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Jaylon Saunders, a Bronte Elementary 5th grader, was the 1998-99 District Winner in the Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest.

Extreme Wildfire Alert

by Jackie Walker, Coke County Judge e County is under an

Coke County is under an extreme wildfire alert. The Commissioners Court will be addressing a BURN BAN Monday at Commissioners Court Meeting. If a Burn Ban is approved there would be NO OUTSIDE burning unless in a spark free container. The Court has hesitated before about enforcing a Burn Ban, as they felt they could depend on the Citizens of Coke County to be responsible. I'm sure they still feel you are responsible, but this may be the

Gospel Singing Sunday

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

Bronte Longhorn basketball

The Longhorns won their Bi-District game against Blackwell, but then lost to Ira in Area.

In the Bi-District game, Bronte beat Blackwell 43-38. Rodney Adams scored 14 points and had 10 rebounds. Dustin Holland had 13 points and 12 rebounds. Brandon Gibbs had 2 points, 7 re-bounds and 7 assists. Zeb Speary and Ryan McCorkle each added 7 points. In the Area game, Bronte lost to Ira 47-58. Rodney Adams scored 12 points, had 10 rebounds, and 4 blocks. Dustin Holland had 2 points and 6 rebounds. Zeb Speary had 7 points and 5 rebounds. Also scoring points were Ryan McCorkle with 8, Steve Eldred with 6, Brandon Gibbs and Henry White with 5 each, and Tim Green with 2. Josh Schoenfield had 6 assists. Two Longhorns made All-District - 20A, Rodney Adams, who was named MVP, and Dustin Holland. Honorable Mentions went to Zeb Speary, Brandon Gibbs, and Jerrod McClure.

Saunders named conservation poster winner

Jaylon Saunders of Mrs. Pat Lee's Bronte 5th grade is the winner of the conservation poster contest for students in the 5th and 6th grades for 1998-99. The contest is sponsored by the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. In addition to a ribbon and certificate, Jaylon received a \$100 U.S. savings bond and will be honored at an awards banquet in Wall on March 25, 1999. Jaylon is the son of Mike Saunders of Bronte and Pam Saunders of San Angelo.

Clayton Austin of Mrs. Patti Bryne's 5th grade was the district runner-up and the recipient of a \$50 savings bond. Clayton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Monty Austin of Robert Lee.

The top four places in each class were: Bronte 5th grade (Mrs. Pat Lee); 1st - Jaylon Saunders; 2nd - Cheyenne Webb; 3rd - Sarah Basquez; 4th - Rebecca Rawlings and Lillian McMullan. Bronte 6th grade (Mrs. Rawlings and Mrs. Heather Lee); 1st - Calli Johnson; 2nd - Cody Moore; 3rd -Desiree' Mirelez; 4th - Ashleigh Kelly. Robert Lee 5th grade (Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Byrne); 1st - Clayton Austin; 2nd - Kyla Millican; 3rd -Tiffany Bagwell; 4th - Olivia

Martinez. Robert Lee 6th grade (Mrs. Burns and Mrs. McCabe); 1st - Lindsey Roe; 2nd - Brittany Soliz; 3rd -Michele Sanchez and Ashley Womack; 4th - Kayli Dickey, Julie Riley and Alana Parker. Every student who submitted a poster received a certificate from the Natural Resources Conservation Service in appreciation for the thought, effort and publicity on the need and worth of soil and water conservation that the posters depicted. The posters will be displayed at the Robert Lee State Bank and First National Bank in Bronte in the near future.

In recognition of the growing response from teachers and students, the directors instituted a new award in 1995. The class with the most outstanding posters will be honored as the year's Outstanding Class and presented a rotating trophy plaque with a space for engraving the class name and year.

Linda Burns and Dianna McCabe's 6th grade was chosen Outstanding Class for 1998-99. All the youngsters seemed to regard the award with enthusiasm and there was already talk among next year's Coke County 5th and 6th graders about plans to win the plaque for their class next time.

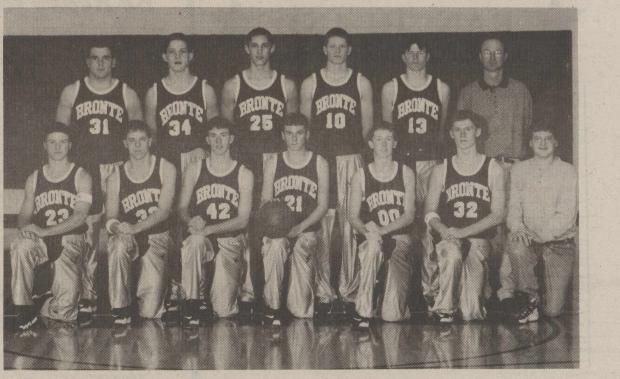
Three posters done by Jaylon Saunders, Clayton Austin and Lindsey Roe have been entered in the Texas Area II Contest which includes 52 counties.

Pupils could choose any phase of resource conservation that is part of the work of the local soil and water conservation district. Included in this work are: soil use and treatment; erosion control practices; crop, range, and pastureland management; drainage problems; watershed protection; flood prevention; fish and wildlife management; and promoting the involvement of all citizens in conserving water and renewable resources.

Response from teachers and students was excellent and posters submitted were outstanding, both in art work and content. Each year choosing only two to four winners per class and two overall becomes more and more difficult for the board of directors.

Cemetery Assoc. to meet

The Hayrick Cemetery Association will meet Monday, March 8 at 5 pm at the Lodge building in Robert Lee.



