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Millican selected as 2003 Conservation Rancher

The Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District proudly recognizes Wilbern Millican as Conservation Rancher for 2003. Wilbern and his wife of 54 years, Charlotte, reside on their ranch 13 miles west of Robert Lee. They have 5 children and 12 grandchildren. They own and operate over 3500 acres and raise crossbred cattle and Rambouillet sheep.

Coke County land is known for the invasion of prickly pear, mesquite and redberry juniper. Wilbern's property is no exception. Wilbern continues to pursue an active brush management program in cooperation with Coke County SWCD and the USDA-NRCS.

As needed over the years, pastures have been rootplowed or treedozed. Wilbern knows his range and its capabilities, stocks his land accordingly, and grazes in a way to preserve the better grasses. Wilbern has proven even through a drought, pastures can be managed and still produce quality forage.

The lifeblood of any West Texas operation is water. Wilbern has persistently worked to provide good, well-distributed livestock water by building surface tanks, water storage facilities, troughs and pipelines.

Not only has he led by example, but Wilbern has been active in county-wide conservation efforts. A lamp made from mesquite was presented to Wilbern in 2002 for his 28 1/2 years of service on the Coke County District Board where he served as Chairman for 12 of those years. Wilbern was impressed that mesquite CAN be beautiful!!!

Wilbern is often referred to as "dependable Wilbern" because of his willingness to help with award presentations, judge posters, attend West Texas Association meetings, called meetings and field days even when he had other obligations.

He strongly believes in the importance of educating our young people to conserve our natural resources and looks for opportunities to help them learn. Wilbern once said, "There is no greater calling than being a steward of the soil and leaving the land in better condition than you found it." Wilbern Millican tru-

ly demonstrates the conservation ethic and the Coke County district is honored to recognize him for his efforts and achievements.

50th Sanco Homecoming set

The 50th annual Homecoming for Sanco will be held on June 13th. The program will begin at the tabernacle at 10 am and will feature singing and other special music, a devotional and other topics of interest.

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

Cleanup for the 50th Homecoming in Sanco will be held on May 29, June 5th & 12th. Meet at the tabernacle at 9:30 am for the cleanup. Your help will be welcomed and appreciated.

Inmates to work in Bronte

The City of Bronte will have an inmate crew working in the City June 14-June 18. The inmates will be working at the cemetery and the water plant.

Anyone wishing to donate soft drinks can bring them by the City Hall.

The work done by the inmates is a great benefit to the community and is greatly appreciated.

Bronte Spring Clean-Up slated

The annual Spring Clean-Up has been set for the City of Bronte. Clean-up days have been set for Monday, June 14 and Thursday, June 17.

There will be no trash collection done on Saturday.

Residents can place their items curbside on their regular trash day. Items must be out by 7:00 am. Trucks will run as needed to ensure that all the items are picked up.

Residents with normal Monday trash collection will be serviced on June 14th. Residents with normal Thursday trash collection will be serviced on June 17th.

The following items will not be picked up: batteries, tires, chemicals, wet paint cans, appliances containing freon or puron.

Tree limbs can be picked up if they are bundled in 4-5 ft. lengths.

Residents can call the City Hall (473-3501) if they have any questions regarding the Clean-Up.

RL City Council changes meeting time

The regular meeting of the Robert Lee City Council has been moved to June 17, 2004 at 7:00 pm. All meetings are open to the public. Citizens are reminded that written comments regarding outdoor watering restrictions must be received prior to this meeting.

Courthouse closes for Day of Mourning

The Coke County Courthouse will be closed Friday, June 11, 2004, observing the National Day of Mourning for President Reagan.

Memorial Service set for President Reagan

A memorial service for President Reagan will be held in San Angelo on Friday evening, June 11, 2004.

"One More for the Gipper: A Sunset Memorial" will be held on the steps of the Tom Green County courthouse in San Angelo at 8:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend, and anyone who has any kind of story to relate concerning the former President or Mrs. Reagan - such as a personal meeting or other items of interest is encouraged to speak briefly at the service.

For more information, call Tom Green County Republican Chairman Dennis McKerley at (325) 234-7465.

BISD to offer computer usage during summer

The Bronte ISD will be allowing the community to have Internet access and computer usage throughout the summer months. Anyone wishing to use these services will be asked to sign an Acceptable Use Policy form. Computer access will be located in the high school computer lab located across from the principal's office.

Times and days when access is available will be as follows for the month of June: Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning at 5:15 to 10 pm, Tuesday evenings from 5:45 pm to 10:20 pm and Thursday evenings from 6 pm to 10:10 pm. Bronte ISD reserves the right to deny any individual access or usage for



2003 SWCD Conservation Rancher of the Year!

Wilbern Millican was honored recently at a banquet in Wall, Texas, as the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District 2003 Conservation Rancher of the Year. Mike Arrott, Chairman of the SWCD Board of Directors, made the award presentation.

any reason. Scheduled times may also be subject to change without prior notice. Access days and times for the month of July will be published at a later date.

Iglesia Bautista Betel Revival set

Iglesia Bautista Betel, 101 Houston Street, Robert Lee will be having a Revival.

Guest bi-lingual speaker will be Robert Cuellar, San Angelo of Primera. On Friday & Saturday, June 11 & 12 at 7:00 pm, Sunday, June 13th, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm.

Special music will be with Adoracion of San Angelo and the local gospel band Grupo Espiritual.

Robert Lee was Pastor Cuellar's first pastorate job back in the mid 70's. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bronte class reunion slated July 10

On July 10th, 2004, there will be a Bronte Class Reunion taking place at The Goodyear Proving Grounds Activity Building. This will be a class reunion for all the classes of 1960 through 1969.

If you are interested in coming, the visitation will begin at 7 pm and will last until everyone has left. You do not have to be a graduate of these classes to come. This is to the public and

to anyone interested in seeing and reuniting with an old classmate or friend.

If you have any questions, give Jeanna Lee, Marilyn Bivins (both located in Bronte) or myself Gale Sartain (located in San Angelo) a call and we will be more than happy to answer your questions.

FUMC to hold Vacation Bible School

Find the extraordinary in the ordinary as you discover heroes at Hero Quest Vacation Bible School at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte, Sunday, June 13 through Wednesday, June 16, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, for preschool through 6th grade.

Each hero quest mission is filled with a powerful Bible story and mission story, fun crafts, games and music, and much more.

Come and discover the power! For information call the church office at 473-3281.

Bronte water restrictions lifted

At the Bronte City Council meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2004, the City Council voted to lift water restrictions. The city asks that all residents continue to use water wisely. If you have any questions, call the City Hall at 325-473-3501.

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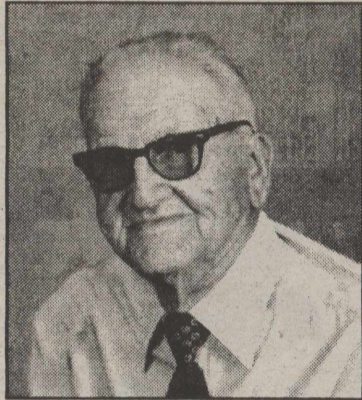
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Obituaries



Patterson

R.C. Patterson, 92, of Robert Lee died Wednesday, June 2, 2004, in the Shannón Hospital from injuries sustained in a fall from a wheel chair at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Funeral services were held at 10 am Saturday, June 5, 2004, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church, followed by burial in the Robert Lee Cemetery.

R.C. was born on May 17, 1912 near Robert Lee, Texas, to James Robert "Bob" and Ninnie Modgling Patterson. He attended school at Wild Cat and Robert Lee. He married Mary Catherine Brooks from the Lometa Community of Coke County on June 1, 1940, in Robert Lee.

R.C. was a lifelong resident of Robert Lee. He was a farmer, and loved to see the crops grow. He worked 3 or 4 years for the county as one of the road maintenance crew and 2 or 3 years at the Silver Gas Plant. Also, as a young man he worked at the cotton gin in the fall.

After R.C. retired from farming, he would plow gardens for people in town. He enjoyed going to the coffee shop, visiting with friends there, and playing 80 at the recreation center.

R.C. was third in his family of eight children. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, one sister and 1 nephew.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Patterson of Robert Lee; two sisters, Zada Denman of San Angelo, and Nola Harmon of Robert Lee; one sister-in-law, Emmagene Mitchell of Abilene, and nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were John Stephens, Kenneth Lackey, Joe David Key, Harrell

Foshee, Lanny Denman and James Harmon.

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Allen

Jesse Pauline Hester Allen, 87, of Ballinger, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, June 7, 2004, at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Pauline was born October 9, 1916 in Stonewall County, Texas to George and Amelia (Sandlin) Hester.

Her life was filled with devotion to her Lord, family, and friends. Her energy, patience, sense of humor and compassion endeared her to all of us.

She is survived by 5 children, daughters, Betty Hallmark and husband, Alvin, Shelia Allen and Jennie Fulton all of Ballinger and Frances Dyess and husband, Royce of Bronte; son, Wesley Allen and wife, Kathy of Lebanon, Ohio; sisters, Jewel McMillan of Tahoka, Texas and Sammie Brashier of Athens, Texas.



