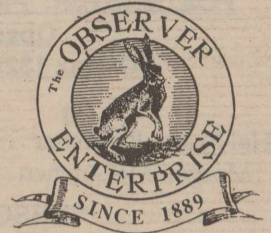


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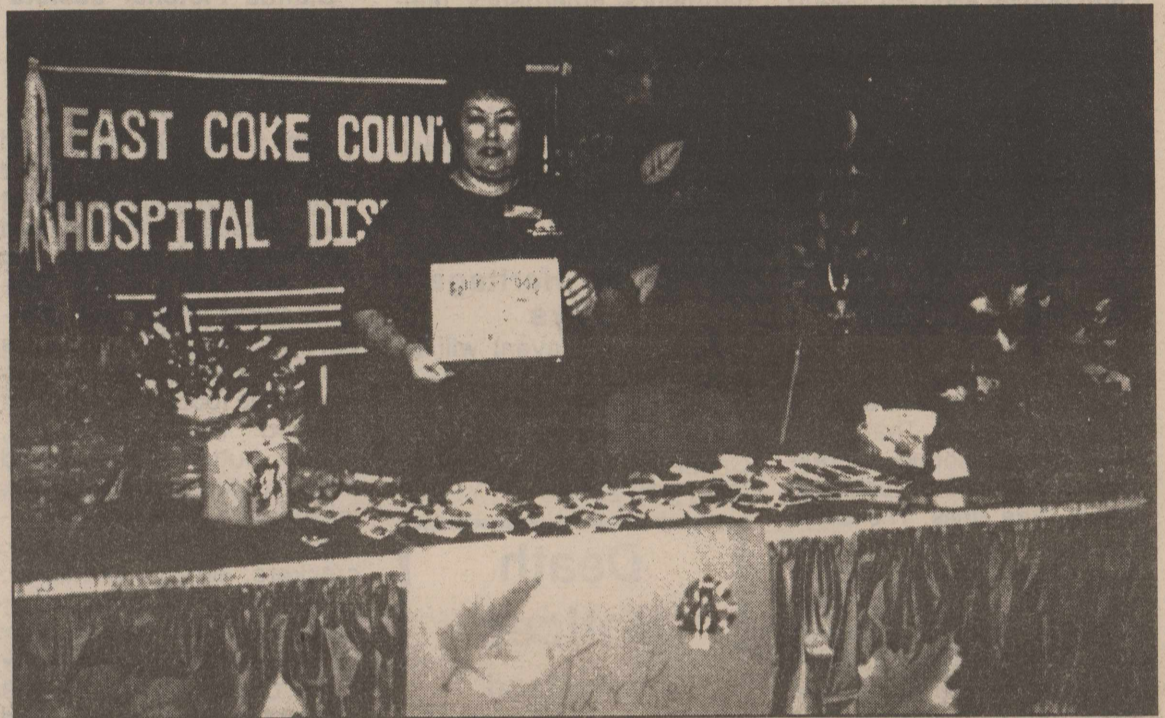
BHRC booth named best in show at annual SA Fall Fest

Bronte Health and Rehab Center was a participant in the Annual Fall Fest at the San Angelo Convention Center on Saturday, Oct. 7th. The event is sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging and The Concho Valley Activity Professionals Group. The fun-filled day is open to all persons, but is primarily a time for the Senior Adults of this area to join together in a time of fun and fellowship. Information booths are set up in conjunction with game booths for the enjoyment of those attending. Tickets for the day are provided by the agency for the games and a meal. BHRC'S "Turkey Shoot" booth was selected as the Best Booth at this year's gathering from the 14 booths at the event. A nice plaque was presented to Activity Director, Mary Beth Drennan. Residents from BHRC attending the event were Mozelle Smith, Ruth Holland,

Helen Kirkland, Virgil Ashley, William Parkinson and also Katherine Patterson, Vista volunteer. Assisting the residents were Mary Ann Choate, Marie Harris, Sharen Naico, Joyce Roach, Eric Dumas, Margie Parkinson, Becky Morrow, Glenda Fletcher and Mary Beth Drennan. All attending the event had a good time and look forward to the next event! All attending from BHRC were presented with maroon shirts with the BHRC logo by the Auxiliary. Everyone was pleased with their new shirts and appreciate the generosity of our wonderful auxiliary.

Retired teachers to meet

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, October 16, 2000. The noon luncheon meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.



Bronte Health & Rehab Center Activity Director, Mary Beth Drennan, proudly displays the award for Best Booth at the Fall Fest held at the San Angelo Convention Center October 7.

Hunting & Fishing Guide set for publication

The 2000 Coke County Hunting & Fishing Guide is slated to be published in the October 27th edition of the *Observer/Enterprise*.

Deadline for advertising and editorial copy is Friday, October 20.

Every effort will be made to contact advertisers prior to this deadline. However, if we miss you, please don't hesitate to call our offices at 473-2001 in Bronte or 453-2433 in Robert Lee.

The annual *Hunting & Fishing Guide* has been recognized as one of the best publications of its type in the state. A special treat for this year's edition is a very old picture slated for the front cover. O/E part-time correspondent Joan Davis has more information on this, but she's not telling. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be a part of this annual publication.

Small grain planting dates for FSA

The FSA office reminds all producers that to be eligible for NAP all small grain grazing acres must be planted by Oct. 15th.

Small grain for harvest must be planted by Dec. 15th for insurance purposes.

For more information call 453-2751 or stop by the office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Hunter Barbecue donations needed

WCCCD Hunter Barbecue chairman Gaylon Pitcock reminds all area landowners that donations are still being accepted at Waggonner's Hardware for the annual Hunter's Barbecue. These donations are critical to the success of this annual event, which annually feeds up to a thousand hungry hunters free of charge. This year's barbecue is set for the opening day of hunting season, November 4, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee.

For more information on obtaining barbecue tickets for your hunters, you may contact Gaylon Pitcock at 453-2942 or Joyce Waggonner at 453-2414.

911 addresses for Bronte area

The Post Office has recently mailed out notices where your mailing address will change to your physical address.

There have been several questions regarding this. The Concho Valley Council of Governments 911 division, Coke County 911 coordinator Lorrie Martin and Judge Walker will be at the Bronte Bank on Tuesday, October 19th, between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to help you. Please bring your concerns and let's all work together to make this a pleasant and safe transfer.

Jackie Walker
Coke County Judge

4-H Awards Banquet

The annual 4-H Awards Banquet will be held this Saturday, October 14, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Robert Lee Rec Hall. We will have a pot luck supper to begin, followed by the awards program. 4-H members who completed a project last year will receive an award. Also the Gold Star Award, Silver Star Award and Outstanding Leader Award for 1999-2000 will be recognized. Following the awards ceremony there will be a 4-H dance. As a community service project please bring a food item for the Community Food Closet.

