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Wind power turbine meeting set for March 29

Change is in the wind. The wind power turbines are moving into Coke County. Greg Wortham, executive director of the Texas Wind Energy Consortium in Sweetwater, has been invited to speak at the Coke County Courthouse at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 29.

Questions as to the regional benefits, employment opportunities, small business inclusion, industrial possibilities, and development prospects will be discussed. The short term impact on the county will be apparent soon. Mr. Wortham will bring concrete information on the long term effects of wind farms.

Coke County residents are invited to learn more about the wind energy business in Coke County by attending the meeting with Mr. Wortham at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 29, at the Coke County Courthouse.

CERT Basic classes slated

The Concho Valley Council of Governments is hosting CERT Basic classes on March 31 and April 7 from 9 am until 5 pm at the Concho Valley Council of Governments Training Center in San Angelo. They will also be hosting a Traffic Control Class on April 7 from 1 pm - 5 pm. For more information, contact the CVCOG at (325) 944-9666 or nicole@cvcog.org.

Angel Food distribution day set March 31

The Angel Food Ministries distribution day is set for Saturday, March 31 at 3 pm at Central Baptist Church in Bronte. They are also still in need of volunteers, as well as donations, that are always appreciated.

RLBC to sponsor Preschool training

Runnels Associational-Wide Preschool Training will be held Saturday, March 31 from 9 am until 2 pm at Robert Lee Baptist Church. The training will be led by Karen Laymance, Preschool Pastor at Lake Arlington Baptist church. CPR training will be taught by Robin Tucker of San Angelo. Lunch will be provided. For

more information, call 453-2724.

Driftwood to play gospel concert

On Saturday, March 31, at 6 pm there will be a gospel music concert at the Bronte Community Center by Driftwood. Terry and Rosie O'Toole will also perform. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served and a love offering will be taken. For more information, contact Daryl Copeland at 453-2980.

Coke County Annual Easter Egg Hunt

This year, Coke County businesses and individuals will be hosting the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 3, 2007, at 10 am. All children through 2nd grade are invited to come hunt. There will be lots of eggs to find, plenty of refreshments to enjoy, and a surprise visit from a very furry friend!

Red Hat Mamas Breakfast slated

On Tuesday, April 3, 2007, at 9 am the Coke County Red Hat Mamas will be having breakfast at Rangel's Restaurant in Robert Lee. The staff at Rangel's will be preparing a special breakfast buffet. If you would like to carpool, please meet in the Bank parking lot in Bronte at 8 am. Come join the fun and hope to see you there!

Holiday closings

The City of Robert Lee will close City Hall on Friday, April 6, 2007, in observance of the Good Friday holiday. Trash service will run as scheduled.

Weather class set for Bronte

The Bronte Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring a weather class on Monday, April 9 at 7 pm at the Fire Station in Bronte.

Texas Cooperative Extension sets Multi-County Range and Wildlife Program

Texas Cooperative Extension offices in four Central Texas counties are collaborating to present the 2007 Hill Country Range and Wildlife Program. The program is set for 9 am, April 11 in Junction's Coke R. Stevenson Center.



New Fire Truck! Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department members show off their newest firetruck they received on February 20, 2007. Members include (left to right) Bucky Sparks, Ross Torres, Jamie Wojtek, Bill Torres, Larry Martin, Rick Drennan, Brian Hamrick (who recently moved away), Fred and Glenda Taylor, and Fire Chief Mark Sides. (related story on page 8).

"Interest in wildlife continues to grow as does the interest in wildlife education," said Russell Kott, Extension agent in Kimble County. "To meet that need, organizers have put together a slate of speakers who know this area and its unique requirements. We feel this program will be the wildlife landmark educational event of the year for Central Texas landowners, managers and hunters." Registration starts at 9 am. The program, which includes lunch, is scheduled to end at 1 p.m.

Topics and presenters will include "Role of Fire in Range Management," Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, Sonora Experiment Station superintendent; "Range Management Following a Burn" and "Information on the Cactus Moth," Dr. Allan McGinty, Extension range specialist at San Angelo; "Marketing Deer and Turkey," Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, and "Deer vs. Fire," Dr. Jim Gallagher, Extension wildlife specialist at Uvalde.

The program will end with a prescribed burn range tour conducted by Billy Kniffen, Extension agent in Menard County. Extension offices in Mason, Menard, Kimble and Gillespie counties are hosting the event. Five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units

will be offered: three general and two integrated pest management. Attendees are asked to RSVP to any of the sponsoring Extension offices by April 5 so an accurate lunch count can be made. For more information or to register, call one of the following agents: Kott, 325-446-2620; Bill Botard, Gillespie County, 830-997-3452; Brent Drennan, Mason County, 325-347-6459 or Kniffen, 325-396-4787.

Important Election dates

April 12 is the last day to register to vote for the May 12 elections. April 30 is the first day to vote early in person. May 4 is the last day an application for a ballot by mail can be accepted. May 8 is the last day to vote early by personal appearance. May 12 is Election Day. Polls will be open from 7 am to 7 pm.

Early voting for the Constitutional Amendment, City of Robert Lee, Robert Lee ISD, and West Coke County Hospital District will be conducted in the Clerk's office, Monday through Thursday from 8 am to 5 pm and Friday from 8 am to 1 pm. The City of Robert Lee will have 2 extended days, May 1 and May 8. Their hours will be extended to 8 pm. The Bronte ISD will conduct early voting at the school, Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4 pm.

