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Gospel singing Sunday

The regular monthly community gospel singing will be held Sunday, March 7, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

Bronte Rabies clinic set

A Rabies Clinic has been set for March 3rd from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The Clinic will be held at the City Hall, 114 South Washington.

The Clinic will be for dogs and cats only. The City requires all cats and dogs to be vaccinated. A new animal Ordinance will go into effect April 1st. A copy of the Ordinance can be picked up at the City Hall.

For more information, call the City Hall, 473-3501.

Drivers License office to be closed March 9th

Because of Election Day, the Texas D.P.S. Drivers License office will be closed on March 9th, but will be open again on March 23rd.

WCCHD directors make policy changes

The board of directors of the West Coke County Hospital District met on Thursday, February 19th for the regular monthly meeting. During this meeting action was taken to make changes to policy for the Indigent Health Care (IHC) program administered by the WCCHD. The following changes

were proposed and approved to become effective March 1, 2004.

Funding for the IHC program will follow the same guidelines required of counties by the state. Funds will be allocated each fiscal year (which begins October 1st) to the IHC program not to exceed 10% of the Tax Revenues for that given year. The amount allocated will be determined each year when the County Tax Assessor provides the WCCHD with proposed Tax Revenue collections.

Due to the amount which will be made available for IHC coverage, the amount of annual coverage for any one individual was changed. The new coverage will have a cap of total expense at \$10,000 per year per individual. Outpatient services will cap at \$5000 per year per individual with possibility of review on a case by case basis.

Anyone needing to apply for IHC assistance can pick up an application at the Robert Lee Care Center business office at 712 Washington.

Filing for May 15th local elections ends March 15th

West Coke County Hospital District will have three 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Joan Cantrell, Rick Sanchez, and Gayland Hurst are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administrator's office at Robert Lee Care Center.

East Coke County Hospital District will have three 2 year terms



The golf courses at Robert Lee (bottom) and Bronte show the results of this week's rainfall. Totals in the county ranged from one to two inches. The rain turned into snow on Tuesday night as seen in the photo at left.



on the ballot. The terms of Ed Cumbie, Billy Joe Lockett, and Mark Duncan are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administrator's office at Bronte Health & Rehab Center.

The city of Robert Lee will have to fill two council seats currently held by Beth Prather and Bonita Copeland. Mayor Garland Davis' term is also expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the City Secretary's office at Robert Lee City Hall.

The city of Bronte will have to fill three 2 year council seats currently held by Martha Ratliff, Charles Sonnenberg, and Leslie Rolls. Mayor Martin Lee's term is also expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up at Bronte City Hall.

Bronte ISD has two vacancies to fill for full 3 year terms. Positions open are currently held

by Terry Charles and Gary Acker.

Candidate applications will be available for two places on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees. These places are three year terms. Applications may be picked up in the Administration office at Robert Lee ISD. The terms of Darrell Pitcock and Bill Burns are expiring. Requirements for filing include living in the Robert Lee ISD school district and being a registered voter.

Early voting continues for March Primary

Early voting will continue until Friday, March 5, for the March 9 Primary Election.

Early voting will be conducted in the County Clerk's office from 8:00 - 5:00. The County Clerk's office will be open during the lunch hour. Branch early voting will take place in Bronte at the

Coke County Annex (the old El Rancho Bldg.) on March 2nd & 3rd from 9:00-1:00.

In addition to state and national offices, several county and precinct positions will be on the ballot. The office and candidates include:

Constable, Precinct 1 - Kenneth Rasco; Constable, Precinct 2 - Marty Boyd; Commissioner, Precinct 1 - Jimmie Byrne, Troy "Gene" Montgomery, and James Royall; Commissioner, Precinct 3 - Gaylon Pitcock; County Attorney - Nancy Arthur; Sheriff - Rick Styles and Marshall Millican, Democratic, and George Brickey, Republican; Tax Assessor/Collector - Gayle Sisemore.

If anyone is interested in working as an election clerk, please contact County/District Clerk Mary Grim at 453-2631.

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Death Notices

Chesshir

D. E. Chesshir, 83, of Robert Lee, died on Wednesday, February 18, 2004 at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 pm on Saturday, February 21, 2004 in the Robert Lee Cemetery with Brother Tommy Williams officiating.

He is survived by his son, David Chesshir of Robert Lee; two daughters, Kathy Durham of Fort Worth and Debbie Pannell of Wimberly; sister, Mildred Chapel of Amarillo; 14 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Texas Severe Weather Awareness Week

Governor Perry has declared February 29th - March 6th as Texas Severe Weather Awareness Week. During this week, review your safety plans and consider what you would do if you had to put your plan into action.

Remember, severe weather may strike with only a few minutes of advance warning.

Severe Weather Safety Tips Stay informed with NOAA weather radio, local radio, TV, or internet - always have a means to receive weather information.

Watch - means conditions are favorable for severe weather.

Warning - means that severe weather such as a tornado, hail or damaging wind storm is very likely or imminent, and has been detected on radar, has been reported by you (public), and/or has been identified by National

Weather Service trained SKYWARN Storm Spotters.

Know the name of your county and those around you - Have a road map nearby your TV remote control or radio receiver.

Tornado and High Wind Safety - Know the safe places from tornadoes and high winds, and be sure your family knows, too. An Underground Shelter is the safest place. However, the next safest place is an innermost room or hallway on the lowest floor of your home, school, or business away from outside walls and windows..

Abandon Mobile Homes for a safer place from both tornadoic and straight line winds, and know where to go when a Watch or Warning is issued for your area.

Flash Flood Safety - Always Turn Around Don't Drown (TM) when you encounter a flooded low water crossing whether on foot or in a vehicle. Flash Flood related deaths is the number one storm related killer.

Lightning Safety - If you hear thunder, you're too close. If you're caught outside in lightning, your car offers a safer refuge. Stay away from windows and electrical appliances. Turn off all appliances prior to the storm.

What you can do BEFORE severe weather strikes

*Develop a plan for you and your family at home, work, school, and when indoors. The American Red Cross offers planning tips on their Internet site: www.redcross.org/disaster/safety/.

*Identify a safe place to take shelter. Information on how to build a Safe Room in your home or school is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency at www.fema.gov/mit.

*Have frequent drills. *Know the county/parish in which you live or visit. The National Weather Service issues severe weather warnings on a county or parish basis.

*Keep a highway map nearby to follow storm movement from weather bulletins.

*Have a NOAA Weather Radio with a warning alarm tone and battery back-up to receive warnings.

*National Weather Service watches and warnings are also available on the internet. Select your local National Weather Service office at www.wrh.noaa.gov/wrhq/nwspage.html or go to the National Weather Service Home Page at www.nws.noaa.gov.

*Listen to radio and television for weather information.

*Check the weather forecast before leaving for extended periods outdoors. Watch for signs of approaching storms.

*If severe weather threatens, check on people who are elderly, very young, or physically or mentally disabled.

