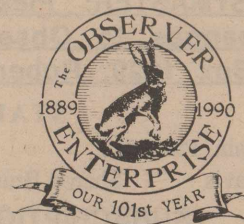


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Residents urged to vote

Elections Saturday, May 4, will determine members of governing panels for Coke County school boards, hospital district boards, city councilmen, and the water district board. Polls at the respective election sites will be open 7 am - 7 pm. Absentee balloting for the taxing entities ended Tuesday, April 30, with extremely light turnouts. In the

only election of the seven, the City of Robert Lee race, where a contest exists with 4 candidates for 3 seats, only 8 ballots were cast during the absentee period.

Eligible voters are encouraged to cast ballots in support of candidates even though no contest exists. Voting is a privilege as well as a duty!

VOTE - VOTE - VOTE

Gazebo volunteers needed

Restoration and re-vamping continues on the gazebo given to the Bronte community by the state. However, in order to have the structure set on its permanent site east of the old railroad depot, more volunteers are needed to ready the gazebo for the dedication scheduled for June 1. At that time other activities are planned and state officials will be present. In or-

der to prevent postponement of that dedication, a great deal of work is to be done this month. Jim Lammers has done a commendable job of heading up the labor force, giving the majority of the man-hours involved. Anyone willing to work at the site may contact Mr. Lammers or Chester Wilson, whether they can work one hour or several at a time.



Pictured left to right are Rev. Price, R. E. Cumbie, an unidentified customer, and Nell Flores at Cumbie & Mackey Dry Goods in the post-war years.

Local business notes 85th anniversary

An area business marks a milestone this month as Cumbie & Arrott Mercantile in Bronte observes 85 years of business for the Cumbie family.

In the spring of 1906, R. M. Cumbie and his son, R. E., sold their crops and invested their return in establishing a mercantile. Locating the business along the dusty dirt road now known as Hwy. 158, the early owners sold dry goods as well as buying and selling local agricultural produce such as cotton and wool.

Store records are still on

hand, and offer a glimpse of local life in the early 1900s. Area families would buy items "on credit," promising their first bale of cotton, or "one bay horse 15 hands high" to secure their account. Records also include the "ceiling price list" that was posted during wartimes.

J. B. and Georgia Mae Mackey were the business' owners and managers for almost 57 years, retiring in December, 1985. Susan Cumbie Arrott and her husband, Nick Arrott, are the current owners, having bought the business in 1986. "Many

of our suppliers and sales reps at market are amazed when they notice how long our business has been around - it never fails to draw a comment. It seems that in today's market, the average life of a business like ours is 5-8 years," Mrs. Arrott said.

Several special events are planned to observe the anniversary, most notably the firm will be giving away \$85.00 each in gift certificates to 85 people. Details of the special events can be found in the firm's ad located on page 6 of this issue of the Observer/Enterprise.

WCCCD honors Williams

The West Coke County Community Development-sponsored dinner honoring volunteers drew a crowd of approximately 100 volunteers and appreciative community residents. Special guests were three returning servicemen and their families. Attending were Cpl. Greg Grim,

Cpl. Cixto Saucedo, and E4 Doug Bell, along with a number of family members.

President of WCCCD Beverly Burdett noted that volunteers in all areas are the heart and soul of a community. It would be difficult for the

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President Beverly Burdett (l) presents Judy Williams with a plaque and gift certificate as Volunteer of the Year at West Coke County Community Development's volunteer dinner April 26.

UPCOMING

WCCCD Meeting

Monday, May 6, is the scheduled date for the general meeting of the West Coke County Community Development. The organization meets the first Monday evening of each month in the county courtroom at 7 pm. Carrie Davis and Lori Wink, UIL participants for RLHS, will present the program at the meeting.

Rodeo Playday

The Coke County Rodeo Association will hold its first regular Playday this Sunday,

May 5, at the arena in Bronte. Action is scheduled to start at 2 pm with barrels, flags, poles, hair pulling and goat tying.

40+ Dancers

The 40+ Dance Club will hold its monthly dance Tuesday, May 7, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available at the door.

Gospel Singing

The Community Gospel Singing will be held Sunday afternoon, May 5, in Bronte Central Baptist Church Fellowship Hall beginning at 2 pm.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy an afternoon of gospel music.

Pageant Work Day

The Coke County Pageant Association has scheduled a work day on Friday, May 3, anytime after 5:30 pm, and from 8 am - 12 noon on Saturday, May 4, at the Mountain Creek Amphitheatre. The work will clean and repair the facility which has been hit again by vandals and for general wear and tear. Volunteers are urged to bring hammers, saws, rakes, hoes, scrapers, paint brushes, etc., for various jobs.

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community to exist without those people willing to serve others, she said. The organization's recipient of their Volunteer of the Year award was Judy Williams. Mrs. Williams has been a faithful, loyal member of the Emergency Medical Service for 8 years, as well as volunteering in other

areas of community service. She was presented with an engraved plaque by Mrs. Burdett.

In addition to that award, Bob Wrinkle donated a gift certificate for the recipient to be used at Wrinkle's Ace Hardware.



Cpl. Greg Grim (l-r), Cpl. Cixto Saucedo, and E4 Doug Bell attended the WCCCD's volunteer dinner as guests, along with their families, last Friday evening.

Obituaries

Blair

Sybil Blair, 68, of Eldorado died Saturday, April 27, in a local nursing home.

Funeral service was conducted Monday, April 29, at 2 pm at the Westside Church of Christ. Burial followed in Eldorado Cemetery, under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born May 29, 1922, in Eldorado, and was a third generation native of Schleicher County. She attended Eldorado public schools. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Church of Christ.

Her survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Judy Blair of Eldorado, and formerly of Robert Lee, and their two sons, Hudson Cody Blair of College Station and Joshua Boone Blair of Eldorado.

Smith

Funeral services were held at 2 pm on Wednesday, May 1, for a longtime Coke County

resident and ranchwoman, Eula Ernest Smith of Robert Lee. The Rev. Roy Epperson officiated the service at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Fairview Cemetery at Bronte, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith, 101, died at 7:40 am Monday, April 29, 1991, at the West Coke County Nursing Home where she had resided for three years.

She was born December 22, 1889 in Erath. She and Lake E. Smith were married December 8, 1915 in Goodnight, Texas, and came west to Coke County the same

year. She moved from the stockfarm to Robert Lee in 1967. Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and was active in all community and church activities at the Robert Lee Baptist Church until a few years ago.

Survivors include a son, J. D. Smith of Oklahoma; a daughter, Eula Faye Blair of Robert Lee; a sister, Anna Tomilson of Lubbock; five grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and one son, Finnell Smith.

Pallbearers for the services included Gaylon Pitcock, David Key, Kenneth Lackey, Crowley Harmon, Weldon Fikes, all of Robert Lee, and Tuny Glenn of Bronte.

Wojtek

Jessie I. Wojtek, 91, died April 23, at 11:35 pm at her home, 804 E. 17th Street in San Angelo.

Services were Friday at 10 am at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee with the Rev. Kary Wilshusen officiating. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

She was born in Burnet County to John W. and Delzie Calder March 3, 1900, and spent most of her life in Robert Lee where she attended school. She was a homemaker.

Married to Vladimir V. Wojtek September 10, 1919, in Robert Lee, he preceded her in death December 27, 1973. Also preceding her in death were four sons and one daughter.

Her survivors include four sons, O. C. Wojtek and Marlow Wojtek, both of San Angelo, Victor Wojtek of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Robert V. Wojtek of San Antonio, and Frankie Wojtek of Eden; five daughters, Mrs. Gene (Zelda) Williams and Mrs. Walker (Beatrice) Cobb, both of San Angelo, Mrs. Troy (Norma) Montgomery of Robert Lee, Mrs. Bill (Goldie) Campbell of Fort Worth and Mrs. Richard (Cleta) Norwood of Palestine; a sister, Mrs. Ollie (Stella) Gray of San Angelo; 36 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Grandsons Troy Eugene Montgomery, Rex Wojtek, Gary Lynn Wojtek, Kevin Wojtek, John Wojtek, and Bill Williams served as pallbearers.