On election day all County

precincts for the Constitutional Amendment will be held in their regular polling locations. The City of Robert Lee, Robert Lee ISD, and West Coke County Hospital District will be held with Precinct 3 at the Courthouse and the Bronte ISD will be held with Precinct 4 at the Bronte City Hall.

Please remember to bring your voter registration card when voting. If you have any election questions, please feel free to call the Clerk's office at 453-2631. We will be glad to help you.

Anyone in Precinct 1 that might be interested in being an election Judge, please call the Clerk's office.

Mtn. Creek to host scrambles and tourney

Mountain Creek Golf Course will be sponsoring Thursday afternoon scrambles. Call 453-2317 by 5:30 pm to register and tee off at 6 pm. Mountain Creek Golf Course is also hosting a 3-Person, 27-Hole Tournament on Saturday, April 14 with tee off time at 9 am. For more information, call 453-2317.

Golf Tourney slated for April 21

The Noel Percifull Memorial Golf Tournament is set for the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte, Texas, on April 21, 2007. For more information, please call (325) 473-2013.

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Obituaries



Parker

Jay Parker died March 20, 2007, in Amarillo, Texas.

Jay was born to Gerald and Beth Parker in Abilene, Texas, February 27, 1976. He attended school in Bronte, Texas, and later joined the Marines in January of 1998.

He returned to San Angelo to marry Sharon Marie Pitre on September 12, 1998, and they began their journey as husband and wife. While stationed in Hawaii, they welcomed Taylor Grace to their family April 26, 2002.

Returning to San Angelo was always their plan, and they did just that when Jay completed his military service in January of 2003. Jay loved his family and enjoyed being Taylor's father as much as Sharon's husband. We will always remember Jay's smile. He was seldom without it. He was always willing to help others and never seemed to meet a stranger.

Jay is survived by his wife, Sharon Marie Parker, and daughter, Taylor Grace. He is also survived by his father, Gerald Parker of Winters, and mother, Beth Parker of New Braunfels, brother Lane and wife Natalie Parker of Copperas Cove, and sister Amie and husband Michael Kelly of Jacksonville, FL. He also leaves behind his Aunt LouAnn and Uncle Jimmy Ford of New Braunfels, and

Uncle Jerry Mac and Aunt Scooter Parker of Bronte as well as a nephew, Seth Parker, and three nieces, Mikayla and Kamara Kelly, and McKenna Parker, in addition to numerous cousins and friends.

Viewing was at Shaffer Funeral Home in Grape Creek Friday, March 23, 2007. Funeral services were at 1 pm Saturday, March 24, 2007, at the Shaffer Funeral Home Pioneer Chapel, with interment following at 3:30 pm at Fairview Cemetery in Bronte, Texas.

Jay was loved by many and will be missed by all. Please pray for the family in this time of grief and know that God is their comfort and strength.

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Charles

Mrs. Francisca (Nina) Charles passed away on Wednesday March 21, 2007, at her home in Bronte, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her mother Cruz Gloria. Nina Charles is survived by her husband Luis Charles; two sons Terry Charles and Greg Charles of Bronte and a daughter Yvonne Charles of Houston. She is also survived by daughter-in-law Sharon Charles of Bronte and the following grandchildren, Katrina Provost of Temple, Fernando and Mikayla Fraune of Houston, Terron, Thoren and Kevin Charles of Bronte. Also brothers John and Gene Gloria of San Angelo and sisters Eva Flores and Lisa Coulon of San Angelo.

Graveside services were at 10 am Friday, March 23, 2007, at the Robert Lee Hispanic Cemetery in Robert Lee, Texas. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

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Genealogy Workshop

scheduled at ASU

Dr. George Schweitzer, distinguished professor at the University of Tennessee and a genealogist who uses historical reenactment to teach genealogy, will lead the sixth annual genealogical workshop sponsored by the Friends of the Porter Henderson Library and West Texas Collection at Angelo State University on Saturday, March 31.

The program will run from 8:30 am to 4 pm March 31 in the C.J. Davidson Conference Center in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont on the ASU campus.

There will be a charge for registration and luncheon.

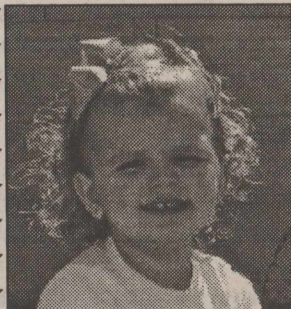
Persons interested in registering should contact the Friends of the Library by phone at (325) 942-2164 or by mail at Friends, ASU Station #11013, San Angelo, TX, 76909-1013.

Coke County Foundation to fund \$8,000 in scholarships

Four Bronte and four Robert Lee high school seniors will be the recipients of \$1,000 scholarships this spring, as a result of recent action by the Coke County Foundation. The \$8,000 scholarship total makes the foundation the largest local donor of scholarships in Coke County.

The local organization is working with the Permian Basin Area Foundation to award these scholarships. Bronte and Robert Lee high school seniors may download the scholarship application forms off the website at www.pbaf.org. When you access the website, click on scholarships on the left-hand side of the page. From there you will proceed to Coke County, where you can print

 ★ **Braylee Hood** ★



 ★ **Turns 3 on April 1!** ★
 ★ **Happy Birthday from Momma, Daddy and Brewer** ★



Style Show! Carol Turner, of The Turner Collection, in San Angelo, comments on her designs, which were used for the Sorosis Study Club's style show. For more on the style show, see page 8 of this issue of the Observer/Enterprise.

out the 2-page application under the title Coke County Community Fund Scholarship. You may also apply online on the pdf form provided; however, both Robert Lee and Bronte schools are planning on forwarding all the applications together in one mailing prior to the scholarship deadline.

