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Improvement projects enhance Bronte

There has been a lot of activity going on around the Gazebo in Bronte this year. Landscape mounds were formed and are now covered with grass. The 7 large oak

trees were donated and planted by Mike Johnson, owner of The Tree Spade. Mr. Johnson continues to help with long-range plans for the area around the Gazebo.

Efforts continue toward improving the appearance of other areas of the City. City employees completed the painting of the City Hall, and have begun the necessary alterations to the building to comply with the American Disabilities Act. Several businesses have painted their exteriors. Flower beds and planters provided extra color to the downtown area this summer.



Shawn Barnes, daughter of Jeff and Melodie Barnes of Robert Lee, was crowned Miss WC-CCD during the Labor Day Extravaganza. Named Little Miss WCCCD was Hillary Wyatt (front), daughter of Chris and Nancy Wyatt. The pair will represent West Coke County Community Development in local events until next September. Crowning of the new royalty was done by last year's representatives, Cassidy Wink and Jamie Luna.

Coke Comment

by Hal Spain, Publisher

With all the hullaballo surrounding the Marcus Cable - KLST-TV controversy in San Angelo, we have received several inquiries as to how this will affect our cable viewing in Robert Lee and Bronte.

According to West Texas Cablevision local manager, Kenny White, the cable has agreements to broadcast with KIDY, the San Angelo Fox affiliate, KRBC, the Abilene NBC affiliate, and KTAB, an Abilene-based CBS affiliate.

Agreements are pending with KLST in San Angelo at this time, and White was positive about the prospects of an agreement, but was not in a position to announce anything until all the documents have been signed.

Robert Lee and Bronte cable viewers are in a little different position than their counterparts in San Angelo. If no agreement is reached, county residents will still receive CBS programming from KTAB. San Angelo cable viewers

would not at this time have an alternative CBS affiliate to watch.

Seems to me like it is in the best interest of both the cable systems and KLST to work out some kind of agreement (cheap), and stop all the name calling.

Just because the law change allows KLST to charge the cable company, doesn't mean it's in their best interest to take advantage of it.

If they aren't on cable, KLST's ad rates should be reduced to reflect the reduction in viewers. By the same token, the cable's not worth as much to subscribers if KLST is not on board.

It's not all that complicated to me. When an agreement will mutually benefit both parties involved, sign the darn thing and get on with your business.

Cable rep Kenny White stated they would inform subscribers as soon as an agreement was reached.



Robert Lee volunteer firefighters battle a house fire Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cuin Norvell at the corner of Bishop and 10th St. Boiling smoke obscures the house and highway as law enforcement officers block traffic. The Norvells were not at home when neighbors reported the blaze. The home and its contents looked to be a total loss.

Dr. Ridlehoover new FBC pastor

Dr. Jack Ridlehoover of Abilene will be the Interim pastor of First Baptist Church, Bronte, effective next Sunday, Sept. 26, and will serve until the church selects a new permanent pastor.

Dr. "Jack" retired a year and half ago as pastor of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church in Abilene where he pastored for 24 years and underwent 8 major building programs.

He recently completed an interim assignment with First Baptist Church of Eastland.

He and his colleagues have established the Ministers Mentoring and Consulting Service.

Strickland graduates

Tod Strickland, a 1987 graduate of Bronte High School, graduated from TSTC of Waco recently.

He was honored by being on the Dean's Honor Roll. He received an Associate Degree in Instrumentation with his Nuclear Training while a member of the U. S. Navy. He was qualified for Instrumentation.

He is the son of Sharon Kennedy of Winters and Bob Strickland of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hurley and Mrs. Marie Strickland of Bronte are his grandparents.

Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Ass'n.

The Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association will meet Tuesday, September 28, at 5:35 pm, at the Robert Lee City Hall. All interested parties are urged to attend.

Upcoming

Br. Cemetery Work Day

A work day for the Fairview Cemetery in Bronte has been set for Wednesday, September 29. The day is scheduled to begin at 8:00 am. Volunteers are desperately needed for this project. Please remember this cemetery belongs to the community of Bronte and your help in keeping it clean and neat is vital. Refreshments will be provided for all volunteers.

Tuesday Special

The Coke County Cavaliers will provide C/W music for the Tuesday Special Dance on September 28 at 7:30 pm. Held the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee, it is for dancers of all ages and tickets are available at the door.

4-H Foods Project

Attention, 4-H members who have not yet signed up for the foods project. The DEADLINE is Monday, Sept. 27th. To participate in the Food Show, you must attend the Foods Lab on Monday,

Oct. 4th & 11th. Call the Extension office for more details concerning the foods and nutrition project. County Food Show will be Saturday, November 6th.

New RL fire fighters

The Robert Lee Fire Department is proud to report that since the appeal for members was made 9 new members have been enrolled. This brings the number of fire fighters to 21. This meets the minimum, but the department hopes to recruit several more in order to stay at or above the 20, if it becomes necessary for some to leave. For more information check at City Hall, or attend a drill on the first or third Monday of each month.

RL PTA Dinner

Robert Lee PTA will again be hosting a Mexican Pile-On dinner before the Homecoming game Friday, October 1, in Robert Lee. The dinner will be held from 5:00-7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Tickets will be available from any PTA member or at the door the night of the dinner.

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Obituaries

Baggett

Funeral services for Theron Chester Baggett, 74, of Caldwell, formerly of Bronte, were held at 10 am Tuesday, September 14 at Lone Oak Baptist Church in the Lone Oak community near Caldwell.

The Rev. James Hooper, pastor, officiated. Graveside services were held at 5 pm Tuesday, September 14 at Gunsight Cemetery near Breckenridge.

Mr. Baggett died Sunday morning, September 12, in St. Joseph Hospital in Bryan.

He was born in Stephens County, the son of Robert M. and Leona Bowen Baggett. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and reached the rank of staff sergeant. He married Mabel Fendley on September 28, 1944, in Clayton, Alabama.

Mr. Baggett worked for Lone Star Gas in Ranger, Bronte, Crane, and other communities for more than 26 years and for Florida Hydrocarbons as a production operator. He moved to the Caldwell area in September, 1981, where he had his own oilfield instrument business and retired as an instrument technician. He was an active member of Lone Oak Baptist Church and was involved in the Brotherhood Men's Group and the Men's Bible Class.

Mr. Baggett was a life member of Campbell-Williams VFW Post 4458 in Caldwell. Family members said he will be remembered as a hardworking, industrious man who loved his family, enjoyed playing dominoes and was an avid reader.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Buck Baggett; and one sister, Oma Lee Brannon.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel Fendley Baggett of Caldwell; two daughters and one son-in-law, Carolyn and Charles Gray of Pensacola, Florida and Barbara Joy Huggins of Richmond, Virginia; four sons and daughters-in-law, David and Susan Baggett of Huntsville; Dale and Marjorie Baggett of Winchester, Virginia; Steve and Brenda Hines of Bronte; and Jimmy and Regina Baggett of Pensacola, Florida; a sister, Reba Mills of Big Spring; a brother, W.O. Baggett of Tulsa, Oklahoma; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Lone Oak Baptist Church in Snook, Texas.

