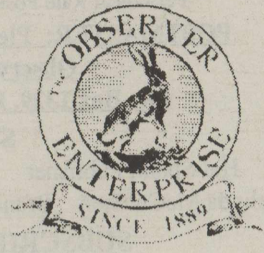


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Bluebonnet crop termed “a little short” this year

by Hal Spain, Publisher

We had high hopes with the good rains last spring and summer that we would have a bumper crop of bluebonnets this year. Those hopes went out the window, for the most part, thanks to the six months dry spell from September 2007 through February 2008.

We have a few spots with bluebonnets this year. Jimmy Bickley and Susan Wellborn have reported some nice patches in their yards, along with Maudie Conley. In most cases these patches were watered in the fall, which is when bluebonnets germinate.

Many residents may not know that the bluebonnets that are blooming now came up in September and October. Due to the physiology of the plant, the bluebonnet germinates in the fall and just remains there close to the ground until it begins to grow and flower in the spring. Dry weather conditions in the fall dictated that many of the plants failed to germinate this past fall. The good news is that the bluebonnet seed can remain dormant for up to ten years and still sprout if conditions are favorable. So just because we don't have many this year does not mean that we couldn't have a bumper crop in the years to come. That is nature's way of guaranteeing they get a chance to reproduce, even if they have to wait for several years to germinate.

For those of you who may be wondering, we will not assemble the Bluebonnet Brigade this spring, due to the lack of stands along our roadways. That does not mean that individuals cannot go out and harvest some seed on their own for distribution along their roadways, if you can find some good patches to harvest.

I have noticed we have several residents with a few bluebonnets who are not mowing even though their stands are pretty spotty this year. I know this requires some patience, because the

easy thing to do would be to mow your whole yard and clean up your place. The truth of the matter is that even those weak stands will go to seed, and if you mow them before they have a chance to mature, you will guarantee those plants will not reproduce in years to come. I applaud you for your patience this year, and if you let them go to seed, we'll have a better chance for some good bluebonnet crops in years to come.

The reason this requires some patience is that it takes the seed a while past the bloom stage to mature enough to be viable for germination. Usually it is sometime in late May or early June before they start falling from the plant, although this year that time may come a little sooner than usual. You can tell by looking at the plants. If the seed pods on most of the plants have opened, and a majority of the seed have fallen to the ground, then you can mow that area and be confident that you haven't hindered their reproduction.

The only good news about this year's crop is that we're one year closer to a bumper crop of beautiful bluebonnets along our roadways. In the past, we have had bus and carloads of visitors coming to Coke County to admire our bluebonnet crop. If we take a few steps to protect our stands during the dry years, we can count on the pretty flowers bringing more visitors to our county in years to come.

Sterling Co. Fireman's 50th Anniversary Celebration and Benefit slated

On Saturday, April 19 the Fireman's 50th Anniversary Celebration and Benefit will start at 2 pm. The schedule for the day is as follows. The golf tournament will begin at 2 pm, the BBQ dinner will be at 7 pm, followed by the cake auction at 8 pm, the last event of the evening will be a dance



School Bond Educational Meeting! Superintendent Aaron Hood and Steve Ellinger with Cadco Engineering discussed the construction of new school facilities at RLISD on Tuesday night, April 15, 2008. The RLISD Board of Trustees hosted the meeting, which was attended by over 100 district residents. Absentee voting in the upcoming bond election is set to begin April 28, with election day slated for May 10.

featuring Driftwood beginning at 9 pm.

For more information contact Donna Barrett at (325) 212-1797, Debbie Horwood at (325) 378-2116, or Julie Smith at (325) 450-2599.

Bronte UMW Plant and Bake Sale set

The Bronte United Methodist Women will hold their annual Plant Sale and Bake Sale on Friday, April 18 and Saturday, April 19. The times for the sale are 3 pm - 6 pm on Friday and 8:30 am - 12 pm on Saturday. The sale will be in the church courtyard at 324 South Washington in Bronte.

This will be a great opportunity to replace or add new plants to your garden.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for missions including Relay for Life, children and adults in need, and Wesley Soup Kitchen in San Angelo.

Bronte Citywide Garage Sale Approaching

There is still time to get your name and location on the Citywide Garage sale. This is such an opportunity to clean out your closets and storerooms and make some money on the side.

The Sorosis Study Club with help from Bronte City Hall is sponsoring the annual garage sale to be held Saturday, May 3, 2008. If you are interested in having a garage sale, please contact

Bronte City Hall at (325) 473-3501 and get your name on the list. The citywide garage sale has been very successful each year! Let's make this year even better!

We can each do our part and "let's go green - reduce, reuse, and recycle." And a garage sale is a perfect way to do just that.

M&N Percifull Tourney set

The 15th Annual M & N Percifull, 27 hole, 2 person, select shot golf tournament will be on April 19, 2008, at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte. For more information, call (325) 473-2156.

Coke County Retired Teachers to meet Monday

Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, April 21, 2008. The noon luncheon meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

4-H sponsors Rabies Clinic

Coke County 4-H Clubs will be sponsoring the annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 26, 2008.

The clinic will be held from 1 pm until 3 pm at the south end of the show barn in the Robert Lee park. Veterinarian Ross Dutton will be in charge.

Pets 4 months of age or older should be immunized. Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually. Horse vaccinations will also be

provided.

Emergency Conservation Program

Due to the recent wildfires, Coke and Sterling Counties have been approved to take applications for assistance to replace or restore fences damaged by the fires under the Emergency Conservation Program. At this time there has been no money allocated by Washington for the program, however we encourage producers to apply for assistance. In order to receive any assistance if it becomes available, you must have your application completed with our office prior to beginning any repairs. Our office will have to make an inspection to determine the amount of loss. Cost shares are authorized for cross fences, boundary fences, and gates. If you have sustained damage to fences from the recent wildfires, we encourage you to call the office in Robert Lee at (325) 453-2751 to make an appointment to sign up for assistance. The final date to file an application is May 15, 2008.