McClure

Marlin Alvis McClure, 49, of Indio, California, died there Friday, April 26, 1991.

Graveside service was at 3

Obituaries

pm Tuesday, April 30, in Talpa Cemetery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

He was born January 6, 1942, in Ballinger. He was a fence construction employee.

Survivors include two brothers, John P. McClure Jr. of Bronte and Bobby Jack McClure of Colorado City.

Blum

Patsy Coppedge Blum, 50, of 2828 Rio Grande, San Angelo, died Saturday, April 27, 1991, at her residence.

Graveside service was at 2 pm, Tuesday, April 30, in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte with the Rev. Charles Beal of Central Baptist Church officiating, directed by Johnson's Funeral Home.

She was born December 10, 1940, in Bronte.

Survivors include two daughters, Jacqueline Crowe of San Angelo and Judy Nelson of Rodgers, Arkansas; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Coppedge of Robert Lee; two brothers, Dean Coppedge of Robert Lee and Jim Coppedge of Sonora; a sister, Paula Cates of San Angelo; and five grandchildren.

Zuehlke

Leroy Milton Zuehlke, 63, of San Angelo died Monday, April 29, 1991, in Shannon Medical Center.

Service was conducted at 2:30 pm Wednesday, May 1, at Robert Massie Riverside Chapel with Darrell Smith, lecturer of the Business Men's Bible Class, officiating. Burial followed in Protestant Cemetery in Rowena.

He was born August 9, 1927, in Tom Green County and had lived in San Angelo since 1948. Mr. Zuehlke retired from West Texas Utilities after 43 years as an engineer

assistant since 1948. An Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, he also was a reservist in the National Guard, and retired as a major after 23 years. He was a member of the Business Men's Bible Class.

Survivors include three daughters, Glenda Phillips of Bronte, and Laura Zuehlke and Janet Bice, both of San Angelo; a sister, Amanda Jean Eckert of San Antonio; a brother, William Zuehlke of New Braunfels; a sister-in-law, Laverne Zuehlke of San Angelo; and grandchildren, David and Justin Phillips of Bronte, Jason Stuart and Julia Marie Bice of San Angelo.

Paul Harral, Frank Jackson, Wayne Baker, Murdock McLaurin, David Phillips, and Justin Phillips served as pallbearers.

Bike riders raise funds for St. Jude

A Bike-A-Thon fundraiser was held on April 20th in support of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Thirty-six energetic riders participated in the event. With great community support sponsoring the riders, approximately \$2,000 was raised.

Where does your money go? St. Jude's has treated more than 11,000 children from 41 states and 40 foreign countries. Approximately \$192,000 is needed for one day for the operation of the treatment and research hospital. This children's hospital is the world's leading childhood catastrophic and cancer research center.

Personal

Terry Minnick of North Hampton, Massachusetts, was a weekend visitor in Bronte with his mother, Geneva Minnick, and other relatives.

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Upcoming

Br. Lip Jammers

Bronte's Fellowship of Christian Athletes will be sponsoring a "Lip Jammer's (Singing) Contest" on Monday evening, May 6, at 6:30 pm in the Bronte School Auditorium. Entries are open to students in grades 7-12 at Bronte Jr. High & High School.

Entry forms are available from Mrs. McCutchen, Shayne Crumpler, or Ebony Taylor. All entries must be previewed before the contest and guidelines on entries will be followed.

Everyone is invited to attend. The proceeds will go for FCA expenses.

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be given. Also, there will be a special "Milli Vanilli" award. Judges will be Susan Arrott, Cynthia Turner, Donna Hall, and Mickey Pierce.

Team Penning

There will be a Team Penning at the Ballinger Arena, Hwy 158 West, on Saturday, May 4, beginning at 7 pm.

For more information, call 365-5229 or 365-2466.

Winters Mayfest

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring "Mayfest in the Park" to be held May 4 in Winters. The activities will begin at 9 am and continue until 5 pm.

Scheduled activities will include games, Bingo, food booths, gift booths, a volleyball tournament, a softball tournament, and a tennis tournament.

Also there will be live entertainment all day under the big trees.

For more information, contact the COC at 915-754-5210.

SA G&H Society

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet Tuesday, May 7, 1991, at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ at 901 North Main in San Angelo.

The Library Staff will speak on "Using the Tom Green County Library for Family Research."

The Beginners Genealogical Class, taught by Billy Scattergood, will meet at 6:30 pm.

Visitors are always welcome.

Brady Tennis

There will be an Adult 1991 Brady Spring Open Tennis Tournament Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19.

There will be an Open and an "A" Division for singles and

CORRECTION:

The reporter for the '64 Study Club regrets having stated that Henrietta Baker was voted into the club as a new member last week. The new member was Opal Baker.

doubles; men and women. Entries are due by Monday, May 13.

For more information, contact Sally Shields, 1710 Wall, Brady, Texas 76825 or call 915-597-2050.

SW SS Tourney

On Saturday, May 4, there will be a Parent-Child 18-Hole Select Shot Golf Tournament at Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte beginning at 9 am. Trophies will be awarded.

Band Concert

Students in grades 4-12 will be involved in the Spring Band Concert May 16 at 7:30 pm in the school auditorium.

Last Class Day

The last day of classes at the Bronte Schools will be Saturday, May 25, 1991. This is to make up for a day missed when the Longhorns went to the State Basketball Tournament.

Br. Reg., Titling

Vehicle registration and titling will be offered in the First National Bank of Bronte on Tuesday, May 14, from 9 am to 1 pm by the Coke County Tax Office.

Property tax payments will also be accepted. Please bring your statements with payment for proper credit.

This is a regular service offered by the Coke County Tax Office and the First National Bank of Bronte.

Br. PTA Meeting

There will be a PTA meeting on May 7, at 7 pm in the school auditorium. The pro-

gram will be over "Drug Awareness" and it will be presented by the Abilene EMS. They will show graphic slides. We encourage all parents to attend regardless of whether you're a member or not.

OES Garage Sale

A gigantic garage sale and bake sale is being held this week on the First National Bank parking lot. It begins at 8 am Saturday, May 4, and is being sponsored by the Bronte Eastern Star Chapter.

Many miscellaneous items will be available.

The bake sale will offer many baked delicacies.

O/E Closing

The Bronte and Robert Lee offices of the Observer/Enterprise will be closed Friday, May 3. The offices will be open again on Monday, May 6.

Br. Band Boosters

Bronte Band Boosters will meet on Monday, May 6, at 7 pm in the School Band Hall.

All boosters are encouraged to attend.

Sports Banquet

Bronte School All-Sports Booster Club has announced the Annual All-Sports Banquet to be held on Monday night, May 13, at the Community Center.

Those wishing to attend may buy tickets from Stover Taylor, Garland Richards, or Gerald Parker.

Parents of the Lady Horns are requested to bring desserts and parents of the Horns are requested to bring a salad or vegetable dish.

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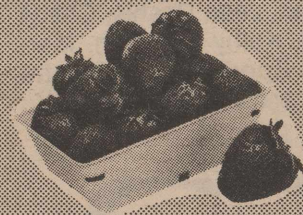
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Track, golf team to compete at state

At the Regional Track Meet in Abilene last Friday and Saturday, the Robert Lee Steers scored 52 points to take second place, going down to the wire against Rotan who narrowly won the meet with 56 total points.

State qualifiers include Ron McCown in the 110 high hurdles, the high jump, and as a member of the mile relay, along with Brent McPeek, Robert Rodriguez, and Jason Dickey. Rodriguez will also compete in the 800 meter run. Lenny Jackson took first place in the pole vault to qualify for the State Meet.

Complete results of the Regional Meet are below.

