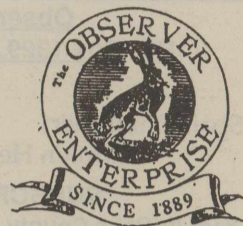


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## Veteran memorial deadlines announced

It is time to thank the many people who have been so very helpful in getting out the word about the Coke County area Veterans Memorial being built in Bronte. There are no comprehensive lists of persons who have served their country. We have used records from federal, state and county agencies. Schools have provided registers. Many names were added by old-timers, from family genealogies, and by word of mouth. Our thanks to all who told a friend or relative. The area-wide interest has sparked memories that have lain dormant for years. Our thanks to the newspapers who have published letters and articles. Responses have been pardon the pun-monumental.

The deadline for getting a name on the monument in alphabetical order is November 1, 1999. The dedication will be held on December 4th at 11:00. Registration will begin at 10:15. The Big Country Squadron of the Confederate Air Force has agreed to begin the ceremony with a fly-over (weather permitting). A band under the direction of George Tomes will play patriotic music. A Goodfellow AFB color guard will be on hand to present the colors. Many other people are cooperating to make this important endeavor a success.

Our thanks to all of you!

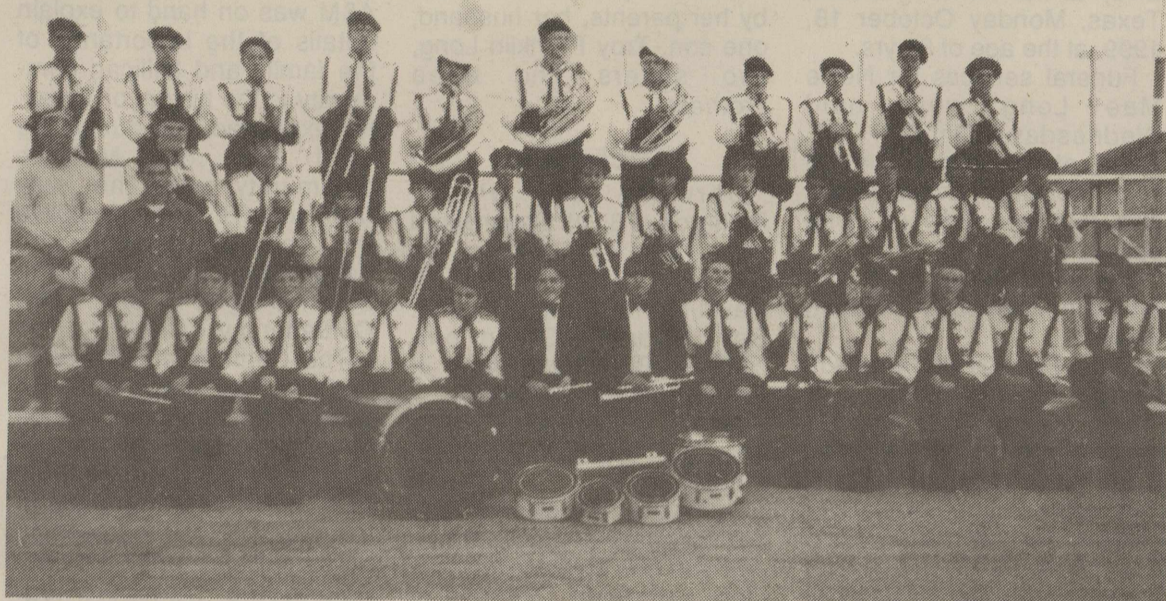
Please mark this date (Dec. 4) on your calendar, bring your lawn chairs and come to Bronte and help us celebrate this red, white and blue occasion. If you have pictures or memorabilia you want to share, there will be a place for this to be displayed in the old depot. You may see some one you have not seen in a long time and have an opportunity to reminisce.

## RL announces additional speed limit changes

The City Council in its October Regular Meeting approved one additional change to the speed zones in Robert Lee. The School Zone limit on SH 208 between Washington and Childress Streets will be reduced to 25 mph. This action is taken to encourage additional safety for the pedestrian traffic crossing SH 208.

## Sr. Citizen flu shots offered

Shamrock Clinic in Robert Lee will be offering flu shots to senior citizens October 27. Those wishing to receive the shots will need to bring their Medicare cards with them. The shots will be given from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.



On October 16, the Robert Lee High School Stompin' Steer Band traveled to Shotwell Stadium in Abilene to compete in the District Marching Band Contest. The band received a Division I rating and will be advancing to Area competition Saturday, October 23, at Birdville Stadium in Fort Worth.

## RLHS Steer band

On October 16 the Robert Lee High School Stompin' Steer Band traveled to Shotwell Stadium in Abilene to compete in the District Marching Band Contest.

With nerves and tension at their highest, the band received a Division 1 rating and will be advancing to Area competition Saturday, October 23, at Birdville Stadium in Fort Worth Texas.

All support will be greatly appreciated. Good job band and good luck at Area.

## Halloween trick-or-treat walk

The Halloween trick-or-treat walk is set for Tuesday, October 26, at 10 a.m. All three-to-five year old children are invited to get out the costumes and meet at the Coke County Library before setting out to visit the offices and businesses in downtown Robert Lee.

Last year's Halloween trick-or-treat event was much fun for the children and for the businesses and offices who provided entertainment and treats. The invitation to trick-or-treat extends throughout the county to children 3-5 years old and parents.

Halloween by Joyce Kelles explains that immigrants to the United States from Ireland and Great Britain brought traditions of the Celts that are observed today. Trick-or-

treating began in Ireland. Clever Irish farmers knowing that rich people believed in ghosts would play tricks like moving wagons away from the houses, or taking gates to another part of the property. The rich people would think that ghosts were responsible and give treats to the farmers to keep the ghosts away. The Irish also thought that ghosts visited earth on October 31. The people of Scotland thought that all witches met on Halloween and played bagpipes made from hens' heads and cats' tails.

Three to five year old children and families are welcomed to join the fun Tuesday, October 26 at 10 a.m.

Library hours are Tuesdays 8-12; Wednesdays 8-4; Thursdays 1-5; Fridays 8-12. Story hour is Tuesday at 10:00.

## Benefit for Conley

There will be a garage sale/bake sale held Saturday, October 30 in Robert Lee at 402 W. 17th.

The sale will run from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will benefit Debbie Conley.

Debbie is a former Robert Lee resident, now living in San Angelo with her family. She is the daughter of Marie Ross of Robert Lee and the late Mike Ross. Debbie's husband, Mike "Gooch" Conley is the son of John and Maudie

Conley of Robert Lee.

Debbie and Gooch are the parents of two children, a son Sam who is 15 and a daughter Stacie who is 12.

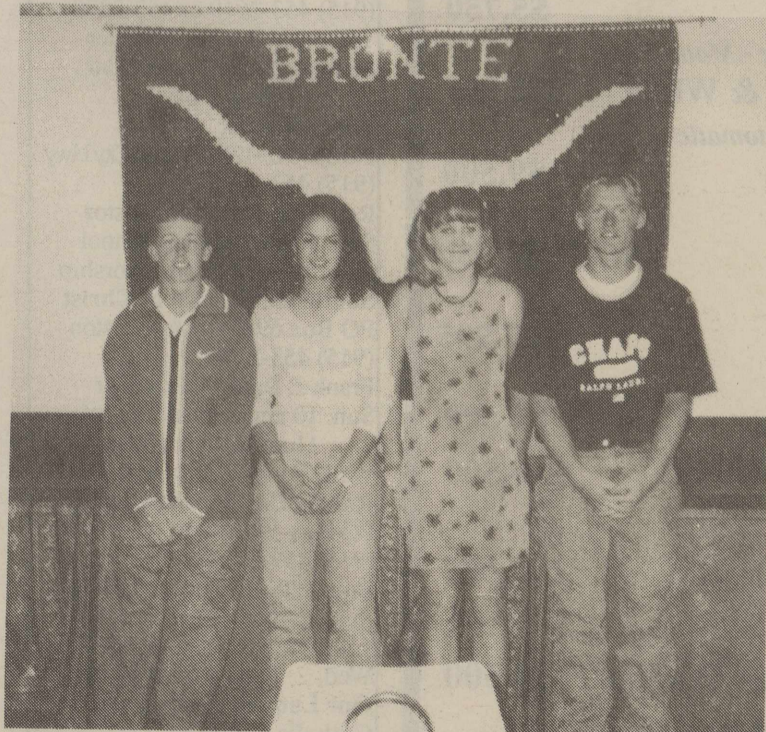
Debbie has been to Houston twice in recent weeks for tests and surgeries, and on November 1, she will be returning there to begin chemotherapy at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

If you have items you would like to donate for the garage sale, we would like to have them as soon as possible, and no later than October 27, in order to have time to price and group them. Bake sale items can be delivered on Friday the 29th or sometime Saturday morning before the sale. For more information call Barbara Adkins at 453-2754, Alice Wallace at 453-2685, or Nellie Ross at 453-2902.

