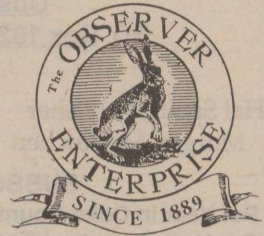


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## Bronte Chamber slates Fort Chadbourne Days for June 23

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce is planning a day full of fun for all ages. Various activities have been planned throughout the day at the Bronte Park.

The activities will begin with the Fort Chadbourne Days Fun Run. There will be a kids 1/2 mile run followed by a 5k run. Registration will begin at 7:30am until 8:00am at the Bronte Track Field. The races will begin on Brunson Street. The races will begin immediately following registration. Kids will run for free with awards given to all participants. The entry fee for the 5k will be \$6. T-shirts will be given to all paid participants. Awards will be given to the overall male and female finishers in the 5k, and to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd male and female finishers in the following categories: 0-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40 and up. For more information or to pre-register contact Gloria Allen at 473-3038.

Food and activity booths are expected and will be set up around the pavilion. There will also be a children's area which will include activities for the children to enjoy. Booth space is still available and is open to any individual or group. Booths will open at 11:30am. For more information contact Susan Graves at 473-7521.

There will be a parade which will begin at 10:30am. Participants will begin lining up at 10:00am at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center. Deadline to enter is June 19, 2001. For more information contact Gloria Allen at 473-3038.

If you have what it takes to be a "Survivor", then you need to enter the Survival Tournament. The lone survivor will walk away with a special prize. For more information contact Brian Arrott at (915) 365-4553.

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce is selling tickets for a chance to win a 43 inch RCA television and a chance at four \$25 cash drawings. The tickets are \$10 each and only 200 will be sold. The television can be seen at the First National Bank in Bronte. Tickets can be purchased at the Bronte Bank, Shalon's, Hometown Hardware, Main

Street Market or by contacting the following chamber members: Gloria Allen at 473-3038, Susan Graves at 473-7521 or Brian Arrott at 365-4553. The drawing will be held at the pavilion at 2:00pm on June 23. You don't have to be present to win.

Tours to Fort Chadbourne will be at 2:30pm and 4:00pm. Buses will depart from the Bronte Pavilion and return about 90 minutes later. Tour guide at Fort Chadbourne will be Cory Robinson.

The Fort Chadbourne Relics will be available for viewing at the pavilion from 11:30am to 3:00pm.

The Coke County Roping Club will be sponsoring a ranch rodeo. The rodeo is scheduled to begin at 6:00pm at the Bronte Roping Arena. The rodeo is open to the first twelve teams. Deadline to enter is June 10, 2001. The Lions Club will be selling barbecue. There will be no admission fee. The roping club invites everyone to come out and enjoy the evening. For more information contact Roger Graves at 473-6901.

The day's activities will conclude with a dance at the pavilion from 9:00pm - 12:00am. For more information contact Brian Arrott at 365-4553.

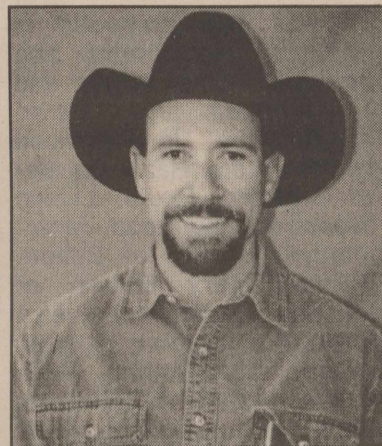
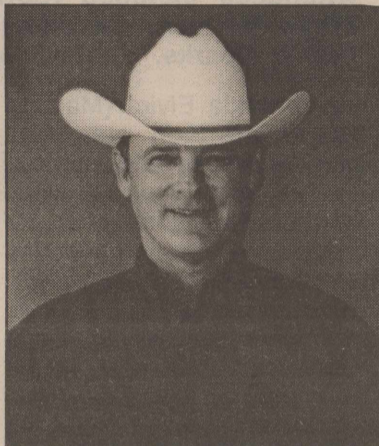
The Bronte Chamber of Commerce encourages everyone to bring a lawn chair and plan to enjoy the day!

### Public hearing

The Commissioners Court of Coke County cordially invites the public to attend a hearing on the topic of county redistricting on the 11th day of June 2001, at 9:00 am. This meeting will be held in the Coke County Courthouse.

The Commissioners Court is considering one or more alternate plans for the redistricting of County Commissioners Court precincts. Changes in the existing boundaries of each Commissioners Court precinct will also have an impact on election precincts, polling places, and Justice of the Peace/Constable precincts. Public comment is sincerely solicited.

Jackie Walker  
Coke County Judge



The San Angelo District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is continuing to see changes in personnel at the Coke County Maintenance Section. Gary Bilbrey (left) retired at the end of February as the maintenance supervisor. He completed his TxDOT career with 28 years of service. Assistant maintenance supervisor, Douglas Roberts (center), served as the interim maintenance supervisor until his promotion to supervisor was announced May 4. Another change is expected at the end of August when Dolores Roe will retire from TxDOT. The office manager will end her career with 17 years of service.

### Vacation Bible School slated

"Way to Go! Good Neighbor Tours" will be departing daily at Bronte United Methodist Church from Saturday, June 16 until Wednesday, June 20. Board the big red trolley and travel daily to adventures where children will meet people from the Old and New Testaments who became unexpected neighbors. These people understood that the Way to Go! is to love God and their neighbor as themselves and to become a neighbor by helping, sharing, inviting, giving, and telling the good news of Jesus Christ.

Way to Go! stories, songs, games, crafts, and fun will help kids know the Way to Go! to love God and make a positive difference in the world around them.

"Way to Go! Good Neighbor Tours" will be held at Bronte United Methodist Church, 324 S. Washington St. on June 16 through June 20 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. On Saturday, June 16, a hot dog cookout will be held at 5:30pm, prior to the start of VBS.

Come on board for the Good Neighbor Tours. For more information call the church office at 473-3281.

### 4-H clothing project

The 4-H Clothing Project will be held June 19-22, 2001 at the Home Economics Building at the high school. Any 4-H member wanting to do the Clothing Project should contact the Extension Office by June 7th for more details.

### Nature tourism meeting slated

Texas Department of Agriculture representative for Rural and Agribusiness Development Judy Fort will be in Robert Lee Tuesday, June 19. Also, Mike Kruegar, a Wildlife Biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, will be here to help coordinate activities related to nature tourism. A public meeting will be held in the Robert Lee City Hall at 6:30 pm for anyone interested in this area of private land use. The representatives will be available for consultation Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning, June 19 and June 20.

