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Local Entity Election set for Saturday

Three local entities will hold an election this Saturday, May 7, 2016. These include the city of Robert Lee and both the Bronte and Robert Lee school districts.

The City of Robert Lee will hold an election for the position of mayor and for two council members. These are two year terms. The offices are currently held by Mayor Leroy Casey and council members Sid Burns and Richard Johnson. Mayor Casey and Councilman Sid Burns have filed for re-election. Also filing for seats on the council are Joe Longoria and Jeanette Meeks.

Bronte ISD will hold an election for two members of the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held

by Shane Kelton and Kay Styles. Both incumbents have filed for re-election and will be joined on the ballot by Josh Schoenfield and Brandon Busby.

Robert Lee ISD will hold an election to elect two members to the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held by Erin Oleksiuk and Beverly Sinclair. Both incumbents have filed for reelection and will be joined on the ballot by Sherry Davidson.

Polls for these elections are open from 7 am to 7 pm on Saturday. Voting in for the Robert Lee elections is at the Coke County Courthouse. The Bronte ISD election will be held at Bronte City Hall.



State Reserve Golfers! The Robert Lee Lady Steers placed second at the State Golf Tournament last week in Austin. Brady Clawson led the team with scores of 52/45 - 97, 51/52-103, 200. Sandra Flores scored 51/51 - 102, 52/49 - 101, 203, with Kelby Clawson posting 55/53 - 108, 50/48 - 98, 206. Aimee Zimmerman posted 58/53 - 111, 56/53 - 109, 220, with Megan Grantham posting 56/68 - 124, 54/60 - 114, 238. The Steers and the Bronte Lady Longhorns also competed at the State Tournament.

Annual Senior Issues set for next month

The annual issues honoring the graduating classes of Bronte, Robert Lee and Blackwell have been slated for May 13, 20, and 27.

The issue honoring Bronte is set for May 13. Robert Lee will be honored on May 20 with Blackwell's issue set for May 27.

If you have a special senior graduating this year and wish to sponsor them, please call the office of The Observer/Enterprise at (325) 453-2433 or (325) 473-8863.

The seniors to be honored this year are listed below.

Bronte

Benjamin J. Allen, Tyler L. Blankenship-Menchaca, Jerica A. Davis, Rankin M. DeRonde, Emmery H. McCullough, Sarah A. Sanchez, Kellie A. Thorn, Vanessa R. Waasdorp, Ean R. Ward.

Robert Lee

Wade Michael Allen, Bruce Wong Buddin, Sheana Keziah Cherry, Brady Nacole Clawson, Kodi Rene Drennan, Austin

Bryce Fowler, Sandra Hubbard-Flores, Jacob Scott Jackson, Julia Leigh Madrid, Pamela Alexandria Meeks, Hayden Odale O'Neil, Yulissa Guadalupe Peraza, Myrka Naomie Rangel, Karlee Arlene Roach, Justice Rayne Saucedo, Jaicee Paige Torres, Kaleb Gage Torres, Paulina Vizcaino Camacho, Blaine Paul Yanez

Blackwell

Branch Coleman Alley, Hailey Nichole Bennett, Charlie Cano, Shawn Douglas Hardy, Stormie Leigh Lewis, Heath Dyllion Rasco, Jaina Robison, Tanner Lee Rutledge, Shianne Marie Solis, Chris Lee Sorrells, Taylor Shyenne Swofford

Bronte Citywide Garage Sale set for May 7

It's time again for the Annual Bronte Citywide Garage Sale. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7, at 8 am.

If you would like to participate, please call City Hall at (325) 473-3501 by Thursday,

May 5. Your garage sale location will be listed on a map to be distributed at the First National Bank parking lot. This is a great opportunity to recycle, reuse and reduce unwanted items in your closet.

Mountain Creek

Tourney set for May 7
Mountain Creek Golf Association has a 2 person, 27 hole Heavy Hitters Bankroll scramble slated for Saturday, May 7, with a 10 am shotgun start planned.

For more information, please contact Mountain Creek at 325-453-2317 or 806-543-2118.

Farm Bureau to host lunch

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau will be having a Hamburger Lunch Tuesday May 10, 2016, from 11 am until 2 pm in front of the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau Office in Robert Lee.

Canned good donations or a monetary donation will get you a hamburger. All canned goods and monetary donations will benefit the local food pantry.

For more information, please call 325-453-4505.

Annual Bronte Letter Carrier Food Drive slated for May 14

The Annual Bronte Letter Carrier Food Drive, benefiting Salt of the Earth Food Ministry,

is set for Saturday, May 14, 2016.

Canned meats, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned juices, pasta, rice, dried beans & peas, crackers, breakfast foods, condiments, or any non-perishable food items will be accepted. No glass items please.

Please help the Bronte Post Office and Rural Letter Carrier by filling a bag with food items and taking it to the post office or fill a bag for the carrier to pick up on the route Saturday, May 14, 2016. Your contributions will stay within the Bronte community helping feed local families.

RLHS Sports Banquet set for May 17

Robert Lee Sports Banquet is slated for Tuesday, May 17 at 7 pm. Catering will be by Kenny Blanek. Make reservations and get your tickets at the Robert Lee High School office from Pam Millican. Athletes are free. Tickets go on sale May 2 and must be bought and paid for by May 6.

Friends of the "Gus" Pruser Exhibit to meet

The Friends of the "Gus" Pruser Agriculture Exhibit will hold their monthly meeting next Monday May 9, at 6 pm. The meeting will be held at the Gus Pruser agriculture Exhibit, 219 W. Dale, in Winters.

