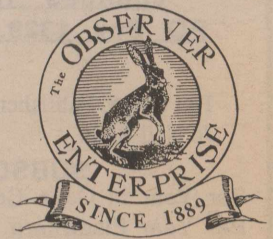


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Results of Christmas activities detailed

RL Christmas celebration successful

The Christmas Spirit was alive and well in Robert Lee last Friday and Saturday. Many businesses and offices held their December Open Houses with lots of specials on various items and tasty refreshments served. Festive decorations abounded around town, including Robert Lee State Bank's beautiful remodeling project completed.

Robert Lee Merchants Association drawings are causing a stir on Saturdays. The drawings for cash, to be spent at local businesses, have attracted good crowds at rotating locations. Joyce Waggoner was the first drawing winner and pocketed \$200.00. Since those whose names are drawn must be present to win, the money was not claimed in the second drawing. The third drawing was held on Saturday, December 3, when Chrys Higgins won the \$400.00 prize. Fourth drawing in the series will be held Saturday, December 10, at 2:00 pm at the Gazebo in downtown Robert Lee for \$200.00.

Last Saturday, Santa Claus traveled around town on the firetruck to say hello to children and shoppers. Santa also made a surprise visit to West Coke County Nursing Home.

The town is lighting up with Christmas displays. Residents should get out and visit neighbors and relatives during this wonderful time of year. Don't miss the awesome lighting display at Bryan's Barn, open nights till New Years!

Christmas in Olde Bronte

The Christmas Season really got underway last Saturday in Bronte with "Christmas in Olde Bronte".

Beautiful weather and crowded shoppers filled the downtown area as the celebration began. Local citizens and visitors were in town by 9:00 a.m. Lining the sidewalks were merchants, food booths, bake sales, and several craft booths.

Dorris Sonnenberg and Jeanna Lee were in charge of the parade that began at Celia's Antiques parking lot at 3:00 p.m. and ended at the Gazebo area. Leading the parade was the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department's firetruck followed by the Bronte Longhorn Band under the direction of George Tomes. There were many "little ones" dressed as Christmas packages, floats, old cars and trucks, bikes, Girl Scouts from Abilene and SANTA CLAUS!

Winners of the "best dressed Christmas package" were; First Place - Chloe Grigg, Second Place - Ashley

Denton, and Third Place - Bailey Sanders.

At the Gazebo, following the parade, Miss Senior Bronte, Miss Bronte, Junior Miss Bronte, and Little Miss Bronte were crowned. The contestants were sponsored by local merchants. The winners were:

Senior Miss Bronte - Marie Arrott, First Runner Up - Dora Gallaway, Second

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Jill Johnson Volleyball All-Stars

Jill Johnson was selected by the Volleyball Committee of the Texas Girls Coaches Association to participate in the 27th Annual East-West All-Star girls volleyball game. The game will be played in the Toney Burger Activity Center in Austin on Thursday evening July 6, 1995. Jill was selected to be on the first team for 1992, 1993, and 1994 seasons. She also was picked to be on the all-tournament team at the Ector County Volleyball Tournament 1993 season.

Volleyball All-District selections from Bronte were:

Co-MVP's - Kim Hall; First Team - Joni Barrett, Julia Gentry, and Jill Johnson; Second Team - Wendy Johnson and Gina Clayton; Honorable Mention - Mandy Dunn and Laura Thomas.

Third Thursday Dance

The Coke County Cavaliers will provide C&W music for the Third Thursday Dance at 7:30 p.m. on December 15 at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. The event is open to dancers of all ages and tickets are available at the door.



Crowned at the Gazebo were (back row) Miss Senior Bronte - Marie Arrott, (front row) Nicole Reed and Callie Johnson - tied for Little Miss Bronte, and (center) Crissy Counts - Junior Miss Bronte.

Junell to speak in RL

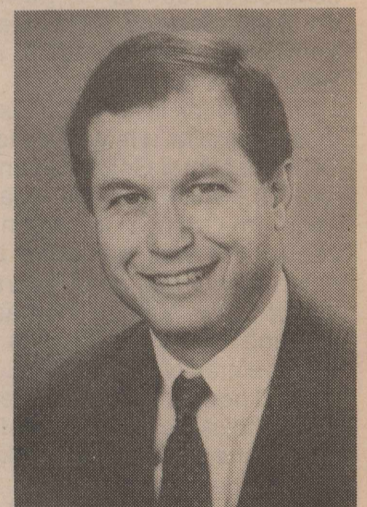
The Coke County Extension Program Planning Council will hold its annual meeting next week with Representative Rob Junell of San Angelo the guest speaker. Junell will discuss upcoming legislation that could affect the citizens of Coke County such as Education, Private Property Rights and Water Rights.

Also during this annual meeting, the Extension Long Range Plan for the year 1995-2000 will be distributed and discussed. There will be a short recognition program to honor producers who have been helpful in the educational programs provided by the Extension service for agriculture.

The meeting will be held at the Senior Citizens building in Robert Lee on December 15, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Methodist Church Activities

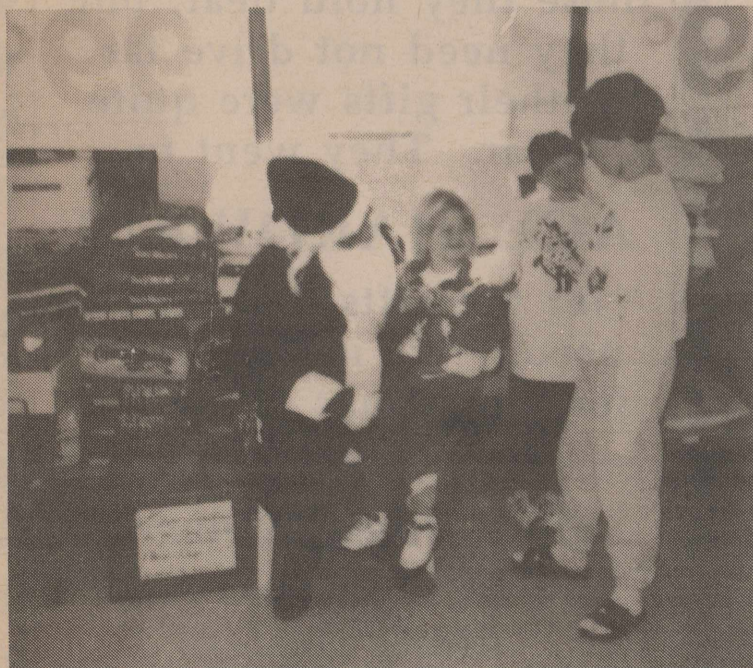
The First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee will have two programs in the month of December. The first will be the adult program on December 11th at 7:00 p.m. The children will perform on December 18th at 6:00 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend both of these activities.



Rob Junell

Christmas Newspaper

The annual Christmas issue of the Observer/Enterprise will be published on December 23. That edition traditionally features children's Santa letters, the businesses' greetings to their customers, and individuals' holiday best wishes. A newspaper representative will be calling on the merchants within the coming 10 days for advertising. You also may come into our Robert Lee or Bronte offices and select your holiday greeting. If you are inadvertently missed, please remind us by calling 473-2001 or 453-2433.



Santa visits with children and shoppers at Super H in Robert Lee last Saturday.

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Obituaries

Gerhart

Willene Gerhart, 62, of Winters died Wednesday, November 30, 1994, at her residence.

Service was held at 2 p.m. Friday, December 2, at St. John's Lutheran Church with burial in Lakeview Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

She was born September 17, 1932, in Winters and was a lifetime resident. She had worked for Smith Drug for several years and was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Survivors include her husband, Paul R. Gerhart of Winters; two daughters, Rhonda Sockwell of Robert Lee and Rebecca Gerhart of Winters; and three grandchildren.

Thomas

Services for Robert Leon "Bronc" Thomas of Robert Lee were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 7, 1994, at Hubbard-Kelly Chapel in Odessa with the Reverend Shawn Wagner officiating. Burial was in Ector County/Odessa Cemetery.

Mr. Thomas, 67, died December 4, 1994 at his home on Lake Spence. He was born November 12, 1927, in Holliday, Texas.

Mr. Thomas lived in Odessa most of his life. He worked for Oil Transport of Goldsmith and had his own motorcycle repair shop in Odessa for many years. He was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Melva Lurlie Yates Thomas, on June 19, 1991. He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Mr. Thomas later married Elsie Cullison. The couple made their home at Lake Spence near Robert Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Elsie Thomas of Robert Lee; one son, Robert Lee Thomas and wife, Bonnie of Odessa; four daughters, Becky Shackelford, Melva Sawyer and husband, Kerry, Rissa Davilla and husband, Felipe, and Melony Regnier and husband, Russell, all of Odessa; one brother, Tommy Eugene Thomas, of Fort Worth; three sisters, Lois Wampler of Odessa, Billy Dee Christmas of Kingsland, and Jerry Ann Fletcher of Odessa; nine grandchildren, Dawn Fuller, Jody Shackelford, James, and Mary Davilla, Robert Lee Thomas, Jr., Derek Thomas, Jeremy Thomas, Rusty Regnier and Cliffon Janosik; and two great-grandchildren, Brit-

ney Walters and Summer Fuller.

