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Coke Co. Veterans Memorial Committee needs your help

With the recent passage of Memorial Day, and all the good thoughts concerning our troops in Iraq, Afghanistan, and throughout the world, it seems like a good time to revisit our Coke County Veterans Memorial. The memorial is located at the old train station in Bronte, which is the place where many of our enlisted men either boarded the train to begin their journeys in military service to their country, or arrived home following their military service.

The Veterans Memorial has the names inscribed of many of our Coke County veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the more current conflicts in the middle east, which include Iraq and Afghanistan, and other locations of strategic interest around the world.

The cost per inscription of each county veteran's name on the monument is \$100.00. This fee pays for the actual engraving of your loved one's name on monument, plus an additional fee to help landscape and maintain the grounds. One of the problems in engraving the names in a timely manner is that a minimum of ten names and fees has to be collected in order to justify hiring the engraver.

Sometimes that makes for a lengthy wait until enough names can be obtained to accomplish the engraving.

The Veterans Memorial Committee has lost a number of committee members due to deaths and relocations to other cities. Ettie Hubbard, who chairs the committee, has met with the Coke County Historical Committee to solicit their ongoing support of the memorial effort.

You can help with this effort by volunteering your time to possibly serve on the committee. Mrs. Hubbard indicates that we have four names which have been paid for at this time. If you would like the name of your loved one(s) inscribed on the monument, this is an excellent time to contact Mrs. Hubbard. If we can get an additional six names, the engraving process can begin.

For additional information concerning volunteering your assistance or inscribing a name on the memorial, you may contact Mrs. Hubbard at 473-3761.

Singing Winds to host tourney

There will be a 27 hole, 2 person select shot golf tournament on June 21, 2008, at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte. For more information, call 473-2156.



Veterans Memorial! The Coke County Veterans Memorial, located at the old train depot in Bronte, has the names inscribed of many Coke County veterans of World War I and II, Korea, Vietnam, and more current conflicts in the middle east.

RLBC Youth Benefit 4-Person Golf Tourney set

Serving Coke & Sterling Counties

Robert Lee Baptist Church will sponsor a Youth Benefit 4-Person Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 21, 2008, at Mountain Creek Golf Club in Robert Lee. The tournament will be eighteen holes with an A-B-C-D Scramble Format. Bring your own team for a 9 am tee time.

All proceeds will benefit the Robert Lee Baptist Church Youth Camp. For more information or to register, contact Ryan Reed at 453-2724.

17th annual Coke County Ranch Rodeo set for June 28

twenty area ranches vying for fashioned family dance. cash awards and buckles. for admission.

barbecue plates, sandwiches, available at the door. and all the trimmings.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 28, and plan to come out and enjoy the rodeo action and concessions, which benefit the youth of Coke County with college scholarship funding.

Bluegrass & Country Music event set for Saturday, June 28

On Saturday, June 28, there will be three great bands playing in one evening.

Mountain Creek with some of the greatest information.

bluegrass pickers around. At 6 pm, Angelo Bluegrass will take the stage to offer up a plate-full of down home country pickin'. Then at 7 The 17th annual Coke pm, all the way from County Ranch Rodeo has Portales, New Mexico, one of been set for Saturday, June the best family groups on the 28, 2008, at the Coke County circuit today, Triple L, will Roping Arena in Bronte. kick it up a notch. At 8 pm This year's edition will begin Driftwood will finish the at 5 pm, with approximately night with a good old-

Mark your calendar now for Donations will be accepted Saturday, June 28, at the Mountain In addition, the Bronte Amphitheatre in Robert Lee. Evening Lions Club will be Show up for the best of manning the concession bluegrass and good country stand, with an array of music. Tickets will be

4-H Clothing Project coming up

The 4-H clothing project will be held June 30, July 1-2 and July 7-8. If you are interested in participating in the 4-H clothing project please contact the Extension office for more details. Deadline to register is June

