

Letters To The Editor

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Dear Editor,

This is in response to the letter last week from Gary D. White, Jr.

I understand the feelings that he had and his intent in what he said about the newspaper showing the pictures of the horrific accident of the young boys' wreck. However, I feel that in no way did the newspaper violate the family or the community by showing the picture of where the accident happened. If there was no picture of the accident and just the details of the event, would we all not have a picture in our minds on what we thought happened? Could it have even been worse? This accident was tragic and my heart and prayers go out to the family, the school and the community.

I have spoken to the newspaper personnel about that issue. They took pictures and reported the accident to the best of their ability. There was no mad rush to get details or pictures that would have been unethical to publish.

In the future if an event like this happens again, please call the newspaper and give your requests to them. In no way did the newspaper want to exploit or profit from this accident. It was only to report what happened in the community and inform on the details.

I am in no way trying to be negative toward Mr. White. I would like to thank him for his explanation of how God is with us, and his personal prayer for a time of unity in the community.

Darian Jones
Ben Wheeler, Texas

Grant Management Services Public Notice

The City of Chandler has received funding for a Texas Community Development Block Grant. The City is requesting qualified firms or individuals submit proposals for grant management services. The City is procuring these services and will enter into contract upon the grant award.

In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 10:00 a.m. on the 19th day of November 2008. The City of Chandler is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and individuals or firms submitting proposals will not be discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, mental or physical disability, marital status, parenthood or age.

The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all management consultants or firms that submit proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards Act of 1981. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

A complete Request for Proposal outlining services required by the City, submission requirements, and evaluation criteria has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain copies of this Request for Proposal by contacting the person below:

Ms. Shirley Parmer
City Secretary
City of Chandler
P.O. Box 425
Chandler, Texas 75758
903-849-6853

Lawrence announces re-election bid



Ronny Lawrence

Pct. 3 County Commissioner Ronny Lawrence is seeking a third term and will occupy the Republican spot on the ballot during the November 4 election. Lawrence lives in Brownsboro with his wife, Sherree. He is a 1970 Brownsboro High School graduate and also attended Trinity Valley Community College.

Later, Lawrence entered the construction business, a career he thinks was a good training ground for his work as commissioner. "I've done all phases of construction and owned my own business for 10 years," Lawrence said. "I think that really helped me as far as the business end of running the county is concerned. The business experience and the road construction experience makes a good package, I think."

Lawrence's eight years on the court have been filled with changes that will have an impact on the county for years to come, he said.

He's pleased with many of the decisions the commissioners have made to prepare for the future.

"I think the county has made great progress in the past few years," Lawrence said. "I feel like I'm helping to make a difference. I certainly hope I am."

Lawrence said he believes commissioners have helped lay the groundwork for the county's future with things such as the jail expansion project. Commissioners Court created a citizens advisory committee that was

instrumental in getting the jail project underway. "The new part of the jail is completely finished and the renovation of the existing jail should be finished in December," Lawrence said. "I think it's going to be a plus for this county." Lawrence said maintaining county roads has become more expensive during his tenure and the county will have to be creative to keep pace.

"We gain a few miles of roadway every year, such as when new subdivisions come in," Lawrence said. "The price of materials has gone up at least 200 percent since I took office."

Our budget has only gone from about \$800,000 to \$1,000,000 during that time."

Lawrence said the role of the commissioner is different from the job he envisioned before he took office.

"I thought I would be out supervising a road crew more," Lawrence said. "I've found that a lot of the work of the commissioner is done in the courthouse." Lawrence represents the court on three committees working on insurance, subdivision rules and regulations and other issues

POLITICAL CALENDAR

Henderson County
General Election
Nov. 4, 2008

HC Sheriff

Bill Casey (D)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Democratic Party
207 N. Prairieville St. Athens, Tx 75751

Ray Nutt (R)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Lee Nutt, Treasurer,
P.O. Box 2639 Athens, Texas 75751

HC Precinct 3 Commissioner

Hank Rogers (D)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Democratic Party
207 N. Prairieville St. Athens, Tx 75751

Ronny Lawrence (R)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Sherree Lawrence, Treas.
10276 CR 3405, Brownsboro, Tx 75756

State Rep. District 4

Victor Morales (D)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Democratic Party
207 N. Prairieville St. Athens, Tx 75751

HC Constable Precinct 4

John Floyd (D)

Pol. Ad Pd. by Democratic Party
207 N. Prairieville St. Athens, Tx 75751

Help Us Keep Chandler Beautiful



K.C. Bee
SEIZING...

HEY ... It is that time of the year again! Remember how much enjoyment you had last year about this time at the HOLIDAY IN THE PARK program where all the talented people and church groups got together for the first annual celebration? Singing groups and soloists were exceptional. Well, the group of ladies have put together the 2nd Annual Celebration to take place. Where, you say?

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK
CHANDLER WINCHESTER PARK
SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 22, 2008
5:30 until the last person sings.