Scholarship funds are available to Coke County high school seniors who are preparing to enter college or a vocational school in the summer or fall enrollment period. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:

- a. Financial need.
- b. Exhibition of extracur-

ricular involvement in school, church, and community activities.

c. Academic proficiency, plus the desire and dedication to succeed in a college or vocational school environment.

If you are interested in applying for one of these scholarships, please contact your school counselor (at Bronte, Micah Arrott, and at Robert Lee, either Sheri Millican or Dwin Nanny). The deadline for these applications is March 31, 2007. Please contact your counselor for more information, including the local deadline for completing and mailing the applications.

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Conservationists of the Year

Grass covered rangeland, adequate water distribution for both wildlife and livestock, abundance of healthy wildlife, and quality, untamed, crossbred cows, such as Curly, Spot and Nancy are just a few factors that help label Kent and Juanette Gentry successful conservationists. Coke County SWCD is honored to recognize these two stewards of the land. The Gentrys established permanent residency in Coke County in 2001 after owning property here since 1989. They are very active members of the First United Methodist Church of Bronte, where Kent serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Juanette serves with Kent on the Administrative Board. She serves on several other committees also.

The Gentrys ranching efforts began with a 270-acre tract. Abundant forage and good fences were two of the things that made this tract desirable. The Gentrys recognized prickly pear infestation and water distribution as potential problems. They give credit to a close friend and retired NRCS employee, Eddie Braswell, for introducing them to the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Their first EQIP contract helped with aerial treatment of mesquite and prickly pear and water distribution. An 80% kill on both pear and mesquite coupled with two troughs and 2972 feet of pipeline were the beginning of the Gentrys successful conservation efforts. The Gentrys purchased additional adjoining and surrounding property to supplement their original tract. Unfortunately, these additional acres had been neglected over the years. Brush management targeting cedar and mesquite, followed by Range Planting, were the first steps in rehabilitation of these new acres. A mix of bluestems, wilman lovegrass, blackwell switchgrass, indiangrass, sideoats and green sprangletop proved to be a good combination for the sandy loam soils. Across the ranch, the Gentrys have planted over 100 red oak, live oak and pecan trees both for beautification and to benefit wildlife. Other improvements completed with no government assistance include mechanical treatment of juniper; individual plant treatment of yucca and brush choked fence lines, silt removal in ponds, and installation of more than 17,000 feet of fence.

The Gentrys, working with NRCS, developed a brush management plan incorporating travel ways and cover for wildlife. While large amounts of mesquite and juniper were removed, areas bordering creeks and draws, along with hillside slopes where attrac-



Conservation Ranchers! Kent and Juanette Gentry were honored as Outstanding Conservation Ranchers for Coke County on March 22, 2007.

tive live oaks reside remain undisturbed. By maintaining the installed practices and utilizing a planned grazing management system, the Gentrys further their goal of improving rangeland health. Coke County SWCD congratulates Kent and Juanette Gentry on a job well done.

Coke County Burn Ban Lifted

On March 26, 2007, the Coke County Commissioner's Court lifted the county wide burn ban. Due to recent rains the Commissioners Court feels that the burn ban could be lifted at this time. However, the Court is asking everyone to take extreme precaution while burning. If you are doing a control burn, please call the Sheriff's Office at 453-2717, the Robert Lee Care Center at 453-2511, and the Local Fire Department to let them be aware that you will be burning. If the rains do not continue and drought conditions worsen, then the burn ban will be placed back in effect. If you have any questions, please call your County Commissioner or the County Judge.

Garage Sale to Benefit Pecan Baptist Church

The Pecan Baptist Church sanctuary was destroyed by fire on October 9, 2006, and a rebuilding project is in progress. If you are planning to do some spring cleaning and need a place to go with your treasures, please consider donating them to the benefit garage sale for Pecan Baptist Church on April 21, 2007, from 8 am - 4 pm. Location of the sale will be the large recreation hall in Robert Lee. The proceeds from this garage sale will go toward the purchase of new hymnals and stained glass windows for the new sanctuary. The rec hall will be open to accept your items from 2 pm - 7 pm on Friday, April 20, 2007. If these hours are not convenient for you, please contact Bobbie Box at 453-4330 or Donna Waldrop at 473-0353 to arrange a time for you to drop off your items or arrange for them to be picked up. Sorry, no clothing will be accepted. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

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April 6, 2007 at 9 am

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There will be a short message followed by the journey back to the First United Methodist Church where refreshments will be served.