Jan Yanez

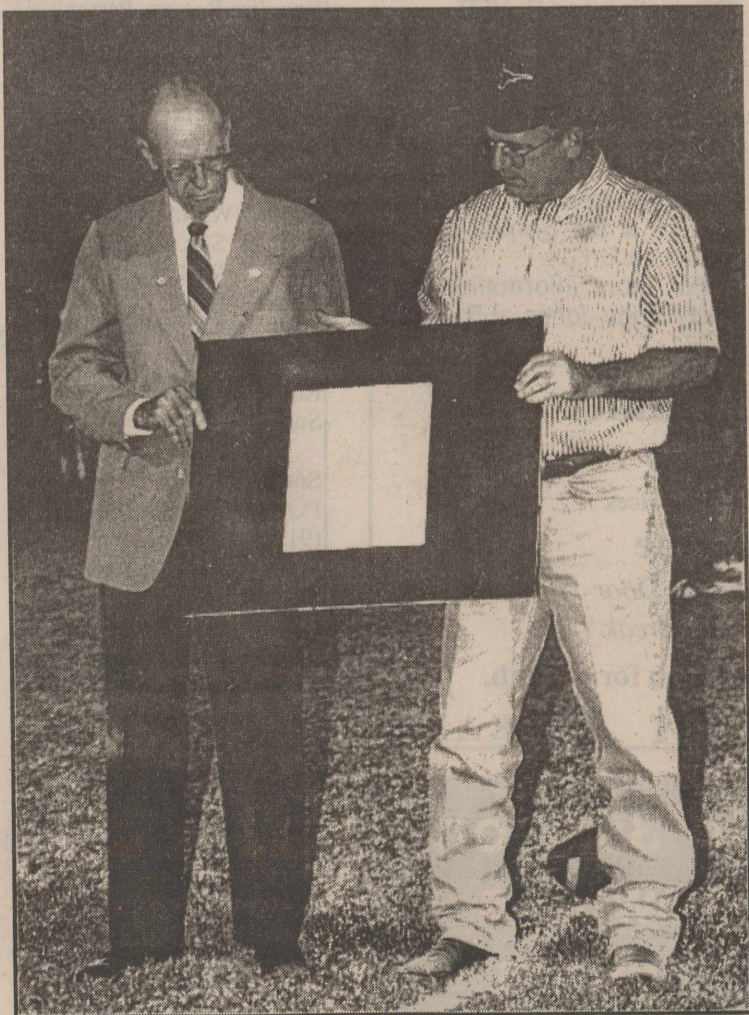
Norton Homecoming

A special Millennium Homecoming weekend will be held at the Norton Community Center beginning Saturday, October 21 with registration at 2 pm. A business meeting will follow at 4 pm. Sandwiches and desserts will be served by the Norton Lions Club.

Sunday, October 22nd activities include a catered lunch at 12:30 pm. RSVP for the lunch should be made by October 14th to 915-365-5060.

BHS class of 1970 to hold reunion

The Bronte class of 1970 will have their 30 year class reunion on October 21, at 7:00, at Enrique's in San Angelo. Former Classmates and teachers are welcome to come and visit.



For his thirty-seven years of service to Bronte High School as vocational agriculture instructor, J. T. Henry was honored during Homecoming ceremonies. BHS Principal Rick Howell (right) presents Mr. Henry with a replica of the plaque that renames the ag building at Bronte High School to the J. T. Henry Agriculture Building.

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Fire Prevention week

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau joins our County Judge, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Firefighters, and others in promoting fire prevention and safety week during Fire Prevention Week, October 8-14, 2000. This week commemorates the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, which killed more than 250 persons, left 100,000 homeless, and destroyed more than 17,400 buildings.

Too few people develop and regularly practice a home fire escape plan. That's why NFPA is sponsoring a three-year public safety campaign called, "Fire Drills: The Great Escape!" Started in 1998, "The Great Escape" encourages home fire escape planning and practice, ensuring that people know what to do in a home fire and can escape safely. Now entering its third and final year, the campaign has already proved to be a great success. To date, NFPA has documented 58 lives saved as a direct result of family participation.

Smoke and poisonous gases are the leading causes of death in fires, and can kill a person long before flames will. Underestimating the power of fire and the time it takes to escape a home fire put people at severe risk of fire death and injury. In the best case, you only have just one or two minutes to escape a typical home fire safely. Home fire escape planning and practice are critical to life safety because they ensure that everyone knows how to use those minutes wisely and escape unharmed.

Developing and practicing a home fire escape plan at least twice a year are critical to escaping a real fire safely. A complete home escape plan includes working smoke alarms, everyone in the household knowing two ways

out of each room, having an outside location where everyone will meet upon exiting, memorizing the local fire department's emergency telephone number.

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau promotes public awareness of fire safety and encourages everyone to plan and practice "Fire Drills; The Great Escape!"

Crockett County's Pioneer Heritage Days

This annual event will be held on October 13 & 14 at the Historical Emerald House.

For more information call Crockett County Museum (915) 392-2837.

Death Notices

McFarland

R.L. "Leroy" McFarland, 81, of Blackwell died Monday, Oct. 2, 2000, in a Sweetwater hospital.

Service was held at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, 2000, in Cate-Spencer & Trent Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Blackwell Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Jynelle McFarland of Blackwell; two daughters, Robbie Smiley of Odessa and Sandra Birchfield of Andrews; a sister, Oleta Scott of Blackwell; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Tomlinson

Sara Tomlinson, 18, passed away in San Angelo on Oct. 1, 2000.

She is survived by her father, Warren Tomlinson of San Angelo; her brother, Andrew Tomlinson, her grandmother Opal Tomlinson, and by many other relatives.

Service was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 4, in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside service followed at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte.



Glenda Fletcher assists Helen Kirkland and Mozelle Smith at the Bronte Health & Rehab Center booth at the Fall Fest October 7.

Coke County Food Closet

The Coke County Food Closet, housed at First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee, has been heavily utilized over the past few weeks and is in need of re-stocking. The food closet, open on Thursdays from 3:00 till 5:30 p.m. is in need of all kinds of non-perishable foods, in particular: canned meat products, peanut butter, jelly, canned milk, cooking oil, mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup, dry cereals, dry beans, raman soup, crackers, sugar, vermicelli, pasta products and other items. Cash donations may be made to the Coke County Food Closet account at the Robert Lee State Bank. Food donations may be brought by and left at the church.

Computer instruction for beginners

Winters I.S.D. is offering adult computer instruction for beginners. No prior computer skills are necessary for the Beginning Computer Skills course. Training will be offered introducing beginning computer skills and the features of Windows 98.

This course will be offered Saturday, October 14th and will be taught in the Jr. High School lab located at 705 Rogers Street.

To enroll and/or inquire, contact Rhonda Goetz at 915-754-5574 ext. 100.

