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Rehab Center Telethon slated for Saturday

The 31st annual West Texas Rehabilitation Center Telethon is set for this Saturday, January 13, from 7:00 pm until midnight. Over the years many Coke County residents have received assistance from their therapy at the Abilene or San Angelo Rehab facility. On Saturday night, Coke County residents will have an opportunity to ensure that these services continue by making a gift to Rehab 2001.

In Robert Lee, the '64 Study Club is spearheading the local solicitation effort and have arranged for a phone bank to be in operation on telethon night at Ivey Motor Company.

In Bronte, Diane Luckett and Pat Martindale are spearheading the local solicitation effort and have arranged for a phone bank to be in operation on telethon night at the Bronte City Hall.

Rehab friends in the community who won't be able to call in their pledge on January

13 are encouraged to make an advance donation. Checks payable to WTRC may be mailed to either Leta Caston, P.O. Box 461, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 or Diane Luckett, P.O. Box 21, Bronte, Texas 76933.

The five-hour television special will be aired from 7 pm

Postal rates rise

by Joan Davis

Rates of postal services rose on Sunday, Jan. 07. Little impact on the 1 cent hike for first class letters will be felt locally as the county has very few bulk mailers. However, rates for parcels, periodicals, and advertising mail will add up.

Postal officials proposed the rate hikes a year ago but the postal commission cut raises for additional ounces of mail and for post cards. Specialty mailings such as Express Mail and Priority Mail rose also.

Other mailing services will also increase their rates in the near future. Fed Ex will hike U.S. air express rates Feb. 01 by 4.9 percent. United Parcel Service increases will be effective on Feb. 05. Ground Service will rise by 3.1 percent while air shipments will be upped by 3.7 percent.

Greetings to: Jeffie Roberts

As I begin preparing for the challenges of the presidency, I want to congratulate and thank you for your service to the State of Texas. You have unselfishly given of your time, energy and expertise to make our state a better place for all Texans. I know that you have made personal sacrifices to serve, and you have done a great job.

I also want to encourage you to keep up the good work. The Lone Star State needs dedicated Texans to provide efficient and effective government and opportunity for all.

I appreciate what you have helped accomplish during these past six years. Together we have made a difference. Texas is the beacon state we said we wanted. We can be very proud.

I will not forget you and all you have done for Texas. God Bless you.

Sincerely,
George W. Bush

to midnight on 10 Texas stations, including KLST-TV in San Angelo.

Lee Ann Womack, recent winner of two Country Music Association awards, will be the telethon's featured entertainer. Peter Marshall and Charlie Chase will emcee the show, which will also include entertainment by Florence LaRue of the 5th Dimension, rising new talent Jay Michaels and long-time Rehab telethon regulars Bill and Susan Hayes and Anacani.

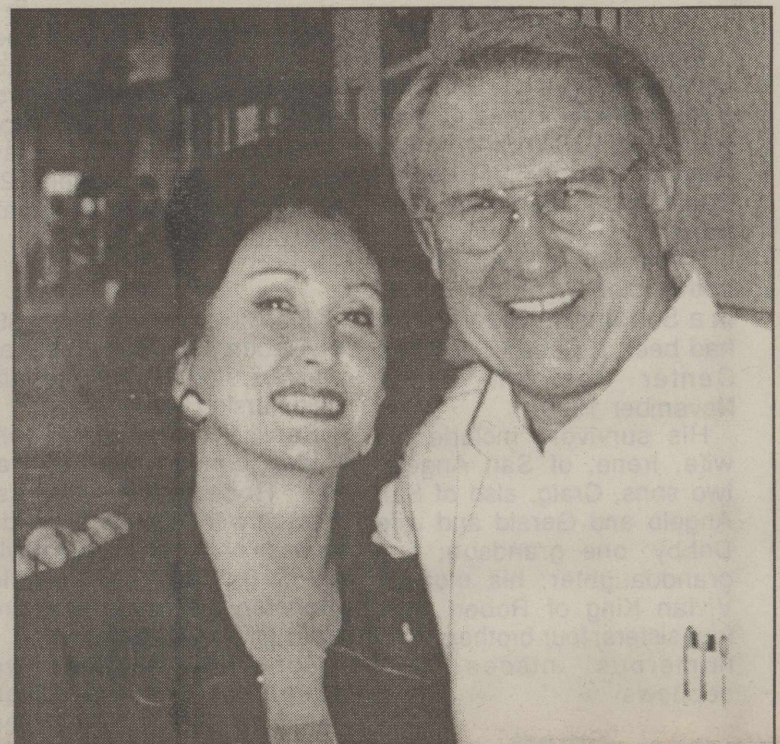
CC Junior Stock Show begins next week

Next week will be the 61st edition of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show held at the Sterling Lindsey Memorial Exhibit Building in Robert Lee. This year's show will have more than 250 animals exhibited in the Market Lamb, Market Goat, Market Swine and Market Steer shows, but more importantly will feature more than 80 youth exhibitors from around the county.

The county stock show offers the youth of Coke County the opportunity to exhibit their livestock projects which they have been working with for up to eleven months. Besides being a worthwhile educational activity for our youth in teaching them responsibility, interaction with others and numerous life skills, it is an important economic endeavor when you consider the animals purchased from county producers, feed purchased locally and premium monies that come from the county and outside areas. Counting the county show and major shows they will participate in later in the spring has continuously generated over \$125,000 brought into the county economy.

The show will get under way next Friday, January 19, at 5:30 pm with the Market Lamb show followed by the Market Goat show. Then on Saturday, beginning at 8:30 am we will have the Market Swine show, the Market Steer show at 11:00 am. All classes of livestock this year will be judged and evaluated by Chad Coburn, Sterling County Extension Agent.

The Buyers Appreciation BBQ will be prepared by Wayland Drennan, Gaylon Pit-



Jim and Judith Fullingim will be at the Bronte Methodist Church January 14 at 10:30 am, at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center at 2 pm and at the Coke County Juvenile Justice Center at 4 pm.

cock, Roy Tinkler, Rick Drennan, Clark Tinkler and Curtis Walker. The BBQ will begin at 12:00 noon in the recreation hall next to the show barn. The Awards presentation and Premium Sale will get under way at 2:00 pm to honor the prize winning entries. Persons wishing to donate to the county stock show can contact one of the stock show directors; Sharon Pitcock, Robert Wink, Shane Webb, Wayne Coalson, Todd Harrell, Rick Howell, David Jackson, Jerry T. Parker, David Scott, Joe Sefcik, Tommy Hendry, Mike McCabe, Teddy Millican, Joel Percifull, Wibby Millican, Darrel Pitcock, Billy Hill, Ernest Ybarra, Mark Riley or Mike Cervanka. Donations may also be sent to the Coke County Livestock Association at Box 170, Robert Lee 76945.

The directors and exhibitors of the Coke County Livestock show would like to invite everyone to attend this year's show and support the youth of our area.

Hunting season closes

by Joan Davis

The 2000 fall hunting season closed on Jan. 07 for deer and turkey on an unexpected note of hope. The drought and heat of last summer didn't make expectations high for an abundance of wildlife. Pickings were pretty slim for both feed and water -

even some of the native brush the deer browsed on died. Turkey hatches were way down and many of the does were seen with only one fawn.

The summer heat and poor conditions faded quickly when the general area received both rain and snow in November. A short cover of green could be seen and ranchers and hunters continued to feed. A fair harvest of deer, for current conditions, held out. Deer remained in fair shape but few trophy horns were seen.