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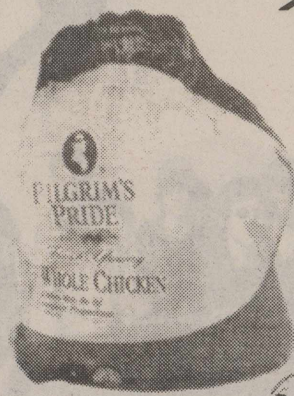


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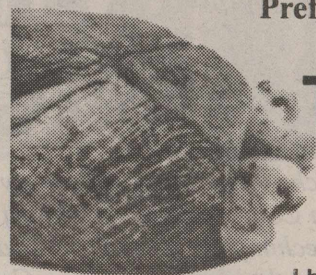
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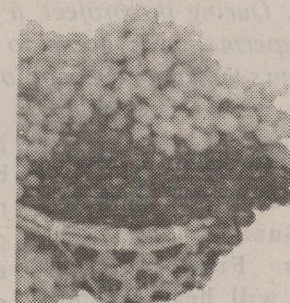


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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Art Project! The Bronte High School art students recently completed a mural on a vacant building in downtown Bronte. Ron Cooper's third period art class worked for approximately six weeks on the project. Various techniques were used to draw and paint the 9'x12' mural on the side of the building. Students in the class were Blaze Coffey, Paola Perez, Kim Womack, Ricardo Casillas, Juston Taylor, Geoffrey Ehl, Cody Waller, Phillip Rawlings and Katie Cooper. During the project, a lot of interest was generated with citizens wanting to know what Superman was going to say. The mural is now complete with the caption and Superman's message to Coke County. It can be seen on the old Exxon station building beside Highway Garage in Bronte.

DeLaGarza to present program

On Sunday, April 1, Bronte's First Baptist Church will hear a report from Monica DeLaGarza on her recent mission trip to

New York City. Monica will be sharing some of her experiences and a brief video presentation during the 10:55 a.m. service. Monica is a student at Howard Payne University in Brownwood and is the daughter of Susan and Martin DeLaGarza of Bronte.

Bronte Community Sunrise Service slated

The Bronte Community Easter Sunrise Service will be held on Sunday, April 8 at 7:30 am at Fort Chadbourne.

Bronte City Wide Garage Sale set for May 5

It's time for Bronte's annual city wide garage sale. The Sorosis Study Club is sponsoring the annual garage

sale so that it costs individuals nothing. The garage sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2007 at 8 am.

If you want to participate in the garage sale, please call the City Hall at 473-3501 and get your name on the list.

This is a great opportunity to clean out your closets and store rooms, and sell, sell, sell! Remember to call City Hall if you would like your address on the free maps to be handed out the morning of the garage sale.

Bronte Pre-Registration set

Bronte Elementary has scheduled pre-registration for the 2007-2008 Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for all students residing in the Bronte

school district for Thursday, April 19, from 2:30 pm to 4 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 named to All-District Team

Katie Cooper, a senior and Holly Huskerson, a junior were named to the District 11-A Division II All-District basketball team recently.

Lady Shorthorns Finish Third in WV Track Meet

The Bronte Lady Shorthorns finished third in the JH Wildcat Relays recently out of a field of 12 teams. Results are as follows: Cheyenne Boyd - Discus - 1st Place; Kassie Filman - Discus - 4th Place; Jill Scott - Pole Vault - 3rd Place; Kassie Filman - Shot Put - 4th Place; Shandee Vaughn - High Jump - 1st Place; Brenda Perez and Kimber Lee - High Jump - 4th Place (tie); Kelsey Sedden, Kimber Lee, Jill Scott, Shandee Vaughn - 400m Relay - 5th Place; Jill Scott - 100m Hurdles - 6th Place; Shandee Vaughn - 300m Hurdles - 2nd Place; Rani Parks - 1600m Run - 5th Place; Brenda Perez, Kaitlin Moore, Kimber Lee, Shandee Vaughn - 1600m Relay - 2nd Place.

Bronte Longhorn track results

by Coach Moore

The Bronte Longhorn Varsity and JV boys competed in Water Valley last Friday, March 23, at the Wildcat Relays. There was plenty of competition there with over 18 schools in attendance. Our guys did a great job of competing and we gained some more

Personal Bests along the way. We have another week to get ready before the District meet and have some good chances to advance past District. Good job to all the guys who compete and keep up the good work.

We will be at home for the next two weeks as we compete in the Longhorn Relays here this Saturday, March 31, and then the District Meet next Thursday, April 5. The results for the Wildcat Relays are as follows: Mason Jackson - Pole Vault - 1st Place; Eric Hendrickson - Shot Put - 3rd Place - Discus - 3rd Place; Adam Halfacre - Shot Put 4th Place - Discus 4th Place - 100m Dash 5th Place; Reece Springer - 110m Hurdles 5th Place - 300m Hurdles 6th Place; Rob Rosson - High Jump 1st Place - Pole Vault 2nd Place; Jacob Scott - 200m Dash 4th Place.

Lady Longhorns track meet results

Results for the Bronte girls at the Eden track meet are as follows: Shelbi Waller - 3200m Run - 5th Place; Jessi England - 800m Run, 2:35.53 - 2nd Place; Ariel Coalson - 800m Run, 2:42 - 4th Place; Beth Sanchez - 100m Dash - 4th Place; Chelsea Meek - 400m Dash, 68.47 - 2nd Place; Ariel Coalson - 400m Dash, 69.15 - 4th Place; Sindy Barba - 400m Dash, 69.21 - 5th Place; Stephanie Frasier - 300m Hurdles, 52.72 - 2nd Place; Sindy Barba - 200m Dash, 29.60 - 3rd Place; Beth Sanchez - 1600m Run, 6:44 - 6th Place; Chelsea Meek - Pole Vault, 8'1" - 1st Place; Chloe Grigg - Discus, 83'9" - 3rd Place; Kasey Glover - Discus, 80'6" - 4th Place; Chloe Grigg - Shot Put, 30'8" - 2nd Place; Casey Harris - Shot Put, 29'4" - 5th Place.