Four locations in west Coke County have been nominated for inclusion in the birding maps issued by the Texas Department of Transportation and prepared by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

### RL Senior Citizen news

The Robert Lee Seniors will be playing 80 (dominoes) at the Robert Lee Senior Citizen building the first Thursday of each month.

This month's date is June 7, starting at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

### S.O.A.R. camp

The Mesquite Country Council On Alcohol and Drug Abuse would like to invite children from the 1st grade to the 6th grade to S.O.A.R. Camp. Summer Outreach

And Recreation Camp is a day camp that will offer fun and excitement for children at no cost.

The camp will also focus on issues such as making decisions about the abuse of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco, self-esteem, being a helper in the family, sharing and respecting others, and other topics. This camp does not focus on personal family issues, does not provide counseling, and does not talk about individual situations.

S.O.A.R. Camp in Robert Lee will be June 11-15, 2001, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Rec. Hall.

S.O.A.R. Camp in Bronte will be July 9-13, 2001, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Community Center.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please call 453-9721.

### Sanco Homecoming

The 47th annual Homecoming will be held on Sunday, June 10, 2001, at Sanco. The program will begin at the tabernacle at 10 am and will feature singing and other special music, a devotional and other topics of interest.

A covered dish meal will follow at noon. Those who attend are invited to bring a main dish with their usual contributions of salads, desserts, etc. Iced tea will be served as usual.

Cleanup for the homecoming in Sanco will be held June 2nd & June 9th. Meet at the tabernacle at 9:30 for the cleanup.

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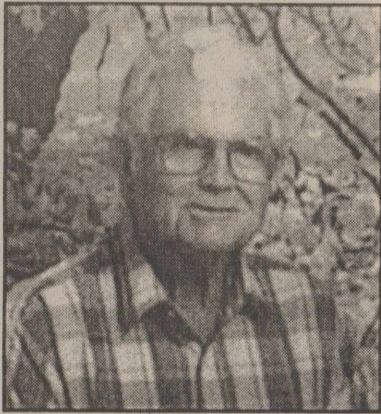
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**Obituaries**



**Adams**

Clyde M. Adams died in a local hospital at Midland, Texas on Tuesday, May 29, 2001.

Visitation was set for Thursday, May 31, 2001, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at 1:00pm, Friday, June 1, 2001, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Myron L. Unruh officiating. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Clyde M. Adams was born May 23, 1919, in Mitchell County, Texas to Homer Clyde and Onie Avon Adams. Mr. Adams served in the United States Army during World War II in the American and Asiatic Pacific Theaters. Clyde retired as an Electrician. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge Acacia #1414 and I.B.E.W. Local #623. Clyde was of the Methodist faith.

**Death Notices**

**Sanders**

Graveside services for Walter Ray Sanders, 82, of Lubbock, Texas, were at 10:00am Monday, June 4, 2001, at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Dean Harris of Central Baptist Church officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Chapel of Angels Funeral Home.

Survivors include 6 sons, Jerry and Vickie Sanders of Colorado; Robert and Gayla Sanders of Robert Lee; Terry and Kathy Sanders of Lubbock; Dennis and Melissa Sanders of Lubbock; Mike and Rosemarie Sanders of Lubbock and Greg Sanders of Lubbock; 1 daughter, Linda and Mike Stalter of Slaton; 1 brother, Charlie Dunam of Lubbock; 24 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Clyde was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Homer Adams and Lloyd Adams; and a sister, Jessie Allen. He is survived by his sisters, Hazel Caulder of Graham, Texas; Lucille Weeks of Brownwood, Texas; Gladys Millican of Belton, Texas; Mary Bolton of Midland, Texas; and Evelyn Bagwell of Sulphur Springs, Texas; his brother, W.D. "Slats" Adams of Midland, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews to whom he was fondly known as "Uncle Boop."

Serving as pallbearers were Terry Manning, Ronnie Adams, Larry Millican, Doyle Caulder, James Chew and Ricky Eads.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the charity of one's choice.

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**Bronte elementary library hours**

Bronte Elementary Library will be open from June 5 to July 17, Mondays through Fridays, from 10:00 to 11:00. Children may check out two books at a time. The computers will be available for AR quizzes. Mrs. Nina Bivins, Bronte Elementary's Foster Grandparent, has volunteered to be the librarian for the summer. When she's not checking out books, she loves to listen to children read to her. On Wednesdays Mrs. Bivins will host Grandma's Corner from 10:30 - 11:00. During Grandma's Corner she will have a story time and craft time. Please take advantage of this program provided by Bronte ISD and the Foster Grandparent program.

*I'll lean on you and you lean on me and we'll be okay.*

Dave Matthews

**Harmon - Sparks reunion**

The families of the late Joe Cephus and Clara Belle (Sparks) Harmon and the late Mathew Marion and Almeda King Sparks gathered Saturday, June 2, 2001, for their 62nd annual reunion. The reunion was held in the recreation center in Robert Lee. There were 66 relatives and friends of the family present.

The late Thomas Rudolph (T.R.) Harmon was the son of the late Joe Cephus and Clara Belle (Sparks) Harmon. The



The Harmon-Sparks 62nd Annual Reunion was held June 2, 2001. Attendees included (bottom, from left) Milton (Bill) Harmon, J. D. Harmon, Floyd Harmon, (standing, from left) Randle Harmon, Elwanda Jones, Marion Luther Sparks, Shirley (Sparks) Thomas, and Alf Harmon.

late Amanda Elvira (Mandy) Sparks Harmon was the daughter of the late Mathew Marion and Almeda King Sparks. The family of T. R. and Mandy Harmon present for the 62nd reunion were Floyd and Jessie Harmon, J. D. and Mary Jo Harmon, Nola Harmon, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, Douglas, Denise, Kacee, and James Roberts, Marshall, Sheri, and Stewart Millican, Joe and DeeAnna Harmon, all of Robert Lee.

Alf and Dorothy Harmon, Randle Harmon, Wayne and Dorene Mashburn, Rena Johnson, Jason Harmon, Jackie and Darlene Boyd, Ardie Harmon, Kristi and Brit-tany Briley, Jerrel and Lavelle Harmon, and Brint, Robin, and Bryason Harmon all of San Angelo; Lawana Perry of Carlsbad; Jerry and Janie Harmon of Weatherford; Milton (Bill) and Dorothy Harmon of Waxahachie; Clint, Sharon, Kelcie and Shayla Harmon, and James and Stormy Senger all of Midland.