4-H County Camp slated for July 10-11

The 4-H multi-county camp Bring the family, your will be held July 10-11, 2008, favorite musical instrument, at Buffalo Gap. Any 4-H a lawn chair and join us for a member in grades 3 - 8, is night of family fun at the encouraged to attend. Deadline for registration is Amphitheatre in Robert Lee. July 3. Please contact the Festivities will begin at 4:30 Coke County Extension pm with an open jam session office at (325) 453-2461 to for anyone who wants to play register and obtain more



Oath of Office! Robert Lee City Secretary, Kay Torres (far left), administered oath of office to (left to right) Mayor Joe White, and City Council members Bonita Cartrite and John Jacobs. Mayor White and Council members, Cartrite and Jacobs were elected at the May 10th City General Election. Also serving on the City Council are Gary Payne, Jackie Walker, and Troy Wimberley. City council meetings are held on the second Monday of each month and are open to the public.

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Car Crusher coming to Bronte

The City Council is continuing its efforts to improve the appearance of Numerous Bronte. dilapidated buildings have been torn down and the properties cleared. The Council will now pursue the removal of disabled/dismantled and inoperable vehicles from the City limits.

Disabled/dismantled and inoperable vehicles are eyesores and provide areas for rodents, skunks and snakes to live. These vehicles calling to get the date so they are health hazards and it will can bring their booths to be a benefit to all citizens to remove them. Owners of these vehicles will be offered an opportunity to have their vehicles removed from their properties.

A "car crusher" will be in Bronte in June. If you have vehicles to be removed that week, contact the City Hall at 473-3501 to make arrangements.

The City has set a deadline of July 1, 2008, for the removal of these problem vehicles. Action will be taken if owners do not have their vehicles removed, by the deadline.

The City Council hopes that everyone will take advantage of this program to improve the appearance of the City and raise funds to benefit the Fire Department.

USDA announces disaster program sign-up deadline

Livestock producers have until July 18, 2008, to enroll in the 2005-2007 Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP). Signup began on September 10, 2007, for the two programs that provide aid to livestock producers who suffered eligible livestock or livestock feed losses between January 1, 2005, and December 30, 2007, because of a natural disaster.

The LIP provides payments to eligible livestock owners and contract growers who incurred the death of livestock because of a natural disaster. The LCP provides payments to eligible livestock owners and cash lessees who suffered feed losses or increased feed costs because of a natural disaster.

Austin Street. Talk it up. Support someone willing to take on the game. It's a beginning.

RL pool now open

The pool has officially opened for the summer from 2 pm to 6 pm daily.

Pool managers this year are Cathy Green and Jeff Barnes. Ladies night wil begin on

June 9 and continue each Monday night from 6:15 pm

-7:30 pm.

Swimming lessons are now being offered. lifeguards will be giving lessons starting Monday, June 9-13. Lessons will be from 10 am - 11 am each day Monday through Friday. Classes are limited in size, so come by the pool to get your kids signed up. For more information call the pool during the day at 325-450-5204 or Cathy Green 325-201-4227.

Reserve the pool for your next gathering or party. You may hire your own certified lifeguard or one can be scheduled for you. More than 30 swimmers require 2 lifeguards.

Season tickets are available for individuals or family rates at the window.

For admission prices or to reserve the pool, call 450-5204 or 325-201-4227.

Congressman Mike Conaway set to visit Coke Co.

Constituents in Robert Lee and Bronte, will have the opportunity to visit with Congressman Mike Conaway.

It will be an informal get together with Mike to ask questions or share your concerns.

He will be in Robert Lee on Tuesday, July 1, 2008 from 10 am - 10:45 am in the County Commisioners court room, Coke County Courthouse.

Congressman Conaway will then be in Bronte on the same day from 11 am - 11:45 am in the Community Rooom-Housing Authority, 116 N.E. Railroad.

Community Medical to host senior talks

San Angelo Community Medical Center will be hosting free educational talks for seniors. "Summer skin care" with Kay Johnston, MD, will be June 20 from 9:30 am until 10:30 am. Irene Walter and Holly Wescott will then present

"File of Life" on July 11, from 9:30 am - 10:30 am. Both talks will be in the conference rooms at San Angelo Community Medical Center. Coffee, water and snacks will be served. There is limited seating so call 947-6262 to reserve

FSA accepting applications

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is now accepting application for Emergency Farm Loans resulting from damages and losses caused by fires and high winds on January 1, 2008 and continuing.