Opportunity for community leaders

A regional conference for community leaders is set for October 18 at the Abilene Civic Center.

The annual conference is an opportunity for community leaders and interested citizens in the region to find solutions to many problems and concerns of rural towns.

City officials, chamber of commerce volunteers and economic development boards are encouraged to take advantage of the annual regional conference.

For more information contact Nicki Harle at 915-676-0329.

Recycling to benefit local groups

The Robert Lee Senior Class of 2001 and Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department are accepting donations of aluminum cans. The cans may be dropped off at the trailer parked next to the fire station.

Proceeds from the sale of the cans will benefit Project Graduation and RLVFD.

Field day for sheep and goat producers

Holistic Resource Management of Texas, Inc. and Texas A&M Extension Service are hosting a free field day October 21 at the Sonora Experiment station.

For more information contact Peggy Jones at 512-858-2761.

San Angelo Writers' Club

Jerry Ruiz will be the guest speaker at the October 10 meeting of the San Angelo Writers' Club.

The meeting will be at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd at 3355 West Beauregard on Tuesday, October 10th at 7:00 p.m. Guests and visitors are welcome.

For more information contact Kate Sanderson at 915-947-3403.

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Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Thoughts on the Scripture

By Rev. Jim Reeves

Acts 5:29 "Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, 'We ought to obey God rather than men.'"

Our eternal life is not determined by men but rather by God. Therefore, be more worried about pleasing God than pleasing others.

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Kirkwood-Sanchez announce engagement

Elicia Brook Kirkwood, daughter of Carole Kirkwood and the late Eddie Kirkwood of Amarillo, announced her engagement to Michael Sanchez.

Michael is the son of Robert and Pasquala Sanchez of Robert Lee.

Elicia attended Highland Park High School in Amarillo and Texas Tech University of Lubbock.

Michael attended Robert Lee High School.

The wedding is planned for November 11, 2000 at the Trinity Church in Lubbock.



Michael Sanchez and Elicia Brook Kirkwood

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New books in Library

The two books written by Doris McClellan of Colorado City who visited the Robert Lee Elementary Library are in the Coke County Library. Baxter Badger's Home and An Angel on My Shoulder which is the story of the author's encounter with a rabid bobcat are available.

Some non-fiction books which have been added recently are: Baby Minds: Brain Building Games Your Baby Will Love; I'm o.k., You're a Brat: Setting Priorities; What They Didn't Teach You About the Wild West: Vince Gill: In Our Humble Opinion, Car Talk's Click and Clack Rant and Rave; Lance Armstrong: Covered With Glory; The 26th North Carolina Infantry at the Battle of Gettysburg; and Positive Discipline for Single Parents.

The Trick or Treat trip to local offices and merchants is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31. Parents and children three to five are welcomed to meet at the library at 10:00 a.m. to go trick or treating. Everyone who wants should wear a costume.

Story Hour is every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for children three to five. Children are welcomed to join any time. Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12. Books may be turned into the Main Street Market in Bronte. Those patrons returning books and donating to the Food Closet are very much appreciated.

A dog's sense of smell is a hundred times greater than a human.

Ensor named Tom Green County Agent

Marvin Ensor has been named the new Tom Green County Extension agent for agriculture effective Oct. 18, according to a joint announcement Tuesday by county judge Mike Brown and district extension director Scott Durham.

"We are very pleased with Marvin's decision to transfer to Tom Green County," Durham said. "Tom Green County remains one of the premier counties in the state in terms of extension programming."

"Marvin knows this region and has maintained close ties to this area throughout his extension career. He has the knowledge, maturity and solid work ethic this county demands and has grown to expect. We look forward to his arrival with great anticipation." Ensor has spent the last decade as county extension agent in Gaines County. He began his extension career in 1980 as an assistant county extension agent in Lamb County.

He also has held appointments in Yoakum County (1982-83) and Scurry County (1983-90).

He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in agriculture education from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He also is an Epsilon Sigma Phi member and has been active in his professional organization, the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association.

He has served as the association's director, alternate director and as a two-term

committee member on the association's animal industries committee.

He is a three-time winner of the association's result demonstration handbook award and the new agents' recognition award. He received the National Association of County Agricultural Agent's distinguished service award in 1999 and this year took home the extension service's Superior Service Award.

He is married to the former Karen Arrott. They both grew up in Bronte and graduated from Bronte High School. They have 3 children; Emily, a sophomore at Texas Tech, Kaley, a freshman at Texas Tech and Whitney, a 6th grader.

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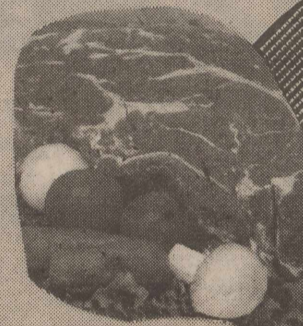
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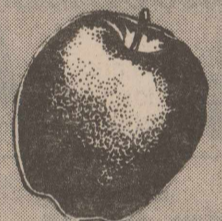
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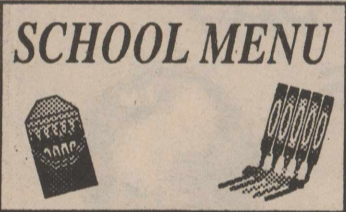
Dr. Karen McBride and Angie Harrell take time out from rock explorations during a first grade field trip to pose for a picture with Bronte's future geologists. The future geologists are currently attending first grade at Bronte Elementary.



The "A" Honor Roll Luncheon for Bronte Elementary was held Wednesday, October 4, 2000, at the Homemaking Building. Students being honored were Jessi England, Gus Saunders, Rebekah Beauchamp, Eric Hendrickson, Phillip Rawlings, Logan Rawls, and Lauhren White. Paul Evans, pastor of the Bronte First United Methodist Church, was the guest speaker. Others attending were Frances Williams, Pat Lee, Heather Lee, Terry Marrs, and Rick Howell.

Parent night for the Bronte Longhorns

Parent night will be held October 13th, this Friday night. Parents of the football players, cheerleaders, and team managers are asked to meet in the area by the restrooms at 6:30. Parents will be placed in the order that they will be announced. Their child will join them and the introductions will begin at 6:45 p.m. All parents are asked to be punctual since we can not delay any of the pre-game activities. Kick-off for the game will be at 7:30.