Tennyson Reunion slated for May 17

All persons that have lived or had family members that have lived in or around Tennyson Community are invited to meet with us on May 17, 2008.

Starting at 10 am until everyone goes home. Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm to 2 pm and the auction will follow a short business meeting.

Bring your stories to share and let's have a good day.

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Obituaries



Stokes

Leta Stokes, 93, passed away on Monday, April 14, 2008, at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Funeral service was held at 2 pm, Thursday, April 17, 2008, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Burial followed in Montvale Cemetery in Sterling City. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Leta was born on December 12, 1914, in Montague County, Texas, to Henry John and Eula C. Lyon Flake. She attended school and graduated from high school from Earth, Texas. Leta was very proud that she was an electrician in WWII working in the shipyards in San Francisco.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church. She loved to play dominoes as well as other games at the Senior Citizens Center. Leta was a very talented artist. Her talents included sketching pencil drawings and working on a variety of different arts and craft projects.

Leta is survived by her son, Leslie Gray and wife, Geneva of Robert Lee; a stepdaughter, Gayle Burnett and family of Midland, Texas; a granddaughter, Brenda Harrison and husband, Thomas of San Angelo; two grandsons, Les Gray, Jr. of Los Angeles, California, and Steve Gray and wife, Mindi of Georgetown; eleven great-grandchildren, Randie, Casey, Cassidy, Kadin, Colynn, Kamron, Anna, Austin, Greg, Brandon, and Gavin; and two great-great grandchildren, Bryson and Noah.

The family would like to offer a special thank you to

VistaCare Hospice and the Robert Lee Care Center for their love and care of Leta.

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Blair

Irma Casey Blair, 90, beloved mother, Mam-maw, and Mee-maw passed away peacefully at her home on Wednesday, April 9, 2008.

Family visitation was from 6 pm - 8 pm on Friday, April 11, 2008, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Funeral Service was held at 2 pm, Saturday April 12, 2008, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Valley View Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

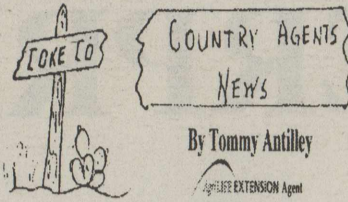
Irma was born on January 16, 1918 in Voca, Texas, to Charles S. Schooley and Pearl Lewis Schooley. She married Turney Casey on August 26, 1937, in Robert Lee. He preceded her in death in April of 1990. She later married John Blair on October 23, 1993, he too preceded her in death.

She is preceded in death by her parents; a son, Bill Casey; a great grandson, two brothers, and a sister.

Irma is survived by three daughters, Barbara Davis and husband, Add of Robert Lee, Dian Coulter and husband, Grady "Booger" of Oak Creek Lake, Phebe Heffernan and husband, Rocky of Miles; one daughter-in-law, Dwala Casey of Silver; stepdaughter, Gwen Templin and husband,

Troy of Austin; stepson John Marshall Blair and wife, Patsy of Grape Creek; eight grandchildren; twenty-five great grandchildren; and 20 great-great grandchildren; and extended Blair family.

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By Tommy Antilley

AGRI LIFE EXTENSION Agent

Drought Management to be focus of field day in San Angelo

The Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at San Angelo and the National Drought Mitigation Center will sponsor the Natural Resources Field Day from 8:30 am until 4:45 pm, April 24.

The field day will be held at the center located north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87.

Marvin Ensor, Texas AgriLife Extension Service regional program director at San Angelo, said the field day is meant to showcase existing management tools and reintroduce some old standby practices available to producers facing drought.

"The National Drought Mitigation Center also wants to give producers and agency personnel an opportunity to provide real world input on new tools they are currently working on," Ensor said.

"A year ago we decided to curtail our annual natural resource field days and hold them only when conditions or issues warranted them," Ensor said. "With record-setting wildfires flaring up across the state and prolonged dry weather predicted, that time is now. Our goal is to arm producers with the most up-to-date knowledge available to see them successfully through these natural disasters which occur all too frequently in the West Texas ranching business."

Morning field day topics will include:

- Drought Update: Climate Services and Monitoring Tools Available from National Weather Service, San Angelo.

- Drought Impact Reporter: Putting a Face on Drought.

- Developing a Vegetation Drought Response Index: Monitoring Vegetation Stress from a Local to National Scale.

- Grazing Management after Fire and Drought.

Afternoon topics following a catered lunch include:

- GreenLeaf: Taking a Google Approach to Agricultural Decision Support.

- Managing Risk on the Ranch: A Guide to Help Better Prepare for and Respond to Drought.

- Building a New Drought Monitor/Decision Support System: Putting it All Together.

- Rangeland/Pasture Drought Insurance Program update.

- U.S. Department of Agriculture Programs Available for Ranching Losses.

The field day will conclude with an open discussion and comment period.

Individual registration which includes lunch is \$10 by April 18 and \$25 thereafter.

To register or for more information, call (325) 653-4576.

Local elections set for May 10

Several local taxing entities will be conducting elections on May 10 to determine who will serve in leadership capacities for our schools and cities. Each election or cancellation of election is discussed below:

The Bronte Independent School District has five candidates who have filed for 2 positions on the board of trustees. Incumbents Kendall Gibbs and Scott Frasier will be joined on the ballot by

Shane Kelton, David McWright, and Paul Williams. Early voting will be conducted at the school from April 28 through May 6, with election day voting to be held at City Hall on May 10.

