school with medical

history and physical form completed and signed by parents at 7:45 am. Physicals are free only at this time.

Robert Lee-Silver

Lions slate fundraiser
The Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club is raising money to put up an electronic sign. The fundraiser is set for Robert Lee Community Center on Saturday, August 4, at 5:30pm.

Watermelon and sandwiches are going to be served with a pie, cake or dessert auction afterwards.

For more information, contact any Lion member, or call 453-2380.

Coke County Tea Party meeting discussed

A nice sized crowd attended the first Tea Party meeting in Coke County. The meeting was held Monday evening, July 16, at Wildcat Marina.

Topics discussed were:

- Obamacare
- Arms Trade Treaty - This treaty is scheduled to be signed by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton on July 27, 2012. If ratified by the US

Senate, it effectively forces Americans to register all firearms with the United States government, overseen by the United Nations.

• Law of the Sea Treaty - This treaty provides for all mineral royalties derived from drilling off the Outer Continental Shelf to be paid to the United Nations instead of the federal government where at least the possibility is there for it to benefit American citizens. All drilling permits for this area would also have to come from the United Nations. The treaty would require the United States Navy to obtain permission from the United Nations before undertaking any operations at sea. Currently, only 34 United States Senators have pledged to vote against its ratification, with 66 senators either uncommitted or in favor of its ratification. To be ratified, 67 senators must vote for it.

• UN Treaty Agenda 21 - This treaty was never ratified by the United States Senate following President George H.W. Bush's signing it.

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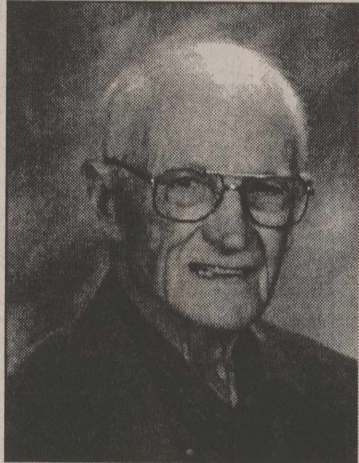
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Obituaries



Gibbs

William Dixon "Bill" Gibbs, Jr., passed away early July 12, 2012, at Robert Lee Care Center. He was 86 years old. Services were held at 2 pm Sunday, July 15, 2012, at the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee, with the Rev. Cyndi Weidner officiating. Interment followed at the Robert Lee Cemetery. The family received visitors from 5 pm to 7 pm Saturday at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee.

Gibbs was born December 27, 1925, in Lawton, Oklahoma, to Gertrude Creel and William D. Gibbs, Sr. He was a 1942 graduate of Iraan High School, and served as a Fireman 1C in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946 during the end of World War II. Upon leaving the navy, Gibbs spent 15 years working in the oil field and as a drilling contractor.

Gibbs graduated in 1962 from Sul Ross University with a Bachelor of Science in math. From there, he went on to New Mexico Highlands University, where in 1966, he received a Master's of Science in composite science. He received his superintendent certification in 1972 from Abilene Christian University.

Gibbs found his calling as an excellent math and science teacher in the public school system, beginning with his first teaching job at Hereford Public School. He went on to teach math, chemistry, and physics at Paint Creek Public School before becoming superintendent of schools there and meeting his wife, Judith Moritz Gibbs.

They married December 26, 1971, in Stamford, Texas, and recently celebrated their 40th

wedding anniversary with friends and family.

Gibbs was superintendent of schools for Bryson Independent School District before returning to the classroom to finish his education career and retire from Floydada Independent School District in 1986.

Following retirement, Gibbs and his family moved to Robert Lee, Texas, where he lived for 25 years. Gibbs loved God and his family unflinchingly, and was an active member of First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. Gibbs loved to fish with his brothers and his cousins, and especially loved float trips on the Rio Grande River. Gibbs enjoyed working and spending time at the "Rock Ranch," a cabin on the San Saba River where he could fish and enjoy the wildlife there with his wife. Gibbs was the ultimate "Mr. Fix It," and prided himself on tackling any minor or major household emergency himself. Gibbs loved sing-alongs with his family, and knew the words to most old hymns by heart.

Following a broken hip, Gibbs lived the remaining year and a half of his life at the Robert Lee Care Center, where he made many good friends and had a smile and a kind word for everyone he met. The family is grateful to each of the individuals who provided Gibbs with such excellent care.

Gibbs is preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Tommy Gibbs; a sister, Helen Dodson; and a grandson, Kaleb Crawley.

Gibbs was the proud father of seven grown children: W.D. (Dick) Gibbs III of Irving, Texas; Shirley Sargent and husband, Dick, of Butler, Missouri; Kerry Webb and husband, Russell, also of Butler, Missouri; Dan Gibbs and wife, Cathy, of Angleton, Texas; Danise Anthony and husband, Aaron, of Butler, Missouri; Brent Gibbs and wife, Amanda, of Dripping Springs, Texas; and Elaine Crawley and husband, Austin, of Robert Lee. Gibbs is also survived by his wife, Judy; a brother, Mervin Gibbs and wife, Ida, of Odessa, Texas; an aunt, Lillie Holland of Iraan, Texas; thirteen grandchildren, and many special great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren,

cousins, nieces, and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee, the Robert Lee EMS, the Robert Lee Care Center, or a charity of choice.

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Account Set Up for Wendell Lee

Wendell Lee had a successful liver transplant in Dallas on Monday, July 9, 2012. He and his wife Jeanna, will have to stay in Dallas for approximately 2 months.

In order to help them with the costs during their stay, a special account has been set up for them at The First National Bank in Bronte.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please either stop by or call the bank at 473-2911 for more information. Please keep them both in your prayers!

Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department Chief's Notes

Mark Sides, Chief
 Robert Lee VFD

Thankfully, this year has been a bit quieter than last year.

By this time last year Bronte and Robert Lee fire departments had fought Wildcat, Dos Amigos, and Whitehat. We were about to fight the Malone fire on Meadow Mountain.

In 2011, our department was involved in fighting 16 wildland fires that burned over 254,000 acres; over 164,000 acres were in Coke County alone.

