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Carver rides in Ft. Worth parade

Hardin-Simmons University's Six White Horse Rider Team participated in Fort Worth's 100th Southwest Exposition and Livestock Show and Parade on Saturday, January 20.

The White Horse Rider Team has been a part of HSU's Western Heritage since the 1930s. The Six White Horses and the girl riders bearing the six flags that have flown over Texas began as a promotional gimmick for the famous Cowboy Band.

For years, the Six White Horses appeared with the Cowboy Band. But they have become an attraction of their own. Dr. W.O. "Doc" Beazley, HSU's vice president emeritus and rodeo enthusiast, directs the program.

Six White Horse riders include Kim Odom of Baird, senior art major; Tracy Usclan of Killeen, junior music-business major; Alex Watkins of Arlington, freshman marketing major; Kimberly Bryan of Gainesville, junior elementary ed-

FB week proclaimed

County Judge Jackie Walker has signed a proclamation designating February 5 - 9 as "Farm Bureau Membership Week" in Coke County. The week is part of a statewide observance during which county Farm Bureaus will make a special effort to enroll new members, according to Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee, president of the Coke County Farm Bureau.

"The Texas Farm Bureau, with more than 300,000 member families, is influential in both state and national affairs on behalf of agriculture," the proclamation reads.

"Farm Bureau is a grass-

roots organization. Its foundation is the county unit. There are 211 organized county Farm Bureaus in the state, including the Coke County Farm Bureau," the proclamation states.

Bobby Roberts said the local county Farm Bureau has 747 member families and is seeking to exceed that figure in 1996.

He said that the Farm Bureau is a general farm organization that seeks to improve the income of farm and ranch families. The organization represents the farmer and rancher at the local level, in Austin, and in Washington, D.C.

ucation major; Kimberly Carver of Robert Lee, sophomore nursing major; and Cherith Hufstetler of Wylie, junior elementary education major.

Lady Steers undefeated in district play

The Lady Steers have maintained their undefeated status in district competition with wins over Roby and Sterling City last week.

The Ladies were on the winning end of a 71-61 shoot-

out in Roby Tuesday night. Several RL girls were in the double digits in the win. High pointer was Shalon Waldrop with 19. Jennifer Scott and Jaclyn Waldrop each hit for 16 points. Bree Bolding tipped in 5, Heather Millican 4, Tiffany Bruning 4, Kannan Millican 3, Patricia Minjarez and Maranda Wojtek 2 each.

Robert Lee was again on the road Friday, January 26. The Ladies defeated hosts Sterling City 37-30 in a de-fensive battle. Sterling City held a 3 point lead in the first quarter, but the Ladies came back to take a 2 point lead at the end of the first half. They were able to hold Sterling City to only 12 points in the second half to secure the win.

Shalon Waldrop led the scoring for RL with 10. Heather Millican tipped in 8 points, Jennifer Scott 6, Jaclyn Waldrop 5, Kizzie Howell 4, and Tiffany Bruning 4.



Kimberly Carver of Robert Lee, one of Hardin-Simmons University's Six White Horse Riders, prepares for Fort Worth's 100th Southwest Exposition and Livestock Show and Parade on Saturday, January 20. Carver is a sophomore nursing major at HSU and daughter of John and Sheila Carver of Robert Lee.

Local grandparents and greatgrandparents are Ben and Mary Bessent and Robert and Pauline Vaughan.

Time is running out!

Windbreak tree seedlings are available through the Coke County Soil and Water



County Judge Jackie Walker has declared February 5-9 as "Farm Bureau Membership Week". It is part of a statewide effort by Farm Bureau to increase membership.

Taylor Co. youth shows Grand Champion hog

Shaye Anne Bessent, 10, exhibited the Grand Champion crossbred hog at the Taylor County Stock Show recently. "Ralphie", a 190 pound entry, impressed the judge, who stated he was one of the top hogs he had seen this year. Shaye Anne will be showing "Ralphie" in the Houston Stock Show Feb. 22. Her win in the Taylor County Show was a repeat from last year.

The young exhibitor is a 5th grader at Wylie Middle School in Abilene, where her dad, Craig Bessent, is principal. Her mother, Lisa, is on the teaching staff at Wylie Intermediate School in Abilene.

Inmates to work in RL

The City of Robert Lee has obtained the inmates from the Criminal Justice System located at San Angelo State School in Carlsbad, Texas.

These inmates have been in Robert Lee in the past working around the City lake and golf course and have done an outstanding job.

Work will begin on February 5 cleaning areas that will include Fern Havins Park, Mt. Creek Heights Addition, the creek that runs from the water tower through the city, and the golf course.

The city is not obligated but has chosen to provide the noon meal to the inmates. Any contributions would be greatly appreciated.

Questions may be directed to City Hall.

Conservation District. Interested parties should place their orders as soon as possible by calling 453-2623, or come by the office at 214 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee.

CCJJCC to meet

The Coke County Juvenile Justice Community Council is set to meet Monday, February 5, 1996, at 6:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Gospel Singing Sunday

The regular monthly community gospel singing will be Sunday, February 4, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

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——Death Notices——

Gray

Billie Jean Yarbro Gray, 72, of Abilene, died Thursday, January 25, 1996 at Palo Pinto Hospital in Mineral Wells, Texas.

Graveside service was held at 1:00 pm Saturday, January 27, in Elmwood Memorial Park with Dr. Phil Christopher officiating, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, Abilene

She is survived by a daughter, Dinah Gray Nichols of Dallas; two grandsons, Wallace Nichols and Campbell Nichols, both of Dallas; and a brother, Don Yarbro of Nevada.

Patton

Donnie Patton, 17, died of unknown causes in his home on Thursday, January 25, 1996.

Service was held at 10 am Monday, January 29, in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with Ed McCorkle and Portis Ribble officiating. Burial followed in Belvedere Memorial Park.

