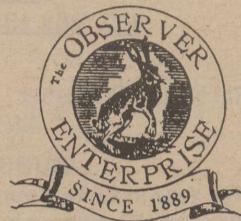


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Farm & Health Safety Week begins September 21st

September 21-27, 1997 is **Farm Safety and Health Week** as proclaimed by the National Safety Council, the Governor of Texas, and Coke County Judge Jackie Walker. The theme for 1997 is "Safety and Health - The first Step Toward Sustainable Agriculture."

Tommy Antilley, Coke County Extension Agent, said that agriculture consistently has a death rate that places it among the top three most dangerous industries along with construction and mining.

According to National Safety Statistics, the agriculture industry had the second highest death rate (24 deaths per 100,000 workers) in 1995, compared with a rate of 4 per 100,000 for all industries combined.

Nationally there were approximately 140,000 agricultural injuries and 800 agricultural work-related deaths in 1995, according to National Safety Council statistics. Tractors continue to cause more fatal injuries than any other source in the agricultural industry. Youth and elderly are traditionally at higher risk of fatal or disabling injury.

Approximately one-half of the tractor related deaths are due to tractor rollovers. Almost all of these occur on tractors without rollover protective structures (ROPS). ROPS provide a safe zone for

the operation in the event of an overturn. If seat belts are not used on a tractor with ROPS, the operator may be thrown out of the safe zone. With only a few exceptions, new tractors are required to have ROPS installed before being sold. However, most tractors in operation today are older tractors that do not have ROPS. Retrofit ROPS are available for many tractor models. Local dealers or county extension agents can assist with determining if a retrofit is available.

Farm equipment is often moved from field to field on public roads. Farmers should ensure that a clearly visible Slow-Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem is installed on equipment that operates below 25 miles per hour, Antilley points out. Farmers should also use flashing hazard lights to warn other vehicles about wide loads and frequent turns. With the recent change in speed limits (to 70 mph) on many rural roads, motor vehicles will have significantly less time to react to slow moving farm vehicles. The public can also help out by being extra cautious on county roads. Especially during planting and harvest seasons, drivers should watch for farm equipment on the roadway to avoid a potential accident.

Antilley suggests that farmers take five minutes each

morning to consider the potential hazards of the day's activities and steps you can take to avoid an accident. If you have children that help with farm work, instill safe work habits in them by involving them in your daily safety assessment. Check for things like missing guards and shields on equipment, worn belts and bearings, and leaking hydraulic hoses and connections along with normal routine maintenance.

Remember, a few minutes taken to ensure safety is a small price to avoid a tragic accident.

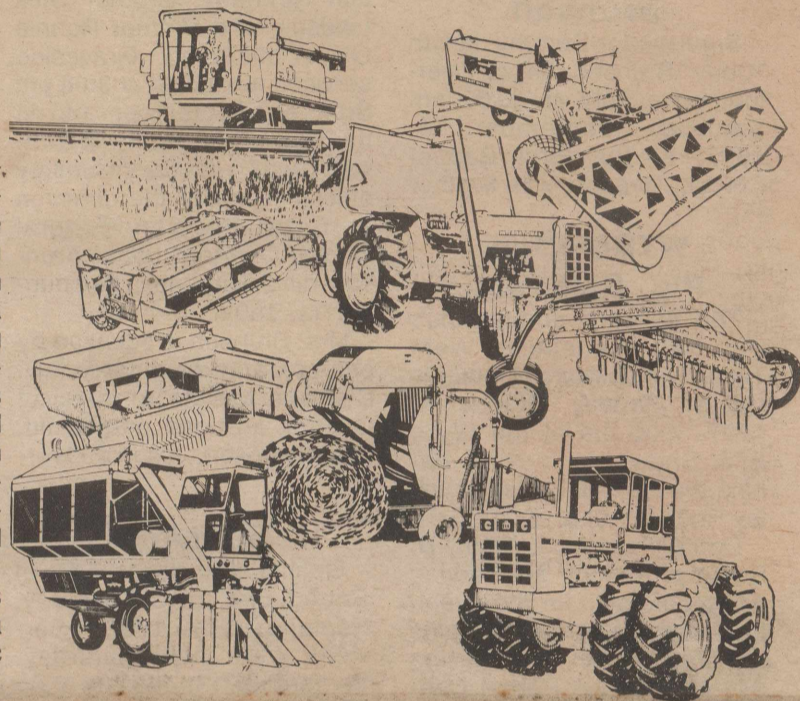
CRP sign-up to begin Oct. 14

The next Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign-up will be held from October 14 through November 14, according to US Congressman Charlie Stenholm.

Designed to reduce soil erosion and improve water quality, the CRP is a voluntary program which enables landowners to enter into contracts with the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) to place environmentally sensitive cropland into long-term conservation practices for periods of 10-15 years. In exchange, landowners receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance for establishing those practices.

"This latest sign-up is a good opportunity for individuals whose contract offers were not accepted in sign-up number 15 last spring, and for those with contracts which expire this fall," said Stenholm. "In response to concerns I raised with USDA Secretary Glickman, the USDA has been educating their employees about how to more fully inform landowners regarding the options they have to enhance their Environmental Benefits Index (EBI), and I am hoping there will be less confusion than with the last sign-up."

The USDA will continue to evaluate and rank all eligible offers using an EBI based on the potential environmental benefits from enrolling the land in the CRP. Decisions on the EBI cutoff will be made after the conclusion of sign-up 16. Those who have met



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previous EBI thresholds will not necessarily be guaranteed a contract this time around.

"I would strongly encourage interested individuals to meet with county employees just as soon as possible in order to discuss options, and hopefully improve their chances for inclusion in sign-up 16," advised Stenholm.

Interested individuals should contact their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) or Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office for additional information.

Local student teachers

Three local Angelo State University students are currently student teaching in area schools. During the first four weeks of the semester, they attend the ASU Block, Monday through Friday, from 8 - 12 am and work in their assigned schools during the afternoons. They will be teaching in their assigned classes for the remaining ten weeks under university and cooperating teacher supervision. They are Diana McCabe of Robert Lee, teaching sixth grade with Linda Burns in Robert Lee; Kim Stewart-Lee of Bronte, teaching first grade with Joann McCleery and fourth grade English with Shelly Schniers in Miles; and Alisa Webb teaching Kindergarten with Jessica Keilers and third grade with Deborah Hohensee, also in Miles.

New business holds successful opening

"And the drawing winners are: Chris Rice, Lorrie Martin, and Tessa Cotter," announced Neta Schnabel, owner of Neta & Jan's "Book Nook", which opened for business September 1 at the former beauty salon location on Washington between 15th and 16th streets in Robert Lee.

Coke County's response to the opening has been impressive, contributing over 85% of the opening stock. "Most categories are represented, some abundantly," stated Ms. Schnabel. "We also encourage community input." In response to a suggestion from Brenda Gray, the store hopes to offer titles from the school's accelerated reading program.

Stamp - Coin Club show scheduled

The San Angelo Coin Club and Concho Valley Stamp Club have joined together to bring a Coin and Stamp Show to San Angelo. The show will be held September 27 and 28 at Sunset Mall. It will be located in the west end near JC Penney Co. Hours are from 10 am to 9 pm on Saturday and from 12 noon to 6 pm on Sunday.

The public is invited to attend and learn more about these two hobbies. There will be dealers and club members to answer questions you may have. Admission is free.