The county is currently under a burn ban, but not yet under a total ban on all outdoor burning. Contact the county judge's office, the sheriff's office, or log onto the Robert Lee VFD webpage for a list of restrictions and permissions.

High temps and windy conditions later in the week will rapidly dry out what little moisture we received from recent rains. That, coupled with large amounts of now dormant, cool season grasses and other vegetation produced during the winter and spring, means we are back into a high to extreme fire danger situation.

Here's a few tips to help prevent wildfires.

- 1) Be aware of where you drive and park in the pastures and on the roadsides.
- 2) Take the time to prep the area where you will be using a torch or welder.
- 3) Have a spotter and a pressurized source of water on hand any time you are involved with fire or open flame outdoors (cooking, welding, burning trash, etc). A second set of eyes and a way to fight fire can make the difference between a few square feet of black and several thousand acres.
- 4) Inspect spark arresters, trailer wheel bearings and tires, exhaust systems, shrouds and guards and any other items on farm and



Ugandan Childrens Choir! The Ugandan Childrens Choir performed at Robert Lee Baptist Church Sunday evening, July 15, 2012. During the performance, the children brought spectators from the audience to dance with them. Among these were Trey Sawyer (above).

ranch equipment that might generate sparks or heat.

5) Keep areas around mower and tractor engines free of trash and debris. Periodically remove trash and debris from mower decks while in use.

6) Always take the time to fully extinguish all cigars, cigarettes, etc. before you dispose of them.

I'd also like to remind folks

that local firefighters are selling chances to win a John Deere Gator again this year. All the proceeds from our sales will come back to the department. Tickets can be purchased from Robert Lee VFD firefighters, Best Connection, Cindy's, or from city hall.

We appreciate your support in the past, and hope you will continue to support us in the future.

"Do you know that you are loved?"

- Jesus



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Bible Study • Tuesday 7 pm
Romans • Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm



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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
First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331
 Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship
 6 pm Youth
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte
 (325) 473-3281
 Rev. Everette Boyce, Pastor
 Sun. 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship
Forgiven Ministries
 117 W. Main, Bronte
 Russ Frasier, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am
St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

Coke County

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 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
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 (325) 453-2482
 www.pecanbaptist.org
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 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee

Emmanuel Pentecostal
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 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2360
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417
 Steve Peyton, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 5:00 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Bethel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee
 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

Jordan Arnold, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508
 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
 (325) 655-9784 or 453-2685
 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

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724
 Danny White, Pastor
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 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638
 6th & Houston, Robert Lee
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 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

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

Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Wilkes exemplifies American Military Forces

[Editor's Note: Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Wilkes is the son of Douglas Wilkes of Silver, Texas.

I realize for those who do not have a military background that the following article may be a little difficult to understand. However, I am proud to be represented in the military by such a fine and capable man with ties to our county.]

FUEL/WATER PLATOON SERGEANT JEFFREY W. WILKES A CO, 115TH BSB, 1BCT, 1CD

Sergeant First Class Wilkes joined the United States Army on 3 August 1995 as a 77F (now 92F) Petroleum Supply Specialist.

SFC Wilkes has held the following leadership positions including Team Leader, Squad Leader, Training NCO, Petroleum Inventory NCO, Arctic Light Infantry Course (ALIT) Instructor, Section Chief, and Platoon Sergeant.

SFC Wilkes career includes the following military and civilian education: PLDC, BNCOC, Battle Staff, Combative level 1, ALIT Course, Combat Life Saver Course, TC-AIMS II functional user Course, Unit Movement Officer Course, Equal Opportunity Leader Course, Unit Victim Advocate Course, USAF Airlift Planner Course, Hazmat Certifier Course, Unit Armorer Course, Contracting Officer Representative Course, SSD LEVELS 1,3,4, and Unit Safety Course. SFC Wilkes has an associate degree in General Studies from Central Texas College, and is currently pursuing a Bachelors degree in Health care Administration.

SFC Wilkes previous assignments include: 123rd MSB Dexheim Germany, 1/7 CAV Fort Hood, Texas, 53rd QM CO, Fort Hood, Texas, 151 Aviation K-16, Seoul, Korea, 151 Aviation Fort Wainwright, Alaska, 528th QM CO, Fort Lewis Washington, and 115th BSB, Fort Hood, Texas.

His Deployments include: Operation Joint Endeavor, Bosnia, March 96-December 96, Operation Iraqi Freedom, April 03-April 04, Operation New Dawn, July 11-July 12.

SFC Wilkes awards and decorations include: Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3OLC), Army Achievement Medal (6 OLC), Army Good Conduct Medal 5th Award, Nato Ribbon, Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal (2 campaign Stars), Korea Defense Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Developmental Ribbon

(w/ numeral 2), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon (w/numeral 6) award, NATO medal, and Drivers/Mechanic Badge.

He is married to Leticia Wilkes, and they have three children Clint Wilkes of Lexington Kentucky, Daylon, and Rainy Wilkes of Belton, Texas.

Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Wilkes, United States Army, distinguished himself by providing exceptionally meritorious service, professional conduct, and dedicated support to the United States Army while serving as the Combat Logistic Patrol II (CLP II) Platoon Sergeant, and Quick Reaction Force (QRF) NCOIC for Alpha Company, 115th Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, COS Kalsu, from 11 July 2011 to 31 December 2011 during OPERATION NEW DAWN (OND) 11-12. SFC Wilkes outstanding performance and congenital ability to lead Soldiers directly contributed to the overall mission success of Alpha Company and the 115th BSB. Under his leadership and influence, CLP II completed over 25 Combat Logistics Patrols, accumulating over 5,000 miles, moving in excess of 200 pieces of Rolling Stock with zero loss of equipment or Soldier injury.

As QRF NCOIC, Wilkes established Standard Operating Procedures, Tactics Techniques and Procedures, and the edification of multiple operating systems which directly impacted and decreased response time to over 50 Indirect Fire Attacks, the identification of numerous Points of Impact, and intermediate patrols across the COS Kalsu, Iraq immediate Area of Operation.