Donnie is survived by his mother and stepfather, Ruthie and David Odom of San Angelo; his sister, Tammy Patton of Dallas; his father, Donald Patton of Bronte; his grandmothers, Rita Flippin of San Angelo and Jaylene Odom of Carlsbad; his grandfather, Wilbert Alcorn of Crews; his uncles, Kenneth Flippin and family of Lubbock, Donald Alcorn and family of San Angelo, and Bobby Patton and family of Bronte.

Pallbearers were James Jackson, Keith Conerly, Mike

Odom, Jimmy Lohse, Larry Jones, and Tanner Noguess.

TxDOT offers project funding

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will initiate a third call for project proposals under the Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program on January 24, 1996. This program ensures a dedicated source of revenue for important activities that fall outside the scope of traditional transportation operations. To be eligible for funding, activities must fall under one or more of the ten project categories listed below:

1. Facilities for bicycles and pedestrians

 Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic historic properties
Scenic or historic highway

programs 4. Landscaping and other

scenic beautification 5. Historic preservation

6. Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities, including historic railroad facilities and canals

7. Preservation of abandoned railway corridors, including conversion and use for pedestrian and bicycle trails

 8. Control and removal of outdoor advertising
9. Archaeological planning

and research 10. Mitigation of water pollution due to runoff

The San Angelo District will within 15 days that the requested information is not

health records.

Senate bill alters

health care

regulations

changes in the storage and

release of medical records

have increased threats to the

confidentiality of health care

information. While the Medi-

cal Practice Act afforded

statutory protection for medi-

cal records in a physician's of-

fice, similar legislation did not

exist for hospital medical

records. Additionally, fees for

retrieving and copying medi-

cal records varied throughout the state. New law was needed to address the form of the

written authorization, exceptions allowing disclosure by a

hospital without written

authorization and uniform

sures to address these issues

during the 74th session of the

Texas Legislature by enacting

legislation to protect confi-

dential health care information

and a patient's right to privacy.

Frank Madla (D-San Antonio)

requires hospitals to obtain

the written authorization of a

patient or a legal representa-

tive in order to release infor-

mation relating to the patient's

medical history, treatment, di-

Ten exceptions for releas-

ing information without written

authorization are specified in

S.B. 667. Among the excep-

* health care providers ren-

* hospital employees for

health care education, quality

assurance, peer review or li-

censure compliance activities,

as long as confidentiality

the extent authorized or re-

* governmental agencies to

* third-party payers for pur-

* a court, under court order

In addition to the confiden-

tiality of health care informa-

tion, S.B. 667 also assures

patients access to health care

information. Under the law, a

patient has the right to obtain

a copy of his/her health care

information from the hospital

or to examine his/her record.

Hospitals must comply with

this request within 15 days of

its receipt, or notify the patient

poses of receiving payment;

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or court subpoena.

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Senate Bill 667 by Senator

fees for copying records. Texas lawmakers took mea-

Over the last several years,

Other laws and regulations prohibit the release of information regarding conditions such as rape, sexual abuse, child or elderly abuse, chemical dependency and attempted suicide. No information may be released about inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or about patients under protective custody.

The Texas Hospital Association recognizes the responsibility of hospitals to keep the public informed of their activities. However, pro-



Keeping healthy is easier than you may think

Americans spend approximately \$5 billion a year on their colds -- about \$3 billion on doctors' visits and \$2 billion on treatment. With an estimated 60 million days of school and 50 million days of work lost each year, colds also cost us some \$4 billion in lost wages and productivity.

Everyone has experienced the symptoms of a cold or flu -runny nose, watery eyes, headache, chills -- and chances are we've all unintentionally passed our germs to family and friends.

With the "cold and flu" season upon us, now is the time to take action against germs. Most people don't realize how quickly and easily germs can spread by living on dry surfaces (such as a toy) for several hours, and moist surfaces (like the bathroom sink) for up to three days. Anyone who touches these surfaces is at risk of getting sick.

According to The Soap and Detergent Association (SDA), "Good hygiene is the first line of defense in staying healthy. The best way to reduce the spread of infectious diseases is through frequent handwashing and regular cleaning of household surfaces. Using an antibacterial soap and a disinfectant provides an extra tecting a patient's privacy and maintaining confidentiality of health care information is of a paramount importance. A hospital may acknowledge an adult patient's presence and provide a one-word condition or status report without written consent. However, a patient has the right to request that no information be released, and the hospital must honor the patient's request.

The establishment of standards for release of health care information not only enhances patient protection, but also assures patient access to health care information.

by Jan Yanez Coke County Ext. Agent

degree of safety." SDA offers the following tips for staying healthy this winter:

* Wash hands frequently. Wash before meals, after using the bathroom, and after coming into contact with someone who is sick. For extra protection, consider using an antibacterial soap.

* Give colds the shoulder. Instead of using your hands, turn your head, lift your upper arm, then cough or sneeze into your shoulder.

* Clean and disinfect wet or moist surfaces often. Bathroom countertops, faucets, and handles; toilet bowls, seats, and handles; door knobs, floors and diaper changing tables are germ havens.

* Make sure the product does what you want it to do. Some cleaners disinfect and some do not; be sure to always read the label.

* Launder cleaning cloths frequently. Cleaning cloths pick up germs from the surfaces they clean. Use liquid household bleach in the wash water, and always allow the cloths and sponges to dry thoroughly between uses.

* Eliminate germ spreaders. Avoid sharing drinking glasses or eating utensils, coughing or sneezing into the telephone, chewing on a pencil, and leaving used tissues around.

You are cordially invited to a coffee

Personal

Sean Barrett spent several days in Robert Lee last week after attending funeral services for his grandfather, Joe Barrett. He is in the United States Navy stationed aboard USS Thorn, a destroyer. His ship has just returned from Puerto Rico and is en route to Columbia and Panama Canal for protective patrolling on the Atlantic. Within 2-3 months he will be aboard ship for a Mediterranean tour.

Sean will meet his assigned ship in Norfolk, Virginia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse English, Jr. and Dee Barrett, the grandson of Mrs. Betty Barrett and Mrs. June English, and the great-grandson of Mrs. Noah Barrett, all of Robert Lee. host an Enhancement Workshop on Tuesday, February 6, 1996 at 1:30 pm in the San Angelo District Office, 4502 Knickerbocker Road. This workshop will provide an excellent forum to discuss the program and address specific questions about the nomination form/process as well as project-specific inquiries.

