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## Country Christmas slated

Plans have all been finalized. "Country Christmas in Bronte" is coming Saturday, Dec. 7, to Bronte.

The day will start off with scheduled individual interviews for the "Miss Bronte" contestants at the school cafeteria.

Various food booths including beans & cornbread, bake sale, and candies will open at different times throughout the morning. There is still time for any club or organization to plan a food booth. This is an excellent opportunity to make some extra money.

The Christmas Parade will begin at 3:00 pm with entries to assemble at Celia's Antiques parking lot at 2:15 pm.

All local children and adults are encouraged to dress as a Christmas package and join the parade. Businesses and organizations are welcome to participate in the parade with bicycles, wagons, floats, and vehicles (the older the better). Each participant will receive prizes and recognition. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded to the best decorated parade entry.

The day's activities will climax with the Christmas Program featuring the Miss Bronte contestants and winners, the parade winners, a special Christmas presentation, and the cash drawing sponsored by the Bronte Sorosis Study Club. This program will begin at 5:00 pm at the River of Life Church.

Several Bronte merchants are hosting Open House during the Christmas activities. Everyone is invited to attend all the activities of the day!

## Bryan's Barn lights up

Bryan's Barn, west of Robert Lee, north end of Robert Lee Dam, on FM 1904, is a busy place. That's where Christmas lights and much, much more colorful paraphernalia declares the beauty of the season. Well over 6,000 people visited The Barn last year, and many have been asking if it will open this year.

Yes. It is open every night in December from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm. There will be no charge; however, at the suggestion of many visitors, donations will be accepted.

TEXAS HIGHWAYS magazine, published in Austin, printed the following article in its December issue, for which the community is very grateful:

Bright Lights at

#### Personal

Kambree Jade Ebenstein, daughter of Steve and Tammy Ebenstein and sister of Sterlin Ebenstein, participated in the 1997 Miss San Angelo Scholarship Pageant. She was awarded 1st Runner-up, Most Beautiful, and Best Party Dress in the 0-12 month division.



Kambree Ebenstein

#### Bryan's Barn

Each December since 1991, Lucile and Wilson Bryan of Robert Lee have thrown the biggest birthday bash in Coke County. "It's a birthday party for Jesus," says Lucile, now 86.

The Bryans' six-acre spread on Messbox Creek ("probably named by a cowboy who dropped his lunch in the water," says Lucile) gleams like a boxful of baubles December 1-31

"My husband, a young man of 84, collects new decorations year round," says Lucile. "He stuffs hundreds of milk bottles with lights, cuts out plywood Christmas and nativity scenes, and collects toys for the children to play with in the barn."

Last year, some 6,000 sightseers visited the Bryans' Christmas wonderland dubbed Bryan's Barn - drawn by newspaper reports, word of mouth, and an inviting glow on the West Texas horizon. Indeed, lights adorn fences and cacti, glimmer from trees along the banks, illuminate the numerous navitivy scenes, angels, elves, Santa and Mrs. Claus vignettes, and even the roads leading to the barn. "That barn's our playhouse," says Lucile. "Whatever Wilson does, he does all the way."

Admission to Bryan's Barn, one mile west of Robert Lee on Messbox Creek at F.M. 1904, is free. Lucile and Wilson turn on the lights each evening from 6-10 from the first Sunday of December through December 31 (December 1-31 this year). Follow the glow; you can't miss it. For more information, write to the Bryans at Box 61, Robert Lee 76945, or call 915-453-2692 or 453-2957.

## BHS '87 VB team honored

The State University Interscholastic League honored the 1987 State Class 1A Volleyball Team from Bronte Saturday, November 23, in Austin at the State Volleyball Tournament. The UIL brings back the State winners in each classification for a ten year reunion. They are presented between the finals games of the Tournament.

Those players that were able to make the presentation were Tina Hines, DeAnn Parker Griggs, Melinda Parker Reed, Misti Taylor Bedford, Michele Parker, Michelle Jones Sanders, and Christy Bivins Hortenstine. Coach Connie Bozarth was also present.

Bronte has made eleven state appearances and has won the state Class 1A Volleyball title five times. Bronte first competed at the state level in the spring of 1975. Other appearances included the fall of 1975, 1978, 1979, 1982, and 1983. They won the state title in 1976, 1981, 1984, 1987, and 1991.

Members of the 1987 State Championship Volleyball Team were Michele Parker, Kim Sims, Tina Hines, Misti Taylor, Melissa Arrott, Dorinda Scott, Michelle Jones, Corina Juarez, Michelle Sanchez, Melinda Parker, Kim Robinson, Alysa Bilbrey, DeAnn Parker, Christy Bivins, and Anissa Gibbs. The girls were coached by Connie Bryan Bozarth.



The 1987 BHS Volleyball Team members attending the presentation at the State Tournament were (back row, from left) Tina Hines, DeAnn Parker Griggs, Melinda Parker Reed, Misti Taylor Bedford, Coach Connie Bozarth, (front row, from left) Michele Parker, Michelle Jones Sanders, and Christy Bivins Hortenstine.