Also, Sharon Rohmfeld, Judy, Travis, and Blake Holle all of Ballinger; Frank, Mandy, Erin, and Brandon Box of Deer Park; Sheila Farrar and Lauren Hammerton of Houston; Troy, Susan, and Cayla Millican of Sterling City; and Tammy Mason of Bronte.

Other descendent of the late Joe C. and Clara Belle (Sparks) Harmon present was their granddaughter - Shirley Harmon - Lay of Midland - daughter of Mrs. George

(Ruby) and the late George Harmon. Because of bad health and a grandson's wedding, Ruby Harmon missed her first reunion in the 62 years.

Descendants of the late Mathew Marion and Almeda King Sparks present were Marion Luther Sparks, Shirley Thomas, and Elwanda Jones all of San Angelo. They are children of the late Luther and Violet Sparks. They all grew up in Robert Lee.

Friends of the family present were Mandy Bergeron of Houston; Winnie Pitcock, and R. C. and Mary Patterson of Robert Lee.

Douglas Roberts barbecued the briskets and pork ribs, Sheila and Jeffie prepared chicken strips and everyone brought delicious food to go with the meat purchased by those present. Jeffie Roberts and Jerrel Clint Harmon welcomed everyone, then Jerrel Clint lead the group in prayer. Jeffie conducted a short meeting, those present "Thanked" Douglas for cooking the delicious barbecue meat, he agreed to cook again next year. Lawana and Dorene told the group of the many hours spent by Jeffie, Bobby, Sheila, and Douglas organizing, cooking, purchasing, and preparing for the reunion. They were "Thanked" by all. Everyone wished Jerrel Clint a "Happy Birthday" as June 2 is his birthday.

DeeAnna Harmon told

about the "Relay for Life" team event to FIGHT CANCER. Many of the younger Harmon family will participate in the WALK June 8-9, 2001, in San Angelo Stadium.

Delicious food, visiting, golfing, horseshoes, washers, dominoes, cards, picture taking, and swimming were enjoyed by all. The weather was very hot - 100 degrees. Plans are to continue having the reunion on the Saturday nearest to the first Sunday in June.

*Churches of Robert Lee*

*Invite You to Worship*

- Emmanuel Pentecostal**  
PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy  
(915) 453-2360  
Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
- First United Methodist Church**  
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne  
(915) 453-2417  
Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
11 am Worship  
Wed. 7 pm Choir
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Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm;  
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  
(915) 365-2687  
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor  
Sat. 6 pm
- Victory Assembly of God**  
PO Box 638 • Robert Lee  
(915) 453-2208  
Rev. Erma Johnson, Pastor  
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting



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**A hot dog cookout will be held at 5:30 pm**  
Saturday, June 16.  
FMI: 473-3281

**Brunson reunion**

The descendants of Dan & Bessie Brunson gathered at Pelican Point Resort at Buchanan Lake, May 26, 27, & 28th for their 2001 reunion.

It was a pretty location with RV hook-up, cottages and a nice pavilion as a gathering place. The cool breeze & shade trees with green grass to the lake shore were enjoyed by all. The kids had fun swimming & fishing, even though they didn't hook anything.

The adults enjoyed sitting in the shade & watching the washer & horseshoe pitching contest Saturday evening. Last years winners were challenged late into the night, and finished the next morning, to find a winner.

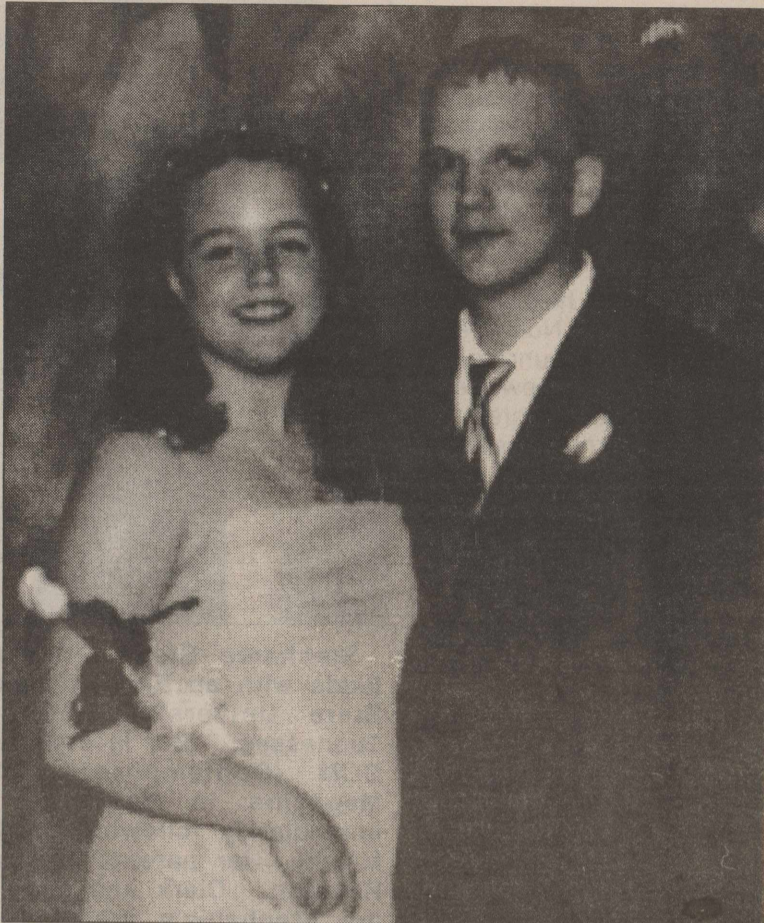
Time was enjoyed by some, on boat rides up the river to see the "3 falls" and a beautiful hideaway mansion on the river bank. The small kids enjoyed seeing pelicans standing on the shore line and flying about.