If the coming spring is better...well, West Texas always has rebounded. Always optimistic - there's next year.

The short dove season also closed on Jan. 07, without much notice by anyone.

Although quail season will remain open through Feb. 25, a dark cloud builds on the horizon for both blues and bobs. Do enough birds remain to hatch enough to make an impact on numbers? Cover, scarce feed and water, fire ants - what is the answer? We may soon be hunting pen-raised birds. Some biologists are questioning whether quail season should be closed for a time or, at least, shortened.

CC retired teachers

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, January 15, 2001. The noon luncheon meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.



Jeffie Harmon Roberts of Robert Lee was reappointed November 16, 2000, by Governor George W. Bush to serve another term on the Board of Directors, Upper Colorado River Authority. Her term will expire February 1, 2005. She is currently serving as Treasurer of the Board. Others from Coke County currently serving on the Board of the UCRA are Jack Brewer of Robert Lee and Dorris Sonnenberg of Bronte.

Jeffie was commissioned on December 20, 2000, and the document was signed by Texas Governor George W. Bush, the day before he resigned as Governor of Texas to become the President of the United States.

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Death Notices

Blair

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel for Melvin Dwain Blair of San Angelo. Burial followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Dwain, 64, a Coke County native, died Saturday, Jan. 6, in a San Angelo hospital. He had been a Robert Lee Care Center resident since November 1999.

His survivors include his wife, Irene, of San Angelo; two sons, Craig, also of San Angelo and Gerald and wife Debby; one grandson; one granddaughter; his mother, Vivian King of Robert Lee; four sisters; four brothers; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Emert

Rual Howard Emert, 82, of Robert Lee and formerly of San Angelo, died Thursday, January 4, 2001, in the Robert Lee Care Center.

Service was held at 10:00 am Saturday, January 6, 2001, at the Ninth and Main Church of Christ with burial in Fairmont Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

She is survived by one daughter, Suzanne Emert Smith; one son, Tad Howard Emert; eight grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Flores

Monico Flores, 81, died Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2001, at his residence.

Rosary was conducted Friday at 7 pm at St. James Catholic Church. Service was held at 1:30 pm Saturday, Jan. 06 at the church with burial in Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include three sons, Tony Flores of Bronte, Monico Flores of Eula and

Jessie Flores of Robert Lee; five daughters, Mary Pardo of Hale Center, Josie Olivas of Abilene, Martha Lopez, Lupe "ChaChi" Baily and Julie Martinez, all of San Angelo; 26 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

Miller

Juanice Jameson Miller, 88, of Robert Lee died Tuesday January 9, 2001, in a San Angelo nursing home.

Service will be at 2:00 pm Friday, January 12, 2001, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church with Reverend Waide Messer officiating. Burial will follow in the McKenzieville Cemetery. Arrangements are by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Jean Jameson Ash of Robert Lee and Billie Fred Jameson Thorp of Throckmorton; one step-daughter, Leta Miller Oliver of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; and eighteen great grandchildren.

Little League meeting slated

All parents of children who play baseball or softball in Coke County are encouraged to attend a Little League meeting Sunday, January 14, at 4 pm at Mitchell Gas in Bronte. Officers will be nominated and elected at this time.

Runnels Baptist Assoc. to meet

Runnels Baptist Association will meet Monday, January 15 at First Baptist Church, Bronte.

The executive board and W.M.U. will meet at 5:30 pm. The evening meal will be served at 6:15 pm.

A program on Doctrinal Emphasis will begin at 7:00 pm. Dr. Art Allen, Bible Professor at Howard Payne University, will be the speaker.

The public is invited to attend.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
I viewed with utter disgust the photo of the two-legged predator posing with the dead cat in last week's edition.

Predator loss is tax deductible; the loss of a magnificent animal is just that: a loss.

If I had to choose between one of the two roaming my place, I would opt for the kitty. And run a few extra head of sheep/goats for it to eat.

Sincerely,
S. Blackwood
A Bar Ranch
Robert Lee, Texas

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor;
I am writing today in the disillusioned hope that I may receive a well-reasoned response to my questions.

Why are the Coke County Commissioners' positions salaried? Is there a law in the State of Texas which mandates that the position be paid?

In 1997, the average Coke County resident's per capita income was \$17,917. In 1999, Coke County was estimated to have 19.03% of its population below the poverty level.

Reference: http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/cons_bud/dssi.htm.

How is it fair that our county compensates our County Commissioners in a manner which exceeds our average citizen's per capita income, for a job which is at best a part-time position? How do we explain to the "little widow lady paying her taxes" (who is one of the 19.03% of the people in this county living under the poverty level) that spending an approximate total of \$100,000.00 a year on salaries and benefits for our four commissioners is fair?

If compensating our commissioners in a full-time manner with benefits is reasonable and fair, then should we be paying our school board members, our city council members, and all of the other voluntarily elected positions in this county?

It is my opinion that the County Commissioners' positions should be voluntary



Karen Richey, a Mary Kay Independent Sales Director, recently earned the use of a GMC Jimmy. On December 20, 2000, Karen took delivery of the car, her third Mary Kay career car, at Mitchell Buick-Pontiac-GMC in San Angelo.

(without payment of any kind). I believe there is a great number of good people in this county that would serve in this manner. We see these same capable people serving on unpaid boards all across this county everyday. Only by serving pro bono can the commissioners make well-reasoned, unbiased, prudent decisions, hence benefiting every citizen in the county.

My prayer is that the current commissioners will recognize this as a reasonable request and revisit the issue of their compensation. Our four commissioners are the only people who can make this decision.

Sincerely,
Paul Williams
439 Morrow Lane
Bronte, TX 76933
(915) 473-3800

Coke County courthouse to close

The Coke County courthouse in Robert Lee will be closed on Monday, Jan. 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. day. Business will resume on Tuesday at 8 am.

The island nation of Jamaica gets its name from an Indian word meaning "Island of Springs."

SA Genealogical & Historical Society

The San Angelo Genealogical & Historical Society will hold Beginner's classes January 15th - 19th, Mon - Fri, 2pm - 4pm at the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street, San Angelo, Texas.

There will be a fee. For more information call 655-6494.

There is only one good, knowledge, and one evil, ignorance.

Socrates

Churches of Robert Lee

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Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
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First United Methodist Church
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(915) 453-2417

Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship

Wed. 7 pm Choir
Northside Church of Christ
PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne
(915) 453-2619 or 453-2270

Tommy Williams, Minister
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Wed. 7 pm

Pecan Baptist
PO Box 542 • 12 W. Sterling City Hwy
(915) 453-4645

Rev. Dale Patterson, Pastor
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
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Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm

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Floyd and Jessie Harmon celebrate 68th wedding anniversary

Floyd and Jessie Harmon celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary and Jessie's 85th birthday on December 18, 2000. The couple was honored with birthday/anniversary cakes and ice cream with their senior citizen friends at their regular Senior Citizen's domino game. Their daughters and sons-in-law hosted the celebration. Hosts were Lawana M. Perry of Carlsbad; Dorene and Wayne Mashburn of San Angelo; and Jeffie and Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee. Other guests present were their grandson - Douglas Roberts, Annice Walker and her granddaughter.



Floyd and Jessie Harmon of Robert Lee were honored December 18, 2000, on their 68th wedding anniversary and her 85th birthday with a celebration. Hosted by their daughters and sons-in-law, Lawana M. Perry of Carlsbad, Dorene and Wayne Mashburn of San Angelo, and Jeffie and Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee, the celebration was held during the regular Senior Citizen domino game at the Robert Lee Senior Citizen Building.