Friends of the "Gus" Pruser Exhibit is a group interested in preserving the agriculture heritage of Runnels County. The group works on tractors and other displays in the museum. For additional information, contact John Long at 325-754-5389 or zihalemuseum@wtxs.net.

Early Voting begins May 16 in Primary Run-off Elections

A run-off election will be held for both the Democrat and Republican parties on May 24, 2016. Early voting in these elections is set for May 16-21 at the Coke County Courthouse.

Only one local race will be on the ballot in the Republican run-off. Shauna Grantham will face off against Donald Robertson for Precinct 1 Commissioner. Also in the Republican run-off will be the following state offices. Gary Gates and Wayne Christian will face off for Texas Railroad Commissioner. Mary Lou Keel will go against Ray Wheless for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2. For Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5, Scott Walker will face Brent Webster.

Although there are no local offices on the ballot in the Democrat run-off election, Grady Yarbrough will face Cody Garrett for Texas Railroad Commissioner.

Special Graduation Issues

BRONTE

May 13

ROBERT LEE

May 20

BLACKWELL

May 27



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Getting a Head Start on Planting! Students from the Robert Lee Headstart program planted flowers recently. The flowers were donated to the children by Cory and Tammy Thorn of Crazy T Greenhouse.

West Coke County Hospital Board Meeting discussed

By Pat Stephens
 The Board of Directors of the West Coke County Hospital District met in regular session April 26, 2016. President Pat Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:45 am and declared a quorum was present. Board members present were Sarah Green, Patsy Cason, and Noel Tinkler. James Baker, Administrator, Janie Munoz, BOM, Roger Alexander, Financial Consultant, were also present at the meeting. The invocation was given by Pat Stephens. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved, and there were no absentees from that meeting. There were no visitors.

The census count shows there are currently 28 residents in the facility, as of the meeting date.

In the staffing update, the facility is currently advertising for a van driver/CNA. Accounts Receivable/Collections were discussed, and an update was given to the Board.

Roger gave the Board a report on the current financial standing of the District. The financial statements were discussed and accepted as presented.

In the Administrator's report, James stated the new washing machine for the laundry and cooler for the kitchen area have been purchased and installed. The Out Patient PT license for Medicare recipients has been approved and received. News signs have been purchased and posted, as per regulation, prohibiting firearms in the facility. The facility is taking on a new face as light fixtures are currently being repaired and replaced, flowers and a garden have been planted by the Maintenance and Activities Depts., and new tablecloths for the dining room have been purchased. With the wonderful rains this spring, and the hard work of the employees, the facility is really looking good. The residents are enjoying the appearance of their 'home', as well as the loving care they receive.

The Board went into Executive session at 10:55 and came back into regular session at 11:15. No action was taken.

Future agenda items were discussed, and the date of the next Board meeting will be May

26, 2016. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Checking out the calendar for the month of May, residents will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo on May 5, at 3:30. There will be a Mother's Day Tea Party on May 9, at 3:30, and everyone will enjoy Sunshine Saturday on May 14. A trip to the Abilene Zoo is planned for 10:30 AM, May 20. The monthly Birthday Party will be celebrated May 24, at 3:30. Those celebrating birthdays this month are Joyce Dodson, Antonio Martinez, Juanell Brown, and Margaret Stevens. On May 27, at 10:30 AM, there will be a service to honor

the Veterans. Residents will be celebrating Memorial Day with a movie and popcorn on May 30. And that takes care of the busy month of May.... Have a Happy Mother's Day as we celebrate motherhood, Happy Graduation to all the graduating seniors of 2016, and enjoy a blessed and safe Memorial Day as we remember those who have given their lives for the freedoms we enjoy.

Lomas warns citizens of virus threat

By Fran Lomas
 Everyone has been made aware of the Zika virus that can develop from mosquitoes carrying this disease. And each know to not let water collect in containers near their homes. This includes the saucers under plants, daily changing of pets' water containers, etc. And to use insect repellent each time going outdoors.

The first warning was directed to women who were or might become pregnant and to anyone traveling outside the country, especially to warmer climates. Now, through the Centers of Disease Control those guidelines have been expanded and the average person has heard this but didn't really pay too much attention.

There has been an established link between Zika virus and

Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS), an uncommon sickness of the neurological system in which a person's own immune system damages the nerve cells. The signs are weakness in the arms and legs and in some cases facial muscles, eye movement and even swallowing, requiring a breathing tube. Many require a ventilator. Symptoms can last for weeks, months or even a lifetime. And the patient is always at risk for any other auto immune disease. GBS effects 1-2 people for every 100,000 with a disability rate of 20% and a mortality of one in 20.

In April in the state of Florida another neurological syndrome, Acute Disseminated Encephalomyelitis (ADEM), has been tied into the Zika virus. This one attacks the brain and

spinal cord. GBS can lead to other auto immune syndromes, such as Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP) which kills the nerves in the extremes, requiring medical infusions over a very long period of time.

Living in the middle of this county is a person, Mike Lomas, who became a victim of GBS in early 2008 and worked months and into years to overcome it and then to be stricken with CIDP, an off-shoot of GBS. This was discovered in early winter of 2014 but due to other medical problems, treatment didn't start until March of 2016.

