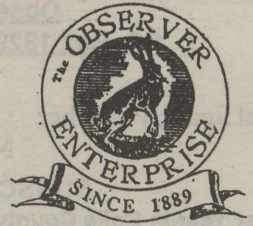


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Jordan inducted into West Texas Music Hall of Fame

Long time country musician Troy Jordan has recently been inducted into the West Texas Music Hall of Fame. Jordan was presented the award by Mayor Garland Davis in a brief ceremony at the Robert Lee Rec Hall last Thursday night.

The list of vocalists honored by the Hall of Fame is an exclusive one. Such legendary talent as Lefty Frizzell, Ronnie Dunn, the Gatlin Brothers, Tommy Overstreet, Roy Orbison, Fess Parker, Ernest Tubb, Tanya Tucker, and Jeannie C. Riley have been named to the roll of honorees.

Jordan's credentials and biography, overviewed by Robert Lee Mayor Garland Davis at the time of the presentation, are extensive, to say the least. Troy Jordan was born on September 11, 1924, at Duke, Oklahoma (near Altus). He started playing the fiddle at about eight years of age.

In 1936, Troy and his brother, eight year old Lloyd, were playing dances in the

Muleshoe, Texas area. During this time, Troy also played with Uncle John Wills (father of Bob Wills), Billy Jack and Luke Wills on KICA at Clovis, NM every Saturday morning.

He graduated from high school in 1942 and served in the army from 1943 to 1947. After the service, he played with the Cross B Boys from 1945 til 1945, and played with his own band from 1949 until 1955, backing such stars as Elvis Presley and Jerry Lee Lewis when they toured in West Texas.

In 1952, Troy was playing three radio shows every Saturday on KMID in Midland. In 1956 & 57, Jordan played with the Miller Brothers, the #2 rated dance band behind Hank Thompson's. During the oil boom, Troy was the front guy for a five piece band which played six matinees and seven nights a week.

In 1979 Jordan moved to Robert Lee. He now plays with Jr. Pelzel and the Country Showmen, plus once a month for Bill McAdoo's band

Regional Football Play-Off Game!

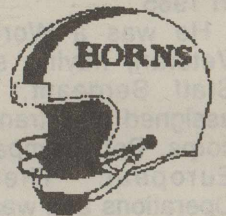
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and twice a month for the Coke County Cavaliers.

After three quarters of a century of entertaining in the West Texas area, Troy Jordan is finally receiving the recognition he deserves for a lifetime of involvement in country music.

RL Fall Clean-Up

The Fall Clean-Up campaign for Robert Lee is underway. Sponsored by the City of Robert Lee and Trashaway Services, the clean-up effort will allow residents of the city a chance to get rid of clutter around their homes and businesses.

City residents serviced on Tuesday will receive free curb side pick up on Saturday, December 4. City residents serviced on Friday will receive service on Saturday, December 11. Trucks will begin at 7:00 am.

All residents are asked to be available to assist loading items over 50 pounds. NO trailer loads, NO household trash, tires, batteries or chemicals will be accepted.

Christmas Greetings set for Dec. 24

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

Deadline for this year's greetings is December 21. They will be printed in the December 24 edition of the *Observer/Enterprise*. For more information or to place an ad, contact the Bronte office at 473-2001 or 453-2433 in Robert Lee.

RL businesses prepare for "Open House"

Several Robert Lee businesses are planning for "holiday open house" activities today (November 26). As has been the custom for many years, local businesses will honor their customers with discounted prices on merchandise, treats and eats, and some good holiday cheer.

Don't forget the season of lights at Bryan's Barn, which will open again this year on December 1 and will light up Messbox Creek every evening until December 31. Bryan's Barn will be open from 6:00 until 10:00. If you've never been there, go west from the courthouse in Robert Lee on 7th Street until you see the lights.

On Saturday, December 4, the First United Methodist Church has planned a Christmas Parade beginning at 10:00 am, followed by "Celebrate Jesus" activities throughout the weekend. For more information, contact the First UMC at 453-2417.

RL Food Baskets to be distributed

The First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee will be making and distributing food baskets to needy families for Thanksgiving and again at Christmas.

If you are a family or know of a family in need of one of these food baskets, please write the name of the family and an address where this can be delivered to them, and mail it to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 144, Robert Lee, Texas 76945, or call Carla Wojtek at 453-2911 between 8:30-5:00.

Entries needed for the Christmas parade

According to the Rev. Jim Reeves, pastor of First United Methodist Church, entries are still needed for the Christmas parade to be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, December 4, in Robert Lee. The Christmas parade is the kickoff for the "Celebrate Jesus" activities. Following the parade, there will be a worship service to celebrate the 2000th birthday of the Christ child. The worship service will symbolically unite Christians in this community with the Christians who will be worshipping in Bethlehem on the 4th. There will be refreshments served following the worship service and the afternoon will include a gospel singing featuring different groups and individuals.

Entries for the parade can include floats, tractors, classic cars, bicycles, horses and others. Santa Claus will also make an appearance during the parade. Anyone wishing to enter the parade may do so by calling the First UMC at 453-2417.

Downtown Longhorn pep rally slated

The Bronte Longhorns will play their regional play-off game this Friday, November 26, at 7:30 pm at Wylie Stadium in Abilene. The pep rally will begin Friday at 4:15 pm downtown (between Bivins Insurance and the bank) with a send-off following. Everyone is encouraged to meet downtown for the pep rally and send-off to show your support for the Bronte Longhorns.



Troy Jordan (left) was inducted into the West Texas Music Hall of Fame recently. Thursday evening, November 18, Robert Lee Mayor Garland Davis presented the award during a brief ceremony at the Robert Lee Rec Hall.

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Obituaries

Leland Carlton

Leland Carlton, 79, died Sunday morning, November 21, 1999, in San Angelo Community Hospital. He lived in the Maverick and Bronte area all of his life and was a farmer and rancher.

He married Dorothy Frances Thomas March 21, 1945, in Ballinger.

She preceded him in death in 1985.

He was a World War II Veteran, having served as Staff Sergeant, and was assigned to a transportation corps, Port Company in the European Theater of Operations and was involved in four major invasions.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Maverick, Texas. He was the son of Leslie and Mona

Carlton of Maverick and is survived by: two grandchildren, Ron Carlton and wife, Heather, of Happy, Texas; and Cyndi Carlton of Arlington, Texas; one great-grandson, Quincy Kent Carlton of Happy, Texas; two sisters Mildred Sandlin and Frances Loving, both of Abilene, Texas, one brother, Russell Carlton of Maverick; many friends and other family members.

There was a visitation from 7 pm until 8 pm November 22, at the Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger with Military/Graveside services November 23 at 10 am in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte under direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger.

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Death Notices

Arthur

Lane Paige Arthur, 51, Coke County Attorney and Naval Reserve Chief, died Wednesday, November 17, 1999, in San Angelo Community Hospital.

Services were held at 1:30 pm Saturday at the Robert Lee Baptist Church with grave side services at the Coahoma cemetery at approximately 4 pm with full military honors. Frank Daniels and Ken Green, Church of Christ ministers, officiated. They were also assisted by Rick Flournoy, Navy chaplain.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Nancy Firebaugh

Mackey

Erschel Emogene Mackey, 92, of Bronte died Wednesday, November 17, 1999 at a Bronte nursing home.

Services were at 2:00 pm Saturday, November 20, 1999, at the Bronte Church of Christ, officiated by John Driggers. Burial followed in the Fairview Cemetery, under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one son, Dolan.

She is survived by two grandsons, Tony Mackey of Bronte and Tim Mackey of Arlington; four great grandchildren, Reagan, Travis, both of San Angelo, Ty and Blake McKee of Bronte; and one daughter-in-law, Betty Morgan.