Bronte Health & Rehab Center residents enjoy Fort Chadbourne Day! Residents of the Bronte Health & Rehab Center attended the festivities of Fort Chadbourne Day on May 15, 2004. Several particularly liked the Fort's Cavalry division.

She is also survived by 35 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins that she loved dearly.

Funeral services were at 10 am Wednesday, June 9, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Ballinger with Rev. Bobby Broyles and Rev. Ferris Akins officiating.

Burial followed at Garden of Memories Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Vistacare of San Angelo or a favorite charity of choice.

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Coke County benefits from Homeland Security grants

Communities of the Concho Valley Council of Governments (CVCOG) will receive \$758,884.82 in 2004 Homeland Security Grants, according to an announcement from Governor Rick Perry. The grants are part of Governor Perry's regional approach to homeland security. His office of Homeland Security

and the CVCOG have established regional emergency preparedness plans for the Concho Valley region. Priorities to assist fire, police, and EMS first responders were established by city and county elected officials working through the CVCOG.

In addition, the CVCOG calls for use of a portion of the funds to undertake an interoperable communications plan that will benefit the entire region.

Charles Graves, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator for the CVCOG said, "This is another example of how local governments working together through our Council of Governments can support our men and women first responders who need to be prepared to protect the public in the event of a

terrorist incident or other disaster."

The following are the grant amounts which the CVCOG jurisdictions will receive: Coke County; \$4,200.00, City of Bronte; \$9,000.00; and City of Robert Lee, \$9,000.00.

ECC ambulance runs for May 2004

- 5-04 - 08:40 - trauma transport
- 5-05 - 22:10 - trauma transport
- 5-06 - 10:38 - medical transport
- 5-15 - 19:20 - medical transport
- 5-15 - 13:30 - medical transport
- 5-26 - 09:50 - medical transport
- 5-25 - 15:45 - trauma transport
- 5-30 - 23:18 - trauma transport

Churches of Coke County

Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson
Bronte

(325) 473-3291
Preacher John V. Driggers
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church
324 S. Franklin • Bronte

(325) 473-4811
Tim White, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am & 6 pm Worship
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. 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 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

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Bronte First United Methodist Church
324 S. Washington

June 13 - June 16
6 pm to 8 pm

Pre-K thru 6th Grade are invited to attend!

Discover the Faith Hero Inside Yourself

Copeland receives Masters degree

Jerrod Copeland graduated from Texas Tech University with a Masters degree in Sports Management. The ceremony was held at United Spirit Arena on the Tech Campus in Lubbock on Saturday, May 15, 2004.

Attending from Robert Lee were his parents, Daryl and Myna Kay Copeland and his grandparents, Les and Bonita Copeland.

ECC Memorials for May 2004

- Murl Andrews**
- Dennis & Martha Ann Backstrom
- Jerry & Susan Graves
- James Graves**
- David & Donna Scott
- Jack Moore**
- David & Donna Scott
- Harold & Lettie Frymire

RLBC coming events announced

On Friday, June 11th, the SonGames Vacation Bible School Family Night and closing ceremonies will be held. Homemade ice cream and snacks will be served following the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

There will be a pre-teen camp for students that have completed grades 4-6, on June 21-25 at Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment in Brownwood. For more information, contact Becky Ross at 453-2724.

RLBC to celebrate 100th Anniversary

Robert Lee Baptist Church will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary beginning on July 17 at 3 pm with visitation and reminiscing, followed by a home cooked meal of ham and all the trimmings at 6 pm. It will continue on July 18th at 10:30 with the praise and worship service. Sunday School will not be held. For more information contact the church at 453-2724.

Rabies case confirmed in Bronte; awareness urged

Residents in and around Bronte should be VERY cautious of any strange or unusual acting animal(s). ANOTHER confirmed case of rabies has been reported to the Coke County Sheriff's office. Someone was bitten by a rabid stray cat north of Bronte on Saturday, May 22nd. All animals in Bronte are required to be vaccinated against rabies and must be wearing their vaccination tags at all times.

The city continues to work toward catching stray and wild animals for everyone's safety. If you need to report any suspicious acting and/or stray animals, please contact the Bronte City Hall at 473-3501, or Ron Dickey, Animal Control Officer, by pager at 277-5772. If you are not familiar with using a pager, you will need to punch in your phone number and the pound (#) sign after the voice prompt and series of beeps.



Seidensticker, Pentecost announce engagement! Charlie and Brenda Seidensticker of Comfort, Tx. are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Renee Seidensticker, to Michael Joe Pentecost, son of James and Kathy Pentecost of Robert Lee.

Susan is a 1997 graduate of Comfort HS and is an Animal Science major at Angelo State University.

Michael is a 1997 graduate of RLHS and graduated from ASU in 2003 with a B.S. degree in Animal Science. He is currently self-employed doing ranch work in the Robert Lee area.

The couple will be married in the Comfort Baptist Church on July 10, 2004.

Citizens can help control mosquitoes

The City of Bronte is requesting that residents keep their property (yards & alleys) mowed. This will help control mosquitoes, as well as snakes, mice, stray animals, and other rodents. Please be aware of any trees or shrubs on your property that are needing to be trimmed to avoid blocking traffic signs. A continued effort on everyone's part will keep our little town a place "Where Living's A Pleasure!"

Ballinger soccer clinic slated

Runnels County Soccer Association will be hosting The Challenger Sport British soccer clinic. The clinic will be at The Bonnie Clark Sports Complex in Ballinger. The clinic will be June 28 through July 2nd. The clinic

will be for ages 4-5 years old, and 6-16 years old.

For more information go to www.challengersports.com and click onto Ballinger clinic dates and times.

Youth Tennis

Tournament slated

A youth tennis tournament will be held in Menard on June 12th. Deadline for sign-up is June 9th.

The tournament will be for boys and girls ages 12 & under, 15 & under, 18 & under--singles and doubles.

For more information on tournament and entry fee call 325-396-3262 or 325-456-4661.

50th Sanco Homecoming June 13, 2004

BRONTE SPRING CLEAN-UP

MONDAY, JUNE 14th & THURSDAY, JUNE 17th

NO TRASH COLLECTION SATURDAY

Items must be placed curbside by 7 am on regular trash day.

Tree limbs must be bundled and in lengths of not more than 4 - 5 feet.

NO TIRES, BATTERIES, WET PAINT CANS, APPLIANCES CONTAINING FREON OR PURON, OR CHEMICALS TRASH WILL BE PICKED UP.

Contact the City Hall at 473-3501 for more information.

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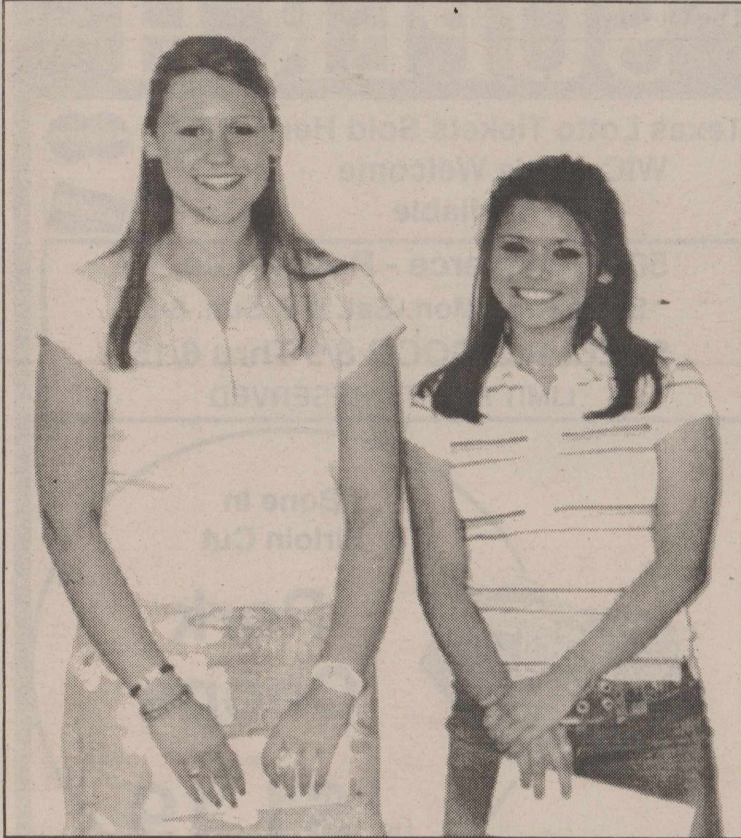
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64 Study Club awards scholarships! Shannon Honse (left) and Monica Rodriguez each received \$500 scholarships from the 64 Study Club at their annual salad supper held Tuesday, May 11, 2004.

**Check Out
Coke Co.
Library**

The first winner in the Coke County Library Summer-Fun Reading Program was Charissa Caston who won the Spring Zone Paddle Ball Set. Readers in the summer program can put their name in for a Friday drawing every time they return a book to the library during the summer.