Coke County has been named a primary county where eligible family farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Farm Loan Manager, Justin B. Holland, asks farmers who want to apply for emergency loans to submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadline for applications is January 15, 2009, but if farmers wait too long, a backlog will develop and cause delays.

Generally, farmers who have lost 30 percent of their production due to designated disaster are eligible for emergency loans. The FSA office is located at 103 W. Florida Avenue in Sweetwater, Texas.



More information about

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FSA programs, visit your

local USDA Service Center

or the agency's website,

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and Worship Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes (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) 453-5003 • 453-2296 Pastor: Basilio Esquivel Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am & 6 pm, Wednesday 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

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

11 am & 6 pm, Worship

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 **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

St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-268 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor

County implements services to improve public safety matters

Coke County announced recently it has selected the Connect-CTY notification service from Blackboard Connect Inc. (formerly known as The NTI Group, Inc.), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Blackboard Inc. (NASDAQ:BBBB). county will conduct its first community-wide test call on June 24.

Coke County has implemented the Connect-CTY service to provide county officials the ability to communicate with residents regarding time-sensitive incidents, which may include planned and unforseen public safety matters.

The Connect-CTY service allows officials to record, send and track personalized voice messages to thousands of residents, businesses, and local agencies in just minutes, through a single phone call. The county can also send text messages to cell phones, PDAs, e-mail accounts, and TTY/TDD receiving devices for the hearing impaired. service requires no additional hardware; it can be used from any computer with internet access or just a telephone, ensuring that officials can send vital messages from wherever they are located. "In the past, we would have to go door-to-door or make individual calls to alert residents of a matter concerning public safety," said Roy Blair, County Judge of Coke County. "With the Connect-CTY service, we can quickly and efficiently notify residents with a single phone call, keeping residents up to date and preserving county resourses."

County administrators can target messages to an unlimited number of groupseverything from mobilizing emergency response teams to coordinating efforts with necessary agencies or volunteers. Authorized users also can use a map on the Connect-CTY system to contact specific geographical locations, sending messages only to the residents within select neighborhoods when needed.

"To ensure that everyone is prepared to receive safety notifications and other important messages of public interest, I strong encourage residents to register their contact information, including cell phones, private lines and e-mail addresses, into the Connect-CTY service's portal on the county Web site." Blair said.

Publicly available primary residential and business phone numbers in Coke County will automatically be included in the system. However, residents can optin to provide their complete



50th Wedding Anniversary! Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Thomas of San Angelo will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, June 21, 2008, with a reception in Lowake hosted by their children, Carol J. Dennis, Linda T. Thomas, Debora A. Fernandez and Connie F. Turner. Don was employed by B&W for 5 years and Lone Star Gas Co. for 28 years. Shirley was employed by Ethicon for 26 1/2 years.

County (www.co.coke.tx.us) their information into the telephone lines." secure database. Those without internet access can the Connect-CTY system, have their information added please contact the company at into the system by calling (818) 808-1789. (325) 453-2641. Residents with call blocking services can make sure to receive the county's time-sensitive calls by adding 325.453.2641 to their approved number list.

"The best way to keep residents informed and, therefore, safe is through

information (up to three communication, and the phone numbers and two e- Connect-CTY service makes mail addresses) and indicate it easy," said Brendan Cotter, if they have a TTY/TDD Managing Director, Connectdevice by visiting the Coke CTY. "With the Connectsite CTY service, administrators and have a powerful tool for mass clicking on the link that says communication without "SIGN UP NOW-SERVICES having to purchase new BY CONNECT-CTY" to enter computers, software and

For more information on

Deadline is Tuesday at 2 pm



Lynn & Brenda Gilchrest

will be married on June 21, 2008, at 6 pm at the Wildcat Pavilion at Lake Spence. Family and friends are cordially invited to attend. A reception and dance will follow at 7 pm at the pavilion. The reception is BYOB, and the couple requests that attendees bring their own chairs. For more information, contact Brenda at 763-7563.

