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County teams gear up for season opener

Friday night football is back (finally). Coke County teams have been hard at work preparing for the opening night of the season. Both the Robert Lee Steers and Bronte Longhorns have suffered through two-a-days and scrimmages in preparation for opening night. After several years of consistently having a team in the playoffs, Coke County folks are fired up and ready for some great football.

According to Athletic Director Ed Poehls, Robert Lee will be suiting up 45 players this season. Of the 45 only 7, 3

offensive and 4 defensive, are returning starters.

When asked about the strengths of such a young team Poehls stated, "We have above average size and the will to succeed. Our players have a lot of heart and they have proven in practice that they are willing to work hard enough to win. Our seniors and juniors, though lacking in numbers, are showing great leadership." During discussion concerning the flip side of the coin, weakness, he said, "We are depending on more young players than

usual and our speed is lacking. We will have to be real smart and play with great technique in order to be successful."

Poehls indicated the team's attitude is great and they are getting in very good physical condition for the season. He concluded with this statement, "With a lot of new people in different positions, we are coming along kinda slow. But, maybe, we will be ready at just the right time to make a run at our very tough district."

Robert Lee will host Cross Plains here tonight at 7:30 pm.

Thirty-nine players will hit the field for Bronte this year. Four offensive and 4 defensive players are returning starters for the Longhorns. Coach Keith McCutchen feels the returning starters and good attitudes are the strengths of this team.

He stated that overall, he feels that inexperience will be the weakness of the squad.

When questioned about the readiness of the team for the beginning of the season he said, "The kids have worked hard, their attitude has been good, and other than the players with injuries, they should be ready physically."

The Horns will be on the road for their season opener. They will face off against the Eden Bulldogs at 8:00 pm in Eden.

Tennyson announces new postmaster

The Tennyson community proudly announces, as of August 16, 1997, their new postmaster, Joyce Wilcox.

Mrs. Wilcox is a 22 year resident of Tennyson. She started as postmaster relief in 1976 and in April of 1994 became acting postmaster after the passing of Bill Green.

An installation ceremony honoring Joyce will be held at a later date.

Hayrick Cemetery Assoc. to meet

There will be a general meeting of the Hayrick Cemetery Association Wednesday, September 10. The meeting will begin at 5:00 pm at the Masonic Lodge in Robert Lee. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Extravaganza draws large crowd

Robin Honse, chairwoman of the Extravaganza this year, said that attendance to the annual event sponsored by West Coke County Community Development was up from the past several years. Although rentals for booth space was down, the crowds in the park seemed to enjoy the variety of wares that were on display.

Glenda Hammond, owner of Candy Bouquet, held a drawing for a free Candy Bouquet at her booth. She said she had 248 persons registered at drawing time. Lori Davis of Carlsbad, Texas was the lucky winner of the free bouquet.

Joan Davis, who heads up the WCCCD cookbook committee, said orders were placed for 16 cookbooks. October 30 is the expected delivery date of the cookbooks. Ms. Davis stated much interest was expressed in the book. Advance orders for are not necessary, purchase of the book can be made by contacting any committee member.

Many of the visitors to the park took our advice and brought their lawn chairs so they could find a shade tree and listen to our local talent. They were not disappointed. Folks would be hard-pressed to find talent in any area that could be any better than what was offered by our local musicians Saturday.

A total of 21 cooks entered the Rabbit Twister Cook Off. Laura Pederson, chairperson of the event turned in the following results:
BBQ Showmanship: 1st.

Clark Tinkler, Robert Lee; 2nd. Dixie Watlington, Sweetwater; 3rd. Richard Alls, Sweetwater. Brisket: 1st. Clark Tinkler, Robert Lee; 2nd. Jim Bailey, Sweetwater; 3rd. Joe Pierce, San Angelo. Pork Ribs: 1st. Russell Sylvest, Sweetwater; 2nd. Joe Pierce, San Angelo; 3rd. Jim Bailey, Sweetwater. Chicken - 1st. Jim Bailey, Sweetwater; 2nd. Russell Sylvest, Sweetwater; 3rd. Richard Alls, Sweetwater. BBQ Open (meat, fish, fowl, or exotic game) - 1st. Jim Bailey, Sweetwater; 2nd. Dixie Watlington, Sweetwater; 3rd. Richard Alls, Sweetwater. Overall BBQ Cook (had to cook in all 4 BBQ categories) - Jim Bailey, Sweetwater. Beans - 1st. Clark Tinkler, Robert Lee; 2nd. Richard Day - San Angelo; 3rd. Cloyce Key, San Angelo. Dessert - 1st. Dixie Watlington, Sweetwater; 2nd. Leslie Bryant, Sweetwater; 3rd. Russell Sylvest, Sweetwater. Chili Showmanship - 1st. Joe Pierce - San Angelo; 2nd. Richard Alls, Sweetwater; 3rd. Dixie Watlington, Sweetwater. Chili - 1st. Valerie Coppedge, Odessa; 2nd. Joe Pierce, San Angelo; 3rd. Brookie Key, San Angelo; 4th. Betty Pierce, San Angelo; 5th. Clark Tinkler, Robert Lee; 6th. Sue Day, San Angelo; 7th. Dixie Watlington, Sweetwater; 8th. Noel Tinkler, Robert Lee; 9th. Mona Larson, Odessa; 10th. Jim Roland, Sweetwater.

The new pavilion received an outstanding initiation Saturday night, as a large crowd attended the dance concluding the day's festivities.



The McMullan Family is shown with the saddles and trailer Tessie won at the AJRA National Finals Rodeo in Sweetwater, Texas, recently. Shown are (from left) Lillian, who also competed at the finals, Tessie, Mary, Arlis, and David McMullan.

McMullan girls do well at AJRA Finals Rodeo

Tessie and Lillian McMullan of Bronte competed at the AJRA National Finals Rodeo July 28 through August 2, 1997, in Sweetwater, Texas.

Tessie won the first and second rounds and the average in barrel racing; third in first round, second in the second round, and second in the average in pole bending; first in the first round and first in the average in goat tying; and second in the average in ribbon roping.

Lillian placed fourth in the first round in barrel racing and fourth in the first round of the ribbon roping, taking a third place in the ribbon roping average.

The girls also did exceptionally well in the year end standings of the AJRA. Tessie, competing in the 13-15 age division, won the Girls All-Around Saddle for the year and a trailer at the NFR. She won the barrel racing, was reserve champion in the optional roping, was third in the goat tying and third in the pole bending.

Lillian, competing in the 9-12 age division, placed third in the barrel racing standings, and fifth in both the all-around race and in the goat tying.

Tessie and Lillian are the daughters of David and Mary McMullan of Bronte, Texas.

RL Class of '44 plans reunion

The Class of 1944 is having a reunion on September 13 and 14. They will meet in the rec hall Saturday afternoon, September 13, and then all day Sunday, the 14th. The classes of 1943 and 1945 are encouraged, as well as anyone that would like to, to meet with the Class of '44. Snacks will be served Saturday evening and a catered lunch is planned for Sunday. If you plan to attend the lunch, please let Elmer Adkins, Wilbern Millican, or Doug Gartman know, so the correct amount will be prepared. A large group is hoped for as it will be a good time to see some of your old classmates and friends. Come if you can.

Girl Scout rally slated

A Girl Scout rally will be held Saturday, September 6, from 9-11:30 am at Robert Lee Park. All interested girls are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Yvonne Conner at 453-4679.

Gospel Singing

The regular monthly community gospel singing will be held Sunday, September 7 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

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Death Notices

Eason

Victor Daniel Eason, 56, pastor, evangelist, missionary, and resident of Prescott Valley, Arizona, died Friday, August 22, 1997, at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Harold Warner in Tucson.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 am Thursday, August 28, 1997, at the Potters House CFC in Prescott with the Rev. Wayman Mitchell officiating. Interment followed at Mountain View Cemetery in Prescott.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma, and a son, Victor Dee Eason. Also surviving are five brothers, William Paul Eason, George Edward Eason, Jerry Michael Eason, Chester Heflin, and John Heflin; and two sisters, Gloria Jean Ledbetter and Josephine Lor-

Conger

Luther Edward Conger, 73, of Bronte died Tuesday, September 2, 1997, at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 2:00 pm Thursday, September 4, at First Baptist Church in Blackwell. Interment followed at Mountain View Cemetery under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home. Rev. Garry Bivins was officiant.