Drawings are held each Friday around 11:30 am. Prizes include Hot Shot cameras, a sleeping bag, water guns, Spider Man game and a dry-erase magnet board with extra markers. All names will be eligible for the grand prize drawing on July 30th.

Besides prizes, readers can do reading-for-fun which means that any book chosen whether it is an easy book or a picture book or a joke book or a puzzle book feeds the brain and keeps it in shape for a life-long learning process.

"Reading as a leisure activity is the best predictor of comprehension, vocabulary and reading speed," reports a study of the NYS Statewide Summer Reading Program. There are no reports showing that watching television or playing video games increase comprehension, vocabulary or reading speed.

The same study reports that "spelling improved the more kids read." Spelling improvement cannot happen while watching television. Reading-for-fun can help without even trying.

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

**Bronte Elementary
Awards
6th Six Weeks**

1st grade
Perfect Attendance
Jacob Baken, Crystal Bilbrey, Maria Franco, Tyler Mayo, Josh Puentez, Jensen Reed, Addie Rosson, Esmeralda Ruezga, Joshua Means

**Met or Exceeded
AR goal**
Jessica Arthur, Serena Baker, Crystal Bilbrey, Sydney Breeding, Maria Franco, Tyler Mayo, Oscar Pena, Josh Puentez, Jensen Reed, Addie Rosson, Esmeralda Ruezga, Joshua Means

**Achieved Ready Reader AR
Certification**
Dakota Kelly
**Achieved Ready Reader 3 AR
Certification**

Joshua Means
**Achieved Independent AR
Certification**
Tyler Mayo
**Achieved Rising Reader AR
Certification**
Jessica Arthur, Crystal Bilbrey, Sydney Breeding, Maria Franco, Josh Puentez, Jensen Reed, Addie Rosson

**Achieved Rising Reader
2 AR Certification**
Esmeralda Ruezga
Super Citizen Award
Jessica Arthur, Serena Baker, Crystal Bilbrey, Sydney Breeding, Maria Franco, Oscar Pena, Josh Puentez, Jensen Reed, Kyndall Reynolds, Esmeralda Ruezga

2nd grade
Super Citizens
Tammie Halfacer, Nathaniel Rosales, Marisa Sanchez
"A" Honor Roll
Ty Lee, Kaleb Reyes, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley

Met A/R goal
Lauren Allen, Fred Arthur, Stetsen Emfinger, Tammie Halfacer, Lyndsay Hargrave, Ty Lee, Bear McDonald, Bailey McGlothlin, John Moore, Kaleb Reyes, Nathaniel Rosales, Marisa Sanchez, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley

Perfect Attendance
Lauren Allen, Fred Arthur, Lyndsay Hargrave, Ty Lee, Coby Malone, John Moore, Bear McDonald, Marisa Sanchez, Mason Smith, Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley

4th grade
"A" Honor Roll
Kimberly Lee, Harley Wallace
Super Citizens
Brent Kelly, Kimberly Lee, Leticia Pena, Jaylon Seales, Harley Wallace

Met A/R goal
Amy Godinez, Leah Jones, Brent Kelly, Kimberly Lee, Austin Mertz, Rani Parks, Leticia Pena, Ashley Reyes, Vaughn Stillely, Harley Wallace

"A" Honor Roll
Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey
Super Citizens
Kaycee Baker, Cheyenne Boyd, Terron Charles, Ally Franco, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Kimberly Nixon, Dakota Rawls, Kerwin Rawls, Heath Richey, Malinda Sachse, Kelsey Sedden

Met A/R goal
Kaycee Baker, Cheyenne Boyd, Ally Franco, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Kimberly Nixon, Kelsey Sedden

Perfect Attendance
Cheyenne Boyd, Terron Charles, Reid Clark, Ally Franco, Bennie Fuentez, Chase Harris, Heath Richey, Justin Saldana, Kelsey Sedden

**6th grade - Mrs. Strack
A/R award**
Katie Aguirre
Super Citizens
Katie Aguirre, Kimberly Womack

Perfect Attendance
Emily Fiveash, Kasey Glover, Chloe Grigg, Louie Martinez, Rob Rosson, Ashley Royall, Jeremy Sanchez

**6th grade - Mrs. H. Lee
"A" Honor Roll**
Bill Miller
Super Citizens
Case Braswell, Stephanie Frasier, Matthew Halfacer, Krista Moore, Tyler Riney, Jackson Rowan, Jacob Scott

Perfect Attendance
Case Braswell, Samantha Coffey, Bill Miller, Amanda Pirtle, Jackson Rowan, Jacob Scott, Shelbi Waller



**Letters to
the Editor**

Dear Editor,
This is in regard to the article in last week's paper about the Robert Lee swimming pool. It said, reports from a recent commissioners court meeting that attendance last summer averaged approximately 10 swimmers per day. That is not true. I think the commissioners or anyone else needs to check the records before they make a statement like that. How could we have turned in over \$4600 if we averaged 10 swimmers a day? I have all the paperwork from last year to show how many swimmers we had a day. The reason there were rumors the pool might not open was because, no one signed up for the American Red Cross life guarding classes in San Angelo when they were first offered the classes.

Thanks,
Curtis & Annice Walker

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Premium Packages		
STARZ Super Pak (\$12)	8 ENCORE Channels 4 STARZ Channels	
HBO (\$12)	7 HBO Channels 3 FREE Months	
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**Marine PFC Cody Blaylock
Former Bronte youth
now soldier in Fallujah**

By Sterry Butcher
(The following is a story published in a Marfa, Presidio County, Texas newspaper)

Bobby Blaylock misses his boy.

Bobby's only son Cody is with the Second Battalion, First Marines stationed in Fallujah, Iraq, one of the war's most fiercely embattled hotspots.

"We try to put it in the backs of our minds and keep the day as normal as possible," Bobby said. "Not hardly a minute goes by to where your mind wanders back to what he's doing."

Cody is a 2003 graduate of Marfa High School and he joined the Marines shortly after school let out. He's been trained as a corpsman's assistant, his dad said, and he's learned how to storm buildings after being dropped by a helicopter. He was sent briefly to Kuwait, and from there to Fallujah, where he arrived on March 19. Bobby's last correspondence from his son was written two days later, on March 21.

"I'm doing fine," Cody wrote his dad and his stepmother, Melissa Blaylock. "I'm just sitting outside of our hootch watching the sunset here in Iraq. The sunsets here are just as pretty as they are in West Texas."

April is half over, and the Associated Press has called it the deadliest month of the war thus far. At least 87 U.S. soldiers have died in the Iraq conflict in the last two weeks, others are missing and a rash of civilian kidnapping has accompanied the surge of fighting in Fallujah. About 880 Iraqis have died in Fallujah this month, the AP reported, 600 of them civilians.

Back in March, Cody had a firsthand experience that foreshadowed the fighting to come.

"Our first day here was pretty exciting," he wrote, "for me, anyway, I discovered an improvised Explosive Device in a mound of dirt. I saw a small strip of detonation cord poking out as I was walking by. I was calm, collected my thoughts, and called my squad leader over to where I was. When he saw it, he yelled 'Run, cordon off the area! Move those trucks up!' Wow! When we finally got to our camp, everyone was slapping me on the back and telling me I did a good job."

Cody's squad leader told him he had great eyes for spotting the IED four feet away in the dust.

"Got 'em from my dad when we would hunt for arrowheads back home," Cody replied.

The scenario was harrowing for Bobby, but he knew his son

was up for the job.

"It sends chills up and down your back," he said. "He was four foot from death right there. It's scary that the others didn't see it. He saw it because of his raising in West Texas, watching the ground for rattlesnakes. I've been teaching him that for a long time, looking for the something that is out of place. That training at home has paid off in unfamiliar territories."

Cody was initially told his tour of Iraq would be eight months. Bobby thinks now it might be more like a year. He's grateful for all the folks who've told the Blaylocks that they're praying for service men and women. Prayer helps, he said. Television helps.

Bobby can't resist scanning the TV news on Fallujah and he looks for Cody whenever Marines are pictured. A couple people have reported to Bobby that they've seen flashes of Cody on TV. Cody's a skinny guy who wears glasses - a lot of Marines look like his son, Bobby says. That fact provides him a little comfort.

"Seeing them is seeing him also," Bobby said. "They're all brothers. We're concerned about all of them. They are his brothers, so they are a part of our family, also."

Bobby envisions giving Cody a big hug the next time he sees his son. He wonders constantly what his boy - who probably rightfully should be called a man - is doing from moment to moment.

"Was Cody with the group that found the bodies that might be the missing Americans?" Bobby asked. "Was Cody with the group that attacked that mosque?"

The worry is something he grapples with every day. Bobby's a big believer in prayer and positive thinking, and he's proud of his son's service in the Marines, but the reality of war means that darker thoughts do creep in to the edges of his days.