Lightning safety rules

*Postpone outdoor activities if thunderstorms are imminent. This is your best way to

avoid being caught in a dangerous situation.

*Move to a sturdy building or car. Do not take shelter in small sheds, under isolated trees, or in convertible automobiles. Stay away from tall objects such as towers, fences, telephone poles, and power lines.

*If lightning is occurring and a sturdy shelter is not available, get inside a hard top automobile and keep the window up. Avoid touching any metal.

*Utility lines and metal pipes can conduct electricity. Unplug appliances not necessary for obtaining weather information. Avoid using the telephone or any electrical appliances. Use phones ONLY in an emergency.

*Do not take a bath or shower during a thunderstorm.

*Turn off air conditioners. Power surges from lightning can cause serious damage.

If caught outdoors and no shelter is nearby

*Find a low spot away from trees, fences, and poles. Make sure the place you pick is not subject to flooding.

*If you are in the woods, take shelter under the shorter trees.

*If you feel your skin tingle or your hair stand on end, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground. DO NOT lie down.

*If you are boating or swimming, get to land and find shelter immediately!

Tornado safety rules

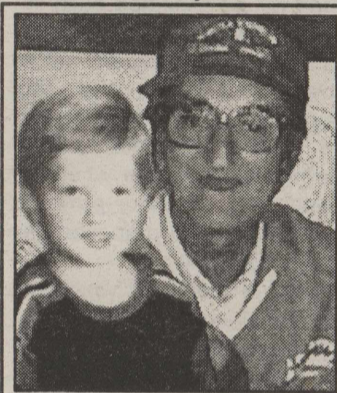
*In a home or building, move to a pre-designated shelter, such as a basement.

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Churches of Coke County

Invite You to Worship

- Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346 • 118S. Jefferson Bronte (325) 473-3291 Preacher John V. Driggers Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm Emmanuel Pentecostal PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy Robert Lee (325) 453-2360 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm First Baptist Church 424 S. Washington • Bronte (325) 473-2331 Bro. Morris Johnson, Pastor Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Youth and Worship Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes Bronte (325) 473-3281 Rev. Carol Fiero Sun. 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship 5:00 Youth First United Methodist Church PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne Robert Lee (325) 453-2417 Rev. Steve Rowe, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Wed. 7 pm Choir Iglesia Bautista Bethel 101 Houston • Robert Lee (325) 453-5003 • 453-2296 Pastor: Basilio Esquivel Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am & 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm Northside Church of Christ PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne Robert Lee (325) 453-2619 or 453-2270 Tommy Williams, Minister Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm; Wed. 7 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sat. 6 pm Pecan Baptist PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy (325) 453-2004 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Bro. Mike Poye, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2176 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Worship Tennyson Baptist Church Hwy 277 • Tennyson Joe Hodges, Pastor (325) 468-0014 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting Victory Assembly of God PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2208 Rev. Irene Ford, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting



Come help us celebrate the '28th' '80th' Birthday of Curtis Garrett! February 28th Saturday afternoon beginning at 2 pm 167 Sanco Road Robert Lee (all the way out Washington Street, last house on the right, right before the dirt road.) Refreshments will be served.



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VOTE JIMMIE R. BYRNE for Coke County Commissioner, Pct. 1

I PLEDGE to interpret and apply Coke County policies, procedures, and rules.

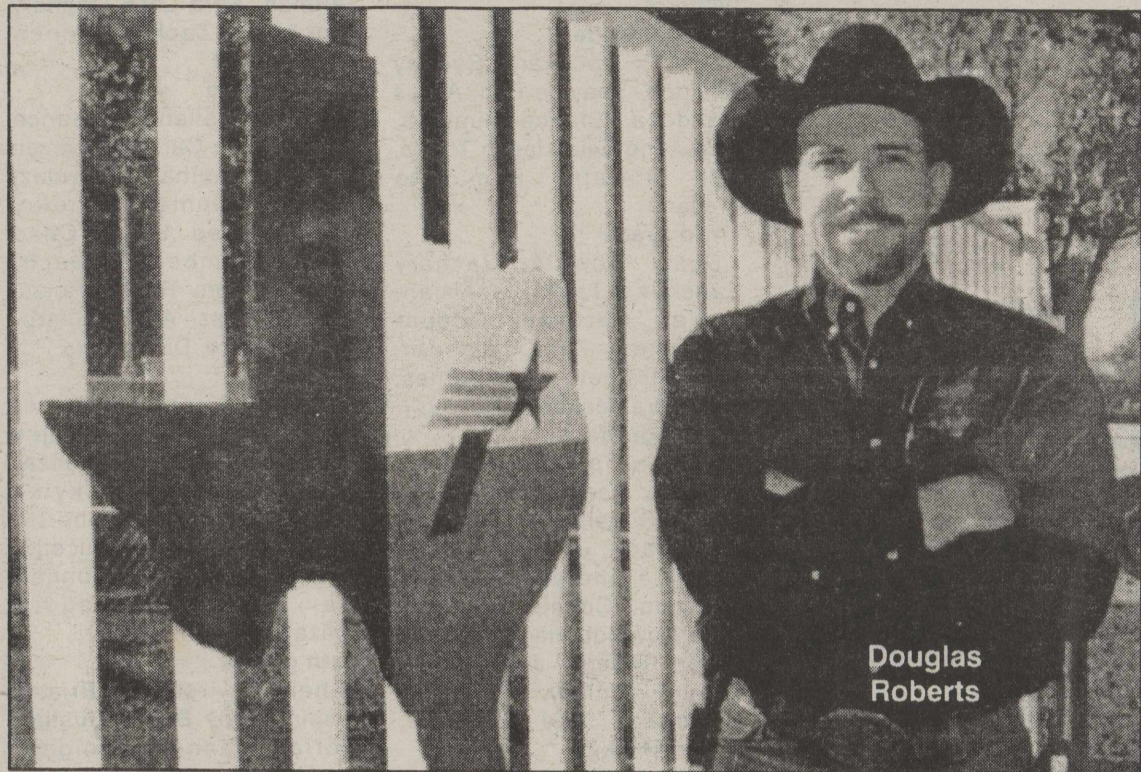
I PLEDGE to obtain knowledge and training required for the job.

I PLEDGE to establish and maintain an effective working relationship with those contacted in the course of work.

I PLEDGE to represent Precinct 1 in a friendly, professional manner.

[For duties and responsibilities of County Commissioner, go to www.co.coke.tx.us. Click on Commissioners Court and scroll down to bottom of page.]

Thank you for your vote of confidence at the polls. paid/pol. adv. by Jimmie Byrne, Wes Washam - Treasurer



Local TxDOT employee wins Outstanding Employee Award

When Douglas Roberts left his hometown in 1985 to attend Texas Tech University, he knew he wanted to major in "something" to do with the outdoors.

And, that's just what the Robert Lee native did, completing his education in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science degree in animal business. While his wife Denise claims that Roberts uses his degree to identify all the dead animals on the road, the Robert Lee Maintenance supervisor said that the management part of the degree has prepared him for his career at TxDOT.