SFC Wilkes ability to execute many potentially detrimental tasks flawlessly was proven during his tenure as Contracting Officer Representative for LOGCAP III site A.14.O Class III retail (non-capitalized) where his meticulous scrutiny ensured prompt and accurate training, reporting, and management of 2 Third Country Nationals (Pakistani), 6 Local Nationals (Iraqi), and 8 Ex-Patriots (American), and the issue and receipt of over 40,000 gallons of MO-GAS, 3,000,000 gallons of JP-8, and 30,000 gallons of Diesel fuels, in a 6 month period. Also, as Senior

Petroleum Supply Specialist in the Brigade, Wilkes maintained over watch and quantity/quality control for the COS Kalsu, Iraq Bulk Fuel Farm, which supplied over 4,000,000 gallons of JP-8 to various units on COS Kalsu, Iraq, the lifeline of support and victory in the region.

SFC Wilkes was the Subject Matter Expert and Range Safety Officer for complex M4 assault rifle, and M240 machine gun, to include mounted live fire ranges, held at COS Kalsu, Iraq, often working hand in hand with Special Forces and Ugandan Triple Canopy personnel to provide cross-training and weapon familiarization to build a strong working relationship with multinational support elements. He improved the efficacy of the unit by developing and mentoring 1 Officer and 9 Non-Commissioned Officers, 20 Soldiers, by maintaining discipline, ingraining professionalism, and teaching to live the Warrior Ethos. He personally ensured that every individual Soldier under his instruction knew their place in the operational picture, leader tasks were taught down to the lowest level, with an emphasis on Soldier development.

During OND 11-12, he had 5 Soldiers gain Promotable Status, and 2 NCO's. Every leader in his Platoon, to include his Platoon Leader earned the auspicious Order of the Spur from 115th BSB, fostering a deep 1st Cavalry tradition.

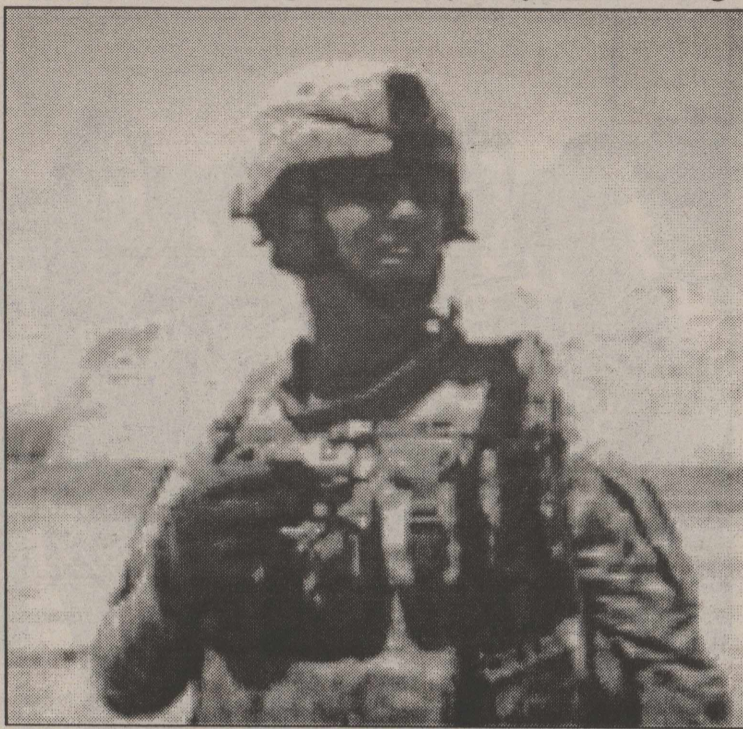
Sergeant First Class Jeffrey W. Wilkes' actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon him, the 1st Brigade Combat Team, United States Division-Central and the United States Army.

... Tea Party Meeting

(Continued from page 1) Although never ratified, President Bill Clinton began implementing the treaty through federal agency regulations. These regulations affect Americans today.

• Voter Registration Lists & a Get Out the Vote Campaign - Ideas were discussed on how to energize and educate voters prior to the November election.

The next Coke County Tea Party meeting is set for Tuesday, August 7.



Sergeant First Class Jeffrey Wilkes

Bronte Volunteer Fire Department part of fundraiser

The Bronte Volunteer Fire Department is taking part in a raffle for a John Deere Gator. Tickets may be purchased from any Bronte firefighter or at the First National Bank of Sterling City in Bronte.

The drawing will be held during the Ranch Rodeo August 25 at the Spur Arena in San Angelo. Area departments are selling tickets and the Bronte VFD will be able to keep all money from tickets they are able to sell.

Mountain Creek has student summer program

Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee has a summer membership for junior high and high school students in Coke County. The goal of this program is to encourage more youth to play golf.

For more information, contact Mountain Creek Golf Course at (325) 453-2317. You may also email them at mountaincreekgc@wtxs.net. Please put "Student Golf Ms" in subject line of the email.

Junior Golf Clinics to be held in Bronte

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is hosting five junior golf clinics at the course in Bronte. The remaining clinics will be held July 25 and August 1. They will begin at 9 am and end at

10:30 am. Clubs and balls will be furnished if needed.

For more information, call (325) 473-2036.

Ladies Water Aerobics held in Bronte

The Water Aerobics are being held on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6 pm at the Bronte swimming pool.

Come and join these ladies as they have fun and improve their body. Don't worry about your figure. You're all beautiful.

Thursday night Scrambles being held in Bronte

Bronte Longhorn Golf Club's Thursday night Scrambles are held each Thursday at 6 pm at the course in Bronte.

For more information, call (325) 473-2036.

Ladies Golf Night set for Robert Lee

Ladies Golf Night Out will be held at Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee at 6 pm each Tuesday evening through Tuesday, July 31.

Some members will be available for instruction. Whether you're brand new to the game of golf or just starting to play again, this program is perfect for you. It is a program aimed at helping women learn the game in a non-intimidating and fun atmosphere. Please, no minors.