Harper

Funeral services were held at 10 am on Wednesday at the Robert Lee Baptist Church for Joyce Harper. Burial was in Paint Creek Cemetery, west of Robert Lee, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home. Officiant for the services was the Rev. Roy Epperson.

Mrs. Harper, 65, suffered an apparent heart attack at her home in Robert Lee early Monday morning, September 20. She died a short time later in Shannon Medical Center where she was taken by West Coke County EMS ambulance.

She was born January 6, 1928, in Amarillo and had been a Robert Lee resident since 1985, previously living in Goldsmith for 33 years. She was a homemaker, a volunteer for the West Coke County Nursing home, and a member of Robert Lee Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband, Alvin Harper of Robert Lee; her mother, Sally Hodo of Ector County; two sons, Harold Harper of Angleton and John Robert Harper of Tulia; two daughters, Nancy Mattox of Maryland and Linda Sims of Virginia; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Pallbearers for the services included R. L. Flanagan, David Key, Pete Prentice, Zeddie Beal, Weldon Fikes, and Cuin Norvell, all of Robert Lee.

Ford

Rex Hayden Ford, 31, of Midland, and formerly of San Angelo, died Thursday, September 9, five miles east of Midland in a one-vehicle car accident.

Funeral service was held at 2 pm Saturday, September 11, in Johnson Funeral Home

chapel, officiated by Dr. I.W. Greer, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church. Interment followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

He was born March 10, 1962 in San Angelo. A graduate of Lake View High School in 1980, he participated in the football and track athletic programs. He was a salesman for Unifirst Uniform Company in Midland and was #2 in the state of Texas and #16 nationwide for the company.

His survivors include two sons, Dustin Franklin Ford and Collin McClain Ford, both of Midland; their mother, Amy Percifull Ford of Midland; his parents, Henry Edsel and Nelda Fay Jones Ford, of San Angelo; two brothers and their wives, Terry and Carol Ford of Mertzon and Walter and Rebecca Ford of San Angelo; and several nieces and nephews, aunts, and uncles. He was preceded in death by one brother, Henry Garland Ford.

Pallbearers for the services were Jim Manusos of Midland; Buck Duncan of Hobbs, N.M.; Pat Percifull of Robert Lee; Ron Bly, Terrell Park, Danny Kiser, Chris Lykins, and Mitch Lane, all of San Angelo. Honorary pallbearers were Mike Percifull of Sonora, Anthony Percifull of Midland, Joel Percifull of Robert Lee, and Tim Beaty of Denton, Texas.

Ledbetter

Ray Monroe Ledbetter, age 81, of Bartlesville died at 5:32 pm Tuesday, Sept. 21, at the Jane Phillips Medical Center, at Bartlesville, OK.

Mr. Ledbetter was born on March 21, 1912 at Robert Lee, Texas to James E. and Mary A. (Williamson) Ledbetter. He was raised and educated in Robert Lee and attended high school there where he played on the first football team at Robert Lee High School. He served with the U.S. Navy, Seabees during World War II and received his honorable discharge on November 27, 1945. He was active in farming and ranching in Texas and later in Missouri where he moved in 1950. He was married to Loraine Brock at Rogers, Arkansas on December 24, 1952. They made their home at Denver, Colorado and he was employed at the Gates Rubber Company. In 1956 they returned to Missouri and Mr. Ledbetter was active in the real estate

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business in the Seneca, Missouri area with the Brite Agency and later the Fred Leggett Agency. Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter also owned and operated the Lo-Ray Motel between Goodman, Missouri and Neosho, Missouri. They moved to Miami in 1968 and were active with Neal Hall Realtors. They also owned and operated the Ledbetter apartments in Miami. Mr. Ledbetter retired in 1977 and they remained in Miami until Mrs. Ledbetter's retirement from the Bowers Insurance Agency in 1982. Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter came to Bartlesville to make their home in 1983.

He was a member of the Highland Park Baptist Church and the James H. Teel American Legion Post #105 and V.F.W. Post #989.

Mr. Ledbetter is survived by

his wife, Mrs. Loraine Ledbetter of the home, one daughter, Mrs. Stan (Rhonda) Branson of Bartlesville; two sisters, Zelma Caperton and Maxine Percifull, both of Bronte, Texas; two grandchildren, Stacy Rae Branson and Kyle Stanton Branson, both of Bartlesville. Mr. Ledbetter was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

Funeral services for Mr. Ledbetter were held at 2:00 pm Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel in Bartlesville with Rev. Ralph Dershem officiating. Interment was at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Bartlesville where full military rites were accorded by the James H. Teel American Legion Post #105.

Funeral services and interment were under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home.

Millican has club program

The '64 Study Club of Robert Lee met September 14, at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Club members and two guests heard Kelly Millican, Senior Citizen's coordinator, explain the many services available to the public. Not only senior citizens, but children and others can be served as well. Financial aid for food, travel, and home expenses are possible for those who qualify. Kelly urges people who need help to contact her office at the Senior Citizen's Center in the older Recreation Hall near the swimming pool.

of business was the taking of a final vote on a question of long standing: Shall the '64 Study Club remain federated with the national, state, and district federated organization?

The vote was overwhelmingly against the plan. The club will remain a study and service club, thereby enabling members to keep the large amount of money needed to send to Federation Headquarters for increasing expenses of the different levels of federation, - the largest women's organization in the world.

After the hostesses, Margaret Jones, Opal Baker, Reba Tabor, and Pauline Vaughan, served refreshments, President Winnie Pitcock presided over a business meeting. The last order

Members will conduct the '64 Study Club by the same by-laws they now use, but will have more money to use for local scholarships, EMS, Fire Department, etc.

October's meeting will be held at Bryan's Barn.

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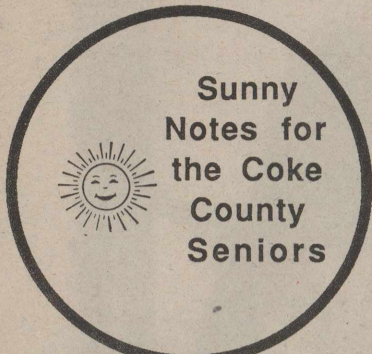
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CLOUD SEEDING EVENT INFORMATION AS PERFORMED BY THE COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OVER COKE COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THE SEVEN DAY PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 17, 1993

On September 13, 1993, a cloud system was seeded beginning at 3:31 pm and ending at 3:50 pm, Central Daylight Savings Time, over an area 18 miles west, northwest to 19 miles northwest of Robert Lee. Clouds were moving north, northeast at 25 miles per hour.