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- Monday, Oct. 16**
French toast stix, apple sauce, teddy grams, milk
 - Tuesday, Oct. 17**
Sausage, grape juice, pancake, milk
 - Wednesday, Oct. 18**
Scrambled eggs, hash browns, biscuit, milk
 - Thursday, Oct. 19**
Breakfast burrito, apple juice, cinnamon toast, milk
 - Friday, Oct. 20**
Cereal or oatmeal, sliced pears, blueberry muffins, milk
- Lunch**
- Monday, Oct. 16**
Steak fingers with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, milk, chocolate pudding
 - Tuesday, Oct. 17**
Chicken fajita, pinto beans, Spanish rice, peppers & onions, flour tortilla, milk, applesauce cake
 - Wednesday, Oct. 18**
Pigs in a blanket, tator tots, sliced pears, milk, jello
 - Thursday, Oct. 19**
Lasagna, tossed salad, sweet corn, bread sticks, milk, spice cake
 - Friday, Oct. 20**
Sub sandwiches (ham & cheese), lettuce, tomato, pickle, baked beans, bun, chips, milk, peanut butter cookies

Bronte Longhorn football

The Bronte Longhorns traveled to Miles last Friday to take on the Miles Bulldogs. The Longhorns came up on the short end 26-7. The Longhorns evened their District record at 1-1.

As a hard fought first half was coming to an end, the Longhorns were trailing 7-0, drove down to the Miles 12 yard line, but on the last play of the half Miles intercepted a pass and ran it back 96 yards for a 14-0 halftime lead. The second half saw the Longhorns score once and Miles twice more for a 26-7 final. The Bulldogs outgained the Longhorns 320 yards to 166 yards on offense.

The Longhorns next host Water Valley, Friday, October 13, and this will be parent's night.

FBC-Bronte youth raising money

Twenty-one youth plan to take a spring break trip to Breckenridge, Colorado for a time of fellowship, fun, spiritual renewal, and spiritual growth. To help offset the cost, the youth are planning a couple of fund raisers. The first fund raiser will be a spaghetti dinner this Sunday, Oct. 15 following the morning worship services. The youth will be serving the dinner. Donations will be taken at the door.

The next fund raiser is Hire A Kid. If you have a job for a youth, please call the church office at 473-2331. Please give the type of job and when you'd like the job completed. Donations for jobs will be made through the church office and proceeds will benefit the spring break trip general fund. This will decrease the amount required by each youth that works during this fund raiser. When leaves start falling, you need flower beds cleared out, child care is needed, you need errands run, or Christmas lights strung; please remember our youth. You'll get your job completed while helping a youth.

For more information contact FBC office, Scott Ven-

able, Deanna Reed, Susan DeLaGarza, or Susan Graves.

Bronte Shorthorn football

On Thursday, Oct. 5, the Bronte Shorthorn football team lost to Miles 26-6.

The Shorthorns moved the ball well most of the game, but could not get the ball into the end zone. Late in the 4th quarter the Shorthorns moved the ball 60 yards and closed out the scoring drive with a 5 yard run from Jaylon Saunders for the Shorthorns lone score.

The Shorthorns next play Water Valley at home on Oct. 12, at 6:00 p.m.

Bronte First grade field trip

Bronte's first grade classes went to Tennyson Community Center to learn the history of the school and to discover more about rocks. Dr. Karen McBride, geologist, met us at Tennyson. The children listened to a story, How to Choose a Rock, then searched for their favorite rock. After snacks and games, the children went to four different stations to complete tests on their rock. Angie Harrell, high school aide, Mrs. Terri Rawls, Mrs. Susan Graves, and Dr. McBride directed the four sta-

tions. The morning was concluded with Dr. McBride answering more of the children's questions. The class really enjoyed spending time at the old schoolhouse with a real geologist while they explored rocks.

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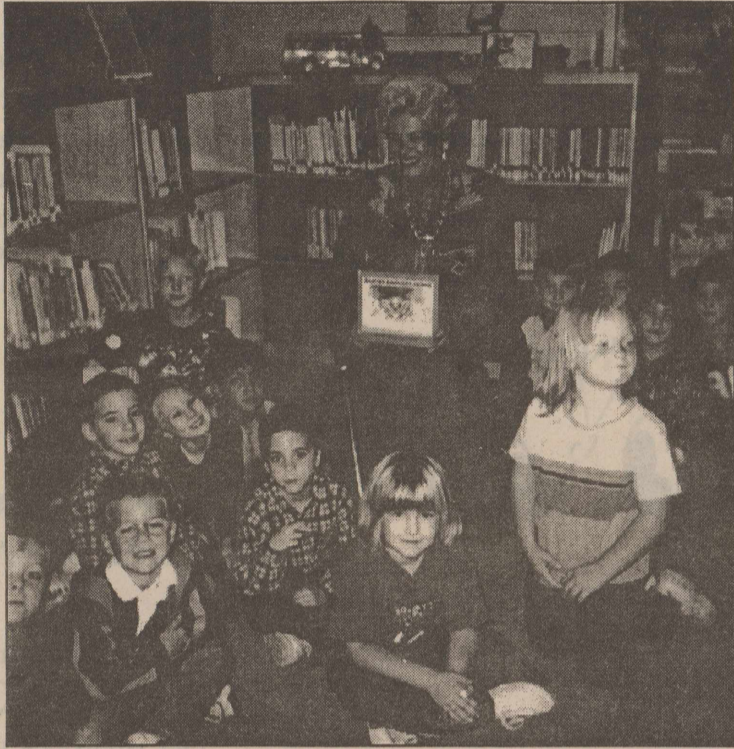
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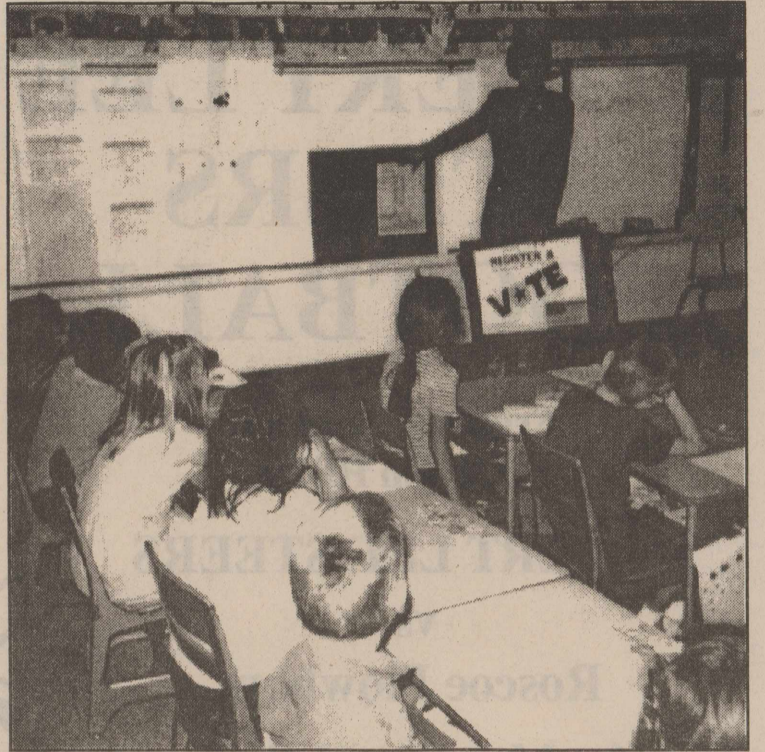
Author visits RL Elementary

The Robert Lee Elementary students had an opportunity to meet and listen to an author, Doris McClellan, who writes children's books. Many times children read books but don't realize there is a real person who writes them. Mrs. McClellan told the children how she grew up in the country many miles from town and had to share a school room with three different classes.