Food will be served again, hot dogs, chili,

drinks and desserts will be available for a nominal fee. Desserts will be donated by Keep Chandler Beautiful members. (You know they are good cooks). The chili, yep, the famous Stanley McCurley is the cook. Proceeds from the event will go to KEEP CHANDLER BEAUTIFUL.

Mark this on your calendar right now! If you would like to be on the program, please call Shirley Parmer in the City office.

For all you who know what a time I have cleaning out the hive, I found my black and yellow sweaters!

See you at the Park,
Kacey the Bee

HONORING OUR VETERANS

Everyone is invited to join the students at Murchison ISD, as we proudly honor the American Veterans on Tuesday, November 11, 2008, at 2:00 in the Murchison School Cafeteria. Our students will be honoring these men and women with songs and special presentations to show our appreciation for their service to our country.

We are asking all Veterans to join us and be recognized and allow the students at Murchison ISD to thank you for the sacrifice you made for our country. The program will begin at 2:00, so we are asking that the Veterans be present at 1:45.

Please contact the Murchison ISD with the names of the American Veterans who will be attending. Call 903-469-3636.

★ Halloween remembered

hide in the road ditch and with a fishing line attached to the fishhook, we would run a stick up and down the tight line. It would make a screeching sound like a lovesick cat ("Meow"), over and over.

Mrs. White had no kids, only about a dozen cats, so she considered Halloween a waste of time! She would come out on her screened porch and say, "You hoodlums get out of here and leave us alone; you're driving my cats crazy." ("Meow). Well, that was

exactly what we were trying to do, so we would giggle and snort and poke each other. Then when she would go back in the house, we would do it again ("Meow").

Well, this went on for half an hour or so and then she said, "I got a gun and you outlaws are going to get shot if you don't leave me and my cats alone!" ("Meow"). I remember someone said, "She thinks we can't see that's a broom handle. Only a fool would believe that's a gun!" Ha-

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Ha. ("Meow").

About that time, she pushed the door open with her foot, stuck that broom handle out the door and fired both barrels into the trees over our heads! We were never so surprised in our lives! Long before the leaves and other debris reached the ground, we were safely at home in our beds. We all had the nervous jerks for a week-and-a-half after that, and we never looked Miss White's way again.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Advice for Children, Parents, Drivers & Homeowners

Halloween is a time of great fun for children, but it can be a little scary for parents and drivers. Children are often out after dark, crossing busy streets and perhaps going to unfamiliar homes.

"With excited kids frantically going from neighbor to neighbor, drivers need to be particularly cautious," said Ray Palermo, director of public information for Teachers' Insurance Plan.

"However, by following some simple advice, parents, children, drivers and homeowners can all have a safe, enjoyable time."

* Drivers need to be particularly careful at dusk and when driving either over a hill or around a curve, where visibility is limited. Use high beams to see and be seen.

* Trick-or-treaters should always be accompanied by an adult or travel in a group.

Children should be told not to eat any unwrapped candy or treats until they return home where their parents can see them. Making sure kids have already eaten before heading out may help.

* Parents may want to limit kids to local events run by police stations, firehouses, senior citizen centers or local businesses, or organize their own through their school.

* Parents should incorporate reflective tape in costumes or add bright colors to increase visibility. Make-up rather than masks should be worn to help ensure that children have an unobstructed view of their surroundings.

* Trick-or-treaters may be caught up in the excitement of the day and not be as careful as they should. They should always cross at corners and look both ways before crossing. Drivers need to keep a careful eye on the road and on the sidewalk, in case anyone darts out from between parked cars.

* Children should stay on the sidewalk or if none is available, walk facing the lane of traffic, and they should carry a flashlight.

* Homeowners should clear their yards of anything that can be tripped over and be sure to have a front door or walkway light on, and refrain from decorations that use an open flame that could ignite a child's costume.

More information is available at www.teachers.com/safety

PUBLIC BID NOTICE

Brownsboro Independent School District will be accepting sealed bids on the following items:

3 - 77 passenger used school buses

Bids will be accepted until 12:00 noon, Monday, November 3, 2008 and can be submitted for any or all items listed. The opening of bids will be in the Brownsboro ISD Administration Office at 1:00 p.m., Monday, November 3, 2008.

Buses will be sold as is without written or implied warranty.

For more information or to schedule a time and date to inspect equipment listed, contact Chester York, Director of Transportation at (903) 852-2097.

Brownsboro ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids received.

Public Bid Notice

Brownsboro Independent School District will be accepting sealed bids on the following items:

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| 1 - Upright Piano | 1 - Library Card Catalog Cabinet |
| 2 - Kilns | 1 - Residential washing machine |
| 3 - Commercial Deep Fryers | 1 - Residential clothes dryer |
| 1 - 4 foot brush hog | 1 - Bumper Jack |
| 1 - Plug Aerator | 1 - Floor Jack |
| 1 - Miller Welder | |

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