Junior Girl Scouts receive awards

Nine Robert Lee Girl Scouts received awards Monday for their participation in Junior Scout Troop 237 from their leaders Nancy Arthur and Brenda Skinner.

The awards ceremony, attended by family and friends of the youngsters, included a presentation of the Girl Scout promise and law in a beautiful candle lighting program in the Coke County Courtroom. Nicole Barnett led the pledge of allegiance, Casey Skinner led the National Anthem, and Chelsea Conner led the Girl Scout promise. Emily Arthur announced the theme of the ceremony - an unending circle of friendship. The youngsters formed a circle of friendship and assisted each other in donning their award sashes and vests.

Molly Burns explained what the girls did to earn their Photography badges, including working in a darkroom printing and enlarging photos; Melissa Martinez explained the archery lessons that led to their Sports badge and Casey Skinner discussed their Nature Walk, which had been led by Noel Gregston. Robin Taylor explained the design, stenciling, stamping, and photo transferring that produced their unique yellow t-shirts and earned them the Art to Wear badge.

Ashley Hopson presented a Friendship poem; and all of the girls received their Abilene West Texas Girl Scout patch, an overnigher patch for a lock-in at the Abilene Mall, an early bird patch, troop numbers 237, a pin and the badges they had each earned. Emily Arthur also earned a computer badge on her own. Chelle Wright was also awarded the troop insignia and badges although illness prevented her attendance Monday.

Each of the girls made homemade cookies and treats which were served with Friendship tea and Lime Sherbert Punch. Special thanks were offered to Barbara Jameson, Cookie and Sid Burns, Coke County, Annice and Curtis Walker, and the First United Methodist Church for support of the Troop.

Their next activity will be training in self-defense designed for Girl Scouts by police officers for young and weaker persons. They will travel to Abilene Jan. 20 for the training. Terri Taylor has volunteered to assist Nancy Arthur on that trip.

Personal

Sid and Ginger Eubanks from Natchitoches, Louisiana, visited their parents Sid and Johnnie Eubanks and Helen Murtishaw and other relatives and friends during the Christmas holidays. Everyone met at the home of Billy Joe and Diane Luckett for Christmas dinner.

Sid and Ginger had Christmas with Sid and Johnnie and then went to Bill and Diane's. There were lots of visiting, picture taking and lots of good food. Turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, ham, salads, all the trimmings, cakes and pies.

Those enjoying the wonderful Christmas Day and seeing their kinfolks were: Dale and Cindy Luckett and Stormy, Betty McDaniel from Abilene; Debbie and Scott Bayer and Aaron, Amanda and Corey; Joy and A. J. McDaniel from San Angelo; Rusty and Glenda Plowman and Josh and Matthew from Lubbock; Sid and Ginger from Natchitoches, Louisiana;

Dewey Luckett, Billy Joe and Diane Luckett and Joey from Bronte. Cold weather kept Jim and Lois Dunklin from Robert Lee at home. Helen Murtishaw was at home with bronchitis, sinusitis and fever. Billy Joe and Dale delivered noon meals to Helen and the Dunklins. Everyone had a wonderful time. Will see everyone again next Christmas.

Personal

Jim and Sheila (Roberts) Farrar, Crystal and Lauren Hammerton of Houston spent Christmas week with their parents, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee. Other visitors in the Roberts' home during the holidays were Douglas, Denise, Kacey and James Roberts of Robert Lee; George (Buddy) Strickland of Glen Rose; Jeremy Strickland of Austin; Calvin Bynum of Abilene; Kendall and Lee Billings of Sanderson; Rick Edwards of Rowlett; and Scott Babb of Wylie.

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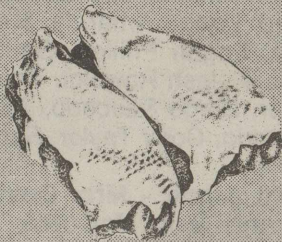
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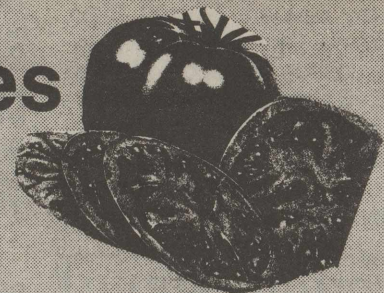
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Salad Size

Tomatoes

Lb. **.49**



Selected Varieties

Hill Bros. or MJB Coffee

11.5-13 oz. can

\$1.79



Liquid

Clorox Bleach

96 oz. bottle **.89**

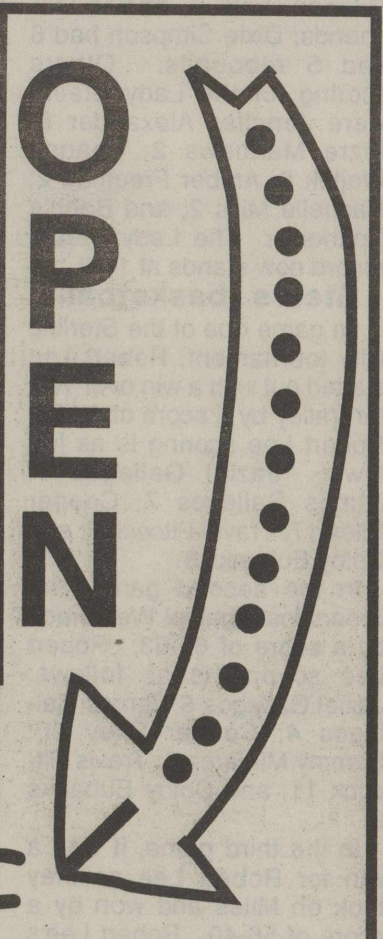


Selected Varieties

Sunny Delight Citrus Drinks

64 oz. bottle

.89



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Robert Lee School News

Robert Lee Elementary school perfect attendance third six weeks

Kindergarten - Mrs. Gibbs

Randy Barnett, Grady Barnett, Dawson Brisbin, Jordan Gartman, Dusty Howard, Justin Gartman, Makenna Netting, Zachary Sanchez, Zach Skinner, Ashlie Wheat, Jonah Saucedo

First grade - Mrs. Payne

Linsey Arellano, Vincent Batten, Beanca Bower, Matthew Corona, Samantha Fernandez, Raquel Rojas, Dylan VanDeventer, Diana Vera

Second grade - Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Horn

Foster Allen, Ginny Caston, Haden Dillard, Joe Estrada, Jared Long, Amanda Mendoza, Logan Philley, Garrett Rogers, Josh Rowoldt, Travis Sailer, Diego Saucedo, Anita Saucedo, Cody Taylor, Sarah Walker

Third grade - Mrs. Devoll and Mrs. McCown

Catie Anyon, Emily Arellano, Briana Brisbin, Cody Brosh, Justina Gloria, Tanner Hanigan, Sarah Jones, Nancy Landeros, Blake Millican, Stetson Nesbit, Miguel Perez, Colton Reed, Emilee Yanez

Fourth grade - Mrs. Bessent and Mrs. Roberts

Amy Barnett, Garrett Blair, Jasmine Gloria, Kaden Duncan, Joshua Gallegos, Morgan Hill, Caleb Millican, Dustin Moreno, Olga Perez, Michael Rodriguez, Norma Rojas, Mason Ross, Rebecka Saucedo, Cody Williamson

Fifth grade - Mrs. Byrne

Jesse Braswell, Molly Burns, Cody Denton, Brody Dillard, Cameron Hodge, Melissa Martinez, Allison Millican, Taylor Percifull, Andrea Pineda, Chase Roe, Anna Rojas, Kasie Skinner

