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# Taylor Oakland fund established at RLSB

A special fund has been established at Robert Lee State Bank for Taylor Oakland, a very sick little four-year-old boy. Taylor lives with his mother, Heather Randolph, in Robert Lee.

Taylor suffers from a progressive, genetic disorder with the mammoth name of adrenoleukodystrophy. Some may recognize the name of the disorder, the same malady which affected the little boy in the movie "Lorenzo's Oil".

Diagnosing the disease in the infant was as hard as pronouncing the name, as little Taylor battled numerous medical problems for most of his young life without anybody knowing the cause. Taylor's mother, Heather, after much research, finally diagnosed the disease from information she received via the internet. A trip to Scott and White in April of 2002 confirmed her diagnosis of this rare disease, which affects 1 out of 100,000 males.

Since that time he has had two bone marrow transplants, sustained renal and liver failure, a stroke, dialysis, and seizures. Soon after that his neurological status deteriorated, and for the next three months he was hospitalized six times for different problems, receiving transfusions approximately every three days. Other surgeries and tests followed. Taylor arrived back in Robert Lee on February 14, 2003, and has been in the care of his family since that time. Hospice of San Angelo has been a big help, having come to his aid for the past three weeks.

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> According to his mother, prior to the disease, little Taylor was "perfect - loving, caring, and generous", and an "angel on earth". His medical condition is now extemely critical, and his prognosis is day to day. Those wishing to donate to the special fund are asked to contact Robert Lee State Bank concerning the special checking account in the name of Heather Randolph for Taylor Oakland.

Friday, July 11, 2003



# Bronte fundraiser set for Saturday evening, July 12

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 12. The Bronte Chamber of Commerce will be holding a hamburger supper and dance at the pavilion in the Bronte Park.

Festivities will begin at 8 pm with the hamburger supper. The \$5 meal consists of hamburger, chips and a drink.

The band, Double Shot, will

Mark your calendars for aturday, July 12. The Bronte chamber of Commerce will be

holding a hamburger supper<br/>and dance at the pavilion in<br/>the Bronte Park.Proceeds from the event are<br/>going to help The Friends of<br/>the Pool.

If dancing is not for you, then come for the hamburger meal and enjoy visiting and supporting the pool. Make sure to bring your lawn chairs.

# Public Forum set for Bronte

A Public Forum meeting will be held at the Bronte school cafeteria Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 am. The Bronte Evening Lions Club will be cooking breakfast for those attending.

The County Commissioner's Court will be present to lead a public forum concerning your county government. Topics may include anything of importance to those attending.

Taylor Oakland with his mother, Heather Randolph.

# Fish for private ponds available

Coke County SWCD will be selling fish to stock private ponds from NOW until July 18, 2003. Producers interested should go by 214 E. 7th Street or call 453-2623 ext. 3 immediately due to the short time frame. Delivery will be the following week.

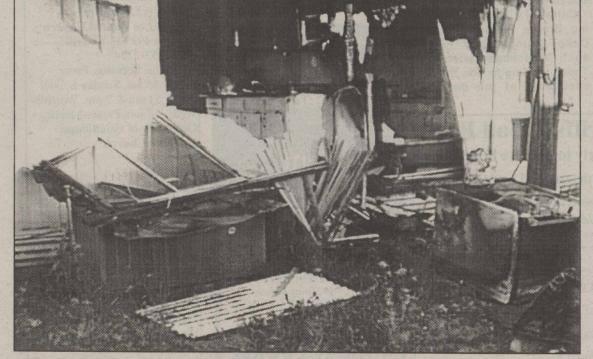
# Final Spring Certification

Producers need to be aware that July 15, 2003 is the final date to certify all grain Teams include: Robert Lee, Winters, Christoval, Bronte, Sterling City & Garden City. 7 on 7 football is a non-contact, offense oriented quick play game.

# **RLHS** Project

**Graduation meeting set** Project Graduation will have a meeting Tuesday, July 15, in the high school library at 6 pm. All Senior parents are encouraged to attend. All Seniors should have received a Project Graduation "packet"

- if you did not receive one,



This mobile home at the corner of 5th Street and Chadbourne in Robert Lee was destroyed by an electrical fire on Friday, July 4, 2003. Fortunately, Sheryl Millican, resident, was not at home at the time of the fire. Firefighters determined the blaze began in the kitchen.

sorghum, cotton, all hay type crops, CRP and any other spring seeded crop. For producers in the Farm Program (DCP) it is a must to certify all crops planted.

Producers who come in after July 15, 2003 and want to certify, there will be a late-file fee charged the producer. Also, it is important that producers certify accurately to the correct acres. There is a 5% tolerance in effect with DCP.

For more information, producers may call (325) 453-2751 or come by the office.

#### 7 on 7 football

tournament slated The RLHS Sports Boosters are sponsoring a 7 on 7 football tournament at the high school football field Saturday, July 12. Play will begin at 9:00 am and the championship game will be at 1 pm. A concession will be available. please call Beverly Alexander or Stacey Braswell. A Senior swim party will be on the agenda for Tuesday, July 15th.

Fun Day in the Park Bronte Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Pool are planning a Fun Day in the Park on August 9th. All proceeds from the fund raising activities will be used in renovation of the Bronte Swimming Pool.

Some of the evening activities will be a "Free" fish fry, water balloon throw, threelegged race and a Swim-athon. The Chamber is requesting that people in the community get involved with this worthwhile project by sponsoring an activity. You do not have to be in a club or group to participate. Just choose something that you would like to do and call Fran Crumpler at 473-2911.

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# Death Notices

#### Pond

Lillian Pond, 96, of Robert Lee, died Sunday, July 6, 2003, at a local nursing home. A memorial service was held at a later date in Odessa at the First Christian Church. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews and a number of great nieces and nephews.