Arthur, his sons Lauren "Drake" Arthur and Frank Arthur; his daughter Emily Ruth Arthur, all of Robert Lee; his father R.D. "Rip" Arthur of Coahoma, Texas; his brother Danny Arthur of Longview, Texas; his aunt Mary Helen Broaderick of Conroe, Texas; his aunt Ritzzy Anderson of China Spring, Texas; his aunt Earlene Williams of Ashland, Kentucky; a niece Tracey Maples of Lubbock; and a nephew, Jay Arthur, of Longview, Texas.

Free Christmas concert and party

A free Christmas concert and party for children of all ages is set for Saturday, December 4, 1999 at the Abilene Civic Center at 10:00 am to 12 pm.

Maestro Shinik Hahm will be conducting the Philharmonic Orchestra. Special guests will be the Abilene Philharmonic Youth Orchestra.

The Abilene Philharmonic Community Outreach Committee's objective is to provide an awareness of the orchestra; to promote a love for music and have something special at Christmas for children.

There will also be pictures with Santa, refreshments, singing Christmas carols and fun with Patches the clown.

For more information call 915-677-6710.

Veterans Memorial Committee works hard for upcoming dedication

The Veterans Memorial Committee is still working hard to get the monument and ground improvements finished and plan an unforgettable dedication ceremony before December 4. Ettie Hubbard is working many hours taking care of communications and record keeping and helping out with publicity. She and Dorothy Collins were guests on the radio station KRUN in Ballinger where they informed the listeners about the monument and the dedication. Dorothy used homecoming lists, old newspapers, the internet, libraries, and searching gravestones in cemeteries, etc. for names of veterans, and been available to do any job, big or small, to promote the committee's goals. With Martin Lee in charge, the foundation for the monument is almost finished. Royce Lee is coordinating the TV coverage of the dedication as well as assisting in all committee efforts. He is recording the progress of the building of the monument on film. The inscribing of names on the monument is right on schedule, according to Gary Shaffer. Dorthey Pruitt is seeing to all the details of the dedication and coordinating the committees who are responsible for the program, decorations, memorabilia displays, parking and publicity. Dorthey, Gary Shaffer, and Loretha Knight appeared on a KLST-TV program with Pat Attebury to spark interest in the monument and to invite the viewers to come to the dedication. Loretha has recorded a spot to be aired on the radio stations and put articles in area newspapers.

This great endeavor has received much interest and cooperation from many area people. Perhaps the highest interest has been sparked by the stories of our heroes which have appeared in the "Reflections of the Past" series in the Observer-Enterprise. Hal Spain has informed us that they have

been very well received. We thank all those who have helped collect the stories that are being used. We also thank Coke County's unofficial historian, Flora Smith, who has quite a collection of historical articles she has been saving since around WWII. She gave us pertinent information about James David "Tinker" Vaughn and A. J. Kunkle. We cannot mention all the people who have helped with these stories but we can name a few: Pat Murphy of Hobbs, NM; Bobby Clark of Abilene, TX; Lloyd Hudman of San Angelo, TX; Mary McGinnis of Eldorado, TX; Mary Love Berryman of Houston, TX; Lora Belle Brown of Tennyson, TX; Ms Josephine Bird of Corpus Christi, TX; Mrs. William L. Archer of San Angelo, TX; Frankie Beth Fletcher Williams of Las Vegas, NV; Irene Hardy of Snyder, TX; Marlene Vaughn of Bronte, TX; Ava Lou Davis of Robert Lee, TX; Edward Cumbie of Bronte, TX; Gladys Mae Simms of San Angelo, TX; Tommy Kiker Melton of Arlington, TX; and others.

This monument project has perhaps claimed more cooperation than any one Coke County effort that we know of. Next week we will tell more about the results of this phenomenon.

Don't forget to bring all the memorabilia that you want displayed in the historic depot. Also bring your lawn chairs and join us for a great dedication on December 4. Registration is at 10:15 am and the program will be at 11:00 am.

Christmas Concert slated

December 13 at 6:00 pm Bronte ISD has scheduled the Annual Band Christmas Concert featuring the Jr High & High School bands.

Following the concert, an open house of the new facilities will be held and refreshments will be served in the Commons Area.

Everyone is invited and will find the evening enjoyable and worthwhile.

Bronte's Country Christmas To Be Held

Bronte's Country Christmas Celebration will be more fun than ever this year. The day will start early with the dedication of the Veterans Memorial at the old depot on Saturday, Dec. 4. Registration starts at 10:15, and the Confederate Air Force Flyover will kick off the ceremonies at 11:00.

At 1:00, the children will begin their celebration by meeting at the gazebo. They're encouraged to dress up as any Looney Tune or Walt Disney movie character. They'll parade on the downtown sidewalks. Then they'll get to make Christmas cookies and tree ornaments. Then they'll have a special story time and get to have their pictures made with Santa. Pat Lee and friends will help Santa's elves.

From 6:00 to 8:00, there will be free hot chocolate and entertainment at the mini park. The youth of First Baptist Church will do a skit. Other churches will provide music and a live nativity scene. Everyone can drop off their ballots to vote for the favorite home and business decorations.

There will be open houses, food booths, and bake sales, so there will plenty of food and fun for everyone.

Any organization wanting to have a fundraising food booth needs to contact Marilyn Bivins at 473-6791.

Churches of Robert Lee

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PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
(915) 453-2417
Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship
Wed. 7 pm Choir
- Northside Church of Christ**
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(915) 453-2619 or 453-2270
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Wed. 7 pm
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Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship
- Southside Church of Christ**
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
(915) 453-2176
Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Worship
- Robert Lee Baptist Church**
PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
(915) 453-2724
Bro. Waide Messer, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church**
601 W. 10th
(915) 365-2687
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm

This "old" cowboy will pass the half century mark December 1st!



But it's not time for him to hang up his spurs yet!

**Happy 50th Birthday
BRUCE SONNENBERG!**



Robert Lee Mayor Garland Davis (center) recounted Troy Jordan's musical history during ceremonies honoring the recent West Texas Music Hall of Fame inductee Thursday night, November 18. He is surrounded by the Coke County Cavaliers (from left) Tommy Harvell, Troy Jordan, Bill McAdoo, Sammy Duncan, Don Lawrence, and Add Davis. Not pictured is band member Johnny Sevier. The Coke County Cavaliers play approximately half a dozen dates each month in the West Texas area.

Junell taking applications for Texas Aerospace Scholars Program

State Representative Robert Junell is pleased to announce that he will be taking applications for the Texas Aerospace Scholars Program that encourages Texas high school students to pursue studies in math, science, engineering or computer science.

The State of Texas, in partnership with NASA and the Texas educational community, developed the program to offer Texas High school students the opportunity to participate in an educational program beginning February 2000 and which features a one week summer residential experience at the NASA Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston.

Selected students will take part in a variety of activities including: interactive web-based work; distance learning; on-line mentoring; briefings and tours; field trips; and a summer group project. Eligible students will be required to meet the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen
- At least 16 years of age
- Texas resident

Currently in his/her junior year of high school (rising senior)

Interest in and an aptitude for science, math, engineering or computer science

Able to commit to a one-year relationship with the JSC, including a designated one-week residential experience during the summer

Access to the Internet and e-mail (home, school or public library)

Junell will nominate two students and two alternates from his legislative district which includes Coke, Irion, Mitchell, Sterling and Tom Green counties. Final participant selections will be made by the Texas Aerospace Scholars Program.

Applications are available through Junell's San Angelo

District Office, 40 West Twohig, Suite 402, San Angelo, 915-657-0197. All applications must be returned by no later than December 15, 1999.

Abilene Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival

The seventh annual Abilene Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival will be held November 27 and 28 in the Abilene Civic Center. More than 150 exhibitors from throughout the Southwest will fill the foyer and main exhibit hall with original art and hand-crafted items. Hours for the show are Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday from noon to 5 pm. There is no admission charge.

Mel Prather, organizer for the two-day event, said the upcoming show would feature a number of first-time exhibitors. "These participants will offer items such as wood crafts, jams and jellies, salsa, cookbooks, unfinished furniture, country crafts, metal sculpture, seasonal decorations, wood vases, clothes, emu oils and lotions, jewelry, wooden Christmas trees, snowmen, porcelain dolls and children's books," Prather said.