Project nomination packets and program rules will be available at our address or by calling the telephone number listed below (after the initial January 24 call date) and at the February 6 workshop. The deadline for submission of projects to TxDOT is 5:00 pm, Wednesday, May 1, 1996.

If you have questions or need additional information, contact Tommy Robinson at 915-947-9264. readily available. Patients must be informed of this right upon admission. A uniform fee schedule for copying hospital health care information is included in S.B. 667.

Hospitals failing to comply with the provisions contained in S.B. 667 can be held liable, as well as be subject to administrative penalties and disciplinary action from the Texas Department of Health.

Although there is existing law concerning the confidentiality of mental health records, S.B. 667 contains specific standards for:

* The disclosure of mental health records in certain court or administrative proceedings; * The disclosure of mental health records in other than court or administrative hearings; and

* The revocation of consent for the release of mental honouring Leticia Wilkes, Clint & Daylon Saturday, February 3rd from 9:00 am until 10:00 am at the Cafe Gourmet. Come by and say goodbye.

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favorite teacher, whomever your heart desires a cake.

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Call Cindy Riley - 453-2201 or

Sharon Pitcock - 453-2038

Valentine Cakes

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Sunny Notes for the Coke County Seniors

Income tax assistance provided

A reminder that a volunteer from AARP will be at the Bronte Senior Center on Thursday, February 22, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. This service is provided to low and moderate income families of all ages. It is important that you call and make an appointment. The center is open in the mornings, Monday through Friday. The number to call is 473-6471.

Meals for the Week

Monday, Feb. 5 Pepper Steak w/ Rice, Spinach, Carrots, Hot Roll, Pineapple Upside Down Cake Wednesday, Feb. 7 Cheese Enchiladas, Squash

w/ Tomatoes, Zucchini, Crackers, Plums, Pinto Beans Friday, Feb. 9

Pork Chop w/ Gravy, Rice, Green Beans, Corn, Sweet Potato Muffin, Lime Rice Swirl Hearing Aid Clinic

Debbie Hamilton with Angelo Clinic will be in Bronte Friday, February 9, at 11:00 am to check and clean your hearing aid at no cost. If you need batteries, she will have those for sale. She will be at the Bronte Senior Center. Ballinger Home Health

Ballinger Home Health will be at the Senior Center Friday, February 9, at 11:00 am to take blood pressures. There is no charge for this service.

'64 Study **Club** meets

The '64 Study Club met January 9 in the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church for their regular meeting.

Angelo gave an interesting program on accomplishments made while serving as a Silver Haired Legislator. She included some information on



Claudie and Mary Walker of Premont, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sherri Lynne to Nolan Ray McCool. Nolan is the son of Kenneth and Evelyn McCool of Groveton, Texas. The wedding is set for March 2, 1996 in Corpus Christi, Texas, where the couple live.

Sherri is a 1984 graduate of Robert Lee High School. The Walker family lived in Robert Lee for many years. Sherri's grandmother, the late Zellah Walker, was a school teacher in Silver and Robert Lee for many years.

Alzheimer's Disease in her program.

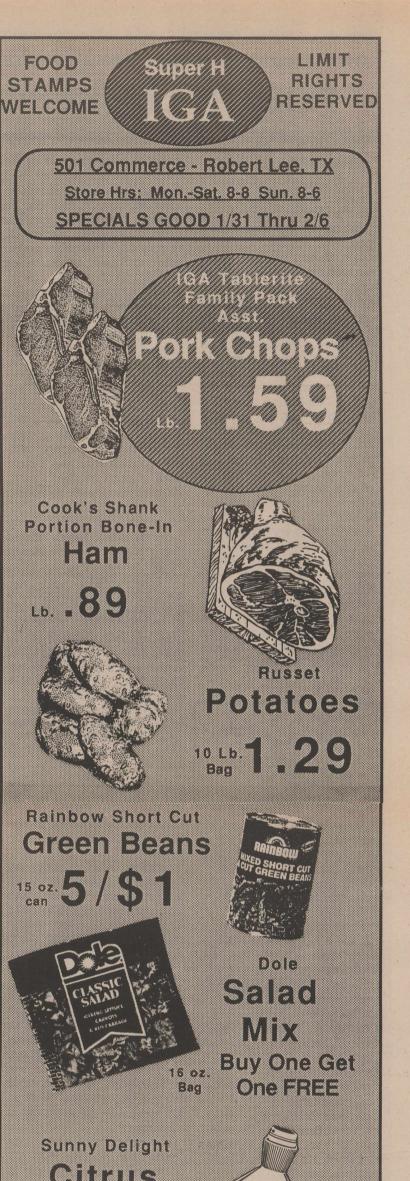
Hostesses Linda Carole Deere, Ava Lou Davis, Reba Tabor and Sue Millican served delicious refreshments to 22 members and three guests.

Guests were Louise Paul, Wanda Dublin, and Nita Duncan. Members present were: Nettie Autry, Nancy Allen, Opal Baker, Pat Carwile, Leta Caston, Peggy Davis, Grace

Ditmore, Thelma Jo Hinnard, Opal Jacoby, Margaret Jones, Carolyn Long, Charlotte McKnight, Virginia Milliff, Winnie Pitcock, Maxine Post, Joann Reese, MayBelle Stewart, President Fay Roe, and hostesses.

The next meeting will be February 16, Ladies Night Out, when they will have dinner and attend Angelo Civic Theatre to see "Bee Hive."







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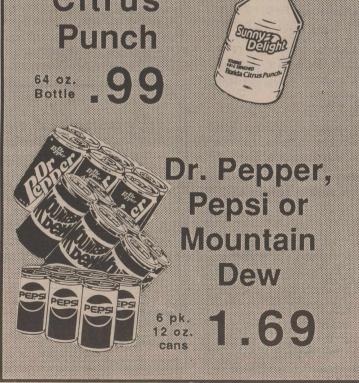
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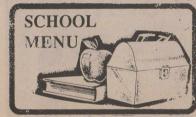
Steers drop 2 in district play

Robert Lee's Steers were on the losing end of two tough games last week on the road.