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Harris awarded Byrd Scholarship

Casey Harris, a 2008 graduate of Bronte High School, has been awarded the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. This academic scholarship may be awarded for up to four consecutive years at \$1,500 a Casey plans on attending Texas A&M University in the fall.

BISD Board holds regular meeting

The Bronte ISD board of trustees held a regular meeting, June 12, 2008 at 7:06 pm in the board room. Those in attendance were: Feil-Duncan, Quinda President, Jeff Schoenfield, Wayne Coalson, Shane Kelton, Paul Williams, David McWright, and Alan Richey, Superintendent. Also present were: David Bedford, Leah Rosson, and Ericka Knight. Bob Frazee was absent.

The meeting was opened with prayer by David Bedford.

The board went on a walkthru of Bronte ISD facilities and approved the safety audit report which was presented by David Bedford.

The board approved Update 83 as presented and discussed policy on public access to facilities and recording/written minutes of board meetings. The board

accepted high bids on the building portable greenhouse.

Alan Richey, Superintendent, gave a TEA and budget update and also reviewed the site based retreat results. Mr. Richey gave an overview on Special Ed programs and set the budget workshop for June 26, 2008, at 5:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 11:12 pm.

BVFD Memorials and Donations

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Peggy Jackson, County **Employees**

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> BHS graduates honored as Texas Scholars

On Thursday, May 22, five graduating seniors from Bronte High School were honored as earning the Texas Scholars' distinction. Texas Scholars is a program that



Texas Scholars! Five recent Bronte High School graduates were honored at a Texas Scholars luncheon on May 22. Those recognized as Texas Scholars were (from left to right) Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Holly Huskerson, Emily Austin and Cody Wallace.

student's plans for success in high school and beyond. Emily Austin, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Holly Huskerson and Cody Wallace recently attended a luncheon to recognize their academic achievements and community service. In order to be considered for the honor of becoming a Texas Scholar, students must register online. complete at least the Recommended High School Program, complete community service hours, achieve a Texas Ready standard on at least one standardized test, and develop and carry out a plan

military or work. Tammy Hortenstine and Natalee Hunter prepared a nice meal for the students and guests. Kay Gothard led the presentation with a few words about the adventure these students are about to face after graduation. Guests present at the luncheon were Misty Bedford, David Bedford, Alan Richey, Gerald

helps prepare and shape a for high school and a Sandusky, Rhonda Sedden, Kay transition to college, the Gothard, Jackie Timmerman, and Michael Bohensky.



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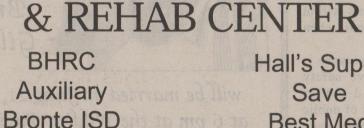
BRONTE HEALTH & REHAB CENTER WILL BE GIVING AWAY HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS TO ALL WHO WILL HELP IN THIS ENDEAVOR.

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Emily Mae Ratliff

Phillip and Heather Ratliff are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Mae Ratliff. Emily was born on Wednesday, June 11, 2008, at 4:32 pm, in a Dallas area hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz., and was 20 1/2 inches long. Phillip and Martha Ratliff of Bronte are Emily's paternal grandparents.

Laane Briley Abalos

Laane Briley Abalos was born May 29, 2008, to Brian and Brittny Abalos. He was welcomed by big brother, Cainaan, 3. Proud grandparents are Manuel and Christine Abalos, Connie Miller and Bill Martinez.

Check Out Coke County Library

Coke County The Library's Road Trip reading program is off to a good start. Friday's winner in the June 13 drawing was Hunter Hamrick, who gets to choose a prize from the display on the wall at the library.

A drawing is held each week on Fridays at 11:30 am. All of the names entered are put into a drawing for a Grand Prize on July 18. All Coke County students are invited to take a trip and enjoy a treat-of-the-week. adults who want to "get away" for free are invited,

Wallace family reunion held

The desendants of Harve and Millie Wallace gathered June 7-8, for their 26th annual Wallace Reunion. The group met at the Northside Church of Christ Fellowship Hall in Robert Lee. Family and friends enjoyed visiting, lots of great food, various games and a singing on Saturday evening.