#### Welch

Irl A. Welch, 77, passed away Monday, July 7, 2003, at his home in Midland surrounded by many members of his loving family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Irvan and Ada Bowman Welch, his wife, Mamie Lord Welch, and his son, Ricky Irl Welch.

Irl is survived by his wife, Maedell of Midland; son, Jerry Ray Welch and wife, Marsha, of Lovington, New Mexico; daughter, Sharon Kay Clouse and husband Bob, of Eunice, New Mexico; daughter-in-law, Marsha Ann Welch of Eunice, New Mexico; stepchildren, Mack Worcester and wife, Becky, Sharlene Forsythe, Janette Worcester, Juanita Allcorn and husband, Bobby and Ricky Jackson, all of Midland; Joyce McCormick and husband Gary of Plainview; Clayton Worcester and wife Terry of Kalama, Washington; brothers, Ray Welch and wife, Jean, of Midland; Irvan Welch and wife Naomi of Bakersfield, California; nineteen grandchildren, seventeen greatgrandchildren, many nieces and nephews and a host of loyal friends.

Funeral services have been

Bradford, of Farrara, was there to take the order for the type and sizes needed. The group met for the regu-

lar business meeting on July 7th, at the station, with 11 members present. President Robert Wink presided. The minutes and treasury reports were accepted as read.

Dispatcher Bud Thompson gave the monthly report. In June, the volunteers had; 1 regular meeting, 1 special meeting, 3 training classes, 43 men attended with 86 hours, 95 hours of activities, 6 calls, 1 landing zone for WCCEMS, 1 stand-by for a landing zone that was canceled, 2 structure fires, 1 MVA, 1 assist BVFD with radio communications (when we had one of the many storms in June and the power was off), 1 fire was county and all other were city, 68 man hours, 12 truck hours and 12 truck miles. Bud also commented on the mobile home fire July 4th.

The new exhaust fans proved their worth a second time. The group then discussed the fire and the fact that there was a house fire on July 4, '02 at approximately the same time of day.

Chief Rick Drennan reported on the progress of truck 3 and the proposed new building.

The fire department will be losing 2 firemen in August. Robert Wink will retire from the department with over 20 years as a volunteer fireman and Keith Eubanks will be moving out of the area with a job transfer. Their years of experience will be missed.

The fire department needs volunteers, especially those who would be available during the daytime. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer fireman can either contact Bud Thompson at 453-4423, Chief Rick Drennan, or any fireman. Members of the fire department meet the 1st Monday of each month, at the fire station, for a business meeting. Classes are held on Mondays at the station for



Melissa Longoria Kazlauskas is a Russian Linguist and Sergeant for the Airforce and is stationed in Misawa, Japan. She is married to Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew Kazlauskas, who is a Crytologic Technician for the Navy and stationed in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia. Melissa is the daughter of Salvador Longoria and Jan Longoria. Grandparents are Joe and Julia Longoria of Robert Lee.

those who wish to become a certified fireman.

Cadets are ages 16 to 18 years, and with parental consent, receive fire and rescue training.

Visitors are always welcome to come to the meetings. WCC EMS

#### **Donations** June 2003 Ella McDonald

Chrys & L.E. Higgins **Bobbye Mathers** Chrys & L.E. Higgins **RLCC Activity Dept. WCC EMS Memorials** June 2003 **Oda Huse** 

**Prescilla Davis** Mary Mae Wylie Fran & Mike Lomas **Coke County Food Pantry needs** increase

The Coke County Food Pantry continues to serve those in our communities that have a need. The first six months have seen an increase of 605 people being served. The total number of people receiving being served

from the Coke County Food

Pantry for the current year is

1935. While the numbers of people being served here have increased there has been a slight decrease in donations. Donations of food or money are appreciated. For additional information, please call Joan Burns, 453-2441 or Mary Bessent, 453-2632. Currently a van is transporting Bronte residents to the Coke County Food Pantry each Wednesday afternoon. Those wishing to ride the van should be at the depot in pm each Wednesday. The van will leave the depot at 3:00

**Coke County Food Pantry Memorials Essie Childress** Paul & Joan Burns Ben & Mary Bessent Jack & Nina Brewer Johnny Aycock Jack & Nina Brewer Mrs. Myers George & Jimmie Snapp

Noba Ware

George & Jimmie Snapp Memorials or gifts may be mailed to Coke County Food Pantry, Box 1299 Robert Lee, Tx. 76945 or may be given to Joan Burns or Mary Bessent. Cards acknowledging your gift or memorial will be sent to the person(s) designated by the donor.

# **Elementary girls**

sports camp slated Bronte High School will host

a volleyball/basketball camp for upcoming 3rd through 9th graders will be held July 28-30, 2003. The three-day camp will be from 8 am - 12 noon. The campers will be grouped according to age. A t-shirt is available for a small fee. Contact Amy Bohensky at 473-2167 for more information.

# Volleyball tournaments set

A 2 on 2 and 4 on 4 Volleyball tournament will be held July 31, 2003, at the Bronte High School gym. The 2 on 2 tournament will be

Bronte between 2:30 and 3:00 played in the morning hours and 4 on 4 will be played in the afternoon. Bracket will be determined after sign in deadline on July 27, 2003. Contact Amy Bohensky at 473-2167 for more information.

# 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. Steve Rowe, 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 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

scheduled for 10:30 am, Saturday, July 12, 2003, at Bellview Baptist Church in Midland with Reverend Myron Unruh officiating. Viewing will be at Calvary Funeral Home in Eunice, New Mexico at 3:00 pm. Interment will be at 4:00 pm at Brunson Memorial Cemetary with Reverend G.A. o f ficiating. Magee Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland. **Robert Lee VFD news** 

> reported by Marian Thompson Secretary

The fire department had a special meeting on June 30th for the purpose of getting the sizes for the new bunker gear. A grant was received from The Texas Commission on Fire Protection for the much needed bunker gear. Doug

**Coke County Sheriffs & Jail Book** is almost finished. Order Early to Reserve Your Copy! Number of books printed is determined by presales.