Sixth grade - Mrs. Burns and Mrs. McCabe

Jaden Alexander, Clay Antilely, Katie Bessent, Jordan Brown, Kelsy Duncan, Jessica Long, Kevin Honse, Dixie Johnson, Tony Munoz, Chelle Wright, Becca Skinner, Jonathan Pagan, Will Parker, Sarah Philley, Brettanie Reed, Sergio Rocha, Rosa Rojas, Chelsey Rowoldt, Eleasar Vera

Robert Lee Elementary School Third Six Weeks Accelerated Reader Honor Roll

(Students who reached their Reading Goal for the Six Weeks)

First grade - Mrs. Payne

Linsey Arellano, Chad Martin

Second Grade - Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Horn

Foster Allen, Heidi Austin, Ginny Caston, Jake Cotter, Haden Dillard, Logan Philley, Paul Pineda, Kacee Roberts, Garrett Rogers, Tiffany Rogers, Josh Rowoldt, Anita Saucedo, Amanda Winters, Tanner Brickey, Callie Chambers, J.P. Conner, Joe Estrada, Jared Long, Amanda Mendoza, Skyler Rainwater, Meagan Ross, Travis Sailer, Diego Saucedo, Cody Taylor, Sarah Walker

Third grade - Mrs. Devoll and Mrs. McCown

Cody Brosh, Justina Gloria, Blake Millican, Stetson Nesbit, Emilee Yanez, Sarah Jones, Angelica Andrade, Emily Arellano, Briana Brisbin, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Coppedge, Catie Anyon, Terry McDonald, Tanner Hanigan, Nancy Landeros, Miguel Perez

Fourth grade - Mrs. Bessent and Mrs. Roberts

Holly Austin, Kimberly Cardenas, Kaden Duncan, Morgan Hill, Michael Rodriguez, Norma Rojas, Cody Williamson, Jimmy Womack, Garrett Brown, Caleb Millican, Olga Perez, Megan Robinson, Mason Ross

Fifth grade - Mrs. Byrne

Jesse Braswell, Molly Burns, Brody Dillard, Ashley Hopson, Briana Longoria, Allison Millican, Taylor Percifull, Chase Roe, Anna Rojas, Kasie Skinner

Sixth grade - Mrs. Burns and Mrs. McCabe

Nicole Barnett, Katie Bessent, Jordan Brown, Kevin Honse, Dixie Johnson, Tony Lara, Julianne Samaniego, Becca Skinner, Robin Taylor, Eleasar Vera, Jerry Martinez, Kelsey Duncan, Brian Eubanks, Jessica Long, Cody McCabe, Will Parker, Sarah Philley, Brettanie Reed, Sergio Rocha, Ashleigh Rogers, Rosa Rojas, Chelsey Rowoldt, Chelle Wright, Tasha Blackmon, Kori

Logan

Robert Lee Elementary School Honor Roll Third Six Weeks

Third grade - Mrs. Devoll and Mrs. McCown

Emily Arellano, Stetson Nesbit, Briana Brisbin, Sarah Jones

Fourth grade - Mrs. Bessent and Mrs. Roberts

Kaden Duncan, Morgan Hill, Michael Rodriguez, Mason Ross

Fifth grade - Mrs. Byrne

Molly Burns, Ashley Hopson, Briana Longoria, Allison Millican, Chase Roe, Taylor Percifull

Sixth grade - Mrs. Burns and Mrs. McCabe

Katie Bessent, Jordan Brown, Kelsy Duncan, Brian Eubanks, Dixie Johnson, Cody McCabe, Casey Nesbit, Sarah Philley, Brettanie Reed, Ashleigh Rogers, Rosa Rojas, Julianne Samaniego, Becca Skinner, Eleasar Vera

Lady Steers basketball

The Lady Steers opened their District 6A play with a win over Miles.

After Tuesday night's home game with Christoval was "iced out", the Lady Steers were anxious and ready to play their first district game against Miles last Friday night. The Lady Steers were quick out of the blocks as they outscored the visiting Lady Bulldogs 20-9 in the 1st period, 11 scored by Deshira Dickey. At halftime it was 39-19 as the Lady Steers rolled to a final score of 71-32. Dickey finished the game with 19 points. Jodee Helwig had 15 and 6 rebounds; Whitney Millican had 9 and 6 rebounds; Dixie Simpson had 6 and 5 rebounds. Others scoring for the Lady Steers were Jennifer Alexander 5; Kizre Matthews 2; Shanna Wojtek 8; Amber Freeman 2; Rachelle Mills 2; and Bobbie Sparks 3. The Lady Steers record now stands at 16-2.

Steers basketball

In game one of the Sterling City tournament, Robert Lee started out with a win over Water Valley by a score of 43-36. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Jaziel Gallegos 9; James Gallegos 7; Cooper Riley 17; Travis Pitcock 2; and Colby Eubanks 8.

In the second game, the Steers lost against Westbrook by a score of 67-53. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Jaziel Gallegos 6; James Gallegos 4; Cooper Riley 20; Sammy Minjarez 3; Travis Pitcock 11; and Colby Eubanks 9.

In the third game, it was a win for Robert Lee as they took on Miles and won by a score of 56-40. Robert Lee's Cooper Riley was hot again as he was high scorer in this game also with 23 points. Cooper ended up with 60 points in these three games. Other scoring is as follows: Jaziel Gallegos 5; James Gal-



Robert Lee Elementary School Foster Grandparent Rachel McAdoo (right) waits with Kimberly Roach for the school program to begin.

legos 2; Sammy Minjarez 5; Travis Pitcock 11; and Colby Eubanks 10.

McAdoo serves as Foster Grandparent

Robert Lee Elementary School has been participating in the Foster Grandparent Program of the Concho Valley for three years. This year, the Foster Grandparent serving at RLES is Rachel McAdoo. Mrs. McAdoo's smiling face is something the Robert Lee students look forward to seeing each day. The activities she performs include talking and listening, playing, singing, and walking with a student. She also helps students with reading, writing, and the development of basic learning skills. Mrs. McAdoo works under the supervision of classroom teachers and enjoys helping the students.

RLES Principal Janet Wallace says, "We are thrilled to have Mrs. McAdoo as our Foster Grandparent this year. She is a tremendous help to our students. When you look into her eyes, you can see a deep love for students. That is why our students respond so well to her."

For information concerning the Foster Grandparent Program, please call Cheri

Roberts, Foster Grandparent Program Director, Concho Valley Council of Governments at 944-9666 or Robert Lee Elementary School at 453-4555.

RLJV girls win tournament

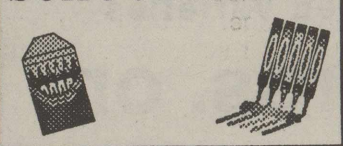
In the first game of the Bronte JV tournament, the Robert Lee JV girls took this game against Irion County by a score of 38-25. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: K. Matthews 6; M. Brothers 8; T. Lott 4; K. Soliz 16; and C. Middleton 4.

In the championship game of the tournament, the girls were up against Bronte and defeated them by a score of 15-10. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: K. Matthews 1; M. Brothers 4; A. Kendall 1; T. Lott 3; and K. Soliz 6.

On the 5th of January, the JV girls won against Miles by a score of 46-26. Robert Lee scoring was as follows: A. Cowart 2; K. Matthews 3; M. Brothers 11; A. Kendall 2; A. Millican 2; T. Lott 6; K. Soliz 13; and C. Middleton 7.