Note: As concerned members of the community and country we wish to assist in informing all of the dangers. - Fran and Mike Lomas

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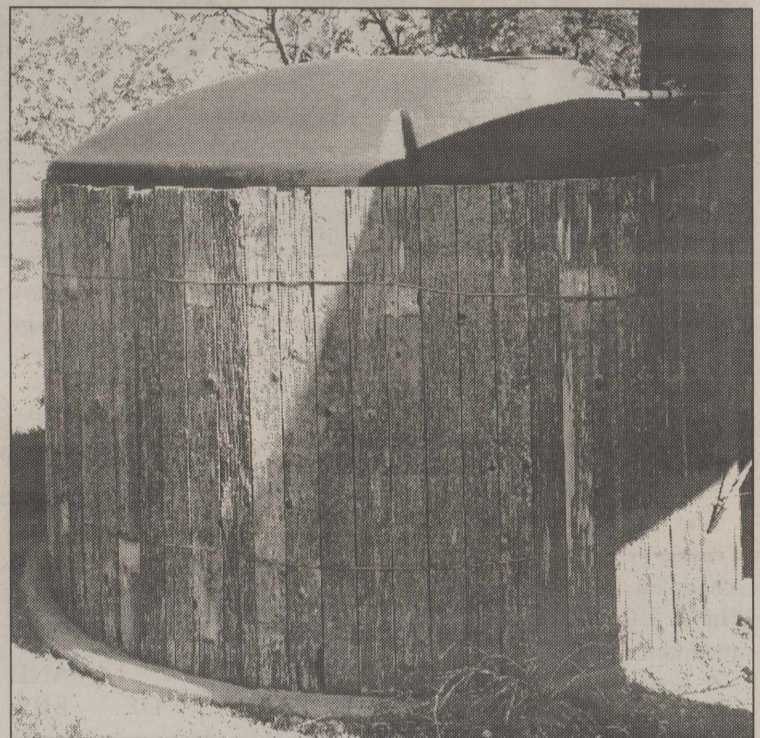
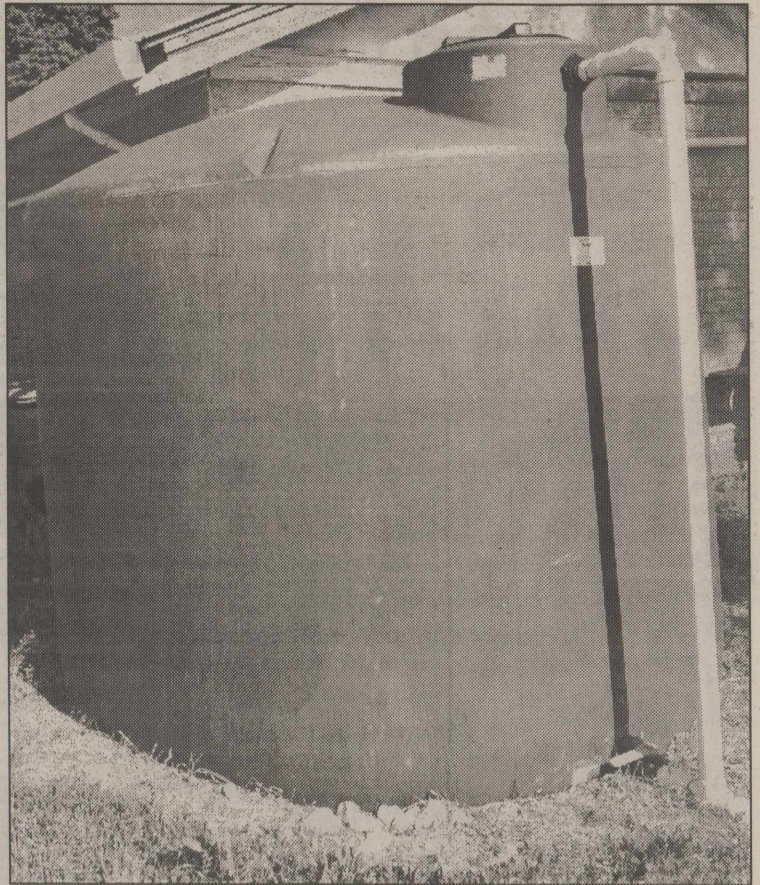
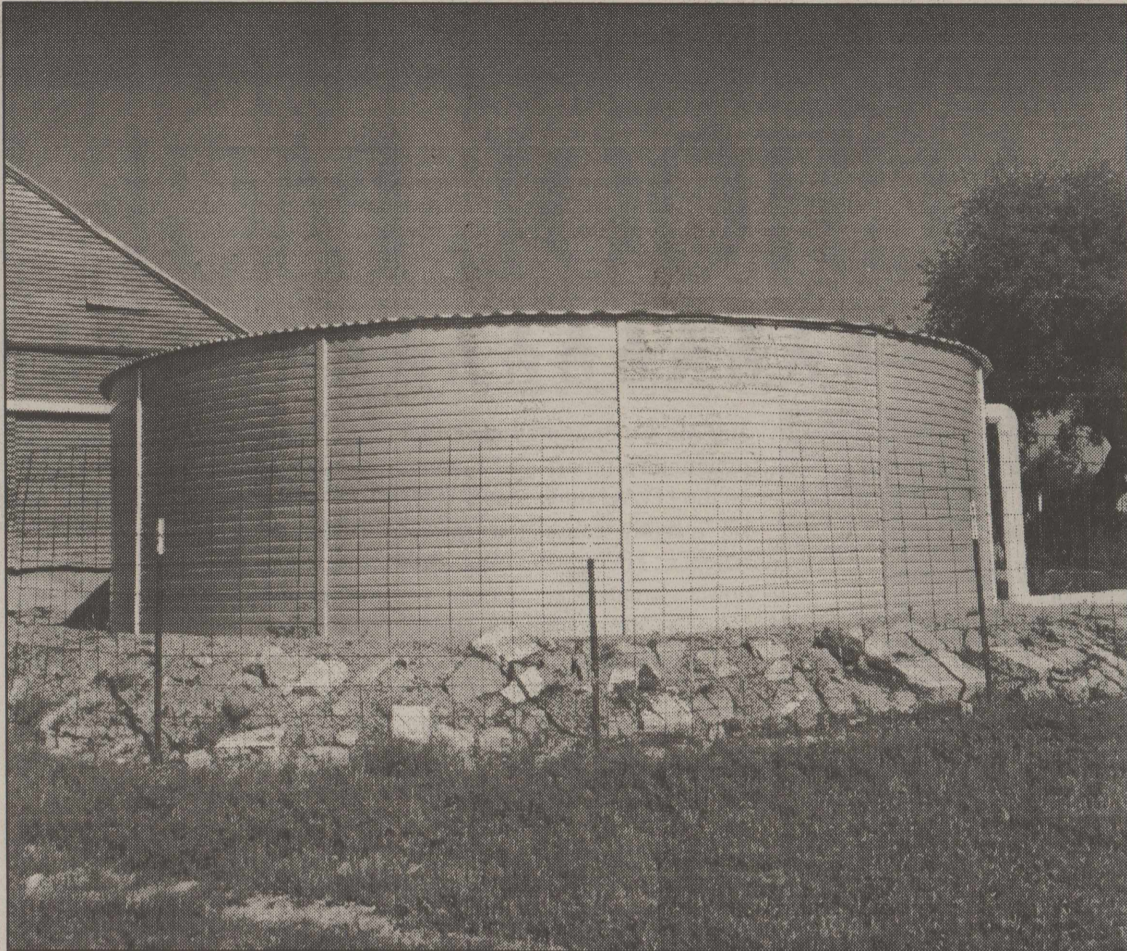
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 Wed. 6 pm
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 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship
 6 pm Youth
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
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 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting



A Variety of Rainwater Catch Tanks

The homeowner has a number of options from which to choose their perfect rainwater catch tank.

Most people are familiar with the cement tanks (bottom left photo). These tanks are prevalent in our area and have been used for years to hold livestock water and as swimming pools. However, the drawbacks to these tanks are debris and evaporation. These tanks do not provide sufficient protection for human drinking water.

The metal tank (top left photo) comes in many sizes and works extremely well for rainwater catch systems. Constructed on site, the tanks have a plastic bladder to hold the water on the inside of the tank. These tanks range from just a couple of thousand gallons all the way to 65,000 gallons plus. Although these tanks can be more attractive than other options, they also are usually more expensive.

Often, homeowners will choose poly tanks (top right

photo). A good cost estimate for these tanks is approximately .50 per gallon of capacity and can be as large as 20,000 gallons. However, most you see come in sizes ranging up to 3,000 gallons. For one story homeowners, the larger poly tanks are often too tall for adequate drop from the gutter system. To get around the height issue, some homeowners buy several smaller tanks of 1,500 gallons to 2,500 gallons

and link them together to provide adequate storage for their families. If purchasing a poly tank, buy a dark color. Light colored tanks promote algae growth.

Since the poly tanks are not as attractive as other options, some owners utilize wood or other materials to disguise the tank (bottom right photo).

Whichever tank you choose, a pad will need to be installed to provide a level surface.

Finding Solutions for Your Financial Needs

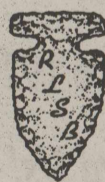


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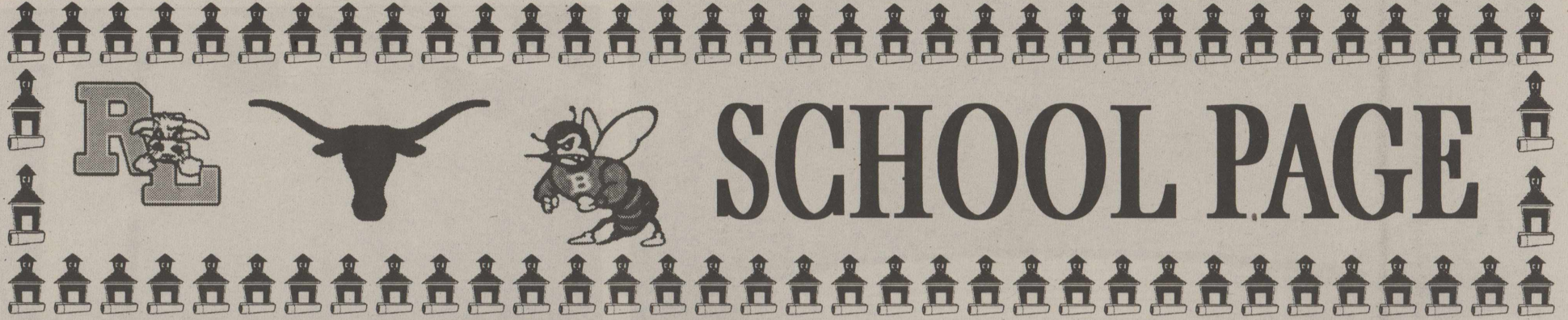
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Field Trip! The Kindergarten class from Robert Lee Elementary went to the Abilene Zoo on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, for a field trip. After looking at all the animals, the class enjoyed lunch at Cici's Pizza.