## Hunter Safety home study

The hunter safety certification can now be accomplished by a home study course. The course can be purchased at The Outdoorsman, Field and Stream, or Wal-Mart in San Angelo, Texas.

If you were born after Sept. 2, 1971 you must have this certification. Contact Dianne Simpson at 453-2344 for more information.



The Bronte FHA officers for 1999-2000 are (from left) Ryan McCorkle, President; Tessie McMullan, Secretary/Treasurer; Chrissie Counts, Vice President; and Zeb Speary, Reporter.



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## Death Notices

**Long**  
 Nellie Mae Long passed away at her home in Evant, Texas, Monday October 18, 1999, at the age of 86 yrs.

Funeral services for Nellie Mae Long were held Wednesday, October 20, 1999, at the Evant Funeral Home Chapel in Evant, Texas, with the Rev. Billy R. Long officiating.

Burial followed at the Murphree Cemetery in Evant, Texas.

Evant Funeral Home was in charge of the services.

She is survived by her children: Rev. Billy Ray Long & his wife Kathy of Fountain, CO. Horace Lee Long out of Robert Lee, Alvin Clark Long & his wife Martha M. out of Robert Lee, Joe D. Long of Georgetown, Mr. Jerry Milton Long of Austin, Milly White & husband Glenn of Austin, and Sharon Kay Long of Evant, and Jim & Dolly Long of Hamilton, and by 19

**"64" Study Club**

Nita Duncan was guest speaker when the "64" Study Club met Tuesday evening, October 12th. The meeting was held in the fellowship hall of the Robert Lee United Methodist Church. Nita presented a program on "Holiday Crafts". First she made a cookie in a jar. Next she made Angels out of coffee filters and also out of a salt shaker. Using Christmas balls she added a pretty ribbon and some holly to one ball and lace and some small flowers to another ball. She also showed how to make gift bags from paper sacks. At the end of her program she held a drawing for her creations. The winners were: Grace Ditmore, Beth Prather, Nettie Autry, Carolyn Long, Maxine Post and Maybelle Stewart.

Plans were made to host the November Birthday Party for residents of the Robert Lee Care Center. Plans were announced for the November meeting. This meeting will be in the Park Recreation Center for members and their guest. It will feature a catered meal.

Hostesses for the evening were: Olean Poor, Pauline Brumley, Nettie Autry, Della Alexander, Beth Prather and Jennie Tinkler. They chose plates, cup, napkins and table decorations to designate a Halloween theme. A lovely selection of party foods was served to twenty five members and one guest.

Grandchildren and numerous Great-Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one son; Troy Franklin Long, two sisters and three brothers.

**Richards**

Services for Peggy Richards, 73, of Brownwood were held at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 3, 1999, at Davis-Morris Funeral Home. Rev. Kenneth Green officiated. Burial was held in Eastlawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Richards died Thursday, Sept. 30, 1999, at her home.

Survivors include one son, Sid Richards of Santa Anna; one son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Shelli Richards of Palentine; two sisters, Nell Lea of Waldo, Wis., and Geneva Lummus of Ranger; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Dean Myrick, in 1996.

**Sorosis Club Meeting**

The October meeting of the Sorosis Study Club of Bronte was held in the home of Pat Lee, 7:30 p.m., October 15.

The program of the evening was presented by Douglas Fox and Jeane Irby of the Information Technology Department of Angelo State University. They used the latest technical equipment to present a slide show and lecture that dealt with Y2K problems and solution. They also gave suggestions as to how PC users may be able to correct their Y2K problems.

In the business meeting that followed, plans to participate in the school book fair were tabled until more information is received.

One of the Club's annual projects was completed when members brought non-perishable foods to the meeting to be delivered to an area food bank.

Delicious refreshments, with a Halloween theme, were served by the hostess, Pat Lee, to the following members: Mildred Thomason, Celia Bowden, Jean Fancher, Swan Archinal, Mary Glenn, Diane Luckett, Janet Wommack, Dorris Sonnenberg and Mary Frances Glenn; also one guest Sherry Soele.

**Millican families celebrate 175th year of the connection with the State of Texas**

By John Millican

Bunyon Millican of Silver Texas, Jim and Sharon Millican of Abilene, Texas, and John Millican of Amarillo, Texas traveled to the small town of Millican, Texas on October 10th. The reason was a celebration of the 175th year of the Millican families, connection with the State of Texas.

On July 26, 1824, the first Spanish land grant was given to the Millican family and the Millican community was born. A Millican reunion was held to celebrate this fact with many branches of the family tree coming together with old photographs and stories about the Millicans.

A researcher from Texas A&M was on hand to explain details of the importance of the family and Millican community to the history of Texas. He explained that during the Civil War the Millican community was the only railroad in Texas and supplied the southern states with Texas troops and materials to help fight for the Confederacy.

The Confederate States at one time had troops stationed at Millican and had a shoe factory to keep the troops well supplied with shoes. At its height, Millican had a population of six thousand people.

The Millicans owned a ferry that would transport legislators to Washington on the Brazos from across the Brazos River. This ferry was also transporting Indians across the river to speak to Sam Houston and transporting supplies in our fight for independence against the Mexican government. It was noted that our family has had a long history of law enforcement with the State of Texas with various Millicans

providing the first attempt at enforcing law in Texas.

It was noted that Eliot M. Millican was the first sheriff of Brazos County and the first doctor in the area. He went on to serve in the first, second, and third Texas Legislature.

Another important Millican was Robert Hemphill Millican who was in Stephen F. Austin's Old Three Hundred Colony. Robert stood at seven feet tall, weighing three hundred pounds. It is said that he struck fear into the Mexicans after attacking a Mexican fortress on horseback. Robert died in the runaway scrape during Texas' fight for independence.

Time was spent with various branches of the family trying to gain more information in order to continue research into the Coke County Connections. With all genealogy research only time will tell.

**Coke Co. RTA report**

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association met Monday, October 18, 1999 for a noon luncheon. The meeting was held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

The meeting opened with the invocation by Luther Guffy.

Janet Wommack, president, led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the national and state flags.

President Wommack presided at the business meeting. Reports were heard from committee chairpersons: C.B. Barbee, membership, Paul Gothard, legislative, Nina Brewer, community service, and Beth Prather, health care. Gothard distributed information on the 17 state constitutional amendments to be voted on November 2, 1999. Prather handed out the Consumer Information catalogs from the US Government.

Mike Gwin of Brownwood, guest speaker, gave detailed

information on the Group Long Term Care policies recommended by TRTA.