> Proceeds from the book benefit the restoration and renovation of the Old Coke County Jail.

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**Robert Lee Baptist Church** PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (915) 453-2724 Bro. Miller Robinson, 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 • 6th & Houston (915) 453-2208 Rev. Erma Johnson, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting **Tennyson Baptist Church** Hwy 277. • Tennyson, Texas (915) 482-0663 Rev. Rickey D. Green, Pastor Sun. 10:00 am, Sunday School 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

# RLHS Sports Boosters hold meeting

The RLHS Sports Boosters held a short meeting on Tuesday, July 2nd at 7 pm at the high school library. Boosters attending met Coach Gunter, and discussed some goals for the upcoming school year. The Sports Boosters will be sponsoring a "7 on 7" Football Tournament on Saturday, July 12, 2003 starting at 9:00 am. 4 teams are confirmed with a possibility of 8 teams participating.

Boosters also discussed the "Meet the Steers" night, and set it for Tuesday, August 26, 2003. Sports Boosters will begin serving at 6 pm with introduction starting at 7 pm. The Robert Lee Stompin' Steer Band will perform and introductions will include the Steer Band, Junior High and High School Cross Country, Junior High and High School Cheerleaders, Junior High and High School Football, and the RLHS coaching staff.

Please mark both of these events on your calendars and come out and support the students of RLHS at these events. The purpose of the Sports Boosters is to support the athletes of RLHS and RLJH. Your presence and support is needed. You do not have to have a student enrolled in school to support the Steers. The next Sports Booster meeting will be Tuesday, August 19, 2003 at 7 pm at the high school library.

Boosters attending the July 2nd meeting; Coach Gunter, Sharon Eaton, Stacey Braswell, Phebe and Rocky Heffernan, Manual and Christina Abalos, Janie Munoz, Sara Cruz, Camille Flanagan, Robin Honse and Valarie Howard.

# Adult water aerobics offered In RL

An adult water aerobics class is being held at the Coke County Swimming Pool in Robert Lee from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

Each participant needs to bring a noodle for deep water aerobics.

For further information, call Jo Nell Blair who serves as the volunteer leader of the sessions. Classes are not held during

inclement weather. West Champions to meet Colts

The Bronte Braves had a great season. These 7 to 9 year old baseball players won all their regular season games



Anniversary with a reception in San Angelo. Hosts for the reception are their children and grandchildren; son, James Mark Lee and wife, Kerri Kay, of Greenwood; daughter, Dana Lou Lee of Fort Worth; and grandchildren, Jessica Lee and Tyler Lee.

James and Lou were married July 20, 1953, in Hardeman County. She is the former Opal Lou Tyler. He served in the Navy, worked 21 years for West Texas Utilities, and later retired from TXU Electric. She is a retired homemaker. They enjoy fishing, square dancing and crafts. They have lived in Quanah, Bronte, Crane and Monahans and currently reside in San Angelo.

San Angelo. Each young player gets to go down on the field with the Colts line-up, then sit back and enjoy a hot dog meal as they watch the Colts play their game. The young baseball players are very excited and extremely grateful to the San Angelo Colts for their generosity to them. The game will begin at 7:00 pm on July 11, so if you would like to come and enjoy the fun, please make plans.

## Roping Club practice times posted

The Coke County Roping Club meets at the Bronte Arena at 6:00 pm on Sundays and 7:00 pm Wednesdays for roping practice.

If you haven't had a chance to rope with the group this year, or if you would like to be a member, you are more than welcome to join in the fun at the arena in Bronte.





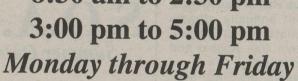
8:30 am to 2:30 pm

and were titled the best team of their division. Due to their success, they earned their way into the playoff tournament starting July 14.

This team is coached by Wayne Coalson and Kerry Rosson. The members of the team are Creed Coalson, Ethan Sedden, Kyle Kelton, Clint Head, Caleb Rosson, Thomas Reyes, Coby Malone, Mario DeLaRosa, Conner Clark, and Austin Mertz.

Their top rank champion title gave them the privilege to draft 3 players from other teams in their division to join them for the playoff season. These players are Laredo Williamson from Robert Lee, Ty Lee and Brent Kelly from Bronte.

As an awesome bonus, they will all be meeting the San Angelo Colts on July 11th in





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**Robert Lee, Texas** 

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Summer sensations

Summer lures us with fresh air and sunny skies, but it's the bounty of sun-drenched vegetables that calls out to health conscious food lovers. In this season of impromptu menus, picnics and outdoor cooking, nothing beats the simplicity of eating fresh veggies while cutting your cancer risk at the same time. So stop at road-side stands. pick-your-owns and farmers markets for peak summer produce. It pays. You Say Tomato - If ever there was a summer favorite, it's the tomato. Tomatoes are an excellent source of the anti-oxidant vitamins A and C, and the bioactive compounds lycopene and coumarin. All of which may help prevent cancer. Although fresh tomatoes are available all year, the best tasting are vine-ripened in summer. Supermarkets often carry tomatoes that have been picked green and ripened with ethylene gas. Comparatively, gassed tomatoes have little taste, a grainy texture and no aroma. When selecting fresh tomatoes, choose those that are firm, richly colored and



Coke County 4-H members were recently busy sewing and constructing their garment for the Coke County Fashion Show. Each 4-H member made an outfit for the competition.

Each young lady placed first in her category. They include (clockwise, from bottom left) Kacee Roberts - Dress; Meagan Ross - Sportswear; Emilee Yanez - Specialty; and Olivia Treio - Sinale.