FHA members (from left) Joe Gonzales, Tara Gardner, and Stacey Hendry helped RL PTA to serve many of the guests that were present at RLISD's Open House August 25.

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Death Notices

Brunson

Services for Dorothy Janyth "Dotty" Brunson, 54, of Overton, were held at 10:00 am Saturday, September 13, 1997, at the First Baptist Church, Overton, with Brother

**WTRC Club
Pig Sale set**

The seventh annual Club Pig Sale benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center is set for Monday, October 6, 1997, 7:00 pm at the Wylie FFA Showbarn located behind the football field on Antilley Road in Abilene.

Don Richburg and Jimmy D. Smith of Roscoe are serving as co-chairmen for the event. Last year there were 107 pigs donated to the sale, raising \$11,420 for the Rehab Center. Only pigs purchased during this sale are eligible for the WTRC Jackpot Show on Saturday, December 6, 1997. The show will be held in the Dorthea Griffin Arena at the Taylor County Expo Center.

Richburg and Smith are asking everyone to make plans to attend the sale and come early for beans and cornbread and look over the pigs. Pigs that were donated last year were extremely high quality pigs and they are expecting the same or even better quality this year.

For more information about the sale or to donate pigs call the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 915-691-7290 (Abilene) or 915-949-9535 (San Angelo).

**Omega Coterie
Club meets**

by Bea Murray, reporter
The Omega Coterie Club of Blackwell had a covered dish luncheon September 10, in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church. New officers for the coming year are: president, Clifffa Hogue, vice-president, Joyce Jones, secretary-treasurer, Marie Romine, and reporter, Bea Murray.

Luvne Akins and Carolyn Crawford were hostesses for the luncheon. Other members attending were Darris Hagler, Margaret Stout, Shirley Walston, and Geneva Zarafonets.

The next meeting of the club will be October 8th.

Texonics: hoss: a large, solid-hoofed, herbivorous animal.

Jim Kennedy, Brother Dick Lindsey, and Brother Ronnie Glover officiating. Graveside services were held at 3:00 pm Sunday, September 14, in the Gruver Cemetery in Gruver, Texas, with Gary Gumfory officiating under the direction of Cottle-Pearson Funeral Home, Overton. Mrs. Brunson died Thursday, September 11, 1997.

Mrs. Brunson is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Cliff and Martha Brunson of Overton and one grandchild, Joey Brunson, also of Overton.

Saucedo

Cecilia Saucedo, 55, of Robert Lee, died Thursday, September 11, 1997. Services were held Saturday, September 13, 1997 at 2:00 pm at Iglesia Baptist Church. Robert Cuellar served as officiant for the services. Burial followed in Robert Lee Hispanic Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Saucedo is survived by her husband, Raul; her mother, Juanita Portales; five sons, Saul Saucedo, Jose Saucedo, Cixto Saucedo, Leo Saucedo, and Pilo Saucedo; three brothers, Reynaldo Portales, Ramiro Portales, Juan Antonio Portales; one sister Juanita Giallegos; and twelve grandchildren.

Bennett

Ernest Clyde "Dock" Bennett, 90, died Monday, September 15, 1997, in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 pm Wednesday, September 17, at Stacy Cemetery near Brady.

Survivors include two daughters, Helen J. Roberts of Robert Lee and Wanda Roach of Clovis, New Mexico; one brother-in-law, Felix Gilbert of New Braunfels; one sister-in-law, Opal Short of Robert Lee; 6 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

**Red Ribbon Week
set for Oct. 23-31**

This year's Red Ribbon Campaign against drug abuse has been scheduled for October 23-31, according to officials with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, who will be helping to promote the annual event.

The Red Ribbon Campaign helps coordinate a wide range of substance abuse prevention efforts on the part of schools, businesses, prevention agencies, community groups, and religious organizations.

Kids, parents, and other concerned adults show their support for a drug-free life and future by wearing red ribbons on their clothing during this special time.

The Red Ribbon Campaign was founded in the wake of the brutal murder of a US Drug Enforcement Administration agent in 1985. Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a 37 year old father of three, was killed in the line of duty while investigating a multi-billion dollar drug marketing operation in Mexico.

The Texans' War on Drug program (TWOD) was the official state sponsor of the campaign through 1996. TCADA this year has been helping to update and produce new program tools that communities can use in their own local campaign.

TCADA Executive Director Terry Bleier said, "One of the best prevention tools we have in the fight against substance abuse is increased awareness. The Red Ribbon Campaign offers us an excellent opportunity to help the public focus on the need for prevention work."

Bleier said many Texans have been involved in prevention work for years, and TCADA is making major efforts to emphasize the importance of prevention in its programs and contracting. Helping to promote the Red Ribbon Campaign gives TCADA an opportunity to build support for new and existing substance abuse prevention initiatives in communities across the state.

Red Ribbon Campaign materials are available to the public at TCADA's 11 new Prevention Resource Centers. For information about the nearest center, call the toll-free number (888) PRC-TEXX.

The Centers have a wide variety of substance abuse prevention materials available for public use. They are located in Abilene, Bryan, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, Nacogdoches, Odessa, San Antonio, and Tyler. The same materials are available at TCADA's Library and Clearinghouse in Austin, which can be contacted toll free by call-

ing (800) 832-9623.

The first Red Ribbon Campaign was launched by groups of concerned parents in Illinois and Virginia. Congress officially recognized and extended support to the program in 1988.

Since then, millions of Americans have joined in participating in the program. The National Family Partnership, formerly the National Federation of Parents, is the official US sponsor.

TCADA is providing copies of the 90 page Texas Red Ribbon Campaign manual titled *The Tie That Binds* free of charge. This manual also can be ordered by calling the toll-free number (888) PRC-TEXX.

The Red Ribbon Campaign Curriculum/Planning Guide and the Red Ribbon Campaign Marketing Kit, can be ordered at cost from the TCADA Library and Clearinghouse, (800) 832-9623.

The Texas Federation of Parents, a non-profit affiliate of the National Family Partnership, is planning a statewide Red Ribbon Campaign kick-off event. Persons interested in participating in this may call (281) 440-4656.

**Proclamation
By The
County Judge of
Coke County**

To all to whom these presents shall come:

I, Jackie Walker, County Judge of Coke County, do hereby declare the week of September 21-27, 1997 as Farm Safety and Health Week in Coke County, for the following reasons:

Whereas, this being the 54th anniversary of the observance of farm safety and health week, emphasis is placed on better technology, safe work practices and education as is also being proclaimed by the Governor, and

Whereas, the 1997 theme, "Safety and Health - The First Step Toward Sustainable Agriculture" calls attention to the fact that maintaining worker safety and health is the first step toward ensuring a sustainable agriculture industry.

Therefore, every US citizen should pause a moment during this week of our 54th anniversary, and recognize the dedication of our farmers and ranchers, daily, toward strengthening the welfare of our great nation. Their emotional, economic, and environmental hardships should not go unnoticed.

Thus, the National Safety Council, the Texas Safety Association, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Farm Bureau, the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, and others, wish to recognize all agriculturists, with special emphasis to our safety specialists and to those farms and ranches seeking and following their advice for a safer farming community by posting a policy statement and safety rules for your operation, performing a hazard hunt regularly and seeking and using meaningful educational programs.

Therefore, I urge everyone to take the necessary precautions for their own safety as well as the safety of others on and off the job. I urge our leaders in agriculture to improve areas of safety and health efforts by example.