Those attending were Jewell Wallace, Royce and Alice Wallace, Francis and Addie Jeffries, Joe Williams, Joe Dee and Terri Blair, Bobbie Fluhmann, all of Robert Lee; Jackie Smith, Matt, Vanessa and Noelle Hoffman, all of Lubbock; Joel Smith of Austin; Jacky and Pam Wallace of Abilene; Buddy and Kristen Wallace of Gail; Troy, Susan, and Cayla Millican of Sterling City; Wade Wallace of Carrollton; Bill and Dee Wallace of Nacogdoches; Sidney Myers, John and

April Redmon of Amarillo; Sarah Myers of Mustang, Oklahoma; Jana Jeffries, Morris, Wanda, Duncan, and Garret Wallace, Portis and Helen Ribble, and Roland and Ann McLean, all of San Angelo.

It was a great weekend, and plans are already being made by the family, to meet in June of 2009 for their next reunion.

Brice descendants hold 40th reunion

The Brice reunion was held for the 21st year at the Winters community center on June 14-15, 2008. In 1987, the reunion was held in the Winters park. The first 18 years the reunion was held at the Ballinger park. There were 118 present. Relatives and friends attending were W.A. and Dot Henson of Ingram; Juanita Bradley of Bronte; Marvin and Fayrene Henager, Marshall and Christy Smith, Meagan and Kendall Brice of Belton; Kenneth, Cynthia and Sarah Henager, David, Laurin, Makenna and Brody Potts and Aurthur Potts of Moody; Eddy and Vicky Watts, Amy Cominshy, Olen and Janie Baker of Temple; Rusty Weidner, Joyce Weidne, Latisha Weidner, Leslie Brice, Sarah Gandy, Sandra Camp, Misty Martinez, Shirley Strakos, Jerry and Brandy Tennell, Brenda Braden, Ricky Weidner, Sidney Weidner, Rita and Ben Blakeney of San Angelo; Beth Brice, Jackie and Megan Brice, Eddie and Ann Bedrick, Judy Snowden, Steve and Georgia Collier, Brandi Geiger, Ayden and Amelia Geiger of Odessa; Iris Coffey and Allen Coffey of Port Lavaca; Darvin and Willie Bradley of Midland; Francis Faglie, Doc Bramble, Tina Mitchell, Bobby Joe, Zachary and Haley Faglie of Palacios; James and Teresa Long of Placedo; Shane Collier of Los Angeles, California; Jim Bob Webb of Alaska; Justin, Breanna and Bryce Webb of Coppell; Jason, Christina, and Mason Bruck of Ft. Worth; Terry Sanders, Patsy Roberson and Dwayne, Vonda and Kirsten Grun of Tuscola; Bessie Brice of Robert Lee; Loy Morris and Darlene Kelly of Ballinger; Horace and Odell McGinnis, Greg and Sherrie Johnson, Brandon, Brandy, Brailey and Braylon McGinnis, Jonathan, Sara and Preston Mendez,

Bodie and Kelly McGinnis and Scarlett, Taylor and Kassidy Morgan of Mineral Wells; Alisha, Meagan and AJ Coffey of Waco; Leon Brice, Taylor Brice, Gloria and Kelsey Smith and Debbie Parker of Comanche; Bob and Oleta Webb of Winters; Dale Bradley of Asperment; Travis and Alicia Sims, Christa, Emily and Gracie McClellan of Abilene; Nathan and Gena Wright of Lubbock; Curtis Mitchell of Merkel, Randall, Chelsea and Darbie Burfiend of Tye.

Visitors were Myrtle Nichols of Coleman; Chloe Tutor of Belton and Tanya Chappell of San Angelo.