#### Ladies' Christmas luncheon planned

A Christmas luncheon will be held Thursday, December 12, beginning at 10:00 am at 123 NW Railroad in Bronte. Guest speaker will be Cindy Hyatt from San Angelo. Ms. Hyatt teaches and ministers in word and song. The luncheon is a ministry of the River of Life Church. All ladies in the surrounding communities are encouraged to attend. The main course will be provided. Each lady is asked to bring vegetable and dessert as well as a white elephant gift for exchange.

For more information, Call Carolyn Glass at 473-3001.

#### Windbreak seedlings available

Producers, be it the farmer or rancher, interested in windbreak protection can begin ordering seedlings this fall for the 1997 planting season through the Coke County SWCD. For more information contact your local district, or for assistance in planting a mulitiple row windbreak contact the TFS WTN at 806-746-5801.

#### CCJJCC to meet

Coke County Juvenile Justice Community Council will meet Monday, December 9, at 6 pm. The meeting will be held at First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

#### Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Assoc. to meet

Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association will meet Monday, December 9 at the Masonic Lodge in Robert Lee. The meeting will begin at 5:35 pm. The agenda will include the election of officers for the coming year. All interested persons are urged to attend.

#### Tennyson Garage Sale

The Tennyson Community Garage Sale is slated for Saturday, December 7, at the Tennyson Community Center beginning at 8 am.

A pot luck meal will be served at 6 pm. Bring your musical instrument and come join in the fun.

#### O/E Christmas Greetings

It is time once again for Christmas Greetings! The O/E would like to remind businesses and individuals wishing to place a Christmas greeting in the newspaper to call or stop by and choose yours.

In the next two weeks, we will try to contact those who placed greetings last year. However, if we miss you, please let us know.

Greetings will be printed in the Dec. 20 edition of the

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#### WCC EMS Contributions

The following are memorials made to the West Coke County EMS during the month of November: Charlene Blair

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#### Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir:

Reading through our paper today, I was distressed to note that most of the open houses are scheduled for times that I cannot attend. There is a push to "shop at home", but it is hard to want to do so when the "fun" events are never scheduled where I can partici-

People with full-time jobs and who actually work in Robert Lee (such as teachers, etc.) would have a hard time attending functions from 10-2 or 9-3 Monday through Friday. Those of us who work outside of Robert Lee (not by choice but by lack of job opportunities) are left out entirely.

This year I notice that Molly B's is having an open house on Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and again on Tuesday from 10 am to 2 pm. I plan to attend since they certainly are aware of the conflicts most of us have. Come on, guys, give us a break!

Sincerely, Lou Wright

#### **ECCAS** donations listed

November contributions to the East Coke County Ambulance Service are listed

In honor of Betty Lee by Royce Lee.

In honor of Doris Kiker by Wink Kiker.

In honor of Virginia Lasswell by Bruce, Fran and Lynn Sonnenberg, Joe and Glenda Draper, Wink Kiker, and Lee and Paula Sonnenberg.

In honor of Wade Stautzenberger's aunt by Mack and Gwen Baker.

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Virginia Lasswell George & Thelma Lomas Walter Rogers

Tommy & JoAnn Clifton Charles Webb Ben & Mary Bessent Joe Brooks Dee McCleskey

#### Club to sponsor drawing

The Sorosis Study Club of Bronte will again sponsor a drawing for \$25 cash to be given away at the Christmas program scheduled for December 7, 5:00 pm, at the River of Life Church.

To register for the drawing, place your name in one of the boxes located in the following places of business in Bronte: Glenn-Bivins Insurance, Margaret's Flowers, Main Street Market, Hometown Hardware, and Joni-Lyn.

You must be present to win.

#### Personal

Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee enjoyed a 13-day trip October 25 through November 6, 1996. They visited 11 states (Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, and Arkansas) and traveled 3,585 miles. They spent 2 days in the home of their daughter and family, Sheila (Roberts) and Jim Farrar and Crystal and Lauren Hammerton, in Hous-

For Bobby's birthday, they gave him a ticket to see the Houston Oilers vs San Francisco 49ers football game October 27 at the Astrodome in Houston.

The beautiful fall foliage, the outdoor scenes (October pumpkins, shocked and baled hay, scarecrows, the beautiful fall flowers), and the huge rivers (Mississippi, Tennessee, Ohio, Arkansas, and Red Rivers) were awesome.

The most outstanding scene was Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, the home of Dolly Parton's Dollywood. A huge tractor made with baled hay and stalks of feed pulling a flat bed trailer made of logs was driven by a blonde headed, denim-clothed dummy. The trailer was filled with hay, pumpkins and children (dummies) with DOLLYWOOD written on the Shocks of feed, pumpkins, fall flowers, green lawn and evergreen and fall trees completed the scene.