Boys Division

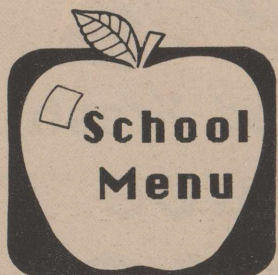
110 H Hurdles

2nd, Ron McCown, 15.27

Graduation party donations set

The 1991 Robert Lee High School Graduation is fast approaching! RLHS, along with concerned citizens and parents, are sponsoring a drug-free, alcohol-free party in honor of the 1991 graduating class at RLHS.

Contributions and donations may be given to the following people: Winnie McPeek, Barbara Renfroe, Debbie Wilkes, Linda Burns, Kathy Pentecost, Judy Gibbs, Wanda Oleksiuk, Donna Jackson, Joan Poehls, Cheryl Devoll, Kathy McCown, Margaret Epperson, Henrietta Baker, and Sheryl Tavarez.



LUNCH

- Monday, May 6**
- Pizza
- Lettuce & Tomato Salad
- Corn
- Brownies
- Milk
- Tuesday, May 7**
- Corn Dogs w/mustard
- Ranch Style Beans
- Tator Puffs
- Applesauce
- Milk
- Wednesday, May 8**
- Sausage On A Stick
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Blackeyed Peas
- Corn Bread
- Applecrisp
- Milk
- Thursday, May 9**
- Chicken Nuggets
- Cream Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Hot Rolls - Butter
- Peach Slices
- Milk
- Friday, May 10**
- Hot Dogs w/chili & cheese
- Corn
- Tator Tots w/catsup
- Chocolate Cake w/icing
- Milk

330 I Hurdles
6th, Randy Watkins, 42.26
800 M Run

1st, Robert Rodriguez, 2:01.20 - New Regional Record

Mile Relay

2nd, Robert Lee - R. Rodriguez, Brent McPeek, R. McCown, Jason Dickey, 3:26.31

High Jump

2nd, R. McCown, 6' 4" (Ron tied for 2nd and then won the jump off for 2nd place and a trip to state.)

Pole Vault

1st, Lenny Jackson, 14' 6" - Tied Regional Record

Girls Division

110 H Hurdles
4th, Janet Pentecost, 16.43
Discus

5th, Sheree Burns, 99' 7"
The track and field events will be at Memorial Stadium on May 10-11. Events the Steers will participate in will be held Friday, May 10, 9 am, pole vault; Saturday, May 11, 10 am, high jump, and Saturday, May 11, running events, second session, after 12 noon.

The Steer golf team will compete in the State Tournament in Austin on Thursday and Friday, May 9 and 10 at 7 am at Lions Municipal Golf Course.

Jr. High UIL placings

The Robert Lee Junior High UIL team had an extremely successful year. The District Meet was no exception. Students who placed in Oral Reading were Anthony Wink in 1st place and Robbye Millican in 3rd. Crystal Marquez also participated in Oral Reading.

Ready writers included Jason Key in 1st place and Christy Hendry in 2nd. Other students competing in Ready Writing were Sabrina Cowart and Daniel Hayes.

The students placing in Spelling were Heather Millican in 1st and Jason Key in 5th. Amanda Johnston and Robbye Millican were also Spelling participants.

In Earth Science, Anthony Wink placed 4th and Blake Payne placed 5th. Rhiannon White and Cameron Cook also participated in Earth Science.

The students that placed in Number Sense were Patricia Minjarez in 2nd, Amanda Johnston in 3rd, and Michael Lamar in 7th. Krystal Carver also participated in Number

Sense.

In Calculator Applications, Jeremy Fluhmann placed 3rd and Blake Payne placed 5th. Chad Wagley and Amanda Johnston also competed in Calculator Applications.

Life Science winners were Jason Key in 1st place and Jaclyn Waldrop in 7th. Also participating in Life Science were Daniel Hayes and Patricia Minjarez.

The sponsors of the Junior High UIL team did an excellent job. They were Patricia Ballew, Gena Trice, and Jerry Horn.

Students set for state UIL contest

Competing at the state level of the UIL contests will be Robert Lee High School students Carla Bewick, typing; Carrie Davis, persuasive speaking; Brent Gibbs, poetry reading; Brandy Hayes, informative speaking; and Janet Pentecost, literary criticism. The state academic contests will be in Austin May 3 and May 4.

Youths to state contests

Steer Pride is reaching epidemic proportions! And that's an understatement!

Robert Lee has been well represented this year by all of its competitors and in several different arenas.

Out of 86 students in Robert Lee High School, 28 or a whopping 32.5% have competed or will be competing at the State level. The dedication and talent of these young people has not gone unnoticed. Encouragement from coaches, sponsors, parents, and fans has helped each competitor to do his best. Below is a list of students who are State level participants.

Cross Country Track

Robert Rodriguez
Michael Hayes
Brent McPeek
Stevie Oleksiuk
Russ Horn
Jason Dickey
Todd Scott

FFA-Radio Team

Carrie Davis
Brent Gibbs
Ron McCown

FFA-Horse Judging

Thad Metcalf
Stacy Oleksiuk
Christie Payne
Gayle Wagley
Lori Wink

Track

Jason Dickey
Lenny Jackson
Ron McCown
Brent McPeek
Robert Rodriguez

UIL Literary

Carla Bewick
Carrie Davis
Brent Gibbs
Brandy Hayes
Janet Pentecost

Golf

Sheree Burns
Shelley Burrows
Wendy McPeek
Stephanie Poehls
Lori Wink
Scott Antilley

Stephen Epperson
Brent Gibbs
Jody Tavarez
John Williams

Band

Carlene Bewick

RL EMT classes to be offered

The West Coke County EMS volunteer service met April 30 for their regular monthly meeting. Thirteen members were present.

Judy Williams stated that an EMT class will be started soon. An ECA completion class will be offered if enough ECA personnel are interested. This type class has just been offered by the state since March, 1991. Any ECA that would like to complete the hours and clinical work required for EMT certification is eligible for the course. If interested, please contact Judy Williams at 453-2589 or Larry Martin at 453-4500.

New orange T-shirts were handed out. The T-shirts identifies the wearer as being a member of the West Coke County EMS. Each member has to buy their own shirt.

Noel Tinkler, EMT, will be taking blood pressures at the Senior Citizens' Rec Hall the first Thursday of each month from 7:30 am to 9:30 am. The EMS urges everyone to periodically have their blood pressure checked.

Noel Tinkler's name was inadvertently left off the roster of EMS personnel that was published last week in the Observer/Enterprise.

At the close of the meeting, Jeanette Jacobs was given an award for having the "Best First Run."



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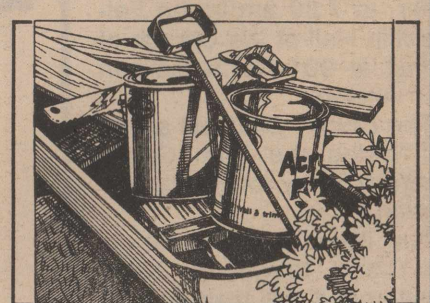
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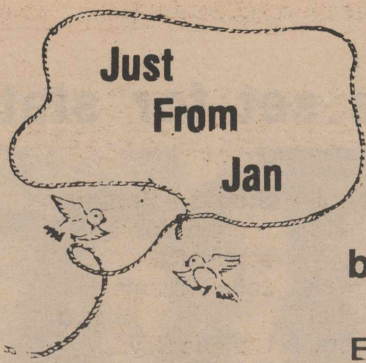
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by Jan Yanez
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Extension Agent

"Pot Luck" dinners can represent a public health hazard because a large variety of foods, mainly casseroles, are served -- a high amount of handling of ingredients during preparation -- and inadequate storage temperatures of the food.

In spite of these problems, pot-luck dinners do not have to be banned. Observation of the following health recommendations should offer a solution:

- Keep menus simple; avoid an elaborate variety of foods.
- Avoid serving low-acid foods such as creamed dishes, meat stews, cream-filled pies and pastries.
- Stress that food must be cooked thoroughly.
- Keep time between cooking and serving foods to a minimum.
- If prepared foods must be stored overnight, place them in small quantities in a reliable refrigeration unit.
- Keep hot foods hot (above 140° F) and cold foods cold

(below 45°F).

