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Coke County Livestock Show results announced



Starsky Oleksiuk was a consistent winner, taking runner-up (Reserve Champion) honors in all four swine classes: Reserve Champion Duroc, Hampshire, Crossbred, and OPB Pigs. In addition, Starsky was also awarded the Swine Showmanship award.

ECCHD tax date changed

The tax rate rollback election passed and the 1996 tax rate will be lowered from \$.68275 per \$100 assessed valuation to \$.37924. It also postpones the delinquency date for East Coke County Hospital District taxes from February 1, 1997, to about the last week in May, 1997.

This does not affect City of Bronte and Bronte I.S.D. taxes which are on the yellow tax statement sent by Coke County Appraisal District. You must pay the City of Bronte and Bronte I.S.D. taxes by January 31, 1997, to avoid a late penalty of 7% for payments made in February. You will receive a new, corrected tax statement showing the amount of East Coke County Hospital District taxes due. However, if you have already paid your ECCHD taxes, a refund will be issued to you for the difference between the

amount you paid and the corrected amount.

Judge announces Br. visit

Coke County Judge Jackie Walker has announced that she will be at the First National Bank in Bronte Wednesday, February 22 from 9:30 am until 11:30 am. Anyone having questions or concerns about county business is encouraged to come by and visit with Judge Walker. There are many things occurring in Coke County and the Judge would greatly appreciate the chance to receive your input on all county matters.

ECCHD Board update

The East Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors is in the process of interviewing applicants for the position of interim administrator. L.O. Clark will be leaving February 1 to return to his home in Amarillo.

The 57th edition of the Coke County Stock Show, held last weekend, is now in the recordbooks. This year's county show was again a mixture of old and new. One of the constants of this show remains the hard work by the stock show committee. These volunteers once again conducted a successful, wellrun show, which rewarded deserving youth with a strong premium sale for their livestock. Just prior to the sale, buyers, parents, and some hungry exhibitors were again treated to some of the best barbecue in west Texas.

A couple of county youngsters extended their winning streaks at this year's show. Ashlee Millican made it three in a row, exhibiting the Grand Champion Lamb for the third time, which means she has exhibited the top lamb in the show every year she has been in the competition.

Another repeat winner at this year's show was Shea Kelton, who exhibited the Grand Champion Steer for the third year in a row.

Some of the first-time winners at this year's show included Zeke Montgomery, Lance Millican, Jennifer Hamilton, Erin Millican, Tye Gardner, and Kailey Howell.

The weather was clear and a little on the chilly side Friday night, with temperatures warming up nicely on Saturday.

Complete results are as follows:

1997 Coke County Stock Show Results Lighweight Finewool

1. Jake McCabe 2. Kannan Millican 3. Whitney Millican 4. Erin Millican 5. Lance Millican 6. Cassidy Wink 7. Erin Millican 8. Cassidy Wink 9. Cara Eaton 10. Garrett Jackson

Heavyweight Finewool
1. Ashlee Millican 2. Ashlee
Millican 3. Lance Millican 4.
Shalon Waldrop 5. Shalon
Waldrop 6. Erin Millican 7.
Jake McCabe 8. Erin Millican
9. Jake McCabe 10. Trent
McCabe 11. Trent McCabe

Finewool Champion
Ashlee Millican
Reserve Champion
Ashlee Millican
Lightweight
Finewool Cross

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For the third year in a row, Shea Kelton exhibited the Grand Champion Steer of the county stock show. Shea also showed the Reserve Grand Champion Steer and won the Steer Showmanship award.



Ashlee Millican's long list of awards at this year's stock show include: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Lambs, Champion and Reserve Champion Finewool Lambs, Champion Crossbred Lamb, Sheep Showmanship, and the Ralph Walker Top Hand award.

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Obituaries

Cantrell

Sandra Diane Cantrell, 40, of Blackwell, died Saturday, January 18, 1997, in Nolan County, Texas.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 20, at 3:00 pm at the Blackwell First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jackie Justice officiating. Burial was in the Blackwell Cemetery with Eastern Star graveside rites. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home

Sandra was born May 31, 1956, in Colorado City. She was the Assistant Director of Nursing at the West Coke County Nursing Home. She was a Baptist and a member of the Eastern Star. She had been a resident of Blackwell for 14 years.

Survivors include her husband, Jeff Cantrell; one son James Emmit Cantrell; two daughters Stephanie Diane Cantrell and Gayna Fern Cantrell, all of Blackwell. She is also survived by Buddy and Gayna Eldred of Oak Creek Lake; one brother, Steve Eldred of Blackwell and one sister, Gaylene Daniel of Tennyson.

Pallbearers were Tommy White, Vance Taylor, Charlie Roland, Jr., J.D. McDonald, James Walker, and Jr. Taylor.

The family requests memorials be made to Hospice of San Angelo.

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-Death Notices-

Greathouse

Frances Greathouse, 86, of Odessa, and formerly of Robert Lee, died Saturday, January 18, 1997, in a Midland nursing home.

Services were held Tuesday, January 21, 1997, at 2:00 pm at the Robert Lee Baptist Church with burial in

Open enrollment period for Medicare

An open enrollment period from January 1 through March 31 permits people 65 or over who failed to enroll or dropped their Part B Medicare coverage to sign up. Their coverage will begin July 1, 1997. Generally, a 10 percent premium penalty will be added to the monthly premium for each year they could have enrolled but did not. However, there is a special enrollment period if you or your spouse is working. You may be able to delay enrollment if you or your spouse is working. You may be able to delay enrollment in Part B without paying a premium penalty or waiting for a general enrollment period. You have an eight-month special enrollment period if you have groupd health plan coverage from current employment at the time you first became eligible for Medicare. This special enrollment period begins with the month employment ends or the month your group health plan coverage ends, whichever comes first.

the Blackwell Cemetery in Blackwell. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home of Robert Lee.

Survivors include two sons, Billy Ray Greathouse of Midland and Elmer F. Greathouse of Taylor; one daughter, **Dorothy Frances Greathouse** Vaught of Odessa; three brothers, Bill Blair and John Blair of Sterling City and Curtis Blair of Robert Lee; two sisters, Samantha Robertson of Robert Lee and Verna Bell Robertson of Odessa; 22 grandchildren, 38 greatgrandchildren and 3 greatgreat-grandchildren.

Derrick

Carl Derrick, 33, of Odessa died Sunday, January 19, 1997. Services are pending with Shaffer Funeral Home of

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RL soldier in Bosnia

by Michael Tolzmann Quaint European-styled brick homes with chickens roaming the yard and laundry flapping on the line abound in the hills and mountains here. Only yards away from this postcard setting, visions of what hell must look like can be seen, where homes have been leveled -- only shells of their once stately grandeur.

The son of a Robert Lee couple has experienced this place first hand.

Elsewhere a horse-drawn wagon loaded with wood passes million dollar, hightech tracked American Army fighting vehicles equipped with mounted machine guns. For the children here, the American soldier convoys are a symbol -- representing a chance to play outside and be

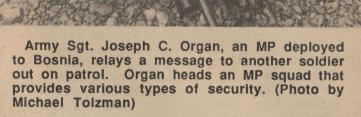
a child again.