Torres

Jesse Lara Torres, 55, of Robert Lee died Monday, December 5, 1994, in a San Angelo hospital after a sudden illness.

Rosary was at 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 6, in Shaffer Funeral Home chapel. Service was conducted Wednesday, December 7, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with burial in the Robert Lee Hispanic Cemetery. Father Jim Chaumont officiated the rites.

He was born February 1, 1939, in Mexico, and had lived in Robert Lee since 1950. He was employed by Coke County as a heavy equipment operator and was a volunteer fireman. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

He was married to Frances Valenzuela Molinar April 23, 1993.

Survivors include his wife, Christina Frances Torres of Robert Lee; a son, Michael Torres of Robert Lee; a stepdaughter, Lee Ann Bunselmeyer of Denton; five brothers, Sabastien Torres, Julian Torres, Ross Torres and Alvin Torres, all of Robert Lee, and Paul Torres of San Angelo; a sister, Estolia Barron of San Angelo; a grandson, Andrew Scott Torres; a stepgranddaughter, Danella Bunselmeyer; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers for the services were Mark Valdez, Bill Wayne Torres, Ross Torres, Jr., Lupe Torres, Bob Wrinkle, Julian Torres, Jr., Joe Torres, and Ray Torres.

Kelley

Lossie Mae Kelley, age 98, a pioneer resident of Sutton County died Thursday, De-

OBITUARIES

ember 1, 1994, at 2:30 p.m. in a San Angelo hospital.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 3, in the Sutton County Cemetery under the direction of Kerbow Funeral Home of Sonora.

Lossie Mae was born in Mason County near Streeter, Texas, May 25, 1896, to Leroy P. and Martha Cozby Valliant. She moved with her family from Mason to Edwards County and then, in 1905, the family settled permanently in Sutton County, ranching in the eastern part of the county near Fort McKavett. She attended school at Fort McKavett and later finished in Sonora. In 1919, she married Robert Baker Kelley of Sutton County. Her husband was killed in a ranching accident in 1947 and in 1950, she moved from the ranch to Sonora. At age 84, she moved to Rio Concho Manor in San Angelo. For the last year and a half, she had lived in the West Coke County Nursing Home in Robert Lee.

She was the oldest member of the First Methodist Church in Sonora and a former Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Her survivors include one son, Robert Valliant Kelley and wife, Waalita Hollis Kelley of San Angelo, and one grandson, Robert Pearson Kelley and wife, Lelia Van Norden Kelley of Plano. Other survivors are two step grandchildren, Cindy Gilley of Richardson and Lt. Col. Charles Hamilton of Panama City, Panama. Survivors also include a sister-in-law, Mrs. Devers Valliant of Sonora and many nieces and nephews.

Powell

Wesley B. Powell, 19, died Wednesday, November 30, 1994, after suffering an acute asthma attack.

Services were held at 3 p.m., Friday, December 2, at the Wall Brethren Church with the Rev. Tommy Tallas officiating. Burial followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Johnson's Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Wes was born March 20, 1975, in San Angelo. He graduated from Wall High School in 1993. He devoted his short lifetime to his love of farming and to his family and friends.

Survivors include his parents, Kenneth and Shirley Powell, one brother, James, one sister, Stacey Flanary,

and her husband, Steve, three nephews, Cody, Conrad and Hunter Flanary and one niece, Haley Flanary, all of Wall; and his grandparents, Clyde and Beatrice Powell of Wall, and Lena Roe of Robert Lee. Other survivors include aunts and uncles, Peggy and Glen Huggins of Rusk, Larry and Sara Powell of Eola, Sheila and David Hooper of Sulphur Springs, and David Lee Roe of Snyder; cousins, Sandra Wells, Rodney Huggins, Kevin Huggins, Wade Powell, Kim Powell, Brooks Hooper and Alisha Roe; and a special person in his life, Jenny Wilde of Wall.

Pallbearers were Bobby Riedermann, Daniel Ellis, Michael Hoelscher, Scott Hohensee, Brady Weishuhn, Clayton Weishuhn, and honorary pallbearer, Karl Weishuhn.

Smith

Mary Helen Smith, 71, of Robert Lee died Saturday, December 3, 1994, in a San Angelo hospital.

There will be no services. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

She was born November 9, 1923, in Pratt, Kansas. She was married to Granville "Red" Smith on October 18, 1966. The couple moved to Robert Lee in 1976.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker, a nursing home volunteer and a member of the Church of Christ. She owned and operated a restaurant in Robert Lee a number of years ago. She and her husband, Red, also operated the golf shop at the Mountain Creek Golf Club for a time.

Survivors include a stepdaughter, Sylvia Smith Merritt of Midland; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Red Smith, on October 4, 1993.

...Christmas

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Runner Up - Daisy Sims
Miss Bronte - Jill Johnson, First Runner Up - Kimberly Hall, Second Runner Up - Joni Barrett

Junior Miss Bronte - Crissy Counts, First Runner Up - Natalee Reed, Second Runner Up - Brooke McCutchen

Little Miss Bronte - Cali Johnson & Nicole Reed, First Runner Up - Rebecca Rawlings

The winners were crowned by last year's Junior Miss Bronte, Natasha Reed and Little Miss Bronte, Brittney McCutchen.

A Chili Supper was served by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce at the Bronte School Cafeteria at 5:00 p.m.

A community Christmas Pageant was held at the Bronte School Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. sponsored by the local churches. Directors included Melanie Moore, Lisa Turner, Pixie Gilley, Pat Lee, and Vicky McCutchen. Bronte youth who participated were Angie Willberg, Kim Perry, Alexa Moore, Katie Collins, Heather Duncan, Christie Matthews, Lauren Williams, Kimbra Lambert, Melissa Walker, Anthony Gibbs, Ryan McCorkle, Henry White, Michael Johnson, Randy Johnson, Brooke McCutchen, Crystal Moore, Michaela Arrott, Tessie McMullan, and Kasey Elam. Everyone was very proud of all the youth for their performance.

Randy Johnson, pastor of Central Baptist Church in Bronte, presented the welcome and John Driggers, minister of Bronte Church of Christ assisted.

Several downtown businesses held open house on Friday during business hours serving refreshments and conducting drawings for door prizes.

T'was the night before Christmas and all through the town the holiday shoppers were running around searching for gifts for those they hold dear, but they need not drive far for their gifts were quite near. They went to

ACE HARDWARE
for the gifts that they need. Ace is the place for Christmas "indeed".

-Tim Peterson

Open House Winners
Kristy Roe & Marie Hester

A BIG THANK YOU

From

THE BRONTE MERCHANTS goes to the Bronte Band under the direction of George Tomes, the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department, especially Roland Sowell, Darrel Sowell & Tim McKee, the Coke County Law Officers for the traffic control, our judges for the Christmas packages, Glenda Draper & Brenda Barnett, Dorris Sonnenberg and Jeanna Lee for the organization of the parade, all of our Little Miss, Junior Miss, Miss, & Senior Miss contestants and EVERYONE who helped with our Christmas parade and program. Christmas in Olde Bronte couldn't have been a success without you!

Rays to speak at RL Baptist

Brent and Elaine Ray, missionaries to Brazil, will be guest speakers at the Robert Lee Baptist Church on Wednesday, December 14 at 7:30 pm as part of the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering emphasis. They have lived in Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brazil the past 2 1/2 years after finishing a year of language school in Compinas, Brazil.

Brent is a native of Ada, Oklahoma and attended Baylor University and is a graduate of Dallas Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served on staff in various capacities as Minister of Music, Youth, Older Adults, Prison Ministry and Associate Pastor at First Baptist Churches in Hearne, Dallas, and Midlothian. He was pastor at Lometa, Texas for five years before going to Brazil in March, 1991.

Elaine is a native of Robert Lee and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lackey. She is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and Baylor University, and Tarleton State University where she received a Master's Degree in Educational Administration. She taught special education at Hearne and Waxahachie and is now home schooling their children, Jared, Ariel and Jordan in Brazil.

Brent's responsibilities in Feira have included evangelism, church planter, teaching at the seminary, food distribution and drilling water wells.

There will be a pot luck supper in their honor, and those attending the meal are asked to bring a covered dish.

Girls recovering from accident

Whitney Montgomery and Samantha Padgett, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Montgomery and Mrs. Sue Padgett, all of Robert Lee, are recovering nicely from a pick-up/horse accident on Thanksgiving Day. The collision of both girls' mounts and a pickup driven by Ray Aldridge, also of Robert Lee, occurred on 15th Street Thursday at 2:15 pm. Whitney sustained a broken knee while Samantha received lacerations about the head which required numerous stitches. Both returned to school on Monday.