These girls will compete at the District Fashion Show in San Angelo later this month.

heavy for their size. Store them at room temperature until fully ripe.

Super Summer Squash -There are a wide variety of summer squash, although those most likely to end up on your table are yellow crookneck squash or zucchini. Smaller and thinnerskinned squash will be younger and more tender. The skin of ripe squash should be tender enough so you can easily pierce it with your fingernail. Squash is low in calories and is a great source of potassium. It's perishable, however, so prepare and eat soon after purchasing. Squash has a high water content and cooks quickly, so be careful not to overcook.

Perfect Peppers - Bell peppers, so named for their shape, are part of the sweet They are pepper family. bursting with the anti-oxidant vitamins C and A, and are also a source of folate and potassium. Peppers are available year-round in an array of colors including green, yellow, red, orange, purple and even black. Peak season is July through September. Choose crisp, relatively heavy, well-formed peppers with glossy skin. Store them in your refrigerator.

tomatoes, zucchini and peppers and add them to hot or cold pasta dishes. Toss with a little olive oil and Parmesan cheese.

\*For a quick gazpacho, get out the blender or food processor and coarsely chop tomatoes, garlic, onion, peppers, cucumbers and zucchini. Add some water, tomato or vegetable juice to get the desired consistency, then flavor with a bit of olive oil, vinegar, salt, pepper and lemon juice. Serve this thick soup cold.

# WTRC Silver Spur Ball set for July 18

Dance music by Southern Image of Fredericksburg, a smorgasbord of great food and more than 150 auction items will be featured July 18 at the 13th annual Silver Spur Ball benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Additionally, there'll be a drawing for a hand-made queen size quilt.

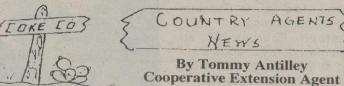
Scheduled at the Knights of Columbus Hall in San Angelo, the event annually attracts approximately 500 participants from San Angelo and the Concho Valley. In 12 years, the Silver Spur Ball has raised more than \$191,000 for the Center, thanks to the generous support of sponsors and those who attend each year. Tickets are available at the Rehab Center. For more information on tickets, call 223-6300. Because seating is limited, advance ticket/table purchases are encouraged. Volunteers will host the event.

contrasting green border. Tickets are available at the Center and winner need not be present to win.

Through its facilities in San Angelo, Abilene and Ozona, West Texas Rehab Center provides outpatient rehabilitation care each year to more than 21,000 children and

adults who've experienced disabling illnesses or injuries. Events like the Silver Spur Ball make it possible for WTRC to treat all who seek its services, regardless of their financial status.

More information is available by calling 325-223-6300.



## Ranch estate planning seminar slated

Estate taxes are a major probe for ranch owners-and their heirs. Dr. Wayne Hayenga, an Attorney with Texas Cooperative Extension, will hold a Ranch Estate Planning Seminar on August 6 and 7, 2003, in conjunction with the Annual Beef Cattle Short Course which will be held August 4-6. The seminar will be held from 10:00 am until 4:30 pm on August 6, and on August 7 from 8:30 until noon. It will be held at College the Station Conference Center.

Topics covered will include the basic tools of estate planning: Wills, Living Trusts, and Powers of Attorney. But most of the time will be spent on income and estate tax saving plans for ranching families. Irrevocable trusts, generation skipping trusts, bypass trusts, property ownership, community/separate property, special use valuation for ranches, partnerships and corporations will be discussed in the context of the gift and estate tax rules.

Dr. Hayenga is an excellent communicator. He delivers a top notch educational program emphasizing key points with an entertaining style illustrating estate and income tax law provisions with practical examples that make learning a pleasure. His teaching makes full use of his broad background and practical experience as a farmer, banker, and lawyer.

Registration fee is \$100.00 per person. It includes materials, lunch on Wednesday, as well as refreshment breaks.

For more information contact the Coke County Extension office for the brochure to register.

Well water may be hazardous to infants

Well water in some areas may contain unsafe levels of nitrate. Higher levels of nitrate can cause "blue baby syndrome" in infants younger than six months. "Blue babies" may appear to be healthy, but show occasional signs of blueness around the mouth, hands and feet, or they may be a lavender color. They can have breathing trouble, diarrhea and vomiting. Their blood is brown and does not turn pink when exposed to air. Nitrate in drinking water can cause convulsions, coma and death.

If you suspect that your infant may have blue baby syndrome, see your physician. The excess nitrate must be eliminated from your water as soon as possible by installation and regular maintenance of reverse osmosis or ionexchange water purifiers.

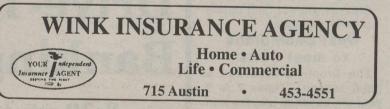
If this kind of water treatment is not feasible, bottled water should be used for the infant's formula and food. Simply boiling the water will not remove nitrates.

Call your country health department for information about testing your water.

# Savings account set up

There is a savings account set up for Janie Gloria at the Robert Lee State Bank under - Ruth Minjarez Special.

Mrs. Gloria is undergoing treatment for her liver. She is in need of a transplant.



Tips for the Kitchen -Vegetables are ever so versatile. To put tomatoes, bell peppers and summer squash onto the table without a lot of fuss, try the following ideas:

\*For fast and healthy burritos, saute peppers, onions and zucchini. Roll the vegetables up in flour tortillas.

\*To make pizza that packs a good-nutrition punch, top with tri-color pepper strips. Add chopped tomatoes and sliced zucchini or squash as well.

\*Perk up your pasta! Dice

The hand-crafted quilt, made by the Jolly Quilters of Rowena and Paint Rock, features embroidered blocks of hearts and flowers on an off-white background with

# S.O.A.R. CAN Summer Outreach And Recreation

Sponsored by the **Mesquite Country Council On Alcohol & Drug Abuse** 

**LOCATION: Bronte Community Center** DATE: July 14-18, 2003 TIME: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. AGES: 1st grade - 6th grade

Cost is free. Lunch and snacks provided. Lessons, games, crafts, activities.