O.H. Ivie
General Manager
Colorado River Municipal Water District
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Sunny Notes for the Coke County Seniors

Bronte News Ombudsman Needed

Just what is an Ombudsman? An Ombudsman is a specially trained and certified volunteer who advocates for quality care in Texas nursing facilities. They provide information to residents and family about rights and procedures and helps identify additional resources in or out of the facility. They investigate and resolve complaints by or on behalf of nursing home residents and works with residents, families, friends, and facility staff to resolve complaints and difficulties.

A representative from the Area Agency on Aging in San Angelo will be at the Bronte Senior Center on Monday, September 27 at 1:00 pm to visit with those who might be interested in the job as Ombudsman.

Lake Ivie Bound

A dozen or so senior citizens are headed to Lake Ivie for a boat trip around the lake. This trip was scheduled in June but due to high winds had to be cancelled. Tuesday, September 28 is our day for the trip. If you are interested we might be able to take a few more. Call the Bronte Senior Center for more information.

'88' & Potluck Luncheon

Come join us beginning at 9:00 am for dominoes, a nutrition program at 11:15 by Jan Yanez, Home Economics County Extension Agent and a delicious Potluck lunch at 11:30. So mark your calendar for Thursday, September 30.

55 Alive Mature Driving

November 9 and 10 are dates for our '55 Alive' class. This is a classroom refresher course for drivers 50 years of age and over. Persons with traffic tickets cannot take this course. It is only approved for auto insurance discount of 10% for 3 years. Call the Bronte Senior Center for more information. This is open to everyone in Coke County and surrounding areas. There is a limit of 24 so call early to reserve your place.

Meals for the Week Monday, Sept. 27

- Chili Con Carne
- Corn
- Cabbage
- Cornbread
- Fruit Jello w/topping

Wednesday, Sept. 29

- Bar-B-Q Brisket
- Pickle
- Relish
- Scalloped Potatoes
- Tomatoes
- Peanut Butter Cookies

Friday, October 1

- Pork Chops w/gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Seasoned Carrots
- Hot Roll
- Peach Cobbler

These programs are funded in part by the Area Agency on Aging, Concho Valley Council of Governments.



Leola Hughes, Goldie Vest, Permella Reed and Lola Whittenton (not pictured) were honorees for the monthly Birthday Party on September 17th at the Bronte Nursing Home. The Share and Grow department of the First Methodist Church were hostesses for the party. Entertainment was provided by Mary Belle Hilliard and Don Edmiaston.

King named Commended Student

The principal, Scott Turner of Bronte High School, announced today that Walter King has been named a Commended Student in the 1994 National Merit Scholarship Program. A letter of Commendation from National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the school to this outstanding senior.

About 35,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being honored for their outstanding performance on the 1992 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which was the route of entry to the 1994 Merit Program. Commended Students have shown exceptional academic promise by placing among the top five percent of more than one million program entrants; however, their qualifying test scores are slightly below the level required to continue in the competition for Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1994.

An NMSC spokesperson stated, "Being designated a Commended Student in this keen competition is a credit to

these young people as well as to their schools, which play a key role in their development. We hope that the recognition these scholastically able students receive will encourage them to develop their talents and abilities to the fullest, and that the example they set will inspire other young men and women to strive for academic excellence. Commended Students represent a valuable intellectual resource crucial to our nation's well being."

Br. FFA attends West Texas Fair & Rodeo

Members in the Bronte FFA Chapter participated in various activities in the West Texas Fair & Rodeo in Abilene.

Russel Vaughan, Cody Holland, Chad Barnett, and Todd Harrell participated in the calf scramble at the rodeo on Thursday night. Russell Vaughan received a purchase certificate for catching a calf.


Cody Holland exhibited his Simmental heifer to 6th place in the breeding cattle show.

Russel Vaughan also exhibited a 3rd place and a 9th place steer in the steer show.

Each student enjoyed the fun-filled afternoon at the West Texas Fair & Rodeo and all are hoping to attend again.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Steer defense holds Snyder scoreless

by Bill Burns

The Steers are rolling right along with a win against Snyder J.V. last Friday night. The Steer defense still has not been scored on this year. Judd Pitcock, Jerrod Vincent, and Bart Goodman, along with the rest of the defense, are all doing an outstanding job.

We may be getting close to calling this defense, "The Bumble Bee Defense", as Ronnie Baker used to call the Steer defense.

First Quarter

Snyder J.V. received the kick but could not move the ball. Snyder elected to punt, but Dean Burns broke through the offense and blocked the punt. Burns picked the ball up and advanced it to the Snyder 4 yard line before being tackled.

Jason Wyatt then covered the 4 yards for a Steer TD. Scot Millican kicked the extra point. With 2:19 left in the quarter Joe Blair completed a 23 yard TD pass to John Williams. Millican was good for the extra point. As the quarter was running down Williams recovered a Snyder fumble.

Second Quarter

All the Steers had a good second quarter. They played good, solid defense and the offense scored two TDs. With 5:37 remaining Jason Wyatt carried for a 2 yard TD. Millican kicked the extra point. With 1:25 remaining Adam Morgan carried for a two yard TD. With Mark Owen doing an outstanding job of snapping and Joe Blair placing the ball Scot Millican kicked his fourth extra

point of the night.

Third Quarter

The Steer defense did not give up anything to Snyder. The Steer offense was still moving the ball right down the field. With 7:49 left Morgan went over from the 1 yard line. Millican kicked the extra point.

Korey Pitcock came up with a fumble for the Steers.

Fourth Quarter

Aaron Hood completed a 26 yard pass to Jeremy Vincent for a Steer TD. Millican again was good on the kick. With 0:41 left Aaron Hood ran for a one yard TD. Millican's kick was good for his seventh of the night. Jason Wyatt had an interception for the Steers. Good Job Steers!!! Steers-49, Snyder JV-0.

Homecoming activities set

by Rachel Pentecost
Student Council Reporter

The countdown has begun! Only one more week till Robert Lee High School's most exciting night, Homecoming '93. Every person at RLHS is busy planning and preparing for this awesome day. For the students, homecoming activities begin Monday with Numbers Contest Day followed by Tuesday which is Hat Day, Wednesday - Injured Hornet Day, Thursday - Sunglasses and Do Rag Day, and Friday - Steer Spirit Day. Each student 7th-12th grade is encouraged to participate in these fun-filled activities.

A new addition to the homecoming festivities is a pep rally on the courthouse square Thursday night at 8:00 pm. The public is encouraged to attend and share in the spirit-filled event. The Steers need everyone's support for the big game.

Friday's activities will begin with the parade at 2:30 downtown. The theme for this year's parade is Steer Wars. RLHS welcomes all public entrants in the parade to add to the excitement.

Immediately following the parade the pep rally will be held in the high school gymnasium. Again the public is encouraged to attend and show their support.

The climax of the week's activities, the game against Irion County, begins at 7:30. The 1993-94 Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned by last year's royalty, Shelley Burrows and Danny Jackson, at halftime. Candidates for Homecoming Queen are Kim Carver - senior, Shanon Parks - senior; Danielle Glenn - senior, and Christy Hendry - junior. Candidates for Homecoming King are Dean Burns - senior, Scot Millican - senior; Joe Blair - senior, and Lee McCown - junior.