According to DPS Trooper Roy Blair, the girls attempted to cross the road in front of the oncoming vehicle. Both horses and riders were struck; one of the horses died in the accident.

LOOK WHO'S NEW

Jordan Wade Wilkerson
Darrell and Kelly Wilkerson of Irving are happy to announce the arrival of their son, Jordan Wade. He arrived at 3:49 a.m. October 21 at an Irving hospital weighing 8 lb. 11 oz. and measured 21 inches long.

His brother, Jeremy Campbell, is six years old. Pleased grandparents are Mack and Sharon Huitt and Royce and Eunice Wilkerson, all of Irving. Dorothy Ammons of Laurel Hill, Florida, Hilma Huitt of Bay City, and Vivian King of Robert Lee are the new baby's great-grandparents.



Brent and Elaine Ray with their children Jared, Ariel, and Jordan.

Holiday Giveaway

The Bronte Merchants will sponsor a Hometown Holiday Giveaway. The drawing will be Saturday, December 17 at 4:00 p.m. at the Bronte Mini-Park. Persons must be present to win.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Local Folk,

Please read this letter! I know you have heard the shop at home argument before, but times are critical for your business district.

In the past few months, businesses have been asked to support: football programs & advertisements, plastic footballs to throw at the games, Band Boosters, Project Graduation, Athletic Booster Clubs, Coke Co. Livestock Assn., annual staff yearbooks, Baseball Boosters, Lions Club flag program, Old Coke County Pageant Assn., varsity cheerleaders, National Honor Society fundraiser, Fall Festival booths, P.T.A., F.F.A., etc., etc. There are many more, too many to list.

If only half the individuals involved in the above mentioned organizations bought one Christmas gift from each hometown merchant, do you realize what a difference it would make? Most businesses could hire back some of the help they've had to let go! Most businesses could employ a high school kid just to help gift wrap! Most businesses could afford to carry a little more inventory for your convenience! (More inventory means more tax base for your county!) Your business district will look and feel rejuvenated - the ripple effect will be positive for everyone.

If only a few shoppers can make that much difference, can you imagine what a concentrated effort by everyone would mean?

We can sit around the rest of our lives waiting for some committee to lure a new business to town, or we can make a commitment to renew our trade with the businesses that have managed to hang on.

United, we stand. Divided, we can turn out the lights!
Happy Holidays

Local Folk

Commodities Available

Commodities for Coke County will resume in January 1995. They will be distributed the 2nd Friday of the month at the Senior Citizens Building in both Bronte and Robert Lee, beginning at 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

Both sites will be recertifying December 19 from 8:00 until 1:00. You will need to bring proof of your income with you for recertification. Persons who have not been recertified before the commodity date will not receive their commodities until everyone else is waited on. No one will be allowed to pick up another person's commodities unless they are on a certification slip.

We also no longer will be holding out commodities for any one, so please make arrangements to have your's picked up by a certified person.

If you have any questions, please notify Jan Yanez, 453-2461, or Kelly Millican, 453-2314, or Mary Percifull, 473-6471.

Personal

Vivian King of Robert Lee has returned home after a two-week visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Eunice and Royce Wilkerson of Irving. While she was enjoying her stay, she got well-acquainted with her new great-grandson, Jordan Wade Wilkerson, who was born October 21.



Initial Ideas

&

Gifts from the Hearth

Wedding Selections for
Tracy Pearson & Jim Grantham

Free Name with purchase of
Cowboys or Super Bowl Caps

10-25% Off Select Christmas
Seasonal Decor & Gifts

FOOD

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501 Commerce - Robert Lee, TX

Store Hrs: Mon-Sat 8-8 Sun. 8-6

SPECIALS GOOD 12/7 THRU 12/13



Pork Chops

1.29

Asst. Family Pack Lb.



Tyson Whole Fryers

.49

Lb.



Colorado Russet Potatoes

.99

10 Lb. Bag



Your Choice Fruit

2.99

10 Lb. Bag

Washington Red Delicious Apples, Texas Ruby Red Grapefruit, Sunkist Navel Oranges



Libby's Whole Peeled Tomatoes

3 / \$1

16 oz. can



Ice Cream

1.29

1/2 Gal.



Dr. Pepper

2.69

12 pk. 12 oz. cans

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RLHS B-Ball teams win over Eden

The Robert Lee High School varsity and junior varsity teams traveled to Eden November 29 to square off against the Eden Bulldogs. All the squads pulled off wins on the road, with the boys and girls varsity teams winning by a convincing margin.

The Steers got a late start on the season due to football playoffs, but still managed to look like they had been shooting hoops all season. The boys soundly defeated Eden by a score of 94-46. Eric Hood led the scoring for the team with 19. Jeremy Vincent poured in 17, Lee McCown 15, Aaron Hood 12, Jason Key 11, Anthony Wink 9, Charles Hayes 6, Jason Wyatt 3, and Jerrid Vincent 2.

The JV team was also successful in their bid for a win defeating Eden JV 36-30. Jerrod Pitcock was high pointer with 14. Eli Boxell added 11, David Sevier 5, Jerrod Copeland, Stevie Oleksiuk and Scotty Wyatt 2 each.

The Ladies varsity team outshot the Eden ladies 76-49. High scorer for the night was Jennifer Scott with 24 points. Shalon Waldrop put 16 on the board, Jaclyn Waldrop 14, Heather Millican 12, Maranda Wojtek 6, Kannan Millican 2, Kizzie Howell and Tiffany Bruning 1 each.

The girls JV team defeated Eden JV 43-16. Bree Bolding

took top scoring honors for the evening with 8. Scoring 6 each for the group were Patricia Minjarez, Cynthia Abalos, and Meagan Hill. Amanda Sanders and Brandi Brosh each tipped in 4. Melissa Smith, Carrie Green, Jessica Key and Tara Bruning scored 2 each and Tracy Millican added 1 to the final score.

Lady Steers fall short in Ballinger

The Lady Steers traveled to Ballinger December 1-3 to compete in the invitational tourney held there. The girls played well, but came up short in the tourney.

December 1 the girls played Wall and lost a heartbreaker in overtime 42-46. Shalon Waldrop was high pointer for the game with 16 to her credit. Jaclyn Waldrop tipped in 11, Heather Millican and Jennifer Scott 6 each, and Tiffany Bruning 3.

The team faced Reagan County in their second game of the tournament and again came up short with a final score of 47-57. Taking top scoring honor once again was Shalon Waldrop with 15. Jaclyn Waldrop added 14, Jennifer Scott 10, Maranda Wojtek 5, Heather Millican 3.

In their last bid for a win in the tournament on December 3 the Ladies once again came up on the low end of the scoring losing to Eldorado 36-50. Top scorer for the game was Jennifer Scott with 18. Jaclyn Waldrop put 12 on the board, Maranda Wojtek 4, and Heather Millican 2.

Daniel Cates put 9 on the board making him high scorer for the evening. Joel Gallegos added 4 points and Matthew Pitcock 2.

The girls weren't quite as successful in their bids for a win as the boys. The "A" team was defeated by Garden City 10-26. Holly Copeland, Angela Abalos, Flor Barrera, Marie Eads and Lori Eubanks all scored 2 points for the night.

The girls "B" team couldn't manage more than 3 points for the night and they were defeated 3-12. Macy Hill put 2 on the board; while Melanie Johnson added 1.

Monday, December 5 Robert Lee Jr. High hosted Sterling City's Jr. High teams.

RLJH "A" team defeated Sterling City 38-20. B.J. Bessent poured in 10 for high point honors. Andrew McCabe was close behind with 9 to his credit, Mariusz Skibicki 7, Will Simpson 6, Chad Helwig, Jeremy Edging and Micheal Munoz added 2 each.

The boys "B" team was defeated 29-38. Daniel Cates and Joel Gallegos shared high point honors with 9 each. Matthew Pitcock added 4, Jeremy Eaton 3, Jeremy Ortega 2, and Nick Pinson 1.

The girls "A" team lost, coming up short in a close loss to Sterling City's "A" team. They were narrowly defeated 17-18. Marie Eads was high pointer with 6. Lori Eubanks tipped in 5, Kim Gloria 4, and Holly Copeland 2.

The "B" team also came up short, losing to Sterling City 4-20. Shyla Cole and Melanie Johnson scored 2 each.



Mrs. Horn's second grade class ended their Pilgrims and Indian unit with Thanksgiving Tasting Dinner provided by their parents.