For more information or registration information, call 453-4645.



These young ladies attended GA Camp at Lake Brownwood recently. They include (top row, from left) Kasey Glover, Stephanie Frasier, Chloe Grigg, Emily Fiveash, Ashley Fisher, Samantha Coffey, Krista Moore, Katie Austin, (bottom row, from left) Mackenzie Gibbs, Kim Lee, and Joni Frasier - sponsor. Others attending were Kimberly Womack and Peggy Hembree.

# Bronte GA's attend camp

By Lanette Fletcher All girls grades third through sixth who completed GA's at the First Baptist Church in Bronte were eligible to attend GA Camp at Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment at Lake Brownwood.

There were 10 girls who went to camp this year. They left on Monday, June 8, 2003, and returned Friday, June 13, 2003. The girls learned more about missions and spoke to missionaries, they experienced God in a most wonderful way. Three of the girls (Katie Austin, Krista Moore and Kasey glover) were saved at camp - they accepted Christ as their personal Savior!

Of course, there was time for swimming, playing on the blob, and paddle boats (just to name a few things). The GA's have worked so hard this year and have made such an impact on the church and our community. This was such a great way to reward them for their efforts throughout the year.

Joni Frasier and Peggy Hembree were gracious enough to give up a week of their lives to act as sponsors for these girls. Jeanna Kay Lee, Jackie Corley and Mary Hart were kind enough to haul all of the girls' luggage and what-nots to and from camp. And there was a lot of stuff from 10 girls and two sponsors!

# Bronte FBC GA Recognition and Awards Nigh held

by Lanette Fletcher Our GA Recognition and Awards Night was held Sunday, June 2, 2003, at First Baptist Church in Bronte. GA's stands for Girls in Action, and all girls grades first through sixth grades are eligible to attend. We had an average of 24 girls attending every week with a total of 30 girls. The congregation at First Baptist Church has played such an important role in the success of our GA's. Through our prayers and continued monetary support, our GA's have been able to thrive this vear. Each of our GA's received their own denim book bag, a GA patch, and a bible with their own names embossed on each, and patches for completing their world ventures. They also received certificates for perfect attendance, outstanding attendance, completing their World Ventures, and Mission

# Action Award.

The awards are as follows: Perfect Attendance -Lyndsay Hargrave, Marisa Sanchez, Megan Yackley, Erika Hargrave, Brayde Knight, Katie Aguirre; Outstanding Attendance

(missed one day) - Courtney Wyatt, Jael Williams, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg;

Completing World Ventures - Lyndsay Hargrave, Marisa Sanchez, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley, Erika Hargrave, Brayde Knight, Erika Puentez, Michelle Rhodes, Jael Williams, Kelsey Sedden, Katie Aguirre, Emily Fiveash, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg, and Krista Moore.

The Mission Action Award (for involvement in missions through doing, giving, praying and telling) - Lyndsay Hargrave, Marisa Sanchez, Danielle Stewart, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley, Erika Hargrave, Brayde Knight, Erika Puentez, Michelle Rhodes, Adriana Rodriguez, Paige Royall, Jael Williams, Kimberly Lee, Kelsey Sedden, Mackenzie Gibbs, Katie Aguirre, Stacia Brannan, Samantha Coffey, Chelsea Cook, Emily Fiveash, Stephanie Frasier, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg, Krista Moore, Ashley Royall, Shelbi Waller, Kimberly Womack, and Jessi England.

Our GA's have done numerous activities this past year. Some include making cookies for shut-ins, collecting food for the Food Bank, collecting almost \$300 for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, completing their World Venture workbooks, visiting with a returned missionary in December and learning about the country she was

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GAs recognized during a special service were (top row, from left) Kimberly Womack, Shelbi Waller, Ashley Royall, Mackenzie Gibbs, Stephanie Frasier, Kasey Glover, Ashley Fisher, Emily Fiveash, (middle row, from left) Samantha Coffey, Michelle Rhodes, Paige Royall, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley, Jael Williams, Kelsey Sedden, (bottom row, from left) Kim Lee, Danielle Stewart, Marisa Sanchez, Brayde Knight, Erika Puentez, and Krista Moore. Not pictured are Chloe Grigg, Katie Austin, Katie Aguirre, Chelsea Cook, Stacia Brannan, Jessi England, Lyndsay Hargrave, Erika Hargrave and Adriana Rodriguez.

wonderful time, and most of the sponsors survived. I think we were more worn out than any of the girls. At the Lock-In, we ate hot dogs, baked homemade cookies for members of our church, played games, watched movies, had a GREAT pillow fight, just to name a few things.

We had numerous parents help us throughout the year. We could not have done much without their support, prayers, and cars!

But mostly, we had some very special ladies who devoted an entire year to these girls' spiritual growth - Mrs. Judy Johnson was the leader for the 1st and 2nd graders; Mrs. Jane Cumbie and Mrs. Katy Johnson were Judy's assistants. Mrs. Peggy Hembree and Mrs. Lanette Fletcher were the leaders for the 3rd through 6th graders. Mrs. Johnnie Andrewson helped with snacks and the clean-up and several parents filled in at any time when we needed them.

What a blessing GA's has meant to me! Not having any children, I had to rely on God many, many, many times to know what to do. I consider each of these girls as "my" girls and I thank God for putting them in my life. We are placed on this earth to accomplish God's special plans. Sometimes, we just refuse to listen to God and act "like bumps on a log". And at other times, we open our hearts and ears to do God's will - and it is those times we realize what an impact we can make on a person, even a child. I thank God for making me listen with my heart and giving me such

a special gift as these girls!