Bronte ISD Board posts minutes

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on March 10, 2016. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Shane Kelton, Nick Arrott, David McWright, Blake Braswell, Ashley Braswell, Kay Styles.
- Administration: Tim Siler, Susan Henderson, Donna Poehls, Rose Whitehurst
- Guests: Maureen Youngblood, Heather Middleton, Melanie Clendennen, and Mike Cothran

1. PRAYER: The meeting was opened at 7:04 pm with a prayer by David McWright.

2. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM: Quorum was established with six members present.

3. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were presented and

read. Motion to approve as presented made by Ashley Braswell. Seconded by Nick Arrott. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

4. AUDIENCE ITEMS: No audiences items.

5. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BILL LISTING: Motion to approve the bill listing for March as presented was made by David McWright and seconded by Blake Braswell. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0. Motion passed.

Item 10 of the agenda was moved forward to allow the presenters to travel home after their presentation.

10. HVAC Update: Mr. Siler and the Board have requested experts come and present their study findings of the district's existing HVAC systems to determine a plan to mitigate the equipment failures observed recently.

A. TASB - Mrs. Clendennen

and Mr. Cothran presented their preliminary report and findings of the HVAC study that TASB/E3 recently conducted on the school's HVAC, lighting and power systems.

- The district has 63 HVAC units on campus.

- 42 units (56%) of the HVAC units are 15 years old or older, and an additional 21 units, (28%) are 10 to 14 years old. The normal expected lifespan of a unit is 15 years.

- The campus is very energy-efficient due to diligence of the staff.

- E3 suggested that replacement costs for the 42 HVAC units at 15 years or older is in excess of \$500,000 based on budgetary estimates for similar installations. The HVAC replacements would be required

in the near-term based on equipment remaining lifespan.

- An additional \$400,000 was discussed for lighting retrofits and other infrastructure updates to increase energy efficiency of the district.

- The funding and scheduling of a project such as this was discussed with E3 and TASB should the district consider using them to complete this project.

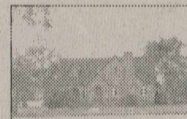
6. PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS: Ms. Poehls presented the principals' reports to the Board.

A. Update on Student Activities:

- Elementary campus enrollment: 131 students with an attendance of 96.7%.

- Secondary campus enrollment: 133 students with

Farm-Ranch, Commercial, Recreational & Residential Real Estate



WONDERFUL CRAFTSMANSHIP! Beautiful older home with lots of extras - built-ins, hardwood floors, cedar closet, decorative ceilings, stained glass inserts, antique chandeliers and more! Lovely porches and trees! New tile in kitchen! Updated with modern convenience while keeping old world charm!



EDGE OF TOWN! Large remodeled manufactured home sitting on almost 1/2 acre in Bronte! Due to wood remodel, home is now permanent to property. Quiet neighborhood on outskirts of rural community.



PRICE REDUCED! Cute home on two lots in rural community with many updates and metal roof only a couple of blocks from the school! A large fenced-in backyard with pecan trees and reasonable price make this an excellent option for first-time home-buyers or rental property investment! Many extras including a storm shelter!



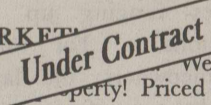
MANY UPDATES! Large older home is just perfect for family. Hardwood floors in living room, dining room, and two bedrooms. Numerous built-ins throughout home, huge closets, woodburning stove in den, 2 car attached carport. Potential efficiency apartment or guest house on property includes full basement and 2 car attached carport. Loads of character in this home on 1.91 acres.



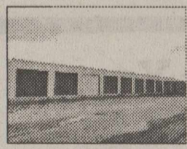
BEAUTIFUL LOCATION ABOVE ELM CREEK IN BALLINGER! Lovely home in excellent neighborhood with tons of character! Move-in ready with new roof put on in 2015 and new paint throughout! Large lot on hill above city park! Beautiful views from backyard patio!



NEW TO MARKET home in established Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Well maintained and perfect for a starter home or investment property! Priced to Sell!



QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD! Brick home in quiet Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Perfect home for family! Reasonably priced!



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY! Wonderful investment opportunity in rural community. Easy access is a plus with this twenty unit storage facility in bustling oilfield town of Sterling City!



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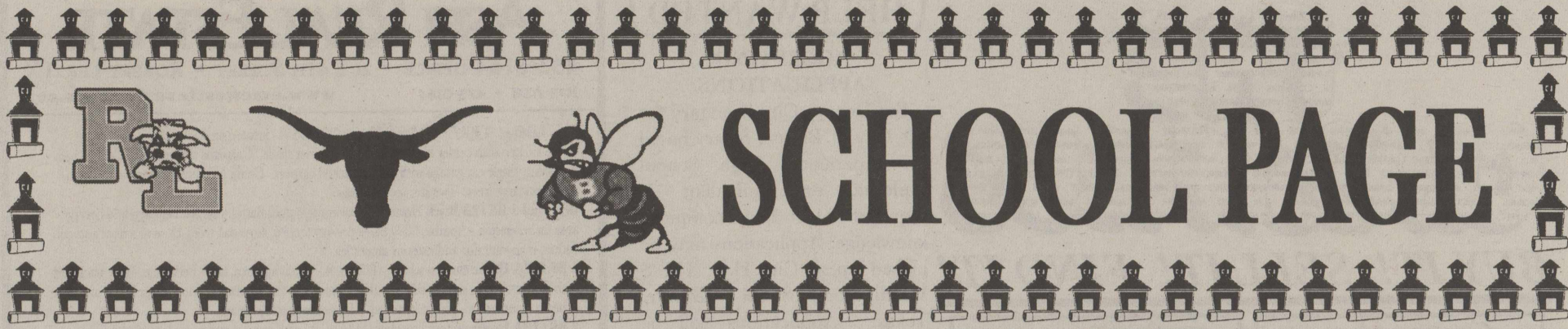
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SCHOOL PAGE



an attendance of 96.0%. We currently have nine seniors that will graduate this year.