Army Sgt. Joseph C. Organ, son of John and Terri Organ of Robert Lee and Regina Organ of Gainesville, is doing his part to help maintain peace in Bosnia. And although the war there is for the time being over, he carries a gun and ammunition. Just outside his fortified camp, neighboring Bosnians peacefully wander through the city looking to buy food for the day or find needed supplies. bagged bunkers and sharp concertina wire surrounded his daily environment as he wears a protective helmet and body armor.

Organ and nearly 20,000 American soldiers are there to help maintain peace -- something this country hasn't seen for years. Based on ethnic and religious differences, a totally devastating civil war tore this country, and its people, apart. With the efforts of the American and multi-national forces known as IFOR, the Implementation Force, Bosnians are slowly piecing back together their homes and way

"As a military police specialist who is deployed to Bosnia, I'm busy with many missions, I'm a squad leader and we do area security, main-supply route patrols, VIP escorts, guard duty, law enforcement, and camp security," Organ

American soldiers spend the majority of their military careers preparing for war or training for war-time situations. Life in Bosnia, though has



many times been different from a typical Army day.

"I've seen people in Bosnia who are living really poor as many of the homes were destroyed here during the war. We live 20 soldiers per tent. We also have to let everyone know where we are at all times," Organ said.

Considering the fact that many modern-day conveniences don't exist for these soldiers, life here isn't that bad. With few exceptions, nearly every soldier sleeps in a bed or on a cot, has hot food, and showers as often as necessary. Most camps have portable gyms and workout facilities established in a designated tent or building. Morale facilities have books to read, Armed Forces television, vending machines with candy and soft drinks and at some facilities amenities such as a ping-pong table.

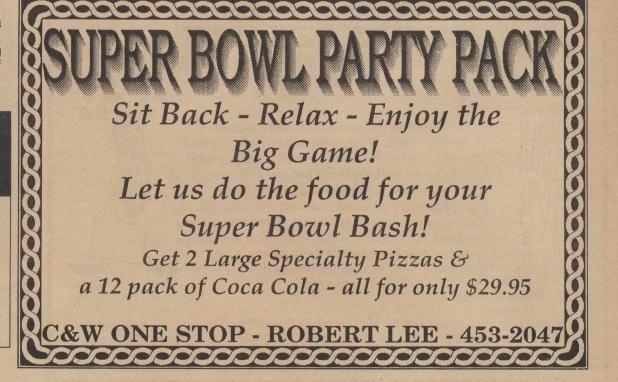
Even though these camps are fairly well equipped, life here can be as some soldiers say, like "ground hog day" as every day, day after day, is very similar. Nearly everyone here misses something.

"Now that I've been here, I'll appreciate little things like running water, nice cars, real cities, and fast food. I miss civilian clothes, real gyms, my family and friends, and I miss Texas."

Most soldiers, such as Organ, should be in Bosnia for no more than a year. He has some specific plans when his mission in Bosnia is over and he returns to his regular duty station at Giebelstadt, Germany

"I have plans to go on vacation, spend time with my family, and have a Red Dog beer," Organ said.

The wagons, chickens and children, as well as the hollowed buildings and scenes of destruction here will soon be in the rear-view mirror for soldiers like Organ. But the memories are likely to last a lifetime. And hopefully the kids who are playing once again in this war ravaged area will remember the reason why.



Accelerated reading winners named

Accelerated reading winners at Robert Lee elementary for the month of December were recently named. They are as follows:

1st Grade - Byrne 1st. Michael Smith; 2nd.

Ashley Hopson. 1st Grade - Payne

1st. Chase Roe; 2nd. Sterlin Ebenstien.

2nd Grade - Duncan

1st. Becca Skinner; 2nd. Rosalinda Rojas.

2nd Grade - Horn

1st. Kelsey Duncan; 2nd. Cody McCabe and Brittnie Reed.

3rd Grade - McCown 1st. Kayla Medrano; 2nd.

Shawna Seals. 3rd Grade - Devoll

1st. Analy Gallegos; 2nd. Eric Ortega.

4th Grade - Davis 1st. Lindsey Roe. 5th Grade - Wilson 1st. Chris Eubanks. 6th Grade - Burns

1st. Kindra Johnson. 6th Grade - Gardner 1st. Justin Sexton; 2nd. Shelby Roe.

Sojourners in RL

The Sojourners, who are hosted by the Southside Church of Christ, have been active around Robert Lee for several days. They have been trying to determine how, or whether, local residents are interested in improving their knowledge of the Bible. If these special guests in our town have not yet made your acquaintance, perhaps you would like to speed up the process and call either 453-2176 or 453-4613 to invite a couple of Sojourners to visit with you.

Wednesday night a special series of presentations by the Sojourners, entitled Seven Sensational Days, was begun. These days of Jesus refer to the most significant days in human history. Thursday and Friday evening and Saturday evening, at 7:00 pm, three more days will be featured. Then on Sunday at 10:00 am, 11:00 am and 6:00 pm the significance of the other three days will be presented. Come and hear. You will be welcomed.

If you need transportation in order to come, please call one of the numbers given above. Such a service will be willingly provided.



Winners in the Robert Lee elementary accelerated readers program for the month of December show off prizes donated by Robert Lee State Bank.

TGRA Auxiliary sponsors writing contest

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Auxiliary is sponsoring a Letter Writing Contest to encourage young people in Texas to take an interest in writing members of the U.S. Congress. The contest is open to Texas residents who are U.S. citizens and enrolled in college in the 1997 Spring Semester. Former contestants who wish to enter must totally rewrite their previously entered letters.

The subject of the letters should be why private property rights are important to Texas. Entries must be postmarked by May 31, 1997. First prize will be a \$1,000 college scholarship, 2nd prize - \$750 college scholarship, 3rd - \$500 college scholarship, 4th to 10th - \$100 U.S. Savings Bonds.

Letters must be typewritten and not over two pages in length. The heading must include your address. The first paragraph must state the student's age, classification and college attended. Then state that this letter expresses your views on property rights and requires no response. Address the member of Congress properly, be polite,

be specific, be concise and use examples to support your position on why private property rights are important to Texas.

Letters will be judged in June, 1997, by an industry

Write letters to either Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison or Senator Phil Gramm. Mail the original letters to the U.S. senator of your choice. Mail a copy of the letter to: TSGRA Auxiliary Contest c/o Mr. Ben Love, PO Box 387, Marathon, TX 79842. You may also write to your 1997 U.S. Representative. Use the same letter but change the addressee to your national representative. Letters to state congressmen will be disqualified. Mail the original letter to your U.S. Congressman and mail a copy to: Doris Haby, PO Box 1496, Bracketville, TX 78832.

If you have any questions, you may contact Mrs. Haby at (210) 563-3020 or 563-9316.

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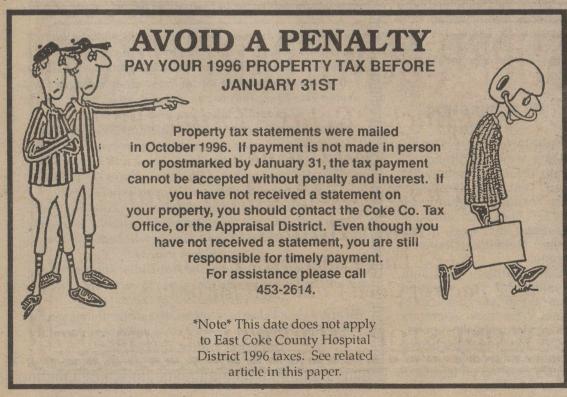
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Ladies add to win column

Roberts Lee's Lady Steers brought their season record to 15-6 Saturday night when they defeated Loraine 68-26 in the RL gym. This win carried the Ladies into district play on the right note. The Ladies entered district play The Tuesday evening. Ladies won the district opener against Sterling City. No individual results were available at press time on the district game. See next week's issue for those stats.