The girls also participated at the Roscoe track meet. The results are as follows: Jessi England - 800m Run, 2:33 - 3rd Place; Katie Cooper - 400m Dash, 64.9 - 2nd Place.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, April 2
Cereal, apple sauce, biscuit, jelly, milk
Tuesday, April 3
Sausage roll, juice, milk
Wednesday, April 4
Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, juice, milk
Thursday, April 5
Blueberry muffin, toast, jelly, juice, milk
Friday, April 6
Holiday

Lunch

Monday, April 2
Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fruit cup, brownie, milk
Tuesday, April 3
Frito pie with cheese, tossed salad, pinto beans, pear halves, corn chips, milk
Wednesday, April 4
Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, roll, rosie apple sauce, milk
Thursday, April 5
Tuna or Ham & Cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, baby carrots w/ ranch, chips, chocolate pudding, milk
Friday, April 6
Holiday

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Come Celebrate Easter!
The First United Methodist Church in Bronte will have special worship services during Holy Week.
April 5th • Maundy Thursday, 6 pm
April 6th • Cross Walk, 9 am
April 6th • Good Friday Service, 6 pm
April 8th • Easter Service, 11 am
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



RLHS Golf! The Robert Lee High School Boys Golf teams competed in the Robert Lee Golf tournament on Wednesday, March 21. The Orange team took first place with the Black team finishing fourth. Orange and Black team members include (from left to right) Cody Brosh, Blake Millican, Mason Ross, Johnathan Pagan, Kaden Duncan, Brody Dillard, Clay Antilley, Taylor Percifull and Kevin Honse.

Robert Lee FUMC Easter Week Schedule

Robert Lee First United Methodist Church will be worshipping in the week beginning April 1st Palm Sunday at 11:00am with a musical presentation of "At the Cross" and the celebration of Holy Communion. On Holy Thursday at 7:00pm we will recognize the Last Supper with a Passover meal called a Seder as we experience the meal in which Jesus instituted what we call Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper. On Good Friday, at 7:00pm, there will be a Tenebrae Service or as it is

School Menu

- Breakfast**
- Monday, April 2**
Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk
 - Tuesday, April 3**
Juice, biscuit & sausage, cereal, milk
 - Wednesday, April 4**
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk
 - Thursday, April 5**
Juice, pizza, cereal, milk
 - Friday, April 6**
Holiday
- Lunch**
- Monday, April 2**
Burrito, salad, corn, banana pudding, milk
 - Tuesday, April 3**
Chicken spaghetti, carrots, salad, breadstick, fruit cocktail, milk
 - Wednesday, April 4**
Fajitas, salad, ranch beans, spanish rice, orange, milk
 - Thursday, April 5**
Chicken patty on bun, tator tots, pickles, salad, peaches, milk
 - Friday, April 6**
Holiday

called a "Service of Kasie Skinner 114, Briana Darkness" as we remember the Crucifixion. On Easter Sunday we will celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with joyful singing and prayer and signs of a new life.

Lady Steers named to All-District Team

Several Lady Steers were named to the District 11-A Division II basketball team recently. They include Kelsy Duncan, senior; Sarah Philley, senior; Becca Skinner, senior and Brettanie Reed, senior.

Robert Lee High School golf results

On March 20, 2007, the host Lady Steers won the Robert Lee Invitational with a 372 in a field of 9 teams. Midland Christian was 2nd with a 405 and Sterling City was 3rd with a 411. Kelsy Duncan took medalist honors with an 88, Becca Skinner was second with a 90, and Sarah Philley was 3rd with her 92. Jaden Alexander was 10th with a 103 and Brettanie Reed rounded out the Lady steer Orange team scores with a 114.

The black team shot a 471 and finished 5th. Scores for the Black team included

Kasie Skinner 114, Briana Brisbin 111, Molly Burns 120, Emilee Yanez 126, and Megan Percifull 133.

The Robert Lee Boys Orange team won their tournament with a 313 total. Sterling City and Bronte finished in a tie for second with scores of 354, Sterling winning the team playoff for the second place trophy. Brody Dillard took medalist honors with a 76, Johnathan Pagan was second, one shot back at 77. Other scores for the Orange team were Kevin Honse 79, Mason Ross 81, and Taylor Percifull 82.

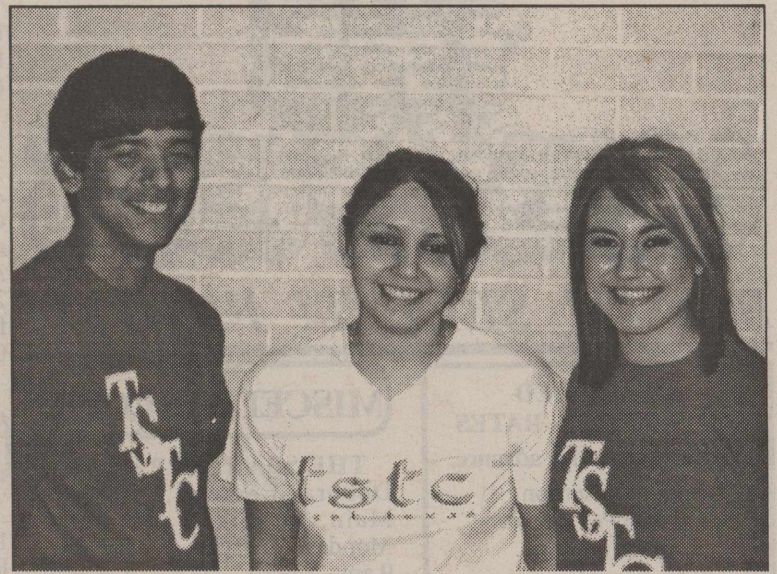
The boys Black team finished fourth, in the field of 11 teams, behind Sterling City and Bronte with a 356. Scores for the Black team included Clay Antilley 81, Kaden Duncan 85, Cody Brosh 88, and Blake Millican 102.