College Info Hotline

Do you have questions about attending or paying for college? The Texas Association of College Admission Counselors and the Greater East Texas Higher Education Authority will sponsor the tenth annual College Information Hotline on January 7th and 8th, 1995. This hotline is a free service to all residents of Texas who are seeking information about continuing their education. Over a hundred high school and college admission counselors will be on hand to answer your questions about scholarships, financial aid, college admission requirements, and application deadlines. Volunteers will provide the latest information about preparing for the school of your choice. They can even place your name on that college's mailing list. Hotline '95 will take place on January 7th and 8th, 1995 from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00

p.m. The number is toll free - 1-800-829-4599. Don't miss this opportunity to find out how to get into and pay for college.

RLISD Schedule of Events

Monday, Dec. 12 - Robert Lee JH vs. Bronte JH at Robert Lee at 5:00 pm

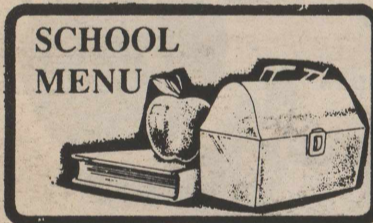
Friday, Dec. 16 - Robert Lee HS vs. Jim Ned HS at Robert Lee at 4:00 pm

Saturday, Dec. 17 - Robert Lee HS vs. Rotan HS at Robert Lee at 1:00 pm

Monday, Dec. 19 - SEMESTER TESTS - Periods 2-4-6

Tuesday, Dec. 20 - SEMESTER TESTS - Periods 1-3-5-7. Robert Lee HS vs. Eldorado at Robert Lee at 4:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 21 - Elementary Band Christmas Program and High School Band Christmas Program at 10:30 am in the Auditorium. Dismiss school at 2:30 pm for Christmas Holidays



SCHOOL MENU

Breakfast

Monday, Dec. 12
Breakfast Pizza, Apple Juice, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 13
French Toast, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 14
Sausage and Biscuit with Gravy, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 15
Crispitos, Cold Cereal, Apple Juice, Milk

Friday, Dec. 16
Donuts, Cold Cereal, Apple Juice, Milk

Lunch

Monday, Dec. 12
Cheese Nachos, Ranch Style Beans, Tator Tots, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 13
Steakfingers with Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Buttered Rolls, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 14
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Diced Pears, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 15
Frito Pie, Buttered Corn, Tossed Salad, Sliced Peaches, Milk

Friday, Dec. 16
Chick-Fil-A on a Bun with Pickles, French Fries, Fruit Roll Up

RL Jr. High B-ball results told

Robert Lee Jr. High A&B teams were in Garden City December 1 to try to add wins to their columns.

The Dogies "A" team defeated Garden City's "A" boys 37-26. Will Simpson took high point honors with 10. Andrew McCabe and Mariusz Skibicki added 7 each to the board, Michael Munoz 6, Chad Helwig 3, Jeremy Edging and B.J. Bessent 2 each.

The "B" boys team pulled out a close game defeating Garden City's "B" boys 15-13.

Personal

Mrs. Margaret Jones of Robert Lee is doing well following recent heart surgery in Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. Mrs. Jones underwent surgery which involved four arteries last Thursday. Family members reported that she may be released from the hospital soon and will spend some time recuperating with relatives in Christoval.

The Movie Store

612 Commerce - Robert Lee

NEW MOVIES

Blink	My Girl 2
Cowboy Way	Intersection
No Escape	Speed
Backstreet Justice	

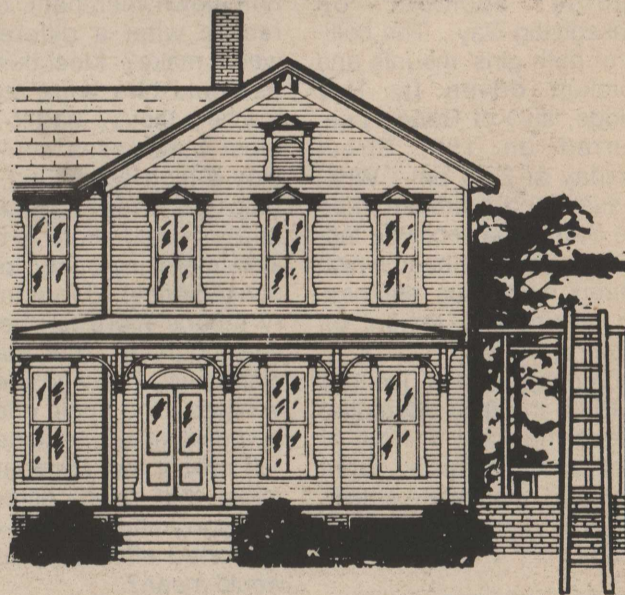
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

Monday-Thursday - 3:00 - 8:00
Friday & Saturday - 1:00 - 9:00
Sunday - 1:00 - 8:00

This Week's Drawing Winner
Amanda Sanders
Congratulations!

Be Kind, Please Rewind!

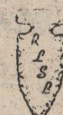
Does your house need a face lift?



Planning a new kitchen, an additional bathroom, bedroom or a new roof? Whatever your plans, we'd like to hear them. We have the money to lend so you can turn your remodeling dream into reality.

Robert Lee State Bank

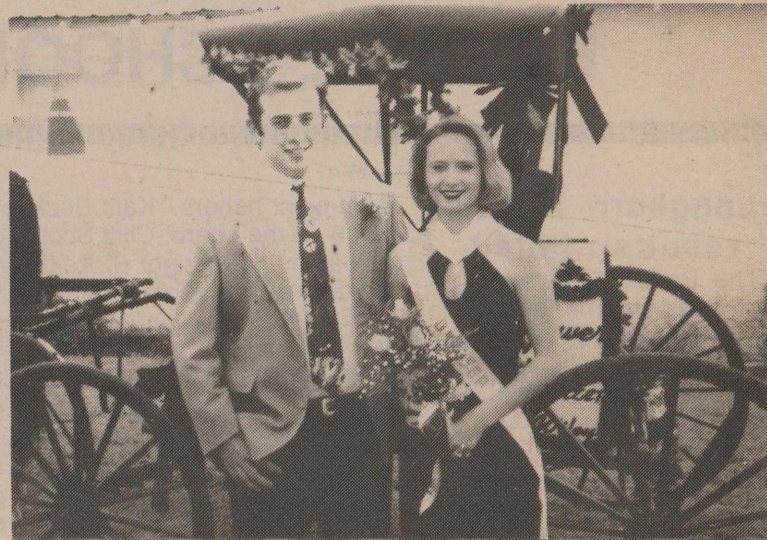
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1994/95 RL Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Girls JV & V	Boys JV & V
Dec. 8-10	Robert Lee Tourney		TBA	V	V
	Sterling City JH "A" Tourney			V	V
Dec. 12	Bronte JH	H	5:00	V & JV	JV & V
Dec. 16	Jim Ned	H	4:00	V & JV	JV & V
Dec. 17	Rotan	H	1:00	V & JV	JV & V
Dec. 20	Eldorado	H	4:00	V & JV	JV & V
Dec. 27-30	Reagan Co. Tourney	T	TBA	V	V
Jan. 3	Loraine	H	4:00	V & JV	JV & V
Jan. 5 & 7	Water Valley JH "A" Tourney				
Jan. 6	Winters	T	4:00	V & JV	JV & V
Jan. 7	Bronte JV Tourney		TBA		
Jan. 9	Water Valley JH	H	5:00	V & JV	JV & V
*Jan. 10	Sterling City	T	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
Jan. 13	Eula	H	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
Jan. 16	Garden City JH	H	5:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Jan. 17	Roscoe	H	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Jan. 19	Bronte	T	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Jan. 24	Roby	H	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Jan. 27	Sterling City	H	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
Jan. 28	Robert Lee JH "B" Tourney				
Jan. 30	Sterling City JH	T	5:00	JV & V	JV & V
Jan. 31	Eula	T	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
Feb. 3	Roscoe	T	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
Feb. 6	Bronte JH	T	5:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Feb. 7	Bronte	H	4:00	JV & V	JV & V
*Feb. 10	Roby	T	4:00	JV & V	JV & V

*Denotes District Games



Christa Michelle Gower and Justin Wiley

Gower competes in pageant

Christa Michelle Gower won 1st runner-up in the Miss Merry Christmas Pageant in conjunction with the Christmas in Olde Ballinger festivities. Christa is the daughter of Eddie and Darlene Gower. Her grandmother is Bessie Brice of Robert Lee.

Christa is a 16 year old junior at Ballinger High School. She is active in gymnastics, ballet, Student Council, Co-editor for the school yearbook, FHA, Rotary Interact, and the Texas Cultures Club. She also serves as the Ballinger Breakfast Lions Club Queen. Christa is employed at KRUN Radio Station as a disc jockey. Christa's sponsor was M.A.T.L.O.K. Fertilizer and her escort was Justin Wiley. Her parade entry was a buggy furnished by Nolan and Mary Jo Pentecost of Sanco. The driver was Rachel Pentecost.