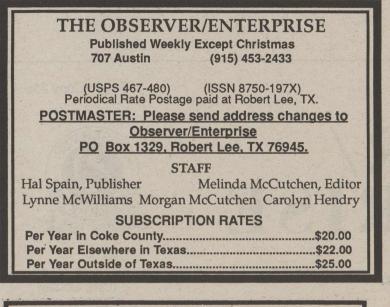
time we have to enforce such a ban. The State and Local officials are requesting that we have a Burn Ban.

Please be aware - we have extreme dry conditions - please do not burn anything unless it is in a container that will keep it from spreading. Your help is the best control we can have.

Public Hearing

The City of Robert Lee will hold a public hearing on the budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1999 and ending March 31, 2000. It will be held at 6 E. 7th Street on Monday, March 8th, at 7 pm. Anyone wanting some input in the budget process is urged to attend.

The Bronte Longhorn Basketball Team finished their season at the Area Playoffs in Sweetwater against Ira last week. Members of the team include (front row, from left) Jerrod McClure, Steve Eldred, Tim Green, Josh Schoenfield, Ryan McCorkle, Zeb Speary, Brandon Poehls, (back row, from left) Blake McKee, Henry White, Rodney Adams, Dustin Holland, Brandon Gibbs, and Coach Rocky Rawls.



--- Obituaries

Rawlings

Thomas Carter Rawlings died Saturday evening, Feb. 20, 1999, surrounded by his loving family at his ranch home.

He was born into a pioneer ranching family of Coke County Nov. 12, 1921, the first born son of Carter and Ruth Rawlings. His family moved to the Water Valley Ranch in 1923.

Tom graduated from Water Valley High School, attended Tarleton College and served four years in the Army Air Force during World War II. In 1946, he returned to the family ranching business near Water Valley.

He married Lora M. Humble on April 15, 1949. To this union were born four children, Paul, David, Alice and John Rawlings (deceased).

Tom was a lifetime member of the Water Valley Methodist Church and served as a trustee on the Water Valley school board.

Survivors include his wife, Lora M. Rawlings; son, Paul and wife, Caren, of Cypress; daughter, Alice Rawlings of Fort Worth; and son, David and his wife, Kary, of Bronte. He has eight grandchildren, Russell and Katrina Rawlings, Rebecca, Philip and Samuel Rawlings, John and Elizabeth Honea and Christina Brown; and one great-grandson. Tom also is survived by two sisters, Marian Bird and husband, Tom, and Beth Edwards and husband, Hank.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Frank. Tom was an extremely hon-

est and caring man, respected by all who knew him. A family burial service was held Monday morning, Febru-

ary 22, followed by a memorial service at Water Valley United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Jim McWilliams officiating. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehabilitation Ceriter, Hospice of San Angelo or a favorite charity.

Coke County Sheep Dog Trial slated

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Coke County will host a Sheep Dog Trial this weekend, March 5, 6, and 7, at the Bill Casey Ranch west of Robert Lee. Top handlers and dogs from across the U.S. will be competing. According to event coordinator Russell Johnson, the trials will consume most of the daylight hours all three days. The public is invited to attend free of charge, and concessions will be available.

For more information, contact Russell at (915) 473-2003.

Commissioners Court meets

On February 22nd, the Coke County Commissioners Court met in a special session. There was some discussion for a trial unit road system for

Precinct #1 and #3, but no action was taken. A motion was made and

passed to pool Precinct #1 and #3 money to purchase a new backhoe.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Commissioners met in a special session on March 1st.

There was discussion for maintaining Precinct #1 and #3 on a trial basis to see if tax dollars can be saved and work improved.

A motion was made and passed for a trial run on the following for the remaining seven months of this budget year:

1. Limit the work in one precinct to three months. They can pull out for emergency and jobs, but not move the equipment unless it is an emergency. The time can be extended with the agreement of the Commissioners.

2. Continue this year with each precinct paying for oil and gas when working in their precinct.

 Split the wages 50/50 for the three employees for the remainder of this budget year.
 Finish this year out with-

out a lead road man, but consider it for next budget year. The meeting was ad-

journed.

Cancer patient is granted final wish

You may have read the article about the hospice patient in San Angelo who was granted his last wish -- that of going fishing one final time. The article began with a big picture on the front page of last Thursday's edition (February 25, 1999) of the Standard Times newspaper. What you may not know is that the patient, Stanley Davis, is married to a Coke County native, Prescilla (Wylie) Davis, who is the daughter of Mary May Wylie and the late T. M. Wylie.

Mr. Davis was diagnosed with multiple myeloma on October 13, 1998. This cancer is one which erodes the bones. Although it can be cured, Davis' disease was too far along. He developed a severe fracture in his spine and is paralyzed from the waist down.

His final request to go fishing was granted last Wednesday as he, his family, and hospice nurses piled into a pontoon boat and went fishing on Lake Nasworthy. Although he didn't catch any fish, the nurses determined that he was enjoying himself as they caught him grinning several times during the course of the outing.

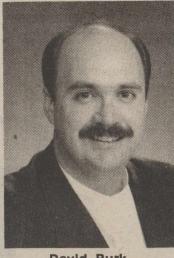
Revival slated in Bronte

Bronte's First Baptist Church will be hosting a series of revival meetings next week, March 7-10. Services will be at 10:55 am on Sunday and at 7 pm each night Sunday through Wednesday. There will also be noon services in the church's fellowship hall on Monday through Wednesday featuring a covered dish luncheon as well as music and Bible study.

Preaching in these special services will be evangelist David Burk of Sterling City. David Burk has been in fulltime evangelism for several years and currently is serving as the staff evangelist at the First Baptist Church in Sterling City as well as the president of Total Surrender Evangelistic Association. He and his wife Debbie have three children. David has preached in several states and foreign countries, most recently in Venezuela where he was allowed to speak on many university campuses. His preaching is straight-forward and true to the Word of God, calling individuals to a genuine relationship with God.