The time is ripe for summer melons

If the taste and fragrance of a fresh, juicy slice of melon makes your mouth water, you are in good company. Melons have been a favorite fruit for many

This summer you can enjoy traditional melons such as cantaloupe, honeydew and watermelon, or go for the exotic by trying crenshaws, persians, pepinos, casabas or the African horned melon. Any way you slice it, melon is a great warmweather pick-me-up.

*Make a colorful fruit salad out of different kinds of melon and your favorite Or create an attractive arrangement of different types of fruits and melons in a glass bowl. The salads taste even better if you let them sit covered in your refrigerator for an hour or so until flavors mix.

*Cantaloupe can be halved, seeded and served as a bowl for other melons and fruits. Enjoy au naturel or mix in lowfat yogurt (regular or frozen) or ice

*Make a frosty drink by blending one cup melon with one cup ice. Add a touch of sugar if you have a sweet

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State Farm Scholar Athlete! Chase Roe was selected as a State Farm Scholar Athlete for the 2007-2008 academic year. Recipients are recognized for their leadership and citizenship in both academics and athletic achievement demonstrated throughout the year. Chase received a certificate of recognition and a scholarship from State Farm for \$1000 and will be recognized on the High School Xtra television show.

if you like a tart flavor.

*For a delicious dessert, milk) in a parfait glass. Garnish with fresh mint

*Sometimes the simplest vitamin C. unadorned melon is day.

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tooth, or a little lemon juice important nutrients like vitamin A and C, which have been associated with lowering layer melon with vanilla cancer risk. Cantaloupe and pudding (made with skim crenshaws are rich in both these vitamins and honeydews, casabas and pepinos are a good to excellent source of Watermelon, ideas are the best. A although it has long been a generous slice of plain, summer favorite, contains only fair amounts of vitamin A and refreshing any time of the C. The very exotic melons, persians and African horned, Melons not only taste have not been analyzed for great, but some contain nutrient content by the U.S.

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Pride - God Hates!

The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the forward mouth, do I hate. • Poverbs 8:13

Pride Made An Angel Into Satan

Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. • 1 Timothy 3:6

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations. For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most high. • Isaiah 14:12-15

Pride Will Destroy You

Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. Better it is to be of a humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. • Proverbs 16:18-19

Pride Causes Trouble

He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the Lord shall be made fat. He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered. • Proverbs 28:25-26

Eliminate Pride And Do The Will Of God

And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted. • Matthew 23:12 He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. • Luke 1:52

To Be Humble Is To Submit Your Life Totally To God But He giveth more Grace. Wherefore He saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. •

James 4:6

Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time. • 1 Peter 6-7

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THANK YOU

to one and all who gave their support during our loss of Benny Torres. God Bless You!

Anastasia Torres and family 48-1twp

OUR FAMILY

would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, calls and gifts that we received during this time of Chad's surgery. Our family is very blessed to be friends with each and every one of you. There are no words to express how touched we are by all the love you have given us when we really needed it the most. We are home from the hospital and Chad is making progress each

Larry, Lorrie, Shannon and Chad Martin

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to know that "Benny" touched so many lives with his great personality and his willingness to help others, but it is more of a comfort knowing so many wonderful people. Thank you for the many prayers, cards, flowers, and food that you graciously sent.

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PUBLIC **ADVERTISEMENT** FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The City of Bronte has received a Texas Community Development Block Grant contract award from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) to carry out water system improvements. Accordingly, the City is seeking to contract qualified with a engineer/engineering firm (registered to practice in the State of Texas) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections.

Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications to: City Secretary, City of Bronte, P.O. Box 370, Bronte, Texas

76933. The City must receive proposals no later than 5:00 pm on July 1, 2008 to be considered. Bronte reserves the right to negotiate with any and all persons or firms submitting proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management

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Standards.

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Deadline is Tuesday at 2 pm

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The City of Bronte has recently received a contract award from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for a Texas Community Development Block Grant to carry out water improvements. system Accordingly, the city is seeking to contract with a qualified management consultant to administer the contract and to carry out several aspects of overall program management for the locality.