Our attendance of 47 was smaller than last year, but needless to say we had a big time. Those present were families of Modena Brunson

Williamson: Our host & hostess, Marion & Pat Williamson of Dripping Springs; Debbie & Larry Rohan & children Jan & Molly of Boerne, Texas; Paulette and Tim Moezygamba & son Turner from Spicewood, Texas. Edith Brunson

Vaughn: Marlene Vaughn; James & Janel Vaughn; Jolene & Jay Henderson and Brittany Barrett all from Bronte, Texas; Joni Barrett & Brandon Busby from Houston; Russel Vaughn from Amarillo; Teresa Ogle and children Dalton, Kimberly, Shandie and friend from Ballinger; Bruce and Marty Vaughn from Midland, Texas. Heidee Brunson: William Rance & Martha Brunson and daughter Desiree from Bronte; Sidney Kent and daughter Elizabeth Ann from Snyder, Texas. Fate Brunson: Felma & Arliegh King from Austin, Texas and Arliegh's sister Dorothy Hooks of Uvalde; Jimmy & Nancy Brunson from El Indio, Texas; Shawna McBee & twins Jeremy & Mathew, & baby Hunter from Brownwood; Suzanne & Glenn Rogers & daughter Lindsey & friend; Ricky & Alisha Rogers, all from Austin, Texas; James Richard Brunson from Round Rock, Texas, also Julie Devine from Tulsa, Oklahoma. Rance Brunson: (last living child of Bessie & Dave) from Mertzon, Texas; Donna & Bill Daugherty of San Angelo, Texas.

Following a delicious Sunday noon meal, a short business meeting was held. Donna & Bill Daugherty volunteered for next years reunion. It was voted on & passed to



Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Whitlock, Jr., would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal Dawn Whitlock (Brock) to Mr. Tommy Rogers of Sweetwater.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Sweetwater High School and the prospective groom is a graduate of McMinn City High School in Athens, Tennessee.

The ceremony will be held at 2 pm June 8 at Fairview Baptist Church in Sweetwater, Tennessee.

have the next few years of the reunion in Bronte or San Angelo. Donna & Bill would set the time as to when & where to have it. They also will mail letters to everyone in time to make their vacation plans to come.

**Area students make dean's list**

Area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, are listed on the Dean's List for the 2001 Spring semester at ASU.

Those listed include Sharla Dee Holland, a Kinesiology/secondary Certification major, James William Loveday, an Animal Science major, all from Blackwell; Tiffany Nicole Coulter, an English major, Madonna Kay Evans, an Interdisciplinary Studies major, Christy Ann McKinney, an English/secondary Certification major, Barbara Segale Porter, a Government major, Scott A Thompson, a General Studies major all from Bronte, Tessa L. Hill, a Business major from Christoval, and Clayton A. Cearley, an Animal Science major from Tennyson.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

The auction followed the business meeting. There were great & interesting craft articles, more keepsakes of ancestors that always challenges the bidding. We had canned goods, fresh baked goods & fried turkeys. Also beautiful articles of stain glass. The only thing missing was the "joke" item on someone. This always wakes up the crowd & gets bids moving. We hope next year we will have a bigger auction success. The auction is where our monies for the reunion expense comes from.

Monday morning was "break camp", clean up and load up time. We all had a great time and missed those that did not get to come. Hope we can get our attendance back to 75 next year. Plan to come and bring "your out reach" families. You will have a big time.

**Local students receive degrees**

Two Bronte students at Angelo State University were among 440 students to receive degrees during the Spring commencement at the university.

Andra Hubbard received a Bachelor of Science, with a major in Psychology, and Paul N. Williams received a Master of Business Administration, with a major in Management.

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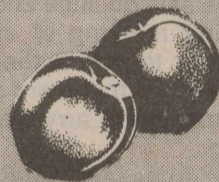
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Texsun Pink **Grapefruit Juice**  
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 Troy Wimberly  
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 Troy Wimberly  
**Brooke Bozarth**  
 Jackie Walker & Cova Sparks  
**Johnny Sevler**  
 Mr. & Mrs. Daryl Copeland & family

**RLVFD news**

by Marian Thompson  
 Secretary

The fire department held its rummage sale on June 2nd. The first meeting of June was held on the 4th at the fire station with 13 members present. President Larry Martin presided.

The minutes and treasury reports were approved as read. The secretary read a letter the department received from the Fort McKavett volunteer fire department thanking them for the donation of the old pumper truck and telling about the progress they have made with their newly established volunteer fire department.

It was discussed that the left over items from the rummage sale needed to be removed in order to get the trucks back into the station.

Chief Rick Drennan advised the group that he will be taking a leave of absence. The motion was made and approved to grant him the time off he needs.

Rick reported on the Cajun Clean All sales. The department has a limited supply left for sale.

Dispatcher Bud Thompson reported on the shed fire on the 25th, at 18th and Washington.

For the month of May, the department had 2 regular meetings, 1 training class, 116 1/2 hours of drills and activities. There was 1 fire call with 12 men responding, 6 man hours and 2 trucks with 1/2 hour out for each.

The group discussed the generator on truck 6, getting it painted and other chores that needed to be done.

Monday, the 11th, they are planning to have classes on SCBA (breathing apparatus).

The fire department is always looking for more good men and women to volunteer. There is also a cadet program for anyone under the age of 18. Anyone interested in joining the department may talk to any fireman or just come to a meeting and observe. The meetings are held the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the fire station. Trainings for certification classes are generally the second Monday of the month.

Garland & Rose Davis  
**Pauline Holland**  
 Mr. & Mrs. Daryl Copeland & family  
 Pritch & Dot Brown  
 Mike & Fran Lomas  
**Cliff Cole**  
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 Mike & Fran Lomas

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 Mrs. G. M. Winkler  
 Class of 2001 Project Graduation  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jesse R. Robertson  
 Rural water customers  
 City water customers

**Personal**

Noah Dean, grandson of Wilson and Lucile Bryan of Robert Lee, recently participated in the NCAA National Outdoor Track Finals in Edwardsville, Illinois. The ASU junior qualified for NCAA Nationals at ASU's conference meet, held at Tarleton State in April, by running the 400 meter intermediate hurdles in 51.53 seconds, which also won him a conference championship title. Dean won his heat during the prelims in Illinois, then finished his season with a second place in the final, .5 seconds behind the first place hurdler.

Dean, a graduate of Rankin High School was on the mile relay team that won state dur-

ing his senior year.

His first year at ASU he threw the javelin, poorly, as he admits. His sophomore year, Dean asked the track coach if he could try the hurdles and qualified for NCAA finals but did not get past the prelims.

NCAA track finals are scheduled to be held at ASU in May 2002, and Noah Dean plans to be "in the running."

Noah's mother, now Della Plagens, of Hondo, grew up in Robert Lee known as Della (Kitten) Dean.