Music during these revival services will be presented by

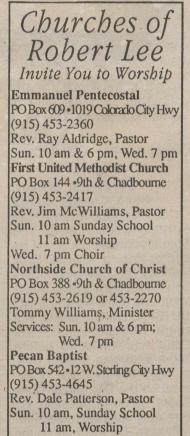




David Burk

The Atens, music evangelists from Granbury. Sherman and Tammy Aten are excellent musicians who present a variety of music geared to all ages. They are the parents of two children. They, too, have been active in full-time evangelism for several years in many states and foreign countries. They have ministered in countries such as Venezuela, Russia, and Wales. Their singing and playing will inspire and challenge all who attend.

Special emphases have been planned for each evening's service. Sunday night will be Sunday School night, Monday night will be Bring A Friend night, Tuesday will be Children's night, and Wednesday with be Youth night. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in these services. For more information, please call 473-2331 or 473-5661.



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Robert Lee Sixth Grade was named the 1998-99 Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest Outstanding Class. Linda Burns and Diana McCabe are teachers for the class.

Hall named to allconference squad

Kim Hall was recently named an honorable mention member of the All-American Southwest Conference women's basketball squad. Hall, a sophomore from Bronte who plays for Hardin Simmons University, has been averaging ten points per game this season, along with averaging six rebounds and two assists per game.

HŠU recently made it 16 wins in a row, this one over cross-town rival McMurry, beating the Indians 89-81 in the inaugural American Southwest Conference tournament championship game in Abilene. Hall accounted for 18 points in the contest, upping her average considerably. With the win, HSU also laid claim to a possible No. 1 or No. 2 seed in the South Region of this week's NCAA Division II national tournament.

RLVFD news

by Marian Thompson The first meeting was held on March 1st, after the training session.

Thompson, introduced the fire department volunteers to the assembly. He then introduced Buddy McIntire of the National Weather Service, who then gave a class on Severe Weather Spotter Training. There were 22 people present to receive their certificates. The class included slides and a film showing cloud formations, rotations, what to look for in a storm, and how the spotters help the Weather Service. He stressed the importance of the spotters, as the radar shows only conditions, not actual tornadoes. After the lecture, members held their regular meeting. Topics of discussion included recruiting firemen, fund raisers, and donations on the water bill. Some residents do not understand that if they want to make a donation they just add the donation to the total bill and circle the Y. Fire danger is extreme in Coke County. The Forest Service has requested a Burn Ban. They will send someone to the Commissioners Court to officially request it. In the month of February, the department received 6 calls: 3 city and 3 county.

Warning to parents

from Blackwell ISD This is a letter that was given to us by J. O'Donnell at Danbury Hospital, Outpatient Chemical Dependency Treatment Center. We feel like this is very important and all parents should be aware and alert.

A form of tattoo called "Blue Star" is being sold to school children.

It is a small piece of paper containing a blue star. They are the size of a pencil eraser and each star is soaked with LSD.

The drug is absorbed through the skin simply by handling the paper. They are also brightly colored paper tattoos resembling postage stamps and that have the pictures of the following on them: Superman, Clowns, Bart Simpson, Mickey Mouse, Disney Characters, and Butterflies.

Each one is wrapped in foil. This is a new way of selling acid by appealing to young children. These are laced with drugs. If your child gets any of the above, do not handle them. These are known to re-Sky Warn Leader Bud act quickly and some are laced with strychnine.

Please let everyone know about this so we may get the word out about the danger to our children.

Donna Waldrop, Soil and Water Conservation Technician, is District shown with Clayton Austin. Clayton, a 5th grader at Robert Lee Elementary, was the District Runner-up in the 1998-99 Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest.

 Never tell your little brother that you're not going to do what your mom told you to do. -Hank, Age 12

Remember you're never too old to hold your father's hand. -Molly, Age 11



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473-2331 or 473-5661 Everyone is Invited to Attend.

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Robert Lee High School Honor Roll The following students in Robert Lee High School have made the Honor Roll for the fourth six weeks of school. **A Honor Roll**

7th Grade

Tyler Lott, Travis Taylor, Rachel Wallace.

8th Grade Ashlee Millican, Shelby Roe 9th Grade

Jamie Chessir, Trichelle Gray, Jodee Helwig, Rachelle Mills, **Bobbie Sparks**

10th Grade Mary Arellano, Curtis Bell, Clifton Bohannon, Amber Freeman, Erin Millican 11th Grade

Audrey Arledge, Jeremy Eaton, Dan McCown, Kelli Osborn

12th Grade Angela Abalos, Lori Eubanks, Justin Francis, Chad Helwig, Samantha Padgett, Ross Schultz, Will Simpson

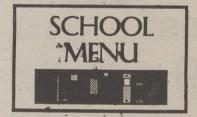
A-B Honor Roll 7th Grade

Phillip Arellano, Monica Barrera, Chris Eubanks, Jennifer Fluhmann, Jessica Fluhmann, Shannon Honse, Shannon Mace, Monica Rodriguez, R.J. Service

8th Grade

Amber Brosh, Misti Brothers, April Cowart, Amie Kendall, Anson Lott, Shelby Mace, Kindra Matthews, Stewart Millican, Joanna Pedersen, Travis Pitcock, Cooper Riley, Nicole Sanchez, Krystal Soliz

9th Grade Bret Ballew, Adam Cates, Melissa Landeros, Kelley Long, Kizre Matthews, Whit-