For more information, contact Tracy Allen at (432) 556-8379 or Natalie Clawson at (325) 650-8424.

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RLHS Cheerleaders Go To Camp! The Robert Lee High School Cheerleaders attended the UCA Cheer Camp at Great Wolf Lodge Resort Camp in Grapevine, Texas, recently. The team earned three trophies - Most Improved Overall at Camp; 2nd Place Cheer *Small Varsity Camp Champs; and 3rd Place Extreme Routine Small Varsity Camp Champs. They also brought home the Superior Trophy for overall evaluations throughout the week. The ladies endured lots of hard work, but had lots of fun too! RLHS Cheerleaders are (from left) Ashlie Wheat, Taylor Benton, Jesse Sheets, Lubbock Roe, Jordan Gartman, and Bianca Huapilla.

RLISD Board minutes posted

A regular meeting of the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees was held at 6 pm Thursday, June 21, 2012, in RLISD Conference Room 119.

The meeting was called to order by President Washam with the following members present Wes Washam, Jeffie Roberts, Beverly Sinclair, Tom Sawyer, Tracy Allen, and Brandi Brosh. Irma Torres was absent. A quorum of members were present.

The invocation and pledge were led by Beverly Sinclair.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the minutes of May 16, 2012, with correction to date. It was seconded by Jeffie Roberts and all voted in favor.

Brandi Brosh made a motion to accept the financial report presented by Robin Allen and to pay the bills, seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All voted for.

Beverly Sinclair made a motion, seconded by Tracy Allen, to allow Supt. Hood to sign contracts on behalf of RLISD for construction services. All voted for.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion, seconded by Brandi Brosh, for the Construction Management At-Risk. All voted for.

Mr. Crawley, HS Principal, gave his respective report. May ADA was 98.1 with 92 students enrolled.

Tom Sawyer made a motion, seconded by Tracy Allen, to approve Update 94 with changes. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommends adopting the FFAF (Local) Policy sent to us by Eichelbaum, Wardell instead of the policy in Update 94.

Tom Sawyer made the motion to approve Supt. Hood's recommendation, seconded by Tracy Allen. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended changing FFI (Local) Policy per recommendation of Eichelbaum, Wardell. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve Supt. Hood's recommendation, seconded by Brandi Brosh. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended to begin a new three year term with Claims Administrative Services for 2012-2013 Workers Compensation. Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve recommendation, seconded by Tracy Allen. All voted for.

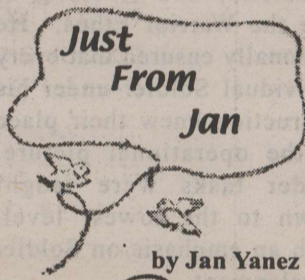
The 2012-2013 Budget Workshop was held.

Supt. Hood gave his respective report on water well update, summer maintenance update and upcoming agenda items such as Handbook and PDAS Calendar.

The Board entered into closed session at 7:22 pm and reconvened into open session at 8:13 pm.

The next meeting for the RLISD School Board will be held on Monday, July 16, 2012, at 1 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.



by Jan Yanez
AgriLIFE EXTENSION Agent

Selecting Vegetables

How to select certain vegetables in the supermarket Here are some tips that I have learned in selecting vegetables at the grocery store.

CUCUMBERS

Look for solid cucumbers that are completely green. Yellow indicates they're old.

EGGPLANTS

If the calyx, the stem that adheres to eggplants, is dry or brown, the eggplant isn't fresh. The calyx should be dark green and the eggplant itself should be dark purple.

BELL PEPPERS

Good-quality bell peppers are thick-fleshed and firm. Red and yellow ones are simply the more mature, sweeter stages of green bell peppers.

SUMMER SQUASH

Avoid any that have pits or dull skin. It should feel heavy. A lighter squash may be dry and stringy.

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RLHS Mascot! Mason Hill, Robert Lee High School Mascot - Stomper, also attended the UCA Cheer Camp at Great Wolf Lodge Resort Camp in Grapevine, Texas, recently. He was named an All American Mascot and earned the UCA Mascot Leadership Award. He was very very hot!!! In the Stomper costume, it is 30+ degrees hotter than the temperature outside of the costume and it was about 104° outside that day!

Pick heads with the tiniest buds. Avoid yellowish heads, which are on their way to blooming.

CAULIFLOWER

Should be firm, with tightly packed florets and no black.

ONIONS

When buying onions, choose those that are heavy for their size with dry, papery skins, and that show no signs of spotting or moistness. Avoid onions that are soft or sprouting. Young onions are sweeter than old ones. They should have absolutely NO SMELL what-

ever. If they do, they are probably bruised somewhere under the skin and are on their way out.

CORN

Fully ripe sweet corn has bright green, moist husks. The silk should be stiff, dark and moist. You should be able to feel individual kernels by pressing gently against the husk.

SPINACH AND OTHER GREENS

These should be bright and unblemished, with no soft spots or wilting.

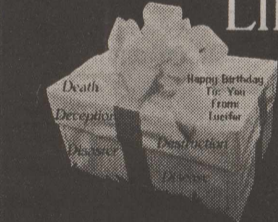
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Tomatoes don't develop

The Biggest Lie

by Melinda McCutchen

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Satan's Most Enduring Hoax

Melinda McCutchen

Based on John 10:10.