According to legend, in 1847, an American sea captain Hanson Gregory was the first person to cut a hole in a doughnut.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

Monday, Jan. 15

Orange juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk

Tuesday, Jan. 16

Orange juice, donut, cereal, milk

Wednesday, Jan. 17

Orange juice, muffin, sausage, cereal, milk

Thursday, Jan. 18

Orange juice, blueberry pancake, sausage on a stick, cereal, milk

Friday, Jan. 19

Coke County Livestock Show

Lunch

Monday, Jan. 15

Beef, bean, cheese burrito, salad, corn, fruit cocktail, milk

Tuesday, Jan. 16

Chicken A La King, rice, green beans, rolls, pineapple, milk

Wednesday, Jan. 17

Steakfingers with gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, rolls, pears, milk

Thursday, Jan. 18

Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tator tots, peaches, milk

Friday, Jan. 19

Coke County Livestock Show

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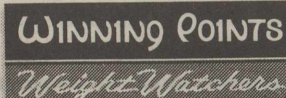


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Bronte School News

Third Six Weeks Awards

Bronte Elementary Pre-K Perfect Attendance
Joshua Means, Fred Arthur, Dakota Kelly

Kindergarten Perfect Attendance
Shyanne Acker, Jayton Cooper, Kyle Kelton, Brady Knight, Michelle Rhodes, Paige Royall, Elizabeth Shults

First grade awards Super Citizen
Katie Austin, Creed Coalson, Amy Godinez, Kimberly Lee, Austin Mertz, Madelyn Tounget, Mackenzie Gibbs, Brent Kelly, Sara Lara, Kaitlin Moore, Leticia Pena, Harley Wallace, and Logan McGlothlin

Perfect Attendance
Katie Austin, Mason Braswell, Conner Clark, Creed Coalson, Kimberly Lee, Dustin Minjarez, Madelyn Tounget, Madison Price, Beau Grigg, Mackenzie Gibbs, Jonathan Reyes, and Harley Wallace

Handwriting
Katie Austin, Creed Coalson, Kimberly Lee, Harley Wallace

Social Studies Award (100 on report award)
Katie Austin, Kimberly Lee

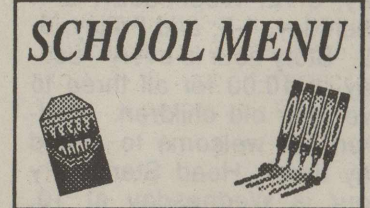
Second grade - Parker A honor roll
Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey

A/B honor roll
Zachary Boyd, Reid Clark, Peyton Eubanks, Nicholas Shuls

Conduct
Reid Clark, Peyton Eubanks, Rex Knight, Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey, Justin Saldana

Met A/R goals
Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey

Perfect attendance
Arlis McMullan, Zachary Boyd, Justin Saladana, Peyton Eubanks



Breakfast Monday, Jan. 15
Breakfast pizza, apple juice, biscuit, milk

Tuesday, Jan. 16
Cheese toast, peaches, teddy grams, milk

Wednesday, Jan. 17
French toast stix, grape juice, biscuit, milk

Thursday, Jan. 18
Scrambled eggs, orange juice, biscuit, milk

Friday, Jan. 19
Coke County Livestock Show

Lunch Monday, Jan. 15
Corn dogs, tator tots, baked beans, milk, chocolate cake

Tuesday, Jan. 16
Lasagna, tossed salad, sweet corn, bread sticks, milk, apple crisp

Wednesday, Jan. 17
Submarine sandwiches, ham & cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle, pork & beans, bun, chips, milk, strawberry short cake

Thursday, Jan. 18
Oven fried chicken with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, milk, jello

Friday, Jan. 19
Coke County Livestock Show

Second grade - Lisa Dyess All A's

Tori Acevedo, Terron Charles, Michael Evans, Chase Harris, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Kelsey Sedden

Super Citizens
Tori Acevedo, Terron Charles, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Chase Harris, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Johnathan Rodriguez, Kelsey Sedden

Met A.R. goals
Tori Acevedo, Terron Charles, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Michael Evans, Chase Harris, Cheyenne Hunter, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Johnathan Rodriguez, Kelsey Sedden

Perfect Attendance
Chase Harris, Michael Evans, Taylor Cooper-Hartman, Cheyenne Hunter, Tori Acevedo, Joshua Hargrave, Johnathan Rodriguez, Kelsey Sedden

Third grade - Mrs. Inman A honor roll
Crawford James, Ali Tounget

Citizenship
Krista Moore, Ashley Royall, Crawford James, Ali Tounget

Math - Maranda Alix

Spelling - Ali Tounget

English - Emily Fiveash

Reading - Case Braswell

Social Studies - Emilie Jimenez

Science - Crawford James

Handwriting - Krista Moore

Perfect Attendance
Ashley Royall, Case Braswell, Krista Moore, Emily Fiveash, Emilie Jimenez, Ali Tounget

Third grade - Rawlings All A honor roll
Chelsea Cook

A-B honor roll
Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg, Louie Martinez, Tyler Riney, Jackson Rowan, Kimberly Womack, Katie Aguirre

Outstanding Reading - Chloe Grigg

Outstanding Math - Louie Martinez

Outstanding English - Tyler Riney

Outstanding Spelling - Kasey Glover

Outstanding Science - Chelsea Cook

Outstanding Social Studies - Kimberly Womack

Outstanding Handwriting - Jackson Rowan

Super Citizenship
Samantha Coffey, Chelsea Cook, Ashley Fisher, Kasey Glover, Louie Martinez, Manuel Pina, Tyler Riney, Jackson Rowan, Kimberly Womack, Katie Aguirre

Perfect Attendance
William Riney, Kasey Glover, Skyler Ellis-York, Samantha Coffey, Chelsea Cook

AR goals met
Chelsea Cook, Samantha Coffey, Kasey Glover, Tyler Riney, Chloe Grigg, Louie Martinez, Kimberly Womack

Fourth grade - Mrs. Williams Author's award (excellence in writing)

Matthew Allen, Nathan McCoulskey, Reece Springer, Samantha Swagerty

Mathematician award
DJ Acevedo, Matthew Allen, Jessi England, Cory Glover, Jessica Grasc, Ty Mackey, Will Macon, Samuel Rawlings

Mad Scientist award
Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Will Macon, Sam Rawlings

Spelling award
Israel Cecilio, Jessi England, Cory Glover, Sam Rawlings, Nicole Reed, Reece Springer

Bookworm award (met AR goal for 6 weeks)
DJ Acevedo, Matthew Allen, Callan Clark, Ariel Coalson, John Dickson, Jessi England, Cory Glover, Jessica Grasc, Chase Hoyt, Ty Mackey, Will Macon, Nathan McCoulskey, Sam Rawlings, Nicole Reed, Miranda Riney, Reece Springer

Artist's Gallery award
DJ Acevedo, Haleigh Bryant, Sam Rawlings

Nose to the Grindstone award
Callan Clark, Ariel Coalson, John Dickson, Jessica Grasc, Prescilla Lara, Reece Springer, Samantha Swagerty

Computer Virus award
Matthew Allen, Cory Glover, Ty Mackey, Lloyd Mills, Samantha Swagerty

Perfect Attendance
Cory Glover, Ariel Coalson, Eddie May, Ty Mackey, Callan Clark, John Dickson, Israel Cecilio, Sam Rawlings, Chase Hoyt