RLHS & RLJH Cheerleaders named

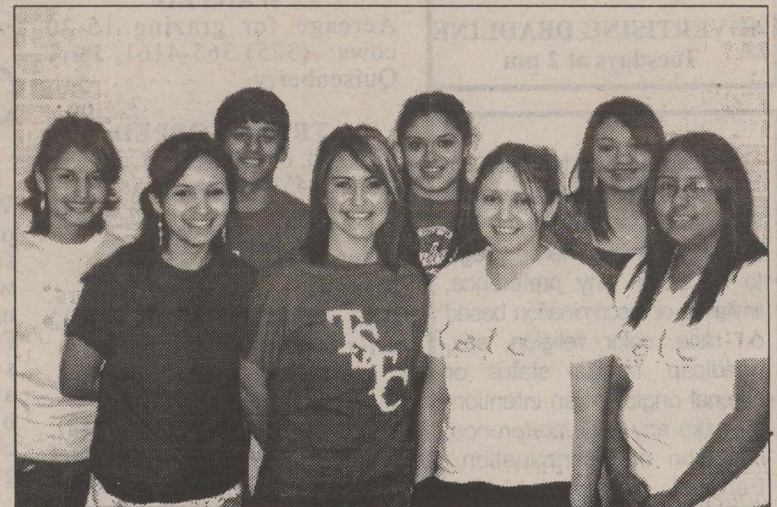
The new Robert Lee High School Cheerleaders are as follows: Captain - Anna Rojas; Stomper - Kacee Roberts; Cheerleaders - Briana Brisbin, Kelsey Martin, Megan Percifull, Olga Perez, and Kasie Skinner.

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Scholarship Recipients! Three Robert Lee High School students were recognized as scholarship recipients recently. Michael Rodriguez received a \$250 scholarship from Texas State Technical College, Rosa Rojas (middle) received \$150 from Western Texas College and Olga Perez was awarded \$200 from Panhandle Plains.



TSTC College Fair! Recently a group of students from Robert Lee High School attended a college fair held at Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater. They included (from left to right) Norma Rojas, Anna Rojas, Michael Rodriguez, Olga Perez, Andrea Pineda, Rosa Rojas, Arrin Minjarez and Prescilla Lara.

The new Robert Lee Junior High Cheerleaders are as follows: Rachel Rojas, Kimberly Roach, Diana Vera, Abigail DeLeon, Lubbock Roe, and Ashlie Wheat.

RL Steers track results

The Steers went to the Cottonwood Creek Relays in Roby on Saturday, March 24. Results are as follows: Josh Gallegos - Long Jump - 21'4" - 1st Place; Josh Gallegos - 800m Run - 2:05.41 - 2nd Place; Luke Thurman - Discus - 131'6" - 2nd Place; Josh Gallegos - 300m Hurdles - 42.91 - 2nd Place; Luke Thurman - Shot Put - 41'3 3/4" - 3rd Place; Josh Gallegos - Triple Jump - 41'5" - 3rd Place; Tony Munoz - Shot Put - 39'10 1/2" - 5th Place; Jimmy Womack - 400m Dash

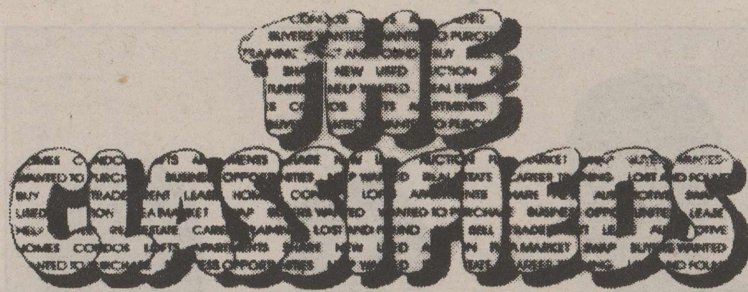
- 63.42 - 6th Place; Devin Batton - 400m Dash - 60.47 - 5th Place; Garrett Blair - Discus - 97'3 1/2" - 2nd Place.

Lady Steers track news

The Lady Steers went to the Cottonwood Creek Relays in Roby on Saturday, March 24. Results are as follows: Molli Hinderliter - 200m Run - 27.87 - 1st Place; Arrin Minjarez - Shot Put - 32'11 1/2" - 3rd Place; Becca Skinner - Discus - 104'7 1/2" - 3rd Place; Molli Hinderliter - Triple Jump - 31'1" - 3rd Place; Jodi Sheldon - Triple Jump - 30'3" - 5th Place; Erika Sheldon - Triple Jump - 30'1" - 6th Place; Emilee Yanez, Brettanie Reed, Oglia Perez, and Molli Hinderliter - 4x200m Relay - 1:59.57 - 6th Place.