- Use chilled ingredients in the preparation of foods that will be served cold.
- Protect foods from contamination (insects, dust, humans) prior to serving.
- Use disposable ware as a sanitary measure.
- Do not include home-canned items.
- Use individual packets, closed containers or pump bottles to serve sweeteners or condiments.
- Provide adequate garbage containers lined with plastic bags.
- Because of timing and casual serving, it is most practical to discard any leftover as garbage at the end of the dinner.

People have a high regard for neighbors, friends, and co-workers and appreciate their efforts and good intentions. By following the above recommendations, pot luck dinners can continue to be successful without any unhappy aftermaths.

Bryans attend reunion

Frank Dean Bryan and his wife, the former Doris Simpson, of Fortuna, California, are visiting friends and relatives in Texas. On Sunday afternoon, April 28, the immediate families of both of the Californians enjoyed a reunion and barbecue supper at The Bryan Barn on Messbox Creek, Robert Lee, hosted by Wilson and Lucile Bryan and his children.

Those attending from San Angelo were: Arlyn and Mildred Simpson; Glenn and Ruth Simpson; Sybil and Bill Burch; Annette and Bill Vick; Katherine Parris; Mamie Lee Latimer; Ken Landon; Terry Frank and Loraine Bryan, Jennifer, Jessica, Julie, and Joey.

Coming from Ballinger were Richard, Tillie, Stephanie, and Shawn Bryan.

Also attending were Cookie, Jeremy, and Molly Burns, Thelma Joe Hinnard, Lloyd Sevier, and Dona Bryan of Robert Lee.

On Tuesday, Frank Dean and Doris returned to spend a couple of days in Robert Lee visiting with former friends and visiting old scenes. They report that their son, Patrick, and his wife, Gayle, live in Haywood, California. Patrick has a responsible position as Business Systems Analyst

**Kennedy joins
Martin Lee Assoc.**
Real Estate Agent Nell Kennedy has joined Martin Lee and Associates and specializes in residential sales.

Prior to joining ML&A, Kennedy was employed by Heart O'Texas Savings as in-house appraiser and loan processor and by AmWest Savings as branch manager of the Robert Lee office.

with Peterbilt Motors Company, a division of PACCAR. Gayle is an artist.

Frank Dean closed his grocery business here in 1950 when he was recalled to active duty for the Korean War. He retired as Lieutenant Colonel in 1967 in California where he and Doris have lived ever since. In retirement, they have traveled extensively in North America; Europe, including the Soviet Union; the Far East, including China; and the Middle East. They are busy in civic affairs in Fortuna and enjoy living in the majestic redwood country of their beautiful state.

The Bryans will return to California on May 7.

Bloodworth, Schniers wed at Rowena

Patty Maxine Bloodworth and Curtis Don Schniers were married Saturday, April 6, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Kevin Heyburn.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth of Silver. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schniers of Ballinger. Grandparents of the couple are Maxine and Perry Post of Robert Lee and Mrs. Emma Schniers of Rowena.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white satin gown with a Cathedral length train. Both gown and train were trimmed with lace, pearls, and sequins. White roses, burgandy and pink carnations, and baby's breath made up the bridal bouquet. For something old, the bride wore a gold pendant watch that had been worn by her grandmother when she married in 1912. She also carried her mother's bible used in her own wedding and that of her sister.

Serving as her sister's matron of honor was Janice Burnett of Austin. Bridesmaids were Lea Schniers of Paint Rock, Lori Bloodworth of Lubbock, and Debbie Hadley of Houston. All four attendants wore mauve tea length dresses and carried stems of Alstroemerias and baby's breath.

Duane Schniers of Paint Rock served as his brother's best man. Groomsmen were Clay Bloodworth of Silver, Tom Schniers and Clifton Matschek of Rowena. Ushers were Steve Hoelscher of Eola, Roy Sharp and Frank Fisher of Rowena.

The groom chose a white tuxedo for the ceremony while his attendants wore grey



Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Don Schniers

tuxedos with accenting mauve cummerbunds and ties.

Ricky and Christopher Post of Snyder, cousins of the bride, served as candle-lighters.

Musical selections during the ceremony were provided

by Lorene and Norma Schniers, aunt and cousin of the groom.

The ceremony was followed by a reception, dinner, and dance in the Parish Hall.

After a wedding trip to Austin, the couple will reside in Rowena.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Boosters host high school band, parents

The Bronte High School Band and their parents were guests of the Bronte Band Boosters at a dinner held in the school cafeteria on Thursday, April 25th. Dinner was served to approximately 100 people. The delicious meal of Chicken Fried Steak and trimmings was cooked and served by Melissa Howard and her FHA group.

Thomas competes in regional tennis

Bronte High School Junior Brandi Thomas, district runner-up, finished a successful tennis season Wednesday when she fell to the #1 girls singles player of the Regional Tournament.

Thomas drew Brittany Mikeska of Eden in the first round of the tournament. Mikeska, a sophomore, won third at the State Tournament last year.

Thomas had a 10-3 record for the year, losing only to Mikeska twice and Kelli Stringer of Garden City. Thomas' wins included 1st place at the Ballinger Tournament and the defeats of several 2A and 3A players.

For the past two years, she has placed third in district, this being her first year to advance to Regional.

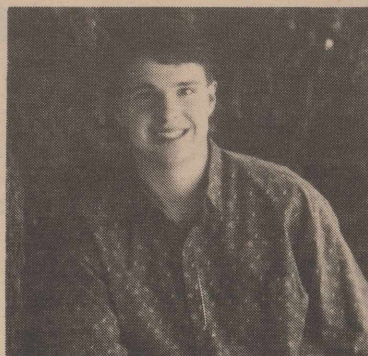
Girls' golf team to state May 9, 10

The Bronte girls golf team will be competing in the State Tournament on May 9 and 10. The tourney will begin at 7 am each day and will be played on the Lions Municipal Golf Course in Austin. The team consists of Shay Burwick, Alisa Richards, Misti Mackey, Darla Scott, and Jami Morrow.

CORRECTION:

In last week's Observer/Enterprise story about the Bronte PeeWee Basketball Tournament, it was reported that the Sixth Grade Lakers consisting of Michael Blair, Shae Kelton, and Shaun Perry defeated the Bulls - Blake Hoyt, Lane Parker, and David Wilson. It should have been the Bulls over the Lakers. The Observer/Enterprise regrets this error.

Band Director, Homer Stewart, welcomed the gathering and an invocation was given by Lee Sonnenberg. Following the meal, Ed Handley, San Angelo Central High School Band Director, was the guest speaker. The Band Boosters presented Mr. Handley with a gift of appreciation. Band Booster President Fayne Thorn presented the two Band Scholarships to Brian Arrott and Julie Blair. These scholarships total \$1,000 for the school year to be divided between the two scholarship recipients. Mr. Stewart honored all the seniors with a gift in appreciation for their dedication to the band.



Brian Arrott

Arrott qualifies for state contest

Brian Arrott, Shay Burwick, Sherry Healey, and Angela Davis participated in the Regional UIL Academic Meet in Abilene Saturday, April 27.

Brian Arrott placed third in Feature Writing and will advance to the State Meet in Austin May 3. He also placed 6th in Headline Writing.

Shay Burwick placed 5th in News Writing.

Whittenton hosts Ext. homemakers

The Bronte Extension Homemakers Club met recently in the home of Lola Whittenton.

The program was a group discussion on natural resources.

Roll call was taken with the women finishing the sentence "Money Can't Buy ___" when their names were called.

Refreshments were served to Marie Arrott, Virginia Boatright, Alene Jameson, Drexel Ragsdale, Annie Laura McShan, Lela Parker, and Lola Whittenton.

Decorations, invitations, and programs were prepared and supplied by Kay Robbins, Mary Percifull, Susan and Bob Huckabee, Joyce Lucas, Patty McCorkle, and the Glenn Burwicks. Lynn Sonnenberg supplied the Coke bottles. A "Pretty Woman" poster, 78 and 45 records, Coke bottles, Ivy, maroon and white crepe paper, a yellow polka dot bikini, a purple people eater, and a blue Chevy decorated the walls and tables.