Please submit your proposal of services, a statement of qualifications, and a proposed cost schedule for each area of the scope of work to: City Secretary, City of Bronte, P.O. Box 370, Bronte, Texas 76933. The City must receive proposals no later than 5:00 pm on July 1, 2008 to be considered. Bronte reserves the right to negotiate with any and all persons or firms submitting proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and Uniform and Contract Grant

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Royce Dean Clark, Deceased, were issued on June 9, 2008, in Cause No. 1710, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to: FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN BRONTE, a branch of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK STERLING CITY.

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. FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN BRONTE, a branch of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF STERLING CITY

c/o Benjamin W. Clayton, Clack & Clayton, L.L.P. P.O. Box 482 Ballinger, Texas 76821 DATED June 11, 2008. Benjamin W. Clayton CLACK & CLAYTON, L.L.P. State Bar No.: 24001895 711 Hutchings, P.O. Box 482 Ballinger, Texas 76821 Telephone: (325) 365-4604 Facsimile: (325) 365-8375

CLERK OF THE COURT, MARY GRIM, CLERK, 13 E. 7th STREET, ROBERT LEE,

TEXAS 76945 ATTORNEY: GREG GOSSETT, PO DRAWER 911, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS 76902-0911

THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:

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

To: BILL EASLEY, ET AL Defendants, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plantiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock am of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of August, 2008 at or before 10 o'clock am, before the 51st District Court of Coke County, at the Courthouse in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed on June 16, 2008 in this case, numbered 08-4262 on the docket of said court, and styled: Sue Diane Luckett vs Bill Easley, Et Al.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: Sue Diane Luckett is Plaintiff and Bill Easley, Et Al are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows, to-wit; All of Lots 11 and 12, Block 49, Original Town of Bronte as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The office executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas, on June 16, ATTEST: Mary Grim, District Clerk Coke County, Texas 48-4tc

...Melon Picking (Continued from Page 5)

Picking a Ripe Melon

Unlike most other fruits, a melon can't be judged just by its appearance. Here are four tips to help you choose a ripe melon:

Press It - the flesh at the stem end should yield only slightly. Smell It- the fragrance at the

without being too strong Hold It - the heavier the

melon, the juicer the flesh. Shake It- nothing should rattle; if you sense seeds or juices moving, the melon is overripe.

It's easier to judge the ripeness of a cut melon:

Look for flesh that smells fragrant, that is moist, has a rich uniform color, streaks of green near the rind mean that the melon isn't ripe enough; watery or translucent streaks indicate that it is overripe. Seeds that are intact. If the seeds have fallen melon is probably too ripe.

Foster Grandparent Program

The Foster Grandparent Program of the Concho Valley is a very rewarding program. For those that are not so familiar with our program, volunteer seniors receive a bi-monthly stipend for going to various sites in the Concho Valley and acting mentors to children. Volunteers are there to provide mentoring, friendship and help with educational goals. The children are mostly special stem end should be pleasant needs children or children with exceptional needs that can use the extra attention. This leaves the teacher able to devote all her time teaching the entire class, versus helping one student all the time. Foster Grandparents also help by offering emotional support to child victims of abuse and neglect, tutoring children with low literacy skills, mentoring troubled teenagers and young mothers, and caring for premature infants and children with physical disabilities and severe illnesses. Our local program requires that our volunteers work a minimum of 20 hours a week, but may

and is always looking for more classroom more efficient. Foster Grandparents and

work up to 40 hours a week if volunteer sites. Foster Grandparents they choose to do so. Our local are not substitute teachers, babysitters, program has capabilities for or custodians. They are there to assist about 84 Foster Grandparents, children, teachers, and make the

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Near Bronte, Texas. Excellent water with 2 water wells, 2 large surface tanks with a spring feeding one of the tanks and Kickapoo Creek. Good set of corrals. Excellent White tail deer, Turkey, Dove and Quail hunting. Excellent Opportunity!!! 546 acres - Coleman County

Beautiful ranch with large Live oak trees and excellent cover of native vegetation. Abundance of water with Home Creek running through the ranch and 8 good surface tanks. Good White tail deer and Quail hunting. Remote with easy access.