The Steers were in Roby Tuesday night and lost a hardfought match that went into two overtimes. RL was in the unusual position of having to play catch-up in the first half and took a 1 point deficit in to the third quarter. Things finally seemed to be shifting the Steers' way in the third, as Robert Lee pulled ahead of the Lions 39-35. Roby toughened up in the fourth and the buzzer sounded with the score tied up. It took two overtimes before Roby could put the game away and the game ended with Roby on top 66-60.

Aaron Hood was high point man for Robert Lee with 26. Eric Hood was close behind with 24. Jason Key hit for 5 points, Koby Howell 3, and Rocky Coates 2.

The Steers suffered their second loss in Sterling City Friday, January 26. Robert Lee held a 36-27 lead at the



Breakfast

Monday, Feb. 5 Breakfast Bagel, Orange Juice, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 6 Donuts, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk Wednesday, Feb. 7 Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk Thursday, Feb. 8 Buttered Toast w/ Jelly, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk Friday, Feb. 9 Sausage & Biscuits w/ Gravy, Orange Juice, Milk Lunch Monday, Feb. 5 Chili w/ Crackers, Potato Patties, Pears, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 6 Fried Chicken, Creamed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Buttered

half but a scoring drive by the Eagles in the second half pulled them into position to take the lead. The Eagles scored 26 points in the second half while holding RL to only 16. The game ended with the Steers on the losing end of a 51-53 game.

High pointer for RL was Aaron Hood with 22. Eric Hood tipped in 13, Jerrod Pitcock 6, Jason Key 4, Rocky Coates 4, and Koby Howell 2.

RL JV basketball

Robert Lee's JV girls defeated Bronte's JV squad 35-26 January 18 in Robert Lee.

High pointer in the contest was Samantha Padgett with 16. Jessica Key and Brandi Brosh each tossed in 6, Melissa Smith 5, Vanisha Digby 1, and Stacy Hendry 1.

The girls traveled to Roby for their next game, where they defeated that JV squad 46-35.

Vanisha Digby took high point honor with 8. Kim Gloria and Samantha Padgett each lit the board with 6 points. Tracy Millican tipped in 5, Melissa Smith 5, Stacy Hendry 4, Jessica Key 4, Whitney Montgomery 3, Brandi Brosh

3, and Holly Copeland 2. Robert Lee's JV boys squad traveled to Roby Tuesday, January 23rd and were defeated 40-54. Robert Lee held a 16-9 lead in the first quarter, but Roby came back in the second quarter to end the half with 27-31. Roby stayed hot offensively in the second half and went on to

take the win. Leading the scoring for Robert Lee were Polo Arellano and Mike Pentecost with 12 points each. Gilbert Torres hit for 6 points, Mike Pentecost 3, Michael Munoz 3, and Andrew Talley 2.

Dogies win WV Tourney

Robert Lee's "A" junior high teams traveled to Water Valley to participate in an invitational "A" tourney Saturday, January 27. Robert Lee's "A" team girls brought home a third place trophy and the "A" boys captured the championship trophy.

The "A" girls took the floor against the hosting Wildcats Saturday morning and lost to the Lady Cats 5-38. Scoring in the game for Robert Lee were Cayla Jeffrey with 4 and Shyla Cole with 1. The girls were pitted against Retmember your

Irion County for the third place win. RL got their offensive game going in this match and defeated Irion County 17-10.

Cayla Jeffrey was high pointer with 6. Macy Hill and Dixie Simpson each hit for 4 points. Melanie Johnson hit for 2 and Shyla Cole added 1 point to the board.

The Dogies were also faced off against the hosting Wildcats in their first contest of the day. RL hit the floor scoring 15 points in the first quarter and went on to defeat the Cats 33-22.

B.J. Bessent was high point man for the Dogies with 13. Andrew McCabe was good for 6 points; Jeremy Eaton 4; Joel Gallegos 4. Deric Brothers, Dan McCown, and Daniel Cates each tossed in 2 points. RL was up against a tough Sterling City team in the Championship match. The Dogies put up 42 points to Sterling City's 35 to take the game and championship.

High pointer for Robert Lee was Andrew McCabe with 12. B.J. Bessent and Jeremy Eaton lit the board with 9 each. Dan McCown hit for 8 points and Joel Gallegos tossed in 4.

RLJH roundball results

Robert Lee's junior high teams hosted Sterling City Monday, January 29 in the local gym. The girls teams suffered losses, while both boys teams posted wins.

Robert Lee's "B" girls took the floor first against a physical "B" Sterling City squad. RL had a tough time hitting the board and lost 7-13.

Tying for high point honor were Tiffany Copeland and DeShira Dickey with 3 points each. Stephanie Balderas added the only other score of the night with 1.

The "B" boys also faced a tough, physical team in Sterling City's "B" boys. RL was hitting on all cylinders and put the game away with a 20 point win. The score at the final buzzer saw Robert Lee on top 41-21.

Beau Boxell was high point man for the Dogies with 19 points. James Gallegos hit for 8 points, Lewis Samaniego 6, Beau Blair 4, Favian Minjarez 2, and Zeke Montgomery 2. Robert Lee's "A" girls hit the board well in the next contest of the evening. Unfortunately Sterling City was also doing well offensively, and RL lost a tough one to the visitors 28-36. its Middle Income Family (MIF) grant program to include one new Robert Lee area student,

High pointer for Robert Lee was Cayla Jeffrey with 18. Dixie Simpson added 6 points to the board, Macy Hill 2, and Jamie Luna 2.

The Dogies got off to a slow start in their contest against the Eagles, but got warmed up in the second quarter hitting for 23 points. RL went on to take the win with a final score of 43-35.