By the end of his senior year at Tech, Roberts realized that he could not rely on ranching for a living so he took another look at TxDOT where he had worked as a summer hand in 1989. He said that not too many job opportunities exist in this rural community with an approximate population of 1,100.

"You know, timing is everything, maybe for a good reason," Roberts said. By graduation in May 1990, Roberts and his bride moved to his hometown where he was hired for another summer job. However, by August 16, Roberts was offered a full-time job as a maintenance tech. Then, on Sept. 1, TxDOT imposed a hiring freeze.

During the past 14 years, apparently Roberts' management training and good timing have paid off when he was named Outstanding Employee of the Quarter. The memo to announce the Robert Lee Maintenance Section supervisor as the winner of this award also mentioned that this was the first in the program for a nominee to be submitted by as many of the nominee's subordinates and co-workers.

According to the memo to announce Roberts as the quarterly winner, the nomination package included letters from his employees. Their comments described "extensively about his positive abilities as a supervisor." Roberts'

willingness to take time from his busy schedule to help anyone was mentioned in all the letters from his employees.

One employee pointed out that Roberts always gives employees "the chance to prove themselves." This nomination letter also described the supervisor's extreme patience while employees learn a new task as well as his expertise as a trainer. Roberts is known for his teaching skills not only within his section and district but also statewide. He teaches the Maintenance Contract Inspector class as needed at other districts across the state.

Roberts' ability to communicate was also mentioned in the nomination package, describing his "talent to find a way to communicate difficult topics" that have been a challenge for individuals. Others who nominated Roberts have seen employees from all over the state "thank" the trainer for helping them get through these difficult tasks.

While his experience as a trainer is a highlight in Roberts' career, utilizing the management skills that he learned in college has been very important to this employee.

The supervisor's ability to lead is also evident in other areas, including his leadership in the Texas Public Employee Association (TPEA). Roberts strongly believes that every state employee needs support in Austin to convince the legislature to improve conditions and protect the benefits of all

employees.

Presently, Roberts is president of TPEA for his second term and has also served as president-elect, board member, and delegate at the state TPEA convention for six years. He also presently serves on a state-wide TPEA committee called Impact.

Outside of work, Roberts can be found volunteering in his community with projects that involve his children at school or 4-H. His daughter Kacey is a fifth grader and son James is in the first grade at Robert Lee Elementary where his wife is a teacher. He is also a director of the Coke County Stock Show & Rodeo Association where he spends time competing in roping events.

Roberts has also found another type of rodeo event to be a fun challenge to him. He was runner-up in the San Angelo District Truck Rodeo three times, advancing to the State Truck Rodeo. In 1998, he placed second at the State Competition. This honor allowed him to compete in a national truck rodeo in Ohio. In the supervisors' competition, Douglas has won this event twice.

Whether it's at work or in his community, Roberts appears to live by his philosophy that "it's up to the individual to assume responsibility." And, that's what the supervisor does each day, either sitting behind his desk at the Robert Lee Maintenance Section or outdoors on a highway helping his crew when additional manpower is needed.

VOTE FOR:

James Royall for Commissioner

- VOTE: For Knowledge**
- VOTE: For Experience**
- VOTE: For Availability**
- VOTE: For Commitment**
- VOTE: For one who will listen to and work for the residents of Precinct 1 and the great County of Coke.**

Pd. Pol. Adv. by James Royall

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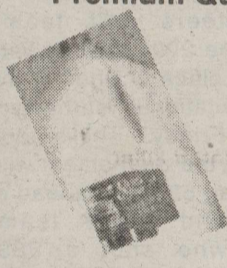


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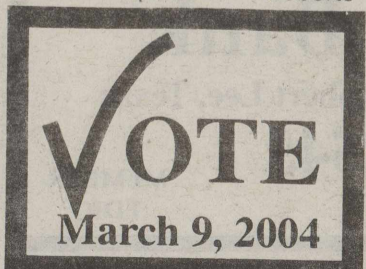
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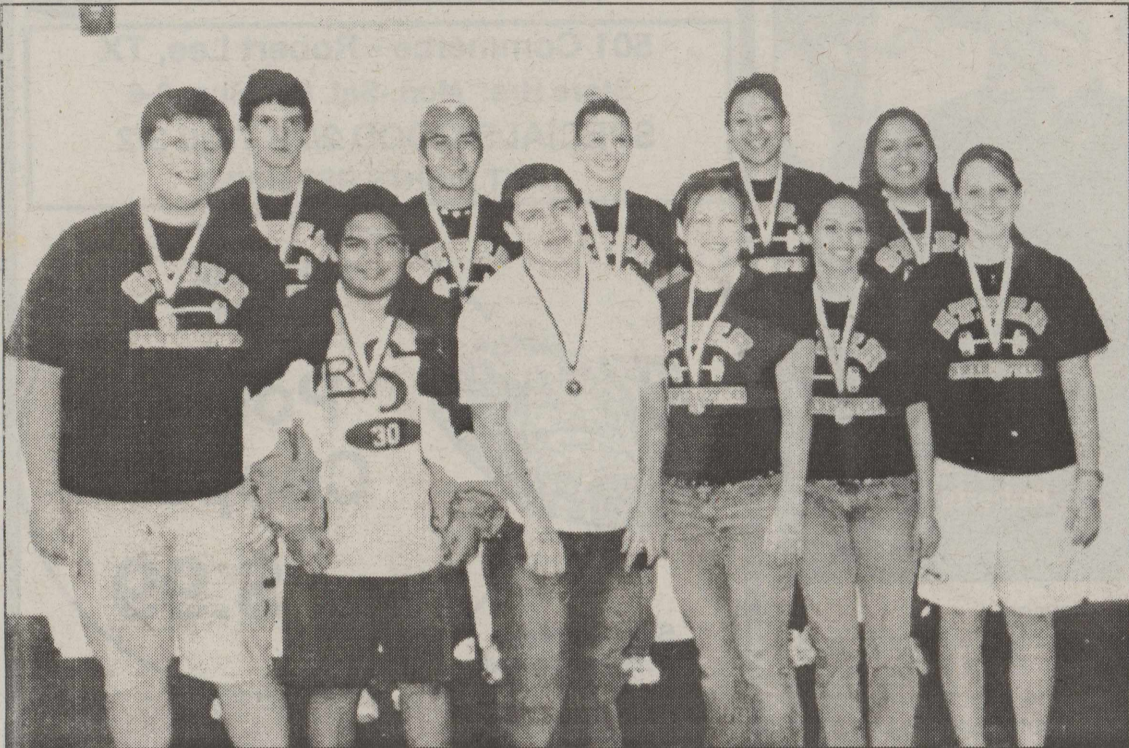


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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



The Robert Lee High School Powerlifting Team competed in the Winters Meet on February 21, 2004. The Lady Steers placed 1st overall in their division with 36 points. Individual placings include Andra Braswell, 1st; Brittany Soliz, 2nd; Lindsey Roe, 1st; Shannon Honse, 2nd; Julia Cruz, 1st; and Carolina Vera, 2nd. Omar Saucedo led the Steers by placing 1st and being named Top Lifter. Brandon Soliz and Tony Munoz each placed 2nd, R. J. Service placed 3rd, and Eleasar Vera placed 5th. The Lady Steers will compete in the Regional Meet in Kermit on March 6 with the Steers competing at Regional on March 13 at Plainview.