Some of Christa's duties will include representing Ballinger

in various parades, attending grand openings for businesses and the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Tidwell Honored

The West Texas Chapter of the Professional Golfers Association has honored Jimmy Tidwell, head golf pro at Bentwood Country Club in San Angelo. The PGA has named him as the 1994 Teacher of the Year. His nomination was by fellow PGA members.

Other award winners were: Mickey Piersall, Pampa County Club, the Horton Smith Award; Gary Ray of Amarillo County Club, the Bill Strausbaugh Award; George Priolo of the Ross Rogers Golf Club in Amarillo, Junior Golf Leader Award; and Mark Vinson of Lubbock Country Club, Golf Professional of the Year.

Tidwell, a Bronte High School graduate, is the son of Coke County Commissioner and Mrs. James Tidwell.

RL accelerated reading winners named

Lane Jackson, Robert Lee elementary principal, has released the following list of winners in the Accelerated Reading program for the month of November. Each of the first place winners receives a \$2 bill furnished by Robert Lee State Bank, second place winners are awarded \$1. Winners are as follows. First Grade - Mrs. Payne

1st. Brittani Herring; 2nd. Corey Keating.

First Grade - Mrs. Goodman

1st. Cassidy Wink; 2nd. Mark Stephens.

Second Grade - Mrs. Horn

1st. Kayli Jo Dickey; 2nd. Collin Fleming.

Third Grade - Mrs. McCown

1st. (Tie) Preston Francis, Phillip Arellano; 2nd. (Tie) Shannon Honse, Mellisa Long.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Davis
1st. Christina Middleton; 2nd. Ashlee Millican.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Devoll
1st. Justin Sexton; 2nd. Jaziel Gallegos.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Wilson
1st. Jodee Helwig; 2nd. (Tie) Jamie Chesshir, Shanna Hendrix.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Burns
1st. DeShira Dickey; 2nd. Curtis Bell.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Randolph
1st. Amber Freeman; 2nd. Tiffany Copeland.



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Scott and Glenn Bishop - Odessa, hooked a 22 1/4 lb. Bluecat on a trotline with bass minnows and a 9 1/4 lb.

Striper while trolling.

Gene Wheless - San Angelo, reeled in a 4 lb. 4 oz. Black Bass on a rattle trap and a 8 lb. 12 oz. Black Bass on a Pop R. Lure.

Virginia Simmons - Big Lake, reeled in a 4 lb. 2 oz. Black Bass on a Pop R. Lure.

Shannon Kendall - San Angelo, reeled in a 8 3/4 lb. Black Bass on a spinner bait lure.

Jay Neuman, Greg Holder and Paul Renard - San Angelo, limited out with 14 Stripers weighing a total of 29 lbs.

Allen Wilson - Odessa, reeled in a 11 lb. 1 oz. Striper trolling.

Tim Brooker - Odessa, reeled in 4 Black Bass weighing from 2 1/2 lbs. to 3 1/2 lbs.

Wildcat Marina

Rick Watkins - Robert Lee, reeled in a 8 lb. Striper.

Tommy Brown - Odessa, reeled in a 15 1/2 lb. Striper.

Richard Larned - Odessa, reeled in a 9 1/2 lb. Striper.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Longhorn B-ball results listed

The Bronte Longhorns JV and varsity teams traveled to Water Valley recently to face off against the Wildcats. Both teams fell a little short in their bid for a win.

The varsity boys were defeated in a very close game by a score of 58-61. Topping the scoring for the team was Brent Taylor with 21 points. Nicholas Arrott tipped in 11 points, Keith Treadaway 6, Kale Beck, Clint Scott, and Cody Holland each put 5 on the board. James Hambright scored 4 for the Horns, Russel Vaughn 1.

The JV team was also disappointed in their quest for a victory against the Wildcats JV team. They were defeated 34-40. Michael Martinez was highpointer with 19 points. Michael Blair scored 5, Casey Gibbs and Scott Graves each scored 3, Drew Peterson and Dusty Arrott each had 2 for the night.

The Horns varsity squad traveled to Ballinger to compete in the invitational tourney held there. The Horns came home with a consolation win and a record of 3-4. Brent Taylor was selected to the All-Tournament team.

The team fell short against Lakeview in their first game of the tourney. They were defeated 43-56. Devlin Pierce put 10 on the board and took

high point honors. Kale Beck put 9 on the board, Clint Scott 8, James Hambright 6, Keith Treadaway and Nicholas Arrott 3 each, Brent Taylor and Gary Walker 2 each.

The Horns met with more success in the next game defeating Reagan County 73-68. Brent Taylor poured in 15 points, Clint Scott 13, James Hambright 11, Keith Treadaway 10, Nicholas Arrott 8, Devlin Pierce 5, Gary Walker 4, Kale Beck 3, Cody Holland and Russel Vaughn 2 each.

The consolation game saw the Horns facing off against Eldorado; the game was a squeaker with Bronte coming out on top 51-50. Taking high point honors for the second time was Brent Taylor with 20. Devlin Pierce put up 7 points, Clint Scott 6, James Hambright 5, Keith Treadaway 4, Cory Robinson 3, Kale Beck, Gary Walker and Russel Vaughn 2 each.

Shorthorns Win

The A and B girls Shorthorn basketball teams defeated the Water Valley Wildcats Thursday, December 1st. The A team is 2-1 and the B team is 1-2. The A team won 29-27 with Bonnie DeLaughter scoring 12 points and the B team won 10-6.

Bronte COC Youth News

Bronte Nursing Home residents know there are times

when your eyesight and handwriting fail you. At times like these, it is nice to know teens are eager to assist. This past Sunday afternoon, Laura Thomas and Brent Taylor of the Bronte Church of Christ did just that!

Laura wrote letters to family and friends of some very special ladies, while Brent addressed Christmas cards donated by the teens. Postage was paid by their local congregation. Gladys Baker, Lillie Richards, Leona Spivey and Irene Phillips enjoyed the chance to become better acquainted with Bronte's younger citizens.

College Hotline

The College Information Hotline (available via a toll-free call) provides timely information concerning post secondary educational opportunities to Texas students and their families. One weekend in January is set aside for the hotline operation each year. This year, Hotline '95 will be January 7th and 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

High school and college admission counselors will man the phone lines answering questions about any aspect of college admission, financial aid, degree programs, housing, student life and activities or special programs.

The toll-free number is 1-800-829-4599.



Winners in the Bronte Parade as Gift Packages were (front row) Chloe Grigg - 1st place, (back row) Ashley Denton - 2nd place, and Bailey Saunders - 3rd place.

Bronte School News

There will be several meetings in January that will be of interest to students and parents. On January 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Library, parents and students in the 10th and 11th grades will be invited to attend a meeting concerning the test results of the Pre-ACT Entitled Plan which is for all Sophomores, and the PSAT which is the Pre-SAT Test for all Juniors. This will be an informative meeting on college entrance testing.

On January 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library, all Seniors and their parents are invited to attend a Financial Aid meeting with Jim Parker from Angelo State University. This will be an informative meeting concerning financial aid and how to obtain it. Mr. Parker will answer any questions and provide everyone with up to date information.

If you are unable to attend, please contact Vicky Mc-

Cutchen at the High School at 473-2511.

Christmas Concert

Mark your calendars for December 15th for the annual Bronte ISD Christmas performance which will be held in the School Auditorium. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the Kindergarten through Third grade performing the musical "A Sombrero for Santa", followed by the Fourth grade recorder band, Fifth grade beginning band, Sixth grade beginning band and finishing with Bronte Longhorn Concert band. All bands will be performing various Christmas melodies. The High School Band will also perform highlights from "The Lion King" and "Phantom of the Opera".

Admission is free. There will be a reception in the cafeteria, sponsored by the Bronte High School Band Boosters. Cookies, baked items and punch will be served.



Breakfast Menu

Monday, Dec. 12
Cereal, Pineapple Tidbits, Toast, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 13
Sausage, Waffles, Grape Juice, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 14
Scrambled Eggs, Biscuit, Orange Juice, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 15
Breakfast Pizza, Apple Juice, Milk

Friday, Dec. 16
Cereal, Diced Pears, Toast, Milk

Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 12
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Diced Peaches, Bread Sticks, Milk, Apple-sauce

Tuesday, Dec. 13
Frito Pie, Chili, Cheese, Tossed Salad, Buttered Corn, Corn Chips, Milk, Jello with Mixed Fruit

Wednesday, Dec. 14
Bar-B-Q on Bun, Pinto Beans, Tator Tots, Milk, Rice Krispie Bar

Thursday, Dec. 15
Roast Beef with Brown Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Milk, Pumpkin Pie with Whip Topping

Friday, Dec. 16
Stew, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Carrot Sticks, Orange, Crackers, Cornbread, Milk, Juice Bars



Steve and Debbie Neighbors of Brownwood came by the Bronte Nursing Home Wednesday, Nov. 23, visiting and brought their pet pig, Harold. The residents enjoyed their visit very much.