The entertainment was viewing a tape of the Marching Contest that was held earlier in the school year. Luke Robbins ended the evening with the Benediction.

PTA to host drug, alcohol program

During the month of May, which is Drug and Alcohol Awareness month, the Bronte PTA will be hosting a program concerning the effects of drinking and driving at 7 pm in the school auditorium on Tuesday, May 7, entitled "The DWI Awareness Program."

The Abilene Emergency Medical Service will present the program which includes a three-part slide show. The slides will show some of the results of drinking and driving and are very graphic. All parents are urged to attend this PTA meeting.

The same program will be presented to grades 7-12 in the school auditorium on Friday, May 3, at 2:15 pm. This program is very good and its purpose is to show the students how the effects of drinking and driving can affect the lives of many people and the consequences they face.

Let's work together to establish a drug-free school and community.

Residents in San Antonio hospital

Two Bronte residents are in Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital in San Antonio.

James W. Reeves is in Room 623 and Cecil Coalson is in Room 28.

The address is Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital, Merton Minter Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas 78284.

Track girls set for state



The Awesome Foursome - (l-r) Teresa Vaughn, Jami Morrow, Eboni Taylor, and Angela Davis - make up the Bronte High School Girls Track Team. The girls are headed for the State Track Meet in Austin later this month after qualifying at the Regional Track Meet in Abilene this past weekend.

The Bronte girls, better known as the "Awesome Foursome," finished second in the team standings at the Regional Meet in Abilene last Saturday.

Teresa Vaughn won the high jump by clearing 5' 6" which tied the Regional Meet Record set by Teresa in 1989. Teresa also finished third in the 400 meter dash with a time of 60.2.

Angela Davis won the 300 meter intermediate hurdles by setting a new Regional Meet Record of 47.0.

Eboni Taylor finished second in the 3200 meter run and the 800 meter dash. She ran the 3200 in 12:07.2 and the 800 in 2:25.3.

The 1600 meter relay team of Angela Davis, Teresa Vaughn, Jami Morrow, and Eboni Taylor captured first place with a time of 4:11.9.

The track girls were awarded the Curley Hays Award for best sportsmanship.

All four track girls qualified for the State Meet at Austin on May 10 and 11.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- May 1st Registration begins
- May 10th Special Jewelry trunk show - 10-5
- May 12th Mother's Day
- May 14th Shugart's photographer in store
- May 18th Autograph party - Ross McSwain 2-4 pm
- May 18th Drawing 3:00 p.m. SPECIAL BONUS
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Methodists celebrate Heritage Sunday

The Bronte First United Methodist Church celebrated "United Methodist Heritage Sunday," in a special morning worship service on April 28th, with 99 members and friends attending.

Pastor Phil Bell reports the event commemorated the anniversary of the April 1968 Uniting Conference in Dallas, Texas, when the former Methodist Church and the former Evangelical United Brethren Church merged to become the present-day United Methodist Church. The nearly 101 year heritage of the local Bronte Methodist

congregation was also remembered.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was a highlight of the celebration worship, involving five children and youth of the church, their parents and families, Pastor Bell, Lay Leader Alonzo Robbins, and the members of the congregation. Joining in the historic Baptismal Covenant were: Ashley Jordan Lee, daughter of Stephen and Molly Lee; Kaleb Joshua and Candace Lacy Schoenfield, children of Jeff and Sujane Schoenfield; Brittany Jo Barrett, daughter of Tony and Jolene Barrett; and James Jacob Golson. Miss Joni Barrett was also recognized by the congregation in her Reaffirmation of Christian Faith.

Following the worship service, booklets tracing the history and development of the United Methodist Church were presented to the members of the congregation as they departed the church building.

The "Heritage Sunday" celebration continued at 6 pm with a large covered-dish Fellowship Dinner, honoring all of the 12 new members who have joined with the Bronte First UMC over the course of the past year: The Bell Family (Phil, Patty, Brian, and Jennifer); Bill and Nelda Thomason; The Percifull Family ("Pete," Mary, and Jess); Melinda Parker; and Jeff and Sujane Schoenfield. The church Fellowship Hall was transformed by beautiful Spring colors and floral room and table decorations were prepared by Pat Martindale and Cynthia Turner for the enjoyment of all.

Concluding the "Heritage Sunday" activities, a brief program was presented after the Fellowship Dinner. The Children's Choir sang the popular "I am the Church, You are the Church, We are the Church Together," under the direction of Vicky McCutchen, and accompanied by Mary Belle Hilliard on the piano. Choir singers were Brittany Barrett, Tiffany Coulter, Kayla Hilliard, Brooke and Britney McCutchen, Melinie and Marlissa Nelson, and Josh and Lacy Schoenfield.

The historical documentary film, "John Wesley and His

Times," was shown, offering some additional perspective on the United Methodist heritage, and finishing a very full and enjoyable day of celebration for the people of the First UMC of Bronte.

WTC honors Russell Johnson

Russell Johnson of Bronte was named Outstanding Student in Historical Studies at the annual Western Texas College Awards Day held on April 23.

Johnson's award was presented by his instructor, Jim Durham. A 1980 graduate of Bronte High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Johnson of Bronte.

Faculty members presented 58 awards for achievement and certificates went to the 17 students named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. The students and their families were honored at a reception in the Scurry County Museum on the campus following the ceremonies.

Shower honors Tim, Angela Davis

A Welcome Home Celebration and Wedding Shower will honor Tim and Angela Davis at a casual yard party Sunday, May 5, 3-5 pm, at the home of Mike and Teri Johnson near Bronte. Directions indicate the location as directing guests to the WTU electric plant and following the yellow ribbons.

Tim has recently been serving in the Persian Gulf war, while Angela has remained in school at BHS.

Hostesses for the occasion are Donna Crumpler, Fran Pierce, Fran Sonnenberg, Brenda Barnett, Teri Johnson, Vicky McCutchen, Tamara Marshall, Janel Vaughn, Jolene Barrett, Susan Arrott, Melinda Gentry, and Brendi Gentry.

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Local hero Tim Davis presented a program to the Bronte Elementary students about the equipment used and the job performed while he was stationed in the Middle East.



Tim Davis demonstrates to the students of Bronte Elementary the gas mask issued to him while he was stationed in Saudi Arabia. Tim's wife, Angela, a senior at BHS, stands in the background.

Davis welcomed home

Bronte Elementary students welcomed their local hero, Tim Davis, back from Saudi Arabia this past week. Elementary students presented Tim and his wife, Angela, with a rose surrounded with yellow ribbons symbolizing his safe return home, and also, a red rose wrapped in red, white, and blue ribbons symbolizing his loyalty to his country and to Bronte.

A banner stating "Welcome Home Tim" was hung in the school auditorium.

Tim talked to the students about his experiences in Saudi Arabia and his role in the Persian Gulf crisis. He explained the equipment he used and wore, and also, the job he performed while on duty.

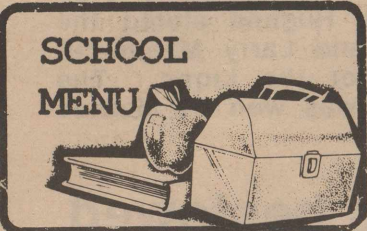
Bronte Elementary students sent many letters, cards, and pictures to Tim while he was away and are very proud of him and very glad that he came home safely.

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Friday, May 10

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O/E salutes volunteer fire departments

The Observer/Enterprise continues this week with a series of articles designed to honor and salute the efforts of our community volunteers. None deserve praise more than the county's respective volunteer fire departments. Our hats are off to you who are always ready to rush to the call for help!

The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department was organized in 1947. It now consists of 14 firemen who meet the first and third Mondays of each month for drill and practice. The department can have up to 25 members, and new members are needed to fill this quota.