RL elementary students participate in rodeo

Mychael Tijerina, a first grade student at Robert Lee Elementary School participated in the "Mutton Bustin" contest during the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo. Mychael is the son of C.R. & Maria Tijerina. Mrs. Lynne Payne is Mychael's teacher. Mychael performed in the Friday, February 20 rodeo.

Parenting for Struggling Readers seminars slated

A nine week lecture/video series started on February 16th and will end on April 19th. The lecture/video series will be held on Mondays 6:00 - 7:30 pm at 403 W. Washington in San

Angelo (SW corner Washington & Koenigheim). FMI and registration, call 655-2331.

Steer golf teams open 2004 season

The Steers golf teams opened the 2004 season with 1st & 5th place finishes at the Anson Invitational Tournament held last Friday. The orange team won the tournament with a 331 total, 52 shots ahead of the second place team, Anson, who shot a 383. Cisco and Hamlin tied for third at 391.

The Steers black team finished close behind in fifth place at 392. Jonathan Pagan took first place medal-

ist honors with a 78, winning a one-hole playoff. Other scores for the Steers orange team were: Omar Saucedo 82; Josh Alexander 85; Cody Bridges 86; and Evan Braswell 89.

Black team scores were: Brandon Soliz 89; Vincent McClelland 94; Cole Flanagan 99; and Branden Phillips 110.

Robert Lee School Awards Fourth Six Weeks Perfect Attendance Kindergarten

Kodi Drennan, Bailey Hooten, Karlee Roach, Brandon Torres, Sierra Ellis

First grade Bridger Netting, James

Roberts, Jayton Torres, Jerry Wofford

Second grade Dereck Lockhart, Sydney Sheldon, Shaylee Bell, Alexis Mendoza, Bianca Huapilla, Cheyenne Ellis, Jacob Torres, Will Howard, Samantha Arellano

Third grade Dusty Howard, Zachary Sanchez, Justin Gartman, Jordan Gartman, Cooper Hinderliter, Zach Skinner, Randy Barnett, Josh Barnes, Sara Lara, Makenna Netting

Fourth grade Samantha Fernandez, Kimberly Roach, Diana Vera, Garrett Rogers

Fifth grade Luke Sheldon, Diego Saucedo, Connie Saucedo, Josh Rowoldt, Haden Dillard, Kacee Roberts, J.P. Conner, Logan Phillee, Amanda Mendoza, Joe Estrada, Tanner Brickey

Sixth grade Nancy Landeros, Kerri Sheridan, Piedad Juarez, Colton Reed, Erika Sheldon, Tanner Hanigan, Justina Gloria, Cayetano Carrera, Briana Brisbin, Blake Millican, Emilee Yanez, Olivia Trejo, Larry Sheridan, Emily Arellano, Chelsea Arellano

Accelerated Reader

Honor Roll

First grade James Roberts, Jerry Wofford

Second grade Samantha Arellano, Shaylee Bell, Shelby Davis, Cheyenne Ellis, Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard, Bianca Huapilla, Dereck Lockhart, Alexis Mendoza, Ciera Millican, Efrain Olguin, Kevin Saucedo, Sydney Sheldon, Taylor Sheldon, Jacob Torres, Eric Wells

Third grade Josh Barnes, Grady Barnett, Vincent Batten, Faylin Bell,

Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Sara Lara, Zachary Sanchez, Zach Skinner, Ashlie Wheat

Fourth grade Linsey Arellano, Beanca Bower, Luisa Carrera, Janzen Digby, Samantha Fernandez, Melodee Gunter, Shelby John's, Jared Long, Chad Martin, Kimberly Roach, Garrett Rogers, Raquel Rojas, Meagan Ross, Aaron Sharp, Linsey Valley, Diana Vera

Fifth grade Heidi Austin, Tanner Brickey, Haden Dillard, Rajee Goodman, Amanda Mendoza, Daniel Nowlin, Skyler Rainwater, Kacee Roberts, Travis Sailer, Diego Saucedo, Sarah Walker, J.P. Conner, Joe Estrada, Gregory Gonzales, Logan Phillee

Sixth grade Chelsea Arellano, Briana Brisbin, Cody Brosh, Justina Gloria, Tanner Hanigan, Piedad Juarez, Ivan Landeros, Terry McDonald, Erika McDonald, Miguel Perez, Kerri Sheridan, Larry Sheridan, Emily Arellano, Devin Batten, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Jones, Nancy Landeros, Stetson Nesibt, Rebecka Saucedo, Olivia Trejo, Emilee Yanez, Chelsie Schmidt

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Sixth grade Emily Arellano, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Jones, Stetson Nesbit, Emilee Yanez

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It is important that a Sheriff, as an elected official, understand and remember that he works for the citizens of the county, assisting and protecting them, even from themselves at times. It is important that he promote and support programs that encourage a sense of responsibility and worth in our young people, by being open and available to them. It is important that he is flexible enough to deal with the ever changing needs of the community, and yet steadfast enough to encourage the time-tested values that our country was built on, such as integrity, honesty and dependability.

Elect
**MARSHALL
MILLICAN**

For Sheriff of Coke County

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Marshall Millican

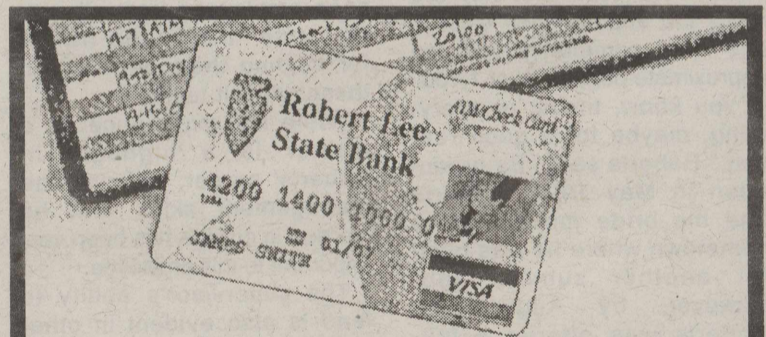
School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, March 1
Juice, donut, cereal, milk
Tuesday, March 2
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk
Wed., March 3
Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk
Thurs., March 4
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk
Friday, March 5
Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 1
Rib-B-Que, corn, broccoli & cheese, roll, fruit cocktail, milk
Tuesday, March 2
Pizza, potato patty, applesauce, teddy grahams, milk
Wed., March 3
Steakfingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, bread, pears, milk
Thurs., March 4
Tacos, cheese, salad, Spanish rice, ranch beans, peaches, milk
Friday, March 5
Hamburgers, salad, pickles, French fries, pineapple, milk



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Bronte Senior Valentine Banquet held

Project Graduation hosted a Valentines Banquet on Saturday, February 21, 2004 at the First Baptist Church.