The Robert Lee Independent School District has two open 3-year terms on their board of trustees. Incumbents Jeffie Roberts and Irma Torres have filed for these two positions. RLISD will also have a 1-year unexpired term on the ballot. Brandi Brosh has filed for this trustee position.

In years past, with no contested spots on the RLISD school board, the election may have been cancelled. However, the RLISD ballot contains a bond election issue on this year's ballot. By law, the trustee election cannot be cancelled due to the bond proposal on the ballot.

The bond proposal on this year's ballot involves two propositions: 1. (for or against) The issuance of \$15,000,000 of bonds for Robert Lee Independent School District and levying the tax in payment thereof. 2. (for or against) Maintenance tax as limited by Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code. More information concerning the bond proposal will be forthcoming in subsequent issues.

Early voting will be the same dates as the BISD election, and election day is also the same (May 10). All early and election day voting will be held at the courthouse in this election.

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church

324 S. Franklin • Bronte
 (325) 473-4811

Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship

Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2360

Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331

Bro. Morris Johnson, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 6 pm Youth
 and Worship

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte

(325) 473-3281
 Rev. David Bailey, Pastor
 Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship
 5:00 Youth

First United Methodist Church
 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
 Robert Lee

(325) 453-2417
 Rev. George Bradley, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 10:50 am Worship

Wed. 6 pm Choir
Iglesia Bautista Bethel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee

(325) 453-5003 • 453-2296
 Pastor: Basilio Esquivel
 Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am
 & 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm

St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

Southside Church of Christ
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2176

Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ

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

Portis Ribble, Minister
 Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
 Wed. 6 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
 (325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm

Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
 (325) 453-2482

Jim Dominey, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724

Jason Martin, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 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

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Incumbent Joe White will be joined on the ballot by Richard Cantrell for a 2-year term as mayor on the City of Robert Lee ballot. In addition, incumbent Bonita Cartrite, Trey Sawyer, and John Jacobs will be vying for two positions on the city council, with both being 2-year terms.

Early and election day voting in the city election will be the same as for the RLISD board of trustees election.

In the Bronte City Council election, Alvin Jones, Jim Guthrie, and Buzz Gohman have filed for three spots on the city council for 2-year terms. Gerald Sandusky has also filed for re-election for mayor. There are no contested positions for the City of Bronte election.

The East Coke County Hospital District has three board members who have filed for three 2-year terms. They are Alonzo Robbins, Garry Bivins, and Lee Wommack. According to Administrator Pat Young, that election will probably be cancelled due to no contested races.

The West Coke County Hospital District has three filings for three 2-year positions on the board. They are Pat Stephens, Mike Lomas, and Marilyn White. Since there are no contested positions, the WCCHD Board has voted to cancel their election.

EMS Training Class scheduled

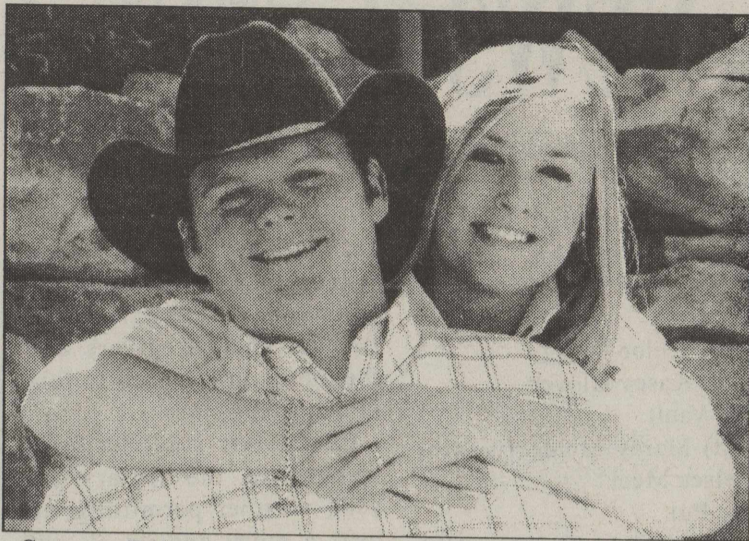
Bronte EMS will host a training class for certified Ambulance Personnel (ECA's). This class will be in Bronte and is open to anyone willing to volunteer for Bronte or Robert Lee Ambulance services as both services are in severe need of trained volunteers.

For more information call Stephen at (325) 224-3047 or Larry at (325) 473-4014.

21st Annual Senior Spring Fling

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley, City of San Angelo Recreation-Senior Services and the Concho Valley Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) continue to offer sponsors, exhibitors and vendors the opportunity to participate in the 21st Annual Senior Fling on May 8, 2008 at the San Angelo Coliseum. "Senior Safari-Supporting Stronger Communities" presents your organization with a unique opportunity to provide education information and details of your services which help older adults.

For more information, contact Dolores Schwertner at dschwertner@wtrc.com (325) 223-6388, LaRhonda Trammel at laronda.trammel@sanangelotexas.us (325) 657-4490 or Terry Lockhart at



Searcy-Riley engagement announced! Randy and Susan Searcy of Bayfield, Colorado, formerly of Sterling City, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Whitney Lynn Searcy, to Mark Cooper Riley. Whitney is the granddaughter of Clarence and Barbara Searcy of Mertzon and Nell Mayse and the late Howe Mayse of Mertzon. Cooper is the son of Mark and Cindy Riley of Robert Lee and is the grandson of Morgan and Barbara Riley of San Angelo and D.J. and Nelia Walker of Robert Lee.

Whitney is a 2004 graduate of Sterling City and is currently attending Angelo State University. She will graduate in December of 2008 with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology and plans to attend Occupational Therapy Graduate School.