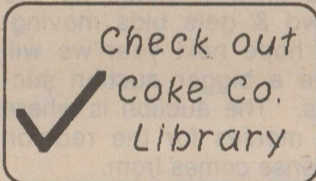
**Do You Have What It Takes To Survive?**

Something new will be happening during this year's Fort Chadbourne Days on Saturday, June 23. The Bronte Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Survival Tournament.

The game will be patterned much like the successful series "Survivor". So if you have ever wondered if you have what it takes to survive, now's your chance.

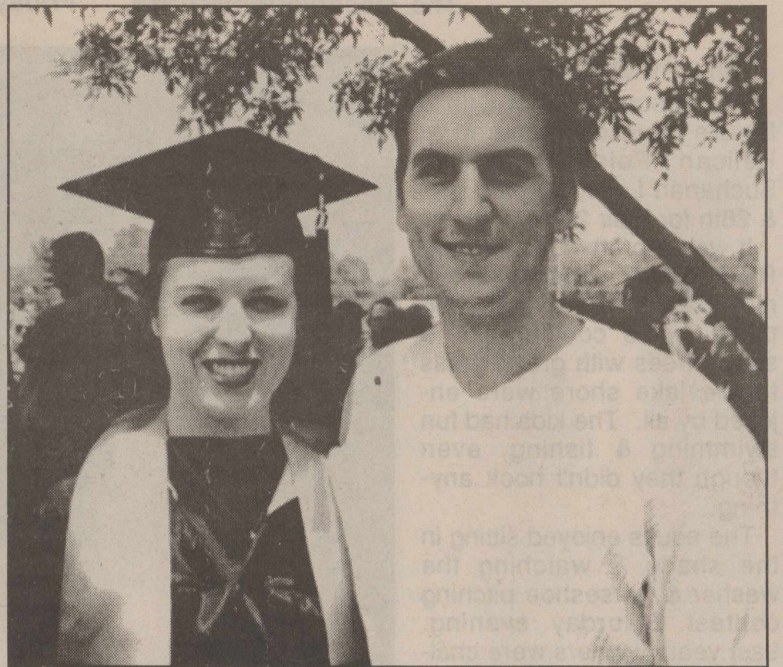
Anyone will be able to enter the contest from now until the event begins on Saturday, June 23 at 1:00pm in the park. Registration forms may be picked up at Main Street Market, Shalon's Floral Boutique or from any Chamber member. There are very few requirements for Survival. First, there is a \$10 entry fee. Next, you must have just finished your ninth grade year in school, however there is no cut off on ages.

Every participant will receive a free Survival T-shirt that enters. The final Survivor wins a VCR.



**New audio tapes**

The winner of the first drawing book in the summer "Oceans of Fun" program at the Coke County Library was Cody Taylor. Cody won a book titled How to Draw Dogs. For each book returned, readers can put their name in



Stephanie Glenn Ottosen graduated magna cum laude with an English major from Middle Tennessee State University May 12, 2001, in Nashville, Tennessee. She is employed as Assistant Editor of CCM (Contemporary Christian Music) Update Magazine in Nashville. Stephanie is shown immediately following graduation with her husband, Micah. Her parents are David and Denise Glenn of Houston. Clark and Mary Frances Glenn of Bronte are Stephanie's grandparents.

the fish bowl. Each Friday there will be a drawing for an art book. Treat of the week will be more suckers.

The library has received some new audio tapes as a donation. Some of the titles include Hank the Cowdog; The Mopwater Files: Homeland by John Jakes; Ancient America: The Southwest; Anasazi; Suspense: The Original Broadcasts from Radio's Golden Age; Angela Lansbury's Positive Moves; The Holy Land; and an Engles and Barnes Strange Matter Audio titled No Substitutions for "brave listeners only." These tapes were welcomed by the patrons who enjoy listening to books as they travel...or clean house. Library hours are Tuesday,

8-12; Wednesday, 8-4; Thursday, 1-5; Friday, 8-12. Books may be returned to the Main Street Market in Bronte. Fines are not charged, but are accepted.

**WCC ambulance runs for May 2001**

05/01 - 12:25 pm - medical transport  
 05/04 - 9:57 am - medical transport  
 05/04 - 1:30 am - no transport  
 05/07 - 12:02 am - medical transport  
 05/08 - 3:44 am - medical transport  
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Lindsey Roe of Robert Lee won 2nd place in the 2000 Essay Contest sponsored by the Texas Police Chiefs Association. Her essay was titled "Why I will say NO to Alcohol and Drugs!" Sheriff Rick Styles presented her a check for \$200 and a plaque. Lindsey is the daughter of Kevin and Tammy Roe.

### Why I will say No to Alcohol and Drugs!

by Lindsey Roe

I am standing around with my friends and someone in the crowd turns to me and says, "Do you want a beer?"

There are a million different thoughts running through my mind like how do I say no, I do not want to drink, I have a future, or how do I say no and not look stupid. Finally, I squeeze out a simple, "No, thank you."

They say, "Okay," cheerfully and walk away like no big deal. I was nervous, but I have my reasons for saying no to alcohol and drugs.

If someone ever were to offer me alcohol or drugs, one reason I will say no is because there is absolutely NO POINT! Why people waste their time and money drinking or doing drugs, I have no idea. Alcohol or drugs do positively nothing for you. It does not make you stronger, smarter, or healthier. All it does is kill brain cells or damage different organs in your body that you definitely need to live. I also do not understand why people would spend between fifty or one thousand dollars on drugs, then taking the risk of killing themselves. Again, I repeat that one reason I do not do drugs or drink alcohol is there is NO POINT!

Another reason I do not do drugs or drink alcohol is because of how dangerous it is. People overdosing on drugs or alcohol cause so many deaths. When you drink alcohol, you are killing brain cells that you use, but what makes this even worse is that the only cells that can not reproduce are brain cells. Also, when you are out partying drunk and think you are having so much fun, but truthfully in the morning when you are sick as a dog with a hangover it does not seem as much fun anymore. I just want to ask, why do drugs or drink when you know how terrible you feel when the next day arrives? I do not want to die at a young age because drugs and alcohol are so harmful, so that is another reason why I say no.

My third reason for saying no to drugs or alcohol is because I have too much in my

future to throw it away with one little mistake. If I were just standing with a group of people, and one of them has drugs and I do not know, then cops come up and bust them but I also get arrested too. I get a record for being in possession of drugs. This tiny mistake could cause me many problems like, not getting a job because I had a record. So, you see drugs and alcohol can cause you to jeopardize any kind of future you might have. That is why I unquestionably say no to drugs and alcohol.