Survivors include his wife, Chris; one step-daughter, Jackie Henderson of Black-

well; two brothers, Melvin Conger and Alfred Conger; three sisters, Helen Alderman, Wanda Standough, and Mary Thackery. He is also survived by 7 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Church members enjoy retreat

Members of the River of Life church recently enjoyed a weekend retreat at the West Texas Ranch for Christ, north of Blackwell. Guest speaker was Pastor Bobby Long. Pastor Long was recently an associate pastor for the Tree of Life church in San Angelo, and is now part of a group pioneering a church in San Marcos, Texas.

Pastor Long, his wife, Leslie, and River of Life church members enjoyed times of music, prayer, sharing, and teaching together. Teachings covered the modern day revival that is breaking out throughout the country and around the world.

Church members and the Longs had the pleasure of enjoying the country atmosphere, cozy cabins, and scenic views. Delicious meals were served by David and Tammy Eoff, and their children, Dustin, Mary and Casey. The Eoff family serve as caretakers for West Texas Ranch for Christ.

McCutchens celebrate reunion

The annual McCutchen reunion was held August 30 and 31 at the Bronte Community Center with 90 in attendance.

Those present of the Monroe and Mattie McCutchen children were Thresa Butner of Bronte, Georgia Gibbs of Crews, and Jeff Randall McCutchen of Mertzton. One sister, Janie Kyle of Seattle, Washington, was unable to attend.

Others present were relatives, grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, and friends.

We were so happy to welcome some cousins for their first time: Vincent McCutchen Lockhart; Colonel USAR Retired from San Angelo; William McCutchen Lockhart of Alpine; Shari Rhodes of Moore, Oklahoma; and Daniel Shoffit of Noble, Oklahoma.

We all had a great time taking pictures, looking at each other's pictures and getting to know each other, with plenty of good food and the bar-b-que dinner on Sunday. We all hope to be back next year with more family and friends in attendance.

ECC EMS donations & memorials

East Coke County Ambulance Service reports contributions received in August, 1997 as follows:

Memorials

J.B. Mackey
 Larry & Merle Kelso; Mickey & Yvonne Black



Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Roe

Roes celebrate 40th anniversary

Billy Wayne and Dolores Roe of Robert Lee were honored with a dinner at China Garden Restaurant in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary August 23, 1997. Hosts for the celebration were the couple's son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Tammy Roe and grandchildren Shelby, Lindsey, and Chase, all of Robert Lee.

Billy Wayne Roe and Dolores Jones were married August 23, 1957 at Silver, Texas. He works for Ivey Motor Company and she is employed as secretary at the Texas Department of Trans-

portation. The Roes are members of the Methodist Church and Order of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 187. He is also a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 696.

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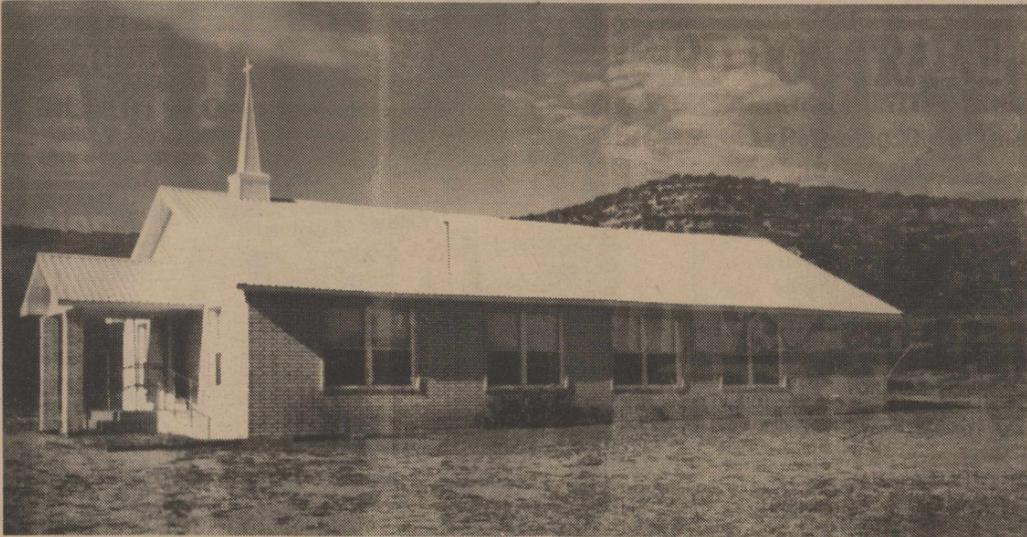
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Pecan Baptist Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary later this month. The church has undergone many structural improvements over the years.

Pecan to celebrate 100th year

Pecan Baptist Church, located 12 miles west of Robert Lee, will celebrate 100 years of existence on September 13-14 and invites everyone to attend.

The centennial celebration is set to begin at 10:00 am both Saturday and Sunday and each day will include services, a catered meal and various entertainment related to Pecan's history.

Pecan is the only rural church organized in Coke County before the 1900s that has remained in its original location. A small number of Baptists met under an arbor on Pecan Creek in 1897 and organized Pecan Baptist Church. Elders J.L. Simpson, G.C. Copeland and Isaac Reed (son of the Isaac Reed who helped organize the first Baptist Church in Texas in 1835) acted as presbytery.

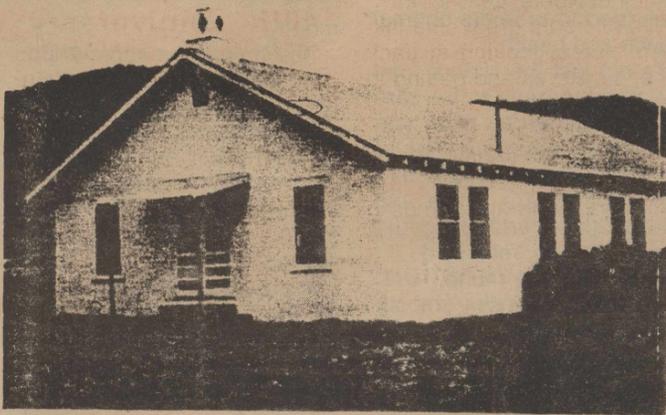
John Reed, a Pecan minister ordained in 1895, gave personal land for Pecan's first church home. It was the Pecan School House, located in Reed's pasture. The nearby creek served as a baptistry, making the location ideal. Members worshiped there until 1904, then built on the present site. They built again in 1926 and later added on an annex.

Pecan held singing schools, Christmas programs, summer revivals, and "dinners on the ground". Couples also enjoyed climbing Green Mountain, located directly behind the church.

Other communities have shared the gospel from Pecan's early missionary efforts. Holding services monthly, Pecan "extended an arm" to Wild Cat and Divide Union churches.

Pecan's ministers were: J.L. Simpson, Isaac Reed, G.C. Copeland, J.B. Denton, John Reed, Bro. Murdock, Bro. Branham, Bro. Volles, D.K. Smith, M.E. Watkins, J.H. Hallford, M.E. Patterson, Joe Yates, Charles Carroll, H. Scheanrock, John Hix, Billy McDorman, and current pastor, Jimmy Rogers.

Rogers is a graduate of Texas Tech University at Lubbock. He served Pecan for two different periods, accumulating thirty-two years. His wife, Lola Beth, a talented musician, has assisted greatly in his ministry. They live in San Angelo, where he is a retired park superintendent and



Pecan Baptist Church has undergone many improvements since this 1933 photo was taken.

she, a retired English teacher. Coke County people refer to him as "The Visiting Pastor" at the bedside of the sick, regardless of church affiliation.