Also receiving honors at

halftime will be Mr. and Miss. RLHS, Elaine Gibbs and John Williams. Congratulations to all the students for their nominations.

The Homecoming Dance will be held at the new rec hall and will begin at 10:00 pm and last till 1:00 am. It is open to the public.

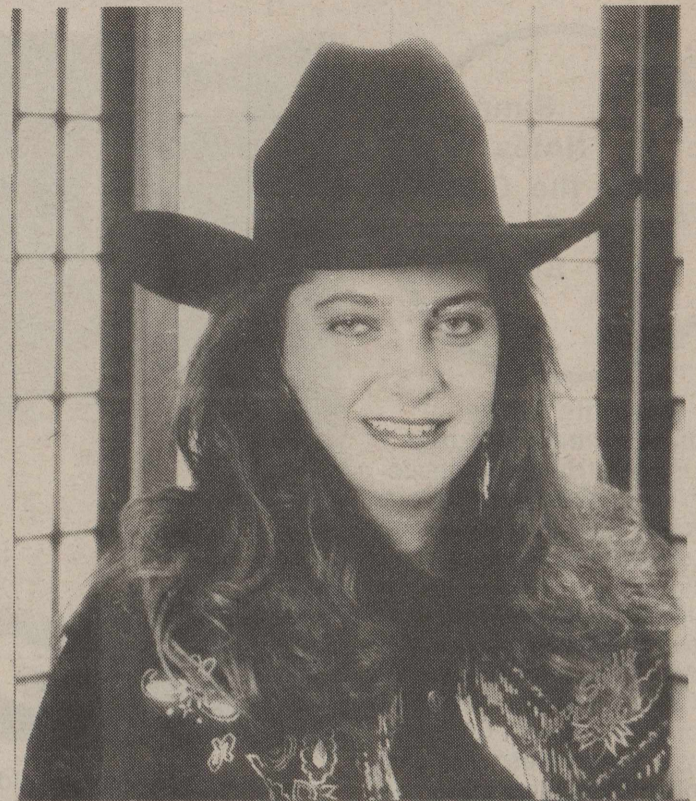
The entire student body and staff of RLHS would like to encourage everyone to join in the festivities and get behind the Steers as they enter another winning season. To make showing your spirit easier the cheerleaders are selling Steer football shirts. To purchase one contact any cheerleader or Mrs. Sheri Millican. Let's all show our Steer spirit and help the Steers to a rousing victory over the Irion County Hornets. GO STEERS!

Dogies defeat Irion Co.

The Dogies traveled to Irion County last week for their second game of the season. The Dogies again looked very impressive - winning 28-0. The Dogie defense held the Hornets all night long. The offense was led by Matthew Millican scoring 2 touchdowns. Micheal Munoz and Johnny Samaniego added one touchdown each. Two point conversions were added by Chad Helwig and Samaniego. The Dogies will travel to Miles Thursday, September 23 to face the Bulldogs. Details of that game will be in next week's paper.

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Pile-On**

October 1, 1993
RLHS Cafeteria
\$4.00 - Adults
\$2.00 - Under 12 years
5:00-7:00 pm
Carry out will be available.



Kannan Millican, daughter of Marshall and Sheri Millican of Robert Lee, recently competed in the Miss West Texas Rodeo Teen contest. Even though she did not win the title, she made new friends, gained a great deal of experience, and had a lot of fun.

RL PTA

The Robert Lee ISD has recently put into service two new computer reading programs for students at the school. Purchased for the school by the local Robert Lee PTA Chapter, the reading programs are designed to allow students to read specified books and then test their knowledge using the computer. The new learning packets promise to make reading a fun and rewarding experience for Robert Lee students. The Robert Lee PTA Chapter was pleased to be able to fund two separate reading systems - one for the

elementary library and one for the high school library. Funds raised last fall at a Homecoming Mexican Dinner made this possible.

RL Class of '43

The Robert Lee High School Class of 1943 is meeting for their 50th class reunion on Saturday, October 2, at the Masonic Lodge Building. The reunion will be held from 2 pm until 4 pm.

Also, a special recognition for the group is being planned at Friday night's homecoming game. Class members are encouraged to meet at 6:30; so they may sit as a group during the game.

SCHOOL MENU

Monday, Sept. 27

Pigs in a Blanket w/mustard
Macaroni and Cheese
Blackeye Peas
Brownies
Milk

Tuesday, Sept. 28

Rib-A-Que
Potato Salad
Pinto Beans
Corn Bread w/butter
Sliced Peaches
Milk

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Taco Salad w/cheese
Corn
Chopped Onion
Lettuce-Tomato Salad
Apple crisp
Milk

Thursday, Sept. 30

Fish Sticks w/tartar sauce
Cream Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls w/butter
Jello
Milk

Friday, Oct. 1

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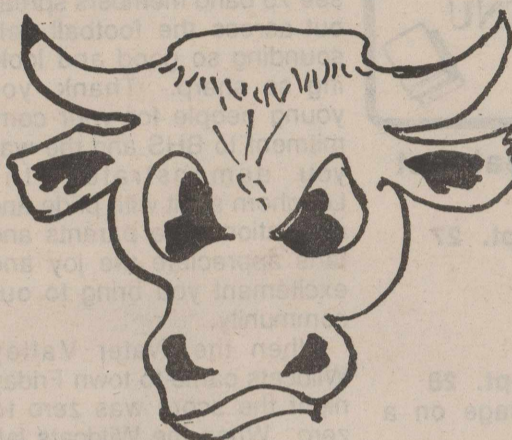
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ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL

1993 RLHS Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
August 26	Open			
Sept. 3	Miles	Here	8:00	43 8
Sept. 10	Water Valley	There	8:00	27 0
Sept. 16	Snyder JV	Here	6:00	49 0
Sept. 24	Garden City	There	8:00	
Oct. 1**	Irion County	Here	7:30	
Oct. 8*	Bronte	There	7:30	
Oct. 15*	Forsan	There	7:30	
Oct. 22*	Sterling City	Here	7:30	
Oct. 29*	Roscoe	There	7:30	
Nov. 5*	Roby	Here	7:30	

**Homecoming
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Friday, Sept. 24
8:00 P.M. THERE
**ROBERT LEE STEERS
VS.
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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Horns continue winning ways over WV

After two weeks of traveling it was really nice to be home Friday night to watch the Bronte Longhorns entertain the Water Valley Wildcats. Many of the Bronte Longhorn

fans saw for the first time this season the results of hard work by the Coaching Staff and band directors George Tomes as well as the athletes and band members. It was very refreshing to watch the Longhorns execute so well on offense and defense and see 75 band members spread out across the football field sounding so good and looking so sharp. Thank you young people for your commitment to BHS and the way you demonstrate the Longhorn spirit with pride and dedication. We parents and fans appreciate the joy and excitement you bring to our community.