Newcomers will also have photographs, intarsia pictures, high chairs, stools, vegetable bins, barnwood birdhouses and feeders, Christmas ornaments, hair accessories, outdoor furniture, rocking chairs, homemade candies, cedar chests, cabinets, painted candle holders, soup and dip mixes, gift baskets, wood carvings, soft sculpture, ceramics, wood yard picks, painted tins and outdoor Christmas decorations.

Returning exhibitors will offer items such as peanut brittle, appliquéd clothing, folk art, wood dolls, tole painting, barnwood furniture, barnwood frames, beef jerky, religious carvings, quilts, statuary, unfinished furniture, handmade purses, framed prints, jar candles, painted signs, scented oils, cake

candles, silverware wind chimes, kitchen crafts, sun catchers, clocks, night lights, carved fish, fishing rod holders, floral decorations, seasonal wreaths and decorated baskets.

Also back are those with jewelry, scroll saw art, corner cabinets, quilt racks, rocking horses, children's furniture, stained glass, metal art, pottery, quilted vests, "grandma" shirts, wood dolls, trash bins, floor lamps, ornate birdhouses, rustic birdhouses, carved ornaments, dress sets, silver jewelry, ceramics, and candy.

Craft Fair set for Vancourt

The Vancourt Post Office and the community will hold a pictorial Cancellation and Craft Fair to celebrate the Millennium. On December 11 booths will open at 10:00 am and close at 6:00 pm. Sunday December 12, booths will open at 12:00 until 5:00 pm. This event will take place at the Vancourt Community Center located 17 miles Southeast of San Angelo on the Eden Highway (87 South).

The Vancourt Post Office invites you to participate in the special cancellation by having a stamped envelope or post card canceled. This remembrance will be a great keepsake which acknowledges the Millennium Celebration. These envelopes, post cards and Christmas stamps will be available as well as other Holiday retail items.

For more information: Call Cindy Wilde 469-3747 (work) or 365-5915 (home).

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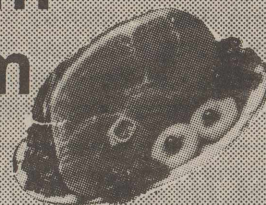
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Bronte School News

Longhorns shut out Yellowjackets for area championship

The Bronte Longhorns traveled to San Angelo last Friday night to meet the Menard Yellowjackets in a Class A Area Championship game and came away with a convincing 33-0 win.

Bronte had seventeen first downs, 192 yards rushing, 114 yards passing, 5-33 punts, 1-0 fumbles, and 8-70 penalties. Menard had nine first downs, 189 yards rushing, 32 yards passing, 2-30 punts, 3-3 fumbles, and 4-38 penalties.

The game started out as a defensive struggle with both teams exchanging punts until the Horns scored on a twenty-one yard pass play from Brandon Gibbs to Zeb Speary with four minutes and twenty-nine seconds left in the first quarter. The Pat was good from Blake McKee. The Horns continued their scoring with Jerrod McClure scoring two touchdowns and Zeb

Speary one touchdown off a Menard fumble caused by a big hit by Jesse McClure. The half ended with Bronte up 26-0.

The offensive line did a great job opening holes. They are Randy Johnson, Blake McKee, Wes Howell, Jake Graves, and Henry White. The wide-outs also did an excellent job of catching the ball and blocking down field. They include Josh Schoenfield, Ryan McCorkle, Zeb Speary, and Tim Green. The offensive backs, Brandon Gibbs, Steve Eldred, and Jerrod McClure, also had a good night carrying the mail.

The second half really turned into a defensive game as both teams had trouble moving the ball until Steve Eldred scored the Horns' last touchdown with 2:07 left in the fourth quarter. The Pat was good by Blake McKee.

The defensive line had an outstanding game. They are Shaylon Arrott, Blake McKee, Henry White and Zeb Speary. The linebackers helped by keeping the speedy Yellowjackets' backs off balance. They include Jake Graves, Wes Howell, Tim Green, and Jesse McClure.

The secondary also played well as they picked off three Menard passes. They are Ryan McCorkle, Josh

Schoenfield, and Steve Eldred. The reserves finished the last offensive series. They include Kevin Huddleston, Coby Carper, Jeremy Silva, James Bowie, Nick Shaw, Cody Sedden, Dalton Graves, Eric Johnson, and Cory English. These guys can feel good about themselves because without subs the team's success would not be there.

The next game for the Horns will be this Friday night when they travel to Abilene Wylie to take on the Paducah Dragons. Come out and show your support for the Longhorns and enjoy some football.

Bronte first grade is thankful

The Bronte first graders told Mrs. Graves what they each were thankful for.

Victoria Acevedo is thankful for her four kittens and her dogs.

Dustin Brown is thankful for his cat and for his very pretty house.

Terron Charles is thankful for football.

Reid Clark is thankful for Jerrod, Jesse, Callan, Conner, and Beau - his dog.

Taylor Hartman is thankful for the bunch of times that the Longhorns are winning.

Peyton Eubanks is thankful for Josh, Crawford, Tori, and Kelsey.

Nathan Fidler is thankful for his sister, his mom and his dad, especially for his dad.

Benny Fuentez is thankful for his family.

Joshua Hargrave is thankful for Peyton and everything in the world.

Brittani Harris is thankful for the cheerleaders.

Chase Harris is thankful for his dogs, his mom, his dad, his sister, and his big, big, brother that's in college.

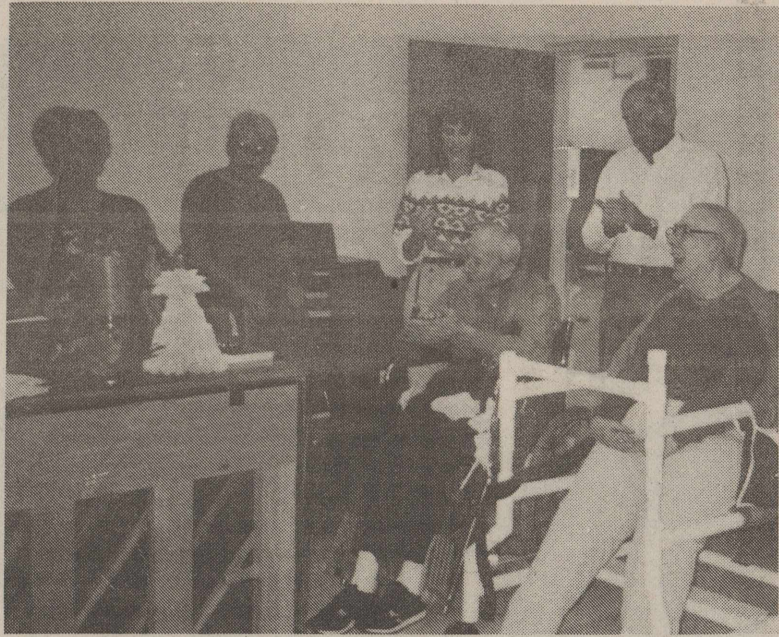
Cheyenne Hunter is thankful for cheerleaders, God, her sister, and her family.

Meagan Martin is thankful for Jesus and for birthdays.

Arlis McMullan is thankful that the Longhorns are in the playoffs, his family, his dogs, and his horses.

Dakota Rawls is thankful for his brothers.

Kerwin Rawls is thankful for



Emuel Newsome and Virgil Ashley join with the J. D. Taylor group for some good singing November 1 at Bronte Health & Rehab Center.