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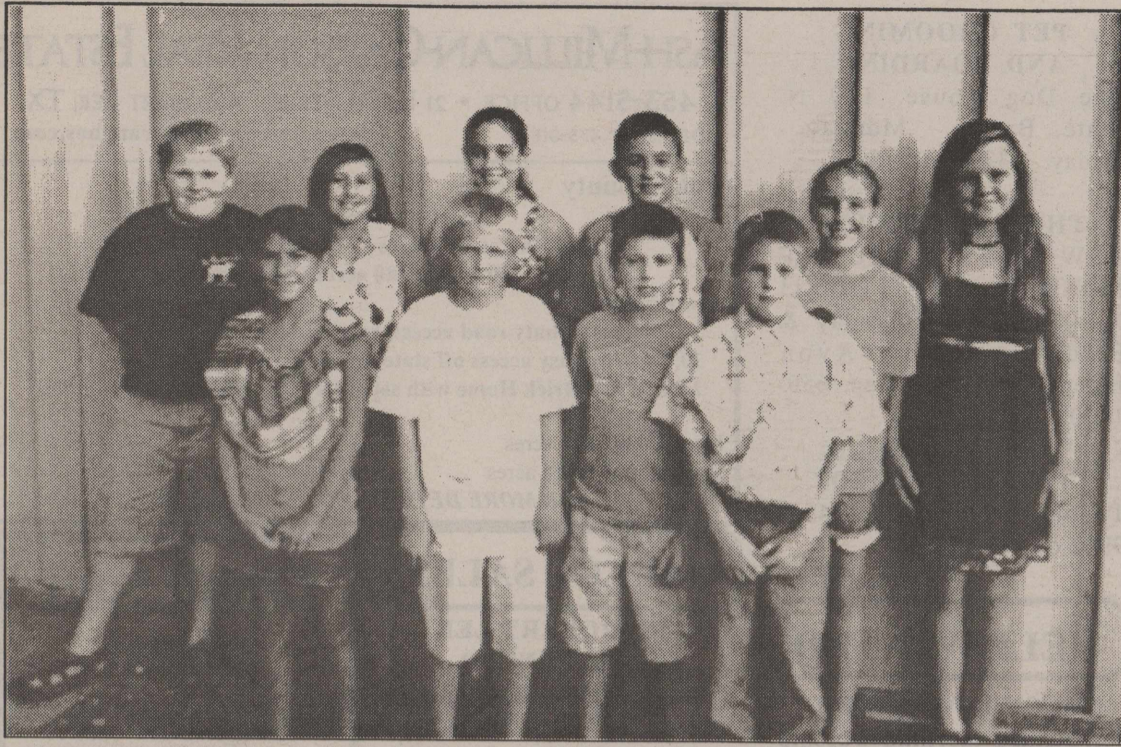
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and on Amazon.com.



Coke County 4-H Camp Report! Last week, ten Coke County 4-Hers attended county 4-H camp in Buffalo Gap, Texas. Coke County 4-H joined up with Fisher, Jones, Sterling, Shackelford and Nolan counties giving the camp a total attendance of around 100 4-Hers from the area. The time at camp consisted of visiting with 4-Hers from other counties, swimming, learning about healthy living and safety, and teamwork. These activities were accompanied by many good times and a 4-H dance. 4-Hers attending from Coke County were Trace and Stephen Oleksiuk, Kaylee Puentez, Kelby Clawson, Autum Ruman, Lexi Sanchez, Kiara Burns, Hunter Jowers and Trace and Jarrett Justiss. The next Coke County 4-H event will be the Coke County swim party at the Robert Lee swimming pool on August 14, 2012. This event will be a membership drive and enrollment meeting, along with fun times to get acquainted with 4-H members from across the county.

adequate flavor unless allowed to ripen on the vine. Fragrance is a better indicator of a good tomato than color. Use your nose and smell the stem end. The stem should retain the garden aroma of the plant itself - if it doesn't, your tomato will lack flavor.

15 Ways Keep Cool When It's Hot

Keeping cool when temperatures reach record highs isn't just about comfort. Dangerously high temperatures can result in heat-related illnesses ranging from heat cramps to heat exhaustion and heat stroke. The following tips can help you keep cool all summer long.

Alter your pattern of outdoor exercise to take advantage of cooler times (early morning or late evening). If

you can't change the time of your workout, scale it down by doing fewer minutes, walking instead of running, or decreasing your level of exertion.

Wear loose-fitting clothing, preferably of a light color.

Cotton clothing will keep you cooler than many synthetics.

Fill a spray bottle with water and keep it in the refrigerator for a quick refreshing spray to your face after being outdoors.

Fans can help circulate air and make you feel cooler even in an air-conditioned house.

Try storing lotions or cosmetic toners in the refrigerator.

Keep plastic bottles of water in the freezer; grab one when you're ready to go outside. As the ice melts, you'll have a supply of cold water with you.

Take frequent baths or show-

ers with cool or tepid water.

Combat dehydration by drinking plenty of water along with sports drinks or other sources of electrolytes.

Some people swear by small, portable, battery-powered fans.

Try this trick: if you're wearing a cap or hat, remove it and pour a bit of ice cold water into the hat, then quickly invert it and place on your head.

Avoid caffeine and alcohol as these will promote dehydration.

Instead of hot foods, try lighter summer fare including frequent small meals or snacks containing cold fruit or low fat dairy products. As an

added benefit, you won't have to cook next to a hot stove.

If you don't have air-conditioning, arrange to spend at least parts of the day in a shopping mall, public library, movie theater, or other public space that is cool.

Finally, use common sense. If the heat is intolerable, stay indoors when you can and avoid activities in direct sunlight or on hot asphalt surfaces. Pay special attention to the elderly, infants, and anyone with a chronic illness, as they may dehydrate easily and be more susceptible to heat-related illnesses. Don't forget that pets also need protection from dehydration and heat-related illnesses too.