Signed: Jackie Walker
County Judge

**Free clinic
offered**

A free blood pressure and blood sugar health clinic will be held Friday, September 19 at the Tennyson Post Office. The clinic will be held from 8:30 am until 9:30 am and is sponsored by the North Runnels Home Health Agency. A similar clinic is held the third Friday of every month. It is free to anyone regardless of age or income.

For additional information, please contact the Tennyson Post Office at 473-6002.

Want to know more about Coke County History? Visit the Internet at www.tyler.net/mlb/coketx.htm.

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Keys honored on 50th Anniversary

David and Alene Key were honored September 6, 1997, on the occasion of their Golden wedding anniversary with a reception at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Hosts for the event were the couple's children and grandchildren, Joe David and Teri Key; Joe and Dee Anna Harmon, and Jason Key and Jessica Key. Approximately 200 friends and relatives attended the reception.

David Key and Alene Gaines were married September 6, 1947 in San Angelo, Texas. The couple have made their home in Coke County in the Edith community and then in Robert Lee since their marriage. David is a World War II Air Force veteran and a deacon at Robert Lee Baptist Church. He retired after 40 years of owning and operating Key Feed Store in Robert Lee. He is currently involved in the ranching industry. Alene is a homemaker and a former beautician. She is also a member of Robert Lee Baptist Church.

The couple has two children, Joe David Key and Dee Anna Harmon, both of Robert Lee. They also have two grandchildren, Jason Key of Lewisville, Texas and Jessica Key, a senior at Robert Lee High School.

It's time to think flu prevention

Even though influenza usually does not strike in force until November or December, now is a good time to start thinking about flu shots.

The reason: People at risk for possibly fatal flu complications should not be caught unvaccinated just in case flu starts early.

The largest group at risk are the elderly, but people younger than 65 with chronic underlying health problems, particularly those involving the lungs or the heart, have a high risk of hospitalization during the annual influenza epidemic.

"As soon as the annual vaccine becomes available, usually in September, people in high risk groups should get inoculated," said Dr. W. Paul Glezen, epidemiologist at the Influenza Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an attending physician at Houston's Ben Taub General Hospital.

For most parts of North America, flu season begins in earnest after Thanksgiving, but, as happened in 1991, it can come earlier.

"If it hits early, the elderly and others need to be protected," said Glezen, who expects influenza B and a form of influenza A called A/Bayern to be the dominant strains in a moderate 1997-98 season.

Every year thousands of people, most of them elderly, die from pneumonia resulting from influenza, Glezen said, and many, perhaps most, of these deaths could have been prevented by vaccination.

Other people at high risk for possibly deadly flu complications: people with heart disease; lung disease, including



Mr. and Mrs. David Key

asthma and chronic bronchitis; diabetes; chronic kidney disease; chronic anemia, including sickle-cell disease; and immune-system disorders.

Influenza usually strikes suddenly and produces fever, generalized muscle pain, severe weakness and fatigue, a sore throat and a dry hacking cough.

To reduce fever and pain, adults may take aspirin or aspirin substitutes; children should take acetaminophen, if needed, said Glezen, a pediatrician. All flu victims should get plenty of bed rest and liquids.

The vaccine is about 85 percent effective in helping people avoid influenza, he said.

Some people worry that they will get the flu from the vaccine, but that is not possible, Glezen said, because the vaccine is made from killed virus.

The vaccine has been shown to significantly lower the risk of hospitalization for influenza and pneumonia in people 65 and older and to be

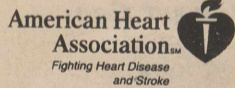
a cost-saving health-care resource.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I was eating in a restaurant in Garden City last week when the owner commented that the Robert Lee football team had recently eaten there and how well-behaved they were. Even though I do not know any of the young men on the team I am acquainted with Coach Poehls and I believe they need to be commended on their exemplary behavior. People do still notice and appreciate polite, well-mannered teenagers.

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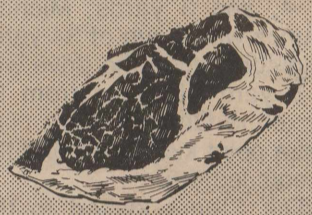
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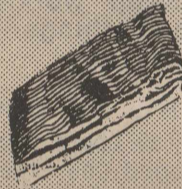
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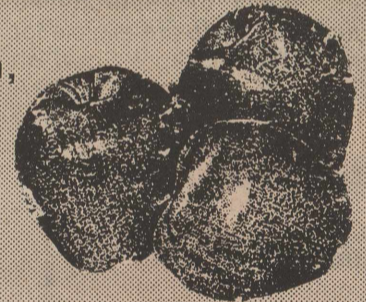
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Steers drop game to Angoras

by Bill Burns

The Steers went to Rock-springs last Friday night and ran head on into a much improved Angora football team. That wasn't so much the problem as a stretch of bad luck in the first quarter.

First Quarter

The Steers received the opening kick and went right to work. Starting at their own 21 yard line, the Steers put together a beautiful drive that should have given control of the game to the Steers. Making good yardage for the Steers on the drive were Will Simpson with runs of 18, 7, 4, 3, 4, and 3 yards; Michael Munoz with a run of 34 yards and completing the drive was a 5 yard TD pass from Eli Boxell to Chad Helwig. The extra point kick failed and the Steers led 6-0.

The Steers kicked to the Angoras and 19 seconds later the Steers were down 7-6, as the return covered 80 yards.

The Steers received the kick, ran three plays, and came up one yard short of a first down. The Steers had to punt. The Angoras made two quick first downs, but fumbled and Chad Helwig recovered for the Steers. The Steers ran three plays and had to punt, but the punt was partially blocked and an Angora lineman caught the ball, and

scored another quick TD for the Angoras. Angoras 13 - Steers 6.

Second Quarter

The Steers played mostly defense in the second quarter as they only ran 7 offensive plays to 19 for the Angoras. The Angoras scored two times and led at half time 28 to 6.

Third Quarter

The Steers came back and played better this quarter. The offense was still sluggish, but the defense led by Joey Barrett and Jeremy Edging held the Angoras to only 28 yards. Chad Helwig came up with his second fumble recovery of the night.

Fourth Quarter

The Steers were working hard to make some good things happen, but it wasn't their night, as they turned the ball over two times and the Angoras scored two more times. The final score was 40-6.

Keep working Steers, good things will come your way.

RL JV posts win

Talk about a squeaker! The Robert Lee Steers JV squad posted their first win of the season last Thursday, after playing to a tie the week before on the road. The Steers hosted the Rocksprings Angora JV team here and the crowd was treated to an air show. The RL team came out

on top in a 23-22 contest.

Deric Brothers scored the first TD of the game on a pass play during the first quarter. Daniel Cates kicked the extra point, giving the Steers JV team a 7-0 lead. The lead didn't last long as the Angoras came back and drove the ball down the field to score 6. The extra point attempt failed.

Beau Blair scored the next TD of the game, taking the ball into the endzone on a Beau Boxell pass. Chase Rainwater scrambled for the two point conversion. The Rocksprings crew came right back and scored another TD, the conversion was good. The score at halftime was RL - 15, Rock-springs - 14.

The second half was a largely defensive contest, but both teams did put another TD on their side of the score board. RL scored on a nice run by Matthew Pitcock. Chase Rainwater took the ball in for the two point conversion. Rocksprings again answered the score with one of their own. The missed conversion points for Rockspings in the first quarter proved to be the clincher though, as Robert Lee held off a late drive by the Angoras to hold onto a 23-22 lead and the win.