When the Water Valley Wildcats came to town Friday night the score was zero to zero. When the Wildcats left town Friday night they still had zero points and Bronte had 29. The Longhorns shut down the Wildcat offense allowing them 81 yards rushing on 28 carries, and 58 yards passing on 12 attempts. Jason Wilson and Jason Cooper intercepted one pass each. Jason Cooper returned his interception 45 yards for a touchdown. Jason Wilson got his 1st interception last week and I erroneously gave credit to Kale Beck. Brian Hall recovered a fumble in the fourth quarter to stop the only long drive of the night for the Wildcats. David Cason had an outstanding game on defense with his aggressive play and ability to help keep the defense fired up. The Longhorn offense rolled up 316 yards rushing on 53 carries and 35 yards passing on 8 attempts gaining 25 1st downs for the night. Seven different Longhorns carried the ball for an average of 5.9 yards per carry. Leading ground gainers were Gary Bilbrey 141 yards on 22 carries, Brent Taylor 70 yards on 9 carries, Brian Hall 47 yards on 10 carries and Russell Vaughan had 24 yards on 6 carries. The offensive line provided lots of running room for these guys, allowing them

to pickup this kind of yardage.

In the 1st quarter the Wildcats took the opening kick off and returned to ball to their own 35 yard line. The Longhorns defense refused to give up yardage so the Wildcats had to punt the ball away. The Longhorns began their 1st long drive of the evening on their own 35 yard line. Eight plays later Jason Cooper carried the ball into the end zone on a 5 yard run. Rudy Sanchez kicked the extra point. At the end of the 1st quarter the score was 7-0.

In the 2nd quarter the Longhorns got 2 points on a safety when the Wildcat's punter tried to retrieve a bad snap from the center. Instead of trying to run the ball out of the end zone or risk being tackled in the end zone, he picked up the ball and pitched it over the fence behind the end zone. I guess he figured that was "hot pigskin" so he got rid of it. The Wildcats had to punt from their own 20 yard line giving the Longhorns good field position on the next possession. After receiving the punt and returning the ball to the Water Valley 35 yard line, it took six plays before Gary Bilbrey scored from three yards out. The extra point attempt failed. On the next Wildcat possession Jason Wilson picked off his second pass interception of the season on the Longhorn 25 yard line. Eleven plays later, Brian Hall scored on a six yard run. Rudy Sanchez kicked the extra point. On this long drive "Big Rudy" was on the receiving end of a pass and run from Brent Taylor that covered 19 yards.

In the 3rd quarter the Longhorns took the opening kick off to their own 45 yard line. Seven plays later they were on the Wildcat 10 yard line but could not pick up the first down, and the ball went over on downs. On this Wildcat possession Jason Cooper picked off a Wildcat pass and returned it 45 yards for his second touchdown of the night. Rudy Sanchez kicked



Geneva Minnick (l) and Lois Wallace are Bronte's Green Thumb employees. They both work at the Bronte Senior Center.



Bronte Breakfast Menu

Monday, Sept. 27

Cereal
Pineapple Tidbits
Toast
Milk

Tuesday, Sept. 28

Pancake & Sausage on a Stick
Grape Juice
Milk

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Scrambled Eggs
Orange Juice
Biscuit
Milk

Thursday, Sept. 30

Sausage
Apple Juice
Pancakes
Milk

Friday, Oct. 1

Cereal
Orange
Toast
Milk

Lunch Menu

Monday, Sept. 27

Pizza
Buttered Corn
Tossed Salad
Milk
Chocolate Pudding

Tuesday, Sept. 28

Chicken Fried Steak w/gravy
Creamed Potatoes
Sweet Peas
Rolls
Milk
Fruit Cup

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Tacos w/cheese
Pinto Beans
Tossed Salad
Cornbread
Milk
Peanut Butter Bars

Thursday, Sept. 30

Chick-Fil-A Sandwich
Ranch Style Beans
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
Bun
Chips
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Orange

Friday, Oct. 1

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Buttered Corn
Tossed Salad
Fritos
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the extra point. Third quarter score was 29-0.

In the 4th quarter the Wildcats had their longest drive of the night picking up four of their 8 first downs of the game. Brian Hall recovered a fumble to end the potential touchdown drive. The Longhorns continued to move the ball and the defense held the Wildcats scoreless.

The victory was a collective effort by both the offensive and defensive teams. The Longhorns travel to Irion County next Friday.

Br. PTA

Bronte PTA met Tuesday, Sept. 14, in the school auditorium. The theme for the meeting was "Meet the Teachers". President Bonnie Reed opened the meeting by welcoming all parents, community members, and school staff. She then recognized the PTA officers and the school board members. Superintendent Michael Hartman, Junior High/High School Principal Scott Turner, and Elementary Principal Robbie Sanford each spoke to the audience and explained some of the completed projects, ongoing projects, and goals

for Bronte schools. Mr. Turner and Mr. Sanford introduced the school staff and thanked them for their hard work and dedication. Parent attendance was then counted for each class. At the end of the year the class with the most parent/grandparent attendance will be rewarded. The audience then moved to the classrooms to become better acquainted with the teachers and their children's classrooms. Refreshments were served in the school cafeteria after room visitation. The next PTA meeting will be in November. Please watch for announcements and make plans to join us.

Personal

Kim Blair of Bronte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blair of Bronte auditioned for District Choir that is sponsored by Texas Music Educators Association in Sweetwater last week. She was accepted as a second soprano.

She will audition on October 16 for the Regional Choir.

There are people who can talk sensibly about a controversial issue; they're called humorists. Cullen Hightower

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BRONTE LONGHORN FOOTBALL

1993 BHS Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Sept. 3	Cross Plains	There	8:00	12 7
Sept. 10	Miles	There	8:00	34 0
Sept. 17	Water Valley	Here	8:00	29 0
Sept. 24	Irion Co.	There	8:00	
Oct. 1	Menard	Here	8:00	
Oct. 8*	Robert Lee	Here	7:30	
Oct. 15*	Sterling City	There	7:30	
Oct. 22*	Roscoe	Here	7:30	
Oct. 29*	Roby	There	7:30	
Nov. 5*	Forsan	Here	7:30	

*District Games

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Shea Keltner Rudy Sanchez*

Lady Horns capture C. City tournament

The Lady Longhorns traveled to Colorado City last weekend to capture their first tournament championship since the Longhorns won state in 1992. All the teams in the Class 4-1A competed in this tournament. The eight teams that played were Bronte, Water Valley, Miles, Santa Anna, Rotan, Colorado City, Tahoka, and Knox City. The Longhorns placed first defeating Tahoka in the Championship game (7-15, 15-10, 15-8).