The seniors were treated to a spaghetti diner that was served up as a mystery meal.

David Bedford, teacher and coach at Bronte, was the first speaker of the evening. He gave a fun and motivational talk, reliving some fun BHS memories and a motivational portion about the future. "Why Not Me" and to be sure and protect your name.

Jody Johnson, their 1st grade teacher, attended as the second speaker. She brought several displays of pictures and activities that the class had done in their 1st grade year in 1992-93. She began her portion of the evening by calling roll and then going on to recall the events & activities of their 1st grade year. Culminating with the seniors recreating the valentine holder that they made in their 1st grade year and then exchanging valentines.

Bronte attends practice UIL meets

Students have been practicing for the up-coming District UIL Academic Meet in Ranger Tuesday, March 23, and Friday, March 26.

They have attending several practice meets. The results are:

Brownwood UIL Practice Meet

* Feature Writing: Ariel Marrs---5th place

* Editorial Writing: Ariel Marrs--1st place

* Headline Writing: Ariel Marrs--5th place

* Spelling & Vocab: Ariel Marrs--2nd place

Sonora UIL Practice Meet

* Spelling: Ariel Marrs----1st place; Jonathan Marrs----tie for 6th place

* Spelling Team: 1st place----Ariel and Jonathan

* Headline: Ariel Marrs----4th place

* Computer Applications: Corin

Garcia-----4th place

* Calculator Applicaitons: Ashleigh Kelly-----7th place

* Social Studies: Ashley Denton----4th place

* Social Studies Team: 2nd place---Ashley Denton, Brittany McCutchen, Natalie Reed

* Over all team total placed Bronte 8th out of 20 schools

Wylie UIL Practice Meet

Spelling: Ariel Marrs-----2nd place

Feature Writing: Ariel Marrs---2nd place

Our next practice meets are this week at Cooper High in Abilene and next week at Wall High School.

Tomes named to HSU Honorable Mention list

Hardin-Simmons University announces that Bronte resident George Tomes made the Honorable Mention List for the fall 2003 semester.

The HSU Honorable Mention List honors students who completed from 6-11 semester hours with a grade point average of at least 3.6.

for Juniors and during State Roundup for Seniors.

For more information, please contact the extension office (325) 453-2461.

Nationwide ACT test set for April 3

College-bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on April 3, 2004, the next nationwide test date. The registration postmark deadline is February 27. Late registration postmark deadline is March 12.

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The test fee is \$26 (\$29 in Florida). Colleges use ACT scores, along with a student's high school GPA, high school courses taken, extracurricular activities and other information to help determine admissions and the appropriate course placement for new students.

The ACT Assessment is an achievement test in English, reading, math, and science. It measures what students have

learned in high school, and the skills required for success in college. It is not an aptitude test. Some students find it more comfortable than an aptitude test because it reflects their high school curriculum.

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school guidance counselor or register online on ACT's website - www.act.org.

Open letter to Bronte residents

Dear Friends:

Have you seen the park at Bronte in the past few days? It

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

The Bronte High School Class of 2004



learned in high school, and the skills required for success in college. It is not an aptitude test. Some students find it more comfortable than an aptitude test because it reflects their high school curriculum.

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school guidance counselor or register online on ACT's website - www.act.org.

Open letter to Bronte residents

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Bronte

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School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, March 1

Cereal, sliced peaches, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, March 2

Sausage rolls, assorted juice, milk

Wed., March 3

Donut, applesauce, teddy grams, milk

Thurs., March 4

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, milk

Friday, March 5

Blueberry muffin, assorted juice, biscuit, jelly, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 1

Pizza, tossed salad, sweet corn, brownies, milk

Tuesday, March 2

Chicken nugget with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, apricots, roll, milk

Wed., March 3

Soft taco with cheese, refried beans, tossed salad, Spanish rice, flour tortilla, jello, milk

Thurs., March 4

Spud day, chili & cheese, potato (baked), broccoli, sliced peaches, crackers, milk

Friday, March 5

Cheeseburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, bun, pink panther cake, milk

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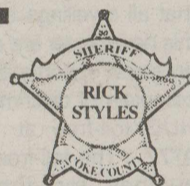
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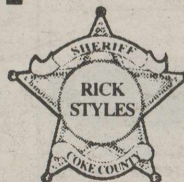
Enforcing the law and keeping the peace in Coke County, thereby ensuring the safety and peace of mind of its citizens, is the most important job of the County Sheriff.



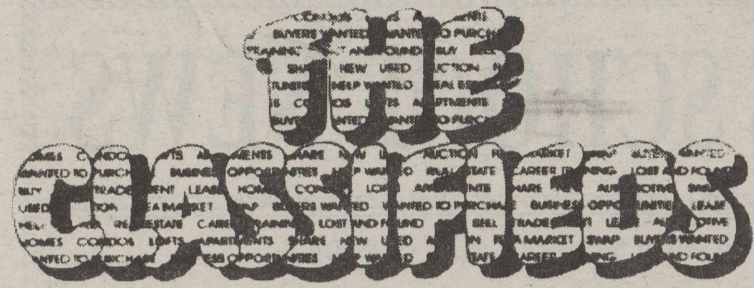
This job must be carried out in a professional manner, and the criminals arrested and jailed to await prosecution.

The Sheriff should also be recognized by the citizens as an honest and courteous law enforcement official. A responsible official is a faithful public servant who carries out his duties in a fair and just manner while working to gain the respect of the good citizens of all of Coke County - young and old alike.

**RE-ELECT
Your County Sheriff
Rick Styles**



Pd. Pol. Adv. by Rick Styles



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HOUSE FOR SALE
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Political Calendar
The Observer/Enterprise
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COKE COUNTY SHERIFF
Rick Styles
Marshall Millican
COMMISSIONER
PRECINCT 1
Troy Gene
Montgomery

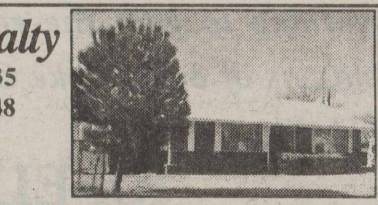
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 201 Jones, Bronte. 3 BR/2 BA, 2 living areas. CH/CA. Stucco with tile roof. Over 2,000 sq. ft. Priced to sell at \$59,900. New loan or owner carry with 20% down. Call 325-439-1051.
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FOR SALE
 Table saw, 9" Craftsman, good condition. \$60.00. 453-9768.
 31-1tp

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 Robert Lee
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 30-4tp

FOR RENT

BRONTE HOUSING AUTHORITY
 has small office for rent at 206 W. Main Street. Please contact Donna Scott, Housing E.D., 473-3541.
 31-4tc

FOR RENT
 Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221.
 19-tnc

TAKING APPLICATIONS
 for one, two & three bedroom apartments. Contact Housing Authority of Robert Lee, 710 N. Bishop, 453-2912. Equal Housing Opportunity.
 29-EOW