GA's will meet again after the summer. Look for your letters to be mailed shortly after school starts. And look for the First Bapist Church Van at the school each week to take any girl to GA's who wants to learn about God and missions.



from, and learning about missions and the impact they can have on our community.

We had a Lock-In on March 23, 2003. The girls had a

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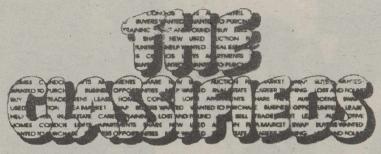
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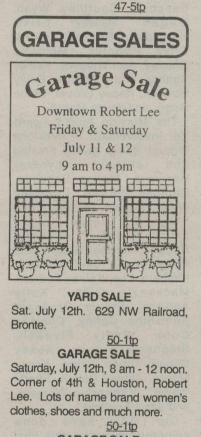
BA, 2570 +/- sq. ft., Spacious Kitchen and hunting. Dining Area, Hardwood Floors, Fireplace, Beautiful Yard with Large Trees, BR, 2 BA home with 30x40 Shop. Detached 17' x 17' finished game room

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Lots of misc. 8-?. 6 W. 17th, Robert Lee

# **Charges Filed**

of Controlled Substance, 6-9-03: Willy Wade Denton, Open

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#### Other Listings Available

Bambie N. Stafford, Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage, 6-29-03.

## **Out of County** Warrants Served

Christian Isaac Harber, Theft by Check - Failure to Appear, Ector County Warrant, 6-20-03.

**Juveniles Handled Through** Sheriff's Office

1 male juvenile, Assault Class A; 2 female juveniles, Runaways:

1 male juvenile, Minor in Possession of Alcohol, Public Intoxication.

# **Coke County District Court Dispositions**

5-21-03

The State of Texas vs Brandon Vester, Charge: 2 Counts Assault on a Public Servant, Plea: 3 years TDCJ, \$1,250 Restitution.

#### 5-23-03

The State of Texas vs Charles Gregario Charles; Charge: DWI 1st; Plea: Pre-Trial Intervention, 1 year probation, DWI School, 100 hours Community Service.

#### 6-18-03

The State of Texas vs Walter Blake McKee, Charge: Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, Plea: 10 days jail, Court Cost \$211:

The State of Texas vs Ricky Dean Byrne, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 1st; Plea: 90 days jail, probated 9 months, \$251 Court Cost, DWI Course, 160 hours Community Service;

The State of Texas vs Bradley Jay Hall, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated; Plea: 90 days jail. Probated 12 months, \$1,000 fine, \$251 Court Cost, 40 hours Community Service;

The State of Texas vs Daniel DeLaCerda, Charge: Minor in Consumption of Alcohol 3rd or more; Plea: Credit given for time served in jail. 6-23-03

GARAGE SALE

# 50-1tc June Arrests/

Sam James Ybarra, Possession

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#### 49-2tc GARY'S BACKHOE, INC.

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Container of Alcohol in Vehicle, Driving While Intoxicated 2nd, 6-18-03:

Kasey Clifton, Public Intoxication Enhanced - Minor, 6-20-03

Tabitha Pruitt, Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor - Enhanced, 6-20-03:

Alex Lara Ramirez, Criminal Mischief, 6-21-03;

Brandon Roberts, Disorderly Conduct, 6-25-03;

Melissa Marie Laird, Driving While License Suspended/SR, Open Container of Alcohol in Vehicle, 6-27-03;

Sophia Michelle Rodriguez, Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, Public Intoxication, 6-29-03;

Jacob W. Kepple. Purchase/Furnish Alcohol to a Minor, Public Intoxication, 6-29-03;

Jason Goldman, Driving While License Suspended, 6-29-03; Richard Wayne Carr, Minor In Possession of Alcoholic Beverage, 6-29-03;

The State of Texas vs Shelton Reece Walden, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 1st, Plea: Dismissed.

#### 6-24-03

The State of Texas vs Richard Chad Beck, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated, Plea: 90 days jail, Probated 9 months, \$900 fine, \$236 Court Cost, DWI Course, 40 hours Community Service;

The State of Texas vs James Brian Anglin, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated, Plea: Pre-trial Intervention

## **51st District Court Disposition** 6-19-03

The State of Texas vs Timothy Daryl Cunningham, Charge: Escape While Confined - Felony, Plea: 3 years Texas Department of Criminal Justice - ID.

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#### 6-23-03

The State of Texas vs Anthony Mark Sercas Rodriguez, Charge: Driving While Intoxicated 3rd or more, Plea: 6 years - Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice probated 6 years, \$1,000 fine.

#### 6-30-03

The State of Texas vs Dennie Blaine Braswell, Charge: Possession of Controlled Substance, Plea: 2 years TDCJ probated 5 years, \$750 fine, \$140 Restitution, treatment in SAFP.

#### Lightning kills, play it safe

The official start of summer heralds the peak season for a deadly and yet dangerously misunderstood weather phenomena - lightning. In an effort to save lives, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS) and Olympic Medalist Siri Mullinix, goalkeeper for the Women's United Soccer Association's (WUSA) W ashington Freedom, are campaigning to alert the Nation to the dangers of lightning.

The campaign runs year round and kicks off during the nationwide Lightning Awareness Week (June 22-28). Officials said the campaign's theme, "Lightning Kills, Play It Safe", sends a strong, clear message.

"Lightning is like an underrated killer, claiming more lives each year than tornadoes or hurricanes," said Buddy McIntyre, meteorologist in charge. "Little League coaches, parents and all outdoors enthusiasts should take a lesson from the pros. If the Washington Freedom can postpone play when lightning threatens so can we."

Mullinix is featured in a national television public service announcement (PSA) that will air on stations around the country, as well as on safety posters designed for schools, stadiums and sporting goods stores.