The Lady Longhorns met Water Valley early Saturday morning. In the first game Bronte defeated the Wildcats 15-7. The Horns jumped out into a four point lead. Jennifer McCorkle had outstanding blocks and Cheryl Santos had powerful kills. The strongest point of the game was team cohesiveness by Jill Johnson, Joni Barrett, Kim Blair, Vanessa Halstead, Jennifer McCorkle and Cheryl Santos. Next, the Lady Longhorns relaxed too much. They let the Wildcats jump out into a big lead. Bronte came back, but not soon enough to win the game. The score was 14-16. Finally, to win the match Cheryl Santos served fourteen points in a row, in which six of those points were aces.

The next game, the Horns defeated Miles (15-1, 15-6). They played as a unit. Stand-outs in this match were Kim Blair and Jill Johnson who served well, Vanessa Halstead who had consistent passes, powerful hits by Cheryl Santos, and consistent setting by Joni Barrett.

In the Championship match Bronte defeated Tahoka (7-15, 15-10, 15-8). Missed serves in the first game was what hurt the Horns. In the second game the Horns concentrated on relaxing when they serve, taking control, and being consistent. They showed a lot of character this weekend by playing hard to win the next two games for the win. Gina Clayton and Laura Thomas came off the

bench in the third game at a crucial time. Gina Clayton passed exceptionally well when the Horns desperately needed a good pass. Laura Thomas came in the game as setter and got the job done.

Team cohesiveness was the key to these wins this weekend. The Lady Longhorns had confidence, poise, and took control of every situation. Winning this tournament is a great confidence booster for District

play. October 2nd, District starts against Miles here in Bronte. Awards were presented to All-Tournament selection Vanessa Halstead, and Most Valuable Player, Cheryl Santos.

Next, the Longhorns will play the Lake View and Snyder teams Tuesday night, September 21st, at Lakeview. The freshman, junior varsity, and varsity will play at home Saturday, 25th, at 12:00 noon.

Class of '73 enjoys brunch

The 1973 graduating class of Robert Lee High School enjoyed a brunch on Saturday, September 18, in the home of Stephen and Sterling Allen Myers. A good percentage of the grads attended the brunch, many with spouses and children. Present were: the hosts, Stephen and Sterling Allen Myers of Robert Lee; Truda Alexander Service, Ganado, Texas; Rosanna Boykin Webb and Kevin, Keith and Chasa, Whitesboro, TX; Darlene Brice Gower of Ballinger, TX; Jodelle Cole Block, Karissa, Whitney of San Angelo; Nita Gaye Copeland Williams and Gary, John of Robert Lee;

Bubba Duncan and Audra, Candace Allison, Roscoe, Sheila Heck Carver and Johnny, Kim, Krystal, Robert Lee; Rena Mashburn Johnson and Steve of San Angelo; Jana Mauldin Smith and Randy, Rob, of Robert Lee; Steve Meadows of Katy, TX; Bobby Mumford and Debbie of Houston, TX; Billy Jack Roe and Kristi, T.J. of Robert Lee; Jerry Wojtek and Cindy, Brooke, Brittny, San Angelo; and Rudy Gloria and Mary Jane Zuniga of Bronte. Also in attendance was a special guest, class member Kim Mitchell Godwin and Skip, who did not graduate with the group. Visiting a short time

with the class were R.L. and Evelyn Flanagan and Bill and Bobbie Allen, all of Robert Lee.

The class traveled to San Angelo Saturday evening and had dinner at Zentner's Daughter's Steakhouse. The adults who attended the brunch were joined in San Angelo by other class members at the dinner. Additional members and spouses at the second get-together of the day were: John Balderas and Pauline, San Angelo; Debra Beal Hanna and John, San Angelo; Randy Flanagan and Camille Nixon, Odessa; Jane Hughes Wilson and Jim, San Angelo; Susan Prentice Hanna and Gary, San Angelo; Ricky Wilkes, Big Spring; Harvey Wink and Sherry, Eldorado; and Johnny Wolfe and Keeley, San Angelo.

A number of the group opted to go on to Texas the Club for a night out following the dinner.

Class graduates unable to attend the 10-year reunion were: Rudy Abalos, Richard Bryan, Sid Burns, Vicky Conner Calzado, Alex Costilla, Jamie Craig Henshaw, Mandy Harmon Box, Debbie Hendry Bynum, Becky Large, Mary Lee McCoy Franklin, Dee Anna Percifull Thompson, Kathy Prince Harris, Margie Sanchez Flores, Walter Tinkler, and Sally Wright.



On August 7th weekend, Becky Percifull, Cristie Bagwell, and Margaret Lehr enjoyed visiting and shopping in Fredericksburg, TX. Becky said to tell all her old friends, "Hello!"

SW Golf

Golf results of a card playoff at Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte held on September 16 are as follows:

First place with a 29

Wade Stautzenberger
Katie Campbell
Donald Bailey
Mike Johnson
Donald Butler

Second place with a 29

Clint Adams
Mack Baker
Sam Morgan
Ealy Baker

Third place with a 31

Tom Ensor
Dee Eubanks
Gwen Baker
Kenny White

Br. Eastern Star

Bronte chapter #1048, Order of the Eastern Star met on Monday night at Bronte Masonic Lodge Hall.

Laura Seale, Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron Herman Seale presided at the meeting.

Obligation night was observed with Herman Seale presenting the program.

After the meeting Pat and Martin Lee hosted a social hour with refreshments.

It was a most unusual setting with candlelight only in the meeting room and the Social Room since all electricity was off in Bronte during that time due to the weather.

Balderas, Curtis Exchange Vows

Victoria Balderas and Edgar Charles Curtis were married August 21, 1993, at the home of the bride's parents. Justice of the Peace Joan Davis of Robert Lee officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Minjarez of Bronte. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Curtis of Abilene.

Matron of Honor was Anita Minjarez, sister-in-law of the bride, of Crowley. Best man was Dean Wegener, brother-in-law of the groom, of Abilene.

Mrs. Curtis is a graduate of Bronte High School and Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater with a certificate in vocational nursing. She is employed by Bronte Nursing Home.

Her husband graduated from TSTC in Sweetwater and has a certificate in drafting and design. He is employed by Martin Sprockets & Gears, Inc., in Fort Worth.

SHANNON HEALTH NOTES

More About Fruits & Veggies

Many research reports cross my desk about the benefits of eating more fruits and vegetables. Here are two of the most recent. A study from the State University of New York at Buffalo, published in *Nutrition and Cancer* (12-92), suggests that diets rich in vegetables and fruits containing carotenoids, the plant form of vitamin A, may reduce chances of developing bladder cancer. The study also showed increased chances of bladder cancer among smokers.

A study at Harvard School of Public Health further supports a diet high in fruit fiber to help prevent high blood pressure. However, there are some things that simply eating more of the right things cannot do. The Harvard study found convincing confirmation that avoiding excess weight is far more important than any single nutrient in the prevention of high blood pressure.

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Section 2. That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 1993, and if not paid on or before January 31, 1994, shall immediately become delinquent.

Passed this 9th day of September, 1993, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bronte.