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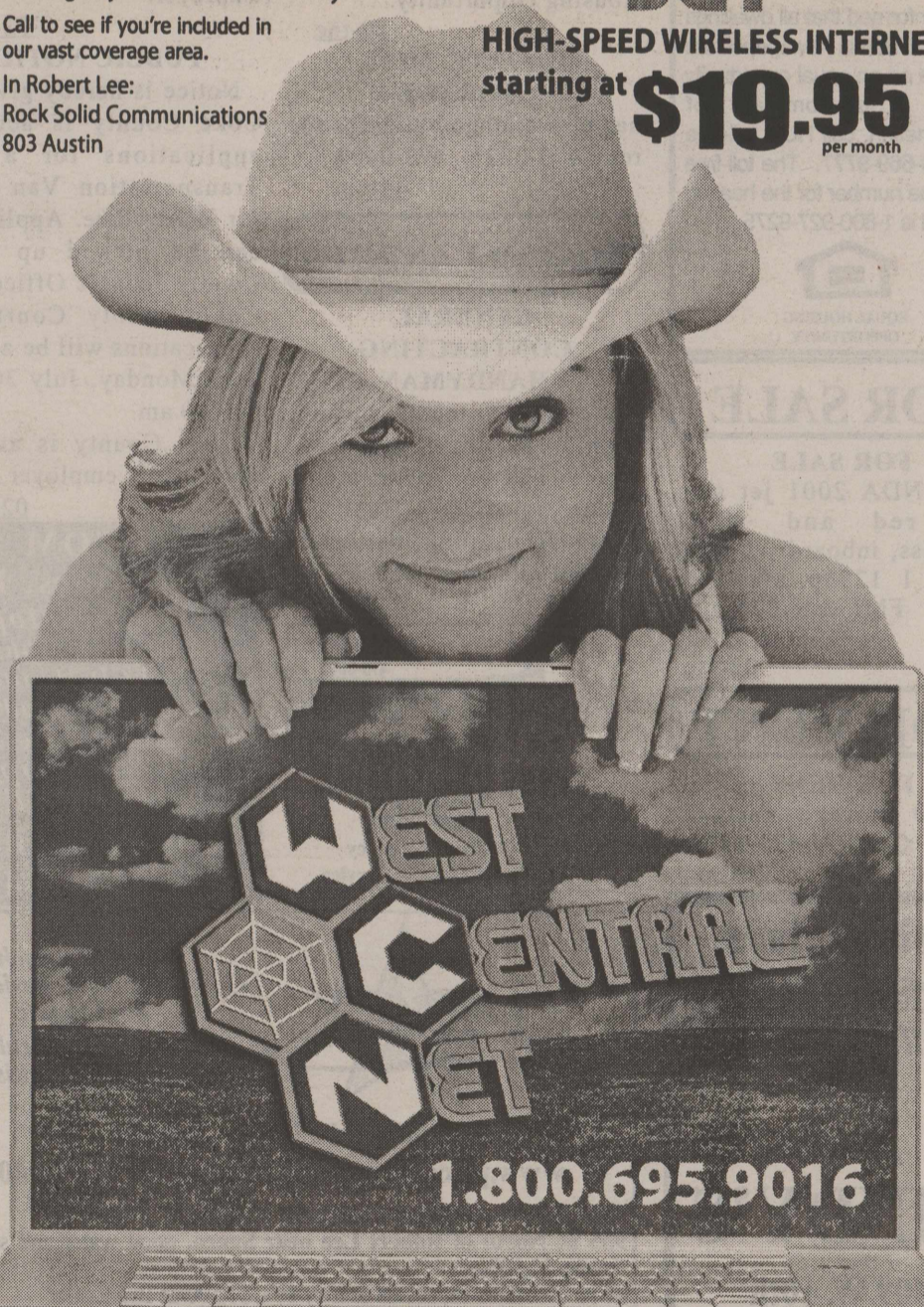
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The City of Robert Lee is accepting applications for a position in the Water Department. Applicant must be at least 18. High school diploma or the equivalent required.

Water/Wastewater license is preferred, but is not required; however, certification must be acquired within one year of employment.

Application can be picked up at City Hall. Position open until filled. Salary based on experience.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County is accepting applications for a Mass Transportation Van Driver for Robert Lee. Applications can be picked up in the County Judge's Office at the Coke County Courthouse. Applications will be accepted until Monday, July 30, 2012 at 9:00 am.

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GARAGE SALES

THE ROBERT LEE CARE CENTER

will be having a Garage Sale on July 25, 2012 from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. It will be located next to the Food Pantry. Various items from holiday decorations to computer items and alot of other misc. items.

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BACKYARD SALE

Fri and Sat (July 20th and July 21st), 140 Sanco Road, 7:00 - ?. Exercise equipment, Dishes, Clothes, toys and lots of misc.!

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GARAGE SALE

Saturday, July 21, 8 am-2 pm. Lots of girl stuff, scrubs, tires for ford focus, etc. 801 Childress St, Robert Lee.

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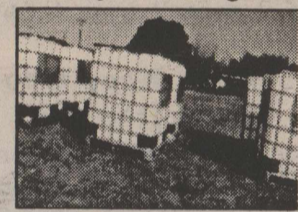
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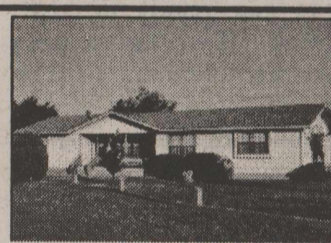
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NOTICES

NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATED PRECINCTS

Notice is hereby given to the registered voters of Precinct 1 and 3 that there precincts have been consolidated. Voting in the Primary Runoff election will be conducted at Robert Lee Rec Hall, 150 County Road, Robert Lee.

Notice is hereby given to the registered voters of Precinct 2 and 4 that these precincts have been consolidated. Voting in the Primary Runoff election will be conducted at Bronte Senior Citizen Building, 613 E. Oliver, Bronte.

Roy Blair-County Judge
7-11-2012

AVISO DE PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO

Por lo presente se les da aviso a los votantes registrados del Precinto 1 y 3 que estos precintos se han consolidado. La votacion en la eleccion Primaria Carrera Decisiva se manajara en Robert Lee Rec Hall, 150 County Road, Robert Lee.

Por lo presente se les da aviso a los votantes registrados del Precinto 2 y 4 que estos precintos se han consolidado. La votacion en la eleccion Primaria Carrera Decisiva se manajara en Bronte Senior Citizen Building, 613 E. Oliver, Bronte.

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**Check Out
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Library**

The simplest reason it's healthy to read is the same reason it's healthy to exercise. The more exercise, the stronger the body. The more reading, the stronger the brain. Taking a walk is free exercise.

Visiting the library is free exercise, too. Readers know that taking advantage of "free" pays dividends.

The library has received several donated book collections. Some are on the shelf, some are on their way to other libraries and some will be in the sale. Thanks to donors like these, there is always something different to explore at the library. Readers find their own personal interests at the library. Television and Internet decision makers don't tell readers what to think.