Mullinix noted, "When lightning threatens a WUSA soccer game, play is called until the danger passes. If lightning threatens you, head indoors. Don't get caught in striking distance!" The Mullinix PSA is also being shown during games on the RFK Stadium JumboTron, located in Washington, D.C.

Lightning casualties occur year-round, although the summer months are the most dangerous. Overall 25-million cloud-to-ground lightning strikes occur in the United States each year. From 1971 to 2000, lightning strikes killed an average of 73 people each year - compared with 68 tornado fatalities and 16 hurricane deaths. "All thunderstorms have the potential to produce lightning, so it's up to all of us to heed the warnings," McIntyre said. "The bottom line is lightning can strike up to ten miles away from a thunderstorm, so if you hear thunder it's time to take a break for safety's sake," added McIntyre. The NOAA National Weather Service is the primary source for weather data, forecasts and warnings for the United States and its territories. The NOAA National Weather Service operates the most advanced weather and flood warning and forecast system in the world, helping to protect lives and property and

enhance the national economy. NOAA is dedicated to enhancing economic security and national safety through the prediction and research of weather and climate-related events and providing environmental stewardship of the nation's coastal and marine resources. NOAA is part of the Department U.S. of Commerce

# **Attorney General** Alerts Seniors to scams, frauds

#### By Greg Abbott **Texas Attorney General**

An elderly central Texas man received a call from a person claiming to represent the Canadian Lottery. The enthusiastic "lottery official" told his victim to send money to pay for the tax on an enormous "prize". It was a hoax. The man lost nearly his entire life savings. In fact, it could have been a lot worse. He had taken out a second mortgage and was going to fly to Canada to deliver \$50,000 in "tax money" when my office intervened.

Protecting senior citizens is a top priority of this administration. Providing accurate, timely information about consumer scams is one way the Office of the Attorney General achieves this. It could mean the difference between a few victims or a thousand victims. That is why we created the new "Senior Alert" bulletin.

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We released a Senior Alert on January 9, 2003, about a scam in Houston. Two individuals, posing as roof repairmen, approached an elderly woman ren, widows and widowers of at her Houston home. They claimed that they had worked on the roof years ago and that they wanted to work on the roof again because it was "damaged" due to recent rain. They were persistent and pressured the homeowner into signing over a check. As soon as they left, the woman called her daughter, who put a stop payment on the check. One of the men was arrested at the the fragility of life. They also bank as he tried to cash the check.

Other home repair scams involve unnecessary and overpriced driveway repairs. In some cases, workers claim to repair asphalt driveways when in fact they are simply spraypainting the existing asphalt.

Yet another Senior Alert involved a man who posed as an employee of a utility company. He told a homeowner that major repairs were needed, and then fled with a check.

If you have been victimized, or have witnessed an incident or situation that concerns you, survivors benefits. In fact, our call your local police or sheriff's department immediately to average wage earner with a make a report. If you are spouse and children, Social aware of a scam that targets Security benefits are equivalsenior Texans, I encourage ent to a \$353,000 disability you to report your information to us as well, either by calling \$403,000 life insurance policy. (800) 252-8011 or by using the online reporting form in the ly survivors benefits to child-Senior Alert section of our ren up until their 18th birthday, Web site.

# Social Security news

the farthest thing from the years old. If there are no minds of the crew members or the NASA officials monitoring the flight from Cape Canaveral or the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

But, tragically, just a few weeks later, Social Security was very much on the minds of the family members of the brave astronauts who lost their lives when the shuttle broke apart high above earth. The Social Security Administration, one of many government agencies that responded to the crisis, almost immediately began helping the families file for monthly Social Security survivors benefits for the child-



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the fateful crew.

Similarly, when hundreds of people in Illinois and Rhode Island went out for an evening of fun in February, Social Security was not even close to being one of their priorities. But today, it is a priority for the children and other members of those who died in the Chicago and Warwick clubs.

These events remind us of should serve to remind us of the importance of planning for the financial well-being of our loved ones if something were to happen to us. And a big part of that planning is Social Security survivors benefits.

It's a part of the Social Security program that many people don't know about or, at least, don't think about. But the truth is that the Social Security taxes we pay are buying us more than just a retirement program. They also pay for potentially valuable disability coverage and actuaries estimate that for an insurance policy and a

Social Security pays monthor even until they turn 19 if they are still in high school. by Fredi Franki And those benefits can contin-When the space shuttle ue indefinitely if the child is Columbia lifted off into the disabled. The mother or Florida sky this past January, father of the child could also the astronauts' link to the get widow's or widower's ben-Social Security program was efits until the child turns 16

children, widows and widowers can get monthly benefits beginning at age 60, or even as early as 50 if they are

disabled. Each year, we send a Social Security Statement to every worker age 25 or older in this That statement country. provides estimates of retirement benefits, but it also give an estimate of the benefits that might be payable to family members if the worker dies. If you would like to learn

more about these benefits, read our pamphlet, Social Security Survivors Benefits. You can get a copy online at www.socialsecuri-

ty.gov/pubs/10084.html. Or you can request that a copy be mailed to you by calling 1-800-772-1213 (TTY: 1-800-325-0778).

#### Siren warning signals

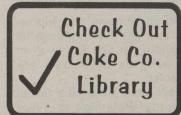
Tornado sirens for the City of Robert Lee are: 3 long blast is a public warning to take immediate shelter. If a tornado is spotted, or the city is in imminent danger of Severe Weather or very large hail, the fire department members, who are also the Skywarn Team, and are out checking the skies, are in contact with the National Weather Bureau, and they will set off the siren. 3 long blasts of the siren is the signal to take shelter, preferable a sturdy building, storm cellar or interior room or hall. 1 long blast of the siren will signal the all clear.