Cooper is a 2003 graduate of Robert Lee High School and a 2007 graduate of Angelo State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science. He is employed by NorAm Power Systems in Midland.

The wedding will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2008, at Southland Baptist Church in San Angelo, Texas.

terry.lockhart@cvcog.org (325) 223-5704.

First Baptist Church of Coleman Music Festival

The Coleman area of the Lake Ivie Baptist Association will host a Music Festival Sunday, April 20, 2008, at First Baptist Church, Coleman.

The music festival will begin at 4 pm. Anyone who loves to sing: choirs, solos, quartets or anyone who loves to play an instrument are invited to participate.

For more information you may contact Lorrie Payne, PO Box 983, Coleman, Texas 76834 or you may call (325) 625-3559.

Please Come Join Us
2nd Annual Ladies Spring Tea
 For All the Lovely Ladies of Robert Lee
 13 years of age and older
 Saturday, April 19
 11:30 am
 Robert Lee Recreation Hall
 Lots of fun, food, fellowship and prizes
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 or Sharon Abney at 453-4573

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 Family Pack
Chuck Roast
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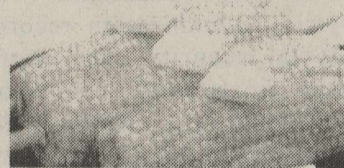
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 Family Pack
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Small Package
 \$2.39 per pound

Farm Fresh
Yellow Corn
3 for \$1



Miller Lite or
Coors Light
 18 Pack Cans
\$12.79



Reg., Light or Select
Budweiser Beer
 18 Pack Cans
\$12.79



BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

PALS' Be Safe

Street Rally slated

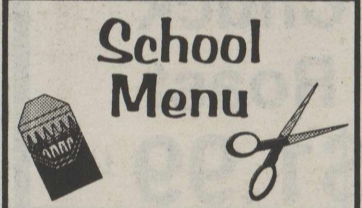
The Bronte High School PALS in conjunction with the Robert Lee High School PALS will be holding a safety-driving rally for all the surrounding communities on May 3, 2008 at the Train Depot on Main Street in Bronte. There will be booths with food and entertainment set up for the public from 6 pm to 8 pm followed by a 15 minute educational video. At 8:30 pm the dance will begin and last until 11 pm.

Help support BHS band students

Several band students from Bronte High School are trying to raise money to attend the Howard Payne Band Camp this summer. A shaved ice stand will be set up across the street from Town & Country in Bronte on different days and each student will work that day and 100% of the profit will go to that student for their band camp fees.

Register now for ACT test set for BHS

High school juniors or seniors, if you would like to take the June 14 ACT test, which will be offered at



Breakfast

Monday, Apr. 21
Cereal, apple sauce, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, Apr. 22
Sausage, biscuit, jelly, juice, milk

Wednesday, Apr. 23
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

Thursday, Apr. 24
Sausage roll, juice, milk

Friday, Apr. 25
Blueberry muffin, toast, jelly, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Apr. 21
Chicken nuggets, gravy, potatoes, green beans, roll, rosie apple sauce, milk

Tuesday, Apr. 22
Frito pie, chili, cheese, tossed salad, ranch style beans, fruit cup, corn chips, milk

Wednesday, Apr. 23
Lasagna, tossed salad, corn, apricot halves, Texas toast, milk

Thursday, Apr. 24
Nacho Grande, refried beans, lettuce, tomato, Spanish rice, nacho chips, sliced strawberries, milk

Friday, Apr. 25
Sliced turkey or tuna sandwiches, lettuce, tomato, pickle, tator tots, assorted fruit, bread, sugar cookies, milk

Bronte High School, please do so before May 9. Junior students are encouraged to take the ACT or SAT test before the beginning of their senior year so that they may start filling out college applications and scholarships. Please see Mrs. Timmerman if you need a registration packet or you may register online at www.actstudent.org.

Remember that fee waivers are available for students on free or reduced lunches. Free study guides are also available in the counselor's office. For more information, please call the counselor's office at 473-2521.

Scholarship Opportunities

Order of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 1048 of Bronte, Texas, will provide a \$250.00 scholarship to an outstanding senior student at Bronte High School. Applications are available in the counselor's office at BHS. The deadline to apply is Friday, April 25, 2008.

The Leadership San Angelo Alumni Association will be awarding a \$500.00 scholarship to one senior student from the surrounding San Angelo area. Applications are available in the Bronte HS counselor's office. The deadline to apply is May 9, 2008. Applications must be turned into the counselor's office at Bronte High School.

Bronte pre-registration for preschool programs set

Bronte Elementary has scheduled pre-registration for the 2008-2009 Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for all students residing in the Bronte school district for Wednesday, April 30, from 3 pm - 4:30 pm. In order to enroll, you must bring the following documents with you: immunization record, social security card, birth certificate and proof of residence (i.e. utility bill, rent receipt, etc.) If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please call the elementary office at 473-2251.

Lady Longhorns place 2nd at District

The Varsity girls placed second overall in District with 103 points. The individual results are as follows.

- 100M Dash
1st) Chelsea Cook
- 100M Hurdles
2nd) Stephanie Frasier
- 1600M Run
6th) Holly Huskerson
- 300M Hurdles
4th) Shelbi Waller

400M Relay
6th) Ashley Royall, Shandee Vaughn, Marcy McMorris, Chelsea Meek

Discus
1st) Chloe Grigg
6th) Kasey Glover

Pole Vault
1st) Marcy McMorris, 4th) Chelsea Meek

Shot Put
1st) Chloe Grigg, 4th) Kasey Glover, 5th) Kaycee Baker

Long Jump
2nd) Chelsea Cook, 4th) Shandee Vaughn

Triple Jump
1st) Chelsea Cook

400M Dash
3rd) Jessi England

1600M Relay
4th) Stephanie Frasier, Shandee Vaughn, Chelsea Meek, Jessi England

Relay for Life slated for June 6-7

The Coke County Relay will be June 6 and 7. The theme for this year will be Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back. The Relay will kick off at 7 pm with the Survivor Lap, followed by the Caregiver Lap. If you are a Survivor (anyone who has had or is battling cancer of any kind), we are asking that you be there by 6:30 pm to register and complete a form. Also if you did not participate last year, please call Glenda Draper, 473-2050, or Rhonda Hood, 453-2065, and give us your name and T-shirt size.