Individual results for the Loraine game are as follows: High pointer was Shalon Waldrop with 19. Bree Bolding added 16 to the board and was top rebounder for the Ladies with 8. Jennifer Scott hit for 14, Jennifer also took top honors for assists with 7 and had 6 rebounds. Tracy Millican, Meagan Hill and Kizzie Howell each hit for 4. Fonya Gardner, Melissa Smith, and Brandi Brosh each tipped in 2 points.

Steers defeat Loraine

The Robert Lee Steers added a win to their season Saturday, January 18, when they defeated visiting Loraine. Robert Lee handed Loraine a 69-54 defeat.

High point man for RL was Jerrod Pitcock with 17. Rocky Coates was close behind with 16. Jerrod Copeland lit the board with 8, Eli Boxell 7,



Breakfast
Monday, January 27
Breakfast Pizza, Orange
Juice, Milk.

Tuesday, January 28
Donuts, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Wednesday, January 29
Sausage, Biscuits w/Jelly,
Cold Cereal, Orange Juice,
Milk.

Thursday, January 30
Buttered Toast, Oatmeal,
Orange Juice, Milk.
Friday, January 31

Cinnamon Rolls, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch Monday, January 27

Barbecue Rib-B-Ques, Cheesy Potatoes, English Peas, Sliced Bread, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk.

Tuesday, January 28
Mexican Casserole, Chili
Beans, Corn, Crackers, Spice
Cake, Milk.

Wednesday, January 29
Steakfingers w/Gravy, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Rolls, Milk.
Thursday, January 30
Chicken Spaghetti, Seasoned Carrots, Applesauce,

Friday, January 31
Hamburgers, Lettuce,
Tomatoes, Pickles, Onion,
Tator Tots, Pears, Milk.

Homemade Rolls, Milk.

Matthew Millican 6, and Andrew McCabe 5. Polo Arellano, Fred Wojtek, Chad Helwig, B.J. Bessent, and Kory Pitcock each hit for 2 points.

RLJV posts win

Robert Lee's JV boys team defeated visiting Loraine JV by a score of 38 to 15 Saturday, January 18.

Joel Gallegos had the hot hand for the JV squad, scoring half of the total points scored by the team with 19 to his credit. Chris Gil hit for 7 points, Justin Francis 4, Dan McCown 2, Deric Brothers 2, Jeremy Eaton 2, and Ross Shultz 2.

RL teams start district play

Robert Lee's basketball squads began district play against Sterling City Tuesday evening. Their next district contest will be in Bronte Friday night (tonight). Games will begin at 4:00 pm with the JV girls beginning at 4:00 pm. The JV boys will be up at 5:15, varsity girls 6:30 and varsity boys at 8:00 pm.

Ozona UIL Meet

On Saturday, January 11, 1997, the Robert Lee UIL Academic Team traveled to Ozona for their meet. This was the coldest UIL meet that Mr. Horn and Mrs. Ballew, their sponsors, could remember in 14 years of going to meets. We left at 5:30 in the morning with 14 students and 2 sponsors braving the cold. (The high for the day was 25 degrees.)

The students attending were: Becca Emert, Tara Bruning, Nicky Service, Brandy Cunningham, Joe Gonzales, Kannan Millican, Stacy Hendry, Chad Helwig, Meagan Hill, Chad Leugers, Christina Marshall, Chris Woods, and Amanda Cunningham.

The following students placed in their events:

Chris Woods - 1st - Current Events

Chad Leugers - 1st - Computer Applications

Christina Marshall - 2nd -Computer Applications Brandy Cunningham - 4th -

Persuasive Speaking
Tara Bruning - 7th - Ready
Writing

Stacy Hendry - Semi-Finals - Prose Interpretation

Kannan Millican - Semi-Finals - Prose Interpretation

This was a good practice meet to get the students prepared for the next UIL met, which will be at the Robert Lee Invitational Meet on February 8th. The students and sponsors ate dinner at Henry's in San Angelo and all agreed that we had a great day!

Hood makes Dean's List

Eric Hood, attending Sul Ross State University in Alpine, was listed on the Dean's Honor List for the Fall Semester, 1996.

Criteria for selection include

enrolling as an undergraduate student for at least twelve semester hours and achieving a grade point average of at least 3.30 during the semester.

Personal

Inez Hamm and Suzann Johnson of Robert Lee were in McCamey Saturday where they watched Cameron Burns, granddaughter of Inez and niece of Suzann, compete in a junior high basketball tournament. The two traveled to McCamey after spending Friday night in Odessa with Ernest and Linda Burns. Cameron is a member of Iraan's junior high girl's basketball team. The squad won the tourney, hosted by McCamey junior high.

Cameron is the daughter of Doug and Marlane Burns of Iraan.

Personal

Christmas was special this year. Louis and Lesa Lohman and daughter, Amber, came in December 23 to spend Christmas with his parents, Lee and Dot Starling of Robert Lee. Having a two year old in the house makes Christmas extra special - bright and sparkling.

They stayed until Christmas afternoon, and then had to return to work the next day.

Ed Lohman, from San Angelo, took his vacation to stay in Robert Lee with the Starlings.

Dave Lohman, safety manager and Hazmat officer for Eynecrop, Brown & Root in Haiti, was also here.

Dave and Debbie and their three children, Phae, David, Jr. and Barbara came in December 26.

The Starlings had their three sons and families here for the holidays, a very special Christmas.

Personal

Bobby Roberts came home Monday, January 20, 1997, after having triple bypass heart surgery Monday, January 13, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. He had many visitors and well wishes while in the hospital. His daughter Sheila (Roberts) Farrar came from Houston to assist his son, Douglas, and his wife, Jeffie, while he is recuperating at home.

RTA meeting detailed

Twenty members and two guests were in attendance when the Coke County Retired Teachers Association met Monday, January 20, 1997. The noon luncheon meeting was held at the United Methodist Church in Bronte.

C.B. Barbee, president, presided at the meeting. Members answered roll call by Janet Wommack, secretary, with individual health reports.

C.B. and Wanda Barbee reported on attending an informative meeting on legislative



RL Seniors take time out from "snow" activities to pose for a quick picture. Seniors attending the get together were (from I), Rocky Coates, Kannan Millican, Starsky Oleksiuk, Jerrod Pitcock, Meagan Hill, Jennifer Parks, Dona Bell, Rachel Shook, and Shalon Waldrop. Seated is Jerrod Copeland.

news concerning retired teachers and education. Mike Lehr, TRTA executive director, and Rob Junell, state representative, spoke of legislative priorities for the legislative priorities for the legislative session now in progress.