From the time Pecan opened its doors, numerous capable and willing members have been recruited to serve in capacities such as deacon, pianist, song leader and teacher.

The public is encouraged to share in the memories and good times the centennial will bring.

Stenholms to host FunDay

Congressman Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host FUNDay on Saturday, September 6, 1997, at the Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds east of Stamford. Festivities will begin at 4:30 pm and continue into the evening.

The annual event draws people from throughout the vast 17th Congressional District, which includes Coke County.

The program includes barbecue, entertainment, and a drawing for flags flown over the US Capitol. Entertainment will be provided by the Cooper Fiddlers from Cooper High School in Abilene.

"Cindy and I want to invite everyone to come and spend

the day in Ericksdahl," said Stenholm. "FUNDay is a great time to meet new people and visit with old friends. In addition a few of my colleagues from Washington will be visiting, and they need to know the concerns of the people here in West Texas."

State Representative David Counts of Knox City will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Counts represents the 70th House District in the Texas State Legislature. As Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee, Counts was instrumental in the passage of the recent state water bill. He also is a member of the State Affairs Committee.

Tickets for FUNDay, which remain at \$10 per person, will be available at the gate. Children's activities will also be provided. For more information, contact the Stenholm campaign office at 1-800-391-0704.

Personal

Joel Percifull is home in Robert Lee after suffering an accident over the holiday weekend that cost him the end of his little finger. Joel was working with his brother-in-law, Steve Floyd, repairing a tire when a sledge hammer smashed the end of his little finger.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

TASP workshop planned

Successfully passing the TASP, the Texas Academic Skills Program exam, is required for all students seeking an Associate or Baccalaureate Degree from colleges and universities supported by the State of Texas. A workshop demonstrating the skills needed for passing this exam will be held Saturday, September 20, 1997 from 8 am - 5 pm at Robert Lee High School.

Registration forms can be picked up in the counselor's office at Robert Lee High School. Students in grades 11 and 12 can sign up for the workshop as well as anyone in the community who plans to attend college and needs to take the TASP test.

RL Band calendars

It is time once again to order your band calendars. The calendar drive will begin Wednesday, September 3, 1997, when band students will go door to door from 5:00 to 7:00 pm taking orders. If you are missed, please con-

tact any band member, Christine Abalos at 453-2576, Manuel Abalos at 453-2534, Ron or Candy Dickey at 453-2776 or Kay Torres at 453-2289 (evenings). If you have a 1997 calendar, an order form is provided on the back of August for your convenience. Calendar order deadline is September 15.

Barnes attends summer camp

Timothy Barnes, age 8, son of Jeff and Melodie Barnes of Robert Lee, recently attended the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. Sponsored by the Robert Lee/Silver Lions Club, this camper participated in summer camp activities including horseback riding, swimming, field sports, and a challenge course program.

Established in 1949, the Texas Lions Camp has given more than 40,000 children with physical disabilities the opportunity to experience the joys of summer camp. Children between the ages of 7-16 attend at no cost to their parents.

The Texas Lions Camp is a nonprofit organization funded by Lions and private donations. For more information, contact your local Lions Club or the Texas Lions Camp at PO Box 247, Kerrville, Texas 78029-0247, (830) 896-8500.

Burrows, Chesshir graduate

Approximately 325 students from the four TSTC West Texas locations (Sweetwater, Abilene, Breckenridge, and Brownwood) and their families gathered with the faculty and staff of Texas State Technical College Sweetwater to celebrate their graduation from the College on Saturday, August 16, in the Sweetwater High School Auditorium.

Local graduating students

included Wendi Rae Burrows and Laura Ann Chesshir. Wendi and Laura both majored in Vocational Nursing.

Protect children from choking

Food is essential for life, in everyone, but it can be one of children's deadliest enemies if it leads to choking, according to a nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"We, as children or adults, depend on food to provide nutrients," said Dr. Dymple Cooksey. "The goal in feeding children - whether they be infants, toddler or pre-schoolers - is to provide safe, nutritious food to promote optimal growth and health."

It's not just the size of food that parents need to be concerned with, but also the type of food and the behavior of the child when they are eating. "If they are active and talking, this certainly could lead to choking," she said.

Foods that are round, hard, small, thick and sticky, smooth or slippery should not be offered to children under four years of age. Some of these foods are hot dogs (sliced into rounds), hard, round, or chewy candy, nuts and seeds, whole grapes, spoonfuls of peanut butter, marshmallows, dried fruit, raw peas, peanuts, potato chips, corn chips, pretzels, popcorn, chunks of meat larger than can be swallowed whole, and "loop" type cereals.

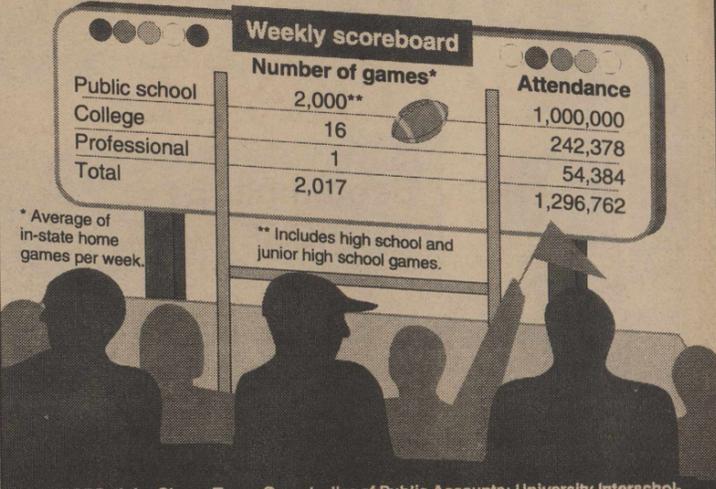
Behaviors or situations that may lead to choking are:

- *An infant drinking from a bottle with a nipple that has too large a hole.
- *Propping a bottle in the infant's mouth.
- *Feeding an infant or child too fast.
- *Stuffing food in the mouth.
- *Eating while walking, talking, laughing, crying, lying down, playing.
- *Running with food in the

Keeping an eye on Texas

Wacky for football

An average of 7 percent of the people in Texas—1.3 million fans—attend a football game each week in the state.



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts; University Interscholastic League; Southwest Conference; Southland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Southwest Athletic Conference; Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; University of North Texas, University of Texas at El Paso; Dallas Cowboys and Houston Oilers.



- Breakfast**
- Monday, Sept. 8**
Blueberry Pancake w/Sausage on a Stick, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.
- Tuesday, Sept. 9**
Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk.
- Wednesday, Sept. 10**
Blueberry Muffin, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.
- Thursday, Sept. 11**
Cinnamon Roll, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.
- Friday, Sept. 12**
Biscuits & Sausage w/Jelly, Orange Juice, Milk.
- Lunch**
- Monday, Sept. 8**
Chili con Carne, Corn, Tator Tots, Crackers, Fruit Cocktail.
- Tuesday, Sept. 9**
Roast w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, English Peas, Homemade Rolls, Peaches, Milk.
- Wednesday, Sept. 10**
Chicken Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Carrots, Homemade Rolls, Applesauce, Milk.
- Thursday, Sept. 11**
Sausage, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, White Bread, Cowboy Cookies, Milk.
- Friday, Sept. 12**
Sloppy Joes, Potato Wedges, Pickles, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

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By taking proper precautions, Cooksey said, the risk of choking can be lowered. "When preparing food for young children, make sure it is in a form that does not require much chewing," she explained.

Foods that are very hard or tough, such as meat, certain raw vegetables or fruits, should be cooked until soft enough to pierce with a fork.

Additionally, foods should be cut into small pieces or thin slices that may be easily chewed. Round foods, like hot dogs or carrots, should be cut into short strips rather than round pieces, Cooksey recommended.

Grapes should be cut into quarters, and pits and seeds should be removed from fruit such as oranges, grapes, watermelon and plums.