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New Listing, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA Brick home, fireplace, single garage, close to school
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Priced to Sell, 4 BR, 2 bth, large den with second living area. CA/CH over 2100 sq. ft.
Price reduced, 2 BR, 1 bth, CA/CH, sunroom or 3rd BR, large kitchen, single garage, over 1800 sf, large storage/shop -
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Lake Spence Area, 2 BR, 1 BA, Ceramic tile, sundeck, guest quarters.
Acresage
567 +/- Acres, All pasture, good water well, nice hunting cabin
315 +/- AC. with 1/2 Mile of Colorado River frontage, 4 Stock Tanks, Pens and Barn. Choice Hunting.
314 +/- AC. Live Oak trees on Yellow Wolf Creek, good water well, 230 ac. cultivation, good hunting.
147 +/- AC. All Pasture. Convenient to Robert Lee. Flat to rolling terrain. Good hunting.
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CARD OF THANKS

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK
 everyone for their prayers, calls, and thoughtfulness during our time of sorrow. A special thanks to the employees of Robert Lee Care Center where D.E. lived happily the last years of his life. The care that he received while at the care center could not be surpassed. We would also like to thank Rachel Conover, Tawnia Swafford, and the entire Vista Care Hospice team for their excellent care and kindness. God Bless each of you.
 Sincerely,
 The family of D.E. Chesshir
 31-1tp

THANK YOU SO MUCH
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 God Bless you all
 The Galvan Family
 31-1tc

NOTICES

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOE E. SCOTT, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JOE E. SCOTT were issued on February 9, 2004, in Cause No. 1644 pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas to:

BRENDA KAY HINES
 The residence of such Executrix is Coke County, Texas. The mailing address for the Executrix is:
BRENDA KAY HINES
 C/O NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
 Attorney-at-Law
 P.O. Box 970
 Robert Lee, TX 76945
 325/453-2576
 FAX: 325/453-2577

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
 DATED Feb. 19, 2004.
NANCY FIREBAUGH ARTHUR
 Attorney for the Estate
 31-1tc

The Family of Carlton Fields would like to thank our friends for their expressions of love and concern during our time of loss. The flowers, cards, calls, hospital visits, food, and prayers of our dear friends truly made a difference. The meal prepared and served by the ladies of the First Baptist Church was so kind and is truly appreciated by our entire family. We also gratefully acknowledge the staff at Robert Lee Care Center for the excellent care they provided to Carlton.
The Fields Family

...More Classifieds

NOTICES

ORDINANCE #365

REVISING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE #171 PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 6, 1975, PROVIDING FOR THE CONTROL OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF BRONTE, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR CARE AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF BRONTE, TEXAS; PROHIBITING INHUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS; PROHIBITING CUSTODY OF WILD AND DANGEROUS ANIMALS; PROVIDING FOR IMPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS; DECLARING CERTAIN ANIMAL-RELATED NUISANCES; LIMITING THE NUMBER OF CATS AND DOGS PER RESIDENCE; PROHIBITING &/OR CONTROLLING OF LIVESTOCK; PROVIDING FOR RABIES CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF ANIMALS; AND SETTING FEES, PENALTIES AND FINES.

SECTION 5: GENERAL

(e) It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain or feed a dog or cat on any property not owned by them without the written consent and agreement of the property owner. Any person maintaining or feeding a dog or cat on property not owned by them must assume all liabilities as to City Ordinances. The property owner must also agree to be responsible and assume all liabilities as to the City Ordinances.

SECTION 6: VACCINATION

No person shall own, keep or harbor a dog or cat over the age of four (4) months within the city limits unless the dog or cat has been vaccinated with an anti-rabies vaccine by a licensed veterinarian. All such animals shall be vaccinated at one (1) year intervals from the initial date on which such animal was vaccinated or required to be vaccinated.

SECTION 7: VACCINATION TAG

(a) Upon compliance with the provision of Section 6, there shall be issued to the owner a numbered metallic vaccination tag stamped with the number and the year issued, which shall be securely fastened on such vaccinated dog or cat. Said tag shall be issued by the veterinarian administering the required vaccine.

SECTION 26: LIMITING CLAUSE FOR ANIMALS HELD IN CONFINEMENT

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to keep more than four dogs &/or cats per residence within the City, with the exception that a litter of pups or a litter of kittens, or a portion of a litter may be kept for a period of time not exceeding five months from birth.

SECTION 27: FEES, PENALTIES, AND FINES

(1) Any person found guilty of violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. A separate offense shall be held to have been committed each day that such violation shall occur or continue as may be determined by the Municipal Judge or appropriate authority.

The Ordinance shall supersede Ordinance #171.

The Effective Date of this Ordinance shall be **April 1, 2004**.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS **12th DAY OF February, 2004**.

APPROVED: Martin Lee
MAYOR

ATTEST: Pat Martindale
CITY SECRETARY

30-2tc

Storm safety rules

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*If an underground shelter is not available, move to a small interior room or hallway on the lowest floor and get under a sturdy piece of furniture. Put as many walls as possible between you and the outside.

*Stay away from windows.
*Get out of automobiles.
*Do not try to outrun a tornado in your car; instead, leave it immediately for safe shelter.

*If caught outside or in a vehicle, lie flat in a nearby ditch or depression and cover your head with your hands.

*Be aware of flying debris. Flying debris from tornadoes causes most fatalities and injuries.

*Mobile homes, even if tied down, offer little protection from tornadoes. You should leave a mobile home and go to the lowest floor of a sturdy nearby building

or a storm shelter.

Flash flood safety rules

*Avoid walking, swimming, or driving in flood waters.

*Stay away from high water, storm drains, ditches, ravines, or culverts. If it is moving swiftly, even water six inches deep can knock you off your feet.

*If you come upon flood waters, stop, turn around, and go another way. Climb to higher ground.

*Do not let children play near storm drains.