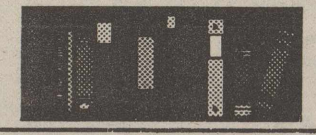


Oleta Braswell (left) and Eula Maude McCutchen (right) join Johnnie Pearl Beavers at the J. D. Taylor Singing at Bronte Health & Rehab Center on November 1.

his mom and dad.
Heath Richey is thankful for his mom, his dad, his sister, his dog, and his hamster.
Justin Saldana is thankful for his dad, mom, grandma, grandpa, his other grandma and grandpa, Uncle Mario, his

tia, Carlos, Maria, Junior, and his tia's baby.
Kelsey Sedden is thankful for Buster, Tori, and for school.
Nicholas Shults is thankful for everything in the whole wide world.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 29
Cereal, Sliced Peaches, Pop Tart, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Teddy Grams, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 1
Pancake & Sausage on a stick, Apple Juice, Donut, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 2
Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Grape Juice, Biscuit, Milk

Friday, Dec. 3
French Toast Stix, Apple Sauce, Blueberry Muffins, Milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 29
Chicken Strips w/gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, White Cake w/chocolate icing, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Nachos, Refried Beans, Tossed Salad, Nacho Chips, Jello, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 1
Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, Tossed Salad, Sweet Corn, Bread Sticks, Apple Sauce Cake, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 2
Pigs in a Blanket, Tator Tots, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Friday, Dec. 3
Chopped Bar-B-Q, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Sliced Pickles, Bun, Chips, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Milk

Blann's VB team take 5A Crown

Former Bronte coach, Zula Blann, and her Westwood Warriors defeated San Antonio Clark 15-11, 11-15, 15-3 on Saturday, November 20 for the Class 5A State High School Volleyball Championship in Austin. Blann coached Bronte to a State Championship in 1976.

Her season record this year is 40-3. The Warriors were ranked No. 1 all season, a very deserving finish for a job well done.

What a thrilling and exciting time for all who attending from Bronte were Cheyenne and Alisa Webb and LeDrew and Bobbie Arrott. Also Zula's husband Jess and daughters Shawn and Brandy were in attendance. They all celebrated at the Tony Burger Center and later at the Blann's home.

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In loving memory of Katy Belle, our dear Sister, Aunt, and Great-Aunt. We shall miss your cheerfulness, your ready laugh, and the sound of your voice. Farewell until we meet again - Melvin, Naomi, Melanie, Zane, Jamien, Mike, Joni & Steven Ross

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October 8	Santa Anna	There	7:30	28	0
October 15	Cross Plains	Here	7:30	38	0
October 22	Eden	There	7:30	27	33
October 29	Baird	There	7:30	27	30
November 5	Miles	Here	7:30	21	7
November 13	Ranger	Playoff	7:30	48	6
November 19	Menard	Playoff	7:30	33	0



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Robert Lee School News

Robert Lee Elementary School Second six weeks Accelerated Reader Honor Roll

Second grade- Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Horn

Angelica Andrade, Briana Brisbin, Cody Brosh, Dylan Deanda, Sarah Jones, Ivan Landeros, Nancy Landeros, Terry McDonald, Blake Millican, Casey Scott, Emilee Yanez, Breana Anderson, Emily Arellano, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Coppedge, Justina Gloria, Tanner Hanigan, Jacob Moreno, Stetson Nesbit, Olivia Trejo, and Jathan Williams.

Third grade- Mrs. Devoll and Mrs. McCown

Amy Barnett, Jennifer Barrett, Garrett Blair, Kaden Duncan, Chris Ford, Jasmine Gloria, Norma Rojas, Gaby Saucedo, Cori Torres, Cody Williamson, Jimmy Womack, Morgan Hill, Caleb Millican, Olga Perez, and Mason Ross.

Fourth grade- Mrs. Bessent

Allison Millican, Chase Roe, Kasie Skinner, Molly Burns, Chelsea Conner, Brody Dillard, Sterlin Ebenstein, Meagan Ford, Ashley Hopson, and Anna Rojas.

Fifth grade- Mrs. Byrne and Mrs. Roberts

Kelsy Duncan, Brian Eubanks, Colton Holmes, Dixie Johnson, Casey Nesbit, Johnathan Pagan, Rosa Rojas, Becca Skinner, Eleasar Vera, Chelle Wright, Nicole Barnett, Katie Bessent,

Jessica Long, Cody McCabe, Tony Munoz, Randall Rainwater, Brettne Reed, and Ashleigh Rogers.

Sixth grade- Mrs. Burns and Mrs. McCabe

Tina Arellano, Tiffany Bagwell, Josh Conner, Cara Eaton, Analy Gallegos, Olivia Martinez, Vincent McClelland, Amanda Robinson, Vanessa Saucedo, Stephanie Trejo, Bridgette Barnett, Lewis Hearn, Kayla Medrano, Kyla Millican, Lance Millican, Eric Ortega, Chris Kuhl Torres, Carolina Vera, Cassidy Wink.

RL JV girls lose in overtime

The Robert Lee JV girls played Garden City JV on November 16 and lost by one point in overtime. The score was RL 27 and Garden City 28.

Misti Brothers was the highpoint shooter for RL with 8 points; followed by Kindra Matthews with 6 points; Bobbie Sparks and Rachelle Mills with 4 points a piece; Christina Middleton with 3 points and Krystal Soliz with 1 point.

Fund-raising will continue

Parents and families at Robert Lee Elementary are proud to announce that the "General Mills Box Tops for Education" fund-raising program will continue into the 1999-2000 school year.

Students at Robert Lee Elementary and their parents have been collecting Box Tops from participating General Mills products like Lucky Charms, Cheerios, Fruit by the Foot, and Fruit Gushers. Schools receive ten cents for every qualifying General Mills Boxes Top collected.

Because the General Mills Box Tops for Education fund-raiser is so easy to participate in, parents hope that even more community members will take advantage of the opportunity to earn cash for the school.

Principal Janet Wallace says, "This is a great opportunity for students, parents, grandparents and the whole community to combine their efforts for the good of our school and our children's futures." She added, "I urge everyone to watch for those Box tops logos, clip them off the box, and send them to the school. We are all excited about what the A.R. books mean to our students, our elementary library, and our school."

The General Mills Box Tops for Education program is for accredited K-8 public, private, parochial, military, and home school association throughout the country. Students encourage all members of the community to collect Box Tops and send them to Robert Lee Elementary.

For more information, please contact Celeste Service, Coordinator, at 453-4555.

1999-2000 Jump Rope for Heart

Recently twenty-four third and fourth graders participated in collecting money for the American Heart Association. This year was outstanding. The children raised \$1,728.91. The Association is always amazed at how much is raised in such a small town. The students are very proud of their accomplishment and enjoy jumping rope and learning new tricks. Way to go Cody Williamson, Gaby Saucedo,

RLISD Board of Trustees meet

The Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on November 18, 1999 at 6:30 pm in the high school library. Members absent were Darrell Pitcock and Sally Gloria. The following business was conducted.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

Bills were approved. The annual audit prepared and presented by Story & Stovall, Certified Public Accountants, was reviewed and approved by the board.

The board engaged the firm of Story and Stovall as independent auditors for the 1999-2000 school year.

The purchase of a school van was tabled for further discussion at a later date.

The practice of a board representative to the District Steering Committee was discontinued on the advice of the school attorneys.

The practice of tape recording a closed session of the board except those incidents required by law was also discontinued on the advice of school attorneys. A certified agenda will be the only record of a closed session.

The Principals and Superintendent gave their monthly reports.

Robert Lee Varsity girls basketball

The Robert Lee Lady Steers are off to a slow start for the 1999-2000 season as they dropped their first two games.

In the opener it was Garden City coming out on top of the Lady Steers 41-39. DeShira Dickey led all scorers with 18 points as she connected on nine of fourteen shots from the field to go along with six rebounds. Jodee Helwig also scored in double figures with thirteen points, hitting on six of nine. Others scoring were Ashley Townsend two, Shanna Wojtek four, and Macy Hill two.

In the second game it was Coahoma handing the Lady Steers their second loss 41-30. Dickey had ten points, Helwig six, Jennifer Alexander four, Wojtek four, Hill four, and Kizre Matthews two.

The Lady Steers will be off during the Thanksgiving holidays and come back to play Garden City, there, next Tuesday and then play in the Irion County Tournament December 2-4.



Twenty-four Robert Lee 3rd and 4th graders recently helped raise money for the American Heart Association through the Jump Rope for Heart program.