Ritchey joins RLISD

Hired by the Small School Cooperative, Robin Ritchey is the new pre-kindergarten aide at Robert Lee ISD.

Robin grew up in Kerrville, Texas and graduated from Tivy High School in 1981.

She went on to continue her studies at Angelo State University where she graduated in 1985 with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Ed. and a specialization in Physical Education.

Robin's family moved to Robert Lee from Big Spring where she taught 6th and 7th grade girls PE for 12 years. Her husband, Mike, also coached and taught at Big Spring High School for 12 years.

Robin and Mike have 2 children: Raegan who is 9 years old and Matt who is 6 years old.

RL PTA adopts accelerated reader program

Robert Lee PTA has adopted the Accelerated Reading Program at Robert Lee School. The program helps to motivate grades 1-8 to increase their reading and comprehension skills. The children read books on the program's list. They are then tested on computer. The computer accumulates the score of each child. The school librarian reports how many points each child has earned and the children are then given Steer bucks. These Steer bucks are redeemable at the school store.

For more information on the Accelerated Reading Program contact Brenda Gray at 453-2673.

Williams named to Dean's List

John C. Williams of Robert Lee has been named to the Dean's List at Stephen F. Austin State University.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours and maintain an excellent grade point average.



Brandy Ybarra

Ybarra celebrates fifteenth birthday

Brandy Ybarra celebrated her fifteenth birthday with a mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, a dinner and dance followed at the Cactus Hotel in San Angelo, Texas.

Brandy was escorted by Danny Pena. Her court of honor included Valerie Faz, Phillip Rangel, Athena Clawson, David Perez, Erika De-LosSantos, Christopher Clawson, Monica Martinez, Robert Ynostrosa, Bianca Baeza, Anthony Constancio, Ana Alicia Balli, Andrew Contreras, Christina Hernandez, Joseph Constancio, Samantha Savala, Juan Garcia, Elizabeth Gonzales, Jeremy Sanchez, Linda Contreras, Gabriel Fernandez, Michelle Guevara, Francisco Mendoza, Angie Carrillo, Chris Hogeda, Tanisha Evans, Gino Garcia, Brenda Morales and Leroy Garcia. Her little sister, Gloria, was escorted by C.J. Mendez. Master of Ceremonies for the event was Adan Villa Franco. Deacon was Manny Maldonado.

Brandy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ybarra of San Angelo.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Sept. 22

Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Cinnamon Rolls, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Blueberry Muffin, Oatmeal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Donut, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Friday, Sept. 26

Pancakes, Sausage, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 22

Barbecue Weiners, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Homemade Rolls, Diced Pears, Milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy, New Potatoes, English Peas, White Bread, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Spud Day, Chili Con Carne, Broccoli, Crackers, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Mexican Casserole, Corn, Tossed Salad, Cake w/Icing, Milk.

Friday, Sept. 26

Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onions, Potato Wedges, Fruit Cocktail, Milk.

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Robert Lee PTA would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their support of the RLISD Accelerated Reading Program:

Jackie Walker, Stover Taylor, Phelan Wrinkle, Kristie Roe, Jeff Barnes, C&H Auto Sales, Super H, McDonald's, Dairy Queen, HEB, C&W, Ranchland, Ace Floral, The Carousel, Ace Hardware, Robert Lee Steer Football Team, Robert Lee Cheerleaders, Wayne McCutchen, Mimzi Horn, Robert Lee State Bank, and Molly B's.

Anyone wishing to donate to the Program should contact Brenda Gray at 453-2673. Thank you for supporting the children of RLISD in their reading and other academic endeavors.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Bronte JV

defeats Hornets

The Bronte Longhorn JV improved their record to 2-0 as they defeated the Irion County Hornets last Thursday night.

The Longhorns took the ball first on their own 35 yard line. Four plays later, Zeb Speary scored on a 40 yard run up the middle. The extra point failed.

The Longhorns defense held the Hornets and got the ball back on their 20 yard line. The Longhorns drove to mid-field where Mario Minjarez took the pitch from quarterback Brandon Gibbs and went 50 yards for another score. The two point conversion was good. The score at halftime was 14-0.

In the second half the Horns scored on the second play when Tim Green scooped up a Hornet fumble and went 25 yards for the defensive touchdown.

Shaylon Arrott scored the next touchdown on a 4 yard run off-tackle. After the defense held, Arrott did it again on a two yard run. The final score was 36-6.

The Longhorns offensive linemen opened some good holes for the backs to run through and the defense played great, holding the Hornets to only 6 points.

The Longhorns hosted Cross Plains Thursday, September 18. Details of the game will appear in next week's edition.

Bronte JH

volleyball news

The Bronte 8th grade volleyball team played well in their first opening matches at the Big Spring Tournament, Saturday, Sept. 13. After losing their opener to Greenwood, they fought hard against Colorado City to beat them in two games. In their consolation match, the Shorthorns faced Andrews, losing in two.

Monday, Sept. 15, the team went head to head with Water Valley at the Wildcat gym. The Shorthorns again played hard, but lost after 3 tough games.

Members of the team are Kelly Cooper, Michelle Owens, Stormy White, Lauren Williams, Natasha Reed, Jenna Thompson, Cheyann Head, Chrissie Isreal, Chrissie Counts, Cassandra Casares, Daisy Porter, Katy Frazee and Lacy Schoenfield. Managers for the team are Brittany Adams, Christina Galvan, and Morgan McCutchen. Amy Bohensky is coach for the team.

Br. JV Volleyball roster released

Bronte's JV volleyball roster has recently been released. Team members include: Kara Thompson, Jessica Sturgill, Jennifer Sturgill, Pamela Kresta, Cara Sefcik, Jade Richards, Angie Harrell, Rosa Rodriguez, Brooke McCutchen, Shannon VanVleck, and Stephanie Balderas. The girls are coached by Amy Bohensky.

Shorthorns fall to Irion Co.

The Bronte Shorthorns began their season last Thursday evening against Irion County. The Junior High bunch had a tough evening and fell to the Irion County crew 8-20.

Coby Carper scored the lone touchdown of the evening for the Shorthorns on a 6 yard run. Steve Eldred took the ball in for the two point conversion.

Offensive recognition goes to Gene Butts, Jeremy Sanchez, and Dalton Graves for outstanding blocking and to Lorenzo De la Garza for receiving.

Defensive standouts in the game were Steve Eldred, Lorenzo De la Garza, Dalton Graves and Joel Webb.

BISD minutes

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held their regular meeting September 11, 1997 at 8:00 pm. Jeff Schoenfield and Kendall Gibbs were absent. The following actions were reported.

*Approved the 22-1 waiver for classroom size.

*Set 1997-98 Tax Rate at \$1.380752 - the Effective Tax Rate.

*Discussed the TASB Update 56.

*Changed October meeting date to October 7, 1997.

*Alan Richey, superintendent reported on the following: facility repair work, janitorial personnel, TYC reports and memo. The railroad property was discussed. A correction was made to the Grape Creek transfer tuition amount to reflect \$1,873.00 for 11th and 12th graders.

*Board initiatives included: football stands and bleachers for track.

*Paid September bills.

*Adjourned at 10:18 pm.

Next regular meeting will be held October 7.