Finally, my last reason I say no to alcohol and drugs is because I am an athlete, and I love sports. I do not want to drink or do drugs because all that will do is make me more tired during practices and competitions or even cause me to die. Risking my chance of not being able to play basketball, golf, or running track is without a doubt not worth drinking or doing drugs to look cool. I may not be good at sports, but I enjoy them and I do not want to give that up.

Everyone has their own reasons for saying no, but my reasons are because there is no point, it is harmful, I have a future, and I enjoy sports. I have my reasons for saying no. What are yours?

### Hammerton graduates Cum Laude

Crystal Lea Hammerton graduated Cum Laude from Klein Forest High School in Houston on Saturday, May 26, 2001. Crystal received several awards earlier in their awards assembly. They included Certificate of Merit in honor of scholastic achievement in the 2001 graduating year - top 10% number 48 in a class of 607; Academic Excellence in recognition of achieving honor roll for 2000-2001; National Honor Society 2000-2001; Certificate of Merit - Lieutenant Major of the Golddusters Drill Team; and 4 years Golddusters Drill Team - Lieutenant 1999-2000 and Lieutenant Major 2000-2001; and Most Outstanding Senior in the Drill Team (Golddusters) for 2000-2001.

The Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star presented Crystal with a \$1000.00 Scholarship for Academic Excellence and Outstanding Leadership in her school, church, and community. Klein Forest High



Crystal Lea Hammerton

School 2000-2001 seniors were awarded a total of \$5,309,612.00 in scholarship money.

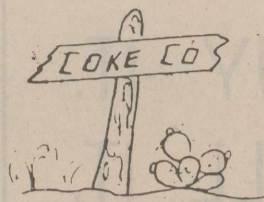
As Crystal grew up she spent several weeks each summer with her grandparents, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, in Robert Lee. She attended Robert Lee Baptist Church, went to Bible School and helped as a leader as she grew older. She helped her grandmother in the Coke County Pageant with the publicity, operated the Coke Trailer, and was on the stage as an actress.

Crystal is the daughter of Sheila and Jim Farrar of Houston and Bob Hammerton. Grandparents are Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee and Bernice Hammerton of San Angelo; great-grandparents are Floyd and Jessie Harmon of Robert Lee.

Attending the graduation in Houston were Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, Douglas, Denise, Kacey and James Roberts of Robert Lee. Sheila and Jim prepared an after-graduation buffet in their home for sixteen friends and relatives. Crystal is working for Northwood Lincoln - Mercury this summer. She will be attending Tarleton University in Stephenville this fall.

### WCC EMS memorials and donations for May 2001 Memorials

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Johnny Mack Hickman  
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## COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley  
Coke County Agent

### Pasture to packer

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is readying for its sixth "Pasture to Packer" lamb feeding program beginning with delivery of lambs to Denis Feedlot July 2. Personnel will be onsite to receive the lambs from 8 am to 5 pm. A \$3.00 per head entry fee is payable upon delivery.

The popular program offers producers a taste of retained ownership while providing them with their animals' feedlot performance and carcass data. The program accepts ewe and wether lambs of any breed. Organizers prefer lambs to weigh at least 50 pounds, but not more than 100 pounds at delivery. Producers may bring a minimum of ten head and a maximum of 20 head. Lambs from known sires are preferred.

"We realize many of you have already sold your lambs due to the extremely good spring and high lamb prices, but if you haven't we certainly invite you to participate," said Dr. Frank Craddock, Extension sheep and goat specialist. "Because lambs will be much heavier this year, we have upped the delivery date about two weeks. It would help us tremendously if producers could pre-condition their lambs for two to three weeks before delivery. Lambs knowing how to eat prepared feed from troughs do better at the feedlot than those who do not."

We truly believe in the program. All breeders should know how their sheep fit the needs of the entire lamb production system. Pasture to Packer gives ranchers much needed information on how their lambs perform in the feedlot and on the packing house rail. It's not a contest. In fact, many producers will find they are raising the right lambs for their particular envi-

ronment. Others may want to use their results to change their flock's genetics to improve post-weaning performance and carcass acceptability.

The feedlot performance information collected will include: on-test weight, final weight, average daily gain, feed efficiency, total cost of grain, break-even price, and net return.

The carcass information will include: carcass weight, dressing percent, quality and yield grade, fat thickness, and loin-eye area.

For further information contact Dr. Frank Craddock or Andy Laughlin, Extension assistant - sheep and goats, at (915) 653-4576.

### 40th anniversary of USS Kitty Hawk

Navy Airman Melvin L. Freeman, Jr., son of Donna and Melvin Freeman of Sterling City, Texas, recently celebrated the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk's 40th anniversary while forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan.

During the celebration, sailors enjoyed a slide show of the ship's 40 years of service, a speech from the commanding officer and a buffet.

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Freeman, is a 1999 graduate of Sterling City High School and joined the Navy in June 1999.

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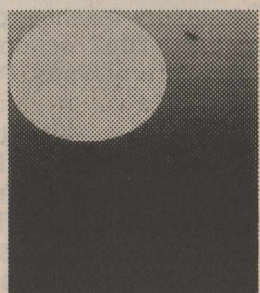
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Sincerely,  
The George Eubanks Family

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**WE WISH TO THANK**  
everyone for the prayers, flowers, cards, food and sympathy expressed to us during the death of Thresa Butner. We are so appreciative.

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**WE ARE SO GRATEFUL**  
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Eula Maude McCutchen and family

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**NOTICES**

**BLACKWELL CISD** will be accepting sealed bids for the 2001-2003 biennium bank depository pledge. Bids are due in the superintendent's office by Thursday, July 12, 2001, 12 noon. At this time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Blackwell CISD reserves the right to

refuse any or all bids. Information and copies of the uniform bid blank may be obtained at the Blackwell Administration office located at 610 N. Alamo, Blackwell, Tx 79506. Telephone 915-282-2311. Fax 915-282-2027.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Coke County, Texas**

Pursuant to Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code, Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Coke County, Texas will convene in special session on the 11th day of June 2001, at 9:00 am to receive public comment on redistricting of county election, justice of the peace and commissioners court precincts. Following the public hearing, the Commissioners Court will take up for consideration and possible action one or more alternative plans for the redistricting of County Commissioners Court precincts. The Court reserves the right to take any and all appropriate action regarding the redistricting of Coke County political boundaries, including the acceptance of new boundaries for the Commissioners Court precincts, modification of any boundaries, and/or tabling the pending proposals for later consideration and/or action.