- The band did well in a contest last week and should be commended for their efforts.
- Track, tennis, and golf are all on-going. Currently, BISSD only has a girls' golf team.
- Spring break will be next week, March 14th thru the 18th.
- All but two teachers have been evaluated for the year.

B. Discuss / Approve Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS certification: Mrs. Poehls presented this material to the board; it is essentially identical to previous years. Motion to approve as presented made by Nick Arrott and seconded by David McWright. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

7. FINANCIAL UPDATE: Mr. Siler presented the finances of the district to the Board.

A. Current year: The district is still on-track per the templates run by the administration. The budget keeps getting tighter due

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Blackwell Menu

Breakfast

- Monday, May 9**
Sausage Kolache, yogurt or choice of cereal, fruit, juice, milk
- Tuesday, May 10**
Breakfast strudel w/cheese stick or choice of cereal, applesauce, juice, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Breakfast pizza or choice of cereal & Cheese stick, fruit, juice, milk
- Thursday, May 12**
Bagel w/cream cheese, sausage or choice of cereal, mixed fruit, juice, milk
- Friday, May 13**
Muffin & yogurt or choice of cereal, bananas, fruit juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, May 9**
Spaghetti, breadsticks, garden salad, Tuscan Vegetables, sliced peaches, chocolate/vanilla pudding, milk
- Tuesday, May 10**
Managers Choice, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Steak Fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, strawberries, roll milk
- Thursday, May 12**
Stuffed baked potato w/chili and cheese, hot roll, broccoli,



Headed to State! Margo Mendoza and Kiara Burns (right photo, from left) will be representing the Lady Steers Track and Field team at the State Track and Field meet in Austin on May 13. Margo (left photo) will be throwing the discus and Kiara will be throwing the shot put. Kiara Burns placed 2nd in the Shot Put and Pammmy Meeks (middle photo) placed 3rd.

apple-pineapple d'lite, milk

Friday, May 13
Hamburger/cheeseburger garnish, oven fries, western beans, diced pears, milk

Bronte Menu

Breakfast

- Monday, May 9**
Pancakes or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk
- Tuesday, May 10**
Blueberry muffin or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Breakfast pizza or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk
- Thursday, May 12**
PBJ sandwich or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk
- Friday, May 13**
Sausage & biscuit or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, May 9**
Hamburger, oven fries, baby carrots, diced peaches, cookie, milk

- Tuesday, May 10**
Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans, garden salad, fruit, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Chili cheese combo, vegetable cup, fruit, pudding, milk
- Thursday, May 12**
Pizza, seasoned corn, tomato cup, fruit, milk
- Friday, May 13**
No school

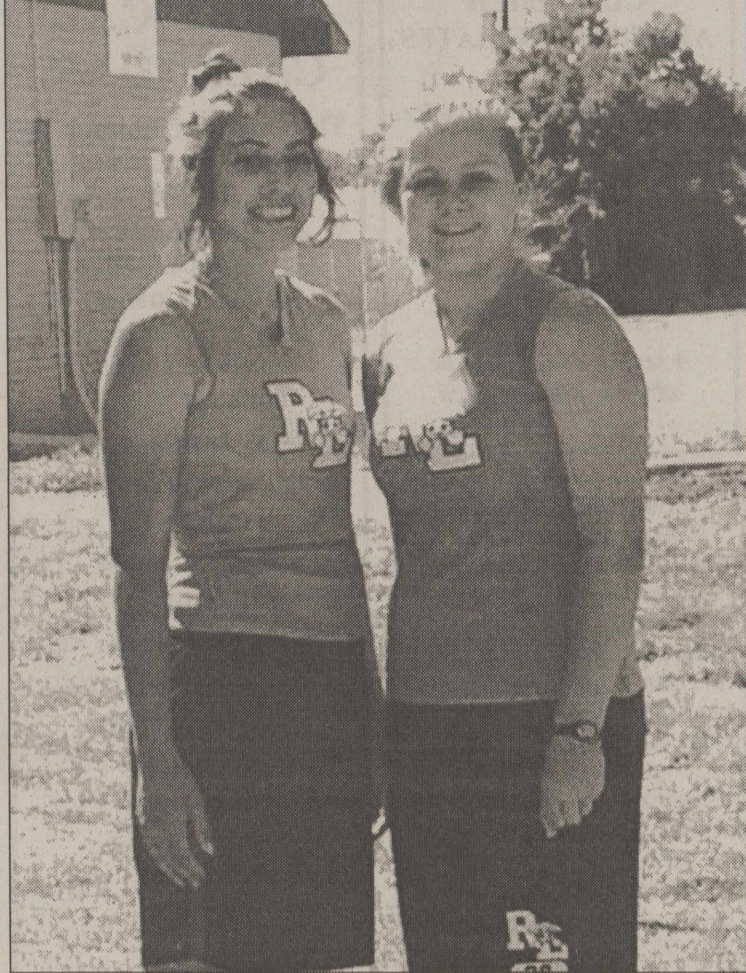
Robert Lee Menu

Breakfast

- Monday, May 9**
Waffle, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
- Tuesday, May 10**
Biscuit, scrambled eggs, fruit, juice, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Cinnamon Roll, bacon, fruit, juice, milk
- Thursday, May 12**
Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk
- Friday, May 13**
Holiday