Br. Economic Development Corp. meets

The Board of Directors of the Bronte Economic Development Corporation held its organizational meeting at 1:00 pm September 9, 1997 in the Board Room of Bronte ISD.

Present for the meeting were Earlene Alexander, Mary Frances Glenn, Martha Ratliff, Alan Richey, Gerald Sandusky, and James Tidwell. Director Bobby Frazee was absent.

Officers elected at the meeting were as follows: president, Gerald Sandusky; vice-president, Alan Richey; secretary, Mary Frances Glenn; treasurer, Martha Ratliff.

The board is required to meet annually and may meet more often when the need arises.

Personal

Family members spending Labor Day weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Glenn in Bronte were David, Denise and Brittany Glenn of Houston; Stephanie Glenn, Baylor University, Waco; Victor, Liza, Charlotte and Ian Glenn of DeSoto; Carolyn and David Kuykendall, Karmen

and Jess Briley of Abilene; Kristi and Dexter Longley of Lampasas.

Granddaughter Danielle Glenn, who called from Chicago where she was in a concert with Caedmon's Call, and Chad Longley, a coach at Lampasas ISD, were the only family members absent.

BNH monthly Birthday Party held

The Birthday Party for residents of Bronte Nursing Home was held on Friday, September 12. Honorees were Gracie Spence and Faye Bowser.

Zada Denman, Rev. Howard Johnson, from San Angelo, and Dora Gallaway provided the entertainment. The members of the Nursing Home Auxiliary were sponsors for the party.

Wednesday morning the Immanuel Baptist Church choir visited us. We really enjoyed having them to come sing for us again.

On Friday afternoon, September 19th, The Rio Concho Sing-A-Long Group from San Angelo will be with us at 3:00 pm. The public is invited to attend.

Free trees offered

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during September 1997. The free trees are part of

the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees are the American Redbud, White Pine, Sugar Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Pin Oak, Red Maple, Birch, Silver Maple, Red Oak, and Colorado Blue Spruce.

"These trees were selected to provide benefits every season of the year: lovely spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, and winter berries, and nesting sites for songbirds," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 1 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, *Arbor Day*, a membership card, and *The Tree Book* with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 1997.

Health Notes

At North Runnels Home Health our focus is providing the best care possible for patients and helping them care for themselves. We believe the more our patients know, the better care they can receive.

WHAT IS ANGINA?

Angina is a painful or uncomfortable feeling in your chest, back, arm, neck, or jaw. It is an important warning that your heart is not getting enough oxygen-rich blood to do its job. Angina is not a heart attack, but is a symptom of heart disease which can lead to a heart attack.

How does Angina Feel?

You may think of angina as severe chest pain. But angina also can feel as mild as indigestion and may be felt in many different parts of your upper body. An angina attack usually lasts a few minutes and almost always goes away with rest and medication. Here's how angina might feel:

- Discomfort, heaviness, tightness, pressure, or burning in or near your chest or back.
- Heaviness, discomfort, numbness, aching, or tingling in one or both of your arms, elbows, or wrists.
- Discomfort in your shoulders, neck, throat or jaw.
- Fatigue, nausea, sweating, shortness of breath, or indigestion.

When Does It Happen?

When you're doing something active like climbing stairs, or when you're upset. If angina occurs more frequently, lasts longer, or causes more discomfort than usual, you may have **unstable angina**. It's a sign that your heart problem may be getting worse.

Causes of Angina & What You Can Do

Angina is a symptom of **coronary artery disease** in which the blood vessels supplying blood and oxygen to your heart are clogged with fatty material called **plaque**. Medication, certain medical procedures, and lifestyle changes all can prevent angina. Here are the most important

steps you can take:
Follow your treatment plan, stop smoking, get regular exercise, and eat less fat and salt.



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School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Sept. 22

Cereal, Diced Peaches, Toast, Milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Breakfast Pizza, Grape Juice, Milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Sausage, Pancakes, Apple Juice, Milk.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Breakfast Burrito, Orange Juice, Milk.

Friday, Sept. 26

Cereal, Diced Pears, Biscuit, Milk.

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 22

Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Apple Sauce, Milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Pigs in a Blanket, Tator Tots, Macaroni & Cheese, Pear Halves, Sugar Cookies, Milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Vegetable Soup, Carrot Sticks, Corn Bread, Chocolate Cake, Milk.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Frito Pie w/Chili & Cheese, Sweet Corn, Tossed Salad, Ice Cream Cups, Milk.

Friday, Sept. 26

Chick-Fil-Lay Sandwich, Pickle Spears, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cinnamon Rolls, Milk.

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BRONTE LONGHORN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | TIME | SCORE |
|---------------|---------------|------|------|-------|
| September 5 | Eden | T | 8:00 | 7 0 |
| September 11 | OPEN | | | |
| September 19 | Roby | T | 8:00 | |
| *September 26 | Sterling City | H | 7:30 | |
| **October 3 | Water Valley | H | 7:30 | |
| *October 10 | Miles | T | 7:30 | |
| *October 17 | Robert Lee | H | 7:30 | |
| *October 24 | Irion County | T | 7:30 | |
| *October 31 | Christoval | H | 7:30 | |
| *November 7 | Garden City | T | 7:30 | |
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| **Homecoming | | | | |



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The RL Seniors of '98 paused for a quick photo during a scavenger hunt held recently at Coke County Park.

RL Srs. hold scavenger hunt

September 6, saw 16 RL Seniors meeting at the County Park in Robert Lee to participate in a scavenger hunt. The seniors were divided into four groups headed up by Bree Bolding, Becca Emert, Jessica Key, and Polo Arellano. Each group left the park hoping to be the first ones to return with their list filled and signed.

The seniors then learned to say the ABCs backwards. If you see a senior, you might ask them to demonstrate this new talent. The next lesson the seniors learned that evening was to NEVER leave your car unattended with the keys in the ignition. (Right, Jessica?)

Kids nutrition Q&A

Q. Is it healthy to serve fat-free foods to children?

A. Study the label carefully before giving children "fat-free" offerings. In some cases, even when the dietary fat has been reduced, the serving size may have a considerable amount of calories. Children may tend to eat more servings, causing them to gain more weight.

Fruits and vegetables are good fat-free foods. Products like low-fat yogurt and skim and 2 percent milk are also good.

However, children need fat in their diets, especially during growth spurts. The energy fat provides them helps them maintain normal bodily functions and supports the increased growth in muscle, skin, and bone. Dietary fats contain essential fatty acids that are necessary for brain development.

Based on present knowledge, about 30 percent of a child's caloric intake should come from fat. Fat helps the body absorb fat-soluble vitamins like A, D, and E. Some fat-free offerings may not be as balanced in these vitamins.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow a person to hold the position of municipal judge in more than one municipality.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold at the same time more than one civil office for which the person receives compensation."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 43 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to limit the maximum annual increase in homestead appraisals for each year since the most recent tax appraisal. The amendment would also permit the legislature to allow the governing body of a school district to elect to apply the law providing for the transfer of the age-65-and-older school property tax freeze to the person's new homestead, if the move to the new residence homestead occurred before the law took effect.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and to permit a school district to calculate the school property tax freeze applicable to the residence homestead of an elderly person or the surviving spouse of an elderly person in accordance with the law authorizing the transfer of the school property tax freeze to a different homestead regardless of whether that law was in effect at the time the person established the person's homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to authorize counties, cities, towns, and other local taxing entities to grant exemptions or other forms of ad valorem tax relief on property on which approved water conservation initiatives have been implemented.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 104 proposes an

amendment to update the Texas Constitution by deleting duplicate numbering in its provisions and removing certain of its obsolete portions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment eliminating duplicate numbering in and certain obsolete provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to allow the Supreme Court of Texas to hold sessions at any location in this state. Currently, the court is limited to holding sessions only at Austin, the seat of state government.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the supreme court to sit to transact business at any location in this state."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the current provision which provides that the board of the Texas Growth Fund may not invest money in a business unless the business has disclosed to the board whether it has any direct financial investment in or with South Africa or Namibia.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 17 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Water Development Fund II as a fund separate and distinct from the Texas Water Development Fund. The amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for purposes of the fund under guidelines set forth in the amendment.