Food for infants should be ground or mashed. Also, parents can substitute food that may cause choking with a safe substitute, such as thinly sliced meat or hamburger instead of hot dogs, she said.

Nuts or seeds should be avoided, unless they are in prepared foods and ground finely or chopped. "If peanut butter is served, use only smooth varieties and spread it thin," Cooksey said.

Cheese should be served in thin strips, not in chunks, she added.

Crackers may be served if they are saltines and easy to chew. "Swallow without causing serious problems. "I would be a bit careful, though, about the really tiny crackers," she said.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Parent education program set

The Practical Parent Education program will be starting classes for community members who are parents or guardians. The program is designed to help parents gain a deeper understanding of strong family life and developmental stages, to strengthen their self-confidence as parents, and to offer them the skills and support to make their environment the best it can be. Bronte's PPE program is entitled, "Parents as Partners for Children" and they believe that "together we can work as a team to achieve our common goal: helping our children learn and grow". Facilitators are Kary Rawlings, Patti Frazee, Terri Rawls, Sharon McGinnis, and Vicky McCutchen. If you are interested in being a parent facilitator, contact any of the above persons for more information. Classes for the fall will be held beginning at 6:30 pm on September 22 - "Understanding the family system as a whole", September 29 - "Developing and maintaining trusting relationships within the family", October 6 - "Communicating effectively with children at all stages", and October 20 - "Helping children learn to make healthy choices". Please plan to attend for all. Babysitting

School bus safety tips offered

As we start a new school year, it is important for parents and children to review safety tips together, according to Steve Anderson, director of TDH Traffic Safety Program.

"Parents should put a review of important safety guidelines at the top of the family's back-to-school checklist," Anderson said. "Some of the most basic safety rules, such as those concerning school buses, save young lives and prevent thousands of injuries yearly." He warned, however, that although school buses are one of the safest ways to travel to and from school, injuries do occur. In 1995, 36 Texas children age 14 and younger were killed and about 5,000 others were injured in school bus-related incidents. Twenty-one of the children killed were pedestrians.

Many of the injuries happen while children are boarding or exiting their buses. One reason is that the front of a school bus obscures the driver's view of children near the bus. "Young children are not aware of the driver's blind spot, or might imagine if they can see the bus, the bus can see them," Anderson said.

TDH urges parents and teachers to discuss these safety tips with children:

1. Waiting for the bus -- A child's behavior at the bus stop is an important aspect of pedestrian and school bus safety. Children should remember to:

- *Arrive at least five minutes before the bus arrives;

- *Stay out of the street and avoid horseplay;

- *Always wait for parents on the same side of the street as the bus stop; and

- *Cross the street at least 10 feet in front of the bus.

2. Riding the bus -- While on the bus, children should:

- *Remain seated at all times and keep the aisles clear;

- *Never throw objects;

- *Never shout or unnecessarily distract the driver; and

- *Always keep heads and arms inside the bus.

3. Boarding and leaving the bus -- While getting on and off the bus, children always should:

- *Walk in a single-file line;

- *Use handrails to avoid falls;

- *Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before exiting;

- *Exit from the front of the bus; and

- *Be aware of the bus driver's blind spot (10 feet ahead of the bus) when walking away.

Anderson added that parents should remove loose drawstrings, straps, or ties on children's clothing and replace with Velcro, snaps, or buttons. Loose drawstrings or book bags can also snag on bus handrails. Since April 1991, seven children in the US died when their buses dragged them alongside the vehicle when their clothing or other items caught on the bus handrail or door.

Texas law is strict about other traffic passing a stopped school bus. The law requires drivers to stop when approaching a stopped school bus that is operating a visual signal light or sign as required by law. Drivers may not proceed until the school bus resumes motion, or when the bus driver signals the other drivers to proceed, or if the bus driver turns off his stop signals.

Drivers on highways separated by a median are not required to stop for a school bus on the opposite side of the median. Also, drivers are not required to stop for a school bus that is stopped in a specified loading zone that is a part of or next to the highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to cross the roadway.

Any driver who violates these statutes for passing school buses faces a fine of up to \$1,000.

Johnson receives degree

A Bronte student at Angelo State University was among 201 students to receive degrees during the summer commencement at the university.

Teri Lynn Johnson received a Master of Education, with a major in Guidance and Counseling.

Texonics: dawfins: name of the pro football team in Miami



BHS Student Council officers for the 1997-98 school year are (back row, l-r), Nicole Butts, vice-president; Sommer Beck, president; and Courtney Arrott, secretary; (front row, l-r), Chris Keller, parliamentarian; Wes Howell, reporter/historian, and Michael Martinez, treasurer.

BHS Student Council officers named

The BHS Student Council started their year off helping Mr. Howell, the new high school principal, prepare for the coming year in the first assembly for grades 7-12 on the first day of school. Student handbooks and Code of Conduct booklets were distributed after Sommer Beck, Student Council president, led students and staff in the pledge. Mr. Howell communicated his expectations for the year, went over handbooks, and teachers passed out all student schedules. All students were dismissed except for students new to the district and all 7th graders. Student Council officers took all new students and 7th graders through an orientation of the school and their schedule.

This year's officers are: Sommer Beck, president; Nicole Butts, vice president; Courtney Arrott, secretary; Michael Martinez, treasurer; Wes Howell, reporter-historian; and Chris Keller, parliamentarian. Mrs. McCutchen, BHS counselor, is the Student Council sponsor.

BHS Student Council news

The Student Council met August 26, 1997, with many important topics being discussed. The first item discussed concerned getting a suggestion box. The suggestion box will be a box in which the students can put ideas they have on improving the school and voice their opinions about topics that concern them directly to the student council.

Plans are being made for a homecoming dance. A DJ has been selected and a discussion was held on what time the dance should end.

Tentative plans for a drug free week during the first or second week of November was discussed. A drug free dance for December is also being planned. The Council discussed aspects of "students of the week" such as how many students per week, and how the students would be chosen.

Several community service projects are also planned. Last, it was decided the Student Council would decorate various bulletin boards around the high school.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, September 8
Sausage, Apple Juice, Pancakes, Milk

Tuesday, September 9
Breakfast Bagel, Grape Juice, Milk

Wednesday, September 10

French Toast Stix, Orange Juice, Blueberry Muffins, Milk

Thursday, September 11
Scrambled Eggs, Apple Juice, Biscuit, Milk

Friday, September 12
Cereal, Apple Wedge, Biscuit, Milk

Lunch

Monday, September 8
Burrito w/Cheese, Pear Halves, Tossed Salad, Tator Tots, Milk, Brownies

Tuesday, September 9
Pizza, Tossed Salad, Sweet Corn, Milk, Rice Crispie Bars

Wednesday, September 10

Tacos w/Cheese, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Spanish Rice, Taco Shells, Milk, Peanut Butter Cookies

Thursday, September 11
Oven Fried Chicken w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Milk, Pink Panther Cake

Friday, September 12
Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Bun, Milk, Juice Bar

3. Boarding and leaving the bus -- While getting on and off the bus, children always should:

- *Arrive at least five minutes before the bus arrives;

- *Stay out of the street and avoid horseplay;

- *Always wait for parents on the same side of the street as the bus stop; and

- *Cross the street at least 10 feet in front of the bus.