The next meeting of Coke County RTA will be Monday, February 17, 1997 at the United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Attending Monday's meeting were: C.B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Jamie Boren, Celia Bowden, J.J. Bowden, Oleta Braswell, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Jean Fancher, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, J.T. Henry, Sybil Henry, Mary Lawhon, Ida Lou Oliphant, Kenneth Rasco, Fay Roe, Janet Wommack, Lee Wommack, and two guests, the Rev. Elmer Beck and Sue

AF Tops In Blue

The Air Force performance group Tops in Blue will be in San Angelo at the City Auditorium Thursday, January 30. Check the San Angelo paper for performance time.

Stephen Alexander, son of Robert Lee residents Roger and Della Alexander, has been traveling with this group for the last seven months. The tour ends Sunday, February 2, with a final performance in San Antonio.

RL seniors meet

The November RLHS Senior Class fishing party turned into a snowball fight when a snowstorm replaced the warm fall weather. Gina Bell and Donna Waldrop hosted the "fishing" party at Donna's house. Seniors played bonco, watched football, and stayed by the fire. Eventually they braved the weather and played in the snow. After the snowball fight all the students walked to the park, making snow angels along the way, and slid down the hill on makeshift sleds. Loud laughter was heard as Jerrod C. and Rocky slid and rolled down the hill. The group returned to the Waldrop's for hot chocolate, hot dogs and warming up by the fire. Those in attendance were: Jerrod Copeland, Jerrod Pitcock, Rocky Coates, Starsky Oleksiuk, Meagan Hill, Dona Bell, Kannan Millican, Rachel Shook, Jennifer Parks and Shalon Waldrop.

Sign language classes offered

Sign language classes will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 - 4:30 at Robert Lee Elementary. All interested persons are encouraged to attend. Classes are offered free of charge. For more information, contact Robert Lee school.

The students & parents of the "Class of '97" would like to say "THANK YOU!" to all those who purchased items at our bake sale in December, and let you know about some other things we will be doing to raise money for a "parent sponsored Senior Trip to Sipapu Ski Resort" during Spring Break.

Currently, we are having a "Dash-for-Cash" at all home basketball games. To enter you pay \$2 to get your name in the bucket, then at half-time of the last game each night we draw a name, spread \$100 on the court, and the person drawn gets 20 seconds to run and pick up as much money as possible, what you pick - you keep.

Our next project is to sell 10" Valentine Sugar Cookies decorated with your own personal message to a friend, family member or your true love. These will sell for \$4 and will be delivered on Feb. 13th after 5 pm (in the Bronte &

Robert Lee area only) and at school on Feb. 14th.

We will also be having another Mexican Food Supper at
the school cafeteria (home delivery available) Saturday,
Feb. 15th from 5:30-7:00 pm. Tickets will be \$5 for adults \$3 for children under 12.

Last, but not least, if you like True Cajun Shrimp Gumbo we will be selling this by the quart (\$5 each). We will take orders until the end of February.

To order your Valentine cookies, tickets for the supper, or the gumbo, contact any senior class member or parent, or call Carla Wojtek at 453-2758.

Thank you again for your support, it is truly appreciated!

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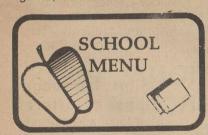
Longhorns roll past Miles

The Bronte Longhorns Varsity basketball team handed the Bulldogs a 63-56 loss recently. Michael Blair led the scoring with 19 points and Keith 10 rebounds. Treadaway put in 16 points and had 8 rebounds and 4 steals. Kale Beck followed with 14 points, 11 rebounds and 6 assists. Others putting points on the board for the Horns were Casey Gibbs with 5 points, Courtney Beam and Michael Sallee with 4 each, and Michael Martinez with 1.

Lady Horns fall to Miles in double overtime

Bronte Lady Longhorns traveled to Miles Friday, January 17, to take on the Lady Bulldogs. Bronte probably played its best half of the year taking a 39-21 lead going into halftime, but having several players in foul trouble hurt the Ladies in the second half as Miles was able to come back and send the game into overtime.

Bronte played with only four players in the overtime and still managed to send the game into a second overtime period on a last second drive and shot by Kim Hall. However in the second overtime, two more Ladies fouled out and Bronte finished the game with only two players on Miles won the the floor. game, 76-69.



Breakfast Monday, Jan. 27 Cereal, Applesauce, Cinnamon Toast, Milk Tuesday, Jan. 28 Pancake, Sausage on a Stick, Grape Juice, Milk Wednesday, Jan. 29 Scrambled Eggs, Orange Juice, Blueberry Muffins, Milk Thursday, Jan. 30 Sausage, Apple Juice, Waffles, Milk Friday, Jan. 31 Breakfast Burrito, Mixed Fruit,

Lunch Monday, Jan. 27 Chicken Strips w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Sweet Corn, Mixed Fruit, Rolls, Milk Tuesday, Jan. 28 Pigs in a Blanket, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Banana, Milk, Chocolate Cake Wednesday, Jan. 29 Tacos w/Cheese, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Taco Shells, Milk, **Peanut Butter Cookies** Thursday, Jan. 30 Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Vegetable Soup, Carrot Sticks, Bread, Cornbread, Milk, Spice Cake Friday, Jan. 31 Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Ranch Style Beans, Bun, Milk, Cinnamon Rolls

Kim Hall took top scoring honors with 28 points. Also scoring were Natasha Carper and Brittany Barrett with 10 points each, Courtney Arrott with 8 points, Jodie Hilliard with 5 points, Brandy Denton and Bonnie DeLaughter with 3 points each, and Sommer Beck with 2 points.

Lady Shorthorns B'ball results told

The Bronte Junior High girls basketball teams played two games at Sterling City Thursday, January 9. The 7th grade girls won in an exciting overtime 22-20 with Lacy Schoenfield leading the scoring with 10 points. Natasha Reed posted 9 points, with Chrissie Counts putting in 2 and Cassandra Casares 1.

The 8th grade girls won 20-18 with Kala Arrott leading the scoring with 10 points. Brooke McCutchen, Tessie McMullan, Jade Richards, Angie Harrell, and Cara Sefcik each had 2 points.

The girls also played in Garden City Monday, January 20. The 7th grade won 12-9. Natasha Reed again led the scoring with 5 points, followed by Lacy Schoenfield with 4, Lauren Williams with 2, and Katy Frazee with 1.

The 8th grade girls lost their game 38-16. Kala Arrott was high scorer with 8 points, with Tessie McMullan posting 4 points, and Jade Richards and Cara Sefcik putting in 2 points

The 8th grade girls will be participating in the Water Valley Tourney Saturday. All parents and fans are encouraged to attend.

Other members of the teams are Stormy White, Cheyann Head, Michelle Owens, Kelly Cooper, Chrissie Isreal, Crystal Moore, Kara Thompson, Natalie Hamm, Rosa Rodriguez, Cassandra Parks, Candace Bevers, and Mauragan Bullard. The teams are coached by Vicky McCutchen.

Shorthorns post A/B wins

The Bronte Junior High boys basketball teams posted two wins recently when they met Garden City.

The "B" team Shorthorns put up a 17-12 win. Lorenzo DeLaGarza was high scorer with 9 points, followed by Justin DeLaCerda with 5, Joey Rhodes with 2, and Gene Butts with 1.

The "A" team Shorthorns also posted a victory of 47-33. With 17 points, Zeb Speary took top scoring honors. Tim Green put in 12 points, Anthony Gibbs 8 points, Ryan McCorkle 5 points, Henry White and Jason Stamper with 2 points each, and Jeremy Silva with 1 point.