Her books are written about experiences she has had and research done through libraries. The students at Robert Lee are fortunate to have Doris McClellan come at this time. Next week is our book fair where the students may purchase many good books. Mrs. McClellan has written Baxter Badger's Home and An Angel on My Shoulder.

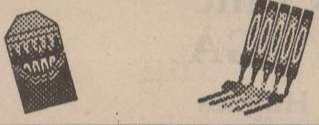


Children's author, Doris McClellan visits with the Robert Lee Elementary School Kindergarten class during a recent visit.



Coke County Tax Assessor/Collector Kristeen Roe visits with Mrs. Payne's First Grade Class at Robert Lee Elementary recently. Mrs. Roe explained the importance of voting in elections to the class during her visit.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

- Monday, Oct. 16**
Orange juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk
- Tuesday, Oct. 17**
Orange juice, breakfast burrito, cereal, milk
- Wednesday, Oct. 18**
Orange juice, blueberry muffin, cereal, milk
- Thursday, Oct. 19**
Orange juice, donut, cereal, milk
- Friday, Oct. 20**
Orange juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk
- Lunch**
- Monday, Oct. 16**
Barbecue wieners, corn, broccoli & cheese, rolls, applesauce, milk
- Tuesday, Oct. 17**
Salisbury steak, macaroni & cheese, green beans, rolls, apple slices, milk
- Wednesday, Oct. 18**
Grilled cheese sandwiches, potato patty, pickles, pineapple tidbits, brownies, milk
- Thursday, Oct. 19**
Chicken fajitas, lettuce/tomatoes, tator tots, pears, milk
- Friday, Oct. 20**
Barbecue beef on bun, pickles, French fries, fresh fruit, milk

RLISD to hold mock election

On Wednesday, October 4, Kristeen Roe, Coke County Tax Assessor, visited Robert Lee Elementary School to explain the importance of voting in elections. Mrs. Roe stressed the fact that one vote can make a difference. She cited several examples of this. Students in PreK-8th were briefed in the voter registration process. After all the classes had heard Mrs. Roe's presentation, the students received a certificate and an American flag pin. Kathy McCown, chairperson of the Election Committee at Robert Lee Elementary School hopes that this learning experience will help students and their parents to remember to exercise the right and privilege of voting. Mrs. Roe and District Clerk, Mary Grim are assisting Robert Lee Elementary teachers with an election unit. Each student will register to vote. On November 6, a mock election will be held at the school. Students and teachers will be able to make comparisons from the school election to the actual election.

Cross country team results

The Robert Lee cross country teams had a meet at ACU on October 10. Travis Taylor placed 47th out of 91 runners. Dixie Simpson placed 15th and also won a medal. Nicole Sanchez placed 18th in her heat, while Monica Rodriguez finished 44th out of 65 runners.

The next cross country meet will be the district meet on October 23rd at Cross Plains.

Look Who's New Madison Danae Furman

Madison was born Friday September 8 at 10:15 p.m. at Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 7 pounds and 12 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

She is the daughter of Bryan and Terri Furman.

She is the granddaughter of Debbie Teters and the great-granddaughter of Nell Hines, both of Robert Lee.

No great artist sees things as they really are. If he did he would cease to be an artist.

Oscar Wilde




Children's author, Doris McClellan visits with the Robert Lee Elementary School Pre-Kindergarten class during a recent visit.

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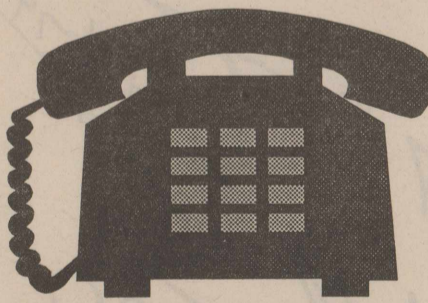
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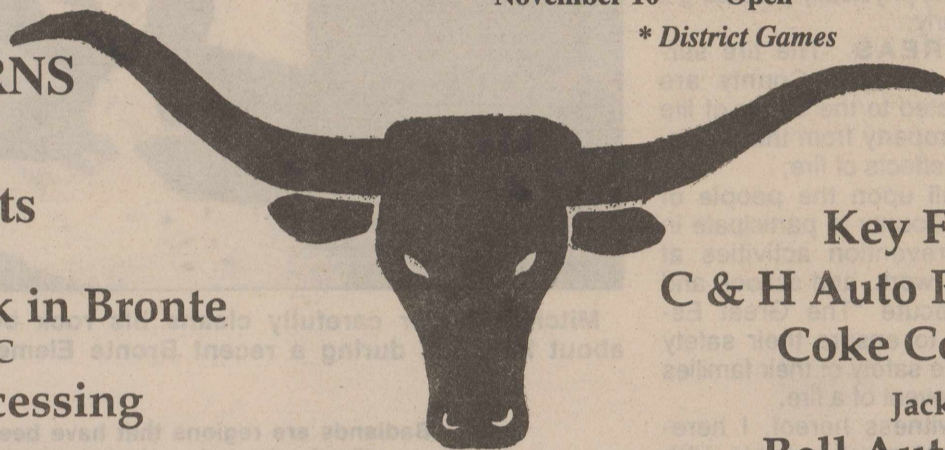
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* October 6	Miles	There	7:30	7 26
* October 13	Water Valley	Here	7:30	
* October 20	Eden	There	7:30	
* October 27	Menard	Here	7:30	
* November 3	Christoval	There	7:30	
November 10	Open			

* District Games

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Proclamation

By The
County Judge of Coke
County.

I, Jackie Walker, County Judge of Coke County, in cooperation with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8-14, 2000 as Fire Prevention Week. This Week commemorates the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, which killed more than 250 persons, left 100,000 homeless, and destroyed more than 17,400 buildings.

WHEREAS Smoke and poisonous gases are the leading causes of death in fires, and can kill a person long before the flames will; and

WHEREAS Underestimating the power of fire and the time it takes to escape a home fire put people at severe risk of fire death and injury; and

WHEREAS Developing and practicing a home fire escape plan at least twice a year are critical to escaping a real fire

Octoberfest planned near Brownwood for 50+ folks

Surviving on an island may be a game for some, but for folks over 50 years, "Get In The Game!" may be more fun, according to Cheryl Newberry, Texas Agricultural Extension Service program specialist.

That's the theme at the Texas 4-H Center's annual Octoberfest Oct. 23-26.

"Opportunities include "hands-on" learning centers where one can learn holiday crafts, line dancing, and other exciting projects," Newberry said.