2. Riding the bus -- While on the bus, children should:

- *Remain seated at all times and keep the aisles clear;

- *Never throw objects;

- *Never shout or unnecessarily distract the driver; and

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Sunday School Classes begin September 7th

New Sunday School Teachers for 1997-98 are:
Sunday School Director - Clifton Reed
Sunday School Secretary - Wanda Barbee

Adult Class Teachers:
Koinoina (Men) Fellowship - CB Barbee
Fidelis-Joy (Ladies) - Jane Cumbie-Mary Frances Glenn
Friendship - Elmer Hurley-Peggy Hembree
Agape - Ray Barnett

Christian Brothers - Donny Thompson
Christian Sisters - Bonnie Reed
College & Career - Jesse Sims
Youth Classes (7th-12th Grade)
Youth Minister - Shawn Brown

Martin DeLaGarza, Susan DeLaGarza, Jaque Herold, Terri Rawls
Children's Classes (Nursery-6th Grade)
5th-6th Grade - Marty Blair; 3rd-4th Grade - Judy Johnson, 1st-2nd
Grade - Heather Lee, 4&5 Yr. Olds - Cindy & George Tomes, 2&3
Year Olds - Cindy Saunders & Angie Basquez
Nursing Home Teachers: Janet Hurley, Ida Lou Oliphant, Edith Rolls

BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

Friday, September 5
8:00 pm THERE

BRONTE LONGHORNS
vs.
Eden Bulldogs

BRONTE LONGHORN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
September 5	Eden	T	8:00
September 11	Abilene Cooper "Soph"	H	8:00
September 19	Roby	T	8:00
*September 26	Sterling City	H	7:30
**October 3	Water Valley	H	7:30
*October 10	Miles	T	7:30
*October 17	Robert Lee	H	7:30
*October 24	Irion County	T	7:30
*October 31	Christoval	H	7:30
*November 7	Garden City	T	7:30
*District			
**Homecoming			



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How Proud I Am

I would just like everyone to know how proud I am to live in Coke County. I don't know where else you would find such loving, caring people, much less the people who will give so much time and energy to their community. This Labor Day weekend is a fine example. You really had no need to leave Coke County to be entertained. We have two fine lakes, both of which will bring you a lot of entertainment. The fishing is great in both lakes, plus the water activities cannot be beaten. Hunting season opened up this weekend, with lots of hunters getting their leases ready for a great year. We had people from all over the state visiting their leases. This is great and does a lot to help the economy of Coke County, but I would like to inform you of some other efforts that also help the community.

We have two of the best nine hole golf courses in the state of Texas. If you have not played or visited the courses in Bronte and Robert Lee, please do so; you are in for a special treat. The courses really could not be any better, unless they had paved cart paths. The two courses joined together in great community effort to sponsor a Coke County Couples Tournament this past weekend. This started several years ago and has continued to grow. It is a very unique tournament, in that you play the first day on one course and the second day on the other course. People seem to really enjoy this challenge. In fact, it has been so popular that in recent years they have added a two-person Coke County Tournament. This takes a lot of work to put these tournaments on, and the workers at the courses should be commended for the fine shape of the courses. The tournament committee did a good job of working together and putting on a fine tournament. I'm not sure of the number of out-of-county golfers, but there were several. These courses continually bring in people who help support the courses, eat at the restaurants, and buy gasoline.

Then we had the Labor Day Extravaganza at the Robert Lee Park. Chili cookers were here from all over showing off their favorite recipes and displays. Crafters and food booths were all over the place to entertain the many people who attended. These people also spent money while they were in town.

I want you to know that we have some of the most talented people in the state. Cynthia Hill coordinated a display of talent you wouldn't believe. There were all kinds of music that would suit anyone's taste. If that didn't please you, just watching the kids and young people enjoy themselves should have made you happy. The gunslingers put on quite a show, and everyone seemed to enjoy them.

Our hard-working fire department was at the recreation hall from two until six with Bingo.

This was all followed by a dance under West Coke County Community Development's newly constructed Pavilion. I want you to know that this is one project the organization should really be proud of. I didn't hear anything except good regarding the pavilion. The group put a very capable man in charge of the construction. The concrete was contracted locally from a Bronte contractor. The metal roof was constructed with prisoners from the Wilderness Camp. This organization will be needing all the contributions you feel you can give to help pay for this. The Robert Lee State Bank was very generous in helping to finance the project; now we must all help pay for it.

As I drove by the rodeo arena in Bronte, I saw a pickup and trailer parked there. This was one more opportunity for entertainment.

Again let me say "I'm Proud to live in such a great County."
Jackie Walker

AON summer meetings held

The June meeting of the AON Service Club was held in the home of Tammy Roe with 17 members present. Members all participated in a "Model Meeting" to help inform new members of offices and duties of members. A warm welcome was given to new members, Shea Gartman, Kathye Gardner, and Kelly Duncan. Other business at the meeting was discussing Labor Day in the Park Train Ride. The spaghetti supper date was set for October 3, before the Irion County - Steers football game.

July was a busy, fun month for members. Ladies Night Out was held at Cheddar's. Everyone enjoyed sampling food and stimulating conversations as they relaxed. The July business meeting was held in the back yard of Debbie Smith. Beverly Burdett was presented a go-

ing away gift from the club. We are all going to miss her and wish her and her family much happiness in their new home at Shallowater.

A back-to-school social was held with the August business meeting. Members and their families met at the county park for visiting, volleyball, golf, cookies, and ice cream. The Labor Day Extravaganza Train Ride plans were finalized with signing up to drive "The Train". Plans for the annual Spaghetti Supper, October 3, to fund the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship were discussed. The supper will be the main fundraiser for this scholarship to be awarded a RLHS graduating senior. Put this date on your calendar and come join us for food and fun in the school cafeteria.

The next monthly meeting will be held in the home of Elena Sanchez on September 8.

Winters to host "Festival of Praise"

An afternoon of a "Festival of Praise" will be Sunday, Sept. 7, beginning at 3:00 pm, hosted by the First United Methodist Church in Winters. In addition to congregational singing, vocalists, instrumentalists, the art of drama and professional storytelling will be presented by members of several community churches.

For more information contact the church in Winters or Dr. Gary Torian, pastor.



Noal Don Smith & Kristi Gaylene Smith

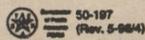
Smith-Smith engagement announced

Howard and Joy Smith of Abilene are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi Gaylene to Noal Don Smith, son of Royce and Lynn Doris Smith of Robert Lee.

Kristi is a 1992 graduate of Merkel High School and at-

tended Howard Junior College and Angelo State University. She is employed by Cellular One in San Angelo. Noal is a 1987 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is employed by Tom Thorp Transports in Mertzon.

An October 18 wedding is set at First Baptist Church in Merkel at 2:30 in the afternoon. The couple will make their home in San Angelo.



Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Coke County Commissioners' Court will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1997 by 3.72 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on September 16, 9:00 AM at Commissioners Courtroom, Coke County Courthouse

FOR the proposal: Paul Burns, James A. Tidwell, Pat Percifull, Jackie Walker

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: Royce Lee

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the effective .47858 tax rate that the unit published on August 15, 1997. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$ 26,500	\$ 29,520
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 5,300	\$ 5,900
Average taxable value	\$ 21,200	\$ 23,620
Tax rate	.49945 /\$100	.496391 /\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$ 105.88	\$ 117.25 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$ 11.37 or 10.74 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would decrease by \$.003059 per \$100 of taxable value or .61 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

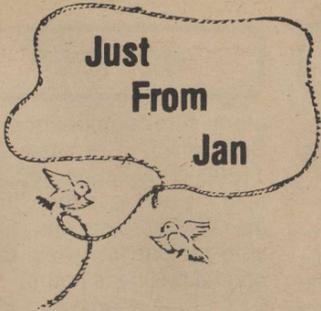
Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):

The Coke County Auditor certifies that Coke County has spent \$ 2,850 in the previous 12 months beginning July 1, 1996, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The Coke County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

NOTICE TO COKE COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Under the proposal of tax increase by Coke County Commissioners Court for 1997, proposed tax rates will be a combined rate of .496391 for County Ad Valorem and FM&FC, which is a decrease from the 1996 combined tax rate of .49945. The notice is an increase over the 1997 effective tax rate only. Taxes on individual properties will not increase unless your taxable value of your property value has increased since 1996. You should have received a notice from the Coke County Appraisal District in the last few months.

Commissioner's Court
of Coke County



by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Ext. Agent

Laundry challenges everywhere!

Stain removal can be one of the most challenging problems faced when doing laundry -- here are some of the most common stains and their treatments.