Andrew McCabe took high point honors with 17, B.J. Bessent was close behind with 16. Joel Gallegos hit for 6 points. Dan McCown and Jeremy Eaton each tossed in 2

RL welcomes foreign student

Robert Lee has a new visitor this school semester. His name is Rodrigo Xavier. He is an exchange student from Manaus, Brazil (located on the Amazon River). Their native language is Portuguese. Rodrigo states "I would like to thank Robert Lee for the opportunity to accomplish a dream I have had since I started to study English three years ago." Rodrigo enjoys sports, good books, movies, and making new friends. He is currently attending Robert Lee High School and is in the eleventh grade. His host parents are Paul and Kathy Abbott. They are confident that Robert Lee will make a great impact on Rodrigo, and when he leaves to go back to Brazil, he will take precious memories with him.

Grant offered to RL student

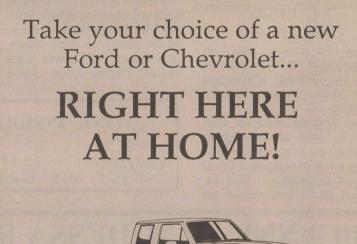
Teikyo Post University in Waterbury, Connecticut has announced the extension of grant program to include one new Robert Lee area student, attending Teikyo Post for the Fall, 1996 term. The total of this grant could reach \$20,000.

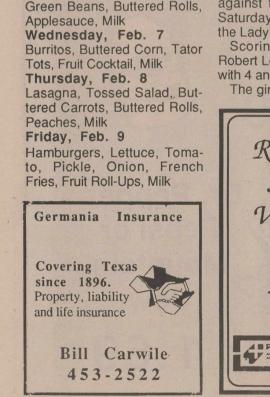
"Our Middle Income Family grant program has struck a positive chord with the general public," stated Dr. Phyllis DeLeo, President of C. Teikyo Post. "Therefore, we have added a zero-interest loan of up to \$5,000 per year for one new Robert Lee area full-time, undergraduate day, middle income student starting their college studies at Teikyo Post in the Fall of 1996. If that student graduates with a bachelor's degree within four years. Teikyo Post will forgive that MIF loan and those monies become a grant, free and clear. We feel that middle income families could use a grant of up to \$20,000 for their sons' or daughters' education," concluded Dr. DeLeo.

Students who wish to apply for a MIF grant should contact the University **immediately** through the Internet at Teikyo Post's World Wide Web home page. The Web address is: **www.teikyopost.edu**.

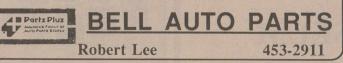
Students also can contact Teikyo Post through e-mail. The e-mail address is: teikyopost@infoback.com.

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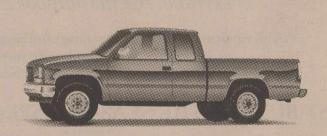








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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Area lakes report

Conditions on Lake O.H. Ivie reached the excellent status for those after crappie this week. Lots of limits of crappie were caught. Using minnows and jigs and fishing in water 10-30 feet deep, anglers had good luck around the Concho Bridge, Colorado "12 Mile" Bridge, Kennedy Park Bluff, and the Observation Point Bluff.

Conditions for black bass were noted as "good" with a few keeper-size being reeled in along shorelines. Points are still holding the better fish in 10-25 feet of water. Plastic worms, spinner and crank baits, and slabs were best baits. Smallmouth bass were landed along rocky areas, points, ridges, and at the main body of the lake; in water 10-30 feet deep, crank baits and slabs brought good results.

Yellow catfish went for live baits mainly on trotlines up the Colorado and Concho River in water 10-30 feet deep. As for channel and blue catfish, white bass, and walleye, there were no catches reported.

For Monday, January 8, 1996, the lake's elevation was 1550.00; water temperature was 45.5 degrees Fahrenheit on the surface and 46.0 degrees Fahrenheit on the bottom. The main body of the



Breakfast Monday, Feb. 5 Cereal, Pop Tarts, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 6 Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, Grape Juice, Milk Wednesday, Feb. 7 Scrambled Eggs, Biscuit, Orange Juice, Milk Thursday, Feb. 8 Sausage, Pancakes, Apple Juice, Milk Friday, Feb. 9 French Toast, Diced Pears, Milk Lunch

Monday, Feb. 5

Chicken Nuggets w/ Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Rolls, Chocolate Pudlake was clear while the upper end was murky.

During the first of January, the temperature on Lake E.V. Spence was 31 degrees Fahrenheit.

Fishing results from Paint Creek Marina were as follows: Bill Barfield from Robert Lee reeled in a 12 lb. striper while trolling. Dan Townsend from San Angelo caught a 12 lb. 9 oz. striper on cut shad. Kelly Estes from Midland reeled in a 7.5 lb. black bass. David Miller from Odessa pulled in a 4 lb. black bass. DeDee Duncan from Midland landed a 12 lb. 10 oz. striper. Terry Brown of Odessa caught a 14 lb. striper on cut shad.

Stripers have been reeled in water 25-30 feet deep. Black bass have been slow and are being caught in brushy areas along the water's edge.

CRMWD fishing report

As of Monday, January 22, the surface temperature on Lake O.H. Ivie measured 47.0 degrees Fahrenheit while the bottom temperature was a little colder at 46.4 degrees Fahrenheit. Lake's elevation was 1549.94 feet, and the main body was clear and the upper-end was murky.

Although slowing some, crappie were still biting along brushy points and ridges, and the upper-end of creeks and rivers. The best depths were between 20 and 30 feet of water, and best baits were minnows and jigs.

Fishing conditions were fair to good for black bass. In water 12 to 15 inches deep, black bass are hitting along shorelines on spinners and crank baits; the larger fish are still hanging around the points in 20 to 40 feet of water, and were going mostly for slab baits. Along rocky points and ridges in water 20-30 feet deep, smallmouth bass were going for crank baits and slabs. Like the smallmouth, white bass conditions were listed as fair. The white bass were found in deeper water up the rivers and were hitting spoons, small spinners and

Yellow catfish were the only catfish being reported as caught, and those were pulled in off trotlines up the rivers.

slabs.