The firemen are required to attend at least 25% of the fires and 40% of the drills to qualify for retirement credit each year. Twenty-two fires were

reported on the 1990 annual report to the state. The men drill faithfully and several have attended fire schools in the past year in order to be more qualified to serve the community.

Present members are Keith Eubanks - Fire Chief, Larry Martin - President, Jimmy Munoz, Jr. - Vice President, Greg Fleming - Secretary, Leroy Casey, Roy Clawson, Favian Minjarez, Robert Sanders, Edwin Smith, Billy D. Sparks, Jesse Torres, Manuel Abalos, Robert Wink, and Ynes Lara.

To date, fourteen men have retired from the department after serving at least 20 years. These are Fred Beaty, E. H. Ivey, George Lomas, O. B. Jacobs, Joe Longoria, J. E. Quisenberry, R. C. Sawyer, J. C. Wallace, Jr., and Gary

Williams, all of Robert Lee, and Maurice Yarbrough of Abilene. Deceased retirees are Fagan H. Parker, W. D. McAdams, J. C. Wallace, Sr., and Sam Williams.

The Bronte Volunteer Fire Department was organized in 1955.

The Department purchased a new truck and then in 1975 replaced the old pumper with a new one. They also purchased a truck equipped to fight grass fires.

All fire trucks were purchased with donations from residents.

For the past 13 years, the Firemen have sponsored a Bar-B-Que.

The purpose and motto of the volunteers is "Saving Lives and Property."

By having a good fire department in the community, the citizens' tax rates and insurance premiums stay down.

The current officers are Royce Dyess - Fire Chief, Larry Dyess - Assistant Chief, Darrell Sowell - President; Wade Stautzenberger - Vice President, Marty Boyd - Secretary, Tim McKee - Treasurer, David Scott - Reporter, and Mark Moore - Chaplain.

Current members are the officers, Ken Coalson, Harold Dunn, Richard Hembree, Willie Johnson, Bill Luckett, Leroy Matthews, Jim Nelson, Bruce Sonnenberg, Roland Sowell, James Tidwell, and Bruce Williams.

Those current firemen serving the most years are Billy Joe Luckett with 36 years and James Tidwell with 30 years.



Kaye Pitcock picks up her portion of beef she won in the Robert Lee - Silver Lions Club drawing recently. Dave Hughes stored the packaged meat after he and Larry Martin cut and wrapped the beef for the Lions. The second portion of meat was won by Monroe Lynch of Lubbock.

Beal wins district UIL

Bethany Beal, age 12, daughter of Lynn and Robbie Beal of Odessa and granddaughter of Ruth and Zeddie Beal and Wanda and Willis Smith of Robert Lee, won first place honors in the Odessa district UIL competition on Saturday, April 20. The Odessa district is comprised of 25 elementary schools.

She entered the Calculator competition for the sixth grade students. This contest required the students to use a scientific calculator and to work mathematical problems in scientific notation. Bethany won the competition by scoring 50 points higher than the second place winner. The elementary school she attends, Lyndon Baines Johnson Elementary, was second in overall points in the district meet.

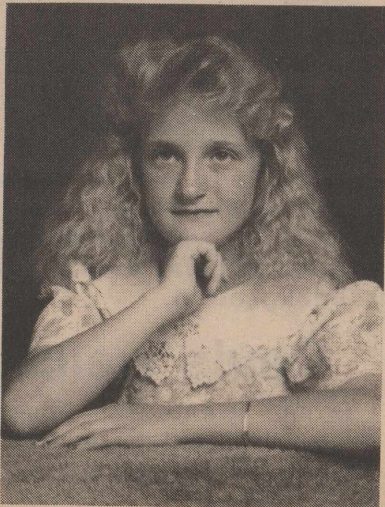
Bethany is enrolled in the gifted and talented program of the Ector County schools. She plays the violin in her school orchestra, is a member of the Just Say No club, and was mascot for the school football team.

Her parents and grandparents are, understandably, very proud of her accomplishments.

Personal

Mrs. Golda Smith of Robert Lee is convalescing at home following major surgery in Shannon Medical Center April 15. Her condition required aortic femoral bypass and she is recuperating well. Although her son-in-law, Carl Gruberman, had to return to Dallas, her daughter, Martha, will remain with her until she is able to manage on her own.

A gem cannot be polished without friction.



Bethany Beal

Kelso is new IBBA member

Larry Kelso of Bronte is a new member of the International Brangus Breeders Association (IBBA), according to J. Neil Orth, executive vice-president of the international organization headquartered in San Antonio, Texas.

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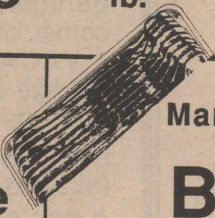
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NICE HOMES in Robert Lee for sale. 655-0370, evenings.
33-1mo

TWO SKI BOATS for sale, 1 inboard, 1 outboard. Bargain, take your choice. W. C. Billingsley, 473-6001.
35-tnc

EDITH ESTATES, breathtaking view, double wide, ready for occupants. Let's deal.
Just listed... **TWO** improved lots, Bayview Estates. Call today.
FURNISHED MOBILE home close to the school. Priced for quick sale.
PERFECT weekend cabin fully furnished. Call for further details.
Showing FrnHA and HUD homes, acreages available. Call today.




Lee Associates
453-2226

Elaine Lee 453-2995
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2 BR, 1 BA house Bayview Estates
TWO STUCCO houses for sale - priced cheap
SEVERAL LOTS Edith Estates and in Robert Lee.
GOOD SELECTION of 2 BR, 1 BA, and 3 BR, 2 BA.
3 BR, 2 BA, double garage/shop, located on corner lots.
2 VACANT LOTS with 2 storage bldg., mobile home hookups.
SM. HOUSE & 4 lots. Priced to sell, Bronte.
3 BR, 2 BA with apartment located on lg. corner lot.
SIX BR, 2 BA, located on lg. corner block, near school.
EDITH ESTATES - 14 X 74 mobile home with addition and enclosed porch.



ADAMS LAND & REALTY CO.
Phone 453-2723 or 655-9429
Elsie Adams 453-2757
Becky Clendennen 453-4748

FOR SALE BY OWNER
122 W. 12th St, Robert Lee, Austin Stone, CA/CH, 3 BR, 1 1/2 BA, den w/vaulted ceiling and fireplace, dining room, sunroom overlooks backyard w/large trees. Phone 915-453-2910 for appointment.
35-tnc

25 ACRES on Hwy 158, 1 mile from Robert Lee & 1/2 mile from Lake Spence. Agent, 453-2995 or 453-2226.
02-tnc

FIREWOOD FOR SALE - Dick's Firewood, 453-2151, Robert Lee.
07-tnc

HOUSE FOR SALE
Four-room house plus bath and screened porch. Carlton or Leta Caston, 453-2453, Robert Lee.
37-6tc

FOR SALE - 19' flat trailer, Electric brakes. Also, golf cart trailer. Call 473-5741 or 473-3561.
38b-1tp

SHAFFER FUNERAL HOME
BRONTE ROBERT LEE
473-3131 453-2424
MONUMENTS
Duplications
Custom Designs

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER: 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, brick, double garage and utility/storage room; wood burning stove in fireplace, central heat/air; storm windows, new carpet, 6 ceiling fans, lots of trees, large corner lot, fenced back yard. Mid 40s. B. Champion, 424 S. Franklin, Bronte, 473-2051.
37b-tnc

TO SETTLE ESTATE - 3 BR, 2 BA house w/double carport and storeroom, located on one city block in Robert Lee. Call 453-2663.
37-2tc

FOR SALE
75' X 150' lot in Robert Lee. Water and plumbing hookups, convenient location, \$3,150. Call 453-2184.
34-tnc

1970 HOLIDAY 21' Travel Trailer \$2,500. Fully self-contained. Call Randy Gibbs, 473-3451, Bronte.
38b-2tp

BRONTE - 2 or 3 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, lots of storage and 4 lots. Martin Lee Assoc., 915-655-6989 days or 473-4161 nights.
37a-4tc