"There are not any words that can express it," Bobby said. "You want them here with you. You don't know what's in store for you, and no parent wants to see their child go before them. But he's doing what he wants to do, protecting people here. As long as we don't have a car drive up, we know he's safe."

A few weeks ago, in Fallujah, Cody reflected on his unfamiliar surroundings and his unpredictable circumstances.

"Yup, this is the life right here," he joked in his letter. "Living' out of a seabag, eatin' MREs and dipping imported Copenhagen. Just keeping

what's left of my sense of humor. Sometimes that's all I have left. It's strange," he wrote. "Over a year ago, I'd never have thought I'd be here. The same places we were watching on TV during breakfast. Maybe some other kid is doing the same thing now about us."

**WT Jr. Championship
Tour results**

The Best of the West Junior Golf Classic held a 3 day tournament in San Angelo June 1-3rd. The 1st day competition was held at Bentwood Country Club, 2nd day Quicksand Golf Course, 3rd day was to be held at San Angelo Country Club but was rained out, making it a 2 day tournament.

16-18 boys

Shay Carwile, Menard, grandson of Bill & Pat Carwile 12th place with 163

Josh Alexander, Robert Lee, 26th - 172

Brandon Hall, Bronte, 28th - 176

14-15 boys

Johnathan Pagan, Robert Lee, 23rd - 185

Brody Dillard, Robert Lee, 24th - 192

Taylor Percifull, Robert Lee, 28th - 213

12-13 boys

Mason Ross, Robert Lee, 10th - 185

Kaden Duncan, Robert Lee, 17th - 209

15-18 girls

Kelsy Duncan, Robert Lee, 9th - 211

9-11 boys (9 holes)

Logan Philley, Robert Lee - 82



Gray/Cullum announce engagement! Jim and Brenda Gray of Robert Lee announce the engagement of their daughter, Trichelle Gray to Nathan Cullum, son of Chuck and Beth Cullum of Lyons, Colorado.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Jim and Jeanette Mason of Midland and Mary Ruth Gray of Vincent. The prospective groom's grandparents are Charles and Dottie Cullum of Longmont, CO and Ernest and Pat Schwelka of Denver, CO.

Miss Gray is a 2002 graduate of Robert Lee High School. She plans to continue her bachelor's degree in nursing at the University of Northern Colorado. Her fiancé is a 2002 graduate of Lyons High School, and is self-employed.

The couple plan to be married Friday, September 17, at the First Baptist Church in San Angelo.

**50th Sanco Homecoming
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- Mobility assistance

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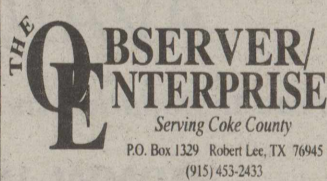
- Confusion
- Memory problems

The WCCHD Board of Directors is seeking the input of county and surrounding area residents on the value of opening an Assisted Living Facility in Robert Lee.

An Open House Preview of a room designed For Assisted Living will be held at 307 West 8th Use Robert Lee Care Center Main Entrance

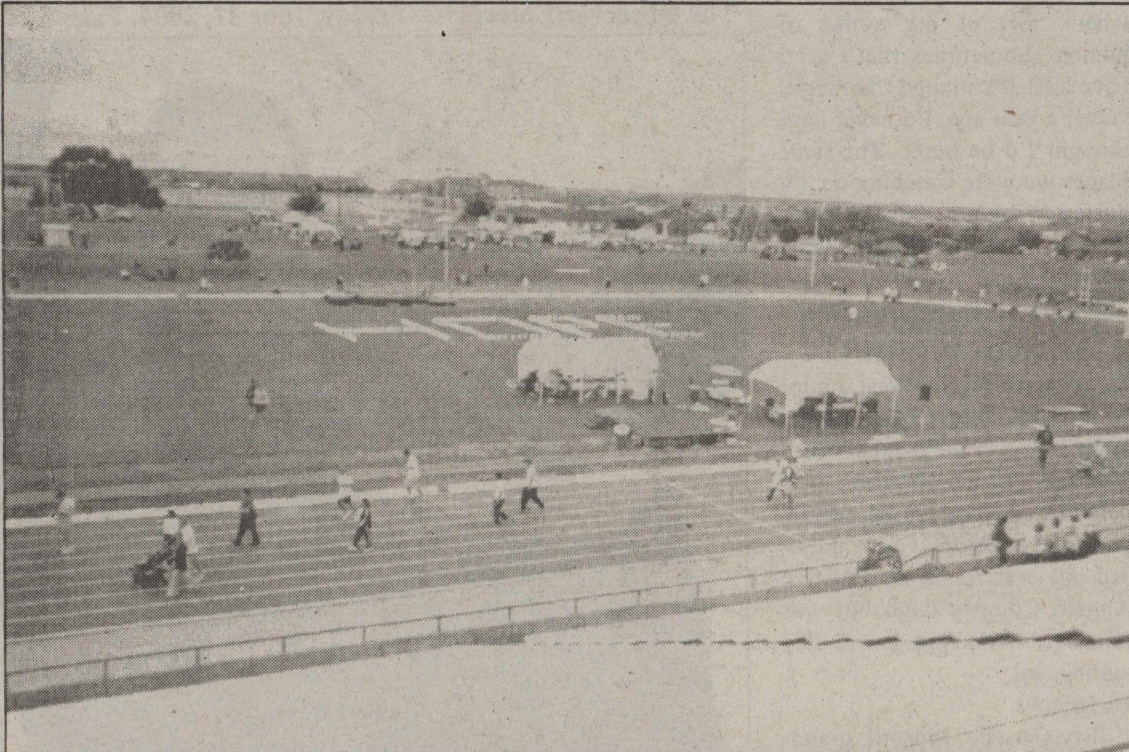
Saturday, June 19th • 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, June 20th • 2 pm to 5 pm

This open house will be used as a public fact gathering opportunity to see if there is a need for Assisted Living facilities in Coke County and if it would receive public support.



drop box is located at

**HOMETOWN
HARDWARE
in Bronte.**



2004 Relay For Life! Luminarias (top photo) spell out "HOPE" in the middle of the field and hundreds more line the inside of the track at this year's Relay for Life in San Angelo. Walkers continue to circle the track.

The Robert Lee 2004 Relay for Life team includes (top photo at right, back row, from left) Brenda Gray, Dianne Simpson, Cindy Bessent, Valerie Howard, Cathy Waltz, (front row, from left) Beverly Bell, Denise Roberts, Dee Anna Harmon, Susan Owens, and Jeanette Jacobs. Not pictured are Debbie McCabe and Zena Williamson.

Local cancer survivors participating in this year's Relay for Life include (photo at right, from left) Sharan Eaton, Dee Anna Harmon, Kegan Bell, Cathy Waltz, Kenneth Lackey, Jeanette Jacobs and Troy Wimberley (not pictured).

Relay for Life once again proves to be a great success

The San Angelo Relay for Life was held May 7th & 8th at the ASU Sports Complex. The continuous walk from 6 pm Friday to 9 am Saturday yielded over \$154,000 raised for the American Cancer Society for research, education and awareness for those in Tom Green and the surrounding counties. The Robert Lee team raised over \$5,600 this year with only 12 members.

Relay for Life is a family-oriented, fun-filled event yet has a very important meaning behind it... memorializing those who have lost their battle and honoring cancer survivors winning the battle along with the hope that one day cancer will be eliminated. The Relay begins with the Survivor's Lap for cancer survivors followed by the second lap for those who have been or still are caregivers to cancer survivors including family members, friends, nurses or doctors. This is a great celebration of life.

One of the highlights of the event was the Luminaria Ceremony at 9:30 pm. Over 2,000 paper sacks with candles in them lined the track and spelled out "HOPE" in the center of the field. Each bag memorializes or honors someone with cancer. All runners and walkers stopped as the stadium lights were turned completely out and the glow of all the candles illuminated the stadium. A trumpet playing taps, three songs and a poem completed the very moving ceremony.

Walking continued throughout the night by at least one

representative from each of the 114 teams. Closing ceremonies and awards concluded the event at 9:00 Saturday morning. The Robert Lee team won Top Fundraising in the "Friends and Family" category for the third year in a row. Team members included Dee Anna Harmon, Cindy Bessent, Susan Owens, Valerie Howard, Denise Roberts, Dianne Simpson,

Cathy Waltz, Debbie McCabe, Zena Williamson, Beverly Bell, Jeanette Jacobs and Brenda Gray.

The support of this year's event for the Robert Lee team was overwhelming and greatly appreciated. Thanks to those from Robert Lee; Coke County; Texas and all across the United States who supported this team.



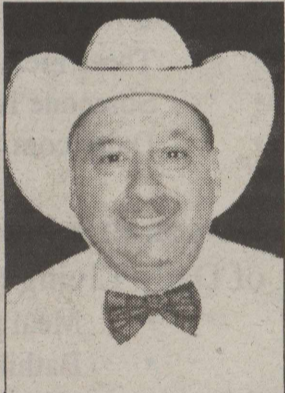
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Frank Arthur receives Eagle Scout award

A Court of Honor to award the rank of Eagle Scout to Frank Arthur of Robert Lee was held recently in conjunction with his graduation from high school.