The Public is invited to attend and participate in this meeting. Those wishing to address the Court should sign a speakers request form provided for this purpose. Each speaker will be asked to come before the Court, to identify themselves, their address, and the Commissioners Court precinct and Election Precinct they reside within. Comments should be reasonably concise and to the point. Questions will be answered, but the Court will not permit argument or excessive discussion of any particular topic. The hearing will be conducted under rules of judicial decorum. A tape recording of the hearing will be made of this hearing. Your comments will be transcribed and included with the submission of the proposed changes to existing Commissioners Court precincts to the United States Department of Justice.

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS**

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date (s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Contract 6066-93-001 for MOWING THE RIGHT OF WAY in STERLING County, etc. will be received on June 28, 2001 until 11:00 am and opened on June 28, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$92,925.00.

Contract 6066-94-001 for MOWING THE RIGHT OF WAY in COKE County, etc. will be received on June 28, 2001 until 11:00 am and opened on June 28, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$57,523.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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San Angelo, Texas 76904  
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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**Arrests/charges filed for May 2001**

The following are the arrests and charges filed with the Coke County Sheriff's Department for May 2001. William Chad Lane, Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor - 3rd offense, 5-4-01; Raynaldo Maldonado, Driving While Intoxicated - Forfeiture of Bond, 5-5-01; Stacy Clark Rains, Felony Theft - Motion to Revoke Probation, 5-8-01; Jens Kjeldsen Jr., Assault Causes Bodily Injury - Capias Pro Fine, 5-10-01; Ted Joseph Townsend, Criminal Trespass, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Theft Class C, 5-10-01; Jerry Riley, Criminal Trespass, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Theft Class C, 5-10-01; Jerald Marcel Stepp, Burglary of a Habitation, Theft of a Firearm, 5-14-01; Cathy Sue Fannin, Theft - Motion to Revoke Probation, 5-14-01; Nathan Joseph Andrew Mecher, Criminal Trespass, Class C Theft, 5-14-01; Zane R. Stuard, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, 5-18-01; Angela Kay Millican, Sale of Alcohol in Dry Area - Capias Pro Fine, 5-24-01.

The following are Out of County Warrants served. Pamela Hope Kresta, Unauthorized Use of Vehicle, Tom Green County Warrant, 5-4-01.

The following are Coke County Court Dispositions for May 9, 2001. The State of Texas vs: Cruz R. Tijerina, Driving While License Suspended, Fine \$200, Court Cost \$210.25; The State of Texas vs: Jason Joe Martinez, Driving While Intoxicated 1st, Fine \$1000, Court Cost \$235.25; DWI School, 16 hrs Community Service, 30 days jail probated 12 months; The State of Texas vs: Daniel Ray DeLaCerde, Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor 3rd Offense, Fine \$350, Court Costs \$280.25, 6 days jail, probated 24 months, Drivers License Suspension for 180 days; The State of Texas vs: James Lee Hazelton, Driving While License Suspended, Fine \$500, Court Costs, \$235.25, 15 days jail, probated 12 months; The State of Texas vs: James Edward Jackson, Driving While Intoxicated 1st, Fine \$1000, Court Costs \$210.25, 30 days jail, probated 6 months, DWI school; The State of Texas vs: Michael Andrew Lapoint, Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, Fine \$300, Court Costs \$235.25, 5 days jail, probated 12 months.

The following are Coke County Court Dispositions as of May 10, 2001. The State of Texas vs: Donald Cleise Fearn, Possession of Marijuana, Fine \$750, Court Costs \$210.25.

The following are Coke County Court Dispositions as of May 25, 2001. The State of Texas vs: Ted Joseph Townsend, Criminal Trespass, 14 days in jail, Court Costs \$210.25, 24 hours Community Service within 2 weeks.

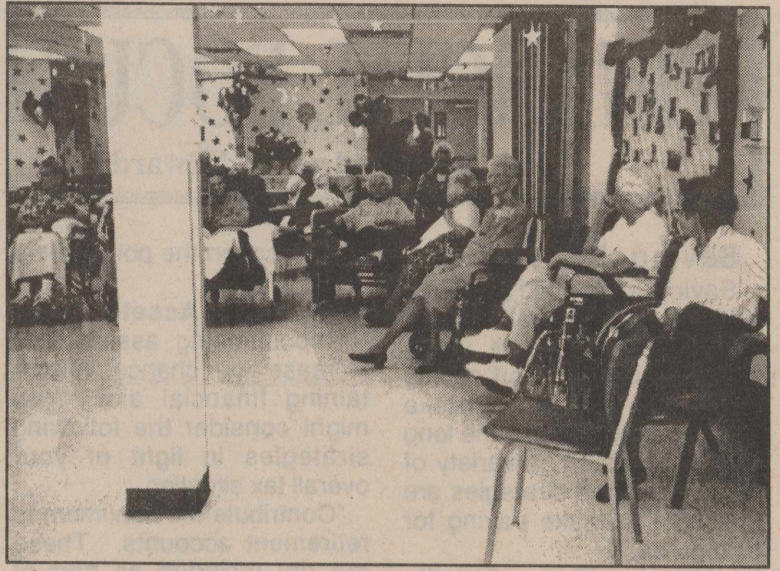
**RL student receives ASU degree**

A Robert Lee student at Angelo State University was among 440 students to receive degrees during the Spring commencement at the university.

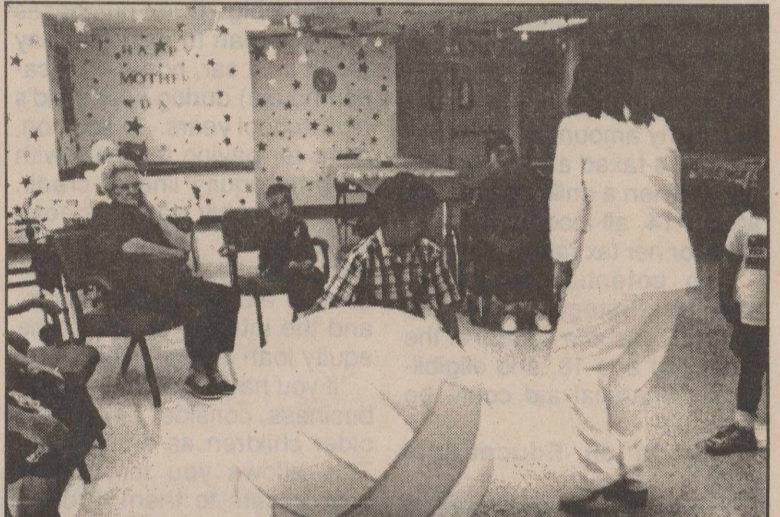
Susan A. English received a Bachelor of Science, Magna Cum Laude, with a major in Animal Science.