Breakfast

Monday, March 8 Orange Juice, Breakfast Pizza, Cold Cereal, Milk **Tuesday, March 9** Orange Juice, Donuts, Cold Cereal, Milk Wednesday, March 10 Orange Juice, Pancake wrapped around Sausage, Cold Cereal, Milk Thursday, March 11 Orange Juice, Breakfast Burrito, Cold Cereal, Milk Friday, March 12 Orange Juice, Cinnamon Rolls, Cold Cereal, Milk Lunch Monday, March 8 Frito Pie, Corn, Chili Beans, Gingerbread, Milk **Tuesday, March 9** Chicken O's, Creamed Potatoes, English Peas, Rolls, Peaches, Milk Wednesday, March 10 Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Carrots, White Bread, Pears, Milk Thursday, March 11 Baked Ham, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Rolls, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk Friday, March 12 Corndogs with Mustard, Tator Tots, Fruit Cocktail, Chocolate Pudding, Milk

ney Millican, Amy Riley, Shanna Wojtek 10th Grade

Keith Autrey, Shawn Barnes, Beau Blair, Tiffany Copeland, DeShira Dickey, Chase Rainwater, Lewis Samaniego, Dixie Simpson, Matthew Tinkler

11th Grade Gi Gi Barnett, B.J. Bessent, Christian De Los Santos, Kent Freeman, Joel Gallegos, Coke Hendry, Macy Hill, Melanie Johnson, Andrew McCabe, Sammy Schiwart, Joseph Wink

12th Grade Jose Colon, Holly Copeland, Amanda Cunningham, Kimberly Gloria, Jenny Grace, Justin Kendall, Kyla Long, Whitney Montgomery, Michael Munoz, Jaime Olguin, Jami Patterson, Caio Salomao, Melissa Sanders, Joseph Shandley, Billy Torres

Robert Lee hosts District UIL Literary Meet

On Saturday, Feb. 27, Robert Lee hosted the West Zone of District 10-A UIL Literary Meet for the junior high and elementary divisions. The schools that participated were Bronte, Christoval, Eden, Menard, Miles, and Robert Lee. In the Junior High Division, Robert Lee placed third by earning a total of 224.5 points. In the Elementary Division, Robert Lee placed second by earning a total of 315 1/3 points. Many community members spent their Saturday grading contest papers, serving as timers, washing dishes in the Hospitality Room, and posting results. Mr. Wallace, RLHS principal, said, "We could not have had a successful meet without the help of these fine community members. Thank you, Robert Lee.'

The individual results are listed below: 7th Grade Ready Writing: 1st Place, Rachel Wallace; 5th

Place, Shannon Mace. 8th Grade Ready Writing: 4th Place, Shelby Mace; 6th Place, Jennifer Nesbit.

7th Grade Mathematics: 2nd Place, Phillip Arellano.

8th Grade Mathematics: Place, Robert Phillips; 5th Place, Shelby Roe. 8th Grade Dictionary Skills: 4th Place, Misti Brothers. 7th Grade Number Sense: 3rd Place, Travis Taylor; 4th Place, Phillip Arellano; 5th Place, Jessica Fluhmann. 8th Grade Number Sense: 2nd Place, Shelby Roe; 3rd Place, Stewart Millican; 5th Place, Travis Pitcock. 7th Grade Impromptu: 3rd Place, Jennifer Fluhmann; 5th Place, Monica Barrera. 8th Grade Impromptu: 5th Place, Misti Brothers. 8th Grade Calculator: 2nd Place, Shelby Roe; 4th Place,

Robert Phillips; 6th Place, Travis Pitcock.

8th Grade Oral Reading: 6th Place, Christina Middleton.

7th grade Spelling: 4th Place, Travis Taylor; 5th Place, Shannon Mace. 8th Grade Spelling: 3rd

Place, Nicole Sanchez. 7th Grade Science: 6th

Place, Rachel Wallace. 8th Grade Science: 3rd

Place, Ashlee Millican; 5th Place, Robert Phillips.

7th Grade Listening: (Tie) 1st Place, Rachel Wallace.

2nd Grade Creative Writing: 6th Place, Mason Ross.

3rd Grade Ready Writing: 1st Place, Allison Millican; 2nd Place, Molly Burns; 3rd Place, Briana Longoria.

4th Grade Ready Writing: 1st Place, Becca Skinner.

5th Grade Ready Writing: 1st Place, Cassidy Wink; 4th Place, Crystal Colon; 5th Place, Tiffany Bagwell.

6th Grade Ready Writing: 5th Place, Julie Riley; 6th Place, Ashley Womack.

6th Grade Mathematics: 2nd Place, Lindsey Roe.

5th Grade Dictionary Skills: 2nd Place, Haylee Neighbors: 3rd Place, Cassidy Wink.

6th Grade Spelling: 5th Place, Clarissa Peel.

5th Grade Music Memory: 4th Place, Melissa Palmer, Tina Arellano.

6th Grade Music Memory: 3rd Place, Stacey Denton, Robert Raney, Shelby Phillips, Yolanda Olguin, Cisco Moreno.

5th Grade Listening: 4th Place, Clayton Austin.

4th Grade Number Sense: 2nd Place, Cody McCabe; 5th Place, Kelsy Duncan; 6th Place, Katie Bessent.

5th Grade Number Sense: 3rd Place, Cassidy Wink.

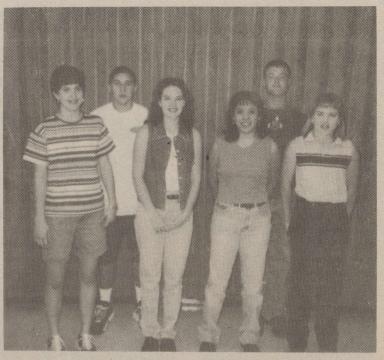
2nd Grade Storytelling: 5th Place, Jasmine Gloria; 6th Place, Mason Ross.