Bobby and Jeffie spent one night in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, the home of the University of Mississippi. Chattanooga, Tennessee, was the next overnight stay. They visited the Tennessee Aquarium, Chattanooga Choo Choo - one of the South's most renowned landmarks. Opened in 1909 as Terminal Station, the train depot welcomed thousands of travelers

Open House

Mary Kay Christmas

Due to the snow we resheduled!

during the golden age of railroads. Then they drove to Lookout Mountain, a batttleground overlooking Chattanooga.

Bobby and Jeffie spent three nights in the Knoxville. Tn., area visiting in the home of Bobby's second cousin and husband, Margarete and Herman Brabston, whom they had not seen for 10 years. On October 31, Halloween Day, Bobby and Jeffie toured The Apple Barn in Sevierville, Tn., Pigeon Forge (Dollywood), Gatlinburg, and drove through the Great Smoky Mountains on their way to Cherokee, North Carolina. As they drove around one corner to the next in the beautiful Smokies about 10 miles out of Cherokee, they rounded a corner to find a number of cars parked on both sides of the highway and people looking up. To their surprise, it was a live Black Bear about halfway up the tree. They did as the other people did - they stopped

Leaving Knoxville, Tn., they drove through the Cumberland Gap Tunnel which had just opened after being under construction for 17 years. The tunnel is 1 mile long with 2 lanes going each direction and a building down the middle that would equal another 3 lanes, lighted the entire mile. Halfway through the tunnel was the state line separating Tennessee and Kentucky. They drove up the steep, winding mountain road to Pinnacle Point and walked through three states (Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia) in order to get to the Pinnacle Overlook.

and took a picture of the bear.

As the Roberts drove through Tennessee and Kentucky, the tobacco (the states' chief cash crop) had been harvested and hung in the large barns to dry. The barns were open to allow the drying process; therefore, it was an usual and pretty sight to see the long, brown tobacco leaves hanging.

Bobby and Jeffie drove through the valley and hills in beautiful Kentucky, soon arriving at the home of Charlie and Charlene Davis on a lake at the foot of the Smokies and Daniel Boone National Forest near Zoe, Kentucky. The next day, the four enjoyed touring the country by driving through the horse farms in the Kentucky Bluegrass area and through historic Old Washington and Maysville, Kentucky. They then crossed the Ohio River Bridge into. Ohio, driving 50 miles along the beautiful Ohio River to enter Kentucky through Cincinnati, Ohio.

On November 4, leaving the Davis's and starting their 1284-mile trip back to Robert Lee, they turned off IS 65 at Sonora, Kentucky, to visit the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln. They continued their trip on to Nashville, Tn., visiting Music Row and downtown (Wild Horse Saloon). Tuesday, November 5, 1996, they visited The Old Country Store in Casey Jones Village in Jackson, Tn. They crossed the Mississippi River at Memphis, Tn., and entered Arkansas. As they drove down Loop 440 in Little Rock, they were wondering, "Why so many highway patrol?" The President's plane was sitting at the airport they were passing, as President Clinton was in Little Rock for Election Day. Bobby and Jeffie spent the night in the home of James and Blanche Harmon in Benbrook, Texas. They returned home to Robert Lee on November 6.

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Robert Lee

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**Blood Pressure Clinic** 

Ballinger Home Health will be at the Bronte Senior Center Friday, December 13, at 11 am to take blood pressures and blood sugars.

Menu Monday, Dec. 9 Chicken Fried Steak w/White Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Hot Roll, Fresh Orange

Wednesday, Dec. 11
Beef Burrito w/Cheese
Sauce, Spanish Rice, Green
Beans, Crackers, Garden
Salad w/Dressing, Pineapple
& Strawberries

Friday, Dec. 13
Polish Sausage, Sauerkraut,
Sweet Potatoes, Hot Roll,
Prunes

## Commissioners' Court actions December 2, 1996

At a recent Commissioners'
Gourt meeting, the following business was discussed:

 The meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag and prayer.

 ADA grant work at the library was discussed, and commissioners will start as soon as possible.

• Utilities for the Appraisal District's move were discussed, and it was agreed that \$100.00 per month would be the charge to the district. The district is to check on contents and commissioners will check on insurance.

• Court was presented notification of GTE communication line installations.

• The recreation halls were discussed regarding rental hours, deposits, and rules.

1. Anything over six (6) hours will be charged a full day.

2. Must be out by 1:00 am in order for caretaker to have time to clean for next day.

3. Deposit must be made at time of reservation.

 Bill Newell was appointed to committee of one for the airport

• Lane Arthur reported that he had requested an Attorney General's opinion regarding working within the city limits. Judge Walker reported that she had contacted several surveyors and should be hearing soon.

Audit was completed last
 week, and Mr. Tinkler reported that everything looked good.

 Contract with Concho Valley Council of Governments was approved for Title III of the Older American Act of 1965.

 Centranet Telephone service was discussed for the courthouse and will be discussed further at a later date.

 Bond was approved for Commissioner Lee.

 Wind damage to the Robert Lee swimming pool roof was discussed and commissioners will check on doing the work.

Wading pool was discussed, and it was discussed.