Fishing on Lake Brownwood, tennis courts, horse-shoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card and table games will be available as will fun and educational tours.

For information call Newberry at (915) 784-5483, email c-newberry@tam.u.edu or click on Calendar of Events at http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu.

safely; and
WHEREAS A complete home escape plan includes working smoke alarms, everyone in the household knowing two ways out of each room, having an outside location where everyone will meet upon exiting, and memorizing the local fire department's emergency telephone number; and

WHEREAS The Fire Prevention Week 2000 theme - "Fire Drills: The Great Escape" ---emphasizes the extreme importance of not only having a home escape plan but physically practicing it regularly;

WHEREAS The fire services of Coke County are dedicated to the safety of life and property from the devastating effects of fire;

I call upon the people of Coke County to participate in fire prevention activities at home, work, and school, and to execute "The Great Escape" to ensure their safety and the safety of their families in the event of a fire.

In witness hereof, I hereto set my hand this 10th day of October, the year of Two Thousand.

Jackie Walker

Winner named

The Albany Chamber of Commerce announced recently that the winner of the 2000 Spanish Gourd Award presented annually at Watt Matthews Cowboy Days is Helen Kleberg Groves. Lt. Governor, Rick Perry, chairman of the Spanish Gourd committee informed Ms. Groves and the Albany Chamber of the Selection which will be formally presented at Watt Matthews Days Activities on October 21. Ms. Groves will be the fourth recipient of the coveted award given each year to an individual who typifies the lifestyle of the late beloved Watt R. Matthews of Lambshead Ranch at Albany. The award is symbolized by a silver replica of the Spanish Gourd brand which was one of Watt's favorites. Past winners include: John Justin, Bob Green and Dolph Briscoe.



Mitchell Butler carefully cleans his rock before completing tests to learn more about his rock during a recent Bronte Elementary School first grade field trip.

Badlands are regions that have been worn into steep hills and deep gullies by the action of wind, rain and floods. Badlands are common in semidesert regions of the western U.S.

**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)**

To the registered voters of the County of Coke County, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Coke County, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from

7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 7, 2000, for voting in a general election to elect

Presidential electors, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, state, district,

county and precinct officers; (Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de noviembre de 2000 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir electores persidenciales, Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precincto.)

**LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)**

- Pct. #1 - Old Recreation Hall - Robert Lee
- Pct. #2 - City Hall - Bronte
- Pct. #3 - Courthouse - Robert Lee
- Pct. #4 - Tennyson Community Bldg.
- Pct. #5 - Old Depot - Bronte
- Pct. #9 - Pecan Baptist Church - Edith
- Pct. #10 - Southside Church of Christ - Robert Lee

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:
(La votacion, adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

Clerk's Office, Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas.
(location) (sitio)

Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 23 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 23 de octubre, 2000) and ending on November 3. (y terminado el 3 noviembre, 2000)

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Bronte Elementary 6 week awards

First Grade Awards Mrs. Rawls & Mrs. Graves Rock Hound Award:

Katie Austin, Mason Braswell, Mitchell Butler, Conner Clark, Creed Coalson, Amy Godinez, Kimberly Lee, Austin Mertz, Dustin Minjarez, Rani Parks, Jaylon Seales, Madelyn Tounget, Madison Price, Randon Eubanks, Maria Fuentez, Beau Grigg, Haylee Hoyt, MacKenzie Gibbs, Brent Kelly, Sara Lara, Logan McGlothlin, Kaitlin Moore, Jonathan Reyes, Jordan Rowan, Vaughn Stilley, Harley Wallace, and Leticia Pena

Achieved Reading Goal:

Katie Austin, Mason Braswell, Mitchell Butler, Conner Clark, Creed Coalson, Amy Godinez, Kimberly Lee, Austin Mertz, Dustin Minjarez, Rani Parks, Jaylon Seales, Madelyn Tounget, Madison Price, Randon Eubanks, Beau Grigg, Haylee Hoyt, MacKenzie Gibbs, Sara Lara, Logan McGlothlin, Leticia Pena, Jordan Rowan, Vaughn Stilley, and Harley Wallace

Perfect Attendance:

Haylee Hoyt, Harley Wallace, Kimberly Lee, Austin Mertz, Katie Austin, Dustin Minjarez, Beau Grigg, Vaughn Stilley, Leticia Pena, Randon Eubanks, Jonathan Reyes, Conner Clark, Jordan Rowan, Creed Coalson, Madison Price, Mackenzie Gibbs and Rani Parks

1st Six Weeks

2nd Grade

L. Dyess/M. Parker

All A's

Tori Acevedo, Zachary Boyd, Terron Charles, Peyton Eubanks, Michael Evans, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Heath Richey, Kelsey Sedden and Nicholas Shults

Super Citizens

Tori Acevedo, Terron Charles, Reid Clark, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Heath Richey, Johnathan Rodriguez, and Kelsey Sedden

Met A.R. Reading Goal

Tori Acevedo, Zachary Boyd, Terron Charles, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Peyton Eubanks, Michael Evans, Britany Harris, Chase Harris, Cheyenne Hunter, Arlis McMullan, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Heath Richey and Kelsey Sedden

Perfect Attendance

Kelsey Sedden, Dustin Brown, Arlis McMullan, Terron Charles, Cheyenne Hunter, Kerwin Rawls, Dakota Rawls, Nicholas Shults, Rex Knight, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Peyton Eubanks, Tori Acevedo, Zachary Boyd, Justin Saldana,

Ryan Nealey, Kayla Overstreet, Michael Evans, Chase Harris and Heath Richey

3rd Grade Mrs. Inman

A - Honor Roll

Crawford James, Emilie Jimenez and Ali Tounget

A & B Honor Roll

Austin Clayton, Emily Fiveash and Denver McCollough

Citizenship:

Krista Moore

Outstanding:

Math - Denver McCollough Reading - Ali Tounget (Eng) Language - Crawford James

Spelling - Emilie Jimenez Social Studies - Austin Clayton

Science - Case Braswell

Writing - Emily Fiveash

Perfect Attendance:

Emilie Jimenez, Ashley Royall, Jeremy Sanchez, Austin Clayton, Krista Moore, Ali Tounget, Hayden White and Denver McCollough

1st Six Weeks

3rd Grade Rawlings

All A's Honor Roll:

Chelsea Cook, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg and Tyler Riney

A & B Honor Roll:

Louie Martinez, Jackson Rowan, and Kimberly Womack

Outstanding:

Reading - Kasey Glover Math - Chelsea Cook

Language - Louie Martinez

Spelling - Tyler Riney

Science - Chloe Grigg

Social Studies - Jackson Rowan

Handwriting - Skyler Ellis-York

Outstanding

Citizenship:

Samantha Coffey, Chelsea Cook, Ashley Fisher, Kasey Glover, Louis Martinez, Manuel Pina, Tyler Riney, Jackson Rowan, and Kimberly Womack