Common kids' stains:

*Blood - Rinse in cool water and pretreat with soil and stain remover. Rinse and repeat until stain is gone. Launder in cold water, using appropriate bleach.

*Grass - Pretreat stains with soil and stain remover, allow to sit for 5 minutes. Launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

*Mud - Allow to dry, then brush off excess mud. Pretreat stain, allow to sit for 5 minutes. Launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

*Crayon - To remove crayola stains, the Crayola company recommends: Place the stained surface down on a pad of paper towels, spray with WD-40, and let stand for a few minutes. Turn the fabric over and spray the other side. Apply liquid dishwashing detergent and work it into the stained area. Replace towels as they absorb the stain. Wash in hot water with laundry detergent and bleach for about 12 minutes (use "heavy soiled" setting if there is no minute timer on your ma-

chine), and rinse in warm water. [To clean melted crayon in the dryer drum, spray a soft cloth with WD-40 and wipe the drum. Run a load of dry rags through a drying cycle to ensure that your drum is clean].

*Finger paints, ballpoint ink & felt tip markers - Pretreat stains and launder in hottest water safe for the fabric, using appropriate bleach. Permanent markers may be impossible to remove.

*Baby formula - Soak in cool water using a presoak product. Launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

Diaper stains, vomit - Rinse of soils, follow presoak instructions. Launder in hottest water safe for fabric with appropriate bleach. To kill bacteria that contribute to diaper rash, add liquid bleach to the wash cycle.

*Vitamins, liquid pain relievers - Pretreat and let sit for 5 minutes. Launder in hottest water possible, using appropriate bleach.

Food stains:

*Beverages - Sponge promptly with cold water or soak in cold water. Pretreat and launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

*Eggs, milk & milk products - Rinse in cool water and pretreat. Rinse and repeat, if necessary. Launder in cold water, using appropriate bleach.

*Chocolate, fruit flavored drinks, gravy, juices, tomato products - Soak in cool water. Pretreat, wait a few minutes, then wash in hottest water possible safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

*Mayonnaise, mustard, salad dressing - Pretreat, launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

Common stains:

*Oil & grease, perspiration & deodorant - Pretreat and launder in hottest water safe for fabric, using appropriate bleach.

Unknown stains:

Soak the item in cold water for 20 minutes, pretreat and launder with a generous amount of detergent and the hottest water possible for the fabric. If item is bleach-safe and you know the stain is not rust, use liquid bleach. Air dry item until stain is removed. Machine drying can set the stain and make further removal almost impossible.

Presoak procedures

*Use 1/4 cup household liquid bleach per gallon of water.

*Submerge entire garment and soak for 5 minutes.

*Rinse and wash according to care label.

Powdered Color-Safe Bleach presoak

*Use 1 cup dry bleach per gallon of water.

*Soak 30 minutes or overnight.

Note: When using any bleach as a presoak, be sure to soak the entire garment as well as other sections worn together for best results.

Texonics: bobbycue: a delectable southern sandwich of chopped pork, cole slaw, and a firey sauce

RSVP Awards Luncheon set for Friday, Sept. 12

"Seniors and Service....RSVP volunteers making lives brighter" will be the theme for the Sixteenth Annual Concho Valley Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Awards and Recognition Luncheon. The event is scheduled for Friday, September 12, 1997 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm and will include presentation of certificates to all volunteers. In addition to lunch, participants will enjoy a short program and entertainment by soloist Quency Ford and well-known pianist Terry Mikeska. The program, with Pat Attebery as Mistress of Ceremonies, will include a proclamation by Mayor Johnny Fender and comments by RSVP Director Dolores Schwertner.

During the past year 732 active RSVP volunteers contributed 119,550 hours of service through meaningful and valued volunteer assignments in Coke, McCulloch, Menard, and Tom Green counties. Through the efficient and cost-effective delivery system known as RSVP, these talented senior adult volunteers of the Concho Valley, serving in over 130 non-profit organizations and health agencies, addressed

critical needs in the areas of health and nutrition, education, the environment, and public safety. At a minimum of \$5.15 per hour, this service is valued at \$615,682.

RSVP is one of the largest volunteer efforts in the nation -- matching problems that need to be solved with people aged 55 and older who are willing to help. RSVP, sponsored locally by the West Texas Rehab Center, is part of the Senior Corps which is a network of programs operated by the Corporation for National Service. To learn more about the September 12th recognition event, the RSVP program, or about opportunities to participate in the program you may call 949-8056 ext. 301.

Nixon Benefit Scheduled

A co-ed ASA softball tournament will be held September 26 and 27 in Ballinger. The benefit is for Ms. Nixon to help defray medical costs for her cancer treatment.

The games will be played at the Ballinger Little League field. For more information, call Mark Gonzales at 365-3927 after 6:30 pm or Gerald Barker at 365-8159 (work) or 365-2108 (home) after 5 pm.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON COKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The Coke County Appraisal District Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 1998 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on September 15, 1997 at 8:00 P. M. in the Appraisal District office at 710 Austin St., Robert Lee, Texas.

The total amount of the proposed budget is \$116,000.00. This represents a decrease in the current year's budget of \$8,111.00 or 6.5%

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget is three. The number of employees compensated by the current year's budget is three.

The Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Appraisal District. If approved by the Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, the proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, and cities served by the Appraisal District. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies.

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HOW TO TAKE NITROGLYCERIN TABLETS TO CONTROL CHEST PAIN:

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If pain is not relieved in 5 minutes, place another tablet under the tongue. If pain is still not relieved in 5 minutes, place another tablet under your tongue. If your chest pain continues after the third nitroglycerin tablet, dial 911 for an ambulance. Go to the emergency room.



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CARD OF THANKS

ON BEHALF OF my brother Evangelist Vic Eason's wife and son and the Potters House Christian Fellowship of Prescott, Arizona, and myself, I want to thank my church family and Bro. Garry, officers, directors and employees of Robert Lee State Bank, my co-workers, friends and neighbors for your support during my brother's return from Lusaka, Africa, and recent death. For the prayers, cards, and food, may God richly bless you and your families.
Gloria Ledbetter
06-1tp

WE WISH TO THANK YOU
for the prayers, calls, cards, flowers, and visits while mother was in the hospital having lots of tests done and since she has been home. Your concern and love has helped her recover.
Johnny Murtishaw,
Ginger & Sid Eubanks
06b-1tp

HELP WANTED

THE COKE COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

will soon have an opening for a part time manager. An application may be picked up in the water district office in the Coke County Courthouse. If the office is closed, one can be obtained by calling 453-2232 or 453-2554. To receive an application by mail, send request to Box 330, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. To be considered, applications must be in the district office or to Joe Ash no later than September 15, 1997. EOE.
04a-3tc

NEEDED
Someone to clean one to two houses in Maverick area. 786-2370.
05-1tp

TAKING APPLICATIONS for part-time van driver at West Coke County Nursing Home, 307 W. 8th, Robert Lee. See Roger Alexander or call (915) 453-2511. EOE.
06a-2tc

COKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
710 Austin Street, Robert Lee, is taking applications for a clerical position. Computer data entry, record-keeping, typing, filing, etc. \$5.50 per hour. EOE.
06a-3tc

GARAGE SALES

BIG CARPORT SALE
Friday, Sept. 5, 9-5, Saturday, Sept. 6, 8-?. Jane and Lana Webb, 401 Cumbie, Bronte.
06b-1tc

YARD SALE
114 S. Randall, Bronte. Saturday, September 6, 8-2. Microwave, tools, few antiques, odds and ends.
06b-1tp

GARAGE SALE
Saturday, 9-2, 112 W. 12th, Robert Lee.
06-1tc

NOTICES

NOTICE OF EXPLANATION
The City of Bronte held a public hearing August 7, 1997, for which a notice was published. The purpose of the hearing was to consider, in accordance with Executive Order 11988, the impact (s) of the 1996 Texas Community Development Program Grant Project on the 100 year flood plain and to discuss and examine potential alternatives to the proposed project. The decision was made to proceed with this grant project as originally designed. Failure to complete the project would result in undesirable community condition as greatly needed water and sewer system improvements would not be completed. The project is needed in order to bring the water and sewer treatment

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Mobile Home Experience.
No job too small.
Louis Clark
453-2924
Robert Lee

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plant into compliance with State laws. Executive Order 11988 compliance documentation is on file in the Office of the City Secretary and is available for public review during normal business hours.
Martin Lee, Mayor
City of Bronte
06b-1tc

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY
Case No. 97-8S09
Date 8-22-97

On the 15th day of August, 1997, I impounded the following estray:
Kind of Animal: Beef Cattle
Breed: Limousin
Color: Red
Sex: Bull
Age: 4-6 years
Size: 1200 to 1500 lbs.
Brand, Marks, Identifying Characteristics: None

and, on the 22nd day of August, 1997, I filed a **Notice of Estray** in the Estray Book of Coke County, Texas. I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Coke County, Texas for the owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 10th day of September, 1997, said estray will be sold at public auction sale at Producers Livestock Auction. Witness my hand this 22nd day of August, 1997.