The amendment would also allow the Board to use loan repayments coming into the fund after the end of the fiscal year to make bond debt service payments, and would provide certain conditions for the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to the Texas Water Development Board to transfer existing bond authorizations for water

supply, water quality, flood control, or state participation from one category of use to another category to maximize the use of existing funds and relating to more efficient operation of the bond programs."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize home equity lending, in which a loan could be secured by a lien against the borrower's homestead. The amendment would also establish several provisions providing for consumer protection in the home equity lending process.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The amendment to the Texas Constitution expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender, with the homeowner's consent, may place against a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 96 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to authorize a property tax of five cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts which are located in Harris County. The constitution currently authorizes a property tax of three cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts regardless of what county they are in.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize an ad valorem tax rate in rural fire prevention districts located in Harris County of five cents on each \$100 of taxable value of property."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to permanently dedicate monies from the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (and its auxiliary fund) so that they are used only for assisting victims of crime and not for any other purpose. If an episode of mass violence occurred, however, money from the funds could be used to assist victims of the mass violence if all other sources of authorized emergency assistance were depleted first.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment designating the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 59 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the Legislature from authorizing additional state debt payable from the general revenue fund if the resulting annual debt service (the amount needed each year to make payments) would exceed five percent of the annual general revenue avail-

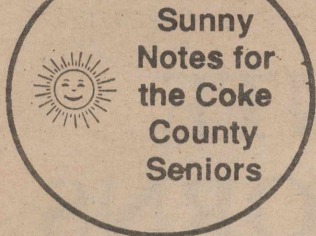
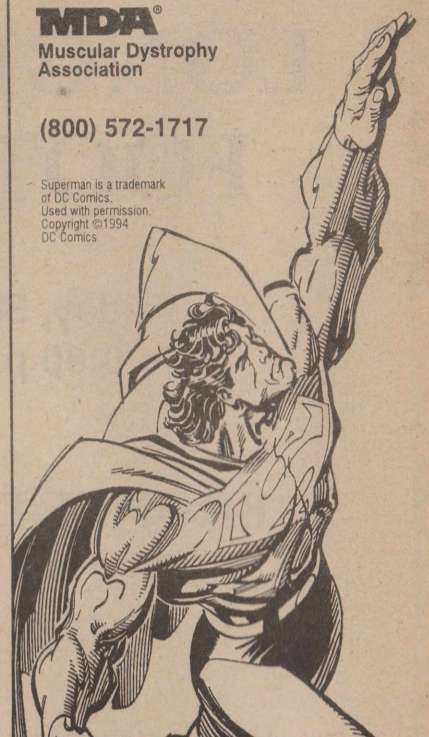
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Sunny Notes for the Coke County Seniors

Menu

Monday, Sept. 22
Oven Baked Pork Chops, Squash Medley, Corn w/Peppers, Wheat Roll, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit Parfait.

Wednesday, Sept. 24
Cheese Pizza, Corn, Apple Juice, Pasta Salad w/Fresh Vegetables, Lemon Bar.

Friday, Sept. 26
Roast Beef w/Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls, Angel Food Cake w/Strawberries.

Pot Luck

The Bronte Senior Center will open Thursday, September 25 at 9:00 am for dominoes and pot luck at lunch. Everyone is welcome.

able over the last three fiscal years, excluding revenues constitutionally dedicated for purposes other than payment of state debt.

The term "additional state debt" does not include bonds that, although backed by the full faith and credit of the state, are reasonably expected to be paid from revenue sources other than the general revenue fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment limiting the amount of state debt payable from the general revenue fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 55 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that if the Texas Supreme Court does not act on a motion for a rehearing within 180 days of the motion's filing, the motion is denied.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to establish a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas Tomorrow trust fund dedicated exclusively to the prepayment of tuition and fees for higher education. The amendment would guarantee that if there is not enough money during any fiscal year to pay the appropriate tuition and required fees, the needed money will be appropriated out of the first available money coming into the state treasury each fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to encourage persons to plan and save for young Texans' college education, to extend the full faith and credit of the state to protect the Texas tomorrow fund of the prepaid higher education tuition program, and to establish the Texas tomorrow fund as a constitutionally protected trust fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 83 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to set the official qualifications for constables.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of constables."

Estos son los informes explanatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 4 de noviembre de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.



COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by **Tommy Antilley**
Coke County Agent

Permanent ID protects horses

Branding or marking horses is not mandatory under a new state law, but permanent identification of horses is a wise idea.

The new law - which targets horse thieves - went into effect September 1. A \$5 per head fee will be charged for each horse arriving at the slaughter plant. Of that fee, \$2 will go through the Extension Service for educational programs and material development and \$3 will be remitted to the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) to pay for the group to inspect horses sold for slaughter.

Approximately 50,000 to 70,000 horses will be harvested for pet food and for meat exported for human consumption in 1997, according to the TSCRA.

Horse identification is not mandatory in Texas.

We hope that horse owners will realize that there are many methods available of permanently identifying horses and people will do a better job of getting photographs and written materials that describe the color, the markings, that sort of thing on their horses.

Any permanent identification on a horse needs to be first registered with the county clerk.

It is not easy to get a handle on the number of horses stolen each year in Texas because the records simply are not kept. Some horse thefts, unfortunately, are never reported and added to the total count.

Tracking of stolen horses can be difficult because of the frequency and locations whereby horses change hands. Most counties in Texas have private auction groups that conduct "trader sales" at least once a month. Therefore, horses may change hands several times before ending up at their final destination, whether that is a slaughter plant or private ownership.

For individual horse owners, permanent identification will, in itself, have a positive impact on decreasing horse theft.

According to the TSCRA, theft is essentially impossible to prove unless identification is absolute. Possession holds a certain amount of power and people currently are under no obligation to prove they own a horse. Rather, somebody must be able to prove that a horse in a person's possession is stolen.

Some of the marks put on horses to identify them include hot branding, freeze branding with irons, stencils, or kyo kinetics (an alpha angle code), acid branding, hoof branding, and upper lip tattoos.

Natural physical marks that may be used to identify horses are signalment, or the horse's natural color and

marking; chestnuts, or night eyes; trichoglyphs, or whorls, or cowlicks.

Owners may also prove ownership with electronic implants in horses.

More information can be obtained at the County Agricultural Extension Service.

Infant swings recalled

In cooperation with the US Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Century Products Company of Macedonia, Ohio, is voluntarily providing a free repair kit for about 125,000 Century Lil' Napper infant swings. These swings have shoulder harness straps that are placed over each shoulder and buckled between the child's legs. If the straps on these swings loosen or are unbuckled, a child can become tangled in the straps and strangle.