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CARD OF THANKS

THANKS TO EVERYONE
We would like to express our deepest gratitude to friends, family, and co-workers during our time of need. Your prayers, cards, flowers, meals, and support were greatly appreciated. We are truly blessed to live in a community that is so giving.

The Charles Family.

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THANK YOU
for your cards, prayers and phone calls.

The Parker Family.

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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners Court is taking applications for a Bronte Van Driver. This job is a 40-hour workweek with insurance and retirement. Applications are available in the Coke County Judge's Office and must be returned by 8:30am on Monday, April 9, 2007. For additional information, please call the Coke County Judge's Office at 325-453-2641. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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ROBERT LEE CARE CENTER

A 24-hour nursing and rehabilitation center with a 20-bed Alzheimer unit is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

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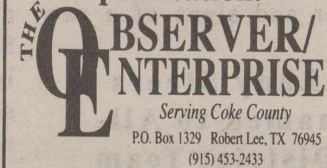
The Bronte City Council will hold a Public Hearing regarding the continuation of the City's Curfew Ordinance. The Hearing will be part of the agenda for the April 12, 2007 Council Meeting. The Meeting will be held at 6:30pm in the Council Room of the City Hall, 114 South Washington.

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Apply in person M-F, 8am-5pm or forward resume to 307 W. 8th St., PO Box 1209, Robert Lee, Texas 76945-1209, Attention: Administrator.

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...More Classifieds

NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDINANCE #1164**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CITY'S WASTEWATER SYSTEM, REPEALING ORDINANCE #1157, WHEREAS, the cost of chemicals, materials, utilities, and maintenance have increased to the point where the current schedule of rates is no longer sufficient to cover the increased cost, and WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Robert Lee seeks relief from this condition by an adjustment of its rates for services, and WHEREAS, it now appears to the City Council that it is necessary and proper to prescribe a new schedule of rates and charges for services rendered by the City's Waterworks System;

WHEREAS, it is moved and seconded that said Ordinance be adopted.

SECTION 1: There shall be charged for sewer service a flat monthly rate:
Residential - \$14.93
Small Business - \$14.93
Non-profit Organization \$14.93
Motel - \$62.22
Business with Car Wash - \$21.15
Cafes & Business with food preparation/sales - \$62.22
School - \$81.51
Courthouse - \$74.04
County Park - \$44.80
Golf Course - \$17.42
Nursing Home (East Side) - \$81.51
Nursing Home (West Side) - \$148.08
Housing Authority - \$7.77 per unit

SECTION 2: All ordinances in conflict are repealed.
SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect with the utility billing issued for the month of April, 2007. Said Ordinance was duly passed by affirmative vote.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 26th day of March, 2007.

CITY OF ROBERT LEE
Joe V. White, Mayor
ATTEST:
Kay Torres, City Secretary
36-1tc

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDINANCE #1163**

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATING RESOURCES FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2007 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007; AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 26th day of March, 2007.

APPROVED:
Joe V. White, Mayor
ATTEST:
Kay Torres, City Secretary
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PUBLIC HEARING

Robert Lee ISD will hold a public hearing in the Robert Lee High School Library on Monday, April 2 at 7:00 pm to discuss the possible elimination and restructure of the band/music program.

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Spring turkey season begins Saturday

by Hal Spain
County residents should prepare themselves for the "return of the camo" here this weekend, as the spring

turkey season is set to begin on Saturday, March 31. Spring turkey enthusiasts are some of the most respected of all hunters, as their type of hunting requires the utmost in skill and plain old good luck.

Most of us who hunt regard old Ben Franklin's unsuccessful efforts to make the wild turkey the national bird a major error in judgment by Congress. The turkey has long been regarded by the public as a less than brilliant thinker. The reality is the opposite of this mistaken perception. If memory serves me correctly, the wild turkey's vision is somewhere around ten times that of the human species. That

one fact makes spring turkey hunting a true art form. The spring turkey hunter will utilize camouflage, all manners of turkey calls, and a dogged willingness to remain absolutely still for long periods of time in order to call the wily gobbler into shooting range.

Perhaps the only other tool available to the spring turkey hunter is the season itself, which coincides with the breeding period, when some gobblers may be thinking more about romance than avoiding the danger that lurks at the base of the cedar bush.

Another admirable trait of the spring turkey hunter is

that he or she is the ultimate optimist. I don't have any figures to back this up, but I would imagine the success rate of the fall deer hunter to be about 65 to 80 percent, when you consider the average bag rate over a number of years, all conditions consid-

ered. The average success rate of the spring turkey hunter is, in my opinion, somewhere between 10 to 20 percent. You have to be an optimist when you consider you're going home empty-handed anywhere from four out of five to nine out of ten outings.

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When is the application deadline?

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 2007 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

Do I need to reapply annually?

If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally do not need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

To file an application, call or come by your appraisal district:

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**Don't get hit with a penalty!
"Render" your taxable property by April 16th.**

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.

You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2006. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2007.

When is the deadline to file?

The last day for filing 2007 renditions is April 16. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 16 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do I file?

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...Turkey Season

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Spring turkey season will run from March 31 through May 13 in Coke County and throughout most of the rest of the state. The spring season is for gobblers only, with a bag limit of four (all seasons combined). In addition to a hunting license, an upland game bird endorsement (\$7.00) is required.