Everyone will want to come out and join their neighbors in this fun-filled evening to help raise money to fight back against cancer.

Why do we Relay? One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetime. The funds raised at Relay save lives by funding cutting-edge cancer research, early detection and prevention education, advocacy efforts and life-affirming patient services. This happens only because of your involvement.

A very special and meaningful Luminaria Service to Honor and Remember those who have had cancer or who have lost their battle will be held around 10 pm in the evening. Forms to purchase luminaria can be obtained from Dian Coulter (325/743-2038) or at various locations in Bronte and Robert Lee. Watch for more newspaper articles and posters around town!

Check Out Coke County Library

The Coke County Library will hold a graduation event for Head Start life-long learners at 10 am on Wednesday, April 30. Parents and caregivers and the public are invited to join in the celebration.

Head Start students have trekked to the library all year, weather permitting, to hear a story and check out books. The children and their teachers are enthusiastic listeners and book borrowers. Listening to stories provides children with a greater vocabulary, an understanding of plot and character development, which gives them a foundation for learning to read.

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

Sorosis Study Club holds meeting

The Sorosis Study Club met for their regular monthly meeting in the home of Janet Wommack on April 10, 2008.

Keith and Lanette Fletcher shared adventures from their trip to South Africa in April of 2007, including customs from that country as well as wild game hunting experiences.

The Chinese Auction was won by Pat Lee.

Members present were President Lanette Fletcher, Marti Aguirri, Marilyn Bivins, Jane Cumbie, Jean Fancher, Mary Glenn, Peggy Hembree, Pat Lee, Joan Lightfoot, Fredna Moore, Kay Styles, Jane Wheat and Janet Wommack. Guests were Marian Gohman, Bill Wheat, Ed Cumbie, Martin Lee and Elton Moore.

Coke County represented at Network Luncheon

The Winters Chamber of Commerce hosted one of six network luncheons being held in April sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network. The luncheon presentation and discussion focused on "Tools for Growth". Ideas were shared on methods to enhance community programs and projects.

During the luncheon community representatives from surrounding cities offered tips and testimonials on successful events, economic development projects and "best practices" for communication with local volunteers. The group also discussed housing issues that prevail throughout the region and how to address the issues for future growth.

In addition to Winters, cities represented at the luncheon included Ballinger, Bronte, Coleman and Robert Lee.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organization founded in 1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness & promotion, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." For more information about TMCN call 325-795-86-26 or 800-845-3563 or visit www.texasmidwest.org.

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Bronte Community Center

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Robert Lee All Sports Booster meeting slated

The Robert Lee All Sports Booster Club will meet April 24, 2008, at 7 pm, at the Robert Lee ISD Library for discussion on the upcoming RLHS Sports Banquet to be held on May 15 to recognize all athletes for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Advance tickets only will be available through May 1 and can be purchased through Pam Millican at the RLHS office, 453-4555.

RLHS District Track results

During the District Meet, the Steers did well and had several place in the top four to continue on to the Area Meet in Bronte. The District results are as follows. Josh Gallegos placed first in the 300M Hurdles, first in the 800M run, and second in the Long Jump. Jeremy Martinez placed sixth in the 300M Hurdles. Garrett Blair placed third and Stetson Nesbit placed fifth in the Discus. In the Pole Vault Blake Millican placed fourth and Luke Sheldon placed sixth. Jimmy Womack placed fourth in the 400M Dash.

The top four places, which include Jimmy Womack, Josh Gallegos, Garrett Blair and Blake Millican, progressed to the Area Meet. The results at the Area Meet are as follows. Jimmy Womack placed seventh in the 400M Dash. Josh Gallegos placed first in the 800M run, second in the

300M Hurdles, and second in the Long Jump. Garrett Blair took third in the Discus; and Blake Millican came in fifth in the Pole Vault.

The top four places in Area also progress on to the Regional Meet to be held in Abilene on April 25.

On Tuesday, April 8, the Area Meet was held in Bronte. Competing for Robert Lee Varsity Girls were Molli Hinderliter in the Triple Jump, 4x200 Relay, and 200M Dash; Amanda Mendoza in the High Jump and 4x200M Relay; Erika Sheldon in the 4x200M Relay; Sarah Walker in the Shot Put and the 4x200M Relay; Molly Burns in the Discus; and Kasie Skinner in the Discus. Emilee Yanez traveled with the team as an alternate for the Relay. Molly Burns received fourth place in the Discus, the Relay team placed third, and Molli Hinderliter placed third in the 200M Dash and fourth in the Triple Jump. All of these athletes will continue their track season in Abilene on April 25 at the Regional Track Meet.

Art students add color to classrooms

Students of Mrs. Service's Art II and Junior High Art class spent several weeks bringing color to some of the elementary classrooms.

In Patty Byrne's room, the Junior High class painted a nature scene that included a water fall, animals reading and sail boats on a lake. Their purpose was to emphasize to the kids the importance of reading. The class members include, Garrett Rogers, Linsey Arellano, Luisa Carrera, Meagan Ross, Raquel Rojas, Liz Chancellor, Jose Fabian, Victoria Roe, Kimberly Roach, Lisa Myrice, and Samantha Fernandez. They created the art work from scratch, made decisions on the types of animals to include, the layout of the drawing, and color combinations. Over all they did a great job.