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New to the Market - 320 acres - Tom Green County

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Mulligans: T Box Only, 1 Per Round on #1, #7 and #16. If you hit mulligan, you must use it. Low Ball Partners • First 5 Low Scores • Individual Play • Next 50% of Players Best Score Posted • Next 50% of Players Drawn and Matched to Top Group (Bingo Ball Draw) **Individual Winners**

1st) \$150, 2nd) \$125, 3rd) \$100, 4th) \$100,

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...Grandparent Program

(Continued from Page 7)

Our program keeps up with volunteer hours and mileage through our timesheets that volunteers turn in every two weeks to our office. Volunteers do not churches, Elementary schools, have to live in San Angelo to be in the program because we serve the surrounding 14 counties as well. Our lists of counties includes: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, Menard, McCulloch, Reagan, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and Tom Green. What qualifications does a Foster Grandparent need to apply? He or she must be 60 years of age or older, meet income eligibility guidelines, and thrive on direct interaction with children and believe they can make a difference in their lives. The Foster Grandparent Program also reimburses our volunteers for mileage to and from their work sites. Besides a bimonthly check, volunteers receive a free, annual physical, paid vacation and sick days, paid holidays, paid training, along with paid meals at their site and trainings. Foster Grandparents receive one paid sick day and one paid vacation day for every 80 hours they work. These benefits are to relieve any costs to our volunteers for being in the program. The income volunteers receive for being in the Foster Grandparent Program will not affect any government benefits they receive, such as Social Security or Food Stamps. Volunteers also receive accident and liability insurance while on duty at no cost.

There is pre-service training to help volunteers understand the program and its rules and make sure they are comfortable with all its components. There are also monthly trainings and socials. These allow Foster Grandparents to get to know one another and keep everyone up-to-date in the program and provide ongoing training for volunteers. Our program provides a meal at all trainings and volunteers are paid for their time at trainings. Our

sponsor, the Area Agency on Aging, also has a yearly Volunteer Recognition in February that allows us to recognize all that our volunteers do for this community.

Boys' and Girls' Clubs, Head Starts, and libraries. Volunteers are assigned to a volunteers site based on where they live. We try to put volunteers in the site closest to

their home, but some volunteers have certain site preferences, such as certain age groups or type of site like a school or Head Start.

To apply to become a Foster Grandparent, contact the Foster Our volunteer sites consist of Grandparent office and we will send an application to you. Once applicants have completed an application, the program staff will look over the application and let applicants know if they meet all eligibility requirements. Perspective

our uniforms and must be worn assistance.

applicants will go for an at all times at all sites so A volunteer volunteers can be recognized as a coordinator or program director Foster Grandparent. Once they will ask questions about the accept the assignment and have applicant. Questions could attended training, they will start include past experience working with the children. If you working with children and why would like more information on they want to be a Foster the Foster Grandparent Program, Grandparent. A background please call Lindsey Elliott or check will likely be done to Sylvia Nombrano at 325-223check for any criminal history. 5704 or toll free at 877-944-9666 All volunteers receive a Foster or come by our offices at 2801 W. Grandparent vest and t-shirt to Loop 306, San Angelo, TX 76904. wear while working. These are Bilingual staff available for

Connect to Energy Savings

AS THE ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY that has been serving south and west Texas for over 90 years, AEP Texas knows a thing or two about energy conservation. While we no longer sell electricity or send out monthly electric bills, we recognize hot weather is just around the corner.

Since AEP Texas and its 1,700 employees are directly connected to the many communities we live in and serve, we'd like to share some low or no cost tips with you on how to keep cooler while saving energy and money.

- Set air-conditioning thermostats to the highest possible comfortable setting and dress accordingly.
- Turn off every appliance you are not using including lights, televisions and radios. Use the "sleep" feature on your computer equipment.
- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close closet doors.
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
- Air-dry dishes in the dishwasher.
- Lower the temperature on your hot water heater to warm during the summer, take short showers and wash only full loads of clothes in the laundry.

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