About 80 well wishers congregated for a bar-b-q dinner at his home near Robert Lee to see him receive his award. Two local Eagle Scouts made special contributions to his award. Bill Wilke of Robert Lee, wrote heart felt words of wisdom to Frank, that are in this issue of the Observer/Enterprise.

Wilke met Frank at the United Methodist Church where both attend, and they instantly realized that despite age differences, they had a common experience base - that of the training for Eagle Scout. Wilke has repeatedly demonstrated the dynamic and generous spirit of an Eagle Scout.

Richard Sims, another local Eagle Scout, came forward to extend his help with a professional recording and Eagle charge that he himself had produced. His business is broadcast radio, and he is a holder of the Silver Beaver award in scouting - the highest award given for service to the Boy Scouts of America. His powerful voice and professional delivery made a beautiful addition to the torch-lit ceremony.

Still another Eagle Scout, Joel Howard of Lubbock, Texas, attended the ceremony and offered his support as a friend of Frank's dad, the late Lane Arthur of Robert Lee. Local Eagle, Drake Arthur, Frank's brother, acted as master of ceremonies; and Mark Case of Lubbock and Will Fortin of San Angelo were other Eagles who joined the festivities.

Frank earned his Eagle through earning 21 merit badges and completing many other requirements including a community service project. The generous leaders of Troop 340 in San Angelo,

Freddie Medina and Tom McKeel, as well as the work of many badge counselors made his advancement possible.

Mr. Medina presented Frank his Eagle badge and a neckerchief that only Eagles are allowed to wear. Mr. McKeel presented Frank with a Silver Eagle coin dated for the year he received the award. Nancy Arthur, Frank's mom, and Rip Arthur, his grandfather, also received pins.

Frank also graduated from Texas Desert High School the same day; and many wonderful friends came to share the moment. Prize for the longest distance traveled went to Phyllis Firebaugh, an old friend who flew in on standby from Florida to attend! Some of the local friends who helped to feed the crowd and light up the day with laughter were Barbara and Larry Jameson, Kay and Gayland Hurst, Dot Starling, Ed Lohman, Wayne and Jamie Hayes, Leta, Adam, Charissa, Ginny, and Cyndy Caston, Ken and Donna Green, the George Brickey family, Steve and Trish Rowe and many other wonderful people. Many friends from Lubbock and Odessa also lightened the load and the attitude to create a fun-filled evening.

The Williams Family, Logan, Mary Lee and Darryl, provided delightful live music and melodies. They hail from San Angelo and have a musical ministry. Also from San Angelo were many Scouts from Troop 340 and their parents.

Frank said he was so grateful for all the people who came to make it such a special day.

Tourism enhances rural economics

Texas Midwest Community Network and the Texas Forts Trail Region will host a one-day seminar, "Tourism Roundup & Chamber of

Commerce Summit", June 15 at the Grace Museum in Abilene.

Tourism is an acknowledged means of enhancing rural economics. The seminar will provide information on methods to tap into the millions of dollars spent each year by travelers and visitors.

Featured speakers include Paul Serff, CEO for the Texas Travel Industry Association and Nanci Liles, Executive Director for the Abilene Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Seminar topics include "Dollars and Sense of Tourism", "Cultural & Heritage Tourism", "Working in Tourism", "Customer Friendly Service", "Museum Resources for Funding and Support", and "Basic Design of Exhibits for Small Museums". Participants will also be treated to a tour of Frontier Texas!, a regional attraction and visitor center opened in April.

A special breakout session for Chamber of Commerce leaders will offer tips on "Annual Banquets", "Fund Raising Ideas", "Community Outreach" and "Participation in Travel Shows".

The best value of the day will be the opportunity to network with neighboring community leaders.

For information on registration and special group rates,

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contact the TMCN office at 325-676-0329 or 800-845-3563 or tmcn@tmcn.org.

Texas Folklife Festival slated for June

What better way to travel the world in four days than to visit the 33rd annual Texas Folklife Festival! Mark your calendar for June 10-13, 2004, at the Institute of Texan Cultures in downtown San Antonio; savor authentic international cuisine, delight in the music and colorful costumes of the finest entertainers, and browse through the arts and crafts market.

The Festival runs 5-11 p.m., Thursday, June 10, and Friday, June 11; noon-11 p.m., Saturday, June 12; and noon- 9 p.m., Sunday, June 13.

Group and other discounts are also available. To order advance tickets (May 1-June 1) visit www.texasfolklifefestival.org, or write to Texas Folklife Festival, 801 S. Bowie St., San Antonio, Texas, 78205-3296, or for more information call 210-458-2390.

RL Elementary Awards Assembly held

Robert Lee Elementary School held the annual Awards Assembly on Wednesday, May 26, 2004. The program was opened with the pledges to the United States flag and the

Texas flag led by Will Howard. The first and second graders sang My Country Tis of Thee under the direction of Mr. Roberts and accompanied by Mrs. Stephens.

Beth Prather, Coke County Librarian detailed the Summer Reading Program that will be offered at the library. Each Kindergarten student received a certificate.

Kindergarten

Ben Allen, Ashley Balderas, Rani Coppedge, Jordan Digby, Kodi Drennan, Morgan Eaton, Sierra Ellis, Christopher Ford, Jacee Hall, Hunter Hamrick, Bailey Hooten, Sandra Hubbard, Jake Jackson, Julia Madrid, Hayden O'Neil, Karlee Roach, Kendra Saaranen, Justice Saucedo, Jaicee Torres, Brandon Torres, Ricky Williams, Blaine Yanes

Perfect Attendance

Karlee Roach, Brandon Torres

1st grade

Academic Excellence for Reading & Math on the ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) - James Roberts

Outstanding Music Students - James Roberts, Mychael Tijerina, Daria Tinkler, Jayton Torres, Jerry Wofford

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Bill Wilke Proves that Eagles Soar!!!

Congratulations

Frank,

On behalf of all the Eagle Scouts across the USA, I say to you a job well done. My brother and I are both Eagle Scouts. My father was a Scoutmaster for over 20 years. We were a dedicated scouting family.

To accomplish the highest level in the BSA certain things are required. First of all, a tremendous amount of your personal time. You have to be dedicated, persistent, active, and of exemplary character. You are required to be more spiritually aware and morally superior than your peers. You are required to be not only a leader today but also in the future. I have no doubt that you will fulfill that obligation and excel in all that you do.

Always remember the fundamentals of scouting. They are a great foundation and template of a successful and happy life.

Frank, apart from The Lord and family, the three most important influences in my life are: The United States Marine Corp, Texas Tech University and the Boy Scouts of America. Not necessarily in that order. The BSA set forth the foundation for the USMC and TT.

Brenda and I are truly very proud of this great achievement in your life. We take great pleasure in knowing you and your family, and sincerely wish you the best future that you so deserve.

In closing, being an Eagle Scout is an individual award. However, I believe that it is a long and enduring team effort. What do I mean by that? YOUR FAMILY. Without the continuing support from all of your family members I don't think that you would be receiving this honor today. So on this day, as we honor you, we also honor your family. Through your dedication, their participation and support, we have a new leader for tomorrow and the future.

Once again Frank, congratulation on an achievement that will remain with you in body and soul forever.

Bill and Brenda Wilke

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2nd grade

Academic Excellence for Reading & Math on the ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) - Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard

Outstanding Music Students - Will Howard, Bianca Huapilla, Efrain Olguin, Taylor Sheldon

Perfect Attendance - Jacob Torres, Sydney Sheldon, Alexis Mendoza

3rd grade

Commended Performance for TAKS - Joshua Barnes - Reading & Math; Dawson Brisbin - Math; Jordan Gartman - Reading & Math; Justin Gartman - Reading & Math; Cooper Hinderliter - Reading & Math; Zachary Sanchez - Reading & Math; Zach Skinner - Reading; Ashlie Wheat - Reading & Math; Laredo Williamson - Reading

Outstanding Music Students - Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Sara Lara, Makenna Netting, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat

Perfect Attendance - Zachary Sanchez

4th grade

Commended Performance on TAKS - Luisa Carrera - Writing & Reading; Melodee Gunter - Writing, Reading, & Math; Janzen Digby - Reading & Math; Raquel Rojas - Reading; Linsey Vallery - Reading; Diana Vera - Reading & Math; Beanca Bower - Math; Meagan Ross - Math

Outstanding Music Students - Linsey Arellano, Melodee Gunter, Chad Martin, Meagan Ross

Perfect Attendance - Samantha Fernandez, Diana Vera

5th grade

Commended Performance on TAKS - Tanner Brickey - Reading; Haden Dillard, Skyler Rainwater - Reading & Math; Logan Philley - Math; Travis Sailer - Reading, Math, & Science; Heidi Austin - Science; Diego Saucedo - Reading, Math, & Science; Luke Sheldon - Reading, Math, & Science