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HEALTH NOTES

Wheezing From Work

Wheezing from Work is the title of a study on occupational asthma from the University of Connecticut. Drs. Tim Morse and Eileen Storey used information from the federal Center for Health Statistics to estimate that their state has about six thousand current cases of asthma caused by something at work.

Nationally, occupational health clinics are finding occupational asthma to be one of the most frequent diagnoses they see. The study identified more than two hundred different asthmagens, such as di-isocyanates used in some paints and epoxies, amines used in rubber and plastics industries, formaldehyde, dusts and fumes from certain metals, pharmaceuticals, and even vegetable materials such as flour.

The chair of the Connecticut Workers' Compensation Commission, Jesse Frankl, says the report shows exposure on the job is a significant cause of asthma and is often preventable.

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Counselor's Comments
by Vicky McCutchen

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In the next few weeks I would like to share some very important tips for success for those students who someday want to attend a select college or university. The four years in high school do matter, and it is not just what you do in your academics that matters. Community involvement and community service is extremely important when applying for those scholarships. Students who win scholarships are those who are most active in school and community.

Let's begin by listing what a student needs to do in the ninth grade in high school: 1) take the college preparatory classes, 2) take challenging elective courses, 3) take a foreign language, 4) begin volunteer work because colleges look for concerned and active students, 5) get involved in activities in school because colleges look for students with a variety of interests, 6) take beginning Algebra (if you took Algebra in the eighth grade, start Geometry), 7) Read at least one

Christmas Singing

First United Methodist Church, Winters, will host a community church-wide Christmas singing, Sunday, December 11th at 2:00 p.m. in the church's sanctuary. The church is located at 141 N. Church Street, on the corner of North Church and West Parsonage Streets.

Churches of all denominations are encouraged to participate. The public is invited. A nursery will be provided and refreshments will be served by the host church following the singing. Everyone attending is asked to bring a canned or non-perishable food item that will be given to the Winters Food Pantry.

Personal

Bobby and Jeffie Roberts recently spent some time in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area visiting with friends and relatives. They visited with Johnnie and Joy Thompson at their business in Ft. Worth; James and Blanche Harmon in Benbrook and attended the Omni Theater for the showing of "Destiny in Space"; telephone visit with Mrs. Dwain (Beth) Walker of Hurst; continuing short visits with Herbert and Maude Arnold in Granbury; and George Strickland at Glen Rose Band Hall-Glen Rose High School. Melinda was out of town, but Jeremy dropped in for a short visit on his way to the gym as he was playing in a basketball tournament.

unassigned book each month because readers do better in high school and tend to get into better colleges.

These are just some of the things a student needs to do as a ninth grader in order to be accepted into a select college someday. Next week the tenth grade will be featured.

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East Coke County Ambulance Service reported contributions received for the month of November 1994:

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Bronte Elementary Faculty and Staff, Ray and Brenda Barnett, Benny and Jackie Corley, and Joe and Glenda Draper.

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Nursing Home residents enjoy the help and association with Bronte youths.

Wallace, and Terry and Donna Poehls.

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Bryan's Barn gathering interest

Bryan's Barn on Messbox Creek, Robert Lee, has been a busy place since "Open House" started there Sunday night at 6:00 pm. Ninety visitors registered and viewed the Christmas decorations outside and inside. Everybody has been pleased and surprised at the quality and quantity of this year's display.

In 1993, the city's WCCCD awarded the Barn "Christmas Spectacular" status with three acres decorated. This year, all six acres of the property are involved in the display. Putting up lights started in October so the 16 pine trees were lighted before Halloween. The Bryan family has had work days most weekends since then to complete the work. Wilson spends all of his time at the job, and has added more lights every day since the opening.

On Sunday, December 4, 96 guests registered and vis-

ited in the house. Only 26 came Monday, but 70 registered on Tuesday. Forty-one of those were from a motorcade of senior citizens from Ballinger whose trip was organized by members of Seventh Street Baptist Church of Ballinger.

The Barn will be open for visitors every night in December, 6:00-10:00 pm, with the season closing January 1, 1995. The Bryans like for all visitors to park and come inside to register and visit, to stroll over the yard and view the creek, then to drive across the creek to see the reflections in the water. Each person should register each time he goes, "The more times, the better!", they say.

Lucile plans a special treat for the oldest and the youngest person registered. She already has a prospective young winner whose family registered him opening night.

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-- The Hornets' Nest --

Blackwell News Sports Beat

by Karen Taylor

Blackwell High traveled to Christoval, November 22, to face the Cougars. The Lady Hornets kept the score close the whole game but could not pull out the victory. The final score was 46-40 in Christoval's favor. Leading the scoring for the ladies were Jessica Shafer with 18 points and Jennifer O'Malley with 13 points. The Hornets were defeated 52-72. The leading scorers were Prentice Westbrook with 12 points and Todd Smith and Cody Wilkinson both with 10 points. The JV boys played in their first game of the season and were defeated 24-61. Leading the points were Brandon Boyd with 10 points and Ted Tovas with 8 points.

Blackwell Junior High faced the Westbrook Wildcats on November 28th. The girls won by a score of 40-12. Jennifer Boyd lead the scoring with 10 points and Leticia Camarillo helped out by adding 8 points. The boys kept the game close, but the Wildcats came out with the victory. The final was Blackwell 49 and Westbrook 56. Jesus Chavez had 15 points and Jimmy Holland had 10 points.

Practice moderation during holidays

For people who suffer from indigestion during the holidays, relief is spelled m-o-d-e-r-a-t-i-o-n.

"The holidays are a common time for people to get indigestion," said Dr. Alan Buchman, an assistant professor of medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "You can avoid ruining the festivities by being careful about how, when and what you eat."

Acid indigestion, or heartburn, is often caused by a backflow of stomach acid into the esophagus, a long tube connecting the throat and stomach. Buchman says indigestion can usually be avoided by not eating late night meals, eating at a casual pace, and cutting back on certain foods.

Holiday revelers should keep fatty foods to a minimum, says Buchman, because they may increase the risk of heartburn.

"The fat in creamy sauces and other foods can cause acid build-up," said Buchman, who is also director of nutrition support services at Baylor.

For a heartburn free holiday, Buchman recommends the following:

*Eat small meals.

*Refrain from wearing tight belts or other restrictive clothing.

*Wait at least one hour before lying down after eating.

"It's unrealistic to stay away from rich foods during the holidays," Buchman says, "but use common sense and don't overdo it."

Blackwell Community News

by Trinity Tankersley

A tentative date of December 18th has been set for the Blackwell Baptist Church's Christmas program. Grades kindergarten through sixth have been working very hard these past few weeks to get ready for this event. Come and see for yourself just how wonderful they are!

Blackwell School News

by Connie Sawyer

On Thursday, December 8, there will be a financial aid meeting for the seniors in Room 6 beginning at 8:55 a.m.

Remember that yearbooks are still on sale until Friday, December 9.

School Board members are reminded that the annual staff will be taking their pictures at the school board meeting this month for the yearbook.

The first grade class is participating in the Book It! reading program. They are just finishing up their second month with three more months to go. The way it works: Each child sets a reading goal for the month (Example: Read ten books). Each time a book is read, a parent, guardian, older sister or brother fills out a verification slip. These slips are returned to the teacher who is tracking each child's progress. When the goal is reached, the teacher will issue a coupon redeemable at Pizza Hut for a free Personal Pan Pizza. So, if you know a first grader, be sure to encourage them to keeping on reading!

TWU to offer Summer Institute

Texas Women's University will be offering a Health Careers Summer Institute for minority students currently enrolled in the ninth, tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 in addition to other requirements. There will be two summer sessions: June 4-16 and June 18-30. The fee will be \$60.00 registration fee. Contact Vicky McCutchen for more information at 473-2511.

Delegates attend TFB convention

Three voting delegates from Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau recently participated in the 61st annual Texas Farm Bureau convention November 27-November 30 in Dallas.

They were Bobby Roberts, President of the local Farm Bureau, and wife, Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee, and Robert Brown of Bronte.

Policies directing the state's largest farm organization were adopted by more than 1,300 delegates from 211 organized Farm Bureaus. Approved recommendations on national policies will advance to the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting to be held January 8-12 in St. Louis.

Speakers featured at the convention included: Joe Griffith, a dyslexic who used hilarious and moving illustrations to show how he overcame his problem to become a successful and bestselling author; Bob Stallman of Columbus, TFB president; David R. Krebs of Portland, TFB secretary-treasurer; and Vernie Glasson, TFB executive director.