The Shorthorns will be playing in the Water Valley Tourney Saturday.

Bronte Class of '97 honored with Christmas party

This Christmas, the Bronte Class of '97 was honored with a a brisket dinner at The Shed. After an enjoyable meal, the Seniors participated in a Chinese Christmas. However, they may not have understood the game, because they didn't want to take anyone's presents away.

After the game, Brenda Beck read a slightly different version, written by Gail Hilliard, of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" to the Seniors. Following this, a few parents shared a favorite Christmas memory of their Senior.

The gathering broke up with plans to meet later and go caroling. Only six hardy souls met to brave the cold and sing carols, but the residents of Bronte Nursing Home and a number of families in Bronte were treated to a singing visit by these seniors.

Electronic Bookshelf celebrations held

Friday, January 16, sixtyeight students participated in their Electronic Bookshelf point club celebrations at Bronte Elementary. Having lots of fun during the Read-In were Kinlee Hoyt, Ashleigh Kelly, Ryan Martinez, Ashley Wilcox, Rebekah Beauchamp, Cassandra Catano, Katie Cooper, Mason Jackson, Shane Jones, Jamie Vivian, Vanessa Lange, Joe Boalts, Jeffrey Jones, Tana White, Zach White, Gracie Garcia, Richard Hoover, Sampson Booker, Amanda Cox, Randi Thomason, Lindsey Butler, Matthew Compton, and C.T. Lloyd. All of these students had earned 25 points at the end of the third six weeks.

The 60 point club kids brought a sack lunch from home and ate with Mr. Howell. After lunch, they were treated to a movie and popcorn. There were 36 in all and they included Cory Cooper, Iliana Green, Garrett Jackson, Cody Moore, Terence Scott, Stephen Tomes, Alonzo Martinez, Logan Rawls, Juston Taylor, Ashley Turner, Jeremy Compton, Monica DeLaGarza, Blaine Dyess, Justin Frazee, Calli Johnson, Salena Soto, Josh Eubanks, Kendra Graves, Eddy Arant, Brittany Eldred, Garrett Fiveash, Joseph Flores, Sheena Head, Cody Lee, Jesse Rodriguez, Barbie Arant, Charlie Bettis, Jenna Herold, Crystal Jackson, Kylia McGinnis, Jo'el Sefcik, Sarah

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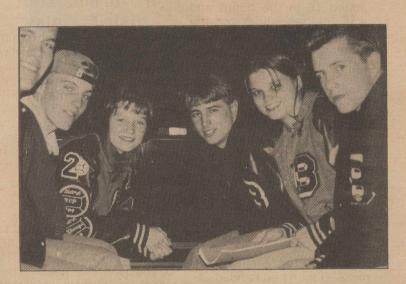


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The Bronte Senior Class is shown displaying all the goodies they got at a Christmas party held in their honor. Shown are (from left) Robb Harrel, David Wilson, Kale Beck, Jodie Hilliard, Kim Hall, Felicia Pullen, Scott Thompson, Drew Peterson, Kim McCorkle, Keith Treadaway, Shelly Sims, Lane Parker, Shea Kelton, Tandy Briley, Jason Martinez, and Felicia Beam.



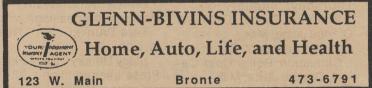
"Boy, are we having fun?!" That's what these Bronte Seniors could have been saying when they went Christmas caroling. Pictured are (from left) Scott Thompson, Keith Treadaway, Kim Hall, Kale Beck, Jodie Hilliard, and Drew Peterson.

Basquez, Rebecca Rawlings, Meagan Rosenquist, Bailey Saunders, and Jaylon Saunders.

Romana Hoover, Ashley McCutchen, Tyson Baker, Natalee Reed, James Graves, Jonathan Tomes, and Joel Webb now belong to the 200 point club. Heather Richey, a sixth grader, is the only student already in the 350 point club, so she celebrated right along with the seven in the 200 point club. These students started off their celebration by eating lunch with Mrs. Howell's Kindergarten class and then spent the rest of the afternoon helping students in the Pre-K and 1st grade classrooms.



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...Stock Show

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1. Tracy Millican 2. Cara Eaton 3. Jake McCabe 4. Danielle Parker 5. Kyla Millican 6. Josh Connor 7. Brian Abalos 8. Danielle Parker 9. Trent McCabe Mediumweight

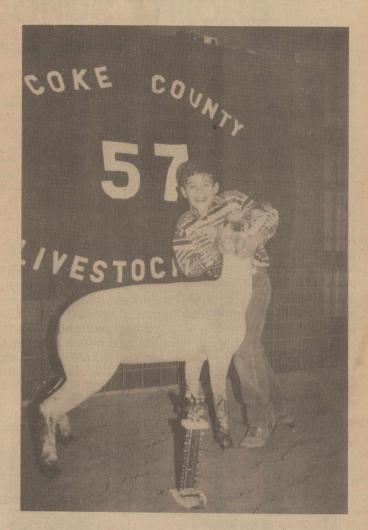
Finewool Cross

1. Lance Millican 2. Lance Millican 3. Jake McCabe 4. Stewart Millican 5. Shalon Waldrop 6. Tracy Millican 7. Ashlee Millican 8. Cassidy

> Heavyweight Finewool Cross

1. Ashlee Millican 2. Erin Millican 3. Ashlee Millican 4. Erin Millican 5. Kyla Millican 6. Cassidy Wink 7. Whitney Millican 8. Charles Abalos 9. Trent McCabe

Champion Finewool Cross Ashlee Millican Reserve Champion Finewool Cross Lance Millican Medium Wool 1. Erin Millican 2. Kannan Millican 3. Danielle Parker
*** Grand Champion Lamb Ashlee Millican *** Reserve Grand Champion Lamb Ashlee Millican Lightweight Meat Goat



In addition to exhibiting the Reserve Champion Finewool Lamb, Lance Millican also took home the Frank Percifull Overall Showmanship award.

Champion Other Pure Breeds Pig was exhibited by Zeke Montgomery.

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...Stock Show

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1. Cara Sefcik 2. Rob Harrell 3. Brady Bolding 4. Charles Abalos 5. Joel Sefcik 6. Brian Abalos 7. Billy Torres 8. April Cowart 9. Scott Graves 10. Ruben Torres 11. James Graves 12. Harley Hall 13. Jake Graves 14. Scott Graves

Mediumweight Meat Goat

1. Sammy Minjarez 2. Jennifer Hamilton 3. Cheyenne Webb 4. Danielle Parker 5. Ryan McCorkle 6. Cara Sefcik 7. Misty White 8. Brandi Brosh 9. Garrett Jackson 10. Favian Minjarez 11. April Cowart 12. Joel Webb 13. Garrett Jackson 14. Michell Sanchez 15. Cheyenne Webb

Light Heavyweight Meat Goat

1. Brady Bolding 2. Rebecca Rawlings 3. Rodd Harrell 4. Casey Eubanks 5. Jen-

nifer Hamilton 6. Brady Bolding 7. Brady Bolding 8. Jennifer Hamilton 9. Colby Eubanks 10. Rebecca Rawlings 11. April Cowart 12. Joel Webb 13. Riley Coalson 14. Kanah Coalson 15. Kim McCorkle

Heavyweight Meat Goat
1. Erin Millican 2. Jennifer
Hamilton 3. Amber Brosh 4.
Clay Antilley 5. April Cowart 6.
Nicole Sanchez 7. Nicole
Sanchez 8. Amber Brosh 9.
Michelle Sanchez 10. Brandi
Brosh 11. Amber Brosh 12.
Casey Eubanks 13. Colby
Eubanks 14. Brandi Brosh

*** Grand Champion
Meat Goat
Erin Millican

*** Reserve Grand
Champion Meat Goat
Jennifer Hamilton

Lightweight Duroc
1. Julie Riley 2. Whitney Millican 3. Kyla Millican 4. Cooper Riley 5. Tracy Millican 6. Shane Briley 7. Whitney Millican 8. Jerrod Pitcock



Jennifer Hamilton placed her meat goat entry as Reserve Grand Champion, while also taking home the Meat Goat Showmanship award.