Most Outstanding Brass Musician - Luke Sheldon

Most Outstanding Woodwind Musician - Sarah Walker, Kacey Roberts, Amanda Mendoza

Most Outstanding Percussionist - Logan Philley

Most Improved Musician - Josh Rowoldt, Heidi Austin, Gregory Gonzales, Paul Pineda

Perfect Attendance - Amanda Mendoza, Luke Sheldon, Connie Saucedo, Haden Dillard

6th grade

Commended Performance on TAKS - Devin Batten - Reading & Math; Emily Arellano - Math; Briana Brisbin - Reading & Math; Cody Brosh - Math; Cayetano Carrera - Reading & Math; Terry McDonald - Reading; Stetson Nesbit - Reading & Math; Erika

Most Outstanding Brass Musician - Cody Brosh, Emily Arellano, Sarah Jones

Most Outstanding Woodwind Musician - Justina Gloria, Stetson Nesbit, Erika Sheldon, Tanner Hanigan

Most Outstanding Percussionist - Larry Sheridan, Blake Millican

Most Improved Musician - Piedad Juarez, Chelsea Arellano

Perfect Attendance - Erika Sheldon, Nancy Landeros

Robert Lee Elementary Honor Roll announced

End of the Year

3rd grade - Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat

4th grade - Linsey Arellano, Kimberly Roach, Melodee Gunter, Raquel Rojas, Meagan Ross

5th grade - Heidi Austin, Kacey Roberts

6th grade - Emily Arellano, Sarah Jones, Stetson Nesbit, Emilee Yanez

6th grade Presidential Awards - Emily Arellano, Briana Brisbin, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Jones, Stetson Nesbit, Emilee Yanez

RLJH Awards Assembly held - The Pledge was given by Chase Roe.

Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society Award of Outstanding Proficiency in Social Studies - Ronald Shaw

Texas Police Chiefs Association Essay Award - Molly Burns - \$200; Chase Roe - \$100

High School Writer Certificate for Published Work - Allison Millican

Junior High Cheerleaders - (Head)-Allison Millican, Kacie Skinner, Anna Rojas, Norma Rojas, Kim Cardenas, Olga Perez

Student Council Representatives - 8th - Molly Burns, Landry Gunter

Top Accelerated Readers - Garrett Blair, Holly Austin, Norma Rojas, Ashley Hopson, Chase Roe, Allison Millican, Kacie Skinner, Anna Rojas, Ronald Shaw, Molly Burns

Top 10 scholars for 8th grade - Chase Roe, Allison Millican, Molly Burns, Ashley Hopson, Kacie Skinner, Ronald Shaw, Briana Longoria, Cody Denton, Anna Rojas, Brody Dillard

Top students in each course:

7th grade - English - Cori Torres

Texas History - Kaden Duncan

Math - Cori Torres

Keyboarding - Kimberly Cardenas

Reading - Cori Torres

Life Science - Cori Torres,

Sheldon - Reading; Sarah Jones - Math; Emilee Yanez - Reading & Math

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Kaden Duncan, Holly Austin

Skills for Life - Fall - Kimberly Cardenas; Spring - Lacie Sheridan & Olga Perez

8th grade - English - Chase Roe

American History - Molly Burns

Math - Chase Roe

Earth Science - Allison Millican

Reading - Kacie Skinner

Health - Chase Roe

Technology Applications - Molly Burns & Chase Roe

Careers - Briana Longoria

Art - Chase Roe

Gifted & Talented - Chase Roe

Principal's Citizenship Award - Molly Burns

Perfect Attendance - 7th - Jodi Sheldon; 8th - Taylor Percifull, Megan Percifull

"A" Honor Roll all year - 7th - Kaden Duncan, Cori Torres; 8th - Molly Burns, Ashley Hopson, Allison Millican, Chase Roe

Valedictorian - Chase Roe

Salutatorian - Allison Millican

RLHS Awards Assembly held

The Pledge was given by Rachel Wallace.

Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society Award of Outstanding Proficiency in Social Studies - Wade Arledge

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Certificate - Josh Alexander

Daughters of the American Revolution Excellence in History Award - Rachel Wallace

Scholarships received by RLHS students:

\$500 - 64 Study Club Scholarship - Shannon Honse, Monica Rodriguez

\$500 - Jack Brewer Scholarship - Shannon Honse

\$650 - AON Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship - Shannon Honse, Rachel Wallace

\$225 - Spanish Club Scholarship - Shannon Honse, Rachel Wallace, Monica Rodriguez

\$1,000 - Fanta - Monica Rodriguez

ASU Carr Scholarship - Rachel Wallace

\$250 - Coke County Roping Club - Phillip Arellano

Cheerleaders and Mascot - (Head) Monica Rodriguez, Lindsey Roe, Brittany Soliz, Kyla Millican, Michele Sanchez, Cara Eaton, Jaden Alexander, Kelsy Duncan, (Mascot) Casey Nesbit

Student Council officers and class representatives

President - Rachel Wallace

Vice President - Lindsey Roe

Secretary - Monica Rodriguez

Treasurer - Michele Sanchez

Reporter - Kelsy Duncan

Representatives - 9th - Rosa Rojas, Eleazar Vera; 10th - Stephanie Trejo, Lance Millican; 11th - Kayli Dickey, Wade Arledge; 12th - Julia Cruz, Phillip Rangel

Beta Club receiving honor chords - Josh Alexander, Felipe Arellano, Monica Barrera, Jessica Fluhmann, Tyler Lott, Monica Rodriguez, Rachel Wallace

English - English I - Erica O'Neil; **English II** - Kyla Millican, Amanda Thurman; **English III** - Ciara Watson; **English IV** - Jennifer Fluhmann; **Pre-AP English I** - Cody McCabe; **Pre-AP English II** - Cassidy Wink; **Pre-AP English III** - Lindsey Roe

Social Studies - **World Geography** - Cody McCabe; **World History** - Andra Braswell; **US History** - Brittany Soliz; **Government** - Jessica Fluhmann; **Economics** - Jennifer Fluhmann; **AP US History** - Lindsey Roe

Math - Algebra I - Kelsy Duncan, Katie Bessent; **Algebra II** - Cassidy Wink, Wade Arledge, Jake McCabe, Lindsey Roe; **Geometry** - Trey Sawyer; **Pre Calculus** - Felipe Arellano; **AP Statistics** - Felipe Arellano

Science - IPC - Dixie Johnson, Katie Bessent; **Biology I** - Andra Braswell, Cassidy Wink; **Chemistry** - Lindsey Roe; **Anatomy & Physiology** - Rachel Wallace

Spanish - Spanish I - Eleazar Vera, Kelsy Duncan; **Spanish II** - Carolina Vera, Stephanio Trejo; **Spanish III** - Wade Arledge, Jennifer Fluhmann

Electives - **Art I** - Josh Alexander; **Art II** - Jessica Fluhmann; **Art IV** - Shannon Honse; **Health** - Cody McCabe; **Communications** - Dixie Johnson

Technology - BCIS I - Andra Braswell; **BCIS II** - Jessica Fluhmann

Vocational Agriculture - **Metal Fabrication** - Brian Abalos; **AG Mechanics I** - Jake McCabe; **AG**

Mechanics II - Phillip Rangel; **Home Maintenance** - Jake McCabe; **Applied Ag. Science** - Lance Millican; **Ag Structures** - Brian Abalos; **Intro. to Ag. Mechanics** - Cody McCabe; **Intro. to Ag. Science** - Brian Abalos

Family Consumer Sciences - **Apparel** - Casey Nesbit; **Nutrition** - Dixie Johnson; **Personal and Family Development** - Sarah Philley; **Preparation for Parenting** - Cassidy Wink; **Child Development** - Cassidy Wink

Most Athletic at RLHS - Omar Saucedo, Cara Eaton

Principal's Citizenship Award - Cody Bridges

Perfect Attendance - 9th - Kelsy Duncan, Dixie Johnson, Tony Munoz; 10th - Tina Arellano, Cara Eaton; 11th - Julie Riley, Michele Sanchez; 12th - Shannon Honse

"A" Honor Roll all year - 9th - Katie Bessent, Kelsy Duncan, Dixie Johnson, Cody McCabe, Sarah Philley; 10th - Andra Braswell, Cassidy Wink; 11th - Kayli Dickey, Jake McCabe, Lindsey Roe; 12th - Rachel Wallace

Band Awards - **Drum Major** - Stephanie Trejo; **John Phillip Sousa Band Award for Top Band member** - Dixie Johnson, Shannon Martin; **Band Boosters Scholarship** - R.J. Service

All seniors received a certificate from Scott Campbell, State Representative.