Lunch

- Monday, May 9**



- Corndog, fries, baby carrots w/ranch, peaches, cereal treat, milk
- Tuesday, May 10**
Chicken nuggets, salad, mac & cheese, green beans, apple slices, milk
- Wednesday, May 11**
Chili cheese combo, fruit, veggie cup, fruit, chocolate pudding, milk
- Thursday, May 12**
Pizza, salad, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk
- Friday, May 13**
Holiday

Vote Saturday, May 7
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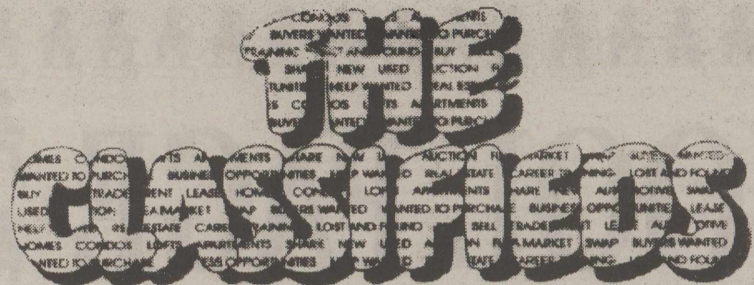
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Robert Lee All Sports Banquet

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A BIG THANK YOU

To all those who helped with the prayer rally on Tuesday, April 26, at Robert Lee Memorial Garden. Please continue to pray that America will be restored to high moral virtues. This week's prayer request is that America will never be attacked by terrorists again.

Thanks,
Carolyn Long
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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Robert Lee Housing Authority will hold a PUBLIC MEETING on June 16, 2016, at 6pm, at 710 Bishop St., to receive comments on the Annual and 5 Year Plan. All documents are on display at the office of the Housing Authority, 710 Bishop St., Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9 am and 12 pm.

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POLITICAL CALENDAR

The Observer/Enterprise has been authorized to make the following announcements for the political offices in Coke County. Each announcement must be a paid announcement.

Coke County Sheriff
Wayne McCutchen
(Rep.)

Coke County Commissioner, Pct 1
Shaunna Grantham (Rep.)
Donald Robertson (Rep.)

Coke County Commissioner, Pct 3
Marshall Millican (Rep.)

Nolan County Commissioner, Pct 3
Luis Solis (Rep.)

To be included in the Political Calendar, contact The Observer/Enterprise at (325) 453-2433 or (325) 473-8863.

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BRONTE MINI STORAGE
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3 BR/2BA Home close to school, 1800 sq. ft. +/-, living area, large bedrooms, large backyard with concrete patio, shingle siding with composition roof, hardwood floors, large living area, pier & beam construction, garage attached. House needs some repairs.
2 BR/2BA House on four large lots (1484 sq. ft.) with carport and cover for travel trailer. Chain link fence around property. Located in Bayview Addition.
Large House, 380.801 ac. of ranchland NW of Robert Lee, with Great Hunting
1,120 acres - 1/4 of minerals sold with property, good hunting \$1,350/acre
1,122 acres - High Fenced, Exotics sold with property, excellent water

Other Tracts Available
Robert Lee - 2 BR/2 BA - updated inside & out, many amenities

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Geneva Cook, Deceased, were issued on April 25, 2016, in Cause No. PR1601835, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to: Amy Bythewood.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o Kenneth H. Slimp
Attorney at Law

P.O. Box 157
Winters, TX 79567
Dated the 25th day of April, 2016
Signed: Kenneth H. Slimp
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Attorney for Amy Bythewood
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PRICE REDUCED 324 Acres -East of San Angelo on FM 765 near Eola, rural water, barns and pens, all new fences, some acreage was previously in farmland. \$1,850/Acre
NEW LISTING -Glasscock 2000+ acres south of Stanton, 200 acres in farmland, remaining in pasture **SOLD** Lodges with a total of 12 rooms 12 bath rooms. Good water well. \$2.95 million.
• **REDUCED!** 314 house and barn, 36x60 **UNDER CONTRACT** two water wells, \$195,000.00
• **PRICE REDUCED!** 190 **SOLD** county, Texas Near Silver. One water well, good hunting, electric 250/acre.

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NOTICES

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF BRONTE, TEXAS SALE OF LAND

Sealed bids for the purchase of surface land at Oak Creek, with the City of Bronte retaining all water rights, will be received by the City of Bronte, Texas until 1:30 pm, Monday May 9, 2016, at City Hall, 114 South Washington Street, Bronte, Texas 76933. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud 6:15 pm, Thursday, May 12, 2016 at said location. Sealed bids must be submitted to the attention of Crystal Blevins with the acres bidder is bidding on. More detailed land description is available within the bid packet. Bid packets may be picked up at 114 South Washington Street, Bronte, Texas 76933 or by calling (325) 473-3501.

PROPERTY 1 - 1.322 and 25.585 acre tract located on Oak Creek

PROPERTY 2 - 6.186 and 38.807 acre tract located on Oak Creek

Terms may be reviewed at City Hall for hunting restrictions, underground commercial property water rights, and public nuisance restrictions. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

The City will furnish purchaser with a Special Warranty Deed. Successful bidder will be expected to deposit a 10% earnest money payment upon acceptance of their bid on bid date with closing of the sale.

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Free Online Program Helps Farmers and Ranchers with Conservation Efforts

As bad weather continues to hit large areas of Texas, the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) wants to remind farmers, ranchers and others about the ease and convenience of using the agency's online Conservation Client Gateway to work with NRCS personnel and local field offices.