Lynn Green visited the Bronte 8th grade science class and presented a program to the students about their heritage. She told some stories about Coke County and sang songs about how Mt. Margaret got its name. Her stories about what a Rabbit Twister is were presented in song and narrative form. Lynn encouraged the students to take advantage of the history of Coke County, our communities, and our families. She invited the students to take part in the pageant, "Ole Coke County, Home of the Rabbit Twisters."

that we would extend the fence around the pool. This is a requirement by the state that must be followed, or the wading pool will be closed.

Bills were paid and meeting was adjourned.

#### Personal

Thanksgiving guests in the new home of George, Jean and Carrie Chew included Billy, Shirley, Cheryl Ann, Jennifer, Krista, and Gena Turner and baby, all of Dover, Oklahoma; Ricky, Krystal, Katie and Kylie Turner of Kingfisher, Oklahoma; Earl and Michael Caulder of Grapevine, Texas; Doyle and Jan Caulder of Colorado City; Hazel Caulder, Clyde Adams, Becky and Jami Morrow, Jeff and Kim Lee and baby, and Donna Sue Harris, all of Bronte.

#### Personal

Heather Lee is currently in Houston undergoing six weeks of radiation treatments. Her address is: Heather Lee, c/o Residence Inn, Room 1122, 7710 South Main, Houston, TX 77030.

#### Personal

Hardin-Simmons University's Delta Chaplain and reporter for the '96-'97 school year is Kim Carver, from Robert Lee. Kim is the daughter of John and Sheila Carver.

Gem of the day: Criticism is something you can avoid by saying nothing, doing nothing and being nothing.

- Ann Landers

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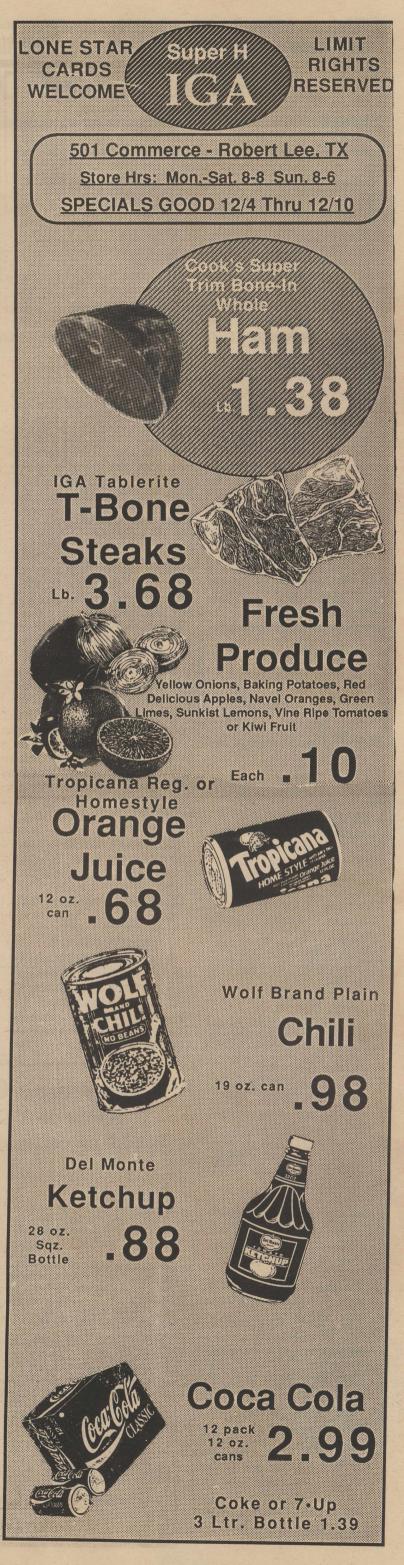


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# TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

MITCHELL GAS SERVICES has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 8425 for Natural Gas-Fired Compressors near Silver, Coke County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is 1000 Jameson Gas Plant Road. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on December 6, 1996 and December 13, 1996.



## **BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS**

#### -Counselor's Commentsby Vicky McCutchen

college-bound Most students know that a necessary component of an admission application is a college entrance examination score; a university cannot process an application without one. Most students also know that there are two exams-the ACT (American College Testing) and the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) - and that ALL Texas colleges (in fact, most U.S. colleges) accept both. The average student may not, however, know a great deal about the two tests and how they differ, and therefore may be unsure about which test would be best for him or her to take, based upon their ability, experience, and needs. The option is yours, as colleges use the results from either in the same ways, for admission, talent identification, and academic advising.



**Breakfast** Monday, Dec. 9 Cereal, Pineapple Tidbits, Biscuit, Milk Tuesday, Dec. 10 Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, Grape Juice, Milk Wednesday, Dec. 11 Scrambled Eggs, Orange Juice, Biscuit, Milk Thursday, Dec. 12 Sausage, Apple Juice, Pancakes, Milk Friday, Dec. 13 Cereal, Apple Sauce, Pop Tarts, Milk

Lunch Monday, Dec. 9 Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Milk Tuesday, Dec. 10 Soft Taco's w/Cheese, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Lettuce, Tomato, Tortilla, Milk, Brownies Wednesday, Dec. 11 Chili Mac, Sweet Corn, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Milk, Oatmeal Cookies, Thursday, Dec. 12 Spud Day Chili & Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Potato (Baked), Diced Peaches. Crackers, Milk Friday, Dec. 13 Submarine Sandwich Ham & Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Pork & Beans, Bun, Chips, Milk, Juice Bars



The SAT is a test of standard written English, verbal skills, and mathematics. It also collects demographic (background) information about you to share with colleges, takes approximately three hours to complete, and costs \$21.50.