A honor roll
Jessi England, Ty Mackey

A/B honor roll
Matthew Allen, Sam Rawlings

Fifth grade Perfect attendance
Zackary Bennett, Christopher Brown, Estephanie Flores, Chris Guzman, Casey Harris, Kyle Nealey, Pete Rodriguez, Gus Saunders, Ronald Shaw, Cody Wallace

Met AR reading goals
Zack Bennett, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Miranda Parks, Pete Rodriguez, Gus Saunders, Ronald Shaw, Freddy Soele

Good handwriting awards
Emily Austin, Estephanie Flores, Savannah Martinez, Gus Saunders, Brent Wills

"A" honor roll

Emily Austin, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris

"A-B" honor roll
Kyle Nealey, Beth Sanchez, Gus Saunders, Freddy Soele, Brett Wills

Met required reading goals
Emily Austin, John Basquez, Zack Bennett, Estephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Pete Rodriguez, Gus Saunders, Ronald Shaw, Freddy Soele, Brett Wills

Citizenship awards
Estephanie Flores, Chris Guzman

Sixth grade - Mrs. Lee A honor roll
Rebekah Beauchamp, Eric Hendrickson, Jonathan Marrs, Philip Rawlings, Logan Rawls

A-B honor roll
Sarah Adams, Katie Cooper, Mason Jackson, Lauhren White, Juston Taylor

Met accelerated reader goal
Jonathan Marrs, Phillip Rawlings, Juston Taylor, Patty Galvan

Super citizens
Rebekah Beauchamp, Hazen Coffey, Patty Galvan, Mason Jackson, Jonathan Marrs, John Paul Martinez, Tiffany Pina, Phillip Rawlings, Logan Rawls, Juston Taylor

Perfect attendance
Katie Cooper, Patty Galvan, Eric Hendrickson, Mandy Johnson, Jonathan Marrs, Phillip Rawlings, Juston Taylor, Lauhren White

Bronte Jr. High girls basketball
On the 4th, the Bronte Jr. High girls played at home against Garden City. The 7th and 8th grade girls banned together for this game but came away with a loss by a score of 8-31. Bronte scoring is as follows: Lilly 4 rebounds, 5 steals, 2 points; Cheyanne 2 rebounds; Chris 2 rebounds, 1 steal; Megan 5 rebounds; Jasmine 3 rebounds, 3 steals; Calli 5 rebounds, 1 steal, 2 assists, 2 points; Ashleigh 2 rebounds; Monica 3 rebounds, 2 points; Salena 2 rebounds; Vanessa 2 points.

On the 8th, the 7th grade girls took on Christoval and won by a score of 23-13. Bronte scoring is as follows: Lillian McMullan 2 points, 3 rebounds, 8 steals, 1 assist; Cheyanne Webb 4 points, 1 rebound, 1 steal; Christian Kelly 6 points, 8 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 assist; Rebecca

Rawlings 6 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals; Megan Gibbs 3 points, 1 rebound, 1 steal; Lindsey Butler 1 rebound, 1 steal; Bailey Saunders 1 rebound; Rosi Lara 2 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals.

On the same night, the 8th grade girls lost their game by a score of 15-49. Bronte scoring is as follows: Jasmine Kresta 3 points, 7 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 assist; Calli Johnson 4 points, 1 rebound, 1 steal; Desi Mirelez 2 points, 2 rebounds, 1 steal; Ashleigh Kelly 6 points, 9 rebounds; Monica DelaGarza 5 rebounds, 1 steal, 11 assists; Angeles Guitierrez 2 rebounds; Salena Soto 4 rebounds.

McCorkle named to All-West Texas football team
Bronte's Ryan McCorkle has recently been named to the 2000 Standard Times All-West Texas football team. McCorkle, a 5-11, 140 pound Senior, teamed up with quarterback Brandon Gibbs to finish with 28 catches for 666 yards.

Arrott, Schoenfield named to all-state volleyball team
Bronte's Kala Arrott has recently been named to the Class 1A all-state volleyball team, while Lacy Schoenfield was named to the second team. The teams are selected annually by the Texas Sports Writers Association.

Arrott, a 5-9 Senior middle hitter, was instrumental in advancing the Lady Horns to the UIL Class 1A state tournament. The District 4-1A co-MVP, Arrott finished the 2000 season with 245 kills, 321 digs, 71 blocks, and a .390 kill percentage. Schoenfield is a 5-6 Junior setter for the Lady Horns.

Bronte students receive ASU degrees
Two Bronte students at Angelo State University were among 321 students to receive degrees during the Fall commencement at the university.

Sharla Dee Holland received a Bachelor of Science, Magna Cum Laude, with a major in Kinesiology/secondary Certification, and Cory G. Robinson received a Bachelor of Arts, with a major in History.

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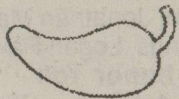
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Thank you and God Bless all of you.

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would like to thank everyone very much for the visits, phone calls, food, flowers and cards during my stay at the hospital and even after I came home. You'll never know how much having friends & family like you'll mean to us and how much it helped us through our hard times. Thank you again. May God Bless all of you.

Alvin Torres & Family

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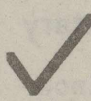
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Good collection of westerns in County library

The Coke County Library has received a copy of Elmer Kelton's latest book, Badger Boy, the story of an Indian captive boy who is returned to his adoptive people by a Confederate War soldier who has found his native Texas in turmoil.

The library has a good collection of other westerns with authors such as Ralph Compton who died in 1999, but whose legacy of writing "good, clean westerns" is being carried on by Ralph Cotton and Robert Vaughan. Other western favorites are Bill Crider, Tom Early, Lauren Estleman, Will Henry, Ernest Haycox, Terry Johnson (recent recipient of a Western Writers award), Cameron Judd, Wayne Overholser, Frank Roderus and Jory Sherman are included on the shelves at the Library.

The nearly complete collection of Louis L'Amour and Zane Grey are available in both paperback and hard back books. Another writer of westerns which have been made into movies is T.V. Olsen. His books Soldier Blue and Stalking Moon were both movies. New westerns are purchased regularly for the fans of westerns - or historical fiction as some westerns are being called.

The library has also received a collection of poems by Rev. Jim Reeves entitled Reflections in Stained Glass: The Bulletin Poems, graciously presented by the author.

The library hours are Tuesday, 8-12; Wednesday, 8-4; Thursday, 1-5; and Friday, 8-12. Story hour is every Tuesday at 10:00 for all three to five year old children. Children are welcome to attend any time. Head Start story hour is Wednesday at 10. Adults are welcome to join the fun.

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Personal

Wayne and Dorene Mashburn of San Angelo hosted the Christmas Dinner for the Floyd Harmon family. Those present were Floyd and Jessie Harmon, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, Marshall, Sheri and Stewart Millican all of Robert Lee; Lawana M. Perry of Carlsbad; Rick, Cheri, and Paul Mashburn of Salado; Jim and Sheila Farrar, Crystal and Lauren Hammerton of Houston; Rena, Jessica, and Brady Johnson, Wayne and Dorene Mashburn of San Angelo; and Kannan Millican of Stephenville.



**PFC Matthew Friend
PFC Matthew Friend
completes basic
training**

United States Marine Corps PFC Matthew Friend recently completed basic training at MCRD in San Diego, California and advanced combat training at Camp Pendleton in Oceanside, California. He is currently in training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Matthew is the son of Nan & Bill Friend with a sister Kendra, all of Longview. He is the nephew of Vic & Yvonne Conner of Robert Lee and Eric & Lori Hester of Big Lake. His grandparents are Wynell & William Hester, also of Big Lake.