Aarin Minjarez, Amy Barnett, Chase Roe, Briana Longoria, Randa Mathis, Garrett Blair, Kaden Duncan, Jessie Scott, Megan Robinson, Eddie May, Mason Ross, Morgan Hill, Melissa Martinez, Jasmine Gloria, Olga Perez, Meagan Ford, Cody Denton, Molly Burns, Ashley Hopson, Taylor Percifull, and Sterlin Ebenstein. Special recognition goes to Rebecka Saucedo who collected the most money, \$164.50.

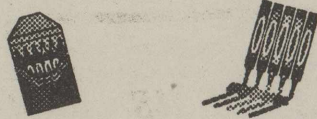
Host families needed for spring semester 2000

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.

The Share High School Exchange Program is sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust (ERDT), a non-profit educational foundation that has been promoting intercultural exchange for 25 years. The students are between 15 and 18 years of age and are eager to live with a family and learn about America. They are in need of caring families to provide a bed, meals, as well as friendship, understanding, and a genuine desire to share the American way of life with a youngster from overseas. They are carefully selected, speak English, have their own health insurance and spending money.

Families are able to review student applications and select the student they feel will best match their own interests. For more information call the ERDT Southwest Regional Office at 1-800-414-3738.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 29

Orange Juice, Blueberry Muffins, Sausage Patty, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Orange Juice, Donut, Cereal, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 1

Orange Juice, Pancake w/syrup, Sausage on stick, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 2

Orange Juice, Breakfast Burrito, Milk

Friday, Dec. 3

Orange Juice, Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 29

Nachos, Corn, Chili Beans, Gingerbread, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Chicken Fried Steak w/gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Broccoli, Cauliflower, Carrots, Rolls, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 1

Tacos w/cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Tator Tots, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 2

Chicken A La King over rice, Green Beans, Rolls, Pineapple, Milk

Friday, Dec. 3

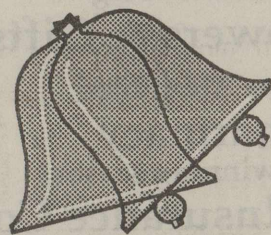
Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Potato Wedges, Rice Krispie Treats, Milk

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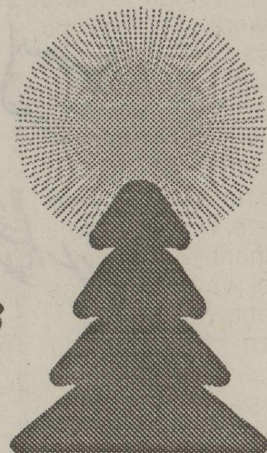
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COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Stopping winter weeds and grasses

Most annual winter grasses and weeds that plague lawns in late winter and early spring are ready to germinate now. The best way to stop them in the lawn is to apply a preemergence herbicide promptly, before their seeds germinate.

One of the worst pest plants that needs to be targeted now is henbit--a common lawn invader that brightens up the lawn with blue, but seldom-appreciated blossoms in late winter and early spring. Winter grasses, including winter rye, also germinate now. Most of our most beautiful spring wildflowers also sprout in the fall and need to be targeted now if they are considered to be "weeds" in a well manicured lawn.

Preemergence herbicides are chemicals that kill weed seedlings as they germinate. They are ineffective against weeds and grasses once they grow beyond the seedling stage. Apply a preemergent herbicide as a uniform, broadcast treatment to problem areas of the lawn. At least 1/2 inch of water--irrigation or rain--is needed after application to move the herbicide into the soil where it is activated.

Labeled preemergence herbicides for lawns include XL, Betasan, Balan and Princep. All of these materials

Smith and Brice return from trip

Raymond Smith, Bessie Brice of Robert Lee and Raymond's mother and Bessie's sister; Eugenia Davis Smith of Carlsbad, NM have returned from a trip.

They visited Eugenia's sister-in-law Bette Fae Smith Fulcher of Giddings, Tx and Alice Knighten of Liberty, Tx. They went on to Pensacola, FL and attended a revival at the Brownsville Assembly of God. From there they went south along the coast. They saw a lot of white beaches and picked up a few seashells.

They then crossed south Florida from Naples to Ft. Lauderdale along Alligator Alley. Didn't see any 'Gators there. In Ft. Lauderdale they visited Raymond's son Steve, his wife Judi and children Shannon and Stephen. They went to Miami and went to the Parrot Jungle where all manner of birds, monkeys, raccoons, spiders, turtles, flamingoes, alligators and crocodiles were. The parrots and macaws were trained to do a lot of different activities. At Ft. Lauderdale they went to a place called "Swap Shop" which was a huge "flea market type" of business. There was a circus there with very well trained elephant performers.

Along the way there was beautiful scenery to look at.

They then drove on to Columbus, Georgia and visited Bessie & Eugenia's sister Lavern Summers and her daughter and son-in-law Adrienne and Aaron Fortune. They returned to Robert Lee Saturday night.

will do a reasonably good job of stopping winter weeds and grasses if applied accurately and in time.

All of these herbicides are available in granular formulations while Betasan, Princep and other preemergence herbicides labeled for lawn use also are formulated for spray application. Most home gardeners can do a more accurate job by using a granular formulation and broadcasting it as they would fertilizer. Spray application of a preemergence herbicide should be attempted only if you have a sprayer that is capable of applying a uniform, blanket spray. The sprayer also must be accurately calibrated.

Read and follow herbicide label directions carefully. Under application can result in no weed control while over application may risk damage to the lawn.

Remember that preemergence herbicides cannot distinguish "good seed" from "bad seed." Do not use them in a lawn or garden where herbicide breakdown varies. Balan deteriorates rapidly and seed can be planted within two months after application, while XL deteriorates slowly and can prevent seed germination as long as a year after application.

Teach children pet safety

As your toddler begins to explore new territory, make sure the "Do not disturb" sign is posted close to home - next to the family pet.

"Teach young children how to interact with pets," said Dr. Jan Drutz at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Show them how to touch and hold your pet and when to leave it alone."

Children must learn that



The 1999-2000 Robert Lee 2nd grade made costumes and a Pueblo village during their Thanksgiving unit.

pets are living creatures, capable of feeling and inflicting pain. Families with small children should avoid exotic species, breeds that tend to be aggressive or pets that are kept in cages or open cases.

"Your first priority should be to maintain a safe environment for your child," said Drutz. "That may mean taking special precautions with your pet or postponing the purchase of a pet until your child is older."

4-H Poinsettia Orders

Attention 4-H members. If you have not turned in your poinsettia order please do so by November 30. Anyone wishing to place an order may contact any 4-H member or call the Extension office at 453-2461.

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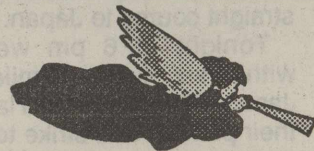
Sweetwater "Trail of Lights" parade set

The 1999 Sweetwater Trail of Lights Parade is set for Friday, November 26. A great deal of response is being generated by this year's theme of "Toyland". This is a night-time lighted parade with exciting floats, beautiful horses, classic cars, champion Samoyed dogs, and Santa Claus.

The parade will pull out into the street at exactly 6:30 pm from the parking lot at Pyron's on the East Broadway across from the Winn-Dixie, and will continue west to Oak Street

where it will travel around three sides of the Nolan County Courthouse and continue north on Elm Street to the Nolan County Coliseum. The courthouse will be beautifully lighted and is a great place from which to watch the parade.

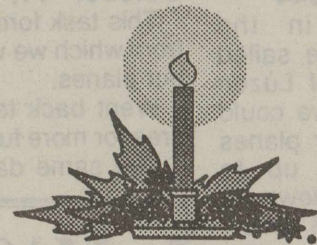
Immediately following the parade at the Coliseum Annex, free chili will be served, as everyone enjoys the Sweetwater Municipal Band and photos with Santa. For a parade entry form, contact the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce at 915/235-5488.