The next meeting will be November 15, 1999 at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Attending the meeting were 24 members and 5 guests. They were: C.B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Norma Barker, Jamie Boren, Celia Bowden, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Wanda Brewer, Jean Fancher, Harrell Foshee, Janice Foshee, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, Luther Guffy, Beth Prather, Kenneth Rasco, Nancy Rasco, Fay Roe, Gerald Sandusky, Bettye Smith, Joe Smith, Janet Wommack, Lee Wommack, and guests: Mike Gwin, Bill Hood, Rhonda Hood, Rick Howell, and Terry Marr.

**Flu shots for veterans**

A Flu Shot Clinic for eligible veterans will be Thursday, October 21, 1999, at the VA Outpatient Clinic. Veterans residing in the San Angelo area may report to the San Angelo VA Outpatient Clinic, 2018 Pulliam, San Angelo. Veterans currently registered for healthcare through the San Angelo VA Outpatient Clinic will be required to show their VA identification cards to receive their shots. Veterans that are not currently enrolled in VA Healthcare will be requested to present proof of eligibility for VA benefits (DD Form 214) in order to obtain their flu shots. Flu shots will be available from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 21, 1999.

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 Wed. 7 pm, Worship

**Robert Lee Baptist Church**  
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**Brown-Walser exchange vows**

Beth Ann Brown and Michael Ray Walser, both of Crowley, were married Oct. 3, 1999, at the Botanical Gardens in Ft. Worth, with Cabel Roberts officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown of Dallas. The bridegroom is the son of Ms. Diane Barton of Joshua.

Maid of honor was Emalie Breeding. Flower girl was Jessica Brown.

Best man was Cabel Brooks. Ring bearer was Tommy Brown.

Usher was brother of the bride, Ben Brown.

The bride is a graduate of Lake Highland High School in Dallas and attended the University of Iowa.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bonte High School and attended Tarrant County Junior College. He is employed by Dannon in Fort Worth.

The couple is living in Crowley.

**Bronte OES Star Scholarship Memorial fund**

**Sandra Cantrell**

Gaylene Daniel, Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Eldred, and Mr. & Mrs. Gary Shaffer.

**Sam Smith**

Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Eldred, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Shaffer, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Moore, and Mr. & Mrs. Grady Coulter.

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Mr. & Mrs. Grady Coulter and Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Eldred.

**Bob Loyd**

Lois Loyd

**Francis Kemp**

Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Eldred, Lois Loyd, and Mr. & Mrs. Gary Shaffer.

**Postal Service to open entrance examination**

The Rural Carrier Associate examination opened to the general public indefinitely on Tuesday, October 12, 1999, for the San Angelo Area eligibility register.

Offices included in the San Angelo AER are Bronte, Eldorado & San Angelo, Texas.

Individuals interested in applying to take the examination may complete one Application/Admission Card, at any one of the post offices listed above.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Walser

**CNA classes set for November 1**

Any interested person should come in and fill out an application prior to November 1, 1999. Classes will consist of 75 hours of training in a 14 day course to mature individuals who demonstrate an interest in providing care to the elderly and disabled. Applicants must be committed to attending all classes in order to receive certification. After completion of 16 hours of classroom training, students will be given the opportunity to work in the facility performing skills they have mastered in class. They will be paid for time worked on the floor. Employment opportunities will be offered to our graduates based on our staffing needs.

We wish to encourage anyone who may be interested in attending the classes to contact Elizabeth Baird, RN Program Director or Marcy Holland, LVN S.D.C. at 900 S. State St., Bronte, TX no later than October 29, 1999.

**Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department**

The Fire Department held its second meeting of October on the 18th. Twelve members were present.

Fire Chief Rick Drennan, and City Fire Marshal Bud Thompson took the City Pumper to the Grammar School on October 6th. Mr. Thompson talked to the children about Fire Prevention. October is Fire Prevention month.

On October 7th Mr.

Thompson took the Fire truck to Head Start, and talked to the children there.

On October 16th Mr. Thompson again took the City Pumper, and led the Robert Lee Marching Band into town, after they won their District competition.

Future meetings will be held at 6 pm at City Hall. They adjourned for a work night getting the generator ready to be painted and other repairs and maintenance to the trucks.

Truck 6 is now completed, and ready to fight fires.

**"Pastor Appreciation Day"**

Members of First Baptist Church, Bronte had the pleasure of surprising their pastor, Bother Morris Johnson and his wife Judy, with a time of celebration in observance of "Pastor Appreciation Day" during the morning worship service, October 17. They were presented with a number of gifts and many oral testimonies were shared concerning how God had used Bro. Morris and Judy to bless the congregation, the 4 1/2 years they have been in Bronte. Bro. Morris has taught a number of classes on spiritual growth and Judy has been a faithful teacher and worker in the children's department and in coordinating successful Vacation Bible Schools. They have been a wonderful blessing to the Church body.

Following the morning worship service, 54 church members surprised them, with lunch at "The Shed". A great time of fun and fellowship was had by all.

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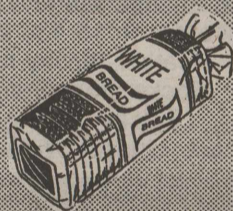
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# Bronte School News

## Bronte Longhorns defeat Cross Plains Buffaloes

The Bronte Longhorns moved to 2-0 in district with a 38-0 victory over the Cross Plains Buffaloes last Friday night.

The stats for Bronte were 14 1st downs, rushing-309, passing-19, penalties-4-35, fumbles 1-0, dist record 2-0, season record 6-1. Cross Plains stats were 6 1st downs, rushing 78, passing 43, penalties 4-14, fumbles 3-1, dist record 0-2, and season record 1-6.

The Horns started quickly with some very crisp offensive line play to score the 1st TD with only 1 minute 45 seconds off the 1st quarter clock to take a 6-0 lead. Then came a big defensive play, forcing a fumble, and another quick score made it 14-0 mid-

## Preservation effort to include brick sales

In an effort to preserve the original rock pillars in front of Bronte High School, the BHS Class of 2000 is landscaping a sitting area, inlaid with brick, in front of the new school addition. The class is promoting a Brick Sales Campaign to provide Bronte High School faculty, students, alumni and community members the opportunity to be a part of this preservation.

Brick sales will continue through November 8, 1999, and should be in place before the New Year. For more information, please contact Brittany Lloyd at the school (915) 473-2511.

## SCHOOL MENU

### Breakfast

- Monday, Oct. 25**  
Student Holiday
- Tuesday, Oct. 26**  
Cereal or Oatmeal, Applesauce, Biscuit, Milk.
- Wednesday, Oct. 27**  
Sausage, Apple juice, Pancake, Milk.
- Thursday, Oct. 28**  
Scrambled Eggs, Potato Wedges, Biscuit, Milk.
- Friday, Oct. 29**  
Breakfast Burrito, Grape Juice, Biscuit, Milk.

### Lunch

- Monday, Oct. 25**  
Student Holiday
- Tuesday, Oct. 26**  
Chicken Spaghetti, Broccoli & Cheese, Sliced Pears, Bread Sticks, Banana Pudding, Milk.
- Wednesday, Oct. 27**  
Submarine Sandwich, Ham & Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Tator Tots, Bun, Cinnamon Rolls, Milk.
- Thursday, Oct. 28**  
Frito Pie, Chili & Cheese, Sweet Corn, Tossed Salad, Fritos, Spice Cake, Milk.
- Friday, Oct. 29**  
Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Bun, Sugar Cookie, Milk.

way through the 1st quarter. The game turned defensive at that point with the Horns dominating and winning the field position battle allowing the Horns to score the final TD of the half making it 21-0.

The 2nd half belonged to the Horns also with a dominating defense, a 35 yd. field goal by Blake McKee and 170 yds. by the offense.

The next action for the Longhorns is this Friday night when they travel to Eden to battle the Bulldogs. Come out and enjoy some football.

## Bronte Shorthorns take win

Shorthorns won with a score of 40-26. Justin Moore had a 5 yd. run. A pass from Cody Lee to Moore for the 2 pt. conversion was successful.

Cody Lee then threw a 15 yd. pass to Roy Flores for the 2nd touchdown of the night. The 2 pt. conversion was made by Garrett Fiveash.