**RL Junior High boys
basketball**

On the 4th of January, the 7th grade boys won against Sterling City by a score of 42-14. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Vincent McClelland 4; Lance Millican 9; Brandon Soliz 10; Lewis Hearn 6; and Josh Conner 13.

The 8th grade boys lost a close one against Sterling by a score of 22-20. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Chris Moreno 4; Jake McCabe 3; Mark Colon 5; Omar Saucedo 2; and Andy Mulkay 6.

On the 8th of January, the 7th grade boys won another one against Garden City by a score of 24-14. Robert Lee scoring as follows: Vincent McClelland 4; Lance Millican 4; Brandon Soliz 2; Lewis

Hearn 10; and Josh Conner 4.

The 8th grade boys lost another close one against Garden City by a score of 37-34. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Cisco Moreno 4; Jake McCabe 4; Mark Colon 2; Ruben Torres 5; Wade Arledge 10; Omar Saucedo 10; Andy Mulkey 7; and Robert Raney 2.

**RL Jr high girls
basketball**

On the 4th of January, the Robert Lee Jr. High "A" team girls won against Sterling City by a score of 28-8. Robert Lee scoring was as follows: C. Wink 4; A. Parker 2; J. Riley 4; C. Eaton 4; M. Sanchez 8; and L. Roe 6.

The "B" team lost their game against Sterling by a score of 26-10. Robert Lee scoring was as follows: S. Trejos 2; K. Millican 3; T. Bagwell 3; and C. Vera 2.

On the 8th of January, the "A" girls won another one against Garden City by a score of 20-6. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: B. Soliz 4; C. Wink 4; C. Eaton 6; M. Sanchez 4; and L. Roe 2.

The "B" team girls did not play.

**RLJV girls
basketball**

On the 9th, the JV 9th grade girls won their game against Forsan by a score of 25-15. Robert Lee scoring is as follows: Jennifer Fluhman 4; April Cowart 2; Shannon Honse 2; Monica Rodriguez 3; Tyler Lott 12; and Rachell Wallace 2.

**Bronte Jr. High
boys basketball**

The Bronte B team took on Christoval and won a close one by a score of 21-20. Bronte scoring is as follows: Zach White 4; Sherman Griffin 15; Garrett Acker 2.

The Bronte A team played their game against Garden City but lost by a score of 24-45. Bronte scoring is as follows: Justin Frazee 7; Kinlee Hoyt 6; Cory Cooper 5; Blaine Dyess 6.

The Bronte B team played their game against Garden City and lost by a score of 5-28. Bronte scoring is as follows: Curtis Moore 2; Sherman Griffin 3.

Bronte A team took on Garden City and lost by a score of 24-34. Bronte scoring is as follows: Jesse Herold 2; Justin Frazee 1; Kinlee Hoyt 11; Cory Cooper 2.

**Bronte JV girls
basketball**

On Dec. 12, the Bronte JV took on Garden City and won by a score of 32-23. Bronte scoring is as follows: Mindy Boyd 8 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists; Heather Richey 7 points, 7 rebounds, 1 steal; Lindsay Springer 4 points, 2 rebounds; Kayla Hilliard 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 assist; Jenna Herold 1 rebound; Kyla McGinnis 2 points, 4 rebounds; Britney McCutchen 2 points, 1 rebound, 2 steals, 4 assists; Kanah Coalson 3 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assist; Brittany Eldred 2 assists; Ashley Denton 3 points, 1 assist; Natalee Reed 1 point

On Dec. 15, Bronte JV took on Sterling City but lost a close one by a score of 18-21. Bronte scoring is as follows: Mindy Boyd 6 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist; Heather Richey 5 points, 8 rebounds, 1 assist; Lindsay Springer 3 points, 1 rebound; Kayla Hilliard 2 points, 1 rebound; Britney McCutchen 3 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 assist; Brittany Eldred 2 points; Logan Acker 1 rebound.

**Bronte JV host
basketball
tournament**

On the 6th, Bronte JV girls started their first game of the tournament with a victory against Roscoe by a score of 32-25. Bronte scoring is as follows: Heather Richey 8 points, 8 rebounds, 2 steals; Lindsay Springer 11 points, 3 rebounds, 1 steal, 1 assist; Kayla Hilliard 2 points, 6 re-

bounds, 5 steals; Lindsey Williams 1 steal, 1 assist; Britney McCutchen 5 points, 2 rebounds, 1 steal; Kanah Coalson 1 point, 2 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 assists; Brittany Eldred 2 rebounds; Ashley Denton 3 points, 4 steals, 2 assists; Natalee Reed 2 points, 1 rebound, 2 steals.

The second game played against Robert Lee was a close game but Bronte lost by a score of 10-15. Bronte scoring is as follows: Heather Richey 4 points, 16 rebounds, 3 steals; Lindsay Springer 2 rebounds, 1 steal; Kayla Hilliard 8 rebounds, 1 steal, 1 assist; Britney McCutchen 3 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals; Kanah Coalson 1 point, 3 rebounds; Brittany Eldred 3 rebounds, 1 steal; Ashley Denton 2 points, 5 rebounds, 1 steal. The girls made a great defensive effort as they held Robert Lee to only 4 points in the first half. The Lady Longhorns placed 2nd in the tournament.

On the 6th, the JV boys played their first game of the tournament by taking on Roscoe. They lost this game by a score of 44-33. Bronte scoring is as follows: Hall 10; Webb 9; Baker 1; Fiveash 6; Snyder 4; McKee 6.

The second game was against Robert Lee and Bronte won by a score of 49-16. Bronte scoring is as follows: Hall 9; Webb 4; Baker 2; Israel 3; Fiveash 10; Snyder 9; McKee 12.

**Bronte Longhorn
basketball**

Bronte won their first district game against Roby by a score of 65-44. Bronte scoring is as follows: Brandon Gibbs 22 points, 11 rebounds, 3 steals; Henry White 10 points, 6 rebounds; Zeb Speary 6 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists; Ryan McCorkle 5 points, 6 assists; Josh Schoenfield 7 points; Tim Green 6 assists; Steve Eldred 12 points; Jeremy Silva 2 points. Bronte basketball record 13-3 overall and 1-0 in district.

COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

**Trapper's
Association dues set**

Again this year, dues for the Coke County Trappers Association will be 7 cents per acre, per year. These dues are needed for us to be able to keep the county trapper in cooperation with Coke County and Texas Animal Damage Control.

Without support from the landowners, we would lose our trapper and we can't let that happen. Predation of livestock alone would be devastating to our agricultural economy. Just look north of us, most of the sheep and goat people have gone out of business because they have lost their trapper. Besides livestock losses, predation of our valuable wildlife resources is reason enough to control predators. We would lose a lot more than 7 cents an acre if we couldn't lease our land for hunting. Keeping a county trapper is important to every landowner, whether you run livestock or not.

For the year 2000, Bill has caught the following predators: 76 coyotes, 83 bobcats, 32 red fox, 65 gray fox and 125 coons, working on ranches over the entire county.

Our county trapper is Bill Davis and can be reached at (915) 484-2490. Please don't hesitate to call him.

Dues for 2001 can be sent to: Coke County Trappers Association, PO Box 170, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

If you have any questions, please call my office at (915) 453-2461.