If you are considering joining this elite group of gobbler enthusiasts this spring, we applaud your efforts and remind you to keep a sharp eye out for snakes while you are enjoying this fascinating and beautiful game bird in Coke County.

RLVFD receives new fire engine

The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department is proud of their most recent purchase, a new firetruck which arrived on Tuesday, February 20, 2007. The new truck is a Ford F650 Crew Cab body which was manufactured into a firefighting machine by Steele Fire Apparatus in Haskell, Texas. The new truck features a 1,000 gallon water tank, foam unit, carries SCBA's (self-contained breathing apparatus), and all rescue tools.

According to RLVFD member Larry Martin, the department will be able to utilize the new truck to fight rural structure fires.

Check Out Coke County Library

Some dates to remember are as follows: Tuesday, April 3 for the Easter Egg Hunt on the Courthouse lawn for three to five year olds in Head Start and at home and first graders; Wednesday, April 25, for Head Start graduation at the gazebo beside the Library; and Friday and Saturday, May 4-5 for the Library book sale.

The Consumers Union has issued some WEB sites avail-

able for checking products before purchase. To check telecommunications services go to hearusnow.org. For information on the Best Buy Drugs project see CRBestBuyDrug.org, which covers effectiveness, safety and cost of prescription drugs. Information about safeguarding consumers from identity theft and other financial threats visit www.financialprivacynow.org. Promoting patient safety through public disclosure of infection rates see .stophospitalinfections.org. The Consumers Union web site is www.ConsumersUnion.org.

Computers for research are available at the Coke County Library. Using the computer is free. Copies are 10 cents each.

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

Dillard named to USAA

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Haden Dillard from Robert Lee has been named a United States National Leadership and Service Award winner. Haden will appear in the USAA's Official Yearbook, which is published nationally. Haden is a student at Robert Lee ISD.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

The Academy selects USAA winners based on the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, and dependability.

Haden is the son of Keith

and Cynthia Dillard of Robert Lee. His grandparents are Mickey and Jerry Dillard of Millersview, Texas, and Martha Hemphill of Pear Valley, Texas.

Sorosis Study Club hosts Style Show

The Sorosis Study Club sponsored a style show on Thursday, March 8, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. Clothing was from The Turner Collection in San Angelo. Carol Turner was a very interesting and informative commentator. Ms. Turner is a graduate of Bronte High School. Many of the clothes modeled were designed by Ms. Turner who markets her line nationally. Models included Andra Arrott, Karen Bivins, Angel Cervenka, Chelsea Cook, Emily Fiveash, Shalon Gibbs, Holly Huskerson, Jodi Huskerson, Pat Lee, Dawn Tounget, Susan Williams and Janet Wommack. The style show raised approximately \$700 for the Sorosis scholarship fund.

Area Agency on Aging meeting slated April 4

The Concho Valley Area on Aging will be in Coke County on Wednesday, April 4. They will be at the Bronte Senior Center at 10:45 am and the Robert Lee Senior Center at 11:30 am. They will also be announcing their Community Outreach and Assistance Program at the Coke County Courthouse on Wednesday, April 4 from 1 pm until 2 pm. With this program, staff will assist clients in successfully completing applications for Medicaid, Food Stamps, Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF), Children's Insurance, and Long Term Care Services. Staff will have general information regarding state benefits, will inform consumers about all available options and steps for applying, educate clients concerning the value and use of benefits, and provide one on one assistance in preparing application material for state benefits.

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A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$35,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owns a home on January 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

If you are disabled - or if you're 65 years or old or older - you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 or disabled exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The county, city or junior college may adopt a tax ceiling to lock in 2006 taxes as the highest amount for 65 and older or disabled homeowners.) The over-65 homeowner's school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. The age 65 or older homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's school tax ceiling, to a new home.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2006, you won't need to reapply for 2007 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home - or if you've moved to a new home - you'll need to file for an exemption for 2007. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you become disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?

File applications by May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

COKE CAD
Courthouse, 2nd Floor W
Robert Lee, Tx 76945
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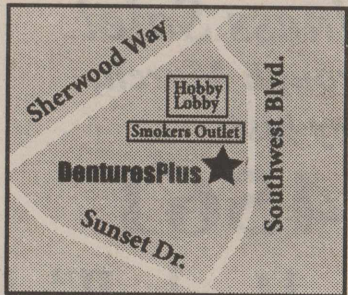
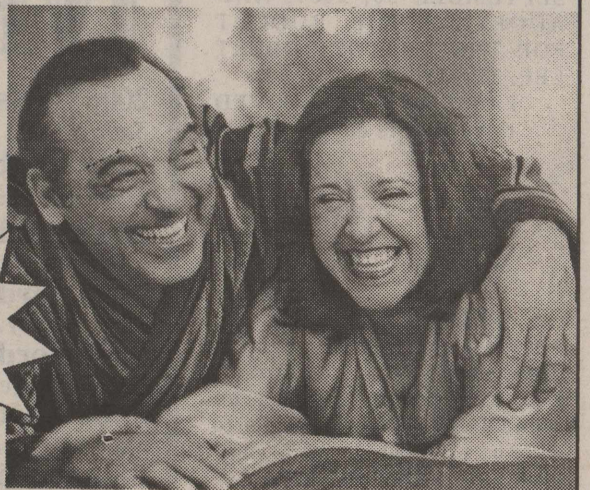
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