

Notice is hereby given to the registered voters of Precinct 1 and 3 that there precincts have been consolidated. Voting in the Primary Runoff election will be conducted at Robert Lee Rec Hall, 150 County Road, Robert Lee.

Notice is hereby given to the registered voters of Precinct 2 and 4 that these precincts have been consolidated. Voting in the Primary Runoff election will be conducted at Bronte Senior Citizen Building, 613 E. Oliver, Bronte.

Roy Blair-County Judge 7-11-2012 AVISO DE PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO

Por lo presente se les da aviso a los votantes registrados del Precinto 1 y 3 que estos precintos se han consolidado. La votacion en la eleccion Premaria Carrera Decisiva se manejara en Robert Lee Rec Hall, 150 County Road, Robert Lee.

Por lo presente se les da aviso a los votantes registrados del Precinto 2 y 4 que estos precintos se han consolidado. La votacion en la eleccion Premaria Carrera Decisiva se manejara en Bronte Senior Citizen Building, 613 E. Oliver, Bronte.

Roy Blair-Juez del Condado 7-11-2012 <u>02-1tc</u>



The simplest reason it's healthy to read is the same reason it's healthy to exercise. The more exercise, the stronger the body. The more reading, the stronger the brain. Taking a walk is free exercise.

Visiting the library is free exercise, too. Readers know that taking

8-12. Call 453-2495 for information.

What Consumers **Should Know About Credit Card Balances** Provided by the Independent

Bankers Association of Texas "Pay it off every month!" That is what your parents always told you when you first started using credit cards. "Pay it off every month and you won't get bad credit." If your goal is to save money on paying interest then this might be the ideal approach. However, this won't keep you from getting bad credit. If your goal is to improve your credit score then you may actually be hurting your credit rating by paying it all off every month.

Many lenders use your FICO credit score to determine your eligibility for credit. Credit scoring involves a complicated algorithm that incorporates your usage of existing credit lines, and how you pay these existing credit lines back. Whereas credit utilization is a metric that divides your credit card balance by your credit card limit to determine what percentage of your limit you are carrying on the card. In other words, you may use your credit card every month, and pay it off every month, and think that you are creating a great credit rating. But if the credit raters look at your card balances on a day of the month that you have \$0 balance on it, they may view this as non-use of your credit. Credit scoring treats zero balances on a credit card as instances of non-use, which can have a negative effect on your score. Creditors like to see that you're still using credit, but doing so responsibly.

Most creditors will calculate your credit score right before your payment due date, when your debt to credit ratio is normally at its highest. This is done specifically so that the higher debt ratio can be used to raise your interest rate. Higher interest rates mean more profit for creditors. Managing the timing of your charges and payments carefully will enable you to increase your scores. Some experts suggest that you pay off your credit card bills as soon as you get them, to avoid interest payments. Then don't use the card for one whole billing cycle until right before your credit card statement is prepared for the month, and then put a small charge on the card, somewhere between 5-10% of your available credit. There are a lot of internet experts touting what the optimum credit balance ratio is, but all fall within the 5% to 10% range, with 7% being a very popular suggested amount.

Other experts suggest not trying to get by with one credit card that has 100% utilization, but that it is better to have multiple cards, with each having an optimum balance ratio on the billing date. Be careful though when applying for additional credit cards, as card applications and credit inquiries are a negative mark on your credit report. Most lenders will lower your score if they see more than four to six

×

★

×

★

★

×

×

★

 \bigstar

*

★

×

★

×

¥

×

 \bigstar

★

 \bigstar

¥

★

×

×

×

★

★

×

×

X

★

×

★

★

×

★

×

¥

×

×

credit inquiries in a six- don't have high balances or month period.

history will also bump your multiple cards open. score much more slowly The bottom line is that by

missed payments on any of Newer credit card the cards, there is no credit accounts with a limited score penalty for keeping

than cards that you have a careful management of your longer credit history with. credit card usage and pay-You have to allow time for ments you can still enjoy the your credit scores to go up convenience of using credit when adding new credit cards while also increasing accounts to your record. your credit scores for signifi-The length of your credit cant purchases, like buying a history is important. If house or car, where a slight you need to close a card, increase in interest rates can then close your newest cost you thousands of dollars

cards first. As long as you over the life of a large loan. ************************ IVEY MOTOR CO., IN Billy Wayne Roe - Owner Annual 4th of July **Golf Tournament** ******* Mountain Creek Golf Course - Robert Lee, Texas RESULTS 4th of July **Par 3 Shootout!** Place Name Score 1st Place Bobby Joe Longoria 56 2nd Place **Ricky Ross** 56 **3rd Place** Tom Sawyer 57 Alton Mitchell (tie) 57 5th Place Pete Puentez 58 Clay Allen 6th Place 59 J.D. McClelland (tie) 59 Solomon Saucedo (tie) 59 **Jesse Carreon** (tie) 59 10th Place Wes Henson 61 (tie) David Bautista 61 (tie) Julio Carreon 61 Jessie Flores (tie) 61 Josh Tennison 14th Place 62 ********** 15th Place **Tommy Antilley** 63 Kevin Honse 16th Place 64 Nicky Chapman (tie) 64 Jim Aden (tie) 64

advantage of "free" pays dividends.

The library has received several donated book collections. Some are on the shelf, some are on their way to other libraries and some will be in the sale. Thanks to donors like these, there is always something different to explore at the library. Readers find their own personal interests at the Television and library. Internet decision makers don't tell readers what to think.

The Coke County Library is full of brain training. Library hours Tuesdays, 8-12; are 8 - 4 ; Wednesdays, Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays,

Closest to the Pin #10 Bobby Joe Longoria

Closest to the Pin #18 Bobby Joe Longoria

Thanks to everyone who took time to come and play! *****