Approved: Martin Lee, Mayor

Attest: Pat Martindale, City Secretary 08b-1tc

Personal

Glyn Hutto of Eldorado, and formerly of Bronte, was critically injured in a 2-vehicle accident near San Angelo on Friday, Sept. 17. He and his wife, Robin, were taken to Angelo Community Hospital where she was released on Saturday. He remains in serious condition in ACH where he has undergone two surgeries for a broken ankle and a badly broken leg on the opposite side. A visiting friend reported he also suffered broken ribs and pelvis, in addition to lacerations in the accident and is expected to be hospitalized for about 6 weeks.

Merced Valdez, Jr., 38, of Sonora died in the high-impact crash.

Sunday School Discipleship

A Sunday School Discipleship Training Convention was held Monday, September 20 at First Baptist Church, Winters.

Attending from Bronte First Baptist included C. B. and Wanda Barbee, Edward Cumbie, Peggy Hembree and Paz and Manuel Sanchez.

Creech Reunion

The tenth annual Creech Sisters Reunion was held September 18-19, 1993, at the Santa Fe Junction Motor Inn in San Angelo, Texas. All four of the surviving sisters were present, those being Loreine Collins of Balmorhea, Jessie Harmon of Robert Lee, Prudence DuBas of Houston, and Madelle Griffith of Lubbock. They are daughters of the late Elias Brown and Prudie Ann (Dozier) Creech.

Other relatives and friends present were: spouses - Louis Collins of Balmorhea, Floyd Harmon of Robert Lee and Jimmy Griffith of Lubbock. Others - Pat and Prudie Connor and Vera White of Ft. Stockton; Wesley and Earnestine Stevens of Yoakum; Barbara Harrison of Abilene; Richard and Betty Huelster of Oklahoma City, OK; Jerry, Janie, and Jason Harmon of Sand Springs; Tammy Harmon and Blain Wilson of San Angelo; Troy, Susan and Cayla Millican of Sterling City; Lawana Millican, Wayne and Dorene Mashburn, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, and Douglas, Denise and Kacey Roberts, all of Robert Lee.

Tour of San Angelo, picture taking, good food, and a good time visiting was enjoyed by all.

Methodist "Vision Quest"

The regular monthly meeting of the Administrative Council of the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee met at Bryan's Barn September 7. Rev. Bill Frisbie, pastor, had announced that the meeting would begin with a fellowship supper featuring "the World's Largest Submarine Sandwich", to be followed by a "Vision Quest". Council members were urged to "bring your wildest dreams and grandest visions for our church for the coming year".

The six-foot sandwich became much shorter as the sixteen members present had their fill, then the Council Chairman Robert Wink led the group in a brief business meeting.

The Vision Quest was introduced with the reading of JOEL 2:28: "I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old shall dream dreams, and your young shall see visions." Members divided themselves into several groups according to the area related to his or her special interests and goals, the groups shared their "dreams" and "visions" and planned subsequent activities.

Enthusiasm indicated that the "Vision Quest" was fruitful.

Genealogical Society

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet Tuesday, October 5 at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ, 901 N. Main in San Angelo.

Speaker for the evening will be Mr. Dan Keeney. The program is titled "The Gettysburg Address and What it Means Today".



Joe Mikel Lara

Baby Pageant

Joe Mikel Lara, son of Joe and Mona Lara of Abilene, recently competed in the All-Star Baby Pageant held at the Abilene Civic Center. Mikel received top honors of All-Star Beau and Handsome Beau, as well as winning the Sportswear and Denimwear events. Mikel then qualified for National Competition in Dallas. He received the honor of First Alternate. Mikel is the grandson of Joe and Anna Lara of Abilene and the great-grandson of Sara Lara of Robert Lee.

Euterpean Club

by Bea Murray, Reporter
The Euterpean Club of Blackwell met Sept. 16th in the home of Bobbie Varnadore for a covered dish luncheon.

Bobbie Varnadore, president, presided over the business session. Two new members, Lillie Burwick and Elsie Harvell were welcomed into the club by all members. Beautiful new yearbooks were given to each member. Secret pal names were drawn for the next year, and secret pals from the past year were revealed.

Attending were the following: Margaret Stout, Mary Lee, Juanita McRorey, Emma L. Lanier, Gracie Spence, Laura Seale, Esther Smith, Myrle Thompson, Rosemary Ten Eyck, Noba Ware, Betty Cole, Bobbie Varnadore, and Bea Murray.

Next meeting will be Oct. 21st.

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Jacy Breann Lee

Jacy Breann Lee is the new daughter of Molly and Stephen Lee of Ballinger. She was born Friday, August 27, 1993, at 1:54 pm at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, Texas. She weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Her brother, Jarrett, and her sister, Jordan, also welcomed her arrival.

Proud grandparents are Lisa and Richard Sharpes and Pat and Martin Lee, all of Bronte. Great grandparents are Eula Verne and Hurlin Lee.

Coke Co. Retired Teachers

Three new members were welcomed when the Coke County Retired Teachers Association met Monday, September 20. The noon luncheon meeting was held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

New members are Paul Gothard and Kay Gothard of Blackwell and Joe Peacock of Bronte.

Wanda Barbee, president of the unit, called for and heard reports from these committee chairmen: Luther Guffy, legislative; C.B. Barbee, public relations; Jack Brewer, program; Marie Guffy, membership; J.T. Henry, health care; and Nina Brewer, community service.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 18, 1993. The site for the meeting will be the First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Attending the Monday meeting were: C.B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Jamie Boren, Celia Bowden, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Jean Fancher, Mary Frances Glenn, Luther Guffy, Marie Guffy, J.T. Henry, Sybil Henry, Virginia Lasswell, Irene Newell, Gerald Sandusky, the new members: Paul Gothard, Kay Gothard, Joe Peacock, and two guests, the Rev. Elmer Beck, and Sue Beck.

Marshall ends training

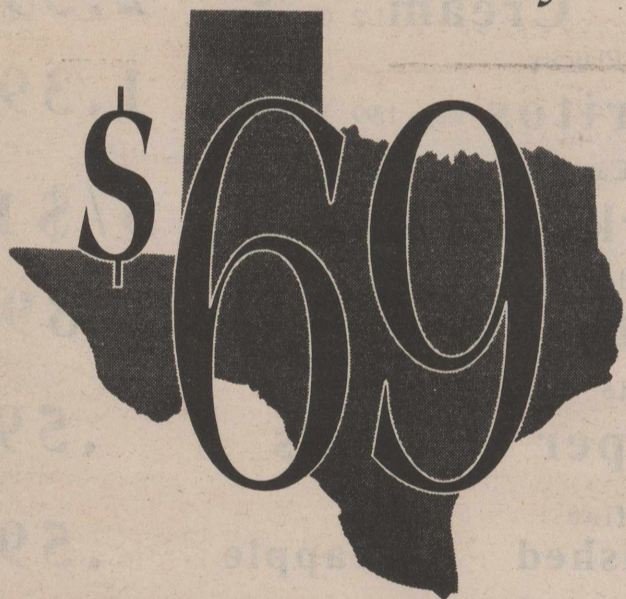
Marine Pvt. Leslie B. Marshall, a 1991 graduate of Bronte High School of Bronte, Texas, recently completed recruit training.