Justin Moore then had a 3 yd. run for the third touchdown and Fiveash made the 2 pt. conversion.

Garrett Fiveash had a 5 yd. run and Lee passed to Moore for the 2 pt. conversion.

Cody Lee had a 73 yd. interception return. Lee passed to Brandon Hall for the 2 pt. conversion. Shorthorns won 40-26.

## Bronte JV vs. Angelo Christian School

Bronte JV volleyball lost with scores of 1-15; 15-11; 11-15. The stats were as follows: Tiffany Riordan with 4 kills; 3 assists, Chrissie Isreal 4 assists, Jenna Herold 1 kill, Kayla Hilliard 1 kill, and Kyla McGinnis 1 kill.

## Bronte JV vs. Water Valley

On October 9, 1999 Bronte JV won against Water Valley with scores of 15-13; 2-15; 15-13. Heather Richey had 3 kills; 2 blocks, Joel Sefcik 4 assists, Lindsay Springer 4 kills; 2 ace, Lindsey Williams 1

ace, and Crystal Jackson 1 kill. Joel Sefcik and Lindsey Williams good games serving and Kelly Cooper good game defensively.

## Bronte Varsity vs. Water Valley

The Bronte Lady Horns lost against Water Valley with scores of 6-15; 11-15. Kala Arrott had 5 kills; 2 blocks, Brooke McCutchen 2 kills, Jade Richards 4 assists, Lacy Schoenfield 3 kills, Lauren Williams 2 kills; 1 block, Britni Adams 1 block, Stormy White 1 kill, and Cara Sefcik 1 kill.

## Bronte vs. Miles

On October 16 JV maroon lost with scores of 13-15; 4-15. Tiffany Riordan had 1 kill; 2 assists, Chrissie Isreal 1 assist, Heather Sturgill 1 kill; 2 aces, Kayla Hilliard 2 kills, and Kyla McGinnis 1 kill. Great serving game Kyla.

JV white also lost with scores of 16-14; 9-15; 12-15. Kelly Cooper had 4 kills, Heather Richey 11 kills; 1 block, Joel Sefcik 1 kill; 4 assists, Lindsay Springer 5 kills; 7 assists, Lindsey Williams 2 kills, and Crystal Jackson 1 kill.

Varsity Lady Horns lost with scores 9-15; 9-15. Kala Arrott had 7 kills; 1 block, Brooke McCutchen 5 kills; Jade Richards 1 kill; 8 assists, Lacy Schoenfield 7 assists, Tasha Reed 1 kill; 1 block, Lauren Williams 1 kill; 3 blocks, and Stormy White 1 kill.

## Bronte ISD Board of Trustees

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held its regular meeting for the month of October on the 18th in the Library at 8:00 p.m. All members were present.

Rick Howell, Secondary Principal, and Terry Marrs, Elementary Principal, gave their reports.

The Superintendent, Alan Richey, gave an update to the Board on the meeting with Texas Education Agency Officials concerning the

## CCJJC Campus.

Motion was made and passed to approve the Innovative Course of Vocational Education at CCJJC. The course is entitled Project Rio-Y.

The Board approved the Adjunct Faculty appointment of Tommy Antilley and Jan Yanez of the Coke County Extension Office.

Motion was made and passed to approve the Regional Day School for Deaf Shared Services Agreement with Menard Special Education Coop.

Motion was made and passed to accept the Fuel Bid from RA Bagwell Fuel Distributor of Ballinger.

The Board nominated David Scott as a candidate for the Coke County Appraisal District Board by resolution.

Mr. Richey and the Board reviewed the 1998 Tax Roll Collection Report.

The Localized Update 61 from TASB was reviewed by the Board. Motion was made and passed to add, revise, or delete local policies as recommended by the TASB Policy Service instruction sheet.

An update on personnel by the Superintendent included the hiring of Tammy Mason as GED Aide at CCJJC and Gloria Allen as ESL Aide.

The Superintendent's Report given by Alan Richey included a facilities update, renovation of tennis courts and the Inservice Day October 25th.

Motion was made and passed to pay the September 16-30th bills.

The Board was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 11, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

## Lady Horns fall to Water Valley

On October 19, Bronte JV lost to Water Valley with scores of 9-15; 15-9; 3-15. Heather Richey had 2 kills, 2 blocks, 1 ace; Joel Sefcik 1 kill, 1 assist; Kelly Cooper 1 kill; Lindsay Springer 3 assists, 1 block; Lindsey Williams 2 kills; Tiffany Riordan 1 assist; Jenna Herold 1 ace and Kyla McGinnis 1 ace.

The varsity Lady Horns lost with scores of 9-15; 15-17. Kala Arrott had 7 kills, 1 block; Brooke McCutchen 5 kills, 1 block; Jade Richards 5 assists, 1 block; Lacy Schoenfield 8 assists; Tasha Reed 2 kills; Lauren Williams 1 kill, 2 blocks; Britni Adams 1 kill, 1 block; Stormy White 1 kill, 1 assist; Chrissie Counts 1 kill and Cara Sefcik 1 assist.

## Bronte's Fall Festival

Bronte All-Sports Booster Club is once again sponsoring the Fall Festival at the elementary and high school on October 30 from 6p.m. to 9p.m. Any school or community organization may have a booth at the festival. If you're interested in setting up a booth, please contact Kendall Gibbs at 473-5911 for more information. A wide variety of booths and activities have been requested. Some of the booths already scheduled are the cake walk, football throw, Ping-Pong toss, pig poop contest, bubble blowing, fishing, miniature golf, bean bag toss, and a garage sale. There will be plenty of activity for everyone.

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# Robert Lee School News

## Steers fall to 0-2 in district

by Bill Burns

The Steers faced a team with good size in the line and quickness in the backfield last Friday night when the Roby Lions came to town. It was a game the Steers could have won on most nights, but last Friday night it wasn't to be.

The Steers never gave up even as the Lions went ahead 14-7 with 11 seconds left in the first half and being down 23-7 at the end of the 3rd quarter. They closed the gap in the fourth quarter and finished Steers 21 - Lions 30.

### 1st Quarter

There was no score in this quarter as both teams answered the call on defense. Garrett Brown intercepted a pass for the Steers. The Steer defense, with good efforts by Curtis Bell, Joseph Wink, Stewart Millican, and Lewis Samaniego allowed the Lions just 2 first downs in this quarter.

### 2nd Quarter

The Lions had the ball when this quarter started and never gave it up until they scored, but it took over half the quarter to do so. When the Steers finally got the ball it took less than two minutes for the TD score. Chase Rainwater gained 43 yards on four carries with the last two yards being for the TD. Deric Brothers was good on the extra point.

### 3rd Quarter

The Lions played their ball control offense and scored another TD.

The Steers gave up a safety and did not have a productive quarter.

### 4th Quarter

Roby scored early in this quarter to end their scoring for the night.

The Steer offense took over and Beau Boxell passed to Garrett Brown for 12 yards. Boxell again went to the air, this time to Andrew McCabe for 8 yards, and again to Brown for 24 yards. McCabe was next with a 14 yard pass from Boxell, and McCabe for 7 yards and a Steer TD.

The Steers kicked an on-side kick and recovered the ball to retain possession. Boxell passed to Brown for a nine yard gain, but the Lions picked off the next play.

The Steer defense got tough and forced the Lions to fumble and the Steers recovered. The Steers made 12 yards on a Boxell pass to Brothers and 33 yards to Brown. Rainwater got a TD on a three yard run.

It was a great comeback effort by the Steers.

Sterling City - Friday.

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## Dogies struggle with loss

The Dogies took the opening kick off and went down the field and scored on a 58 yd. pass from Michael Gilchrest to Omar Saucedo. Travis Taylor then threw to Michael on the pat attempt to make it 8-0. Roby then scored on its first possession to make it 8-8 at the end of the first quarter. Roby was just too much bigger and faster. Halftime 24-8. Final score 44-8 Roby.

## Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair held at the Robert Lee school last week was a huge success thanks to the volunteers and those attending. The children enjoyed being greeted by Clifford the Big Red Dog and Franklin the Turtle on Family Night. The elementary librarian, Cynthia Dillard, reported that \$3,302.99 was raised this time, which is the best Book Fair the school has had so far. A percentage of the money raised will go to the high school and elementary libraries to purchase books

and Accelerated Reader prizes for the students. Another Book Fair is scheduled for the Spring.

## AON to Host Annual Spaghetti Supper

AON Service Club will hold its annual Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship Chicken Spaghetti Supper Friday, October 29 before the Rotan/Robert Lee football game. Everyone is invited to join them in the school cafeteria from 5:00-7:00 for food and fellowship. Take out is also available.

Each year AON gives scholarships to graduating RLHS seniors. This supper is the main source of funding for these scholarships. Approximately \$14,850 has been awarded to 37 high school seniors. By supporting this spaghetti supper you can help another student attend college! See you there!

## Share! The Millennium with an International student

What better way to start out the Millennium than to SHARE the excitement with an International Exchange Student! The SHARE High School Exchange Program needs families to host high school exchange students for the Spring Semester of the 1999/2000 school year. The students will arrive in late December, 1999 or early January, 2000 and will stay with their host family until the end of the school year.

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## Gray to perform with TX All Region Choir

Trichelle Gray will be performing with the Texas Music Educator's "All Region Choir" November 20, 1999. Trichelle competed in Abilene September 11, 1999, and made alternate in District, competing against 4 & 5A schools against 160 students. October 9, Trichelle completed "All District", and made "All Region", which now makes her an alternate to "Pre-Area", which will be held November 19. She will be in concert Saturday, the 20th of November.

Trichelle is second soprano, and is a Sophomore at RLHS. She is the daughter of Jim & Brenda Gray of Robert Lee.



Trichelle Gray

scholarship (U.S. citizens only). All requests for applications must include the following: student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of current high school or college, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1999-2000 academic year.

To receive an application, e-mail scholar@ecsf.org, paper mail Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, PO Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012, or fax (847) 295-3972. Requests must be received by December 16, 1999.

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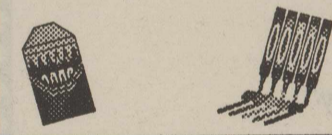
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Wednesday, Oct. 27

Orange Juice, Breakfast Pizza, Milk.

Thursday, Oct. 28

Orange Juice, Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Milk.

Friday, Oct. 29

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### Lunch

Monday, Oct. 25

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Tuesday, Oct. 26

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Thursday, Oct. 28

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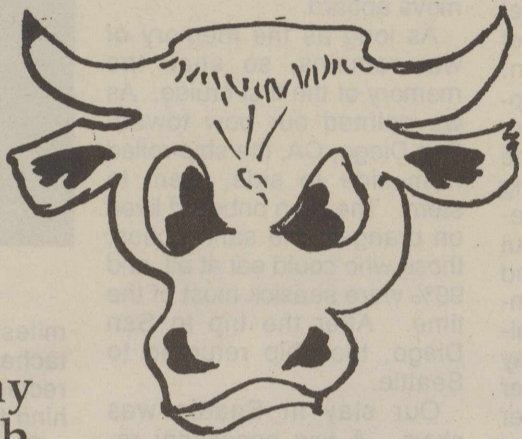
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# Reflections of the Past

## The Mighty "Moe" - birth to death

*(Editor's Note: the following information was furnished by the US Government to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers of Bronte, parents of James Evan Rogers. James was born September 29, 1925, attended Bronte High School, and although under age, joined the US Navy with his parents' consent. He died 2 1/2 years later in the line of duty for his country.)*

Early in 1837, the good ship Morrison beat its weary way to the forbidden shores of Japan. Her mission was one of good will and of scientific curiosity. At that time, the Japanese were a little-known race of people who strongly resented the intrusion of any foreigners into the realm of their sacred homelands. They showed no plausible amount of appreciation toward the advent of the American sailing ship, even though she had aboard seven ship-wrecked Japanese sailors who the Americans, in the goodness of their innocent hearts, were bent upon restoring to their native land. Soon after her arrival, the Morrison was violently repulsed by Nipponese cannon, dragged into firing range in the dead of night. The Americans, peaceful but weary, had no recourse but to go home, their mission uncompleted; but their hearts were no longer innocent.

One hundred and eight years later, the successor and namesake of that little sailing ship, was to meet a similar reception at the hands of these same Japanese, but this time the Morrison was not on a mission of peace, and the stout American hearts aboard her were far from being innocent -- they had become callous and hardened from long years of war.

On a sunny, blue July 4th, in the friendly western city of Seattle, the proved builders of Seattle-Tacoma Shipbuild-

ing Co. launched what for them was Hull #17, but what very soon became the USS Morrison (DD560). The year was 1943, a bountiful year for the Armed Forces of the United States, for the German hordes had been pushed out of Africa, nearly out of Sicily, and the landing on Italian soil was already planned for and ready for execution. The Japanese, their great fleet badly damaged in the Battle of Midway, were on the run. American forces were hopping from island to island, ever nearer to the heart of the Empire, and were destroying more and more of the enemy's vaunted sea power. But the battles, both East and West, were far from being finished, and many opportunities for conquest and glory lay ahead of the sleek destroyer that now tugged quietly at her mooring in the Seattle shipyard.

Following the launching came weeks of hammering, welding, riveting, chipping, painting, and hundreds of other activities necessary to install guns, fire control systems, engines, communications, and numerous devices that cram the hull of a destroyer before she puts out to sea. Then the test, the trial runs, and checks and rechecks until, on December 18, 1943, she was ready to be commissioned. The crew gathered from every state in the Union, 70% green, untried by the sea, were brought to the ship from Treasure Island, CA. The officers had been drifting in ever since the launching; had been assigned by the requisient Bureau of Personnel. The CIC Officer had been completely omitted from the roster, there were two gunnery officers, and many green hands were obvious in the group, but eventually all was straightened out, proper duties were assigned, and some order was gained. The entire ship's

company rigged out in its best dress blues, gathered on the fantail, lips blue and teeth chattering with the intense cold while the customary words were spoken at the commissioning ceremony. At last the deed was done, the commissioning pennant flowed, red, white, and blue, from the mainmast, and the ship's personnel prepared to move aboard.

As long as the memory of war remains, so shall the memory of the first cruise. As we pointed our bow toward San Diego, CA, the ship rolled from side to side, stern to stern. The men onboard lived on oranges and sandwiches, those who could eat at all, and 99% were seasick most of the time. After the trip to San Diego, the ship returned to Seattle.

Our stay in Seattle was short. A few necessary repairs were made and we set forth again, destination Pearl Harbor. The length of our stay in the Paradise of the Pacific, though uneventful, was eagerly filled with "liberty" in Honolulu by the members of this vessel. We then sailed to another group of islands (the Marshalls), where we met up with a harbor full of ships, warships, merchant ships, and ships of every kind. Our ship was insignificant in the midst of all the carriers, battleships, and cruisers, but we didn't feel that way at all.

We awaited our first assignment with relish, and when we got our orders, we knew the next raid would be a daring and dangerous undertaking. When we did get underway, the fleet formation that went to Palau was the biggest we had ever seen, or were ever destined to see. It was 25 miles in diameter. The Morrison was snugly stowed away in the middle of this vast armada, and inside our particular charge was a docile group of tankers. We were with the fleet until about six hundred



Fireman 1st Class James Evan Rogers

miles, where we were detached, turned south, and directed to our safe retreat behind the front.