In Sterling Myers' choir room on the elementary end, Art II students, Holly Austin, Corri Torres, and Emily Arellano added a note of color to the room. They decided that musical instruments should be the focus of the work with soothing colors. Again they began with an original

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

composition with a checker board design along the outside.

The students on the elementary end have really enjoyed watching the progress of the work as well as the final results.

The art students' work have brightened at least two rooms in the school.

Coke County Area Host Families Needed Now

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semester homestay programs, and the sponsoring organization needs a few more local host families. The students are anxiously awaiting news of their new families. These young ambassadors are looking forward to fulfilling their life-long dreams.

According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) President, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it is a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students

from Germany, the Former Soviet Union, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, Japan, Hungary, Korea, Mexico, Australia, Yugoslavia, China, and many other countries. P.I.E. is also participating in two special government-funded programs to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union as well as predominantly Islamic countries such as Yemen, Syria, Jordan, Morocco, Kuwait, Iraq and Qatar to the United States. P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 25,000 students from 45 countries since its founding in 1975. The organization is designated by the United States Department of State and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Coke County area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-866-546-1402. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

Smart uses for your tax refund

By Jason Alderman
Each year, roughly 70 percent of Americans get an income tax refund. Thanks to the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008, beginning in early May most also will receive an additional tax rebate check of up to \$600 (up to

\$1,200 for joint filers) - even those who don't earn enough to owe federal income tax.

A survey commissioned by Visa Inc. found that roughly the same number of people plan to use their tax refund to pay bills (43 percent) as to contribute to savings (45 percent). Others said they'll use it to make a major purchase (9 percent) or pay their rent or mortgage (3 percent).

Although the money may be burning a hole in your pocket, here are a few possibilities to consider before rushing off to the mall:

Spend wisely. If you want to reinvest part of your refund/rebate back into the economy, consider spending it on necessities that will save you money in the long run. For example, servicing your car helps it run more efficiently and last longer. And weatherproofing your house or buying energy-efficient appliances can significantly lower utility bills.

Pay off debt. When you carry forward credit card balances, interest charges can really add up over time. For example, making only the minimum monthly payment (assuming 4 percent) on a \$1,000 balance could add seven years until payoff and more than \$500 in additional interest for a card with 18 percent interest - assuming you don't make any new purchases.

Save for emergencies. It's wise to set aside three to six months of living expenses to cover job loss, unexpected medical expenses or other unplanned events. With interest rates dropping, shop for deals on high-yield money market savings accounts or short-term CDs at www.bankrate.com.

Save for retirement. The longer you delay, the harder it is to catch up on retirement savings. Open or add to an existing Individual Retirement Account or 401(k) plan. Practical Money Skills for Life, Visa's free personal financial management site, contains detailed retirement financial planning information, including tax ramifications and interactive retirement savings calculators (www.practicalmoneyskills.com/401k).

School Menu



Breakfast

- Monday, Apr. 21**
Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 22**
Muffin, cereal, juice, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 23**
Burrito, juice, milk
- Thursday, Apr. 24**
Biscuit & sausage, juice, milk
- Friday, Apr. 25**
Pancake, sausage, juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, Apr. 21**
Fish sticks, scalloped potatoes, green beans, sliced bread, applesauce, graham crackers, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 22**
Chicken fried steak, gravy, creamed potatoes, green peas, roll, pears, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 23**
Tuna fish or Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, pickles, broccoli with ranch, baked chips, peaches, milk
- Thursday, Apr. 24**
Chicken O's, mac & cheese, corn on cob, sliced bread, fruit cocktail, milk
- Friday, Apr. 25**
Hamburger, salad, pickles, French fries, pudding, milk

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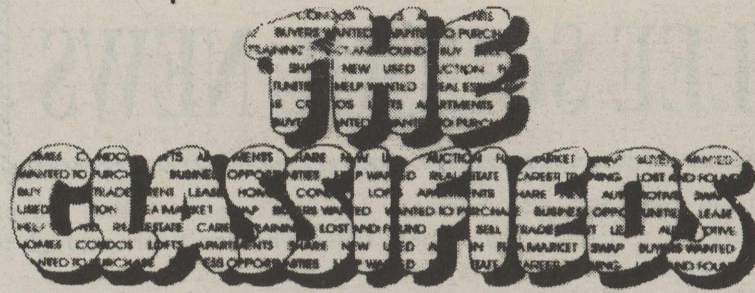
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The family of Irma Blair
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NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the public and, See Listing Below, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of the sale of the contents of Units, See Listing Below, of the storage facilities located at the southeast corner of Commerce Street (TX 158) and East 6th Street, the northwest corner of Bishop Street and West 10th Street (TX 208), and the southeast and northwest corners of Chadbourne Street and West 8th Street. The contents of the units will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted no sooner than 3 May 2008.

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Signed: Allen Clendennen
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County is taking applications for a rural transportation van driver in Robert Lee, Texas. Applications may be picked up in the judge's office in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Applications will be taken until 9 am, April 28, 2008. For further information you can call 453-2922. Coke County is an equal opportunity employer.

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ORDINANCE #442

AN ORDINANCE CANCELING THE MAY 10, 2008 REGULAR ELECTION AND DECLARING EACH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE ELECTED OF OFFICE; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES;

PROVIDING A SERVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACKWELL, TEXAS THAT;

Section 1:

The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 10, 2008 general election are hereby declared elected to office and shall be issued a certificate of election:

Councilperson: Lucile Taylor

Councilperson: Karen Walls

Councilperson: Jason Rasco

Section 2:

The City Secretary is directed to post a copy of this ordinance at each designated

Poll place on May 10, 2008.