"The Conservation Client Gateway web based tool came about because the Natural Resources Conservation Service saw an opportunity using web based technology to be able to expand its client base and not only that, but to facilitate opportunities for our clients and non NRCS clients to have easier access to NRCS services and programs," says Salvador Salinas, Texas NRCS state conservationist.

For farmers and ranchers who do not live close to their local NRCS office, the Conservation Client Gateway offers numerous benefits. For instance, producers can go online and see all their NRCS contracts. They can also digitally sign their contracts online through the secure Conservation Client Gateway website. And, technical assistance from an NRCS employee is just a click away 24 hours a day, seven days a week online.

Rick Castello of Fayette County was one of the first NRCS producers to adopt the Conservation Client Gateway technology.

"The ability to use this website and to go online and find the forms and make things happen that way allows me to save in many cases 280 miles, which is a lot of time and with the gas prices the way they were, a lot of money, so there is a significant savings monetarily and timewise from it," says Castello. "The other part is it allows me to get things done quicker and frankly more accurately because it's on paper and we know what we are trying to go do."

Castello farms in Fayette County, but lives near Houston and travels for work. He has found that using Conservation Client Gateway not only saves him time and money, but when he travels it allows him to sign paperwork on the go, to access his conservation plans and financial contracts and track payments easily. He can also message the local office if he has questions or needs to set up an appointment during times that he will be at the farm.

For more information about Conservation Client Gateway, visit your NRCS office at your local USDA Service Center or visit <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/cgate>.

Health Careers Camp deadline is May 13

Students currently enrolled in grades 8-12 are invited to attend a Health Careers Camp in Odessa, Texas, June 13th through 16th to get hands on

learning about health careers. The camp is sponsored by the Permian Basin Area Health Education Cooperative (AHEC) and students will participate in tours of local health care facilities, shadowing opportunities with health care professionals, hands on science experiments, and lectures from college professors and instructors who will offer good habits for college success.

The cost covers 3 nights of housing, food and snacks, and transportation during the camp. The deadline to apply is May 13th. Scholarships are available based on financial need. Please pick up an application in the Bronte HS Counselor's office. For additional information, please call Susie Dominguez at (432) 894-5562.

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(Continued from page 5) to student counts and attendance.

B. 2016 / 2017 Budget Expectations: The administration is working to develop the balanced budget for next year now. It was noted that the passage of the Homestead Exemption by the State reduced the district's taxable values by \$3.6 million, i.e. the district will lose revenue based on the reduced taxable value of the district.

8. UPDATE 104: The board read and discussed the 104 update items. Item to be added to the next month's agenda for final vote.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Siler presented the superintendents' report to the Board.

A. Board Training: Education Service Center conducted the board training last year. The frequency of the board training that is required was questioned. Mr. Siler will investigate board training requirements and report back.

B. Site-based Retreat: The board agreed that the site-based retreat should be April 7th at 7 pm, prior to next month's board meeting on April 13th.

C. Track Repair: Carter, (the track vendor in this area), visited the district and made an assessment of the track since the surface has some cracks in it. They suggested that the underlayment of the track is near the end of its service life and that repairs should be made. The vendor provided an estimated cost for these repairs; board members with experience in civil work stated that the estimated cost quoted was extremely high.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: These items require a closed meeting as authorized

by Section 551.001 through 551.146 of the Texas Government Code. The Board entered into executive (closed) session at 8:35 pm.

A. Personnel
1. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
2. Resignations and Recommendations.

B. The Board reconvened in regular (open) session at 9:20 pm.

C. Mr. Siler informed the board that he has received and accepted the resignations of Mrs. Micah Henson on March 8th and Mrs. Donna Poehls on March 10th. These resignation are to take effect at the end of the year.

12. DISCUSS/APPROVE PRINCIPAL'S CONTRACT: No action was taken on this item.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Kay Styles made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ashley Braswell seconded. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm.

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Coke County 4-H Shooters! On April 30, 2016, the Coke County 4-H Rifle Team competed in the 2016 District 7 Rifle Contest in Baird, Texas. The team was up against some stiff competition. The Junior team - Juan De La Garza, Joey Goddard, Tristan Grantham and Cole Knight placed 5th in the 3P with a score of 219. Good job, guys!

May 7, 2016
Local Entity Elections
May 24, 2016
Primary Run-Off Elections

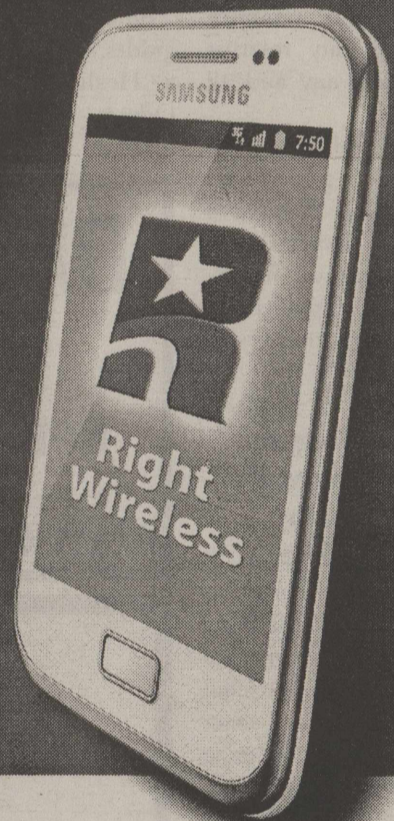


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