

... Commissioners Court Minutes

(Continued from page 5) Sheriff McCutchen reported on contract with City of Bronte paying deputies to help them.

There being no private road work request no action was taken.

Comm. Montgomery made a motion to pay bills. The motion was seconded by Comm. Pitcock. Motion carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am.

Deadline Next Monday For Study Wildlife & Livestock - Earn A College Scholarship

Interested in wildlife and/or livestock? Are you interested in earning a college scholarship? By participating in a Texas Brigade program, and sharing what you learn with your community, you are well on your way to one!

The Brigade mission is to educate and empower youths with the leadership skills and knowledge in wildlife, fisheries, and land stewardship to become conservation ambassadors for a sustained natural resource legacy. Cadet graduate, Sean Skweres says, "This is a very interactive and hands-on camp. Texas Brigades taught me numerous life lessons and helped me develop remarkable public speaking and excellent problem solving skills."

This will be the 23rd year of the Brigades. The Texas Brigades program is seeking 170 first-class youth leaders. The application deadline is March 16, 2015, and may be found at <http://www.texasbrigades.org/Applications/applications.html>.

Participants are selected through a competitive application process. Helen Holdsworth, Executive Director, says they are looking for youth ages 13-17 years of age. Texas Brigades is also accepting applications for adult volunteers. No experience is necessary, but applicants should have a strong interest in learning about wildlife, natural resources, livestock, and/or the environment. "We are looking for those with an interest in learning and then sharing what they have learned with their communities," reports Holdsworth.

The 4.5 days camps are held on private ranches across the state. "These landowners open their gates

to us for five days, allowing us to utilize the land as a living laboratory. Natural resource professionals give of their time to mentor the youth. This is a valuable networking opportunity," she said.

The cost of the camp for youth applicants accepted into the program is \$400, but scholarships and financial assistance are available. "We do not want the fee to be a barrier to anyone. We have donors who are willing to support the youths' educational experience," says Holdsworth.

For more information, call 855-TXBRIGS or 210-556-1391 or email hholdsworth@texas-wildlife.org.

Wild Horse & Burro Adoption Galloping to San Angelo, Texas, March 13-14, 2015

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will hold a wild horse and burro adoption in San Angelo March 13-14, 2015. The two-day event at the 1st Community Federal Credit Spur Arena will feature dozens of spectacular animals. These are adult and yearling horses and burros that once roamed free on public lands in the West. The BLM periodically removes excess animals from the range in order to maintain healthy herds and to protect other rangeland resources. The adoption program is essential for achieving these important management goals.

Adoption Schedule

Friday, March 13

12 noon to 6 pm

Saturday, March 14

8 am to 10 am

Adoption Qualifications

Application approval is required and can be done on site. To qualify to adopt, one must be at least 18, with no record of animal abuse. Adopters must have a minimum of 400 square feet of corral space per animal, with free access to food, water and shelter. A six-foot corral fence is required for adult horses, five feet for yearlings, and four-and-a-half feet for burros. All animals must be loaded in covered stock-type trailers with swing gates and



RLCC Celebration! Robert Lee Care Center held their Valentine's Party on Tuesday, February 17th. Elvis (Harvey McFadden) entertained the residents and some of the community joined in on the fun. Red punch with Valentine cookies and chocolate covered strawberries were served. Everyone received a rose with a box of chocolates. As always Elvis put on a show! During the party, the Valentine King and Queen were announced. They were John Walker and Nadine Wilson.

sturdy walls and floors. BLM staff will be on hand to assist adopters through the short application process.

For more information, call toll-free 866-468-7826 or visit www.blm.gov/nm/whb.

The 1st Community Federal Credit Spur Arena is located at 200 West 43rd Street in San Angelo.

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