Germs thrive and multiply in warm, moist places, such as hot tubs and heated pools. Rosen recommends that you:

* Shower before entering the hot tub, and avoid sitting near hot tub jets.

* Wear thongs in the shower, sauna and locker room and by the pool to minimize exposure to athlete's foot fungus.

* Completely dry between toes after swimming or bathing.

* Towel well after bathing, and wear cotton underwear. Underwear made from synthetic materials tends to trap moisture and heat.

Tattoo removal made easy

When it comes to tattoo removal, laser technology improvements make it easier to start the new year with a "clean slate".

"We have come a long way from the days when tattoos had to be surgically cut from the skin or scraped off," said Dr. Ted Rosen, professor of dermatology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Those techniques were often painful and left scars."

Laser removal of tattoos does not damage the skin and causes only minimal discomfort and slight bleeding. The laser's light is selective, passing through the skin and affecting only the tattoo dye.

"The laser emits energy that is absorbed by the ink which literally explodes into microscopic pieces," he said. "Scavenger cells gather up the pieces and digest and destroy them."

Rosen says the laser is so selective that it bypasses melanin, a natural skin pigment. "Removal is effective for light and dark skin," said Rosen, who is also chief of dermatology at the Houston Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

The technique works anywhere on the body and on most tattoo colors. Turquoise seems to be the only color that is hard to remove.

Professional tattoos generally take anywhere from four to ten treatments, and homemade tattoos require as little as one or two.

"The treatment is the same

ter how much the tattoo costs, Rosen says, the outline will become blurry and the color will spread and fade slightly.

Appearance, however, is not one of the main reasons people seek out laser removal.

"They often find they no longer have the same attraction to the tattoo whether it be the name of a person, a cult or a gang," Rosen said. "Others feel tattoos, particularly on their hands, do not go over well in job interviews."

Available in most major medical centers, the average cost is about \$1,200 to \$2,000 to remove professional tattoos and as little as \$300 to \$600 for homemade tattoos.

"Since it hurts less than getting the tattoo in the first place, there is quite a demand for removal," Rosen said.

Bass population increasing at lvie

John A. Dennis, fisheries biologist with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Deprtment (TPWD) fisheries studies at Lake O.H. lvie have documented natural reproduction of smallmouth bass for the first time since the lake filled. Two 10 inch long smallmouth bass were collected by TPWD fisheries biologists in their fall electrofishing survey. Examination of their inner ear bones, which are used to determine the age of fish, revealed only 1 annular mark which indicates the two fish were spawned in the spring of 1994 and would be 1 1/2 years old. Smallmouth bass were stocked in lvie one time in the spring of 1990 and those stocked fish would now be 5 1/2 years old.

Smallmouth bass have proven to be a popular sportfish at O.H. Ivie Reservoir and the current lake record is 3.81 pounds caught in February of 1994. They are usually caught around rocky points in the main lake in the clear water. It is best to use small lures on light line, due to the clear water and preferences of the fish.

Smallmouth bass populations in West Texas have not been self-sustaining because of limited reproduction. Therefore, TPWD biologists are studying the 18 inch minimum length, 3 fish per day regulation to see if enough adult broodfish will be protected to allow a self sustaining fishable population to be maintained.

LOOK WHO'S NEW Morgan Kanyon Pitcock

Blake and Tami Pitcock and Keaton are happy to announce the arrival of their new daughter and baby sister. Morgan Kanyon was born Friday, January 26, at 6:26 am at Shannon Women's and Children's Center.

Morgan's grandparents are Jim and Sylvia Morgan and Gaylon and Kaye Pitcock of Robert Lee. Greatgrandparents are James and Margie Morgan of Levelland and Murl Orman of Sundown, Jim and Reba Tabor and Winnie Pitcock of Robert Lee.

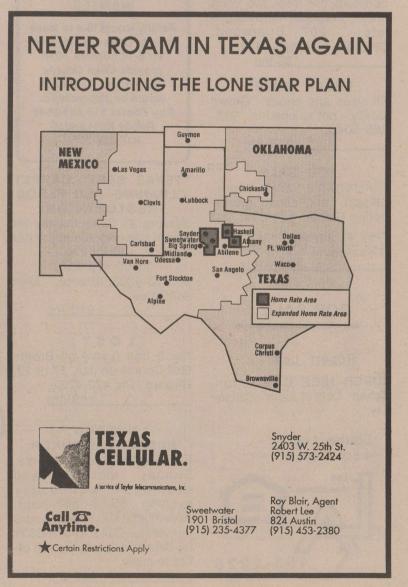
Also greeting Morgan are uncles Adam Morgan and Korey Pitcock of Robert Lee, and Mark, Brigetta, and M' Kalee Morgan of Lubbock.

Wink makes President's List

More than 3,394 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honors lists at the end of the 1995 fall semester.

Students on the President's List earned a perfect 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Making the President's List for the fall of 1995 was Lori Laraine Wink, a junior, of Robert Lee. She is the daughter of Robert and Marsha Wink.



ding, Milk Tuesday, Feb. 6 Hot Dogs, Chili & Cheese, Tator Tots, Fresh Fruit Salad, Oatmeal Cookies, Milk Wednesday, Feb. 7 Soft Taco w/ Cheese, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato, Spanish Rice, Banana, Milk Thursday, Feb. 8 Chili Mac, Tossed Salad, Green Beans, Rolls, Pink Panther Cake, Milk Friday, Feb. 9 Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Vegetable Soup, Carrot Sticks, Cornbread or Crackers, Rice Krispie Bars, Milk

The walleyes were keeping to themselves again during the past week - no catches were reported.

Gym Germs

Beware: your health club might be "bugged." Bacteria and fungi in locker rooms and gyms can cause painful infections, itching and blistering.

"Even the cleanest-looking health clubs are incubators for germs," said Dr. Ted Rosen, a dermatologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

GLENN-BIVINS INSURANCE Home, Auto, Life, and Health Home Bronte 473-6791 whether the tattoo has been there for four days, four years, or forty years, " he said.