Heavyweight Duroc

1. Kailey Howell 2. Starsky Oleksiuk 3. Jessica Key 4. Danielle Parker 5. Shalon Waldrop 6. Travis Pitcock 7. Jessica Key 8. Matthew Pitcock

Champion Duroc
Kailey Howell
Reserve
Champion Duroc
Starsky Oleksiuk

Lightweight Hampshire
1. Julie Riley 2. Whitney Millican 3. Starsky Oleksiuk 4. Shanna Wojtek 5. Jessica Key 6. Starsky Oleksiuk 7. Jessica Key 8. Travis Pitcock 9. Jimmy Gray 10. Matthew Pitcock 11. Jimmy Gray

Heavyweight Hampshire
1. Starsky Oleksiuk 2.
Danielle Parker 3. Wes Howell
4. Tonya Gardner 5. Starsky
Oleksiuk 6. Whitney Montgomery 7. Riley Coalson 8.

ley 10. Danielle Parker
Champion Hampshire
Julie Riley

Jerrod Pitcock 9. Cooper Ri-

Reserve Champion Hampshire Starsky Oleksiuk

Lightweight Crossbreed
1. Starsky Oleksiuk 2.
Danielle Parker 3. Lance Millican 4. Kyla Millican 5. Travis
Pitcock 6. Tracy Millican 7.
Tracy Millican 8. Shane Briley
9. Brandon Gibbs

Heavyweight Crossbred
1. Tye Gardner 2. Clay Antilley 3. Wes Howell 4. Shalon Waldrop 5. Jessica Key 6. Michael Pentecost 7. Ashlee Millican 8. Shalon Waldrop 9. Jamie Wojtek 10. Jerrod Pitcock

Tye Gardner
Reserve Champion
Crossbred
Starsky Oleksiuk
Lightweight OPB
1. Starsky Oleksiuk 2. Wh

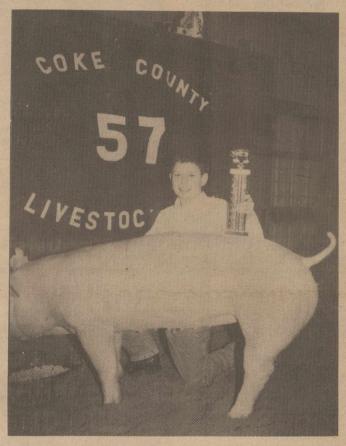
1. Starsky Oleksiuk 2. Whitney Montgomery 3. Julie Riley 4. Cooper Riley 5. Clay Antilley 6. Zeke Montgomery 7. Zeke Montgomery 8. Joel Webb 9. Whitney Montgomery

Heavyweight OPB
1. Zeke Montgomery 2.
Lance Millican 3. Trichelle

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Champion Duroc Pig was this entry, exhibited by Kailey Howell.



Tye Gardner was all smiles when his Champion Crossbred Pig entry was later selected as Grand Champion Pig.

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Walking improves health

Many grandparents are trading in their rocking chairs for walking shoes, and it is paying off by improving their health.

"As people age they can maintain a better quality of life if they are active," said Dr. Elizabeth Protas, a physical therapy associate with Baylor College of Medicine's Huffington Center on Aging in Houston. "Exercise has also been shown to help reduce the risk for developing disease as we age, including heart disease and osteoporosis."

Exercise maintains muscle strength and bone density, which helps prevent falls, the number one cause of injury-related death for people 65 and older.

While many people over 60 are competing in road races, bowling tournaments and tennis matches, it is not necessary to work out that vigorously to benefit.

"Throw out the word 'exercise' and concentrate on activity," said Protas. "Many people are intimidated by exercise. Concentrating on being active is the key."

Walking around the neighborhood, gardening or playing a game of horsehoes can all improve fitness level. Doing some activity that you enjoy for 20 to 30 minutes three times a week can make a healthy difference.

According to Protas, it is never too late to start.

"I work with people in their 80s and 90s who have not been very active, and they benefit from beginning activ-

ity."
With a doctor's clearance, starting may be as simple as walking around the block once a day. Protas says to choose an enjoyable activity, begin slowly, set modest goals, and gradually increase the time and intensity of the workout.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I was pleased to see all the voters turn out for the recent rollback election. You proved that you can make a difference. Don't let it stop here. This is only the beginning. This county belongs to all of us and it's up to us to make sure that things are done in

accordance with our wishes. Make sure that your State legislators know how you feel about the issues before the legislature in Austin. They are there at your request.

The majority of taxpayers have spoken and made their wishes known. Our great country was set up to make sure that ALL citizens had the right to dissent. It's great to see democracy in action.

Thank you for your time. Virginia Brown

Tipsy sheep studied for brain-damage clues

Some tipsy Texas sheep may provide valuable clues for medical researchers trying to understand how and why alcohol damages the developing brains of human fetuses.

Pregnant sheep fitted with special blood monitoring devices are helping Timothy A. Cudd, a veterinarian and physiologist in Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine and Texas A&M College of Medicine neurbiologist James R. West assess what happens to the blood of both mother and fetus when the mother consumes alcohol.

Such simultaneous monitoring of alcohol's effect on mother and fetus hasn't been possible before, say Cudd and West, and they expect it will tell them a lot about how the alcohol causes brain damage in human fetuses.

At least 7,000 children born each year in the United States suffer from fetal alcohol syndrome, or FAS; 600 of them in Texas. Symptoms include physical frailty, mental retardation, difficulties in learning and characteristic facial features. But nobody knows how or why the alcohol causes the damage, says West.

Sheep are a lot more like humans than other laboratory animals researchers use to study how alcohol affects human fetal brain development, says Cudd.

The two researchers are concentrating on what happens during the last third of pregnancy. That's when the brain develops most rapidly and is thought to be most vulnerable to damage from alcohol. Eventually, they plan to study the entire period of pregnancy.