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Reflections of the Past

D. T. Wrinkle personal diary

June 14, 1944
The start of the bombardment on Saipan.
From "D" Day until the island was secured we bombarded. We bombarded Tenion while taking Saipan.

June 18, 1944
Task force 58 went out to meet the Jap fleet, but couldn't overtake them in their flight back to their home land. Three hundred of their carrier planes were going to attack, but our planes destroyed all but a few planes and we got the rest.

July 4, 1944
We loaded ammo.

July 20, 1944
We bombarded Guam, in the Guam invasion.

July 21, 1944
We fired in the invasion of Tenion, the invasion started that day.

August 8, 1944
We proceeded to Aneweatk for supplies and a 18 day rest.

August 29, 1944
We got under way with a fast task force headed for West Pacific.

September 3, 1944
We joined another task force in which there were fifteen carriers and seven battle ships.

September 9, 1944
Two cruisers and four destroyers left the task force on a mission to sink some small ships in the harbor of Undieraia. We sank thirteen and left others burning. This small group of ships was the first to reach the Philippines since the war began. We fired the first salvo that hit the island. We returned to our task force after completing the mission.

September 10, 1944
Still sailing around the Philippines. Our Air Force is bombing up to the Central Philippines.

September 12, 1944
We were attacked by two small Japanese bombers. One dropped his bomb, which was meant for a carrier, but missed and was shot down later.

September 21, 1944
We are back in the Philippine area. We sailed around the island of Luzon close enough, that we could see the island. Our planes bombed this area up to Manila. They shot down 35 planes and sank 35 ships, also bombed shore installations.

September 22, 1944
We were attacked by three Jap planes. They were all shot down and no damage was done to our ships.

September 24, 1944
Our planes from Task Force 384 made another blow at Mirdoia. They found a number of good targets from air and sea.

September 26, 1944
We are headed for some island base for ammunitions and get a few days rest.

September 27, 1944

We dropped anchor in the part of a recently taken island. There was still a few Jap snipers on the island. This island is in the polve group.

October 1, 1944
We are still in the harbor in the Philippine Islands. We have taken on ammo here so far.

October 2, 1944
This task force left the harbor in the Polve Islands, the following day about 5 pm. We dropped anchor in a harbor in the Carolinas Hiatus.

October 3, 1944
At 4 am a storm hit, while we were anchored in the Carolinas. The ship started drifting and we had to get under way. The sea is pretty rough now. There are swells about 15 feet high at this time, and it is getting rougher.

October 4, 1944
The storm is over, but the sea is still very rough. We are headed for some ports at this time. We returned to the Carolinas Island and anchored.

October 6, 1944
We stayed on shore all night.

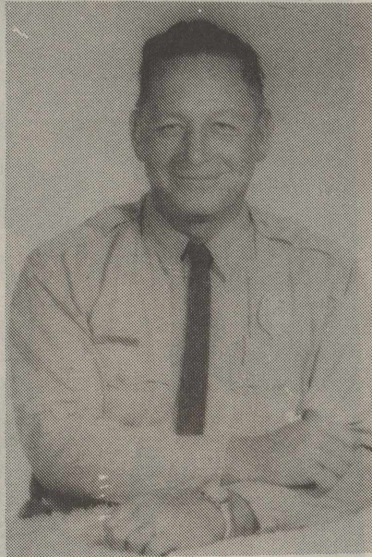
October 7, 1944
We got underway at 5:30 am. I don't know our destination, just two destroyers and an air craft carrier, one in the group with us.

October 8, 1944
We joined our old task force, took on fuel at sea and continued on to make a strike at the coast of the Japs homeland.

October 9, 1944
We are still proceeding in a straight course to Japan. Tonight at 6 pm we are within six hundred miles of Japan. The carriers will launch their planes for a strike tomorrow.

October 10, 1944
Our carriers launched their planes at five am to make their raids on the Japs. At eight they had sunk one heavy cruiser and attacked more ships at this time. At 10:00 am the light cruiser Mobil and Santa Fe left on mission to sink two cargo ships.

October 11, 1944
This task force left the area from which we were launching our planes. Went back to the refueling area for more fuel. The same day we took on



Seaman D. T. Wrinkle

fuel and headed for Formosa. We will make our next strike.

October 12, 1944
Our carriers launched their planes at 6:15 am to make the attack. We are two hundred and thirty miles off China Coast, at this time about one hundred and twenty miles from Japan. Formosa is between the two. Our planes have found many good targets at Formosa. The population of this island is about six thousand. Mostly Chinese; at one time this task force has been within ninety miles of Japan.

October 12, 1944
At 7 pm we were attacked by Jap planes. The attack lasted all night. There were several planes shot out of the sky. All of our ships came through, without any major damage. Two destroyers were hit by our air craft.

October 13, 1944
Our planes took off to make another attack on the island of Formosa. Friday night we were attacked by Jap planes. The heavy cruiser Coniberry was hit by torpedo. She is being towed now, her engine room was hit.

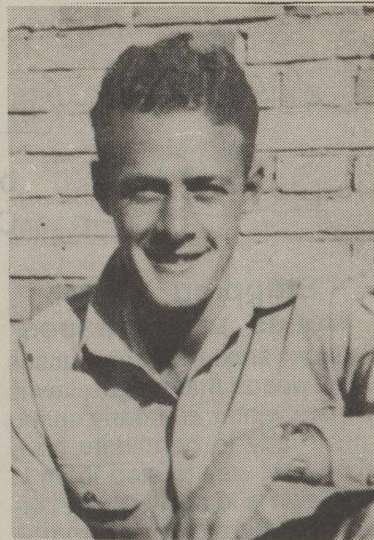
October 14, 1944
This same night we had a torpedo launched at us, at two thousand yards, but it missed. We drove the planes away with our aircraft.

October 16, 1944
We were attacked again. The Houston was hit again by Japs, torpedo planes. Two planes struck the group of ships, both were

down. There were about twenty four planes attacking the other task force, but our planes shot them down.

October 18, 1944
We have joined our old task force. We have been in a small group of ships escorting the Houston and Coniberry until they were out of reach of the Japs. We also took on survivors from the Houston and took on fuel.

October 20, 1944
We are still at sea, sailing around the Philippines, just standing by in case the Japs fleet come out.



T/Sgt. James David Vaughn - Army Air Corps

James David Vaughn

James David Vaughn was born January 13, 1924 to Homer and Edith Vaughn at Bronte Texas. He graduated from Bronte High School and worked on the family farm. James enlisted in the Army Air Force in 1942 during World War II. During his training period he met and married Evelyn Bobo in 1943. James served in the South Pacific and China Theater of Operations. This Theater consisted of the Burma Straits and Himalayas Mountains- referred to as "the Hump". The "Hump" was a sky road 525 miles long that was flown by the Air Transport Command, carrying cargo to China from India.

James, the crew and their B24 were shot down twice, but were able to return to their base-camp each time. Information from James was limited due to censoring of his mail. State War Dept. notified his wife, Evelyn, of his missing in action on December 18, 1944. His remains were never recovered.

James "Tinker" Vaughn

(Clipping from Bronte Enterprise per editor)

Information came Sunday night that James D. Vaughn, son of Mr. & Mrs. Homer Vaughn and grandson of Mr. & Mrs. DC Brunson has been reported as "missing in action" since December 17.

His wife telephoned to Fate (cont'd. next page)

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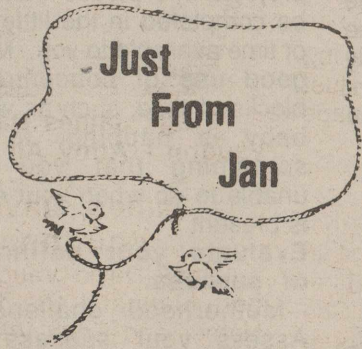
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Brunson Sunday night from her home in Meridian, Idaho that she had been just advised:

James or "Tinker", as everybody called him, was a radio technician with the Air Corps in China. He had been

in the service two years.