Robert Lee School Awards Fourth Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

7th grade
Holly Austin, Kaden Duncan, Cori Torres

8th grade
Molly Burns, Ashley Hopson, Allison Millican, Chase Roe, Ronald Shaw, Kasie Skinner

9th grade
Katie Bessent, Kelsy Duncan, Nicole Fields, Dixie Johnson, Cody McCabe, Erica O'Neil, Sarah Philley, Brettne Reed, Becca Skinner

10th grade
Andra Braswell, Cara Eaton, Carolina Vera, Cassidy Wink

11th grade
Wade Arledge, Kayli Dickey, Jake McCabe, Lindsey Roe, Brittany Soliz, Ciara Watson

12th grade
Brian Abalos, Josh Alexander, Evan Braswell, Cole Flanagan, Jennifer Fluhmann, Jessica Fluhmann, Shannon Honse, Tyler Lott, Monica Rodriguez, Rachel Wallace

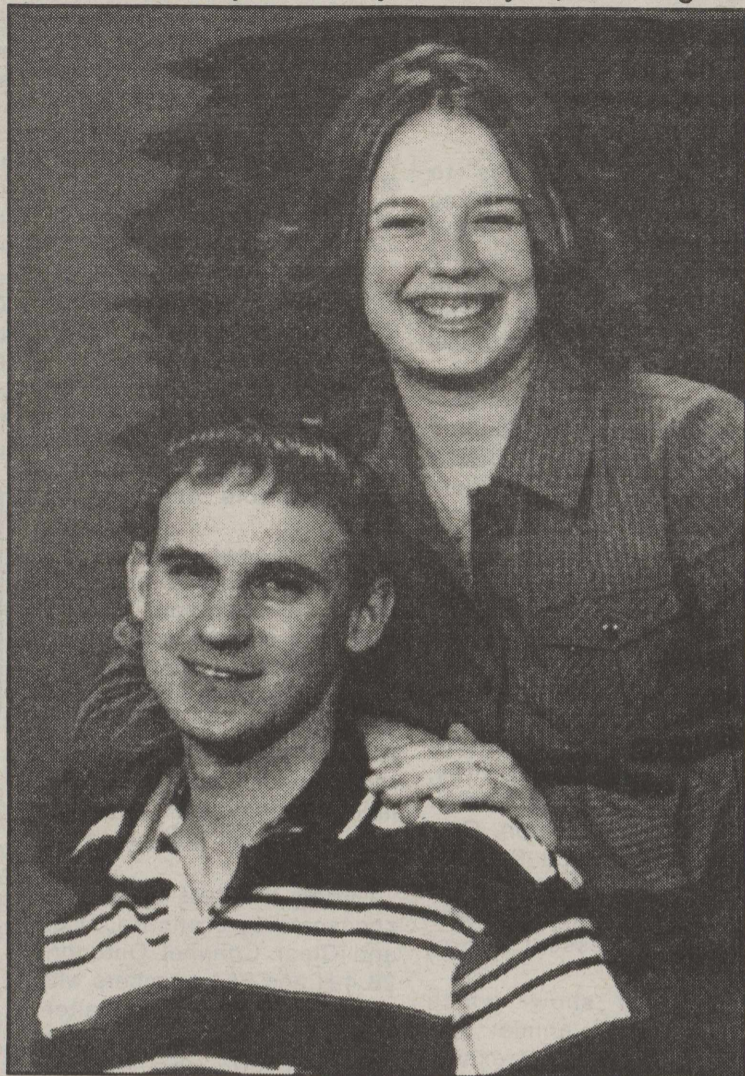
"A/B" Honor Roll

7th grade
Garrett Blair, Kimberly Cardenas, Prescilla Lara, Kelsey Martin, Olga Perez, Megan Robinson, Mason Ross, Jodi Sheldon, Lacie Sheridan, Jimmy Womack

8th grade
Cody Denton, Brody Dillard, Briana Longoria, Megan Percifull, Andrea Pineda, Anna Rojas, Luke Thurman

9th grade
Jaden Alexander, Nicole Barnett, Casey Nesbit, Rosie Rojas, Eleasar Vera

10th grade



Al and Mary Martin of Grape Creek wish to announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Erin Michelle, to Starsky Brian Oleksiuk. Starsky is the son of Steve and Wanda Oleksiuk of Robert Lee. The couple will exchange vows Saturday, May 1, 2004, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

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| Tina Arellano, Bridgette Barnett, Kelly Christan, Cody Martin, Crystal McGary, Kyla Millican, Lance Millican, Jeremy Penney, Amanda Thurman, Stephanie Trejo | Cody Bridges, Stacey Denton, Erica Hayes, Pablo Juarez, Robert Raney, Julie Riley, Michele Sanchez |
| 11th grade | 12th grade |
| | Julia Cruz, Amber Perez, R.J. Service |

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| 2003 Chevy C2500 HD Crew Cab
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| 1997 Mercury Grand Marquis LS
<i>Prairie Tan w/Tan Leather • One Owner • 70,000 Miles</i> | \$ 6,995 |
| 2003 Ford F-350 Crew Cab XLT
<i>Powerstroke • Automatic • White with Tan Cloth</i> | \$23,495 |
| 2003 Ford F-150 Crew Cab
<i>White • 4 Door • XLT</i> | \$16,995 |
| 2002 Ford F-250 Crew Cab
<i>White • 4 Door • XLT • Powerstroke</i> | \$20,495 |
| 2003 Mercury Grand Marquis LS
<i>White • 17,000 Miles • Leather</i> | \$19,495 |
| 2003 Mercury Grand Marquis LS
<i>Arizona Beige • 16,000 Miles • Leather</i> | \$19,495 |
| 2003 Ford Mustang Coupe
<i>V6 • Auto • Red Fire • 14,000 Miles • Extra Nice!</i> | \$13,995 |
| 2002 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4
<i>Black • Excellent Condition</i> | \$18,995 |

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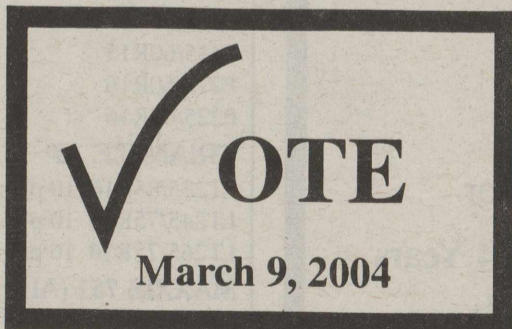
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County 4-H and FFA members to exhibit at 2004 Houston Livestock Show

Excitement continues to build as thousands of Texas 4-H and FFA members make their final preparations before heading to Reliant Center to exhibit their livestock at the 2004 Houston Livestock Show March 4 through 21.

4-H and FFA members participating from Coke County include: Ashley Royall, Chase Williams, Chelsea R. Cook, Cory Cooper, Creed Coalson, Garrett G. Jackson, Jaylon Michael Saunders, Jonathan Marrs, Joseph Israel, Kyle Kelton, Joshua Eubanks, Justin Robert Frazee, Kailey Howell, Mason R. Jackson, Paige Royall, Reese Braswell, and Riley Coalson, all of Bronte; Travis Scott Frey, Allison A. Millican, Briana N. Brisbin, Cara N. Eaton, Clay Antilley, Cody Scott Bridges, Dawson Brisbin, Emilee Yanez, Kacey Roberts, and Katie Lynn Bessent, all of Robert Lee.

The junior show, which showcases the animal projects of FFA and 4-H exhibitors, as well as agricultural mechanics projects, begins with livestock competition on Friday, March 12. Professional breeders and ranchers will compete for top prize money and global recognition in the livestock industry during the first part of the show, beginning Thursday, March 4.

Entries from both the open and junior shows, along with the horse division, combine to make the Houston Livestock Show the largest event of its kind in the world.

More than 15,000 entries, representing about 1,100 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, will compete in this year's junior show. A wide variety of animals will be shown in the junior divisions of the livestock competition, including market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market goats, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, llamas, alpacas, commercial steers, cavies and rabbits.