The ACT consists of curriculum-based "achievement" tests in the areas of English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning. In addition to the collection of demographic information, students are offered assistance with educational and career planning based upon the results of the ACT Interest Inventory, which helps you match the work activities and environment you prefer with careers and college majors. The ACT also lasts approximately three hours and the fee is \$19.00.

Your counselor or teachers can be a good resource in helping you choose the test you are likely to perform better on; talk it over with your parents as well. Either way, remember that an entrance exam score is only one piece of information a college looks at when considering your application - your class rank, grade point average, school and community activities, and job (if applicable) will also be factored in.

Remember as test time approaches to relax...it won't be as difficult as you think!

## Graves invited to speak at conference

Susan Graves, first grade teacher at Bronte Elementary, was invited to be a speaker at the National Association for the Education of Young Children's conference held in Dallas recently. Her

presentation was on the schoolwide thematic study of the Rain Forest and teaching techniques she uses in the classroom.

During the second semester of the last school year, Mrs. Graves was instrumental in helping students construct a rain forest in the elementary hallway while they were learning about the many types of animals and vegetation that grow and live in that environment.

Mrs. Graves' outstanding instruction played a major role in Bronte Elementary receiving an exemplary status as a campus for the past two years and being named a 4 Star school by Texas Monthly. She is truly loved and appreciated by fellow teachers, administrators, parents, and mostly her students for continually going that extra mile to make a positive difference at Bronte Elementary.

#### **Bronte TAFE News**

In the TAFE Thanksgiving Food Drive - elementary division, the sixth grade class won first place with 53 items, the third grade took second with 52 items, and the kindergarten came in third with 50 items.

In the high school division, the seniors placed first with 11, the seventh grade were second with 9, and the eighth grade, freshmen, sophomores, and juniors tied for third place with no cans.

TAFE would like to extend their gratitude to all those who participated in the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

## BNH Employee of the Month

Bronte Nursing Home employee of the month for November is Victor Fuentez. Victor has been a janitor for Bronte Nursing Home for the past three years.

The early name of Bronte was Oso.

#### Christmas Open House Saturday, December 7 Free Momentos and Refreshments

Register for a Gift
Certificate to be given
away on December 21
(Do not have to be present to win)

"Browse for a Blouse"

### JONI-LYN SPORTSWEAR

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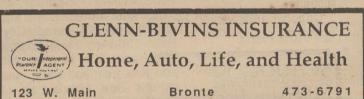


These Bronte Elementary first graders were recently awarded certificates for their participation in a 911 awareness poster contest. The poster contest was sponsored by Concho Valley Council of Governments. The contest was locally coordinated by Jennifer Sowell of the Bronte Nursing Home.

Pictured are (back row, from left) Jessica Davis, Angela Arant, Savannah Martinez, Casey Harris, Kyler Lee, Matthew Luna, Pete Rodriguez, Christopher Guzman, (front row, from left) Chris Brown, John Basquez, Kayla Carper, Anthony Vivian, and Zachary Shephard. We appreciate the effort of these students to help other people become more aware of 911.



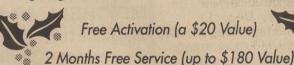
Estephanie Flores, Gus Saunders, and Everick Boalts (left-to-right) recently participated in the poster contest promoting 911 awareness. The posters were judged in San Angelo and the top three winners received special certificates and 911 backpacks. The first place winner will also have a copy of his poster included in the 911 1997 calendar. First place went to Everick Boalts, second to Gus Saunders, and Estephanie Flores took third. Your extra effort in promoting 911 awareness is appreciated.





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## ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

## Coach seeks more wins

Chandler Langley, RL Lady Steers Coach, has come to Robert Lee with a familiarity with winning. Robert Lee's Lady Steers are pretty familiar with winning themselves. Seems like a perfect match. In an interview with Coach Langley Monday morning, one couldn't help but get the feeling that this man means business. He is enthusiastic about basketball and is committed to the Lady Steers and a successful season.

Coach Langley has been coaching for 8 years. He began coaching as a junior in college with the BCI Summer League. He was an assistant coach under Ken Hefner of Odessa College, who has won 2 National Championships.

After college he went to Midland Lee where he was an assistant coach for 4 years.

Langley has coached in 8 National BCI Tournaments. In one tournament he coached a team opposing Lisa Leslie, a center for the US Olympic Ladies Basketball team. He said he feels extremely lucky to have coached several All-State players on the Sr. National All-Star Team. The last National All-Star BCI team he coached in April finished 5th in the nation - coming within 2 points of playing for the national championship. Each sub-varsity team he has coached has finished 2nd, 1st, and 1st in their respective districts.