So the fighting went on and Destroyer Division 110, composed of the Morrison, Laws, Longshaw, and Prichett, was left behind with the very tame job of herding a bunch of tankers. Some of us were disappointed. Others were sensible. Anyway, our quiet job gave us an opportunity to do something without which no sailor can consider himself a real salt. We crossed the equator with all the rites and ceremonies prescribed by long custom for such an event. The slimy polywogs, of which there were many, were brought into the presence of the Shellback Court and to them one by one, was meted out the punishment they so richly deserved for the lowly state which they had allowed themselves to descend. The

punishment was invariably the same, and the sight of those who went before did nothing to lessen the apprehension of those who came behind. After receiving a thorough paddling, a careful smearing with red and green paint, a complete soaking, and above all, after kissing the Royal Baby's most royal posterior, the polywogs now became hardened shellbacks. The

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## ...Reflections

(cont'd. from page 8)

ceremony, after several hilarious hours, came to a close and we turned back to the realities of life. The "Moe" was now a solid ship - all scaly old Shellbacks.

In a few days the fleet, having made a successful raid on Palau, returned to us, were refueled, and then all returned to Majuro. One Japanese bomber, a Betty, was shot down over the formation while we were in it. We did not see it, though. Once again reaching Majuro, we awaited our assignment, teaming in the hot tropical lagoon, relieving our boredom with beer and swimming parties on the beach and movies on the fore-castle at night. Life was pretty good, but not very exciting.

Our next mission was similar to our last. We escorted another group of tankers to our same old behind-the-lines rendezvous, and waited there to fuel the fleet. This time our Forces were landing on Hollandia, New Guinea. The landing was successful, but our vigil was not rewarded by the sight of anything alien or dangerous. The fleet returned; we fueled them and then were sent to Manus Island for further escort duty.

Manus was hot. The harbor was lovely and its green, lush hills inviting, but the land was reported filled with disease and we were not allowed ashore. The situation was a pleasant one. There were no supply ships, no warships other than destroyers, and therefore, no running around trying to fill some of the deeds a destroyer always has. We just relaxed.

The leisure of Manus was soon ended and we returned to Pearl Harbor to practice for the invasion of Saipan, Tinian, and Guam; our Pacific targets were getting bigger. We went through the usual routine of a Pearl Harbor training period and then set forth for Saipan with two baby carriers under our wing.

Saipan brought our first action. At first, all was quiet for us. The planes from our "jeeps" went in every day and bombed and strafed and fought. Theirs was the real war. Then at dusk one day, a force of Japanese planes were reported coming our way. Our planes took off into the deepening darkness, well aware that night would catch them there before they returned, and that no one had ever made a night landing on a CVE before. Of a force of 40 enemy planes, our aviators accounted for 25. Of 15 who reached our force, none made a successful attack, and none returned. The Japanese tactics were strange and highly inadequate. They attacked only the carriers and made such a straight, steady run for them, that they were perfect targets for our guns. We accounted for 3 planes that day and were justly proud.

Night had fallen when the last enemy plane fell, and now our planes came home to rest. It was a tragic ending to our day. The "jeep" aviators,

completely untrained in night landings, did their best to bring their planes in safely, but many were unsuccessful. There were crashes on the flight decks, and landings in the water. The destroyers rescued some, but others were lost in the hopeless darkness. They gave their lives that we might live.

The next night at the same time, it was the same story. This time, the Japanese didn't even reach us. Our planes had again taken off to meet them, doubly aware, since the tragedy of the night before, of what awaited them. They faltered not. We attained a great respect for the "jeeps" carrier and more for the pilots who rode them. Their courage and their flying ability were glorious to behold.

That was all the action we saw during the Saipan campaign. Our forces had knocked down 54 planes in one week; it must have been far higher by the time we left.

From Saipan, we graduated. We joined the glamorous, far-reaching, hard-hitting Task Force 58. We spent about a week with them while their planes bombarded Guam. Saipan and Tinian had fallen. Guam had not long to live. At the end of the week we were no longer needed, the Marines were mopping up, and we returned to Entiwetok for logistics and for rest. This time our leisure was earned.

We spent a surprising three weeks in Entiwetok. Normally a destroyer doesn't rest so long. Then we went on a series of operations of greatest scope than any yet attempted--we went nearly to the shores of Japan.

The next invasion was on Palau. We started operations about ten days before D-Day, attacking the Philippine Islands and Formosa. Our first raid was on Mindanao and resistance was surprisingly low. So low, that Admiral Halsey changed his plans and decided to press the attack farther North. But before we left, came the notable battle of Sanco Point.

The morning of our attack on Mindanao, our planes sighted a convoy of 50 Japanese sampans and freighters headed North. Four destroyers and 2 cruisers were sent to intercept and destroy them. The Morrison was one of these, in fact, was leading the attack force. By the time our task unit had reached the convoy, the planes had bombed and strafed it so severely that the remaining pickings were very meager. Not more than 15 sampans remained and of these, several were burning and in a sinking condition. We closed for the kill in what was probably the most unequal Naval engagement of the war. The only weapons possessed by the sampans were machine

guns and depth charges. Some did not have these. Within an hour, the "Battle of Sanco Point" was concluded and a mighty victory was ours. All of the sampans were destroyed except one or two which fled into the offshore maze of caves and small islands and eluded our guns. During this action, the Morrison had established the honor of being the first American surface combat ship to enter a harbor in the Philippines since the Japanese occupation of them.

We pushed on to Cebu, Luzon, Manila, Formosa, and Okinawa. Air opposition increased but the Japanese were very seldom able to get through our planes and reach the task force. Occasionally, a few filtered in, but always the carriers were attacked, the destroyers ignored, and always the attack failed. A few bombs were dropped, a few torpedoes fired, but none were accurate. At night, particularly off Formosa, we were annoyed with planes and spent a large part of our nights at G. Q. We fired at bogies several times but never connected.

As we raced far afield, the land forces captured Peletieu and Anguar after a very bloody struggle. Palau and its northern anchorage, Kossol Roads, were ours. This was very open and consequently poor anchorage. A better one was Ulithi and here the next invasion force moved, only to find the enemy had departed. Ulithi Atoll was ours without firing a shot.

Shortly after Ulithi had been occupied, we anchored within her lagoon only to be driven out after a one day stay by a typhoon. Once again, we experienced the old off-the-coast-of-Oregon sensation, but by this time, we had grown salty and our stomachs stood the gaff. It was nonetheless very irritating and uncomfortable.

The typhoon abated, we returned to Ulithi, provisioned and fueled, and returned to our Philippines-to-Okinawa run. At last, the long awaited day came. On October 20th, we invaded the Philippines.

At first the Philippine invasion met with far less opposition than had been expected. But the Japs were gathering their strength and on October 24th, sent their fleet to meet ours. Part of their fleet surprised us, sneaking through the Suriagao Straits and sinking several of our "jeep" carriers (two of which - the Gambier Bay and the Saint Lo - previously the Midway, had

been escorted by the Morrison to Saipan) and destroyers. The battle was conducted at long range by our planes and enemy craft were falling out of the skies at a high rate of speed.

Somehow, one Jap got through and succeeded in dropping a bomb on the Princeton. This turned out to be a very lucky hit for the enemy. Several torpedo warheads aboard the carrier were set off and numerous fires started. This got out of control and the word to abandon ship was given. The "Moe", Irwin, Cassin Young, Gatling, and two carriers, the Reno and the Birmingham, were sent to assist. The destroyers rescued all but 114 of the 1,530 Princeton personnel, the Morrison rescuing more than 400 and the Irwin over 600.

We had also gone alongside the Princeton to fight fire and it was here that we met our Waterloo. Our bridge became caught between the Princeton's stacks, and we could move neither forward or astern - we were stuck alongside. Since neither ship had any way on, they were rocked against each other by the choppy seas. With each rock, the carrier tore off another piece of the lighter destroyer's superstructure. Where, with the aid of a towline from the Irwin, we finally escaped from our predicament, we had no mast, our bridge was half torn off, two Ohm directors were gone, both stacks were destroyed and two jeeps had dropped off the carrier onto our main deck. But we had no casualties from the fire fighting or the damage from the smash-up by the Princeton, and we might have easily been even less fortunate:

Ten minutes later, a third of the Princeton was blown off by a terrific explosion. The Birmingham was alongside and suffered terrific casualties - 300 dead and 400 seriously wounded. Had we been 10 minutes late, we would probably have been sunk.