The Coke County Library is full of brain training. Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays,

8-12. Call 453-2495 for information.

What Consumers Should Know About Credit Card Balances

Provided by the Independent Bankers Association of Texas "Pay it off every month!" That is what your parents always told you when you first started using credit cards. "Pay it off every month and you won't get bad credit." If your goal is to save money on paying interest then this might be the ideal approach. However, this won't keep you from getting bad credit. If your goal is to improve your credit score then you may actually be hurting your credit rating by paying it all off every month.

Many lenders use your FICO credit score to determine your eligibility for credit. Credit scoring involves a complicated algorithm that incorporates your usage of existing credit lines, and how you pay these existing credit lines back. Whereas credit utilization is a metric that divides your credit card balance by your credit card limit to determine what percentage of your limit you are carrying on the card. In other words, you may use your credit card every month, and pay it off every month, and think that you are creating a great credit rating. But if the credit raters look at your card balances on a day of the month that you have \$0 balance on it, they may view this as non-use of your credit. Credit scoring treats zero balances on a credit card as instances of non-use, which can have a negative effect on your score. Creditors like to see that you're still using credit, but doing so responsibly.

Most creditors will calculate your credit score right before your payment due date, when your debt to credit ratio is normally at its highest. This is done specifically so that the higher debt ratio can be used to raise your interest rate. Higher interest rates mean more profit for creditors. Managing the timing of your charges and payments carefully will enable you to increase your scores. Some experts suggest that you pay off your credit card bills as soon as you get them, to avoid interest payments. Then don't use the card for one whole billing cycle until right before your credit card statement is prepared for the month, and then put a small charge on the card, somewhere between 5-10% of your available credit. There are a lot of internet experts touting what the optimum credit balance ratio is, but all fall within the 5% to 10% range, with

7% being a very popular suggested amount.

Other experts suggest not trying to get by with one credit card that has 100% utilization, but that it is better to have multiple cards, with each having an optimum balance ratio on the billing date. Be careful though when applying for additional credit cards, as card applications and credit inquiries are a negative mark on your credit report. Most lenders will lower your score if they see more than four to six

credit inquiries in a six-month period.

Newer credit card accounts with a limited history will also bump your score much more slowly than cards that you have a longer credit history with. You have to allow time for your credit scores to go up when adding new credit accounts to your record. The length of your credit history is important. If you need to close a card, then close your newest cards first. As long as you

don't have high balances or missed payments, on any of

the cards, there is no credit score penalty for keeping multiple cards open.

The bottom line is that by careful management of your credit card usage and payments you can still enjoy the convenience of using credit cards while also increasing your credit scores for significant purchases, like buying a house or car, where a slight increase in interest rates can cost you thousands of dollars over the life of a large loan.

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**4th of July
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Place	Name	Score
1st Place	Bobby Joe Longoria	56
2nd Place	Ricky Ross	56
3rd Place	Tom Sawyer	57
(tie)	Alton Mitchell	57
5th Place	Pete Puentez	58
6th Place	Clay Allen	59
(tie)	J.D. McClelland	59
(tie)	Solomon Saucedo	59
(tie)	Jesse Carreon	59
10th Place	Wes Henson	61
(tie)	David Bautista	61
(tie)	Julio Carreon	61
(tie)	Jessie Flores	61
14th Place	Josh Tennison	62
15th Place	Tommy Antilley	63
16th Place	Kevin Honse	64
(tie)	Nicky Chapman	64
(tie)	Jim Aden	64

Closest to the Pin #10

Bobby Joe Longoria

Closest to the Pin #18

Bobby Joe Longoria

Thanks to everyone who took time to come and play!

Range, livestock workshop set for July 31 in Ozona

By Steve Byrns

A Texas AgriLife Extension Service range and wildlife management workshop has been set from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Tuesday, July 31, 2012, in the Crockett County Convention Center in Ozona.

Five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units – one laws and regulations, one integrated pest management and three general – will be available for those with a valid private pesticide applicator's license.

"This program will center on the drought we are still very much in here in Crockett County," said Chase McPhaul, AgriLife Extension agent in Crockett County. "We've had more moisture this year than last, but times are still hard out here in West Texas.

"During this workshop, we'll be discussing drought management strategies, how the dry weather has affected livestock, supplemental feeding regimes and range and pasture issues. We'll also hear how the dry weather hasn't slowed the influx of feral hogs to our area and what's being done about it."

Speakers and their topics will include:

- Dr. Frank Craddock, AgriLife Extension state sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo, supplemental feeding, drought management, health issues and the future of hair sheep.

- Dr. Alyson McDonald, AgriLife Extension range specialist at Fort Stockton, rangeland drought recovery, drought management and re-seeding.

- Cory Pence, Texas Department of Agriculture, San Angelo, pesticide laws and regulations.

- Jake Babb, Crockett County trapper, feral hog trapping techniques and feral hog update.

Individual registration is \$20 and includes lunch. RSVP by July 25 by calling the AgriLife Extension office in Crockett County at 325-392-2721. Further information can also be obtained by calling the AgriLife Extension office.

West Texas Rehab Silver Spur Ball set for July 27

Boot scootin' dance music by Johnny Dickinson and Big Country, a sampling of snack foods from A Catered Affair and more than 100 silent auction items will be featured July 27th at the 22nd annual Silver Spur Ball benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Scheduled at the McNease Convention Center, the event also will include casino games and drawings for a gun and a hand-stitched, double-size quilt.

Tickets are available at the Rehab Center. Tables for ten

are available on a first come, first served basis.

In 21 years, the Silver Spur Ball has raised more than \$470,000 for the Center, thanks to the generous support of sponsors, donors and those who attend each year. Event underwriting is being provided by West Central Wireless, Scott & White Health Plan, Superior Services, Sam's Club, Hernandez Painting, Milford Engineering and Catholic Life Insurance. Additional funding is by JL Mercer Boot Co., Livestock Weekly, Lowe's Market, MedWay Home Health, Dierschke & Dierschke Realtors, Floors Unlimited, KENO Lawn Service, Wal-Mart – Ballinger, San Angelo Standard-Times and A-B Distributing.