Coach Langley said he is extremely proud of the job the

girls have done thus far this year. He stressed that it is very difficult to come into a new year under a new coach with new ideas and learn a different system for strategic plays. He feels that the team has done well, as their 4-1 record thus far for the year will attest. The girls have come up against some tough competition as they have played 2 3-A schools and 1 2-A school, Coahoma, (which, coincidentally, is ranked in the top 20 of the state in class 2-A).

The RL coach said, "Talent alone will not get you to the top - if you don't work harder than everyone else, talent won't matter."

He stated that he feels defense is the key to winning ball games and that the girls are executing better on that end of the floor.

When questioned about redistricting that took place this year (only 3 teams will vie with RL for the District title - Bronte, Sterling City and Water Valley) he was quite sure that this district will be a tough one. The district is very competitive, and he hopes that by playing a tough, full schedule now, the team will reach its peak during district competition.

Langley said he was very pleased with the depth he has on the bench. He stated that each girl on the team is expected to come in and fill a role. The girls that come in off the bench and have 2 or 3 assists are just as vital to the welfare of the team as the girls that score 20 or 30 points a game.

Coach Langley stated the support by the community has been greatly appreciated by the girls. He said they feed off the support of the crowd and

need the continued support of the community and hope it will grow. He said the coaching staff and administration have been great in helping

The Lady Steers will compete in the Ballinger Tournament December 5-7. They will face off against Menard in the first game of the tourney. Other teams competing will be Ballinger, Bronte, Eldorado and Brady.

## Lady Steers defeat Loraine

The Lady Steers added another notch to their belts Tuesday, November 26 when they traveled to Loraine. The Ladies easily defeated the host team 66-13.

Shalon Waldrop tipped in 20 points for high point honors. Bree Bolding added 12 to the score, Tonya Gardner 7, Jennifer Scott 6, Kizzie Howell 5, Meagan Hill 4, Jessica Key 4, Brandy Brosh 3, Stacy Hendry 3, and Kannan Millican 2.

The win brought RL's team to 4-1 for the young season.

#### Steers post win

The Robert Lee Steers were in Loraine Tuesday night seeking a win. They got what they were looking for as they handed a sound defeat to the host team 70-58.

High point man for Robert Lee was Eli Boxell with 20 points. Rocky Coates hit for 15, Jerrod Copeland 8, Jerrod Pitcock 8, Kory Pitcock 7, Jason Tavarez 6, Chad Helwig 5, and Polo Arellano 1.

The word laser is an acronym for <u>Light</u> Amplification by <u>Stimulated Emission</u> of <u>Radiation</u>.

## FHA members attend workshop by Jennifer Scott

Recently the Robert Lee FHA went to workshops at Abilene Christian University in Abilene. Nearly 25 students went to the workshops. Some topics of the workshops consisted of star events, teacher appreciation, safety, teamwork, and FHA projects. At the beginning of the workshop, there was a very interesting speaker who talked about Star Event competition. Later, we went to the workshops where we learned new activities and interesing projects. Kannan Millican, Region II National Officer Candidate, presented one of the workshops, assisted by Shalon Waldrop and Jennifer Scott. Others attending workshops were Stacy Hendry, Tonya Gardner, Jennifer Parks, Rachel Shook, Relissa Sanders, Brandie Cragg, Dustin Clendennen, Jeremy Eaton, Kent Freeman, Tara Gardner, Casandra Munoz, Kyla Long, Ashley Townsend, Brandon Van Huss, Jennifer Woods, Cecelia Ortega, Holly Copeland, and Gina Torres.

Members also attended a leadership workshop at Winters. We played get acquainted games to meet people from other schools. We attended several workshops, and the meeting ended with Bill Cathey speaking to the group about peer pressure and doing the right thing.

#### RLJH hosts Sterling City

Robert Lee's junior high basketball teams hosted Sterling City in their first home games of the season Monday, December 2. Three home

teams posted wins, while one team fell just short of a victory.

The "B" girls were up first for the evening and they also posted the first win of the night, defeating Sterling City 24-12. Melissa Landeros was high pointer for the girls with 8 points. Bobbie Sparks added 6 to the board, Amber Freeman 4, Leticia Olguin 4, and Amber Nichols 2.

In the most exciting game of the night, Robert Lee's "B" boys fell just short of a win in nail-biting overtime. The boys lost by two points, 27-29. Brady Bolding took high point honors with 10. Colby Eubanks hit for 6, Casey Eubanks 4, Charles Abalos 3, Michael Sockwell and Sammy Minjarez 2 each.

Robert Lee's "A" girls took control early on in their home opener and went on to defeat Sterling City 29-13. High pointer was Cayla Jeffrey with 11. Jodie Helwig was close behind with 10 points. Dixie Simpson posted 4 points, DeShira Dickey hit for 2, Dee Van Huss 2.