We returned the survivors to Ulithi, and then departed for the States with the Irwin and the Birmingham. The Irwin had suffered damage also. We had been out for a period of 10 months. The States would be welcome.

On Nov. 17th, the Mighty Moe moored in Hunter's Point Naval dry-docks, just outside San Francisco. Home again. We stayed until February 10th and it is doubtful if any ship had a more joyful stateside visit. The men had 25 day's leave, the officers 16. There was plenty of liberty. We had

a splendid brawl of a Ship's Party and were very sorry indeed to leave. (Roger was home on leave at this time.)

But leave we must, and on February 10th we doleful cast off our moorings and steamed to Pearl Harbor. The authorities there, anxious to get us back into the spirit of war, put us through a stiff and sleepless group of shore bombardment exercises, and sent us on our way to Ulithi, and from there to the next invasion spot. Okinawa.

Our squadron was no longer with the glamour-boys of Task Force 58. We had joined the ranks of the real fighting, hard-working Navy--the shore bombardment force. Our initiation was rapid. The Morrison arrived off the shores of Okinawa Dminus 7 day and bombardment was commenced at once. From the sea Okinawa looked beautiful, civilized, well-cultivated, and with a climate, cool and comfortable. For several days we bombarded and for several nights retired. Occasionally we occupied off-shore patrol stations, conducted night harassing fire, and once a good sound contact developing, dropped two full patterns of depth charges, but without definite result.

One night the Stockton made a sound contact and expended all her depth charges in the attack. We were sent to assist, and as we arrived (we had been operating 39 miles from the Stockton at the time we got word to go to her aid) on the scene, the submarine was observed to surface, but to immediately submerge. We obtained sound contact and dropped pattern of charges. Seconds later, the submarine again surfaced and was taken under fire by our guns. It was raked with 40mm and 5 inch fire, until, after a large explosion, near or on, the conning tower, it up-ended and sank beneath the surface. It was presumed destroyed, we cruised the area for the rest of the night and in the morning found the sea covered with large oil slicks and a great amount of debris. In the middle of this a lone survivor clung to a small spar while nearby, a dead companion was being nibbled at by a voracious shark. We put over a small boat and recovered the live survivor, found him in excellent physical condition, but unwilling to give any information. He was turned over to an intelligence officers in the harbor at Kerama

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**NOTICES**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners Court will receive sealed bids until 9:00 a.m. Monday, November 8, 1999 in the Coke County Clerk's Office for the following:

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**ROBERT LEE WATER DEPARTMENT**

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## ...Reflections

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Rhetto. The submarine was believed to be one of the largest operated by the Japanese Navy. It was presumed to be of the I-5 class, which has a beam of 29 feet as compared to a destroyers 30 feet, and is 318 feet long.

Following the submarine episode, was more shore bombardment, called fire harassing and night illumination. One night in close confines of Nakagusuku Wan, we were attacked by suicide boats. They were sunk by the Anthony, aided by illumination from the Morrison.

Then we were assigned to radar picket duty. (Another name, dubbed this duty by destroyer sailors, is "Destroyer Demobilization Plan #5). At this time, the enemy was sinking or damaging well over a destroyer a day in the Okinawa area, and the majority of these were radar pickets. The assignment was not a pretty one.

We obtained extra radio equipment, and a fighter-director team, and made our wills out and set out. Our first stations were easy- #10 and #7 southwest of Okinawa. During the day nothing happened; at night in #10, we had occasional raids but no vigorous attacks were made upon us. Meanwhile the Jap suicide planes--the dreaded Kamikaze, were knocking out the other stations, especially those in the North.

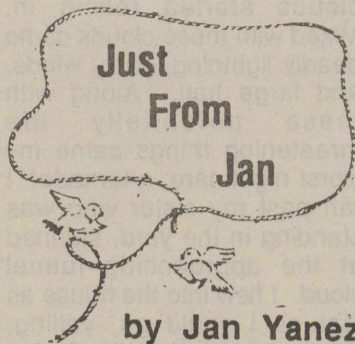
Then we were sent to station #2 and there were bogies around us all night long. Still we were not attacked. Next day was cloudy. The suicide planes did not operate in bad weather. We had been shifted to station #1, the hottest in the lot. We knew the Japs were storing up planes, and expected a heavy attack on the first clear day.

May the 4th dawned bright and clear. The attack came at about 0715, a force later estimated at about 25 suicide planes. Our combat Air Patrol was out to meet them and shot them down faster than the reports could come in to us. But that was not fast enough. Some got through. The first run on us was a strafing run. We never found out whether or not any of our men were hit. Our next close escape was occasioned by a bomb dropped a few yards off our starboard beam. This did no damage. Close upon this came a suicide plane which crashed into #1 stack and the bridge causing heavy casualties, and putting all radar and radios, and the main battery director out of commission. A few minutes later, suicide #2 hit #2 stack, and #3 hit gun #3 and #4 hit gun #5. All these were under attack by our planes and under fire from our own guns. They were hit repeatedly, but could not be stopped. After the fourth hit, the stern went under water and the ship began to list badly to starboard. The word was passed to abandon ship. One hundred and fifty two men were left behind, either killed or trapped. The Morrison was no more.

Thus ended the career of James Evan Rogers, Fireman 1st class USNR of Bronte missing in action in the line of duty May 4, 1945 aboard the USS Morrison off the coast of Okinawa during WWII.

### Figuroa makes 'hole-in-one'

Mike Figuroa of San Angelo made a 'hole-in-one' at the Singing Winds golf course in Bronte, Thursday, October 14th. Mike was using a utility club and a Pinnacle Extreme ball on hole #6, 185 yards, par 3. The hole-in-one was witnessed by Jim Morrow, Kenneth Campbell, and Pete Venegas. This was Mike's second hole-in-one this year at Singing Winds.



by Jan Yanez  
Coke County  
Ext. Agent

### Sugar: Sweet by any name

As a nation, Americans consume more sugar than any other food additive - over 125 pounds per person each year! Unfortunately, this excess sugar consumption can lead to both tooth decay and obesity. Many of us believe that some sugars are better for us than others, but the fact is sugar, glucose, fructose, lactose, dextrose and all of the "oses" have little or no nutritive value. In fact, the only thing sugar offers us is 4 empty calories per gram. To help cut down your intake of sugar, it helps to know the various names for sugar and to read food labels carefully for hidden sources of sugar.

Check food labels for these common types of sugars. When manufacturers list sugar, they are referring to sucrose only.

\*Sucrose is common table sugar, refined, raw, turbinado, brown, molasses, and powdered.

\*Lactose or milk sugar occurs naturally in milk products.

\*Total invert sugar is a mixture of glucose and fructose sold only in liquid form.

\*Fructose/Levulose in its natural state is the sugar found in fresh fruit and honey; it is also made commercially from corn sugar.

\*Corn syrup is produced by the action of enzymes or acids in cornstarch.

\*Dextrose/Glucose is also known as blood sugar. All carbohydrates in the body break down glucose.

\*Maltose is manufactured from starch.

\*Sorbitol, manitol, malitol, xylitol are actually sweet alcohols or polyols. They occur naturally in fruit, but are commercially produced from such sources as dextrose.

Although artificial sweeteners can be useful especially for diabetes they should be used in moderation.

\*Saccharin is a non-nutritive sweetener that is not recommended for children or pregnant women.

\*Aspartame is a sugar substitute with no calories, has been widely tested and appears to be safe in moderation.