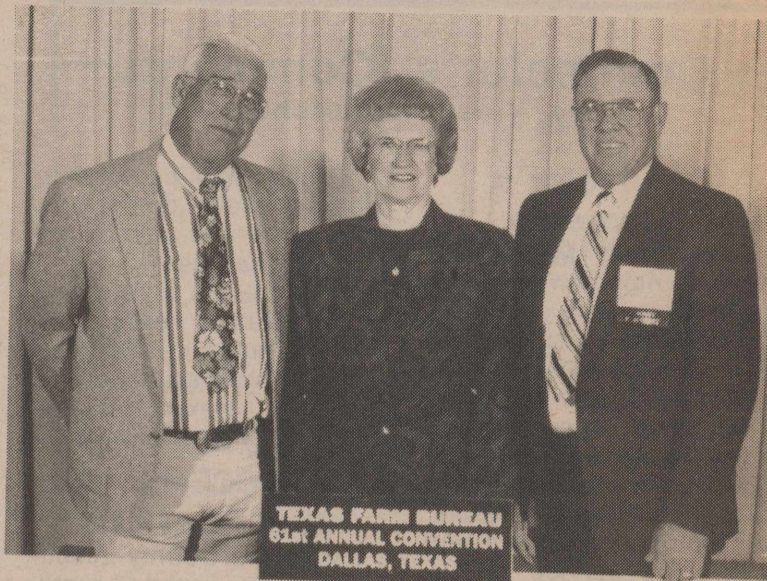
The business session covered the final two days of the meeting. The last order of business was the election of the president, Bob Stallman of Columbus.

This year's youth winners were Jennifer Johnson of Houston County, Miss Farm Bureau; Lane Scott Harder of Wood County, Talent Find winner; and Jeremy Ayers of Childress County, Free Enterprise Speech winner. Runner-up and winner of a \$2500.00 scholarship - Cecilia Gerngross of Tom Green County.

Name "Outstanding Young Farmer/Rancher of 1994" was Ricky Yantis and his wife, Gena of Amherst (Lamb County).

Personal

Floyd and Jessie Harmon, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, Douglas, Denise and Kacey Roberts all of Robert Lee were in Houston to spend Thanksgiving with Jim and Sheila (Roberts) Farrar, Crystal and Lauren. Also, present Thanksgiving Day were Jim's mother and niece, Johnnie and Amy Farrar.



Voting delegates representing the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau at the 61st annual Texas Farm Bureau convention in Dallas November 27 through November 30 were (left to right) Robert Brown of Bronte, Jeffie and Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee.

Records Management Workshop

Coke County Justices of the Peace Joan Davis and Jack Moore attended a Records Management workshop Wednesday, November 30 in Mertzon. Bruce White, records management consultant for the Texas State Library, brought the session to fifteen elected officials. After January, 1995, many of the Justice Court records may be destroyed which are more than five years old. Storage in most offices and courthouses is at a premium and hopefully this will relieve some of the problems. Since burning is not permitted, the county is considering buying a shredder which is the recommended method of disposal.

Personal

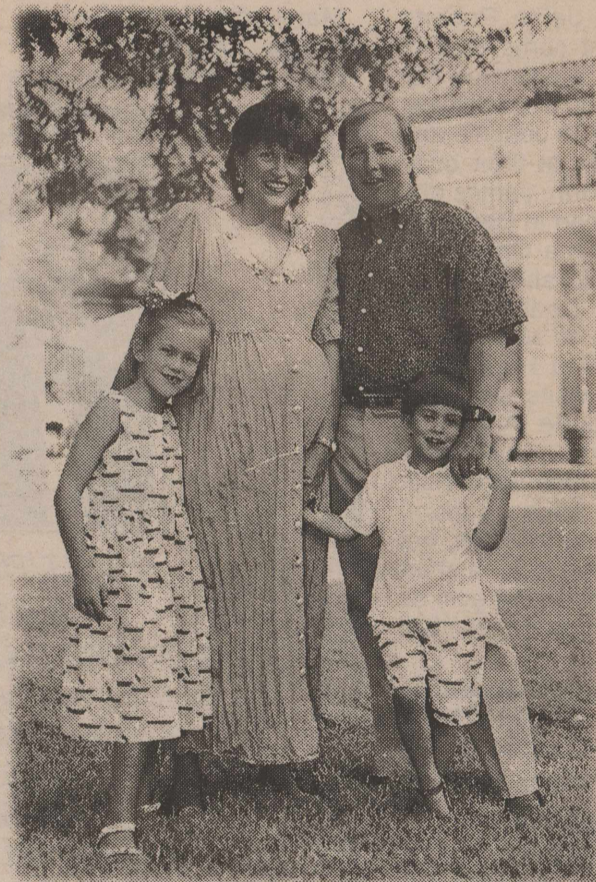
Former Robert Lee resident Steve Blair was taken by Shannon's MediVac to Houston last Thursday afternoon for emergency open heart surgery. He was taken to Methodist Hospital where he underwent surgery to repair an aneurysm and aorta and to replace a valve in his heart. Steve became ill suddenly on Wednesday night and was taken by WCC EMS to Shannon Medical Center.

Family members report he is doing well and should be released from the hospital sometime next week.

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17 oz. can **.79**

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2 Bar pkg. **1.59**

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Ketchup
24 oz. **.99**

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50 Lb. Sack **3.99**

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Shurfresh 8 oz. Bowl **Whipped Topping .69**

Shurfresh **Pie Shells** 2 ct. 10 oz. **.79**

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If the party who took the water tank and trailer from the Singing Winds Golf Course, Bronte, will return it immediately, no questions will be asked. If it is not returned and is located, charges will be filed for theft against the party who has it.

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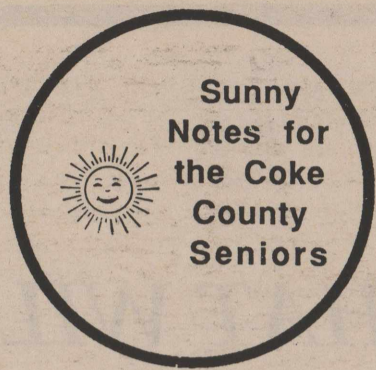
Applications are being taken for the position of Maintenance Technician II at the Coke County Maintenance Section in Robert Lee. Opening Date: 12-5-94, Closing Date: 12-16-94 at 5:00 p.m. Applications and Job Vacancy Notice may be obtained at any TxDOT office. Duties will include routine maintenance, hauling materials to and from job site, road repairs, operating light and some heavy equipment, performing minor maintenance on equipment, and other duties as specified in the Job Vacancy notice.

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NOTICE OF FUNDING APPLICATION

On or before, December 20, 1994, the City of Bronte will submit an application to Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs requesting housing assistance funding through the 1994 HOME Program. Residents of the City of Bronte that are interested in applying for homeowner rehabilitation assistance are encouraged to provide their name, address and phone number to: City Secretary, City of Bronte, P. O. Box 370, Bronte, TX 76933-0370 or by calling the City Secretary's office at (915)473-3501.

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Sunny Notes for the Coke County Seniors

Bake Sale a Success

Lots of wonderful items were brought for our Bake Sale and that money will go into our Activity Fund here at the Bronte Senior Center.

Christmas Lights Tour

The Rural Public Transportation Van will run on Monday evening, December 12th, to look at Bronte's Christmas Lights. Call the Bronte Senior Center if you would like to go. We will stop and have "Christmas Goodies" along the way. Call 473-6471.

55 Alive

AARP is having another defensive driving class for those 50 and older on Tuesday, December 13th and Wednesday, December 14th from 1:00 to 5:00 each day. The cost of the course is minimal and you save 10 percent on your liability insurance each year for three years. It can be quite a savings along with sharpening your driving skills. We had 21 take it in November and had a waiting list. So call 473-6471 if you are interested in this 8 hour course. The class is held at the Bronte Senior Center.

Quilter's Christmas Party

A party is planned for Thursday, December 15th from 11:00 to 2:00 at the Bronte Senior Center. A gift exchange will be made and you are asked to bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. The meat dish will be provided.

No Commodities in December

We will definitely have commodities again in January. You need to come by the Bronte Senior Center to re-certify. Monday, December 19th from 8:00 to 1:00 we will have someone to sign you up for 1995.

Menus of the Week Monday, Dec. 12

Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Broccoli, Hot Roll, Pear Halves, Sugar Cookies
Wednesday, Dec. 14
Bar-B-Q Brisket, Scalloped Potatoes, Pickle, Tomato, Bun, Peanut Butter Cookies
Friday, Dec. 16
Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Spinach, Toast, Tossed Salad, Vanilla Pudding

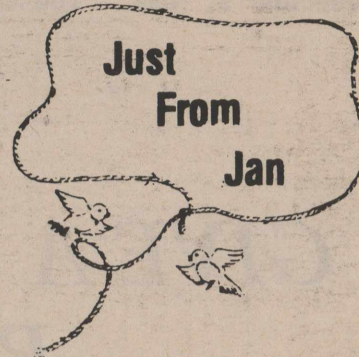
Calendar contest seeks entries

Aristar Calendar Company, in cooperation with the Children's Wish Foundation International, has launched a national contest to select youngsters--infants to age 12--to be showcased in a new 1996 "Kids" calendar. Proceeds from a portion of the sales of the calendars will benefit the Children's Wish Foundation, which fulfills the wishes of terminally ill children.