No further information has been had, except a letter from a sister of one of the crew, with which James was working, to the effect that she had received the same information in reference to her brother.



by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Ext. Agent

Traveling Turkey Basics

When transporting foods follow these basic steps:

When cooking a holiday meal in advance, divide foods into small, shallow containers and cool quickly. This includes the carved turkey.

Do not attempt to partially cook meat and poultry ahead of time and then finish cooking at the destination.

Transport cold or frozen foods in an insulated cooler with a cold source.

Hot foods should be kept hot, and should not be held at room temperature over two hours. Wrap well to insulate.

Keep hot foods HOT and cold foods COLD.

Sometimes it's safer just to give up on the idea of taking your feast across country. Look for new traditions when you get there.

If you have other questions about meat and poultry safety, contact a turkey genie- us at the Butterball Turkey Talk-Line at 1-800-323-4848 or www.butterball.com. Hotline home economists and registered dietitians will answer

Christmas Bazaar coming soon

The McCamey Rebekah Lodge is sponsoring the Christmas Bazaar this year. It will be held at the McCamey Park Building at 212 W. 7th St. The Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 4th, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The annual event is a great way to meet new friends. We always look forward to seeing people we've met during the Bazaar returning each year. Anyone interested in purchasing a booth, is asked to call or write Joyce Reeves, Chairman; P.O. Box 386, McCamey, Texas 79752 or phone 915-652-8443 or call Aileen Waters at 915-652-8647 or Roselyn McGrew at the Chamber of Commerce at 915-652-8202.

The Rebekahs urge everyone who would like to sell anything to participate whether it be arts, crafts, or handmade articles even clothing, jewelry, etc.

You won't have to leave the building for a hot lunch. A chicken spaghetti and salad luncheon will be prepared and served by the Rebekahs from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. So come and join us in some Christmas fun. We are looking forward to seeing all of you this Christmas.

calls November 1-24 Weekdays at 8:00 am to 8:00 pm; November 25 6:00 am to 6:00 pm CST; November 26-December 23 8:00 am to 6:00 pm CST.

For more information, please contact the Coke County Extension office at 453-2461.

SSI rolls expected to remain steady

The number of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients declined from its 1996 level of 2.3 percent to 2.2 percent in 1997, according to the latest data just released. It is projected to remain fairly level at roughly 2.2 percent of the United States population through 2022, according to a report released by the Social Security Administration.

The 1998 Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Report noted that in January 1998, 6.2 million people received an average monthly SSI payment of \$335. The report also indicated that growth in SSI program outlays during the next 25 years is projected to remain relatively modest.

The SSI program is a nationwide federal assistance program administered by SSA that guarantees a minimum level of income for needy aged, blind or disabled individuals.

Congress requires the Commissioner of Social Security to annually report to the President and the Congress on the status of the SSI program. The report provides projections of program participation and costs through the next 25 years.

Judging the "Taste of West Texas Cook-off"

Judging the Taste of West Texas Cook-off at Winters on Saturday, November 13, were Judge Marilyn Egan of Ballinger, Justice of the Peace Joan Davis of Robert Lee, and Justice of the Peace Joyce Weems of Winters.

Hard choices presented challenges in the brisket, beans, and wild game categories. Beautiful weather and nice folks made for a pleasant fall afternoon.

Winters was also hosting its 30th annual Arts & Crafts Fair, along with entertainment that weekend.



T/Sgt. James "Tinker" Vaughn (top row, 4th from left) is shown with the B24 crew that he flew with during World War II. James was a radio operator and "top" gunner.

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There were 96 friends and relatives from Bronte, Robert Lee, Miles and San Angelo. It was a great 95th birthday.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the public and Tammy Smith, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of the sale of the contents of Unit 42 of the storage facility located at the southeast corner of Commerce (TX 158) and 6th Street in Robert Lee, TX. The storage is held in the name of Tammy Smith and the contents will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted no sooner than 1 Dec 99.
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Strategies offered for transitioning to at-home parenting

Many of today's women enjoy educational and career opportunities unknown to previous generations. When marriage and family enter the picture, today's mothers are fortunate to have a wide array of choices, including the increasingly popular option to forego or cut back on paid employment to care and nurture their children.

Many of today's families are finding that having a mother at home is more affordable than they may have been led to believe. Parents wanting increased family time are closely examining the financial and intangible costs of having both parents employed on a full-time basis outside the home. Those families are aware of the growing body of evidence about the needs of all children for generous amounts of their parents' time.

At-home mothers embrace a life enriched with numerous rewards and challenges. However, the transition can be dizzying. Over the years, Mothers At Home, the nation's oldest and one of the largest nonprofit support organizations for at-home mothers, has collected the following strategies from mothers across the country for easing the transition.

Allow time for the transition to take place.
Once you give birth physically, you must also struggle with an emotional birth as you come to terms with the new realities in your life. Overnight, motherhood can thrust you into an entirely different world, so beware of making hasty judgments about your new life as a mother. As your priorities and lifestyle are rearranged, recognize the opportunity for change and new beginnings.

Find time for yourself and your marriage.

Leisure is not a luxury. Top performance requires balancing work and play, activity and rest. Pursue an outside activity, such as a class or hobby. Plan dates with your spouse on a regular basis. Something as simple as taking a walk or going on a picnic can bring new perspectives.

Seek the support of family and friends
To help overcome isolation and shore up self-esteem, join or start a mothers support group or play group. Read supportive books and publications. Have a good friend with whom you can share a concern, a laugh or

advice. It is often helpful to have a mothering mentor as well as to be a mothering mentor - sometimes it really takes another mother to understand.

Set realistic goals.
Set daily, weekly or monthly goals for yourself. Unrealistic or out-dated expectations can be a source of stress. Set personal and family priorities carefully. Flexibility is key. Learn to break chores or projects into pieces that can be completed in the little bits of time available to you. Make good use of concentrated blocks of time, such as when baby is napping, to do something that you are unable to do when your child is present.

Evaluate your definition of success.
Motherhood challenges. Assess your success by judging how well you have confirmed your child's sense of unique and valuable identity, or how well you have communicated that he or she is an integral and essential part of your family.

Refute the negative stereotypes and the superwoman myth.

The perception of mothers effortlessly balancing challenging and fulfilling careers with a complete and rewarding family life often belies the reality of day-to-day life. Refute the superwoman image. Realize that there are trade-offs to all work/family decisions, and make decisions based on personal and family priorities.

Advocate for your role as a mother and for your child.
Be proud of your work as an at-home mother. What job could be more important than taking care of the next generation?

Write the media or your legislator when the work of at-home mothers is ignored, negatively portrayed or inaccurately presented. Advocate for family-friendly work practices, such as flexible work hours, part-time work, job sharing, home-based work, and job-protected parental leave.

Celebrate your days.
Make time for and find inspiration. Celebrate the challenges and triumphs of being a mother at home. Look for ways to enjoy the little things and the fleeting moments that make up your days.

Remember there are no perfect moms. While it won't matter in five years whether you vacuumed every week, it will matter that you spent time with your children, discovering the world anew with each of them. Being there to immerse yourself in the intricate and delicate work of motherhood may well be the most important and rewarding job that you will ever have.

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Funds to assist Medicare recipients largely unused

"A lot of people with disabilities or who are 65 or older are missing out on substantial savings," says Marcia C. Rachofsky, a Texas Legal Services Center staff attorney. Part of Rachofsky's job to get the word out about several little used programs for Medicare recipients. Indeed, some people haven't even applied for Medicare fearing that they won't be able to pay the premiums, she says.

Yet "QMB, SLMB and QI-1 will pay the monthly Medicare premium for people who are eligible," Rachofsky says. "And QMB goes even further. It pays the deductibles and co-payments too." An additional program which pays a smaller portion is QI-2.

So why aren't people using these programs? "In large measure," Rachofsky says, "they don't know about them. Or they don't know who to call or even how to ask about them." This, in part, is due to the complicated nomenclature: QMB meaning Qualified Medicare Beneficiary, SLMB meaning Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary, and QI meaning Qualified Individual. "We're hoping our outreach will fix this."