CPSC and Century are aware of three deaths and one near-strangulation which occurred when children from six to nine months old became entangled with the harness straps around their necks.

Century is offering a free repair kit consisting of a new seat pad with a restraint system that has waist and crotch straps and installation instructions. The new pad and straps can be installed easily on the Lil' Napper swing without using any tools.

Lil' Napper infant swings subject to this recall are model numbers 12-344, 12-345, 12-347, 12-475, and 12-476. The model number is located on a small white sticker on the bottom of the swing seat under the foot area. Each swing has a plastic, two-position seat with a removable plastic tray. The seats are covered by either a vinyl or fabric seat pad. There are four white tubular metal legs supporting the swing. The Century brand name and swing controls are on the motor assembly at the top of the swing. Other Century swing models have different restraint systems and are not being recalled.

Juvenile product, department, and discount stores nationwide sold the swings beginning in 1991 until early 1997 for about \$90.

Consumers should stop using the Lil' Napper swings immediately and call Century at 1-800-231-1448 for a free in-home repair kit with installation instructions or write to Century Products Company, 9600 Valley View Road, Macedonia, Ohio 44056. Consumers should not use the swing until the new pad and restraint system are installed.

"Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people."
Admiral H. Rickover,
US Navy

SS Rep schedules visit

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his September visit to Robert Lee and Bronte. He will be at the Coke County Courthouse Conference Room in Robert Lee on Thursday, September 25, from 11:00 - 11:30. In Bronte he will be at the City Hall Council Room, from 1:30 - 2:00 pm.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

CCRTA convenes

Coke County Retired Teachers Association convened Monday, September 15, 1997, for the first fall meeting. The noon luncheon meeting was held at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

CB Barbee, president, presided at the business session. Reports were heard from Barbee and Paul Gothard on proposed Texas Legislative Priorities for the 76th Legislative session.

Nina Brewer, Community Service chairperson, distributed forms to members to

aid in accounting for volunteer hours spent on community service.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 20, 1997 at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Members attending were: CB Barbee, Jamie Boren, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, JT Henry, Sybil Henry, Mary Lawhon, Ida Lou Oliphant, Faye Roe, Gerald Sandusky, and Lee Wommack. Guests present included Rev. Marilyn Austin, Bernie Austin, RW Blackmon, Bronte HS Principal Rick Howell, and Bronte Supt. Alan Richey.

Antibacterial cleaners not always necessary

If you want to use the new antibacterial housecleaning products, go ahead. But if you don't, you're not a bad housekeeper.

"There are some situations in which using the much-advertised antibacterial household cleaners might be more useful," said Dr. Ryan C. Neal of Baylor College of Medicine and The Methodist Hospital, both in Houston.

"That is on tile countertops with grooves between the tiles. Mold and mildew can get

in those grooves, and one of the antibacterial cleaners might be more beneficial than just a standard cleaner and water."

But for other, smooth surfaces an antibacterial cleaner may not be as important, Neal said.

What is important, he said, is to use plenty of cleanser and warm water and to clean often.

Doing that will generally make your kitchen surfaces clean enough for safe food preparation.

When it comes to hand-washing, however, a better case can be made for antibacterial soaps, Neal said.

"The hands carry a totally different type of bacteria, and an antibacterial soap can be of value."

But, as with household cleaning, the most important factor is to wash thoroughly and frequently with warm water.

This is especially important during cold and influenza season. One of the most common ways that cold and flu germs are passed from person to person, he said, is via the hands.

Friendships will last if they are considered first.



Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
conducted a public hearing
on a proposal
to increase your property taxes
by 3.72 percent
on September 16, 1997.

The Coke County Commissioners Court
is scheduled to vote
on the tax rate at a
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on September 22, 1997, 9:00 A.M.

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NOTICES

NOTICE
Pursuant to Texas Education Code Section 44.036, Bronte Independent School District will receive responses

to a Design-Build Request for Qualifications. Responses shall be received not later than 2:00 pm, Thursday, October 2, 1997, in the District Administrative Office located at 210 South Jefferson in Bronte, Texas, 76933. For a copy of the RFQ Questionnaire call Mr. Alan Richey at (915) 473-2511.
08B-1tc

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for **METAL BEAM GUARD FENCE REPAIR & UP-GRADING** on various roads in Tom Green etc. Counties and covered by Contract No. R-MC-6017-92-001 will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 East Riverside, Austin, Texas, until 1 pm October 9, 1997, then publicly opened and read.

Only prequalified contractors are eligible to bid.

THERE WILL NOT BE A PREBID MEETING FOR THIS PROJECT.

Requests for proposals for the above mentioned contract can be made in the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E., Director of Operations, 915/944-1501, Loop 306 & Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas. Mailing address is 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904. Plans and specifications must be requested thru Austin Plan Rooms.

Minority owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Usual rights reserved.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the public and Lisa Bigby, Circle R Trailer Park, Robert Lee, TX 76945. Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of the public sale of the contents of Box 148 of the ECI Storage Facility at the north-west corner of TX 208 and Bishop in Robert Lee, TX. The storage is held in the name of Lisa Bigby and the contents will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted at the storage facility at the north-east corner of North Main and Novice Road in Winters, TX at 10:00 am on October 11, 1997. To look and make an offer on all or part of the contents, call 453-2889, 453-2697, or 453-4748 on or after September 23.
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GARAGE SALES

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

Ballinger, Saturday, September 20, 8 am til ?, Maps available at Ballinger National Bank's covered parking morning of sale only. 108 9th Street. 365-2333 or 365-5611.
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COKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
710 Austin Street, Robert Lee, is taking applications for a clerical position. Computer data entry, record-keeping,

typing, filing, etc. \$5.50 per hour. EOE.

06a-3tc

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Someone to clean rooms and work office as needed. This is a part time job. Please apply at Mountain Creek Lodge if interested. See Barbara, 8 am to 3 pm, Monday - Friday.
07a-tnc

PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT

needed in Oak Creek area. Tasks include assistance with personal care, light housekeeping, and other tasks as assigned. Hours vary. Applicant must be 18 or older and free of criminal history charges. Contact Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital Home Health, PO Box 690, Sweetwater, 915-235-2030. EOE

New Texas area codes in effect

Telephone users are reminded the new areas codes assigned last May to portions of north and central Texas must now be dialed to complete a call.

The metropolitan Fort Worth area retains the 817 code. Cities in the northern part of the state changed from 817 to 940, including Childress, Wichita Falls, Gainesville, Denton, Mineral Wells, Throckmorton, Haskell, and Aspermont. Central Texas cities in 817 changed to the 254 area, including Waco, Breckenridge, Glen Rose, Hillsboro, Donie, Cameron, Killeen, Evant, May, Cross Plains and Cisco.

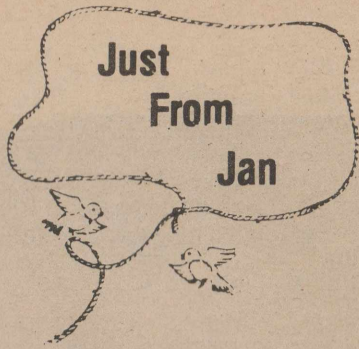
GTE reminds telephone users to reprogram automated equipment that uses the area code, such as storing or analyzing telephone numbers, security systems, business telephone systems, modems, speed call lists and automatic dialing.