Top 10 Senior Scholars - Jessica Fluhmann, Felipe Arellano, Rachel Wallace, Monica Barrera, Brian Abalos, Tyler Lott; Jennifer Fluhmann, Josh Alexander, Monica Rodriguez, Shannon Honse

Valedictorian - Jessica Fluhmann 95.2; **Salutatorian** - Felipe Arellano 94.6

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**Bronte Elementary
End of Year Awards**

1st grade

Perfect Attendance - Joshua Means, Addie Rosson, Jensen Reed

Young Scientist Award - Tyler Mayo, Kyndall Reynolds, Joshua Means

Young Author Award - Jensen Reed, Jessica Arthur, Addie Rosson

Math Fact Award - Jensen Reed, Maria Franco, Sydney Breeding, Esmeralda Ruezga, Josh Puentez, Oscar Pena

Super Citizen Awards - Esmeralda Ruezga, Jensen Reed, Josh Puentez, Maria Franco, Jessica Arthur

Accelerated Reader Awards - Esmeralda Ruezga read 62 books, 38.5 points; Addie Rosson read 73 books, 35.1 points; Kyndall Reynolds read 24 books, 10.6 points; Jensen Reed read 68 books, 32.1 points; Josh Puentez read 91 books, 40.5 points; Oscar Pena read 80 books, 34.1 points; Tyler Mayo read 46 books, 19.6 points; Joshua Means read 43 books, 20.2 points; Dakota Kelly read 22 books, 8.9 points; Maria Franco read 60 books, 29.2 points; Sydney Breeding read 61 books, 28.2 points; Crystal Bilbrey read 62 books, 28.4 points; Serena Baker read 37 books, 16.7 points; Jacob Baken read 30 books, 12.6 points; Jessica Arthur read 59 books, 28.6 points

2nd grade

Super Citizens - Marisa Sanchez, Tammie Halfacer

"A" Honor Roll - Courtney Wyatt, Megan Yackley, Ty Lee

Met A/R goal - Lauren Allen, Tammie Halfacer, Ty Lee, Nathaniel Rosales, Megan Yackley

Perfect Attendance - Lauren Allen, Ty Lee, Megan Yackley

5th grade

"A" Honor Roll - Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan

Super Citizens - Terron Charles, Arlis McMullan, Ally Franco, Dakota Rawls

Met A/R goal - Cheyenne Boyd, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Kelsey Sedden

Perfect Attendance - Kelsey Sedden

Academic Awards

Reading - Chase Harris;

Spelling - Kelsey Sedden;

English - Ally Franco;

Handwriting - Cheyenne Boyd;

Social Studies - Arlis McMullan;

Science - Heath Richey;

Math - Terron Charles;

Language Arts - Ally Franco

6th grade - Mrs. Strack

Language Arts - Chelsea Cook;

Literature - Jacob Scott;

Accelerated Reader - Katie Aguirre;

Awesome Longhorn Award - Kimberly Wo m a c k ;

Perfect Attendance - Rob Rosson, Kimberly Womack, Ashley Royall

6th grade - Mrs. H. Lee

Math - Louie Martinez;

Science - Tyler Riney;

Super Citizen - Stephanie Frasier,

Matthew Halfacer; **"A" Honor Roll** - Bill Miller; **Awesome Longhorn Award** - Shelbi Waller

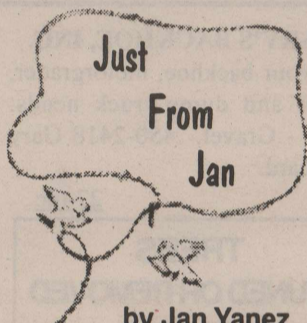
Marquard graduates internship program

Shelly Marquard graduated from the University of Northern Colorado's Dietetic Internship program in January. Upon completion of the Internship, she became eligible to take the Registration exam for Dietitians. Shelly recently passed this exam and is now working as a Registered Dietitian in the HealthOne hospital system in Denver, Colorado.

Shelly received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Dietetics from Texas Tech University in Lubbock in 2002. She is a 1997 Bronte High School graduate. Shelly and her husband, Ryan make their home in Highlands Ranch, Colorado. Shelly is the daughter of Ron and Beverly Sims.



Best of the West Junior Golf Classic! Robert Lee youngsters participating in the 3 day Best of the West Junior Golf Classic tournament in San Angelo include (from left) Kaden Duncan, Josh Alexander, Jaden Alexander, Logan Phillely, Johnathan Pagan, Cody Bridges, Kelsy Duncan, Brody Dillard, Taylor Percifull, and Mason Ross.



by Jan Yanez
Cooperative
Extension Agent

**Top five
diet blunders**

You're eating less and exercising more. Why won't that scale budge? Even when you feel like you're doing everything right, there are certain behaviors that can still get in the way. Are you guilty of any of these habits?

1. **Skipping Breakfast** - Running late for work again? Before you bolt out the door on nothing but a cup of coffee, be aware that skipping breakfast can be bad news for weight loss. Chances are, you're going to feel hungry later, and that may be when you have less access to healthy food and are more likely to reach for a doughnut.

Antidote: Keep something on hand that you can eat on the run, such as fruit, yogurt or fat-free cereal bars.

2. **Feasting on Family Favorites** - When your kids or spouse have a favorite family meal, it's hard to ban it from your menu list. Family favorites, such as lasagna, are often high in fat and calories.

Antidote: Treat yourself to a

smaller serving of the main meal and a large serving of vegetables or salad. It's also a good idea to try to find a lower-fat version of the family favorite.

3. **Social Overeating** - Eating whatever you wanted at a restaurant was okay in the days when people ate out only a few times a year. But these days we eat out every week, if not every day.

Antidote: Search the menu for meals cooked using low-fat methods, such as grilling or stir-frying, and ask for sauces and dressings on the side. That way you can control how much you have.

4. **Not Counting Nibbles** - A few potato chips while you clean house. Just a sliver of cake while you cook dinner. When we snack, we tend to be standing up or have our attention focused on another task. This can lead to thinking the calories "don't count." Unfortunately, they do.

Antidote: Set ground rules, such as "I don't eat in the car or while I'm watching television." And always, always keep track of everything you eat during the day. Knowing you'll have to write it down will make you think twice about having that one bite.

5. **Expecting Too Much Too Soon** - After several months of dedication you're down in the dumps - you feel the scale has barely moved. Expecting too much weight loss too

soon is an extremely common diet blunder. A healthy rate of weight loss is up to two pounds a week. But many people aim for more than that, then feel like failures and give up when they don't reach that unrealistically high goal.

Antidote: Make "slow and steady" your diet mantra. If you really don't believe that one to two pounds amounts to much weight loss, lift two pounds of butter the next time you're at the supermarket. You'll realize how well you're doing.

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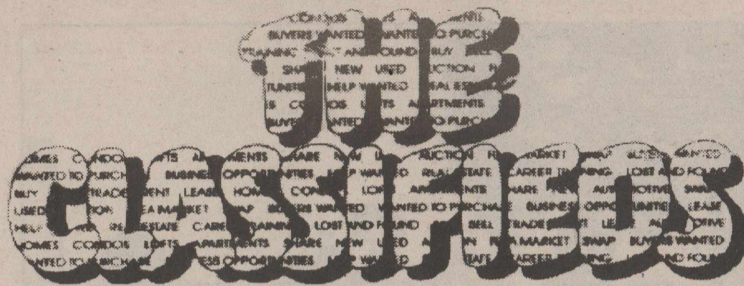
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Robert Lee

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Wrapped up in God's love and peace

Willie, Kim, Cheryl, Jeff, Mandy, Rocky Windy, Terrah & Will The Macon Clan
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NOTICES

NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

Robert Lee ISD invites interested parties to make proposals for meeting its obligations for providing property casualty coverage. Copies of the "Request for Proposal" (RFP) will be available on or after June 4, 2004 from the Robert Lee ISD Business Office, whose address and phone numbers are listed elsewhere in this RFP. The RFP will also serve as notice to the current carrier(s) as intent of Robert Lee ISD's desire to terminate its current agreement(s) upon its anniversary date.

Information provided in these specifications is to be used only for preparing a proposal detailing the coverages specified. It is further expected that each proposer will read these specifications with care, for failure to meet every one or a combination of specified conditions may invalidate the proposal.

The Robert Lee ISD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or any portion thereof, to negotiate with the provider, and to accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the school district.

Proposers are requested to submit quotations on the basis of these specifications. Alternative quotations (for coverage on a basis different than that requested in these specifications) will receive consideration providing such alternatives are clearly explained. Any exceptions to coverages requested herein must be clearly noted in writing and be included as a part of the

proposal.

The Robert Lee ISD believes that the date contained in these specifications is sufficient for preparation of proposals. The information is believed to be accurate and is based upon the latest available information, but it is not to be considered in any way as a warranty.

Sealed proposals (two copies) will be received no later than 3:00 pm, Wednesday, July 19, 2004. Proposals must be clearly marked and should be addressed to:

Lindsey Wallace
Superintendent of Schools
Robert Lee ISD
1323 Hamilton
Robert Lee, Tx 76945-9501
45-2tc

RLVFD news

By Marian Thompson
Secretary

12 members of the RLVFD and 1 visitor met on June 7th for the monthly business meeting. President Lew Millegan presided. The minutes and treasury report were accepted as read.