The "A" boys closed out the night with a decisive 42-18 win. Lewis Samaniego was high point man with 13. Beau Boxell lit the board with 11, Beau Blair 6, John Burdett 4, James Gallegos 4, Zeke Montgomery 3, and Robert Barrett 1.

#### Newspaper closing

Please note that the Coke County O/E offices will be closed December 23-27 for Christmas.

The Christmas Edition of the paper will be published Friday, Dec. 20 and will contain Letters to Santa and Christmas Greeting Cards. All copy for the Christmas paper must be submitted by or before Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 5:00 pm.



Breakfast
Monday, Dec. 9
Donut, Cold Cereal, Orange
Juice, Milk
Tuesday, Dec. 10
Breakfast Pizza, Orange
Juice, Milk
Wednesday, Dec. 11
Biscuit & Jelly, Cold Cereal,
Orange Juice, Milk
Thursday, Dec. 12
Cinnamon Roll, Cold Cereal,
Orange Juice, Milk
Friday, Dec. 13
Breakfast Bagel, Orange
Juice, Milk

Lunch

Monday, Dec. 9

Beef Stew w/ Crackers, Fruit Cocktail, Spice Cake, Milk Tuesday, Dec. 10
Sausage, Macaroni & Cheese, English Peas, Sliced Bread, Apple Crisp, Milk Wednesday, Dec. 11
Tacos, Lettuce & Tomato, Refried Beans, Banana Pudding, Milk Thursday, Dec. 12
Roast w/ Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Carrots, Homemade Rolls, Applesauce, Milk Friday, Dec. 13
Barbecue Sandwich, Pickles,

Potato Wedge, Baked Beans,

Fruit Roll-Up, Milk



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#### THANKS TO ALL

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#### THANK YOU

for your cards, phone calls, visits, memorials and prayers during the brief illness and loss of our loved one, Joe Brooks. God bless you all.

The family of Joe Brooks Emmagene Mitchell & family R.C. & Mary Patterson 19-1tc

#### WCC EMS WOULD LIKE TO THANK

all those who donated items for the bake sale.

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#### MOVING SALE J&K Storage in Bronte, Unit

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Saturday, Dec. 7, 8 am - 5 pm. Tennyson Community Center, Tennyson, TX. Funds to be used for the upkeep of the building 19B-1tc

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#### A/P POSITION

West Coke County Nursing Home will be accepting applications for the position of A/P clerk Dec. 2-6. Applicant should have experience in computerized bookkeeping. Resumes can be mailed to WCCNH, P.O. Box 1209, Robert Lee, TX 76945 or an

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You are hereby notified that Mitchell Gas Services has applied for renewal of Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Air Quality Permit No. 8425 to continue the operation of Natural Gas-Fired Compressors near Silver, Coke County, Texas. The location of the facility is 1000 Jameson Gas Plant Road. This facility emits products of combustion of natural gas including (but not limited to) oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, and organic compounds.

A copy of all materials in the public file is available for inspection and reproduction at the San Angelo Regional Office, Air Program, at W. Beauregard Ave., Suite 202, San Angelo, Texas 76903, telephone (915) 655-9479, and at the TNRCC Central Office, Office of Air Quality, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. The facility's compliance tile, if any exists, is available for public review in the Regional Office of the

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You may submit written comments concerning the permit renewal to the the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Division in Austin. All written comments received within 15 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the TNRCC Executive Director in determining whether to renew the permit. All written comments will be made available for public inspection at the TNRCC Central Office in Austin. This notice is to be published on December 6 and December 13, 1996.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from this facility may request the Commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit renewal pursuant to Section 382.056(d) of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Commission is not required to hold a contested case hearing if the basis of a request is determined to be unreasonable. All requests for a contested case hearing must be received in writing within the 15day comment period regardless of whether an informal public meeting has been held or scheduled on this matter.

If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address, and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satis-

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fy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for hearing. Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Office of the Chief Clerk (MC-105), Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance toll free at 1-800-687-4040.

Before a permit can be renewed for this facility, the applicant must demonstrate that all emission sources are in compliance with all TNRCC air quality rules and regulations and all applicable Federal regulations.

19a-2tc

#### INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that Robert Lee Independent School District will receive sealed, written bids in the High School Library of Robert Lee High School located at Robert Lee, Texas, until 4:00 pm C.T. on Thursday, December 19, 1996, for individual bid packages encompassing (but not limited to) concrete, masonry, carpentry, casework, insulation, roofing, doors, windows, drywall, interior finishes, painting, specialties, mechanical and electrical work for classroom additions, mechanical and electrical renovations.

Any bid received after 4:00 pm Thursday, December 19, 1996, will be returned unopened. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the High School Library of Robert Lee High School at 4:00 pm C.T. on the same date that bids are re-

Payment and Performance Bond shall be as follows:

For contracts of \$25,000 or more that include labor only or both labor and material, the Contractor will furnish a Bid Bond or a certified cashier's check in the amount of 5% of bid, Payment Bond and Performance Bond of not less than one hundred (100) percent of the contract price. Costs of the bonds shall be paid by the Contractor.