3rd Grade Storytelling: 1st Place, Allison Millican; 2nd Place, Molly Burns; 4th Place, Chase Roe.

6th Grade Calculator: 3rd Place, Lindsey Roe.

4th Grade Spelling: 5th Place, Katie Bessent; 6th Place, Becca Skinner.

6th Grade Oral Reading: 2nd Place, Cisco Moreno; 5th



Several Robert Lee Basketball players were named to the 1998-99 All-District Team. Joel Gallegos and Andrew McCabe were named to the boys honor team. Jodee Helwig was named Co-MVP of the District. Seniors, Kim Gloria and Whitney Montgomery along with Kelli Osborn were also named to the elite squad. Joel, Andrew, and Kelli are all juniors. Shown are (from left) Jodee Helwig, Joel Gallegos, Kelli Osborn, Kim Gloria, Andrew McCabe, and Whitney Montgomery.

Lady Steers win **Bi-District**, fall in Area

The Robert Lee Lady Steers finished their season with a record of 25-5. Robert Lee won their first round playoff game against Hermleigh by defeating them 50-39. The girls then lost to State-bound Borden Co. by a score of 43-59

DeShira Dickey led the way in the win over Hermleigh scoring 12 points. She also had 8 rebounds and 2 steals. Dixie Simpson added 9 points, Whitney Millican had 8 points and 7 rebounds. Kim Gloria had 6 points, 5 assists, and 2 steals. Jodee Helwig had 5 points and 5 rebounds. Whitney Montgomery had 5

points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists, and 3 steals. Kelli Osborn had 3 points, 9 rebounds, 5 assists, 3 steals. Shanna Wojtek had 2 points.

Against Borden Co., Jodee Helwig and Whitney Montgomery shared scoring honors with 12 each. Jodee added 7 rebounds, 1 steal, and 1 assist. Whitney had 2 steals and 1 assist. Kelli Osborn had 7 points, 7 rebounds, 2 assists, and 1 steal. Kim Gloria added 6 points, 3 rebounds, and 5 assists. DeShira Dickey had 4 points. Whitney Millican had 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals, and 2 assists.

The Lady Steers had a very successful season. With 8 returning next season, expectations are very high.



Place, Michele Sanchez. 6th Grade Listening: 6th Place, Drew Schultz.

4th Grade Art: 3rd Place, Colton Holmes, Casey Nesbit, Jonathan Pagan.

5th Grade Art: 4th Place, Eric Ortega, Stephanie Trejo, Analy Gallegos.

· Don't pick on your sister when she's holding a baseball bat. -Joel,

Age 12

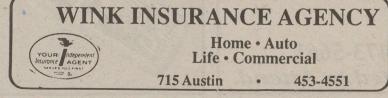
· When you get a bad grade in school, show it to your mom when she's on the phone. -Alyesha, Age 13

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ing her solo off of the most difficult Grade 1 list. By making a Superior rating, Amy is now qualified to take her Solo to the State Contest in June.

We are proud of all of the students that competed in this contest!

Erin & Ariel Marrs take top ratings in UIL contest

Erin Marrs, a senior at Bronte High school, received a Division I (superior) rating and gold medal for her class I (high difficulty level) vocal solo and qualified to participate in the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest, to be held on the campus of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos at the end of May. Erin performed the solo "Se Tu M'ami, Se Sospiri" by Pergolesi, sung in Italian, for ad-

ECC Ambulance Service lists contributions

The East Coke County Ambulance Service reports the following contributions that were received in February.

Donations Bronte Chamber of Commerce

Memorials Dr. Clark Johnson **Billy & Charlotte Tounget Margaret Fields** Helen Kirkland Jeanene Lee Joe & Glenda Draper, LeDrew & Bobbie Arrott, Mildred Thomason, Bob & Beverly Ragsdale, Royce & Jean Fancher, Jack & Nina Brewer **Drexel Ragsdale** Wayne & Sandra Arrott **Tom Bivins** Larry & Merle Kelso, Wayne & Sandra Arrott, Richard & Peggy Hembree Lois Webb Wayne & Sandra Arrott

Ariel Marrs

judication in the UIL Region VII Vocal Solo and Ensemble Contest. The contest was held Saturday, February 13. 1999, at Howard Payne University in Brownwood. This is Erin's fourth year to qualify for state solo and ensemble contest

Ariel Marrs, Erin's sister and a seventh grade student at Bronte Junior High, received a Division I (superior) rating and gold medal for her solo "Simple Gifts," a Shaker song arranged by the American composer, Aaron Copland. Ariel performed in the corresponding middle school division of the Region VII Solo and Ensemble Contest.

Earlier this year, both Marrs girls were named to Texas Music Educator Association Region VII honor choirs as a result of placing high in the audition process. Erin earned a chair in second alto section in the Region VII All-District High School Choir Clinic and Concert, and Ariel participated in the corresponding All-Region Middle School choir Clinic and Concert. Ariel was third chair in the second soprano section of 30 singers; 110 second sopranos auditioned for the choir. These events were held in November on the campus of



Erin Marrs

Granbury High School in Granbury, Texas.

Mr. George Tomes, band director for Bronte ISD, is faculty sponsor of these vocal events. Dale Ellis, director of music at the First Baptist Church in Bronte, directs Erin and Ariel, while his wife, Ida Lee Ellis played the piano accompaniments for the UIL events. Erin and Ariel are the daughters of Terry and Sherri Marrs.