**West Coke County
Ambulance Runs
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- 12-05, 12:33 pm, no run
- 12-05, 8:18 pm, medical vac
- 12-07, 8:58 am, medical vac
- 12-07, 11:57 am, medical transport
- 12-08, 4:02 pm, medical transport
- 12-10, 8:40 pm, medical transport
- 12-11, 1:19 am, medical transport
- 12-11, 10:56 pm, medical transport
- 12-15, 10:35 am, no transport
- 12-15, 4:30 pm, medical transport
- 12-15, 4:30 pm, medical transport
- 12-18, 11:06 am, medical transport
- 12-20, 12 noon, medical transport
- 12-25, 7:20 am, medical transport
- 12-26, 4:07 pm, medical transport
- 12-27, 7:40 am, medical transport
- 12-27, 12:30 pm, medical transport
- 12-28, 9:07 am, medical transport
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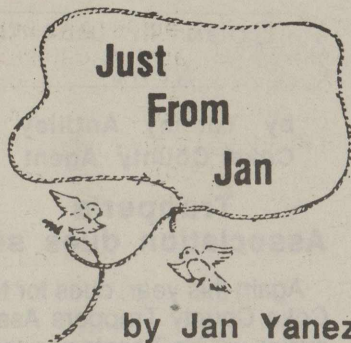
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by Jan Yanez
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Ext. Agent

Oatmeal

January is national oatmeal month because that is when oatmeal consumption is at its highest. In January Americans buy more than 22 million pounds of Quaker oatmeal. A nice hot bowl of oatmeal may seem like an old fashion way to start the day, but today you could find oatmeal in 61% of American homes. And we're not just talking small towns here. More oatmeal is eaten in New York City, about 16 million pounds a year, than in any other city in the United States. A 1993 Gallup poll revealed that oatmeal is American's number one breakfast choice. It has been reported that former President Bush's favorite breakfast was a bowl of oatmeal with a butterfinger candy bar crumbled on top.

The first commercially produced cereal was Quaker Oats, introduced in 1877. It was followed by Cream of Wheat in 1894 and Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flakes in 1907. Which of these do you like best? Quick Quaker Oats was introduced in 1921 as an early convenience product. (That was 30 years before the first convenience foods, the TV dinners of the 1950's) Instant Quaker oatmeal appeared on the market in the early 1960's.

The oatmeal cookie has remained popular in this country since 1901 when the recipe was the first ever to appear on a cereal package in the United States. But the recipe has changed with the times. During the lean years, oatmeal cookies tended to be smaller in size with no fancy ingredients. Quaker Oats Macarons were introduced after the 1929 stock market crash. These little luxuries help boost morale during the hard times. They also were the first oatmeal drop cookie. Spoonfuls of dough were simply dropped onto cookie sheets and baked, making them much more convenient to make than the oat cakes which needed to be rolled and cut into squares. In 1935 Crisp Oatmeal Cookies appeared on the oats package. The dough for these crisp and crunchy oatmeal cookies was shaped into a long roll, chilled and thinly sliced, stretching scarce resources during the Depression era. Because butter and sugar were rationed during the World War II, Mary Alden's Favorite Cookie recipe in 1943 called for shortening or bacon drippings and a minimal amount of sugar.

Famous Oatmeal Cookies were first introduced in 1955 and they were a favorite of the post war baby boomers in bobby sox. That recipe remained on the box through the 1970's, the longest run of

any recipe. This crisp, non-nonsense oatmeal cookie provides a nutty oat flavor and a nostalgic taste of kitchens past. Quakers attempts to change the recipe during those years were met with great hue and cry.

In the indulgent 80's at home bakers found themselves competing with commercial cookie shops turning out big, chewy gourmet cookies. Quaker's best oatmeal cookies recipe came along to meet the challenge. Cho Oat Chip Cookies is the latest recipe to emerge from the Quaker kitchens, home of the oat expert. The recipe combines America's top two favorite cookies' chocolate chip and oatmeal. Use it to make a traditional drop cookie or in bake fast pan of bars. The authors of an oatmeal cookie cookbook calls oatmeal cookies the perfect comfort food, bringing fond memories of childhood, coziness, hometowns, family, and real, old time country and western music...Oatmeal is a state of Mind. Make your favorite recipe with oatmeal and you will be feeling your OATS!!!

Computer instruction for beginners

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

Course materials will be furnished. Class size is limited, so please register prior to class. The course will be offered Saturday, January 20th, beginning at 8:30 am until noon. The course will be taught in the Jr. High School computer lab located at 705 Rogers St.

There is a cost for this course. To enroll and/or inquire, contact Rhonda Goetz at 754-5574 ext. 100 or stop by the school administration/tax office at 603 N. Heights Street.

Cactus Jazz presents

David "Fathead" Newman, a Texas Legend, performed for many years with Ray Charles. He is now part of the New York jazz scene.

He will be performing, along with others, on Friday, January 19, 2001, 8:00 pm in the Cactus Hotel Lobby. Doors open at 7:30 pm. For more information and tickets call (915) 653-6793.

January is school board recognition month

In one of his last acts as Texas governor, President-Elect George W. Bush proclaimed January 2001 as School Board Recognition Month. Districts across the state will use this opportunity to show their appreciation and bolster understanding of the crucial role elected boards of education play in their communities and schools.

"Young people are the Lone Star State's most precious resource, and their education is our most important responsibility. In towns and cities throughout Texas, locally elected school board members govern and guide schools in accordance with the will of the people. They also ensure that control of and accountability for the schools stay where they belong - with the residents of that community," Bush said.

"Texas has more than 7,000 school board members, representing the largest group of elected officials in the state. Most school boards consist of seven locally elected trustees who serve three-year terms without pay. These dedicated men and women make policy, set budgets, and work to ensure academic excellence and accountability for students, teachers, and administrators," he said.

"The Texas Association of School Board (TASB) represents and serves local school boards across the Lone Star State. TASB has designated January 2001 as School Board Recognition Month to raise awareness of the board members' contributions in helping children learn and succeed academically," he said.

"I encourage all Texans to recognize school board members for their service to communities throughout the Lone Star State. Their commitment to quality and excellence helps give students the opportunity to reach their full potential," Bush said.

"School board members serve as advocates for our children first and foremost, protecting each child's opportunity to maximize his or her potential. Trustees offer vision, knowledge, leadership, and dedication, and work purely for the common good. It is important to recognize the many contributions made by our locally elected school board members and support them as they tackle the demanding and rewarding task of educating our youth," said James B. Crow, TASB execu-



Robert Lee Elementary School 4th and 5th grade students were most anxious to do their part in spreading cheer during the holidays. They gathered 344 cans of food and donated them to the Food Closet.

Representing their classmates were (standing, from left) Caleb Millican, Molly Burns, Taylor Percifull, Andrea Pineda, (seated, from left) Garrett Blair, Kimberly Cardenas, Melissa Martinez, Morgan Hill, Joshua Gallegos, Rebecka Saucedo, Briana Longoria, Brody Dillard and Kaden Duncan.

tive director.

"Local trustees work with community leaders, families, and educators to develop sound educational policies in their districts. They help us to set high standards in the education system and encourage us to strive to reach those goals. The results of this cooperative effort are reflected in a generation of Texas children who are more prepared to be our nation's leaders," he said.

"Today's schools face great challenges and great opportunities, making the school board's role more critical than ever before. We hope every community will acknowledge the thousands of trustees, and particularly their local school board members, who make the time to care about Texas children and their futures," Crow said.

School Board Recognition Month kits with certificates, camera-ready art work, sample

news release and proclamation, and tips for district activities were mailed to all superintendents and Texas School Public Relations Association members. For more information call Barbara Williams, TASB public information officer, at 800-580-8272, ext. 6418.

Emily Dickinson wrote more than 900 poems, only four of which were published in her lifetime.

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