Dispatcher Bud Thompson gave the monthly report. 1 regular business meeting, 1 Fire

Safety Electric Demonstration, 2 training classes, 107 hours of activities, 2 fire calls, both were in the county, with 32 man hours, 4 1/2 truck hours, and 40 truck miles one way.

May 3rd was a false alarm. 13 members of the department scoured the countryside looking for the fire. It turned out to be a burn off at the gas plant.

May 26th, the sheriff's office was unable to contact anyone at the Bronte or Blackwell Fire Department, and asked for volunteers from Robert Lee to assist with a MVA off Hwy. 70. 3 firemen went in their personal vehicles for traffic control.

Chief Rick Drennan reported that the Canyon Texas Fire Department received new equipment and gave their servicable equipment to the Quail Valley Fire Department to distribute to anyone needing it. Robert Lee received 500 feet of soft line hose.

Matt Millegan, former fireman, who is now in the Navy stationed in Virginia, donated his 16 foot fold-a-boat. It will be put on truck 3. It is a collapsible boat with oars and can be used

for water rescue.

The reflective numbers came in, so anyone wanting the 9-1-1 reflectable addresses can contact any fireman.

The group discussed the new building and hope construction will begin this month.

The fire department needs daytime volunteers. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer fireman can attend classes to become a Certified Fireman. We also have a program for young adults. Cadets ages 16 to 18, with parents consent, receive Fire and Rescue training.

Visitors are always welcome at the meetings and training classes are held each Monday at 7 pm at the fire station.

Value of Pell Grant has declined

The largest federal grant program, the Pell Grant, was established in 1972 and designed to be the foundation for student financial aid packaging. However, the buying power of the Pell grant, which is reserved for the neediest of students, has steadily declined over the past 30 years.

A Pell grant award used to cover the majority of a student's tuition expenses. In the mid-1970's, the average Pell Grant award covered about 50 percent of "fixed cost" (tuition and fees plus room and board) at public four-year universities. In the 2002-2003 Award Year the average Pell Grant of \$2,421 covered just 25 percent of these costs.

While the average Pell grant rose by \$123 in 2002-2003, the total cost (tuition, room and board, books and supplies, transportation, and personal expenses) at four-year universities rose by \$755 in the U.S.

The buying power of the Pell Grant has also declined. In 2002-2003, the average Pell grant covered just 18 percent of the average total cost (tuition, fees, room, board, books, supplies, transportation, and personal expenses) of one year of attendance at a public university.

For more higher education and financial aid statistics and facts check out the April 2004 edition of TG's State of Student Aid in Texas by visiting TG Online at www.tgslc.org.

**Large Shop and Surplus Auction
Sunday, June 13th at 1 pm**

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COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS

By Tommy Antilley
Cooperative Extension Agent

Summer Lawn
Care Tips

Increase Mowing Height -

There is a correlation between the cutting height and the total amount of root mass. The taller you allow your turfgrass to grow, the more volume there is to the root system. Therefore, you should increase your mowing height by several inches during the hot summer months to encourage the development of the root system.

Water Smart - Water, either too much or too little, will hurt the health of your turfgrass. Over watering is not normally a problem this time of year - it occurs more commonly in the spring during periods of high rainfall (often homeowners make it worse by failing to turn off their sprinkler systems.) Lack of sufficient moisture is a more common problem in the summertime. It is best to water just before your lawn starts to wilt. In the early stages of wilt, grass leaves take on a dull, purplish cast and begin to roll. Also, if you walk across a lawn that is starting to wilt, you will leave tracks.

Learn to recognize these signs and apply water on a timely basis. If possible, water during the early morning hours. Watering later in the day wastes water due to higher evaporation rates. Watering in the evening encourages disease development and should be avoided.

Aerate Your Soil - all plants, including turfgrass, need oxygen to survive. If the soil is compacted through years of traffic, the plant roots cannot get oxygen in sufficient quantities to continue healthy growth. Next to proper watering, aeration is probably the most important thing you can do to improve your lawn right now. Water and fertilizer that is applied to a highly compacted lawn will simply run off down the street into a storm drain on its way to the gulf of Mexico. Most rental companies have machines that you can rent to do this job or you can hire a contractor.

Compost-Yes! Fertilizer-No! - Do not apply any synthetic fertilizer during the hot summer months. Lawns that are highly fertilized going into fall and winter are likely to suffer damage from cold weather. Instead, wait until September and apply one of the winterized fertilizers that contains a slow release form of nitrogen in a 1-2-2 ratio. You can go ahead and apply a 2 or 3 inch layer of compost now. If you notice iron chlorosis (yellow leaves) on your St. Augustine turf, apply iron sulfate or an iron chelate according to the label

directions.

Being Water
Smart Indoors

Single family residential indoor water use in the U.S. is an average of 69 gallons per person per day. This average can be cut to 45 gallons just by installing water efficient fixtures and reducing leaks as outlined below. Changing water-wasting habits can save even more water.

Toilets: Standard toilets manufactured before 1980 usually require 5 to 7 gallons per flush (gpf) and toilets sold during the 80's use 3.5 gpf. If you replace a 3.5 or 5 gpf toilet with a 1.6 gpf toilet, you can save about 9,740 to 17,300 gallons per year. Water can be conserved in the larger-use toilets by installing displacement devices such as a plastic bottle or gag (do not use a brick - it can crumble and damage the fixture.)

Showers: Currently available water efficient showerheads work much better than early models produced in the 1980's and there are even good 1.5 gallon per minute models available. Installing a water efficient showerhead

is the single most effective conservation step that can be taken inside the home.

Sinks: Installing faucet aerators on lavatory and kitchen sinks can save up to one-half the amount of water used by sinks without aerators. The flow rate of bathroom faucets does not need to be as high as kitchen faucets. Bathroom faucets need only 1 to 1.5 gallons per minute and kitchen faucets generally need 2.2 gallons per minute.

Washing Machines: When buying a washer, look for one that has adjustable or automatically adjusting water levels for different load sizes and, ideally, one that is a high efficiency washer.

Change Water
Wasting Habits

In the bathroom - Don't use your toilet as a trash can for paper and facial tissues!

At the sink, don't let the water run when you aren't using it!

In the shower, take shorter showers and take a shower instead of a bath. Showers with water efficient showerheads often use less water than a bath.

In the kitchen - Don't leave the water running when you go away from the sink! If you let the water run at full volume for only two minutes each day you will waste 1,600 gallons of water each year, even if you have a water efficient faucet.

When washing dishes only run the dishwasher with a full load. Dry scrape dishes instead of rinsing them and do not pre-rinse dishes if you are using the dishwasher. When washing dishes by hand, fill a basin or the sink with soapy water instead of letting the water run continuously. Soak pans rather than scrubbing them while the water is running. Fill the other basin with rinse water or at least run the water at minimum volume during rinsing.

In the laundry room: Wash only full loads! If you must wash partial loads, match the load setting with the amount of laundry to be washed.

Around the House

Pipes: Insulate hot water pipes where possible to avoid wasting water while waiting for it to "run hot." Pipe insulation is inexpensive, and easy to install.

Plants: Don't over-water your houseplants. More plants die from over-watering than from drying out. Collect rainwater or recycle water from fish tanks to water your plants.

Don't Wait
to Fix Leaks!

Leaks can account for 10 percent or more of the water bill and waste both water and energy, if the source is a hot water faucet. In the average household, water lost through leakage is 9.5 gallons per person per day. For example, a toilet with a silent leak of

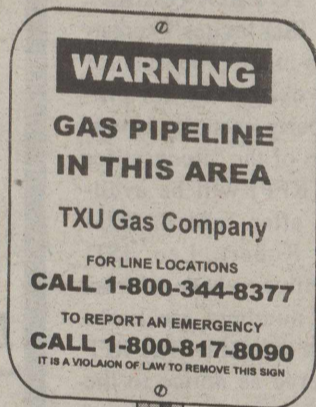
one cut of water a minute (a mere dribble) wastes about 2,700 gallons of water a month.

Toilet Leaks: approximately 25% of all toilets leak. To determine if the toilet is leaking, remove the tank lid after the tank has stopped filling. You may be able to see a leak or hear water running. If not, you may still have a "silent leak." To test for a silent leak, mix a few drops of food coloring or place a dye capsule or tablet into the water in the toilet tank. DO NOT flush the toilet. Wait for about ten minutes, and if the dye appears in the toilet bowl, the toilet has a silent leak. The most common causes of toilet leaks are: worn or improperly seated flappers, worn/broken ballcocks (try replacing washers and tightening screws first), leaking refill valves, broken or improperly adjusted lift chains and handle rods, or poorly sized replacement parts.

Faucet Leaks: Faucet leaks are usually caused by worn washers or "O" rings (for a washerless faucet), which are inexpensive and can be replaced with a screwdriver and an adjustable wrench. If that doesn't work, you may need to replace the entire stem assembly. Note the faucet brand and take the original part with you to a home improvement center.



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