Mike Harris
Sheriff of Coke County, Texas
(Designee of Sheriff of Coke County, Texas)
Rick Styles
05a-2tc

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the public and Jannette Joliff, Rural Route, Box 3-10, Fritch, TX 79036, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of the public sale of the contents of Box 147, of the ECI Storage facility at the northwest corner of TX 208 & Bishop in Robert Lee, TX. The storage is held in the name of Janette Joliff and the contents will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted at the storage facility at the northeast corner of North Main St. & Novice Road in Winters, TX at 10:00 am on Sept. 27, 1997. To look and make an offer on all or part of the contents, call 453-2889, 453-2697, or 453-4748 on or after Sept. 18.
05a-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners' Court will accept bids for a radio dispatcher or dispatcher for the Sheriff's Office until 9:00 am Monday, September 8, 1997. Contact the Coke

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453-2611

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County Judge's Office for additional information. Bids may be mailed or taken to the Coke County Clerk's Office. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Stover Taylor,
County Auditor
05a-2tc

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE SUBDIVISION SERVICE EXTENSION POLICY OF COKE COUNTY RURAL WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

Pursuant to Chapter 13.2502 of the Texas Water Code, Coke County Water Supply Corporation hereby gives notice that any person who subdivides land by dividing any lot, tract, or parcel of land, within the service area of Coke County Water Supply Corporation, Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11382, in Coke County, into two or more lots or sites for the purpose of sale or development, whether immediate or future, including re-subdivision of land for which a plat has been filed and recorded or requests more than two water connections on a single contiguous tract of land must comply with the Subdivision Policy contained in Coke County Water Supply Corporation's tariff policy.

Coke County Water Supply Corporation is not required to extend retail water utility service to a service applicant in a subdivision where the developer of the subdivision has failed to comply with the Subdivision Policy.

Among other requirements, the Subdivision Policy requires:

Applicable elements of the Subdivision Policy, depending on the specific circumstances of the subdivision service, may include:

Evaluation by Coke County Water Supply Corporation of the impact a proposed division service extension will make on Coke County Water Supply Corporation's water supply and payment of the costs for this evaluation;

Payment of reasonable costs or fees by the developer for providing water supply;

Payment of fees for reserving water supply;

Forfeiture of reserved water supply for failure to pay applicable fees;

Payment of costs of any improvements to Coke County Water Supply Corporation's system that are necessary to provide the water;

Construction according to design approved by Coke County Water Supply Corporation and dedication by the developer of water facilities within the subdivision following inspection.

Coke County Water Supply Corporation's tariff and a map showing Coke County Water Supply Corporation's service area may be reviewed at Coke County Water Supply's office at Hwy 158 W., Robert Lee, Texas; the tariff/policy and service area map also are filed

of record at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, Texas, and may be reviewed by contacting the TNRCC, c/o Utility Rates and Services (Certification and Rate Design) Section, Water Utilities Division, PO Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.
06a-2tc

New boating safety laws are in effect

Many may be unaware that a new law which for the first time requires a mandatory boater education course for some operators and dictates who may operate a boat went into effect on September 1, 1997.

Among the highlights of the law are 1). requirements that directly impact those under the age of sixteen; 2). mandated boater education course for those who violate specific portions of the Texas Water Safety Act; and 3). new personal watercraft restrictions.

Texas will now require a boater education course and a fine for those who violate specific sections of the Texas Water Safety Act including, but not limited to, violations related to: reckless or negligent operation, excessive speed, hazardous operation, operation of boats in restricted areas, operational rules for personal watercraft, and time and manner of operation. The new law also provides for a Class A Parks and Wildlife Code misdemeanor for failing to successfully complete a required boater education course.

The new law also requires a mandatory education course for persons born after Sept. 1, 1984 who operate, on public water, a vessel of 10 horsepower or more, or a wind-blown vessel more than 14 feet in length. Exceptions include: those who hold master's, mate's, or certain operator's licenses issued by the US Coast Guard; those who are supervised by a person who is exempt from the boater education course or has completed the course and is at least 18 years of age; those who are at least 18 years of age; and persons who are not a resident of this state and have proof of successfully completing a boater education course in another state.

"This new law should encourage parents to enroll their children in a boater education course and attend the class with their children," said Jim Robertson, TPWD law enforcement director.

New personal watercraft (PWC) requirements include the provision that no person may operate a PWC within 50 feet of another personal watercraft, except at headway speed.

Although the new law went into effect on Labor Day, TPWD law enforcement officials say that for the most part, they will not begin issuing citations right away.

"Similar to any new regulation, our primary goal will be to educate the public to ensure that folks are aware of the new legislation," said Robertson. "We realize that it will take time for everyone to become familiar with the many new aspects of the law."

For more information on

state-certified boater education courses, contact TPWD at 1-800-792-1112. For more information on a state-certified home study course offered by BOAT TEXAS, call 1-800-830-2268.

August arrests/charges reported

Coke County Sheriff's office reported the following arrests and charges filed for the month of August as follows:

Billy Thad Metcalf - Theft, motion to revoke probation, making alcohol available to a minor, 8-4-97.

Joseph Glen Roe - Criminal Mischief, motion to revoke probation, 8-5-97.

David Lowry Carroll- Theft, 8-7-97.

Julie Ann Barsalou - Theft, 8-7-97.

Tommy Lynn Jennings - Driving while intoxicated, 8-8-97.

Christopher Allan Napier - Driving while intoxicated, 8-10-97.

Rita Dauth - Threat of serious bodily injury, 8-12-97.

Carlos Andres Chavez - Driving while license suspended, 8-15-97.

Larry Dan Welch - Minor in possession of alcohol, 8-15-97.

David Edward Millican - Burglary of a habitation, theft, 8-15-97.

Carl Jessie Paul - Aggravated assault, 8-26-97.

Miguel E. Castellanos - Driving while intoxicated, 8-30-97.

Rudy Sanchez - Driving while license suspended, motion to revoke probation, driving while intoxicated, Capias Pro Fine, driving while intoxicated, Capias Pro Fine, driving while license suspended, Capias Pro Fine.

Out of County Warrants
Rudy Sanchez - Judgment NISI - Forfeiture of bond (theft by check) Tom Green Co. Warrant.

Rudy Sanchez - Theft of merchandise by check, Runnels Co. Warrant.

Personal

Zola Hatley of Robert Lee returned home over the weekend after spending a few days in Columbia Medical Center in San Angelo. Zola was taken by ambulance Thursday morning after suffering chest pains. She was taken to surgery Friday and a pace maker was implanted. She reports she is feeling well.

Bronte's River of Life Church to host speaker

River of Life Church is pleased to announce that Peggy Cole will be sharing her ministry at the home of Brad and Dona Reed at 7 pm Wednesday evening, September 17. Called to personal prophetic ministry, Peggy has a varied background and rich experiences serving the Lord.