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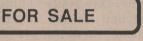
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Coke County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Stover Taylor, County Auditor Coke County, Texas

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the Public and to Mary Dostie, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code notice is hereby given of public sale of the contents of Compartment No. 15 in J. & K. Storage, Hwy. 277 N., Bronte, Texas. The storage compartment is held in the name of Mary Dostie and its contents will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The property consists generally of furniture, clothing and miscellaneous household items.

The sale will be conducted at 10:00 am at the above storage compartment on February 10, 1996. All items will be auctioned and sold for cash or certified check only. 25a-2tc

Political Calendar

The

Observer/Enterprise

has been authorized to

make the following

announcements for the

political offices in Coke

County.

Each candidate or the

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paid for his or her

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Lauderdale.

"Along with damaging citrus trees by causing young leaves and stems to curl and die prematurely, the brown citrus aphid is very effective at transmitting the citrus tristeza virus," Perry said.

The citrus tristeza virus comes in mild forms and severe forms. However, the severe form of the virus has not been detected in Texas.

In addition to the brown citrus aphid, the Asian strain of citrus canker also has been detected this year in Florida, so it is also essential that Texans avoid bringing back or accepting fruit from residential trees in Florida, Perry said. Citrus canker, an extremely virulent bacterial disease, was detected in a Miami residential area in September.

Brown citrus aphids were found initially in Fort Lauderdale during a routine inspection of fruit fly traps by a U.S. Department of Agriculture inspector. More brown citrus aphid populations have been found in several additional locations in the Fort Lauderdale and Miami areas. No commercial groves have been affected.

The Texas Department of Agriculture is intensifying its inspections at weight stations statewide to ensure that citrus plants and uncertified citrus from Florida is not imported into the state. If uncertified plants or citrus is found, they will be returned to Florida.

TDA, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the citrus industry also conducted a cooperative survey last year of citrus trees in residential areas in Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy counties. More than 400 samples were taken, and no brown citrus aphids were found.

Combatting calluses

"Don't be a 'bathroom surgeon," Dr. Jeffrey Ross warns athletes who shave calluses on their feet with a razor blade.

"If you cut deep enough to cause bleeding or lacerate the skin, the cut can become infected," said Ross, a sports medicine foot specialist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "The infection could develop into localized cellulitis -- an inflammation of the connective tissue -- which can spread up the foot or to

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Aphids invade Florida fruit

Kenneth Arant

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry recently advised Texans who travel to Florida to avoid bringing back citrus plants, budsticks or any part of a citrus plant taken from residential areas following the November 3 detection of a very serious citrus pest - the brown citrus aphid - in Fort the bone."

Ross recommends having calluses trimmed by a skilled podiatrist, who can determine what's causing the callus and suggest ways to prevent recurrence.

Calluses build up on areas of the foot rubbing against shoes, often the result of structural imbalances, gait abormalities, hammertoes or other deformities, or "dropped" metatarsals -- the foot bones connecting to bones in the toes. In some cases, the problem can be solved simply by wearing better-fitting shoes or wrapping foam cushioning or other protective coverings around the affected toe. In other cases, the solution may require orthotic devices that elevate the metatarsals, or surgery to correct irregularly shaped bones.

Keith Fletcher—



Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fletcher

As I look back at my childhood, I fondly remember those Sunday afternoons sitting with Grandpa telling me of the Coke County of vesteryear, and how my family settled here in the late 1800s. As I think back, I realize it was then that I decided to make Coke County my lifetime home. It is this very reason I am seeking election as Constable, Pct. 2. I want to preserve the environment for families - young and old - to feel safe, secure, and at home.

If you're asking yourself by this time, "Is he qualified?" Let me explain. I am a graduate of Angelo State University with a BBA with concentrations in Business and Criminal Justice. I have 545 hours of criminal justice/law enforcement training. I worked in the criminal justice field for four years, of which three years was as an investigator and the last year I served as the Coke County probation officer (along with some other outlying counties as an investigator).

My wife Lanette and I both live and work in Bronte and attend the First Baptist Church. When we married we made the decision to raise a family here. I am currently a member of the Bronte Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Bronte Evening Lions Club.

I, William "Keith" Fletcher, would sincerely appreciate your vote for Constable, Pct. 2 and together we can maintain a wholesome environment in which our children and grandchildren can have wonderful memories like those of mine.

Lane Arthur

Lane Arthur, 48, who recently filed to run in the Democratic Primary for Coke County Attorney, opened a law office in Robert Lee last May. Arthur, who has had a general law practice since 1976, lives northwest of Robert Lee near Texas Highway 208. A Bronte resident as a child, he later lived on a ranch near Silver and attended school there for a number of years. He has recently returned to the area with his family.

He has two sons, Lauren, 18, and Frank, 10, and a daughter, Emily Ruth, 6. He and his law partner, Nancy, have been married 26 years. They practiced law in Lubbock prior to the move to Robert Lee.

Arthur's credentials include 19 years of general law practice. He handles a variety of legal matters, including criminal defense, business law, personal injury, real estate, wills, probate and family law. At Texas Tech University he was selected for Law Review and the legal scholastic honorary society, Phi Delta Phi. Later he worked as an adjunct professor in the Mass Communications School at Texas Tech, teaching a variety of courses. He also taught business law for Wayland Baptist and South Plains College. He has been admitted to practice in all the state courts in Texas, as well as the United States **District Courts in the Northern** and Western Districts of Texas, and before the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

While working his way through three degrees at Texas Tech, he worked as a newspaper reporter and editor for the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal and received several professional awards, including the United Press International's First Place in the State of Texas for Reporting Under the Pressure of Deadline.

In Lubbock, Arthur often taught adult Bible classes at Westmont Christian Church and has been cited for his extensive work with the Boy Scouts of America for the past five years. Arthur has also been honored for his work in assuring equal access to the legal justice system for everyone.