...Stock Show

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Gray 4. Danielle Parker 5. Wes Howell 6. Danielle Parker 7. Kyla Millican 8. Matthew Pitcock

Champion OPB
Zeke Montgomery
Reserve Champion OPB
Starsky Oleksiuk
*** Grand Champion

Tye Gardner

*** Reserve Grand
Champion
Julie Riley
Heifer

1. Michelle Owens
Lightweight European
Cross Steers

1. Brittany Barrett 2. Clay Antilley 3. Dusty White 4. Dustin Scott 5. Angie Harrell 6. Lance Owens Heavyweight European

Cross Steers
1. Shea Kelton 2. Shea Kelton 3. Dustin Scott 4. Brittany

*** Grand Champion
Shea Kelton

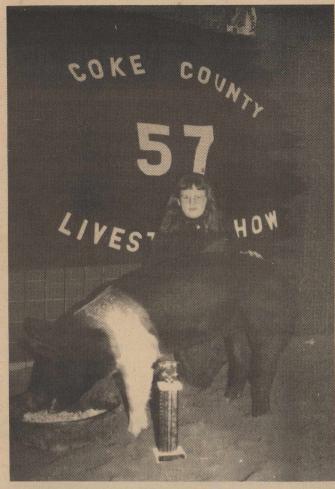
*** Reserve Grand
Champion
Shea Kelton
Lamb Showmanship
Award

Ashlee Millican
Swine Showmanship
Award
Starsky Oleksiuk
Goat Showmanship
Award
Jennifer Hamilton
Steer Showmanship

Award
Shea Kelton
Frank Percifull Overall
Showmanship Award
Lance Millican
Ralph Walker Top
Hand Award

Ashlee Millican





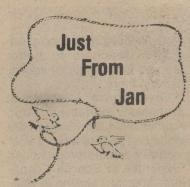
Julie Riley showed this entry to the top spot in the Hampshire class. This pig was later named Reserve Grand Champion of the 1997 show.



Grand Champion Meat Goat was this entry, exhibited by Erin Millican.

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by Jan Yanez Coke County Ext. Agent

Home food storage

Household foods are generally stored on shelves, in the refrigerator and the freezer. Proper food storage is important to help control the cost of food by avoiding waste, retain nutrients, preserve flavor, color and texture of food, and prevent illness caused by harmful bacteria.

Shelf storage: Store foods in the coolest cabinets or pantry and away from appliances which produce heat. Many staples and canned foods have a relatively long shelf life, but buy only what you expect to use within the time recommended for each product. Buy packaged foods in fresh looking packages.

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indicate old stock. Also check for pull dates. Carefully check dented cans for leakage and rust before buying. Do not purchase badly dented and bulging cans.

Refrigerator storeage: Store food in the home refrigerator form 34° to 40° F. Foods spoil rapidly above 40° F. Frequent opening of the refrigerator door, especially on warm, humid days, or an accumulation of thick frost on the freezing unit, raises the temperature on the refrigerator. Use foods stored in the refrigerator quickly. Do not depend on maximum storage time. Removed spoiled foods immediately to prevent decay from spreading to other foods.

temperature for frozen foods storage is 0° F. Check the temperature with a thermometer, or use this rule of thumb if the freezer cannot keep ice cream brick solid, the temperature is above the recommended level.

Here are some common home food storage dates: Shelf storage - 6 months flour, cooked cereal, salad oil; 6-12 months - instant potatoes, gravy mixes, ready to eat cereals, vanilla, dried fruits, corn meal. Refrigerator storage - 1-2 days - homemade dips, ground meat, sausage, leftover gravy or broth; 1 week - milk, bacon, lunch meats, wieners, fruits, lettuce, eggs, fresh juice. Freezer storage 2-3 months - ground beef, lamb, veal, sausage, fish, baked goods, casseroles, cheese, bread; 6-12 months roast, steaks, venison, turkey, frozen fruits, butter, nuts.

For more information concerning specific foods contact the county extension office.

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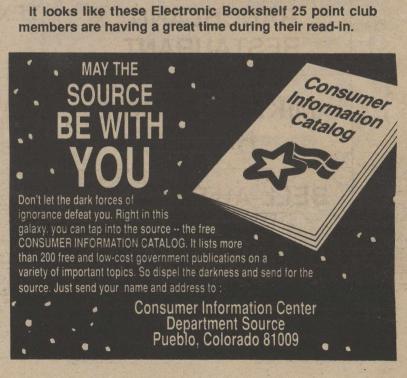


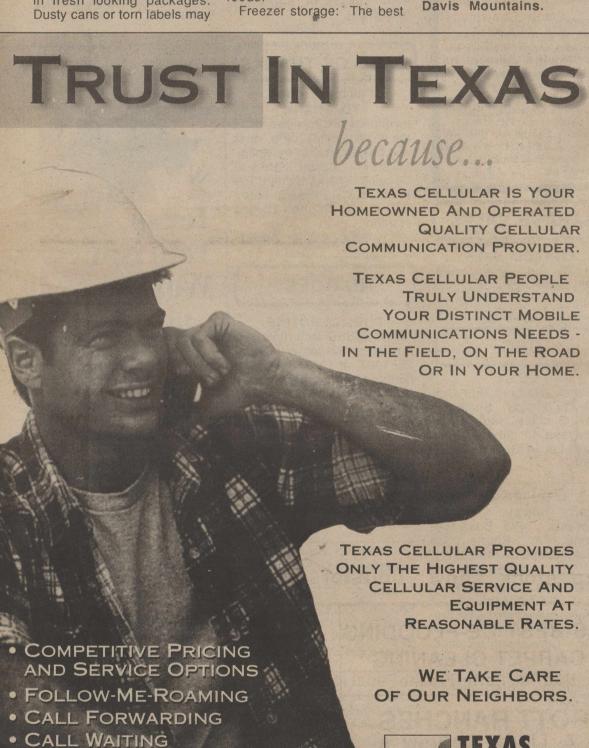
Ashley McCutchen, James Graves, and Jonathan Tomes, Electronic Bookshelf 200 point club members, are shown having fun during their lunch time visit to Kindergarten.



The Electronic Bookshelf 60 point club members enjoyed a sack lunch inside with principal, Mr. Howell.







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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bronte ISD will hold an Auction on Saturday, January 25, 1997, at 10:00 am at the north end of the school campus (behind the Church of Christ). Included in the auction will be: school desks and chairs of various sizes, office equipment, record players, and one hospital bed. All items will go to the highest bidder. All sales are final and payment is due at the time of the sale.

PUBLIC HEARING Request on closing of Walnut Road

Hearing scheduled for February 25, 1997, 1:00 pm, Coke County Commissioners' Court Room, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

25a-2tc PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners' Court will receive applications Group of teenagers wants to sfor the Bronte Park Caretakers job until 9:00 am Monday, February 10. Applications and job description are available in the Coke County Judge's office, Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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study is looking at special education teachers to better prepare future special education teachers.

Texas A&M educational psychology professors Doug Palmer and Laura Stough are in the first year of a three-year federally funded project titled 'Expertise in Special Educators: Special Thinking in Special Settings." The project calls for a study of 25 teachers selected from five Central Texas school districts who work with special education students. They also are considered outstanding by their administrators, peers or par-

"These teachers are considered experts and were selected because of their experience, recognition of teaching excellence and student performance," said Palmer, who also serves as head of Texas A&M's Department of Educational Psychology

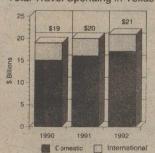
"Their classrooms include students with mild to moderate disabilities; that is, students diagnosed as learning disabled, mildly retarded and/or emotionally disturbed," Palmer said.



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Businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in some Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Drought, freeze, freezing temperatures, sleet and snow which occurred January 1 through May 31, 1996, and continuing caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other federal agencies. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters may apply. Local counties included in the disaster assistance area are: Coke, Runnels, and Sterling counties.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing applications is May 27, 1997.