Section 5:

This ordinance shall be in full force and effected from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 7TH DAY OF APRIL, 2008.

SIGNED: Ronald Harris,
Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara Kelley, City Secretary
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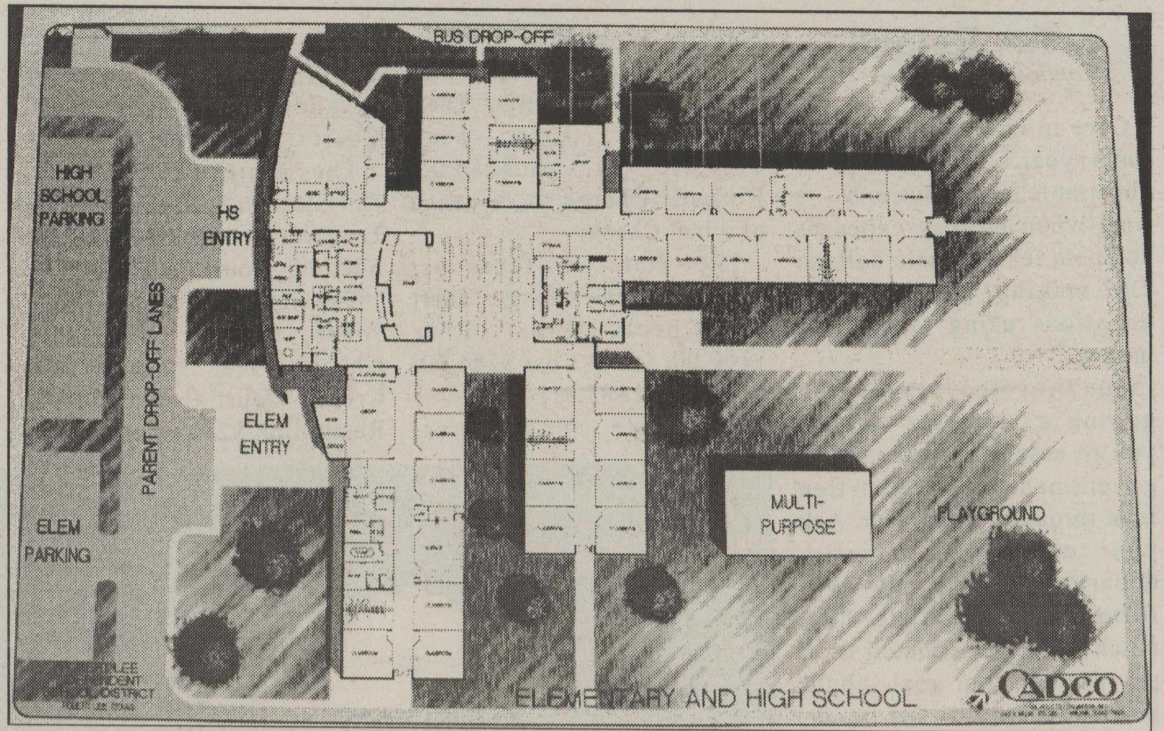
NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(Aviso de eleccion general)

To The Registered Voters of the City of Robert Lee, Texas: (A los votantes registrados de Robert Lee, Texas:)

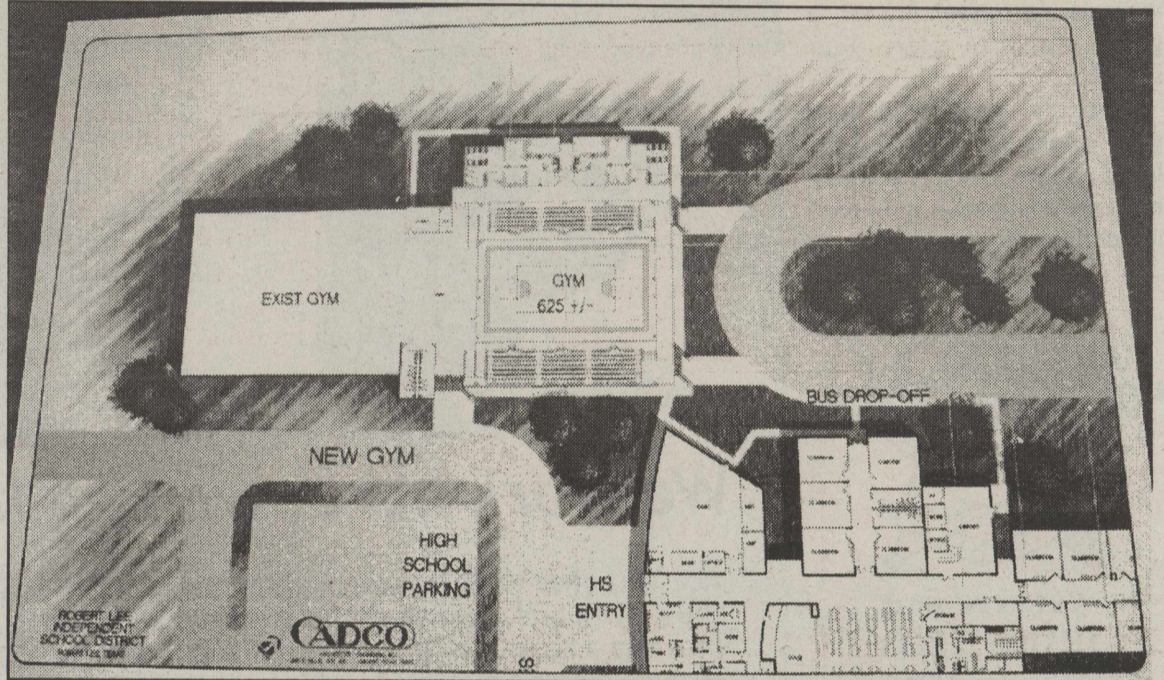
Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008 for voting in a general election to elect a Mayor and Two Council Members to regular terms. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir un Alcade y Dos Miembro(as) Del Consejo Para Termo Regular.)