Breakfast Monday, March 8 Cereal, Grape Juice, Biscuit, Milk

Tuesday, March 9 Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Blueberry Muffins, Milk Wednesday, March 10 Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, Apple Juice, Donut, Milk

Thursday, March 11 Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Biscuit, Milk Friday, March 12 Breakfast Burrito, Mixed Fruit, Pop Tart, Milk

Lunch Monday, March 8 Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Sweet Corn, Bread Sticks, Milk, Banana Pudding **Tuesday, March 9** Soft Tacos with Cheese, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato, Milk, Pink Panther Cake Wednesday, March 10 Corn Dogs, Tator Tots, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Fruit, Milk, Sugar Cookies Thursday, March 11 Oven Fried Chicken with Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Milk, Jello Friday, March 12 Submarine Sandwich, Ham & Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Sliced Apples, Chips, Milk, Ice Cream Cups

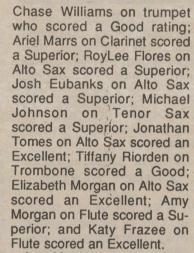
IVERS CARDS Cody Harris, a senior at Bronte High School,

placed 2nd out of 35 competitors competing in the Street Trophy Division in the first race of the 1999 season at Wall Dragway Saturday, February 27th. The good placing was especially sweet since it was his 18th birthday. Cody, the son of Mike and Debbie Harris, races a 1970 Buick GS which he built himself with the help of his dad and Jim Turner of the Highway Garage in Bronte.

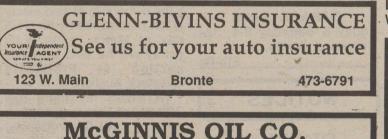
Bronte High School Longhorn Band member wins top honors

On Saturday, February 20th, ten students from the Bronte High School Longhorn Band competed in the UIL district 7 Solo and Ensemble contest. The students had to perform a difficult solo taken from the UIL prescribed music list and performed alone, in front of a music judge for a rating of Superior, Excellent, Good, Fair or Poor.

The Longhorn Band students that performed were,



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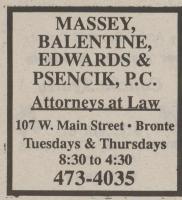
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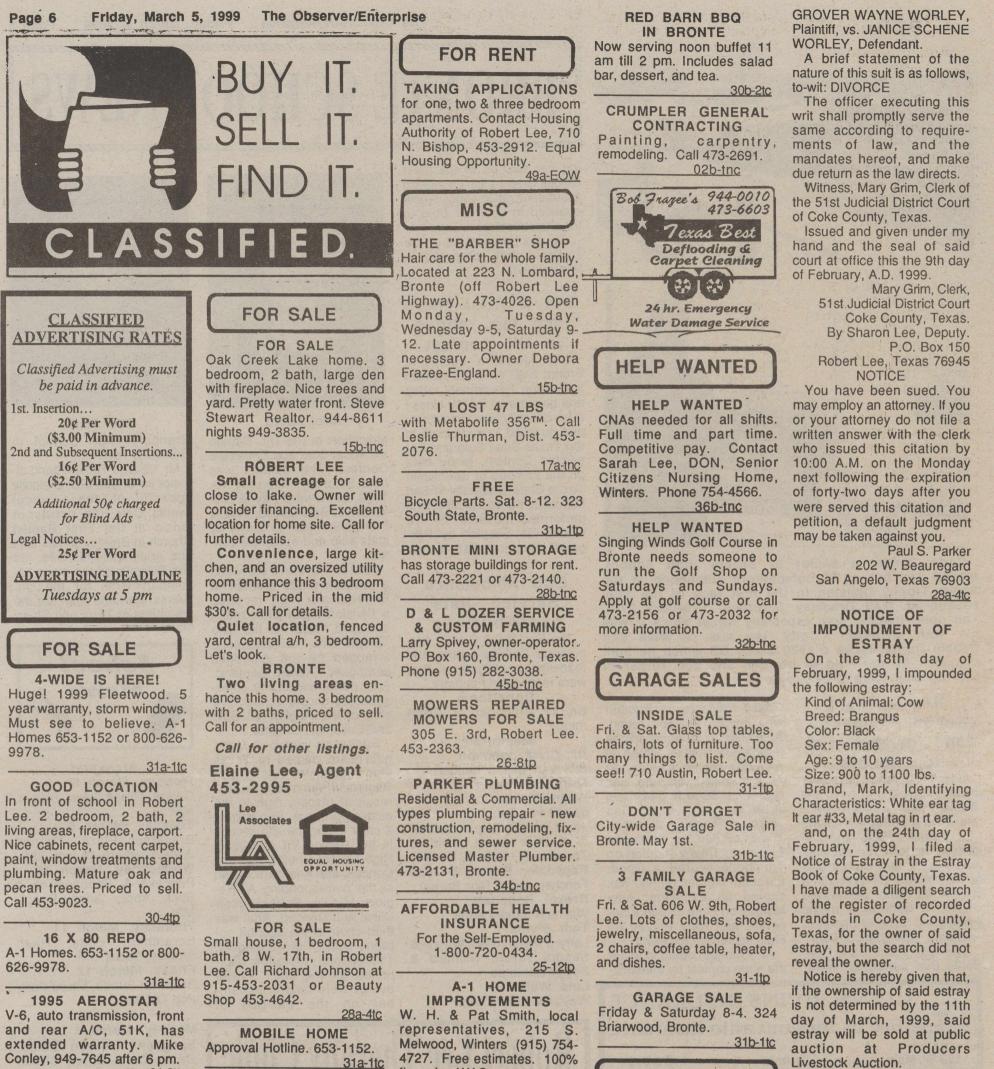
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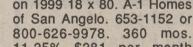
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PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Robert Lee will hold a public hearing on the budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1999 and ending March 31, 2000. This hearing is for the input into the budget process. The hearing will be held at the City Hall at 6 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas on Monday, March 8, 1999 at 7:00 pm.