Rachofsky's plan is to blanket the state with pamphlets, posters, placemats and stadium cups publicizing the savings that

the programs have to offer. "We're trying to get them into all of the places that the elderly and people with disabilities who have limited resources are likely to go." For starters, Rachofsky will be placing the products in senior centers and sending them to group meal sites, hospital waiting rooms, and assisted living centers. All of the materials are free.

Those interested in applying for QMB, SLMB, QI-1 and QI-2 programs should contact their local Texas Department of Human Services office for information, Rachofsky advises. "If the local office handles Medicaid," says Rachofsky, "it will handle QMB. If it doesn't handle QMB, it can refer the caller to the nearest office that does." The number for the regional office serving your county is 915-690-2322. Rachofsky also points out that "the application process has been

simplified. The form is short and callers can have it sent to them at home. No affidavits or proof of income or resources is required with the completed application, and it can be mailed back in."

What is more, the value of the applicant's homestead is never counted when resources are totaled. The value of one car is usually not included either. "It's pretty easy for a person to find out if he or she is eligible," Rachofsky concludes, "and it would certainly be worthwhile to do that. After all, the savings can add up to over \$500 a year."

Don't trade it- donate it

The American Lung Association of Texas wants to "drive out" lung disease and help you receive a potential tax deduction for 1999. By donating used cars, trucks, recreational vehicles and

watercrafts, donors can deduct the fair-market value of their vehicle as a charitable contribution on their federal tax returns, as well as help in the fight against lung disease. In many cases, deducting the fair-market value of a vehicle is worth more than selling it or trading it.

Donating eliminates the time and cost involved in selling an old car. Jim Manning, Chairman of the Board, American Lung Association of Texas says, "We make it easy to donate by picking up the vehicles within a couple of days, free of charge; and, we handle all of the paperwork."

Vehicles donated to the American Lung Association of Texas Vehicle Donation program are sold at auction or for salvage. Proper IRS documentation is provided for each donation. In addition to saving money, the proceeds help more than 2.2 million

Texans with lung disease, including over 1 million who suffer from asthma. "It's a great opportunity for people who want to give something to the Lung Association, but feel they can't make a monetary contribution," says Manning.

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Look Who's New Isaac Thaddeus Draper

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Draper of Beeville, Texas, are the proud parents of a new son, Isaac Thaddeus, born November 2, 1999. Thad weighed 8 pounds and 1 ounce and was 21 1/2 inches long.

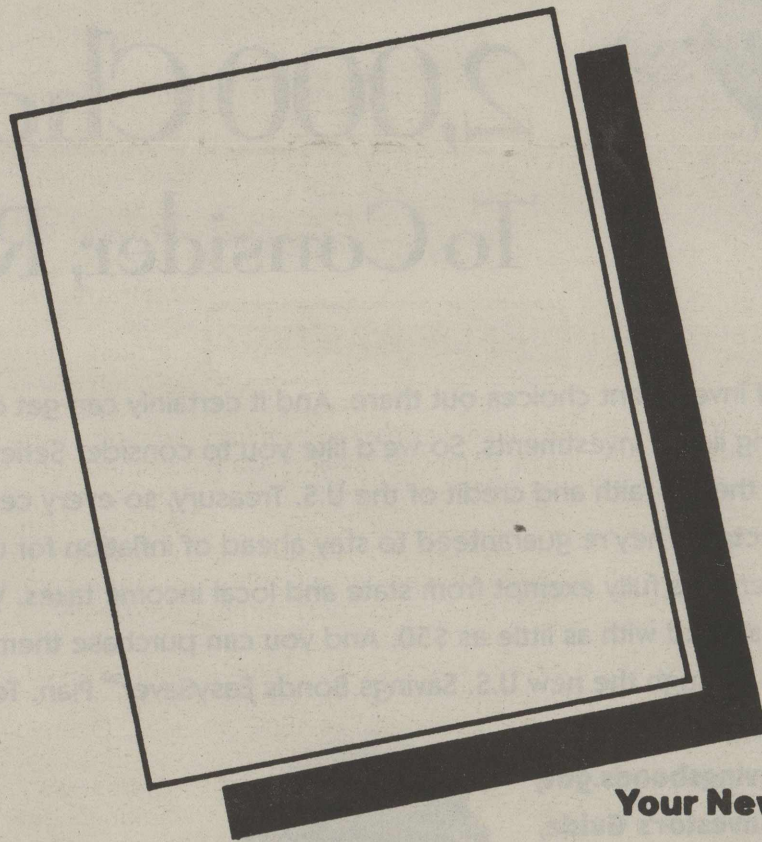
Thad has an older brother Levi, seven years old, and a sister, Sarah, 3 1/2 years old. Grandparents are Joe and Glenda Draper of Bronte and John and Helen Bradshaw of Rockport.

Tannenbaum Time arts & crafts show

The Mason Arts & Crafts Guild's annual Tannenbaum Time Arts & Crafts Show takes place Saturday, November 27, from 9 am until 5 pm. Kicking off Mason's Christmas "Light Up Our Town" festivities, the show will be held at the Fort Mason City Park Community Building. This is a wonderful Christmas shopping experience, with many booths of outstanding hand-crafted items made by talented crafters from all over Texas. Santa Claus will visit the children at the show from 2 pm until 4 pm and photographs with Santa will be available.

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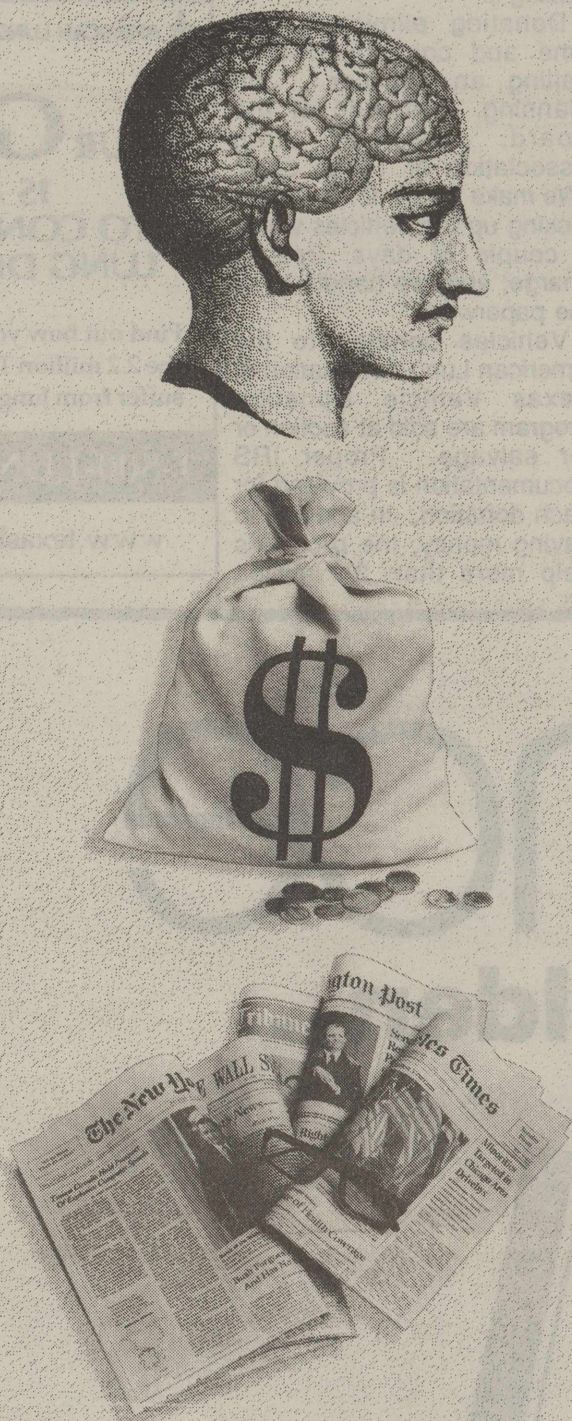
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