The four market animal auctions (steer, lamb and goat, barrow, and broiler and turkey) represent animals raised by junior exhibitors for food sources. The animals judged as best in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market

auctions. In 2003, the Houston Livestock Show's junior market auction sales were \$4.7 million (not including presales and cash contributions).

On Friday, Feb. 27, high school seniors from across 60 Texas counties will be recognized with the presentation of the Area Go Texan scholarships.

Riley Coalson of Bronte, will be among 28 4-H and FFA members competing in the exciting and heartwarming calf scramble on Tuesday, March 16.

The 16-year-old son of Wayne and Shaye Coalson, Riley will represent Bronte FFA as a scrambler during a star-studded rodeo performance beginning at 7 pm that includes seven PRCA/ProRodeo and WPRA rodeo events and entertainment by Kelly Clarkson, and Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson.

During the calf scramble, sponsored by Justin Boot Co. and Clear Channel Outdoor, 28 4-H and FFA members will attempt to catch and halter one of 14 calves that are released into the Reliant Stadium arena.

If successful, Riley will receive a \$1,000 certificate for the purchase of a beef heifer and will join the ranks of 16,440 boys and girls who have received certificates. Additional "hard luck" certificates are presented to individuals who don't catch a calf but are recognized for their efforts. Since the program began in 1942, \$7,509,500 has been awarded in certificates and bonuses to Texas young people.

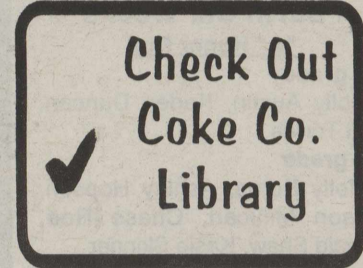
For a complete schedule and additional information, visit www.rodeohouston.com or www.hlsr.com.

Home from Iraq

SFC Philip M. Thompson, son of Bud and Marian Thompson, returned to Ft. Campbell, KY, on February 10, 2004, after a year in Iraq.

His unit arrived at 6 am and all the wives and families were there to greet the troops when they got off the plane.

Bud and Marian spent Sunday the 15th and Monday the 16th with Philip, his wife Deanna, and 4 year old Megan, at Oak Grove, Kentucky. Philip took Bud and Marian on a tour of Ft. Campbell. Philip was pleased that so many residents of Robert Lee had sent letters and cards. The letters helped to keep up the morale of his unit.



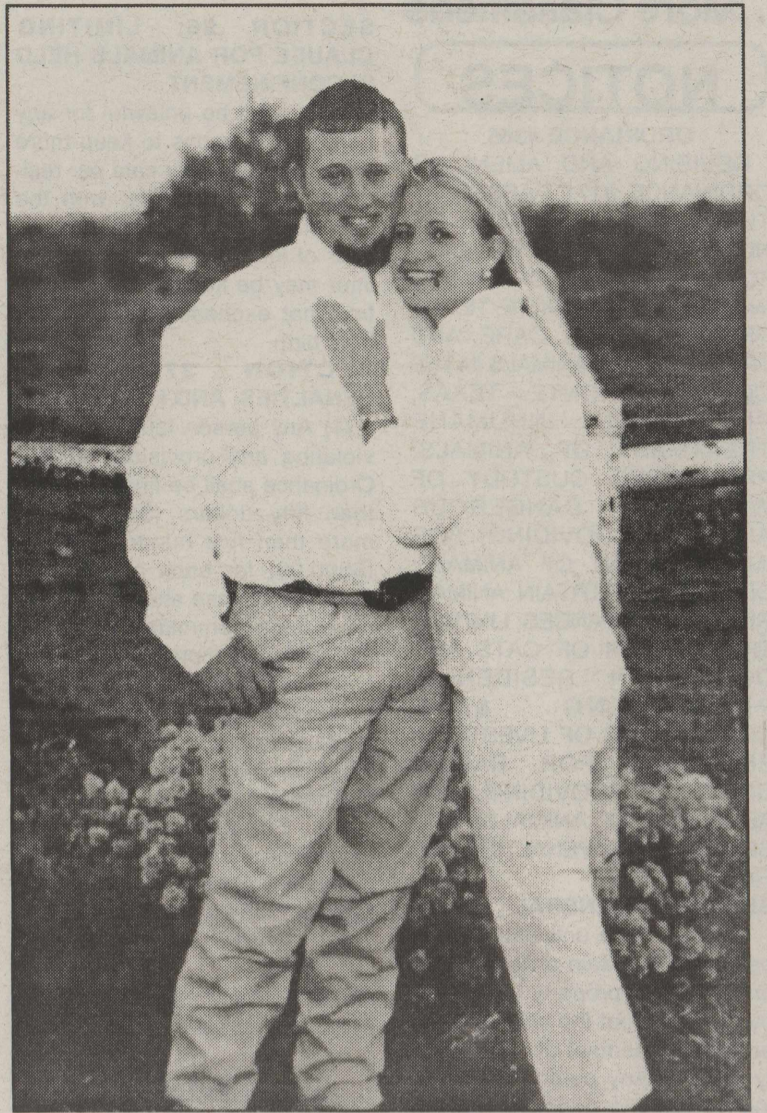
The Coke County library is planning a huge book sale on Saturday, March 6th. The sale will include paperbacks at ten cents each, new hardbacks at \$1.00, and other hardbacks at twenty-five cents each. Westerns, romances, children's and non-fiction books will be in the sale. Some of the books can be considered collectibles.

The sale will be held on the porch of the library if weather permits. Otherwise the sale will be inside. Sometimes the book sale seems to bring on interesting weather situations.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12. Story Hour is Tuesday at 10:00 am and Head Start Story Time is Wednesday at 10:00 am. Books may be returned in Bronte to the Main Street Market and to the 24/7 book return on the porch of the library.

Garvin - Peterson announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Garvin are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah "Dee Dee" Dawn Garvin to Cody Michael Peterson of Lawn, Texas.



Cody Michael Peterson and Deborah "Dee Dee" Garvin

Cody is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Peterson of Lawn.

Dee Dee is a 2001 graduate of Clyde High School. She is currently a junior at Tarleton State University in Stephenville. She will be graduating in the summer of 2005 with a Bachelor Degree in Psychology. The groom is a 1998 graduate of Jim Ned High School. He is also attending Tarleton State University, and will be graduating in 2005 with a degree in AG Services and Development.

Dee Dee is the granddaughter-

ter of Joy Garvin and the late Clyde Garvin of Albany, and Roland Sowell and the late Jean Sowell of Bronte. She is also the great granddaughter of Daisy Sims of Bronte. Cody is the grandson of Delmon and JoReta Smith of Lawn, and Mr. and Mrs. D.L. "Bud" Peterson and the late Beth Peterson of Lubbock. He is also the great grandson of Oneta Gwin of Abilene, and Willie Mae Smith of Lawn.

The couple will be married on June 26, 2004 at Lawn Baptist Church.

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