Arthur has served in the United States Naval Reserve for 11 years, and received a letter of commendation for his tireless work with the Navy and Marines during the Persian Gulf War. He is a former Sailor of the Year at his command, wears the Navy Achievement Medal for outstanding and sustained performance as a sailor, and is qualified as "expert" with the M16 rifle. His current Naval assignment is with the Seabees in a Navy combat construction battalion.

He is an avid hunter and outdoorsman whose favorite indoor activity is reading history and fiction.

Kenneth Arant-

Kenneth Arant is a candidate for the 1996 election of Coke County Constable. He was born in Cleburn, Texas in 1962 and raised in Oklahoma. He moved to Abilene, Texas in 1982. Kenneth worked for WTU for six years and then he went to work for the City of Seymour as foreman of the Electric Department. He has been married for twelve years to Charline Elam Arant and they have three children; Barbara, Eddy, and Angela, who all attend Bronte Elementary School. Kenneth and his family moved to Bronte in May 1995 to raise their children in a family-oriented environment and are planning to make Bronte their hometown.

Kenneth is currently enrolled in college and is majoring in Law Enforcement. He is now enrolled in Criminal Investigation and Police Systems and Practices among other things. He is certified in criminal justice and has spent more than 200 hours as a



civilian observer with a Texas State Trooper in the field and in the office. Kenneth served in the U.S. Army from 1979 to 1982 and was stationed at Ft. Stewart, GA with the 2nd and 9th Cavalry unit.

As Constable for Coke County, Kenneth will do his best to serve his community as an officer of the law and also as a friend. Your consideration and support would be much appreciated.

Kristy Roe

D. Kristeen (Kristy) Roe is a candidate for re-election as County Tax Assessor/Collector. She has served the people of Coke County in that capacity since October 1, 1988.

Kristy was born in Lubbock, Texas, and grew up attending schools in San Angelo. She and her husband, Billy Jack Roe, live on the Panther Gap Ranch near Silver with their son, T.J. They are members of Pecan Baptist Church.

Kristy holds a RTA certification (Registered Texas Assessor Collector) with the Board of Tax Professional Examiners. She is active in the Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas, serving on several committees. A 1994 nominee for the Tax Assessor-Collector of the Year Award, Kristy was recently

Age 7, 1982

elected to the Tax Assessor Collector Association Board of Directors.

Since taking office, Kristy has reduced tax office expenditures by 13%, extended tax office hours to serve the public during the lunch hour, and computerized the tax collection and voter registration functions of the County tax office.

She stated, "I enjoy serving the people of Coke County, and look forward to the opportunity to serve them in the future. My goals for the tax office are ongoing. So much legislation out of Austin is aimed at benefiting the urban areas, it is hurting counties our size by shifting revenue



D. Kristeen (Kristy) Roe

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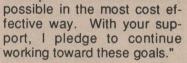
Profiling local candidates

Lane Arthur ———



away from us. It is important to me to keep abreast of legislation affecting our tax office before it is passed to analyze its

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United Methodist Women meet

United Methodist Women (UMW) of Robert Lee, met the second and fourth Wednesdays of January, 1996, for their regular business and program meetings. Emma Lee Bickley and Ruby Jones were hostesses. President Charlotte McKnight presided over both meetings, and Nina Brewer presented the programs, a Bible Study of the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Bible scholars differ over the author of the book, but most agree that the main point is a study of the meaning of life.

The author of Ecclesiastes starts with the statement: "Meaningless, meaningless! Everything is meaningless!" He tried seeking widsom, pleasure, toil, advancement, riches -- all of life's activities, to find they are all folly, "a chasing after the wind."

However, "The Teacher," as the author calls the writer, " . . pondered and searched out and set in order many proverbs . . . " and found that "the words of the wise are like goads . . . Be warned, my son, of anything in addition to them." (Ecc. 12:11-12). "Remember your creator in the days of thy youth." (12:1). He at last found what gives meaning to life.

Chapter 12 ends the book with good advice: "Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.

UMW members studied Ecclesiastes with new appreciation for its practical application to their lives today.

Personal

Winnie Pitcock recently spent several days with her sister, Melva Winkler and husband Butch, north of Abilene. They visited and had dinner with cousins, Mildred Bell of Mineral Wells, Jera Stephins and husband Robert of Merkel, and Ila Lord of Abilene. The ladies' mothers were sisters.

Personal

Family and friends enjoyed a Super Bowl Party at the home of Mike, Craig Davis in Sunday. A "s provided steam brisket, sausage,

Personal A group of friends will host a Housewarming Party honoring Kelly Nichols on Sunday, Feb. 4. The reception will be held in his home at 821 Chadbourne in Robert Lee from 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Hostesses include Peggy Davis, Thelma Jo Hinnard, Suzann Johnson, Debbie Wilkes, Carolyn Long, Cynthia Hill, Jeffie Roberts, and Joan Davis.

40+ Dance

The 40+ Dance will be held on the first Tuesday, February 6, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Dancing begins at 7:30 and tickets are available at the door.

RL Bapt. Church offers childcare

Robert Lee Baptist Church is sponsoring a Mom's Morning Out on Thursdays from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon. For more information, call the church office at 453-2724.



a Super Bown Party at the nome of Mike, Cynthia and Craig Davis in Abilene on Sunday. A "super" buffet provided steamed shrimp, prisket, sausage, and dips. Attending were Joan Davis of Robert Lee, Nadine Davis, and Craig, Lisa, and Shaye Anne Bessent, all of Abilene. Craig Bessent was the lucky winner of the closest-to-the- score spread.	ASSORTED HOT COMPARIMENTS 2,10,10, \$400 Swanson Dinnerss 2,10,00, \$400 TROPICANA SEASON'S BEST REGULAR OR HOMESTYLE 12,02, 79¢ CHILLED ORANGE JUICE 2,96,02, \$500 KRAFT ASSORTED 8,02, \$169 KRAFT REGULAR OR IGHT 3,1B, \$149 TOPICANA SEASON'S DEST REGULAR OR COLBY LONGHORN 14,02, \$239 HALFMOON CHEESE 1,100,000 CHEESE 1,100,0	
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