Kelly S. Nichols, Mayor **City of Robert Lee** 31a-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BRONTE **TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRO-**GRAM

The City of Bronte will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30 pm on March 11, 1999 at the City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Mayor City of Bronte 31b-1tc

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Mayor **City of Robert Lee** 31a-1tc

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF AARON LEE BRASUELL. DECEASED, IN CAUSE NO. 1551, COUNTY COURT,

COKE COUNTY, TEXAS. Notice is hereby given that on February 22, 1999, original Letters Testamentary were issued to Carl Lee Brasuell in this Estate. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Claims may be presented and addressed to Carl Lee Brasuell, Independent Executor of the Estate of Aaron Lee Brasuell, Deceased, c/o Massey, Balentine, Edwards & Psencik, P.C., P.O. Box 2809, San Angelo, TX 76902-2809.

31a-1tc **ORDINANCE #1090** THE STATE OF TEXAS THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE

THE COUNTY OF COKE ON THIS, the 22nd day of

February, 1999, the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas, convened at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall, with the following members present, to wit:

Mayor, Kelly Nichols **Beth Prather**

Nita Duncan

Donnie Devoll

Frank Casey

WHEREAS, a quorum was constituted; and

WHEREAS, the cost of chemicals, materials, and utilities have increased to the point where the current schedule of rates is no longer sufficient to cover the increased cost, and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks relief from this condition by an adjustment of its rates for services, and.

WHEREAS, it now appears to the City Council that it is necessary and proper to prescribe a new schedule of rates or charges for services rendered by the City's Waterworks System;

WHEREAS, it is moved and seconded that said Ordinance be adopted;

THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE AS FOL-LOWS TO-WIT:

\$10.50 shall be charged with the maximum allowance of 3,000 gallons; and thereafter shall be charged \$1.65 per thousand gallons.

Customers outside the city limits receiving water shall be charged a minimum charge of \$13.00 with the maximum allowance of 3,000 gallons; and thereafter shall be charged \$1.65 per thousand gallons.

Section 1 becomes effective as of the April, 1999 billing

Section 2: That in addition to and being a part of this Ordinance pertaining to the bulk water rate, the rate shall be as follows:

0 -29 barrels \$5.50 per load 30-49 barrels 9.00 per load 50-79 barrels 11.50 per load 80-99 barrels 16.50 per load 120-140 barrels 27.50 per load

Section 2 becomes effective as of January 1, 1996.

Section 3a: That also in addition and being a part of this Ordinance the charge for tapping a water line shall be as follows:

NEW SERVICES

5/8" meter.....\$125.00 1" meter175.00

EXCHANGE FOR LARGER METER

1" meter\$150.00

The City will furnish only a 5/8" meter. The Customer will pay for all meters larger than a 5/8"

Section 3b: That in addition and being part of this Ordinance, a water deposit shall be required for each residential and commercial connection. In the event there are additional connections there shall be an additional water deposit. The amount of the deposit shall be \$50.00.

Effective dates of Sections 3a & 3b being March, 1996.

Section 4a: That such rates and charges hereby fixed and prescribed shall be paid by the users of the Waterworks System to the Water Department of the City of Robert Lee, Texas, by the 15th of each month, and which shall be the date such rates or charges shall be due and payable; and in case a user or customer has not paid by the 15th a \$1.00 late penalty will be assessed. After having received written notice of the delinquent account, and no payment is received by the 4th of the following month, service may be discontinued until the bill is paid in full. Service may be resumed, but there shall be charged and collected a reconnection fee of \$15.00. Failure to receive a bill does not extend the delinquent date. Section 4b: Whenever a meter is pulled by the City because of the unauthorized use of water, there shall be charged and collected a fee of \$50.00 before such meter shall be reinstalled. Effective date of Sections 4a & 4b being March, 1996.

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Section 5: In addition to the other charges as set forth in this Ordinance, whenever a meter valve is broken due to customer turn on/off, there shall be charged and collected \$50.00 for replacement of valve.

Effective date of Section 5 being December 14, 1998.

Section 6: This Ordinance will supercede any and all previous Ordinances regarding the rates of the Waterworks System of the City of Robert Lee.

Section 7: By reason of the fact that the City Council considers the passage necessary for the economy and welfare of the Citizens of Robert Lee, it is hereby declared duly constituted by the City Council.

Said Ordinance was duly passed by affirmative vote.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day February, 1999. THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE Kelly S. Nichols, Mayor ATTEST:

Kay Torres City Secretary 31a-11c

THE STATE OF TEXAS THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE THE COUNTY OF COKE **ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING**

NEW SEWER RATES WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Robert Lee has determined the necessity of an increase of sewer rates for the payment of operating expenses and for the payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued for the sewer system;

THEREFORE, BE IT OR-DAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF **ROBERT LEE:**

Section 1: There shall be charged for sewer service the following monthly rate up to and including 8,000 gallons, thereafter, \$.05 per thousand:

Residential.....\$12.00 Non-Profit Organization

Individual Trailer locations

County Park..per unit.12.00 Motelper unit... 5.50

Apartment House

.....per unit...8.50 Trailer Parks..per unit...8.50 Service Station.....14.50 **Business with Car Wash**

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Courthouse	
Nursing Home	9
Laundry	65 50

Section 2: All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof heretofore adopted and in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed and insofar as they conflict herewith.

Section 3: This ordinance shall take effect with the utility billing issued for the month of April, 1999

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 22nd DAY OF MARCH, 1999.

Kelly S. Nichols, Mayor ATTEST: Kay Torres **City Secretary** 31a-1tc

The Risen Son Singers to perform at Heritage Oaks

Heritage Oaks Estate Skilled Nursing and Rehab Facility in Ballinger, Texas announced recently that the public is invited to a Country Gospel Night featuring The Risen Son Singers of View, Texas. The seven-member group will be sharing their love of the Lord through music and testimonies for Heritage Oaks residents, their families, and friends on Saturday, March 6th at 7 pm.