The fire department utilizes the sirens, when there is a fire or meeting. 2 blasts of the siren is a call for firemen to assemble at the station.

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A Dive and Glide Shark, the prize for the week of July 3rd Coke County Library Summer Reading Program, was won by Will Howard. Next week's prize will be Draw 50 Horses. Drawings are held at 11:30 am on Fridays. There are only three more weeks to become a part of the drawing for the Grand Prize of a Red Photon Beam Water Gun. All names submitted during the summer program are eligible for this prize.

The Coke County Library has been awarded a \$250 grant from the Tocker Foundation for books published by the Texas A&M Publishing Consortium. The books offered for selection are based on Texas history and literature. These books should be available in about a month

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; and Fridays, 8-12. Books may be returned to Bronte at the Main Street Market and to the 24/7 book drop on the porch of the library.

## Silver Reunion set for July 26

The Silver Reunion will be held Saturday, July 26, 2003. A burrito breakfast is scheduled to begin at 9 am at the Silver Baptist Church. A scavenger hunt with prizes will also be held. All other events will be held in Robert Lee at the small Rec Hall.

The small Rec Hall at the Coke County Park in Robert Lee will be opened at 10 am for use by out-of-town attendees. The afternoon will be spent visiting at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee, playing golf, swimming, shopping, renewing and remembering. A late afternoon covered dish meal will be served. Drinks and bread will be provided. Call (325)453-2169 for information.

# **Protecting yourself** from West Nile Virus As the summer approaches

it's easy to head outdoors without thinking about risks in the environment. Many of us fail to keep ourselves hydrated, use sunscreen, and most repellent. With recent worries about West Nile virus, this last step could help save your life. Mosquitoes carry West Nile virus, and spread an encephalitis-like disease to horses, birds, and other animals. Humans are also susceptible to getting ill from mosquitoes carrying the virus. Symptoms include fever, headaches, vomiting, nausea, muscle weakness and skin irritation. According to Ronald Warner, DVM, Ph.D., associate professor at the Texas Tech University Health

Sciences Center, one out of

150 people infected will devel-

op serious complications.

There is more of a concern for

people 65 years of age or old-

Currently, a vaccination for

physician diagnoses a person

with West Nile virus, a speci-

er if they contract the virus.

fic medicine does not exist to treat the virus. This means doctors have to treat the symptoms and not the virus. It is possible that many of us have been infected with the West Nile virus without knowing it because our system has developed immunity to the

virus. Here are a few tips to keep your family and animals safe. First, mosquitoes need water and warm temperatures to thrive, so it's important to practice good mosquito control. This means making sure there is no free-standing water around our homes, farm buildings and livestock areas. If you have horse troughs, empty them several times a week. Do not let water sit in wading pools, birdbaths, or any other containers. Keeping your lawn mowed will also help since mosquitoes will hide in tall grass.

Second, be sure to use insect repellent when you are outside. It is recommended that you use a repellent that has DEET as one of its ingredients. Repellents come in many forms, such as lotions and sprays. Adults should use a repellent that contains 20-35 percent DEET and children should use a repellent containing 6-10 percent DEET. In most cases, repellent lasts four hours unless you are in the water or perspiring, so reapply as necessary. Also, do not use scented cosmetics, hairspray or deodorant, because this will attract mosquitoes. If possible, be sure to wear light-colored clothing, long-sleeve shirts, pants and hats.

Third, if you have animals, there are steps you can take to ensure their well-being. Last year's outbreak of West Nile virus among horse populations reminded owners how important it is to keep stables dry and clear of trash. There is a vaccination available for horses which your veterinarian can discuss with you.

These simple steps could keep you from becoming a statistic. Should you feel that you or someone you know has West Nile virus, please see your health care provider.

## **Travel safely** with children

It's always more romantic in the movies. The car is waxed and clean, inside and out...equally immaculate children and parents fit neatly of us forget to apply insect into the front and back seats. It is not so much what is depicted in this scene, but what isn't. Where is the temper tantrum, the fight over the video games, the runny nose and the crying child?

them literally be your back seat driver.

\*Clear your view. Before starting up the engine, make sure that your view is not obstructed in any window.

### Safe summer vacations

The family car trip has almost become a rite of passage, a journey almost every family takes on at some point. If you are planning a vacation on four wheels, here are a few additional things to consider.

\*Bring stories and songs on tape. For older children you may want to consider a CD player with headphones or another device that allows them privacy and space.

\*Look for activity books that are designed specifically for road trips.

\*Make frequent stops every two hours in places where children can run and play. Stop whenever your child needs to use the restroom, since urinary tract infections can be caused by not going to the bathroom when you need

\*If your child is prone to motion sickness, check with your child's doctor regarding drugs designed to deal with such ailments.

\*Make sure to get adequate sleep the night before a trip, and avoid driving between midnight and 6 am, since this is when the body is used to resting. If you get sleepy, get off the road and find a place to rest for a few hours.

## Walker reunion slated

Descendants of the late William Robert and Mary Eliza (Brannan) Walker, early pioneers of Silver, (Coke County) Texas, will gather at the large rec hall in Robert Lee on Saturday, July 12th for their annual family reunion.

Children of W.R. and M.E. Walker were sons: Sam, John, Robert, Jack and Dee and daughters: Mattie (Jacobs) and Mary (Bloodworth). All are deceased.



Shelby Zane Roe, a 2003 RLHS graduate, was named recipient of a \$400 scholarship presented by **Robert Lee Chapter #187** Order of the Eastern Star. received She the scholarship, presented by her grandmother Dolores Roe - Worthy Matron of the Chapter, during the school's annual awards assembly May 23, 2003.

Shelby is the daughter of Kevin and Tammy Roe and the granddaughter of **Billy Wayne and Dolores** Roe, all of Robert Lee.

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