Met AR Goals:

Skyler Ellis-York, Kimberly Womack, Kasey Glover, Louie Martinez, Ashley Fisher, Chelsea Cook, Jackson Rowan and Chloe Grigg

Perfect Attendance:

Kimberly Womack, Dannie Martinez, Kasey Glover, Samantha Coffey, Jackson Rowan, Tyler Riney, Manuel Pina and Ashley Fisher

1st Six Weeks 4th

Grade Mrs. Williams

Author's Award

(excellence in writing) DJ Acevedo, Matthew Allen, Callan Clark, Israel Cecilio, Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Prescilla Lara, Ty Mackey, Nathan McCoulskey, Samuel Rawlings, Nicole Reed, Miranda Riney, and Samantha Swagerty

Bookworm Award

(Met AR goal for 6 weeks)

DJ Acevedo, Matthew Allen, Ariel Coalson, John Dickson, Jessi England, Jessica Grasc, Chase Hoyt, Ty Mackey, Nathan McCoulskey, Lloyd Mills, Samantha Overstreet, Samuel Rawlings, Miranda Riney and Reece Springer

Mathematician Award

DJ Acevedo, Israel Cecilio, Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Cory Glover, Ty Mackey, Will Macon, Nathan McCoulskey, Samuel Rawlings, Storm Sedillo

Spelling Bee Award

Matthew Allen, Haleigh Bryant, Jessi England, Cory Glover, Ty Mackey, Nathan McCoulskey and Reece Springer

Mad Scientist Award

Jessi England, Ty Mackey and Will Macon

Computer Virus

Cory Glover, Ty Mackey, Lloyd Mills, Eddie May, Samuel Rawlings, Nicole Reed and Reece Springer

Artist's Gallery Award

DJ Acevedo, Jessi England, Prescilla Lara, Ty Mackey, Samantha Overstreet and Samuel Rawlings

Shoulder to the

Grindstone Award

Ariel Coalson, John Dickson, Jessica Grasc, Prescilla Lara, Eddie May, Lloyd Mills, Reece Springer and Samantha Swagerty

Perfect Attendance

Nathan McCoulskey, Edward May, Jessi England, John Dickson, Israel Cecilio, Ty Mackey, Reece Springer, Samantha Swaggerty, Miranda Riney, Nicole Reed, Ariel Coalson, Samuel Rawlings, Will Macon, Cory Glover, Storm Sedillo, Callan Clark and DJ Acevedo

1st Six Weeks

5th Grade

A Honor Roll

Gus Saunders

A & B Honor Roll

Emily Austin, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Terrah Macon, Savannah Martinez, Ronald Shaw, Freddy Soele and Brett Wills

Perfect Attendance

Emily Austin, John Basquez, Zackary Bennett, Chris Brown, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Kyler Lee,

Terrah Macon, Savannah Martinez, Beth Sanchez, Gus Saunders, Cody Wallace, Ronald Shaw and Brett Wills

Reading-Awards Met Accelerated Reading Goals

Emily Austin, John Basquez, Zackary Bennett, Chris Brown, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Kyler Lee, Terrah Macon, Savannah Martinez, Miranda Parks, Pete Rodriguez, Gus Saunders, Freddy Soele, Cody Wallace, Brett Wills and Ronald Shaw

1st Six Weeks

6th Grade

Mrs. H. Lee

A Honor Roll

Rebekah Beauchamp, Eric Hendrickson, Philip Rawlings, Logan Rawls and Lahren White

A-B Honor Roll

Sarah Adams, Katie Cooper, Mason Jackson and Jonathan Marrs

Met Accelerated Reader Goals

Patty Galvan, Jonathan Marrs, Philip Rawlings, Logan Rawls and Justin Taylor

Perfect Attendance

John Paul Martinez, Katie Cooper, Justin Taylor, Hazen Coffey, Mason Jackson, Logan Rawls, Philip Rawlings, Tiffany Pina, Shawn Pina, Patty Galvan and Sarah Adams

Bronte Lady

Longhorn volleyball varsity

On Oct. 3, the Bronte varsity won over Miles 11-15, 15-10 and 15-1. The stats are as follows: Britni Adams had 1 kill, 2 blocks, and 2 digs; Kala Arrott has 22 kills, 1 block and 6 digs; Chrissie Counts had 10 digs; Britney McCutchen had 6 assists and 1 dig; Brooke McCutchen had 2 kills, 4 digs and 1 save; Tessie McMullan had 1 kill and 1 dig; Tasha Reed had 2 kills, 1 block and 13 digs; Jade Richards had 7 assists and 3 digs; Cara Sefcik had 5 kills, 8 digs and 1 save; Lacy Schoenfield had 18 assists and 5 digs; Stormy White had 2 assists and 2 digs; and Lauren Williams had 7 kills, 2 blocks and 2 digs.

Bronte has a record of 20-6 with a 2-0 in district. They will play Veribest on Saturday the 7th.

On Oct. 7, the Bronte varsity did it again with a win over Veribest at 15-1 and 15-2. The stats are as follows: Britini Adams and 1 kill; Kala Arrott had 13 kills, 2 blocks and 10 digs; Chrissie Counts had 8 digs; Britney McCutchen had 3 assists; Brooke McCutchen had 1 kill and 3 digs; Tessie McMullan had 1 block; Tasha Reed had 4 kills and 5 digs; Jade Richards had 8 assists; Cara Sefcik had 3 digs and 1 save; Lacy Schoenfield had 11 assists, 1 dig and 1 ace; Stormy White had 4 kills and 1 dig; and Lauren Williams had 4 kills.

Bronte's record is now 20-6 with 3-0 in district. The Lady Longhorns will play Tuesday, Oct. 12 at home against Water Valley at 6 & 7. On Saturday, Oct. 16 they will play Miles at home at 5, 6 & 7.

Bronte band boosters to meet

There will be a band booster meeting Monday night, Oct. 16th, at 8 pm in the band room. The boosters will discuss concession stand operation for the gym, marching contest, Christmas concert and the spring trip. We need all parents of Bronte High School band students to be there.

The high school band will be traveling to Brady, Tx on Oct. 21st (Saturday) to compete in the UIL marching contest. Times will be announced later this week. All parents need to plan to be there to support and encourage the band students as they try to do their very best in this important event. The students have been working very hard and plan on doing very well.

Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.

Nathaniel Hawthorne

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Vivian Hord is proudly flanked by her daughters as she enjoys her birthday cake at Bronte Health & Rehab Center recently.