FOR SALE - 2 bedroom house in Bronte. 309 N. Randall. Owner will finance. Call 915-378-7381.
38b-3tc

PLANTS
Onions, Tomatoes, Peppers, and Bedding Plants
Butane Sales
38a-1tc

FOR RENT

ROBERT LEE one bedroom apartment for rent, \$135 per month. 655-0370, evenings.
33-1mo

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY of Robert Lee will be taking applications for housing 9 am - 3 pm, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 453-2912 or 453-2802. Equal Housing Opportunity.
15a-tnc

FOR RENT - Clean 1 BR furnished house, \$150 per month plus bills. Contact Doodle Tinkler, 453-2752, 1609 Hamilton, Robert Lee.
36-tnc

MISC

NOW HIRING LVNS for all shifts. Apply in person with Barbara Shaffer, Director of Nursing, West Coke County Nursing Home, 307 W. 8th, Robert Lee, Texas, 915-453-2511. EOE.
37a-2tc

WANTED:
1600 cc Volkswagen engine. Must be in good running condition and reasonable. Call 473-2314 after 6 pm.
37-2tp

WANTED: SEASON HUNTING LEASE, Preferably Coke County, very responsible, references. Call collect 806-762-6111, ask for Darrel.
36-4tp

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED NURSES AIDES - Full-time, Part-time and Call-In positions. Above average salary, excellent work conditions. Apply in person at Bronte Nursing Home, 900 S. State Street, Bronte, Texas. EOE
36b-tnc

*****LOST*****
A black & white 6-year-old border collie named Buster. He was wearing a collar with a ring but no tags. Probably lost in Robert Lee, but possibly Bronte. A \$50 reward is offered. Call Jack Pharris at 743-2009.
28-tnc

HELP NEEDED - night-time sitter for Jessie Faye Russell. 453-2437.
37-1tc

NEEDED - RN for weekend coverage, 7-3 shift. Competitive salary. Apply in person, Bronte Nursing Home, 900 S. State, Bronte, Texas. EOE.
32b-tnc

WANT TO BUY Coke County History books. Call 473-5331, Brenda Hines, Box 33, Bronte.
37b-2tp

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453-2846
OILFIELD FARM RANCH
21 Yrs. Experience
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24 Hour Service

ATTENDANTS NEEDED to work part-time in the homes of the elderly. Includes light housekeeping, personal care, and other various duties. Must be dependable and honest. \$4.25 an hour. Call Concepts of Care at 1-800-825-4499.
38-2tc

TAKING APPLICATIONS for housekeepers for the elderly. Call collect 655-8186.
38-3tc

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JUST WINDOWS

For cleaning info, call 453-4714 or 453-2786.
38-2tp

...Classified Ads

GARAGE SALES

BRONTE EASTERN STAR Garage and Bake Sale, Saturday, May 4, 8 am, Bank parking lot.
38b-1tp

GARAGE SALE: 402 S. Washington, Saturday, May 4, 8 - 3, Bronte. Lots of clothes, furniture, and misc. items.
38-1tp

Bell's Dirt Construction

Back-Hoe Dump Truck Roadgrader
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DON BELL
453-2259 Robert Lee

GARAGE SALE - Saturday, 8-4 pm. Clothes, misc. items. 401 W. 17th, Robert Lee.
38-1tp

PATIO SALE - Saturday, May 4, 8-5. Little bit of everything. 218 Zero St., Robert Lee.
38-1tc

GARAGE SALE - May 3, 4, 5, 305 East 5th Street, Robert Lee, from 7:30 am to?
38-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS our thanks and gratitude for all the love and kindness extended to us following the loss of our loved one.
Special appreciation for the wonderful service, floral offerings, memorials, the food brought, and also to the ladies who served at the church.
God's richest blessing to all of you.
The Bill McKown Family
38-1tc

I WOULD LIKE to publicly thank Elmer and Barbara Adkins for the beautiful work they did on my parents' graves in the Robert Lee Cemetery. After struggling on my own for so long with poor results, it gives me such peace to finally see them so well cared for.
Dora Richardson Springer
Abilene, Texas
38-1tc

HATS OFF - Thanks to all Bike-A-Thon participants, volunteers, and the many sponsors who supported the riders. You made the ride a great success!
Kay Torres
Coordinator
38-1tc

THANK YOU SO MUCH for the kindness and sympathy you extended to us during the illness and death of my father, Jess Womack.
Dink & Jackie Lanier & Family
38-1tc

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Gulf Oil reunion set for May 13-15

The Gulf Oil Retirees' Reunion 1991 starts at 2 pm Monday, May 13, 1991, until 2 pm Wednesday, May 15, 1991. It is to be held at The Beach Lodge, Brownwood State Park, Brownwood, Texas.

The Beach Lodge is a community type building, operated by Brownwood State Park, with commercial type kitchen, dining and den area.

Paper goods, coffee, tea, and bread will be furnished.

State Park cabins with complete kitchen facilities and RV campsites are available with complete hook-ups, but it is recommended reservations be made by calling 915-784-5223. Cabins and campsites are just a-hoot-and-hollow from Beach Lodge.

Mark your calendar and pass the word to any and all Ex-Gulfers. This reunion has been held for years, but we need some of the younger Gulf Oil Corporation retirees in order to keep it going.

Come on down to our two-day pig-out and enjoy it, with lots of table games, and conversation with the old-timers who will keep you up for hours.

Lucketts travel eastward

It's that time of the year again!! Time for the Lockett Clan to pack the van and head to a pre-determined destination for sightseeing. The family members enjoy tramping through historical sites together. This year took the group to the East Texas piney woods and back to their "roots." Their parents, G. D. and Mattie Lockett, were born and reared in East Texas.

The first stop was in Kilgore to tour the East Texas Oil Museum. Then on to the old town of Jefferson. Down narrow brick streets, past beautiful restored homes of the mid 1800s - many with state and national historical markers, through musty smelling museums with hundreds of items from the past on display. While chatting with the elderly librarian in the Carnegie Library, she informed the visitors that Jefferson had 32 antique shops! The normal 2,519 population swells to more than 50,000 the first weekend of May when the Historical Pilgrimage is held.

Bill Lockett, the driver, headed the van to the Louisiana border and down Interstate 49 to Natchitoches and arrived at the home of Ginger, Sid, and Dewey Eubanks for an evening "Crawfish Boil" on the patio in their lovely backyard.

Hodges Gardens, near Many, Louisiana, was the destination Saturday morning. The beautiful gardens were

the backdrop for much picture taking.

Dinner at the nationally known Lasyone's where real cajun food is served was thoroughly enjoyed by all. While the menfolk toured the big papermill where Sid is computer controller, the ladies shopped along the old Front Street mercantiles.

On the way home Sunday, the family stopped by Frankston to visit a cousin. Hoping to cheer the ailing man, they left laughing from the humorous stories he told in true Lockett tradition.

Another great time was had and thoughts turn to next spring. Travelers were Joy and A. J. McDaniel of San Angelo, Helen Murtishaw, Bill and Diane Lockett, and Pat Oglesby, all of Bronte.



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Need help to quit smoking? Call your local American Lung Association.

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ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS

Coke County and Fisher County (hereinafter called the OWNER) will receive Bids for Airport Lighting Improvements, Robert Lee Airport and Rotan/Roby Airport until 11:00 AM, Monday, June 10, 1991, in the Commissioners Court Room at the Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, which time and place all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Consideration for award of the Bid will be made at 11:00 AM, Monday, June 10, 1991, at the Coke County Commissioners Court Meeting, Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas and at 2:00 PM, Monday, June 10, 1991, at the Fisher County Commissioners Court Meeting, Fisher County Courthouse, Roby, Texas.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

At the Robert Lee Airport a medium intensity runway lighting system will be installed on a 4,400 LF runway and will include a photo cell, transclosure, 10-inch beacon, beacon tower, radio control unit, lighted wind cone and segmented circle. A low intensity runway lighting system will be replaced with a medium intensity runway lighting system at the Rotan/Roby Airport. The MRL (runway 3,300 LF) will include a radio control unit, photo cell, transclosure and new wiring to the existing beacon and wind cone.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file at the office of GSW & Associates, 1030 Andrews Highway, Suite 211, Midland, Texas 79701 and Coke County, Robert Lee, Texas and Fisher County, Roby, Texas.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased for \$50.00 from GSW & Associates for each set of documents obtained. No refunds will be made.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the OWNER, negotiable U.S. Government bond (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

The Contractor must insure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin on the entire project.