Due to the weather, many producers experienced crop losses and were not able to purchase goods and services at normal levels. Businesses that are dependent upon these producers may have experienced decreased sales, reduced gross profit margins, increased accounts receivable or difficulty in moving inventories at normal levels. To the extent these problems have caused the business difficulty in meeting its normal obligations, these loans may be of assistance. The loan can help a business meet installments on longterm debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred. Refinancing of long-term debt, however, is not eligible under this program.

The loan is designed for

those businesses with substantial disaster-related needs and is intended to supplement monies the business owner can provide from other sources.

Loans may be approved for up to \$1,500,000 for actual disaster-related financial needs of the business. Interest rates are four percent (4%) and terms may extend to thirty (30) years, depending upon the repayment ability of the individual applicant. To qualify, businesses must be small by SBA's size standard. Businesses which can meet their financial needs through other sources are not eligible.

Home freezing tips

How to get the most from your freezer and the food you store in it is easy to do when you follow these helpful tips from the home economists at Whirlpool:

Items should be frozen quickly at 0 degrees or below. Try placing new packages against freezer walls or shelves to help speed up the process.

Introduce fresh foods gradually, adding only as much as will freeze in 24 hours (about three pounds per cubic foot of interior freezer space).

Stack foods in groups and keep an inventory noting the dates stored so that items are used within the correct time.

 Don't use cellophane tape to seal frozen foods - it won't hold. Instead, use ordinary masking tape. It's just as effective and much cheaper.

· Seal all items in moistureand vapor-proof freezer wrappings. Exposure to air can give food an off-color and flavor and a tough, dry surface known as "freezer burn."

When freezing liquids, leave a half of an inch at the top of the container to allow for expansion.

Try freezing small amounts of stock or gravy in ice cube trays and then transfer to freezer bags for easy thawing later.

 It's best not to refreeze foods that have been thawed. This only increases the risk of contamination by harmful bacteria and decreases the quality of the food. Never refreeze food with an off-color or odor.

Goodness Gracious It's Good!

Answers to Everyday Cooking Questions FROM THE MARTHA WHITE KITCHEN

Q: Do I have to sift flour?

A: Most flour today is pre-sifted before packaging, so it's not necessary to sift again for everyday recipes like muffins, cookies and pancakes. Since flour tends to settle during shipping, you may want to stir it before measuring. When making delicate cakes, sifting the flour before measuring does allow you to measure the flour more accurately. And some recipes recommend sifting as the best method for thoroughly combining flour with leavening, salt

and spices.
The following Carolina Coffee Cake is made with self-rising flour and requires no sifting.

CAROLINA COFFEE CAKE

CRUMBLE TOPPING

1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar 2 tablespoons Martha White® Self-**Rising Flour**

1 teaspoon cinnamon 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened

CAKE 1/3 cup shortening 3/4 cup sugar 2 eggs 3/4 cup milk 1 3/4 cups Martha White® Self-Rising Flour 1/3 cup chopped pecans GLAZE 1 1/2 cups sifted powdered sugar 2 tablespoons hot milk 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Heat oven to 375°F. Grease 10-inch castiron skillet or 9-inch square baking pan. In small bowl, combine all topping ingredients with fork until crumbly; set aside. In large bowl, cream shortening and sugar on medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Blend in milk. Stir in flour and pecans; blend well. Pour batter into greased pan. Sprinkle topping mixture evenly over batter. Bake at 375°F. for 30 to 35 minutes or until cake begins to pull away from sides of pan. Cool in pan for 15 minutes. In small bowl, combine all glaze ingredients; blend until smooth. Drizzle over warm cake. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

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Municipal Bonds	3,796,053.34	3,504,886.36
Other Bonds	3,278,678.68	3,683,520.44
Federal Funds Sold	2,175,000.00	3,000,000.00
Banking House	471,994.41	489,610.38
Furniture and Fixtures	60,546.09	68,569.40
Cash and Exchange	1,374,804.58	1,066,808.37
Other Assets	863,983.76	842,502.69
	\$36,878,514.91	\$34,950,006.53
	LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
Surplus	1,000,000.00	800,000.00
Undivided Profits	2,629,306.49	2,612,250.38
Other Liabilities	1,576,600.14	972,900.19
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Answers to Everyday Cooking Questions FROM THE MARTHA WHITE KITCHEN

Q: I hear a lot about polenta. Isn't it just like the corn meal mush my grandmother made?

A: Polenta is the Italian version of corn meal mush that is often served as a side dish with meaty stews and sausages. During the last few years, polenta has been popping up on trendy menus nationwide.

In the United States, corn meal mush has traditionally been served for breakfast like oatmeal. Or, it is chilled, sliced and fried.

It can certainly be served for lunch or dinner just like polenta. Try spooning a hearty beef stew or a ragout of sausages, vegetables and marinara sauce over corn meal mush.

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VARIATION: For Fried Mush, pour hot mush into lightly greased loaf pan. Cover with plastic wrap; chill at least 2 hours. Turn out of pan; cut into 3/4-inch slices. In skillet, heat 2 tablespoons oil over medium heat; brown mush slices on both sides. Add more oil, if needed.

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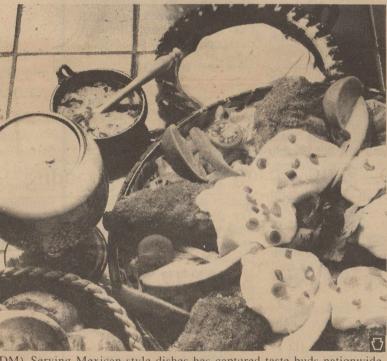
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Supper South of the Border Style



(DM)-Serving Mexican-style dishes has captured taste buds nationwide. Home economists at KitchenAid have developed this colorful, well-seasoned recipe for use in the popular convection oven. Cooking in a convection oven saves energy by lowering cooking times and temperatures, while providing more evenly cooked dishes. Serve nestled in a bed of shredded lettuce with tomatoes, avocado, and top with sour cream.

- Bottled green chile salsa or taco sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- cup fine dry bread crumbs
- teaspoon each chili powder and ground cumin
- teaspoon garlic salt
- teaspoon oregano leaves whole chicken breasts (about 1 lb. each), split, boned, and
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine 1 ripe avocado
- 4 to 6 cups shredded iceberg About 1 cup sour cream
- green onions (including tops), thinly sliced
- 12 to 18 cherry tomatoes 1 lime, cut in wedges

In a shallow bowl, beat together eggs, 3 tablespoons of the salsa, and salt. In another shallow bowl, combine bread crumbs, chili powder, cumin, garlic salt, and oregano. Dip each chicken piece into egg mixture and roll in crumb mixture, then dip into egg mixture and roll in crumb mixture again.

In a shallow baking pan large enough to hold chicken pieces in a single layer, melt butter in 350° convection oven. Remove pan from oven and add chicken pieces, turning to coat with butter. Bake skin side up and uncovered in 350° convection oven for about 25 minutes or until meat in thickest part is no longer pink when slashed. Just before chicken completes cooking, halve avocado lengthwise, remove pit, peel and slice.

To serve, arrange chicken on a bed of shredded lettuce. Top each piece with a dollop of sour cream. Garnish with green onions, tomatoes, lime wedges, and avocado. Pass extra sour cream and salsa. Makes 6 servings.