During the training cycle at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, recruits are taught the basics of battlefield survival, introduced to typical military daily routine, and personal and professional standards.

All recruits participate in an active physical conditioning program and gain proficiency in a variety of military skills including first aid, rifle marksmanship, and close-order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline are emphasized throughout the cycle.

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Counselor's Comments

by Vicky McCutchen

School success has been one of the most popular topics in the field of education today. What does it take to help our students to be successful? When speaking of skills needed, reading is the one skill most mentioned by experts.

We, as parents, know reading is extremely important because we use it in our everyday lives. Studies show that children that have been read to at an early age, love books and enjoy reading. It is a good idea to surround children with books, magazines, newspapers, letters, catalogs, and other reading materials. If they are surrounded by words, they feel more comfortable with language and they learn that words do have meaning. Words are the building blocks that children need in order to think and grow. Learning is a lifelong event, as reading should be also.

Parents can also help their children become better readers by setting a good example by reading themselves. Watching too much TV is the

one major thing that works against children becoming better readers. Studies show that children who spend more than 10 hours a week watching TV do worse in reading than kids whose families set TV limits. Try these ideas to get that TV under your control: 1. issue TV tickets, each good for 30 minutes of TV time. When the tickets are gone, the TV is turned off for the week. Maybe let the kids redeem unused tickets for money (for books). 2. put the TV set where it's not so convenient. A child's room would be too convenient. 3. keep a TV log having your child log every TV show watched. Even some children are amazed at how much TV they have watched. 4. make a weekly TV plan of what TV shows to watch in the coming week, selecting a reasonable amount of TV to watch on purpose makes sense to most children. TV can be a useful tool if it is not abused.

Smith feted with shower

Mrs. Shane Smith, nee Cori Harugthy, was honored on Saturday morning, August 21, with a Bridal Shower. It was held at the United Methodist fellowship hall in Robert Lee.

Hostesses for the occasion were: Debbie Wilkes, Cheryl Devoll, Linda Eaton, Sarah Green, Peggy Davis, Barbara Jameson, Pansy Bloodworth, Kei Antilley, Suzann Johnson, Mary Grim, Kristy Roe, Mimzi Horn, Beverly Bell, Teresa Millican, D'Ann Eubanks, Dee Anna Harmon, Valerie Dickey, Beverly Burdett, Cathy Hendry, Linda-Carole Deere, Charlotte Millican, and Charlene Rogers.

The couple exchanged vows August 28 and they are making their home in San Angelo where both are employed. Mrs. Smith is also a student at Angelo State University.

Planned grazing system benefits told

by Bruce Deere
Soil Conservation Service

"In the last five years my stocking rate has increased from 21 to 38 animal units to the section."

"My feed bill is a fraction of what it used to be."

These two statements sound like they must have been made by producers who ranched in better times and where conditions are a lot better than they are here. However, both these statements are about Coke County rangeland by producers who grew up in this country.

What do these and other successful ranches have in common that give them such an edge? One thing every one of them has is an active, intensive management program tailored for that particular

ranch's circumstances. All these programs recognize that the most limiting factor in successful ranching is quality forage, and one key to success is the ability to harvest the maximum amount without damaging future production.

They have found that one of the things needed by a pasture to produce an ample supply of quality forage is periodic rest. This rest allows range plants to grow leaves (which produce 95% of the plant's food), develop and maintain good root systems, and make seed. It also allows seedling plants to get established.

A planned grazing system is a systematic method of making sure each pasture gets the rest it needs. Not only will the result be more total forage, but also a change in forage composition with an increase in desirable grasses, forbs (weeds), and browse. In such a system, livestock receive a more balanced variety while better utilizing all available forage. A planned grazing system usually decreases labor, since fewer pastures need to be checked. This

type of system also benefits wildlife through an increase in food and cover plants, an important consideration as hunting becomes a larger factor in the ranching enterprise. Both of the producers mentioned earlier consider their planned grazing systems critical to the success of their management programs.

There is a wide variety of planned grazing systems, providing suitable adaptations for all types of range and ranch operations. As few as two pastures are enough to start such a system. An integral part of any grazing system is flexibility. The good range manager not only watches the calendar, but "reads" his range and makes adjustments when needed.

Assistance with planning grazing systems is available through the Coke County Conservation District. The district directors encourage anyone interested in investigating a planned grazing system for his own operation to contact the Soil Conservation Service office in Robert Lee at 11 East Sixth Street, or call 453-2623.

Annual Chili Cook-Off Heats Up

The 20th Anniversary of the International Armed Forces Chili Cook-Off is set for September 24 and 25 at the Goodfellow recreation camp.

As in past years, the event is open to all active duty, retired military, and DOD civilians, with each team having at least one military affiliated cook.

The annual event brings in chili cooks from as far away as Europe, competing for the chance to win a spot "behind the store" at the original Terlingua, Texas, International Championship Cook-Off.

In addition to the "serious" chili competition, a special category for beginners or those just wanting to dabble in chili cooking is available, called the "Anything Goes Division".

Registration packets for the cook-off are available by contacting Coleen Deckers at (915) 654-5327.

We learn from experience that men never learn anything from experience.

Bernard Shaw

ECC EMS Donations and Memorials

The following donations and memorials were made to the East Coke County EMS for the month of September.

Donations for the purchase of pagers:

Benny and Jackie Corley
Hall's Super Save
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Bronte Evening Lions Club
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First National Bank, Bronte

Memorials

Florence Clark
Carl and Pauline Blair
Benny and Jackie Corley
Richard and Peggy Hembree
Frank W. Medley
Wayman and Hazel Percifull

Central Baptist face-lift

Members of Central Baptist Church in Bronte are in the process of giving the church building a new face-lift by painting, caulking, and performing general duties of preservation.

Personal

Mary Percifull, coordinator of Bronte Senior Center and Lois Wallace, Green Thumb employee, of the Center, attended a Food Sanitation Course last Wednesday and Thursday. The training was provided by Texas Department of Health.

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The Mirror of Reflections

As the days come and go I am lost in a life of twenty-seven years past. I try to find the strength and courage to go on and in my hurt and pain reflect the faces of people who have been so kind to myself, Kathy, Kris, Skylar, and my extended family. In the faces of our friends and those who love and suffer with us I have found kindness, gentleness, warmth, support, and prayers that say to keep on with life.


I want, on behalf of the Ed White family, to thank each and everyone who has acknowledged us in so many different ways.


From the fullness of our hearts we say thank you.

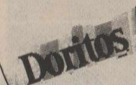
*Most of all I want to thank Ed White for being in love with me and thank God for our girls and grandson and for twenty-seven years with overflowing love.
Thank you, Ed!*

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
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