Residents celebrates birthdays

Several residents have celebrated birthdays at BHRC recently. In August, Vivian Hord was the only honoree with a party presented by her daughters. In September, Gladys Pierson, Lucille Rucker, Hubert Chance, Faye Bowser, and J.R. Watkins were treated to a party, also attending were Mary Lisso and Carla Clark. The October honorees are Ruth Holland, Bernice Evans, Maudie Porter, Helen Kirkland, Orb Fincher, Carrie Brice and Iona Sellers. On Wednesday, Oct. 4th Ruth Holland was surprised with a party in honor of her 97th birthday by Margie Parkinson. The monthly birthday party for the center will be held on Oct. 21st at 2:30. All friends and family members are urged to attend. If you wish to help with the party, please contact the Activity Dept.

Once is not enough

Women can survive breast cancer and lead productive, happy lives. But early detection is critical. Early detection through screening is the key to more treatment options and a dramatic increase in survival rates, and a diagnosis often does not mean removal of the breast. If cancer is found before it spreads to other parts of the body, a person has a greater chance of successful treatment and getting well.

Early detection practices are part of a good health routine that includes a mammogram and clinical breast examination. So getting a mammogram only once is not enough. The American Cancer Society (ACS) recommends that women get a mammogram and clinical breast exam every year beginning at age 40. ACS, at 1-800-ACS-2345, offers free information about all types of cancer, including breast cancer.

Women who need help paying for yearly mammograms can find low cost services in almost every community. Medicare helps pay the cost of an annual mammogram for women age 40 and older with Medicare Part B. The Texas Department of Health (TDH) and local health care agencies across the Lone Star State offer breast exams and mammograms at no cost

to women age 50 to 64 with limited incomes. For more information on this program or the name of the closest clinic, call 1-800-422-2956. Also, during October, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, many organizations offer mammography services at low cost.

This year, 11,500 sisters, daughters, mothers and wives in Texas will be diagnosed with breast cancer. A total of 2,600 women will not live to see the new year because of this disease. Breast cancer is one of the most commonly diagnosed cancers among American women and the second leading cause of cancer deaths.

To get the Once is Not Enough message out, Texas Lt. Governor Rick Perry and others celebrated the Year 2000 Wreath Project and Tell-A-Friend at the State Capitol on Fri., Oct. 6. The day was proclaimed Breast Cancer Awareness Day by Governor George W. Bush, and similar events took place at county courthouses and city halls across the state. A large wreath made by survivors of breast cancer was placed on the steps of the State Capitol to mark the event.

The Tell-A-Friend Campaign, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, helps spread the word about the importance of early detection by enlisting volunteers to contact friends and encourage them to get a clinical breast examination and mammogram - something all women should discuss with their doctors.

African American women should pay particular attention to the Once is Not Enough early detection message. African American women have higher death rates for breast cancer than women of other

racers. Many experts believe this is due to cancer being found at a later stage of development. "Our goal is to open the doors to African American women and all women," said Clare Wolf, TDH Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, "and make sure early detection is part of their lifestyle."

Older women of all ethnic backgrounds should also pay special attention to the early detection message. Most breast cancer occurs in women between ages 50 and 70.

Breast cancer starts as a tiny growth of abnormal cells inside the body. In time, and if not treated early, this growth can spread. It may grow as a lump inside the breast and it can spread to other parts of the body. Finding cancer late means there is less chance of successful treatment.

For more information, contact Clare Wolf, TDH Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, at 1-800-452-1955 or 512-458-7644.

Hawaiian Luau

A new event was held at the Bronte Health & Rehab Center recently. We had a Hawaiian Luau complete with non-alcoholic pina colodas and strawberry margaritas, appetizers of combinations of ham, cheese, olives, pineapple, and nuts. All attending were presented leis and were entertained by dancers in grass skirts. Even a few residents tried the skirts on for size and swayed with the Beach Boys music. The party was held in the dining room of the center where the walls were decorated with palm trees, dancers, tropical flowers, fish nets, and many varieties of tropical fish swimming in beautiful blue water.



Ruth Holland and Mozelle Smith do the "hula" at a recent Bronte Health & Rehab Center activity.

Drought causing death for many Texas trees

With hardwood trees throughout dropping leaves, it looks like Fall has come early.

It's not a change of season, but another symptom of the drought, says a Texas Agricultural Extension Service forestry specialist.

"It's kind of like the tree shuts down its 'branch offices' to conserve resources," said Dr. Eric Taylor, Extension forestry specialist based in East Texas.

Some of the trees now dropping leaves are already dead. Others may recover next spring. As deep soil moisture is depleted, roots unable to reach the water die.

As a rule, if the tree has lost leaves early at least twice in the last three years, then it's probably already dead. If this is the first year that it has lost its leaves, there is a good chance it will recover next spring.

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Jim Rawlings attended the Texas Tech - Texas A&M football game with his sister and family: Nancy and James Poe, David Poe of Kaufman and Brian Poe who is in the corps at Texas A&M. Jim met former President George Bush as he was walking to the game. Jim also met Texas A&M head coach R. C. Slocum.

and before noon or after 9 p.m. on Sundays.

*Obtain the name of the solicitor and if possible, the phone number.

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Pet talk

If your dog Spot gets a spot on his lung, he's probably not alone.

Cancer in animals - especially dogs - is as common as cancer in humans, says a Texas A&M University veterinarian who specializes in treating and diagnosing the disease. Dr. Claudia Barton has done extensive research in animal cancer and says the disease seems to surface as often in the animal world as it does among humans.

But unlike people, certain animals seem to have much higher incidence rates of cancer. Dogs are at the top of the list, followed by cats. Their chances of getting cancer are higher than humans contracting the disease, she says.

But humans have a much higher cancer rate than horses or cows, while cancer in birds is rare.

"We do know that certain species of animals seem to get cancer more than others. Why this happens, we just don't know," Barton explains.

"Dogs, for instance, have higher rates of skin cancer, breast cancer and bone can-

**Look Who's New
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Joshua was born September 6 at 3:50 p.m. in San Antonio, Texas. He weighed 8 pounds and was 20 inches long.

Joshua is the son of John and Andrea Fluhmann and sister to Ayla. Grandparents are Joe and Linda Parvin of San Angelo and Mike and Bobbie Fluhmann of Robert Lee. Great-grandparents are Mary Lou Vaughn of San Angelo, Bobbie Fluhmann of Robert Lee, and Betty Jo King of Corinth, Texas.



Dr. Karen McBride answers questions from Austin Mertz, Logan McGlothlin, and Madelyn Tounget.

cer, and also leukemia. Humans have more lung cancer, which we attribute to smoking, and more gastrointestinal cancers, which are probably related to diet.

"But by using dogs as models and learning from them, we can apply some of

what we know about cancer to humans," Barton adds.

Barton says the incidence of cancer in dogs is higher than it was 25 or 30 years ago because animals are living longer. It is not uncommon, she says, to see 18-year-old

dogs and 21-year-old cats.

"The longer an animal lives, you see the diseases of aging just like you see in people," she explains. "You see more cancer, more heart disease and kidney trouble in animals just as you might see in older people."

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