Bluegrass Festival in Big Lake

The Big Lake Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring a Bluegrass Festival April 9, 10, and 11, to be held in the Community Center in Big Lake. There will be entertainment throughout the weekend by various groups. For more information call 915-884-3650 or 915-884-3396 and leave a message.



ORDINANCE #1091

SECTION 1: That the rates or charges for the services furnished by the Waterworks System shall be as follows:

Service Charge of \$15.00 for disconnect/reconnect water due to non-payment of services.

Service Charge of \$10.00 for turning on/off water at customer's request during regular business hours.

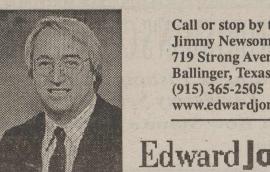
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Sheriff's Dept. posts February arrests/charges

The Coke County Sheriff's Department has released the following arrests made and charges filed during the month of February.

•Darrell Lee Lilley - Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct Language, February 5, 1999.

•Rex Dee Armstrong - Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd, February 6, 1999.

·Robert Charles Schenck -Public Intoxication, February 6, 1999.

 Stanley Griffen Daulong -Unlawfully Carrying a Weapon, February 10, 1999.

•Ralph Tad Richards Jr. -Trespassing - Capias Pro Fine, Parole Violation, February 10, 1999.

•Lois Tyson - Assault Causes Bodily Injury, February 23, 1999.

 Stacy Clark Rains - Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd, Assault Family Violence, Driving While License Suspended, February 24, 1999.

•Terry Montez - Making Alcohol Available to a Minor.

·Valerie Rios - Theft by Check, February 26, 1999.

•Mario T. Escobedo - Driving While License Revoked, February 26, 1999.

•Curtis Lee Chapman -Driving While Intoxicated, 3rd, February 27, 1999.

Kerry Ashworth Driskill -Driving While Intoxicated, 1st, February 28, 1999.

LOOK WHO'S NEW! Sarah Elizabeth Bryan

Sarah Elizabeth Bryan was born at Hendricks Medical Center at 3:24 pm on February 25, 1999, weighing 6 lbs 1 oz and she was 18 inches long

Welcoming her are her parents Peggy and Roland Bryan Jr. of Abilene. Grandparents are Billy (Bucky) and Barbara Sparks and Aunt Bobbie of Robert Lee; Roland and Becky Bryan of Abilene; and Steve and Lanell Scott of Trent. Great grandparents are Calvin and Cova Sparks of Robert Lee; Jean Bryan of Abilene; and Janie and Andy Malloy of San Angelo. Also welcoming her are her greatgreat grandmother, Mrs. Grimes of San Angelo, and other aunts, uncles and cousins.

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TxDOT to host public meetings

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct public meetings in March to solicit public input concerning project selections for future highway improvements in the 15-county area of the San Angelo District.

Citizens will have the opportunity to obtain information or solicit comments about the Transportation Improvement Plan and the United Transportation Plan for the fiscal years 2000-2002. The meetings are scheduled for March 22 in Garden City at 7 pm at the Glasscock County Courthouse and March 25 at 1:30 pm in the Assembly Room of the TxDOT District Office at 4502 Knickerbocker Rd.

The San Angelo meeting will be held in conjunction with the City of San Angelo's Metropolitan Planning Organization. Written comments will be accepted through April 1 for either projects inside or outside the Metropolitan Area Boundaries. Counties include Coke, Concho, Crockett, Edwards, Glasscock, Irion, Kimble, Menard, Reagan, Real,

Citizens fighting fire with

common sense Dusty, dry, and dormant conditions persist in West Texas but man-caused wildfires were minimal for February. "People are really becoming conscious of the drought situation and are displaying more caution using fire as a tool," commented Jan Davis, Information Officer with the Texas Forest Service. Citizens are practicing more care when welding and burning trash. Landowners are building better fuel breaks when performing controlled burns.

Communities need to remain alert to the high to extreme fire danger. Although wildfire occurrences in the last two weeks have been low, gusty winds and lack of rainfall continue to turn rural land vegetation into kindling. Eighteen counties in Central-West Texas have declared burning bans. Before lighting a fire outdoors, check first with fire or sheriff departments. Outdoor burning during a fire ban is dangerous and a punishable offense.

Those living in rural areas can further protect themselves from wildfire by permanently keeping debris and tall

Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and Tom Green.

Comments concerning projects outside the San Angelo Metropolitan Area Boundaries should be addressed to Walter G. McCullough, P.E., District Engineer; TxDOT; 4502 Knickerbocker Rd; San Angelo 76904.

District Court Disposition

The 51st District Court posts the following disposition from February 22, 1999.

State of Texas vs. Jerry Diaz Jr in the charge of Sexual Assault of a Child. Plea: Ten years deferred adjudication, 180 days County Jail, \$2,000 fine.

FSA small grain pull-off date

This is to remind producers that March 15th is the pull-off date for small grain being grazed that is intended for harvest. This is due to insurance regulations regarding small grains being grazed. If you intend to continue grazing past this date notify your insurance agent so adjustments in your policy may be made.



Bronte Nursing Home honored George and Jimmie Snapp as "Volunteers of the Year" February 18, 1999. Pictured are George Snapp (front, center), Nancy Dewbre - BNH Administrator (back row, from left), Jimmie Snapp, and Lisa Thralls -BNH Activities/SSD Director.

When you want something expensive, ask your grandparents. -Matthew, Age 12

· Never smart off to a teacher whose eves and ears are twitching. -Andrew, Age 9

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