Twelve first-place winners and 50 runners-up will be selected by a panel of judges in New York City with the winners sharing \$25,000 in cash and prizes. The 12 first-place winners will participate in a professional photoshoot at the sponsor's expense and be featured in the 1995 Aristar "Kids" calendar to be sold nationally.

Aristar Calendar Company, a manufacturer and distributor of specialty calendars, is accepting photographs of candidates for the contest. To enter, parents should send a black and white or color photograph (snapshot or professional, in any size) of their child with his or her name imprinted on the back of the photograph. In addition, parents should print on a separate piece of paper their names, address, and telephone number and the name and age of their child.

Entries, which must be postmarked no later than December 31, 1994, should be mailed to Aristar Calendar Company, 575 Madison Avenue, Suite 1006, Dept. 3A, New York, NY 10022. For return of the photograph, a self-addressed, stamped envelope should be included with the entry.



by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Ext. Agent

What to Tell a Child about Santa Claus

by Jan Yanez

Parents often wonder what to tell a child about the reality of Santa Claus.

Some children are very down to earth, they want to know, in so many words, if he is real or pretend. Such a child should be told that Santa Claus is pretend. Every parent faces this decision the minute those seeds of doubt start bouncing around in the child's head. If a parent can get the child to enjoy the spirit of make believe, fine. But if the child definitely does not want to be fooled, do not press the point.

Many children, especially of school age, grow to accept Santa Claus as a representative of the holiday season and the spirit of love and giving.

At the other extreme is the child who too easily loses the distinction between dream and reality. . . Everything that he pretends is very real to him. He needs help in making distinctions between fact and fiction. Parents can do this by gently reminding the child, "It is fun to pretend about Santa, isn't it? Santa Claus is one way of sharing good feelings with people."

Parents, ministers and educators often discuss whether or not to perpetuate the myth of Santa Claus. Persons ask, "If a child is told from the beginning there is not a Santa, will he miss much of the excitement and fun of Christmas?" One way to keep the magic and gaiety without later disappointing children is by treating Santa Claus and his flying reindeer as a wonderful game of make believe. The jolly man is a symbol of good cheer and gifts which accompany Christmas. The whole family can hang stockings, understanding that Santa is an imaginary character.

Tracing his image of Santa Claus as a child grows older, is that a child of two or three years old will join in the ceremonies, but no matter what he is told, Santa is real to him. Children of this age cannot separate fact from fantasy. By four or five years of age, while

he still has a sense of awe and wonder, he may begin to know that Santa is not an actual man who parks his reindeer on the roof and slides down the chimney. It is about this age that children begin asking how Santa Claus can be on every corner and in every store. Many parents explain about Santa's helpers. This is a beginning to introducing the idea of sharing and helping as the real message of the Christmas Season.

As children grow, they can understand the wonderful living legend of Santa Claus. They know that their parents have shared a special feeling and spirit, and have been honest with them.

This is possible, you see, because there really is a SANTA CLAUS. . .

Follow holiday safety precautions

With the holidays approaching, now is a good time to review safe kitchen practices that will keep food poisoning from ruining a festive dinner, said Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry.

Millions of cases of food poisoning occur in the United States every year, Perry said. Though most cases are mild, some can be deadly. The very young, the elderly, and those with chronic illnesses are at special risk.

"The good news is most cases of food-borne illness can be prevented by proper food handling and sanitation at home," Perry said. "This may take extra planning during the holidays when a greater variety and quantity of food is served."

Texas Department of Agriculture Nutrition Coordinator Belinda Boshell recommends following simple precautions to ensure safe eating during the holiday season and all year long.

*Safety begins at the supermarket, says Boshell. Pick up the turkey, meat, and dairy products last. If food has to be in a car longer than thirty minutes, ice perishables in a cooler.

*Take your food home to a clean kitchen -- spotless shelves, countertops, other surfaces and utensils. Refrigerate or freeze perishable items promptly.

*The safest way to thaw a turkey is in the refrigerator, never at room temperature where bacteria multiply rapidly. Refrigerator thawing takes one or two days for an 8 to 12 pound bird and four or five days for turkeys weighing 20 to 25 pounds. Fresh turkeys should be purchased two or three days before the holiday and stored in the refrigerator. Place the turkey in a pan so it cannot drip on other food.

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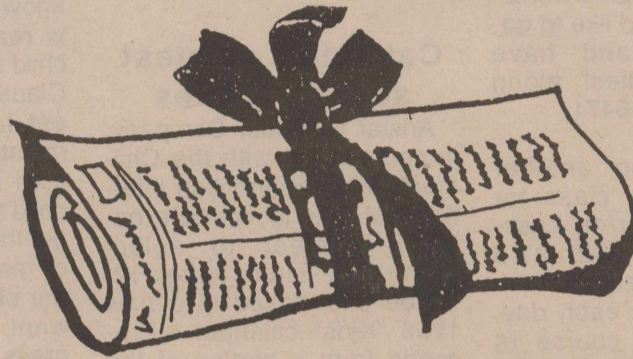
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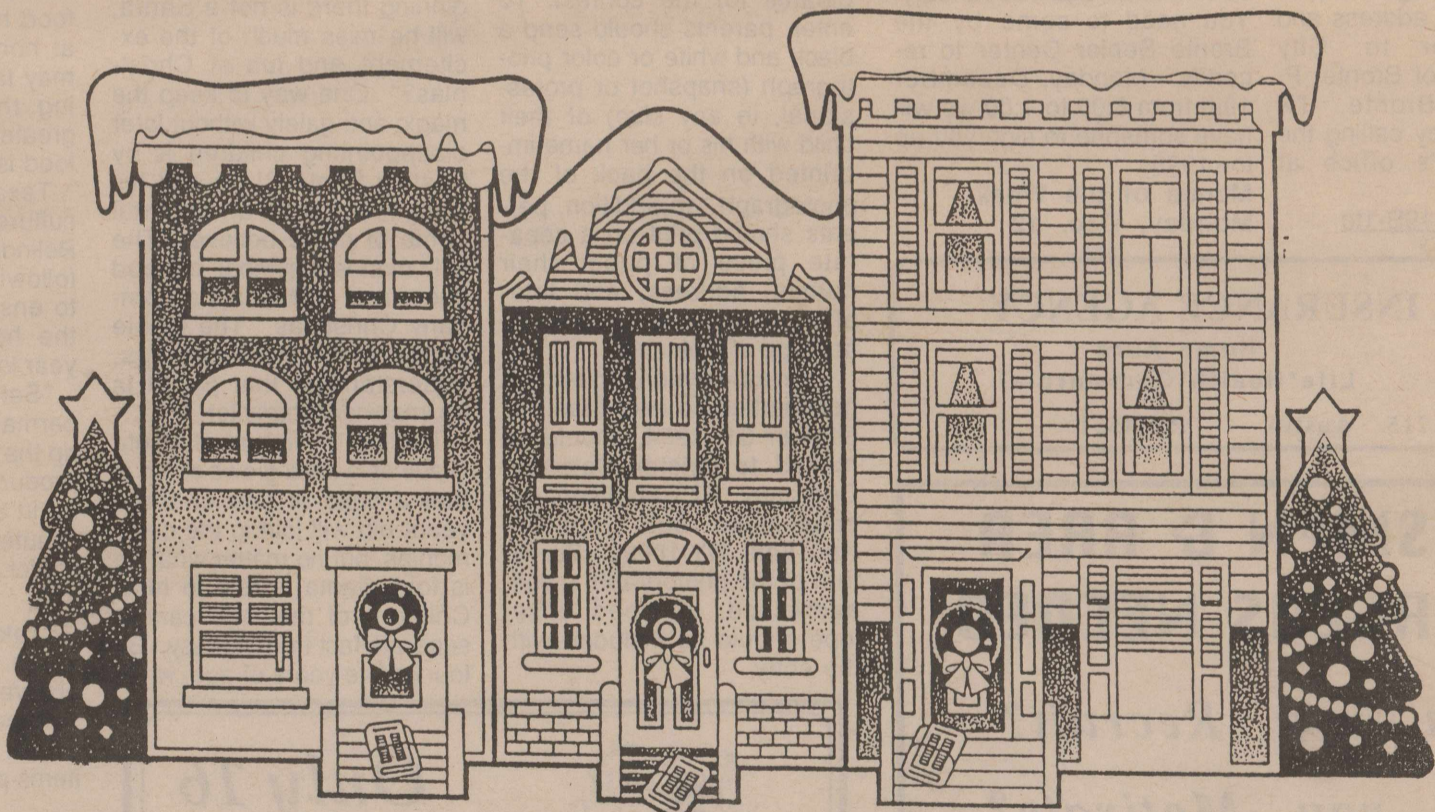
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