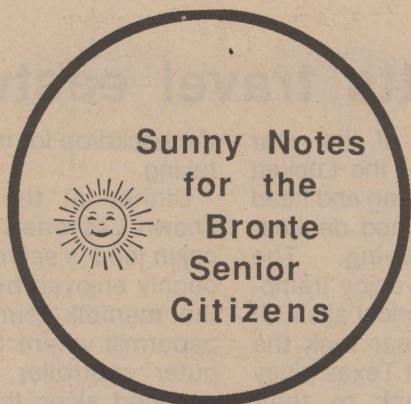
The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities in the Bidding.

If the Bid is not awarded at the previously mentioned meetings of the Coke County and Fisher County Commissioners Court on June 10, 1991, then the Bids may be held by the OWNER for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders.

Date April 22, 1991

By: Royce Lee
County Judge, Coke County

By: Marshal Bennett
County Judge, Fisher County



**Sunny Notes
for the
Bronte
Senior
Citizens**

**Senior Citizen
Spring Fling**

The 4th annual Senior Spring Fling is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8th, at the San Angelo Coliseum. Reservations have been turned in already for approximately thirty for lunch from Bronte.

**Better Hearing &
Speech Month**

At 10 am, Thursday, May 9th, the Bronte Senior Citizens will host the Robert Lee Senior Citizens for Brunch. At 11 am, GTE will present a program to those in attendance on devices for the telephone to help those who have a hearing problem.

If you have a family member that might need one of these helpful devices, come to our program at 11 am and learn something about them. These devices are available for purchase through the Customer Service Center in San Angelo. You do not need to be a Senior Citizen to

come to our program. Call the Center in Bronte for more information, 473-2166, and ask for Mary.

Still A Strollin'

We're still strollin' on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays at 8 am.

Meals For The Week

Monday, May 6

Baked Pork Chops
Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Carrots
Cornbread
Peach Cobbler

Wednesday, May 8

The center will be closed due to the Spring Fling in San Angelo.

Friday, May 10

Meat Loaf w/tomatoes
Scalloped Potatoes
Broccoli w/cheese
Whole Wheat Bread
Oatmeal Cookie

These programs are funded in part by the Area Agency on Aging, Concho Valley Council of Governments, through grants from the Texas Department on Aging.

Scotts celebrate reunion

The Scott family celebrated 100 years in Coke County recently with their reunion April 6, 1991.

Daniel Ellis and Sarah Elizabeth Anderson Waldrop Scott were married August 17, 1867. Daniel walked home to Alabama after being held a prisoner in the Civil War. In 1878, they gathered their children and belongings and headed for Texas, first settling in Brazos County and then on to Callahan County before coming to Coke County in 1891.

Their oldest son, Joseph Lee Scott, born in Alabama, was married to Margaret Ann Rodgers September 19, 1897, in Bronte. Descendants of this family have gathered each year for a reunion at the Community Center since 1980. Two of the remaining seven children survive and still live in Bronte. They are "Lizzie" Hester and Joe Ed Scott.

After a day of visiting, eating, golfing, and drawing for door-prizes, the family was involved in a skit, written by Dorothy Scott Pruitt, on the Scott History.

Seventy-two people attended the reunion. Those coming from out of town were: Dean and Dana Scott, January and Kristy, of Dublin, Texas; Jessie and Roy Adams, and Cecil Leroy Scott of Abilene; Adell Springer of Winters; Noel Dean and Sharon Scott of Austin; Steve Scott of Dallas; Gary Scott of Ft. Worth; Bill Scott of Athens; Ben and Maurice Jones of Milwaukie, Oregon; Viva, Kyle, and Koby

Caldwell of Conroe; Pat Murphy of Hobbs, New Mexico; James and Bette Scott of Roscoe; Ken and Linda Scott, Barrett and Allison of Odessa; Becky Byron and baby of Gatesville; Mickey Scott of San Angelo; Norma and Brian Albright of Odessa; Troy Scott of Denver City; Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Brown and Elijah of Irving; and Wayne and Shirley Brown of Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Attending from Bronte were: Lizzie Hester; Joe Ed and Wilma Scott; Beatrice Collins; Faye Scott; Ella Pruitt; Ray and Odella Coalson; Steve and Brenda Hines; David, Donna, Darla, and Dustin Scott; Merritt, Elaine, Zane, Amanda, and Terrance Scott; Janet McDaniel; Loy Wrinkle; Patricia, Marinda, and Clint; Noah and Dorothy Pruitt; Fairy Scott; and Wayne, Shaye, Kanah, Riley, and Ariel Coalson.

Representing the Rodgers side of the family were: Mary Lavada McCutchen Paul; Myrtis L. Gilmore, and Aurelia (Pat) Castle of San Antonio; Louise Rodgers, Devine, and Doyle and Ina Bell Berryman of Hobbs, New Mexico.

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**COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS**

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Ranchers fighting brush encroachment on their ranges should plan to attend the Brush Management Symposium to be held May 7-8 in Abilene. Site for the symposium is the McGlothlin Campus Center (Main Room) at Abilene Christian University.

Registration begins at 8 am each day with the program beginning at 8:30 am and finishing at 5 pm on May 7 and 3 pm on May 8.

Programs presented and tours should be very informative to producers. For more information and agenda of the meetings, contact the Coke County Extension Office.

With the numerous tests conducted in Coke County the past several years, it can be concluded that pricklypear can be effectively controlled with a good prescribed burn followed by a reduced rate of chemical control (1/8 pound of Grazon PC per acre) or a mediocre burn followed by 1/4 pound of Grazon PC per acre.

These results have been gained by either burning first and following this practice with chemical control or spraying first followed by prescribed burning of the pasture.

In a period of three years, over 4,000 acres in Coke County have been treated and changed from patches to almost solid waist-high pricklypear clumps to scattered

remnants of dying pads. Grass production with proper grazing management following treatment has increased proportionally.

Producers who might be thinking about performing a prescribed burn need to begin doing some planning at least 6-8 months ahead of the burn. Some deferment must be done to allow enough forage production for fuel load to maintain the fire. Most of these prescribed burns have been accomplished in January to February before the pasture begins to green up.

Persons interested in learning more about prescribed burning can contact the County Extension Agent.

Shade is desirable in the landscape, but it is the Number 1 problem in growing turf grass.

Many people just do not understand that grasses do not do as well in shade as they do in full sunlight. There are a lot of situations where you just can't grow grass in the environment that you have.

Environmental changes caused by shade have a major effect on grass. Reduced light, less extreme temperatures, increased humidity, restricted air movement, competition from trees, increased disease problems and shallow root systems are all products of shade.

Additionally, grass in shade

has less ability to use nitrogen, less photosynthetic activity, less growth, less wear tolerance, more susceptibility to pre-emergence herbicides and less tolerance to cold.

The problem is not fertilizer or water, it is light. To grow turf in the shade, you must have shade-tolerant grass.

Bermuda grass and buffalograss have little shade tolerance. San Augustine is probably the most shade tolerant warm season grass, followed closely by centipede and zoysia, both which are extremely hard to establish and survive in Coke County. Tall fescue, a cool season grass, will grow in moderate to heavy shade where San Augustine fails.

For any success at growing grass in filtered shade, the following suggestions should be practiced:

- Start with a grass variety suitable for shade.
- Raise the mowing height.
- Water deep and infrequently.
- Apply nitrogen moderately in spring and fall.
- Avoid high nitrogen applications in the summer.

In many heavily shaded areas, it is best to use ground cover plants or other landscape materials rather than wasting time and money to go against nature.

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