Singer/guitarist Johnny Dickinson fronts a five-piece band with a steel guitar, fiddle, bass and drums. A popular regional band, the group plays a mix of traditional and contemporary country music and western swing.

Volunteer hosts for the Spur event are Doodle Dankworth, Floyd and Dottie Frerich, Pat and Ruby McDonald, Mark and Lou Ann Multer, Olen and Sandy Steele, John and Betty Jo Wilde, Quint and Linda Binns, all of San Angelo. Also, Hubert and Annette Frerich of Garden City, J.D. and Becky Gould of Carlsbad, Bobby Lindley of Mertzon, Shawn and Jamie Glass of Lowake and Mike and Kathy Howard of Rowena. Honorary members include Steven and Jennifer Hoelscher of San Angelo and Sweetie Willberg of Paint Rock.

Through its facilities in San Angelo, Abilene and Ozona, West Texas Rehab Center provides outpatient rehabilitation care each day to more than 500 children and adults who have experienced disabling illnesses or injuries. Events such as the Spur Ball make it possible for the Center to treat all who seek its services, regardless of their financial circumstance.

For event or ticket information, call 325-223-6300 or visit WestTexasRehab.org.

Red Canyon Gun Club results posted

Red Canyon Gun Club hosts monthly rifle and pistol steel silhouette matches the first Saturday of every month. You do not have to be a member of the gun club to shoot in our matches.

The 40 shot course consists

of a bank of 10 steel chickens at 40 meters, 10 pigs at 50 meters, 10 turkeys at 75 meters, and 10 rams at 100 meters.

The first match begins at 10 am, 22 rifle and pistol; the second match follows the first match and is shot with big bore, center fire rifle and pistol. Entry fees are \$5 for both matches, JR shooters age 9-19 shoot free. All shooters shoot in their class from master, AAA, AA, A, and B. Awards are presented to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each class. Richard Johnson, Match Director, stated "I promise you that you will have fun if you like to shoot."

Results from Red Canyon Gun Club Monthly NRA Rifle and Pistol Silhouette Match Saturday, July 7.

Small Bore Cowboy Rifle
High Overall-Charles Henley, Ballinger

AAA and master class-J.D. Stoddard, Lawn, 1st; Dereck Pocock, Ocala, 2nd

AA class-Steve Hinds, Coleman, 1st; Ron Herring, Miles, 2nd

A class-John Porman, San Angelo, 1st

Small Bore Scoped 22 Rifle-Linda Ashton, San Angelo, 1st; Haley Grantham, Robert Lee, 2nd

Small Bore Pistol
High Overall-Richard Johnson, Robert Lee

AAA and master class-Howard Droll, San Angelo, 1st

AA class-J.D. Stoddard, Lawn, 1st; Steve Hinds, Coleman, 2nd

A class-Terry Ashton, San Angelo, 1st; Edd Zimmerman, Robert Lee, 2nd; Les Turner, Water Valley, 3rd

Big Bore Cowboy Lever Action Rifle

Match Winner-J.D. Stoddard, Lawn

AAA and master class-Dereck Pocock, Ocala, 1st; Charles Hensley, Ballinger, 2nd

AA class-Ron Herring, Miles, 1st

A class-Les Turner, Water Valley, 1st; Linda Ashton, San Angelo, 2nd; John Porman, San Angelo, 3rd

Big Bore Pistol
Steve Hinds, Coleman, 1st; Richard Johnson, Robert Lee, 2nd; Terry Ashton, San Angelo, 3rd

Red Hat society posts schedule

Mark your calendars now. The Red Hat Society will meet Thursday, August 2, at 11 am at Cruisin 277 in

Bronte.

The September meeting will be September 6 at 11 am at Cindy's in Robert Lee. In October, we will meet on October 4 at 11 am at Allen's in Sweetwater.

The November meeting will be November 6 at 11:00 am First Baptist Church in Bronte for the annual Potato Bake.

The December meeting will be December 6 at 11 am at Miss Hatties in San Angelo.

You are welcome to join this group where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life. We are usually together for about an hour or so. Some of the ladies get together and go shopping afterwards. Some go back to work. Whatever we do we have fun. Red Hat is one of the things that we really look forward to - no dues, no rules, no business, no nothing really, but lots of good fun, food and fellowship. Each woman buys her own lunch. We hope to see you there.

Ladies under fifty can brag a little wearing something lavender and a pink hat. At or over 50 we usually wear something purple and wear a red hat. You can't miss us.

For more information, call Janet Wommack at 473-5388.

Applications Sought for Local Park Grants

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is announcing a special call for local park grant applications under the Outdoor Recreation and Urban Outdoor Recreation grant programs before August 1.

With the passage of the omnibus spending bill in December by the U.S. Congress, Texas has received \$2,302,679 for its federal apportionment through the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Roughly half this

amount -- \$1,151,339 -- is available for grant review prior to Aug. 1. Of this amount, 40 percent is set aside for Urban Outdoor Recreation grants and 60 percent is set aside for Outdoor Recreation grants. Applications must be post-marked no later than Aug. 1.

For more information regarding this special call, go to www.tpwd.state.tx.us/business/grants.

Due to limited funds and eligibility requirements, applications for all other Local Park Grant programs are not being accepted at this time. These include the Small Community, Indoor Recreation, Urban Indoor Recreation and Regional grant programs.

For questions regarding the application process, please contact: Dana Lagarde, (512)389-8175, dana.lagarde@tpwd.state.tx.us, or Roxane Eley, (512)389-8109, Roxane.eley@tpwd.state.tx.us.

New Texas Farm Bureau member gate signs available to members

New gate signs are available for any Texas Farm Bureau member. The new aluminum signs are under warranty for five years.

To receive a new sign at no cost, members must bring old signs to their county office to exchange. County secretaries will be able to order new monogrammed signs after old signs are returned to county offices.

If members would like to keep their old signs, they may purchase a new sign.

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