Her services began over twenty years ago at the inception of Trinity Broadcasting Network as Jan Crouch's personal secretary. Over the years, she has worked for Full Gospel Business Men International and taught in many denominational, inter-denominational and charismatic churches. Peggy has served as Nora Lam's personal travel assistant, directing her breakfast meetings, ministering the word and sharing words of knowledge. Peggy has just returned from meetings in the Ukraine, Taiwan, and Hawaii. River of Life Church is honored to be able to share her with the community.

For more information, call Pastor Eddie Sparks at (915) 473-5901 or Dona Reed at (915) 473-2802.



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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The EAST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**conducted a public hearing
on a proposal
to increase your property taxes
by _____ 20 _____ percent
on _____ September 4, 1997 _____**

The East Coke Co. Hospital District Board of Directors

**is scheduled to vote
on the tax rate at a
public meeting to be held
on _____ September 9, 1997, 6:30 P.M. _____
at _____ Bronte Nursing Home Conference Room _____**

Service academy apps sought

Congressman Charles Stenholm has announced that he is currently seeking applicants for nomination to the United State Service Academies. Applicants for nomination to the US Military Academy in West Point, NY, the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD, and the US Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY, may be obtained by writing to Congressman Stenholm's San Angelo office.

Nominations are available to young men and women who will be at least 17 years of age, and not past their 22nd birthday, upon entry into the academy in July. Nominees are selected by a competitive process, judged on scholastic aptitude, moral character, leadership ability, and community involvement.

The academies offer a four-year degree in a variety of areas ranging from Civil Engineering and Physics, to American Studies and Behavioral Science. While attending the academies, cadets and midshipmen will earn an annual salary from which expenses for books, uniforms, and incidentals are taken. Tuition, room, board, medical, and dental expenses are paid for by the academies. Upon graduation from the academies, the cadets and midshipmen will serve as officers in the service for a minimum of six years.

Any persons who may be interested in applying for a nomination, or who would like to obtain additional information, should write to Congressman Charles W.

Stenholm, 33 East Twohig #318, San Angelo, TX 76903. Applications must be submitted, and files completed, no later than December 1, 1997. Nominations will be made toward the end of December.

Protect yourself from mailbox vandalism

Rural area mailboxes are vulnerable to vandalism because they are usually isolated, located on public thoroughfares, and frequently not visible to the box owners from their homes. City residential mailboxes are vandalized to a lesser degree.

Mailboxes are considered federal property, and federal law makes it a crime to vandalize them. Violators can be fined up to \$250,000 or imprisoned for up to three years for each act of vandalism.

You can take the following actions to help prevent the vandalizing or destruction of your mailbox (or any mail that may be inside it):

1. Immediately report theft, tampering, or destruction of mail and mailboxes to your local postmaster.

2. Remove your mail from your mailbox as soon as possible after its delivery. Allowing mail to pile up for several days only tempts would-be vandals and thieves.

3. Obtain Label 33 from the Postal Inspection Service. This sticker, which warns that willful damage to mail boxes and theft of mail is a crime, can be affixed to your mailbox.

4. If you discover someone tampering with your mailbox or your neighbor's, obtain that person's description and that of his vehicle, including the license plate number. Immediately report the infor-

mation to your local police and postmaster.

5. Keep your mailbox in good repair by using proper installation methods. This may help prevent theft of the mailbox itself.

If you have information on mailbox vandalism or mail theft in your area, contact the Postal Inspection Service with your information. Your cooperation helps apprehend violators. You may provide your information and complaints to your local postmaster or to Postal Inspectors in the Fort Worth Division. The 24-hour number is 817-317-3400.

Milk may lower cancer risk

Milk may lower your chances for getting certain types of cancers according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The milk from cows that graze East Texas pastures may contain more anti-carcinogens - compounds that prevent cancer - than the milk produced in other regions of the country, says Max Sudweeks, who is based at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Overton.

Data from both mouse and human studies show that milk and milk fat may lower the chances of breast, prostate and other cancers, Sudweeks said.

A review in the American Journal for Nutritional Sciences noted that several studies have shown clearly less tumor development of mice fed butter than those fed margarine made of polyunsaturated (vegetable) oils.



(DM)—There's nothing fishy about this recipe. Whether your taste runs to swordfish, halibut or sea bass, **Grilled Summer Fish Steaks** is an easy, delicious entree. To give the steaks a sensational flavor, they briefly marinate in a savory mixture of Kikkoman Lite Soy Sauce, dry mustard, lemon juice, garlic and thyme. Lite soy sauce has less sodium than regular brewed soy sauce, yet retains all of its distinctive flavor enhancing qualities because the salt is removed after brewing. Baste the fish as it grills with additional sauce to heighten flavor and retain moistness. For easy accompaniments, grill slices of seasonal vegetables alongside the steaks and enjoy a great taste of summer.

GRILLED SUMMER FISH STEAKS

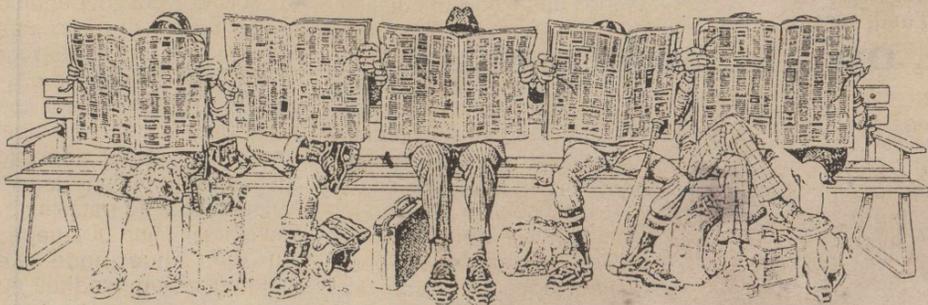
- 2 teaspoons dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons Kikkoman Lite Soy Sauce
- 1 clove garlic, pressed
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
- 1 1/2 pounds firm white fish steaks (swordfish, halibut or sea bass)

Combine mustard and lemon juice until smooth; gradually stir in lite soy sauce until blended. Add garlic and thyme; let stand 10 minutes. Pour mixture over fish in large plastic food storage bag. Press air out of bag; close top securely. Turn bag over several times to coat fish well. Refrigerate 30 minutes, turning bag over once. Reserving marinade, remove fish and place on grill 8 to 10 inches from hot coals. Cook 5 minutes. Turn fish over; brush with reserved marinade. Cook 4 to 5 minutes longer, or until fish flakes easily with fork, turning over occasionally.

Makes 4 servings.
Each serving: 141 calories, 5g fat, 45mg chole., 404mg sodium, 1g carb., 23g protein.

Got Something You Don't Need?

Put It In The Classifieds!



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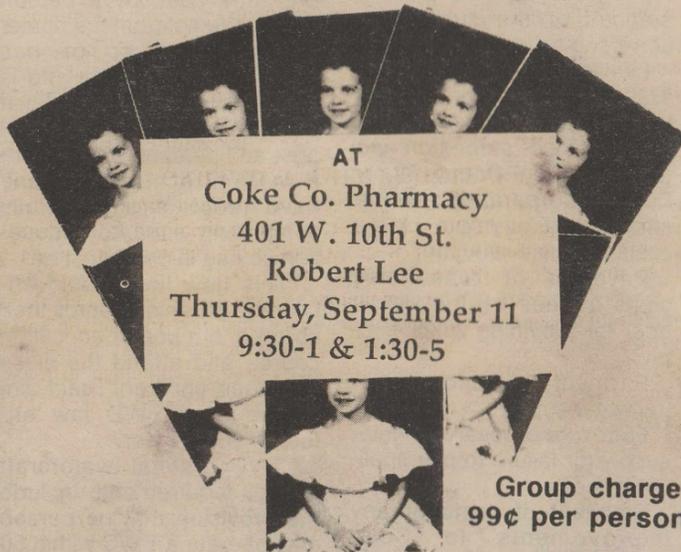
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