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE: Coke County Courthouse at 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945. (DIRECCION DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES: Condado de Coke a las 13 E. 7th Street en Robert Lee, Texas.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Coke County Courthouse, Clerk's Office, 13 E. 7th Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Friday, beginning on April 28, 2008 and ending on May 6, 2008. Additionally, on April 29, 2008 and April 30, 2008 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Condado de Coke en el Oficio de Secretaria a las 13 E. 7th Street en Robert Lee, Texas. Entre las horas de 8:00 de la mañana - 5:00 p.m. de la tarde, el lunes - el jueves y



Blueprints for a new school! Architectural designs for the new school campus were on display Tuesday night, April 15, during the educational meeting concerning the school bond proposal. The bond issue, if passed, will fund a combination of new construction and renovation to the old school facilities.



entre las horas de 8:00 de la mañana - 1:00 de la tarde el viernes empezando el 28 de Abril, 2008 y terminado el 6 de Mayo de 2008. Exempcion el 29 de Abril y 30 de Abril, 2008 entre las horas 8:00 de la mañana - 8:00 de la tarde.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Mary Grim, 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945. (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Mary Grim, 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, 76945.)

Issued this the 11th day of February, 2008.

(Emitada este dia 11 de

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Joe V. White,
Presiding Officer
Firma del Oficial que Preside
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...Tax Refund

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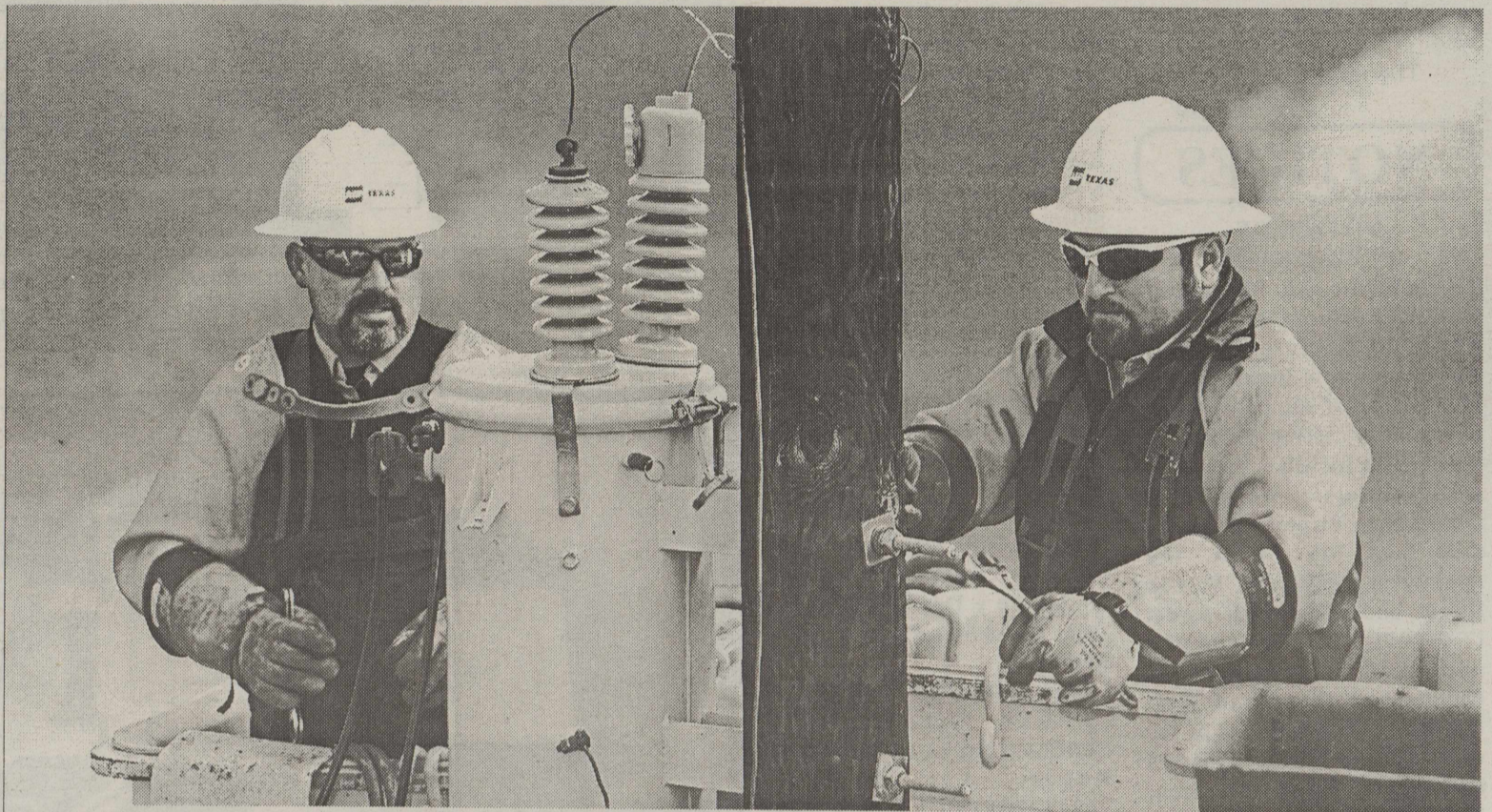
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