Because of our love of sweets, food manufacturers often use added sugars to make commercial foods more appealing to our palates. Even non-sweet foods like ketchup, salad dressing, breads, and luncheon meats often contain added sugars. Before you place an item in your shopping cart, check the label for any of the above mentioned sugars. Be sure to read the entire label. Manufacturers are allowed to list the various types of sugar separately. For instance, a



These children in the Robert Lee Head Start program recently received a brushing and flossing demonstration presented by Jan Yanez, Coke County Extension Agent. These children included Fred Arthur, Taylor Brackeen, Charissa Caston, Quinton Coppedge, Hanna Hamrick, Bianca Huapilla, Kevin Saucedo, Amber Thurman, Jacob Torres, Jayton Torres, and Shania Valadez.

popular snack cracker lists both sugar and high fructose corn syrup among its contents, while a butter topped wheat bread contains sugar, honey, and corn syrup as added ingredients.

### District VIII Texas Garden Clubs

The Fall Convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., will convene in Ozona, Texas October 29-30, 1999. Host clubs will be Reagan Garden Club of Big Lake, Mildred Parker Garden Club of Iraan, Yellow Rose Garden Club of Rankin and Ozona Garden Club. Theme for the meeting will be Design & Gardening a Creative Landscape.

Pre-convention activities begin with registration at 4:00-6:00 p.m., October 29 at Crockett County Museum, followed by a tour of the Museum from 6:30-7:00 p.m. and a Dutch Treat dinner at El Chatos Restaurant.

Saturday, October 30 registration is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and a Continental Breakfast at the Crockett County Civic Center. Executive meeting is at 8:30 a.m. Business session begins at 9:30 a.m. Lunch and program will follow. The featured speaker, Andra K. Chamberlin from Midland, Texas will present a slide entitled Butterfly Gardening. Co-Chairmen for the

Convention are Mrs. Jan Van Shoubrouek and Mrs. Carmen Sutton of Ozona. Registration Chairman is Mrs. Charlotte Harrell, Drawer B, Ozona, Texas 76943.

Patti Ivey from Robert Lee and a member of San Angelo Garden club is serving District VIII as Conservation Chairman.

### Wright pays visit to the area

Melinda Wright came from Gardendale to visit her mother, Sondra Hester; and to listen to the Battle of the Bands for Bob. Three of Mindy's cousins play in the Texas Cowboys choir.

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The ladies decided that all the bands were outstanding.

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**Eubanks-Pedersen publish stories in The High School Writer**

(Editor's Note: The following stories were taken from the October issue of The High School Writer, Junior High Edition.)

**Thirteen, Cattle Trouble**

by Chris Eubanks

The gray sky looked like it would rip open any minute. John Howard spurred his old paint and set a course for the bunkhouse, but he had looked for the last bull too long.

The rain came down on his old worn out straw hat and lanky poncho. He saw the clouds turning green and sped up; it was fixing to hail. He stood up in his stirrups and squinted through the sheet of rain, trying to find the muddy road. He sank his spurs into his tired horses flank and said, "Giddy up!" His paint jumped to a gallop and turned to the bunkhouse.

When they arrived, the hail had just started as John got in the stable. He left the saddle on the horse, because he knew he needed to go out for supplies when the rain let up. As he reached the dogrun of his old rickety bunkhouse, he fretted about telling the boss about the lost cattle.

"Lost a bull and one cow," he murmured, with a reluctant glance.

"Did ya find any critters crawling around with em?" asked Bill Martin.

"Makes four in two months an 'taint found a one," commented Ray Powell.

"Go into town, see what ya can find out," commented Bill with a thought in mind.

"Is it ok if Ray comes with me to get supplies? We're darn near out o' everything, except dust," John asked, with a grin.

"Sure, he ain't worked all week, right, fellas?" laughed Bill.

"Let's go, now's as good as any, grab your rifle and your hos," said John.

The horses were kicking up mud as they were nearing town. In the distance they saw a figure that looked as though it was trying to hide in

the thick brambles. John slowed his horse and the figure disappeared. Cautiously, they continued into town.

While getting the necessary supplies, the store keeper told them about a band of known cattle rustlers.

"Call 'emselfes Coyotes, I believe, bad bunch, I'd say," he commented.

They rode home with no more news or mishaps.

"Cattle rustler in Alpine?" asked Bill in stunned disbelief. "You sure you heard right?"

"Sure did, Coyotes they call 'emselfes," said John with a straight face. "Well, well, we'll fix'em up tonight, right, boys?" yelled Bill. The rest of the men nodded.

John was nervous, sitting behind the catclaw bush. If everything went as planned, the rustlers would try to get the cattle and the bunk boys will catch them red handed. While John was thinking, the herd started to move. John sprang from behind his bush and headed for the herd. The rest of the bunk boys did the same. When he got close he raised his rifle in his sweaty palm and suddenly a thirteen year old boy came out of the herd, leading a bull.

"Stop!" yelled John in an angry voice. "Don't move."

The boy fell to the ground crying, "Don't shoot, I was just trying to get food for my family, please don't shoot me."

John and Bill talked with the boy and they found he had a family of ten, and his father was dead. They made an agreement with the boy, if he would help every day but Sunday, until his family got on their feet, he would get two cows per month to feed his family.

**Storm Warning**

by Joanna Pedersen

It seemed like a normal day, but little did I know that was all about to change for the worst. The sun was shining brightly, birds were singing, and children were playing. It was Saturday, June 10, 1997.

Although the day started out great, at about two p.m. that afternoon, big black

clouds started rolling in. Mixed with these clouds came deadly lightning, gusty winds, and large hail. Along with these potentially life threatening things came my worst nightmare, a tornado! I ran past my sister who was standing in the yard, stunned at the approaching funnel cloud. I flew into the house as fast as I could go, yelling, "Mom, tornado!" "What? Oh, no! Grab the dog, get your sister, and come on! Lets go!", my mom wailed as she swept past me to the swinging doors of the storm shelter. I shoved a couch cushion into the shelter that I grabbed on the terrifying rush to the cellar. "Everyone is in, but wait, the dog," I thought, "Where's the dog? She isn't here, I have to get her!"

I slammed the shelter doors open. Whack, a small branch twirling through the air hit me as I climbed the stairs. The air was choked with debris. There she was, "Come, Sandy. Here, girl!" I called through the roaring wind and flying fragments. When everyone was safe inside the shelter, I shut and locked both

shelter doors. The wind howled and tried to rip the doors open!

"Somebody help me!", I screeched as I sprinted to the bulging cellar doors to keep them from flying open. Finally the wind died down and we sat still, too horrified to move. "Can I open the doors?" I asked my mother. "Yes, open the doors," mom instructed as she moved to my side.

Our house was still there, but our neighbors house was demolished. We ran out searching for them. They were searching for us. We saw each other and clung together as if bound by glue. That was the day I learned to appreciate nature's wrath and life itself.

**SS website explains death benefits**

Social Security has designed a new web page to help family members take care of their Social Security business when a beneficiary dies. The page provides useful information for survivors in an easy-to-read format and can be accessed from "Social Security Online" by visiting [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov) and

clicking on the title, "What to Do When a Beneficiary Dies."

Fredi Franki, Social Security manager in San Angelo, Texas, notes that the loss of a loved one is a difficult and stressful time for families, and people are often unsure of what information they need to report to Social Security or the correct way to handle Social Security benefits received after death. "By accessing the new page, you can find out how and when to notify Social Security and what to do with benefits paid by check or by direct deposit," Franki said. "You also can learn about monthly survivors benefits payable to eligible family members and the \$255 one-time lump sum death benefit."

For more detailed information about survivors benefits and how to apply for them, you can download the following publications: Survivors Benefits (SSA Pub. No. 05-10084) and Understanding the Benefits (SSA Pub. No. 05-10024).

Copies of both publications may also be requested from your local Social Security office or by calling Social Security toll-free at 1-800-772-1213.

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