Contract Documents, including plans and specifica-

Margaret Alderman, LVN

Dana Eubanks, Office Mngr.

Brandy Alderman, LVN

Dora Samaniego, CNA

Carrie Chew, CNA

tions, will be on file Wednesday, November 27, 1996, and may be examined during normal business hours at the following:

CADCO Architect-Engineers, Inc.

2401 S. Willis, Suite 200 Abilene, Texas 79605

Robert Lee ISD Superintendent's Office Robert Lee, Texas 76945

Abilene AGC Plan Room 1326 S. 14th Abilene, Texas 79602

F.W. Dodge Corporation 310 N. Willis

Abilene, Texas 79603 Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be procured for a \$100.00 refundable deposit from the architect at the above

A cashier's check, certified check, or acceptable Bid Bond, payable to Robert Lee ISD in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within ten (10) days after receipt of Notice of Award, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the Owner, as required by Article 5160, V.A.T.C.S., as amended. Any surety duly authorized to do business in Texas may write performance and payment bonds on this project without reinsurance to the limit of 10 percent of its capital and surplus. Such a surety must reinsure any obligation over 10 percent.

All bids must generally comply with specifications.

Robert Lee ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award the bid considered most advantageous to Robert Lee ISD.

18a-3tc

#### BISD to host book fair

Bronte I.S.D. is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on Dec. 9th - 13th from 8:00 am until 3:30 pm each day. This reading event features the newest titles from over 100 publishers and presents students, parents and teachers a golden opportunity to see the latest works by popular authors and illustrators of books for young readers. Don't miss the Scholastic Book Fair, coming to Bronte school on Dec. 9 - 13th. Admission is FREE! Call 473-2511 for more information.

#### **Euterpean Club** meets

The Euterpean Club of Blackwell met November 21 in the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church.

Myrle Thompson, president, called the roll with members answering with their favorite quote. She also conducted the business meeting. Lillie Burwick, secretary, read minutes from the last meeting.

Heather Sanderson was welcomed as a new member. The door prize was won by Lillie Burwick.

The program was "Show & Tell of Your Craft." Members brought the crafts they had made and showed members how to make them.

Delicious refreshments were served to members by hostesses Bea Murray and Jean Bell.

Other members attending were: Tammy Lucas, Dona Sanderson, Sharon Taylor, Mary Lee, Juanita McRorey, Margaret Stout, Betty Cole, Esther Smith, Hulene Conradt, Linda Watts, Bobbie Varnadore, and guests Gloria Lewis of Blackwell and Alberta Walker of Lawn.

The Christmas party will be held at the Barrett Ranch on December 19.

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Luke Calhoun Johnathan Ehl Casey Eoff **Zachary Grove Daniel Jones** Aaron Noble Rachel Smith Sylvia Solis Jarred Walker 3rd Grade All A's

Philip Buckner Lynsey Matthews Cody Morgan Jake Wilkinson A-B Jessica Chavez Felicia Murray Kelly Dove

Ashley Smith

Justin Thompson 4th Grade All A's Tiffany Coffey Justin Grove A-B

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#### Personal

Thanksgiving Day has been a day for family members to get together for many years for the Lucketts. This year, they met at Billy Joe and Diane Luckett's home for a dinner of turkey, dressing and all the trimmings. They also watched the Dallas Cowboys and Washington Redskins football game.

Those present were Joy and A.J. McDaniel, Connie and Tim Bozarth, Darrell and Peggy Bozarth, all of San Angelo; Glenda and Rusty Plowman, Josh and Matthew of Lubbock; Joey Luckett, Dewey Luckett, and Helen Murtishaw, all of Bronte; Debbie and Scott Bayer, Aaron, Amanda, and Cory of Hermleigh; and Jim and Lois Dunklin of Robert Lee.

#### Personal

Visiting in the home of Zola Hatley of Robert Lee over the Thanksgiving holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. James Munson, Mr. and Mrs. James Clyde Munson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Payne, Julia and Mitchell; and Kent Covelton, all of Abilene; Bobby Hatley of Goltry, Okla-

homa; Patty Gillett and Becky Whiteker of Sonora; Betty Varnadore of Athens, Georgia; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Newman, Lesa and Mitchell, all of

San Angelo. The large crew enjoyed a traditional meal and much visiting, in spite of less than ideal weather conditions.

#### Personal

Visiting with Mrs. Jack Corley over the holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Corley, Scott and Kenneth of Richland Hills; Mr. and Mrs. Davis Corley and Kurt of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hilby and Ben of Burleson; Ken Vanzandt of Woodland; Robert Vanzandt and friend of Winters; Mrs. Ernestine Vanzandt of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. N. Black and Caleb of Mertzon; Jonna and Jordan Tidwell of Arlington; Jacky and Glenda Corley, James and Brenda Tidwell, Jim and Mary Morrow, and Becky Morrow, all of Bronte; Jami Morrow of Lubbock; and Dee Boyd of San Angelo.

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