Central and North Texas are two of 70 regions nationwide to receive new area codes over the last two years. The need for codes has increased due to the population and business growth, entry of new competitors for local service, and the proliferation in use of fax machines, modems, and cellular phones, pagers, and additional phone lines.

In 1996, the 972 area code began serving the suburban areas surrounding Dallas, and the 281 area code replaced 713 for suburban areas surrounding Houston. In July of this year, the 830 area code was assigned to the part of the 210 area code north of Webb County, and the 956 area code was placed in service for the portion of the 210 area from Webb County south. The San Antonio metropolitan area remained 210. Mandatory use of the new south Texas codes will occur October 6.

To the 80 million of you who volunteered time and money last year, thanks for all you've given. Imagine what more could do. Call 1-800-55-GIVE 5. It's what in the world you can do.





by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Ext. Agent

School bus safety

Parents of children riding school buses should teach them to avoid the 'DANGER ZONE', a 10 foot wide area surrounding a school bus, according to Ryder Student Transportation Services, a national provider of school bus services. The vast majority of serious accidents involving children and school buses occur in the Danger Zone just outside the bus.

Because young children see a bus, they assume the driver can also see them. So they may try to stoop down to pick up objects that they have dropped or run back to retrieve items left on the bus. Obviously, this creates a dangerous situation if the bus or other vehicles begin to move. Parents should teach their children that drivers may not always be able to see them, and that the sweaters and lunch boxes they are running back to find aren't as important as their safety.

Parents should instruct their children to remain at least 10 feet from the bus until it has stopped completely, the driver has opened the door and motioned to begin boarding. When exiting the bus children should immediately walk at least 10 feet away from the bus before continuing the walk home. Because children cannot always relate to distance measured in feet, parents may want to express the distance in five giant steps.

Parents should teach their children the following school bus safety rules: *Plan to be

at the bus stop several minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. *Wait for the bus in a safe place away from traffic. *Avoid horseplay and respect the privacy and property of others while waiting. *As the bus approaches, stand at least 10 feet away from the bus and the road. *Wait in single file until the bus comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to board. *Stay seated quietly, facing forward at all times on the bus. *Listen to the driver's instructions and never stick your arm or head or any objects out the window. *When exiting the bus, walk at least 10 feet away from the bus, remaining at least 5 giant steps away. *Never run back to the bus even if you dropped or forgot something. *Dropped or forgotten objects can be replaced. *Stay away from the street and walk on sidewalks and crosswalks if available on the way home.

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"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." — Amendment II to the U.S. Constitution ratified on December 15, 1791

The fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 radically changed America's defense needs. This brought about a reexamination of our national spending priorities. As we try to balance the budget, we must make better use of scarce resources and seek greater value for every dollar spent. Accordingly, Congress has supported the Defense Department's efforts to reduce its size prudently and address changed security threats.

The Defense Department's force structure now is roughly 30 percent smaller than it was in the 1980s. Its budget has also declined to about 60 percent (in real terms) of its peak in 1985. We have reduced our military forces to the lowest levels since just before the outbreak of World War II.

One of the little-noticed implications of this changed defense landscape is the increased reliance we now put on the National Guard.

Our eight National Guard divisions are an integral part of America's defense readiness. A recent study of Texas' 49th Armored Division by the Institute for Defense Analysis concluded that it could mobilize, train and be ready for deployment in little more than 90 days.

This is the kind of essential support that makes it possible to downsize our active-duty force without compromising readiness or national security.

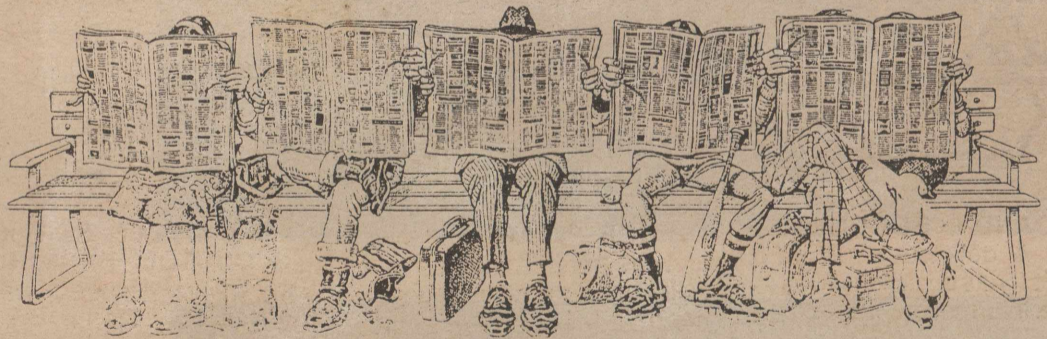
Dollar for dollar, the National Guard is one of the best defense investments we can make. In fighting for full funding for the National Guard in next year's defense bill, I pointed out to my Senate colleagues that the Army National Guard trains its recruits at only 20 percent of the cost of training a regular Army soldier. That's a savings no one can afford to ignore.

The administration's requested defense budget for next year would have severely cut funding for the National Guard. But in July, the Senate voted to restore critical funding for the National Guard (as well as reserve programs).

Historically, with the exception of the period of the Cold War, the United States has not maintained a large, standing defense force. We have relied instead on the National Guard and reserve programs.

It would be shortsighted to gut our reserve capabilities at the same time we are dramatically downsizing the active force.

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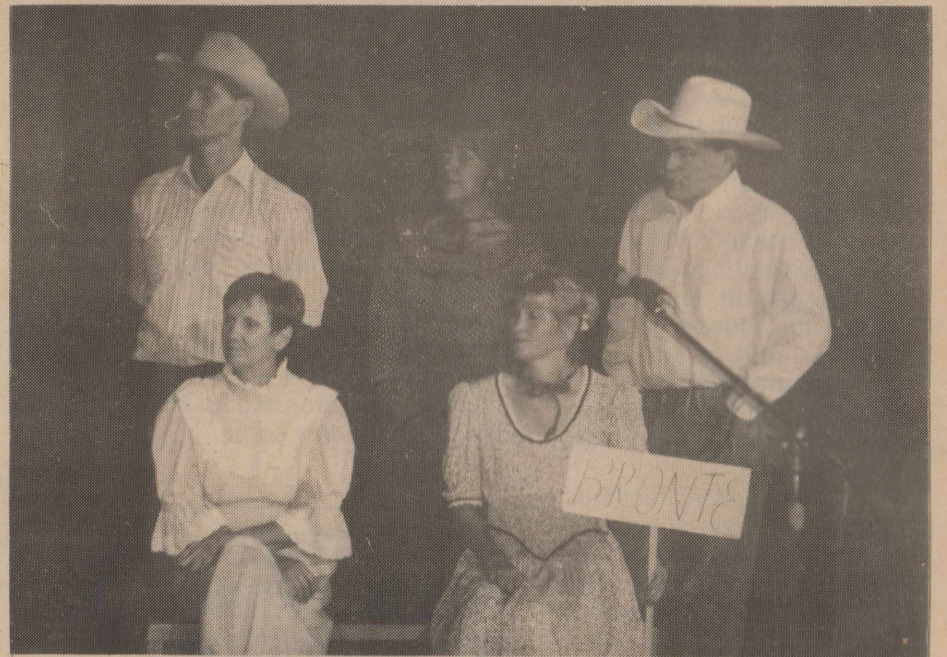
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