**Kendall makes dean's list**

Justin Kendall made the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University with a grade point average of 3.1. Justin is the son of James & Cheryl Kendall and brother to Amie Kendall of Robert Lee.



The residents of Robert Lee Care Center celebrated Mothers' Day with a party.



The last week of school, the Robert Lee Kindergarten class visited Robert Lee Care Center to exercise with the residents.



Dee and Dessi Kendall helped celebrate Mothers' Day with the residents of Robert Lee Care Center.

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## Invest In Your Child's Name

Set up an investment in the name of a child under 14, and the first \$700 in earnings each year are not taxed. The next \$700 are taxed at the child's rate. Any amount in excess of \$1,400 is taxed at the parent's rate. When a child passes the age of 14, all income is taxed at his or her tax rate.

Two potential drawbacks with this strategy are that the child will assume control of the money at age 18, and eligibility for financial aid could be reduced.

## Invest in an Educational IRA

Taxpayers can invest \$500 per year in an education IRA for each child. Earnings in the account accumulate tax-free, and distributions used to pay for qualified higher education expenses are also tax-free.

## Contribute to the 529 College Savings Plan

The 529 refers to the special tax status this plan has received under IRS Code 529. You also may hear of these referred to as qualified or pre-paid state tuition programs or education savings trusts. However, don't let the word "state" mislead you. It may not matter where the student plans to attend college - many state plans allow the student to use the money for any eligible two or four year college, university or post-secondary vocational training program in the country.

The 529 plan also may be an ideal tool for reducing the impact of taxes while saving for college. Parents, grandparents and others can contribute as much as \$10,000 per year per beneficiary without exceeding the annual federal gift tax exclusion. Contributions are not federally tax deductible, but your earnings grow federal and, in some cases, state income tax deferred until withdrawn.

You can withdraw the money to pay for tuition or other qualified higher education expenses, such as fees, books, supplies and equipment and, subject to some limitations, room and board. In addition, these withdrawals are generally taxed at the beneficiary's income - tax rate.

## Use Capital Gains Tax Advantages

If you plan to sell appreciated securities to fund a child's education, you'll be subject to taxes on any gains. However, if those securities are transferred by gift to a college-bound student and then sold, gains are normally taxed at just 10 percent.

Again, however, a potential drawback to this strategy is

the impact on the potential for financial aid.

## Reposition Assets

Repositioning assets may increase your chances for obtaining financial aid. You might consider the following strategies in light of your overall tax situation.

\*Contribute the maximum to retirement accounts. These are not included as part of your total assets on financial aid applications.

\*Make big-ticket purchases that you plan to incur anyway (such as a car, home or vacation house) during your child's high school years. In addition, consider paying for them with a home equity line of credit. This is doubly advantageous because it reduces your home equity, which most financial aid formulas include, and the interest on the home equity loan is deductible.

\*If you have a family-owned business, consider hiring your older children as employees. This allows you to transfer your assets to them through reasonable compensation payments and thus reduce your taxes. Earned income is taxable to the child at his or her own rate. In addition, a child with compensation can invest in an IRA, which can be tapped for college expenses.

These strategies should only be considered in connection with your overall financial plan. If you have a college bill in your future, talk to your tax adviser and investment representative to determine if any of these methods are right for you.

## RLISD excels in TAAS results

Robert Lee ISD has received its Spring 2001 test scores and once again the results were excellent. The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test is administered each year to students in public schools across the state of Texas. Exit level tests in reading, writing, and math are administered to 10th graders in February. Writing tests are also given to 4th and 8th graders in February. Reading and math tests are taken by 3rd through 8th graders in April. Science and social studies tests are also given to 8th graders.

Robert Lee students showed increases in their scores in most grade levels and subject areas. When all grade levels are totaled together, reading scores increased from a 96.6% passing rate last year to 96.9% in 2001. Math scores increased by a larger margin from 98.0% last year to 99.4% in 2001. The only area where scores decreased was in writing, from 98.2% last year to 94.4% in 2001. Robert Lee students scored at a 100% passing rate in 9 out of 19 grade level subject tests. Those 100% scores were in 4th grade math, 5th grade reading and math, 6th grade reading and math, 7th grade math, 8th grade writing, and 10th grade writing and math.

Robert Lee scores were higher than statewide averages in every subject area and grade level test except in 8th grade science. In 3rd grade, the state averages were 86% in reading and 82% in math; Robert Lee's 3rd grade scored 95% in both reading and math. In 4th grade, the state scores were 90% in reading, 89% in writing, and 91% in math; Robert Lee's 4th grade scores were 95% in reading, 90% in writing, and 100% in math. In 5th grade, the state's averages were 90% in reading and 94% in math; Robert Lee's were 100% in both reading and math. In 6th grade, state scores were 85% in reading and 91% in math; Robert Lee's scores were 100% in both reading and math. In 7th grade, the state averages were 89% in both reading and math; Robert Lee's were 96% in reading and 100% in math. In 8th grade, state scores were 91% in reading, 85% in writing, 92% in math, 91% in science, and 76% in social studies; Robert Lee's scores were 95% in reading, 91% in writing, 100% in math, 88% in science, and 83% in social

studies. In 10th grade, state averages were 90% in reading, and 89% in writing and math; Robert Lee scored 96% in reading, and 100% in both writing and math.

Robert Lee ISD administration and staff were very pleased with the scores and with the effort of the students to achieve such high averages. "These scores should

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give us an exemplary rating again this year", said Supt. Weldon Koepf. "The official ratings will not be issued until mid-August and there are still some variables that could affect them. However, our scores are very good. Our teachers and principals have worked extremely hard this year to help our students maintain exemplary performance. They will be spending a lot of time this summer in workshops and seminars designed to improve their performance in the classroom. Our staff is very dedicated to helping Robert Lee students achieve at the highest possible level."

## San Angelo Genealogy Society publishes book

The San Angelo Genealogical Society has published a book titled Fairmount Cemetery, San Angelo, Texas. This book contains 25,000 names, and the listing includes all headstones, funeral home markers, reburials from the old downtown City Cemetery and other locations. For more information contact 655-6594 or 949-3223.

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