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Christmas Open Houses set for Robert Lee December 3

The opening of the Christmas season in Robert Lee will be Friday, December 3, 2004. The day will begin with breakfast at the Coke County Courthouse from 9 am to 11 am.

Traditionally, a number of businesses hold open house to serve snacks and celebrate the season with their valued customers. Robert Lee State Bank will have their open house from 9 am to 3 pm and Ivey Motor Co., Inc. will celebrate from 11 am to 3 pm. Other Robert Lee businesses and offices participating with open house celebrations include Coke County Library, Robert Lee City Hall, Ash Millican Carson Real Estate, Cathy's Flowers & Gifts, This 'N That Shoppe, Key Feed Store, C & H Hardware, Massage & Fitness by Darrell, Especially For You, Coke Sterling Farm Bureau, and Super H Grocery.

Santa Claus will make an appearance in front of the Coke County Courthouse at 3:30 pm.

Bryan's Barn, a huge part of the Christmas season, will open December 1st and remain open throughout the holiday season. A good group of volunteers will assist the Bryans in exhibiting their Christmas treasures.

Holiday Closings announced

The Robert Lee, Sterling City, and Bronte City Halls will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25-26, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Also closed Thursday and Friday are the Coke and Sterling

County Courthouses. The Robert Lee landfill will be closed Saturday, November 27. Today's trash service in Robert Lee will run as scheduled. Robert Lee customers who need assistance during the holiday may call the City Hall to reach the answering service.

Attention:

Citizens of Bronte!

Please help us boost morale for our deployed military personnel this Christmas. Care packages will be sent to loved ones overseas. Donate what you can December 5th at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Our military is counting on us to do what we can to spread a little Christmas cheer!

We have a suggested list of recommended and not recommended items to send military personnel. Also, monetary contributions will also be accepted to cover postage costs.

For more information, call Veronica Reyes at 473-3054.

FSA announces program deadline for NAP on Native/Improved grass

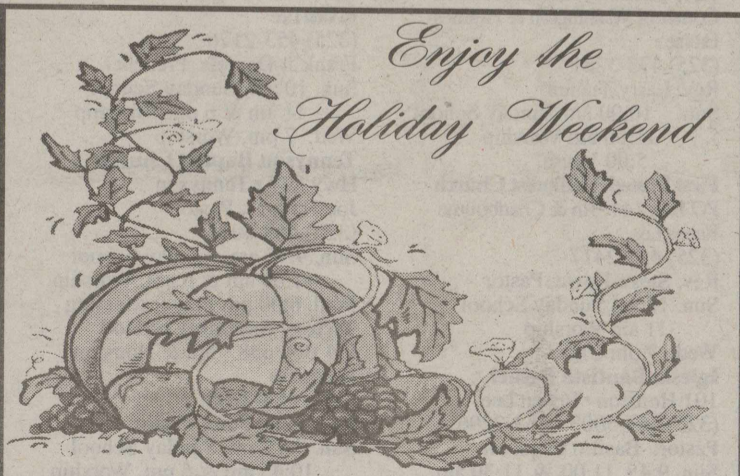
Producers are reminded that the final date to pay the \$100.00 dollar fee and purchase a NAP policy on native and improved grass is December 1, 2004. There can be no late-filed requests approved. Please, don't delay in coming to the office and purchasing a policy. After the deadline of December 1, 2004, it's too late.

The final date to buy a NAP policy on native and improved grass is December 1, 2004.

For those who have purchased a NAP policy on



Sterling County Hunters' Appreciation BBQ! Hunters came in from the mist Saturday evening, November 20, 2004, to enjoy Sterling County's annual Hunter Appreciation Barbecue. County Extension Agent Jan Yanez (top photo, center) visited with over 500 hungry folks as they went through the serving line to load their plates with the brisket fajitas with all the trimmings. In various raffles, 25 guns, a one night stay at Willow Creek Guest House, 3 gift certificates for deer processing at Coke County Deer Processing, and 10 bags of deer corn from Town & Country were given away.



native and or improved grass the final date to have all grasses certified by is December 15, 2004 for NAP purposes.

Producers may come by the office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

Robert Lee Angel Tree Project

The Angels will be available at Robert Lee State Bank for adoption after December 1st. Gifts must be returned to the Christmas tree

at the bank on Dec. 15th.

The Angel Tree Project is to make sure that the children of Robert Lee have a Merry Christmas.

Mason's Arts & Crafts show set

The 19th annual Tannenbaum Time Arts & Crafts Show will be held Saturday, November 27, 9 am to 5 pm in Mason.

The show will be held at the Fort Mason City Park Community Building. This is a

wonderful Christmas shopping experience, with many booths of outstanding handcrafted items made by talented crafters from Mason and all over Texas. There will be stained glass, iron works, jewelry, needlecraft items, wreaths, ornaments, toys, t-shirts, wooden items and lots more!

Photos with Santa will be taken at no cost from 2-4 pm. For information, call Welda Armour at 325-347-0482 or Doreen Cardenas at 325-265-4302.

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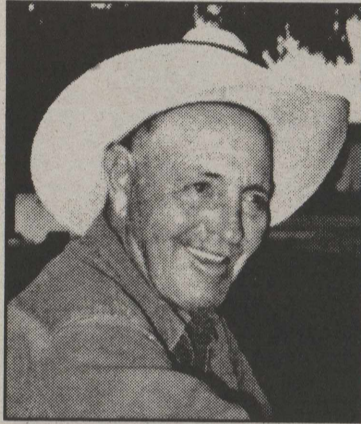
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Obituaries



McCutchen

Jeff Randall McCutchen, 72, passed away Friday, November 19, 2004, at his home in Sherwood, Texas.

Services were held at 2 pm Monday, November 22, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Mertzson, Texas, with Pastor George Rainey officiating. Burial followed in Sherwood Cemetery.

Jeff, the youngest of ten children, was born April 5, 1932, at Hayrick Mountain in Coke County to Monroe and Mattie McCutchen. He attended Bronte schools, where he excelled in football, and graduated from Bronte High School in 1950.

He worked as a welder in the Metroplex and Houston areas before returning to his true calling as a ranch foreman in the early 1970's. He was foreman of the Winterbotham Estate near Mertzson for I. W. and Jim Terry for twenty years, retiring in 1999. He and his wife, Eva, moved to the Sherwood Community and Jeff served as an Irion County Commissioner from 2000 to the present.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Luther, Calvin "Bud", Ocie; sisters, Annie, Vera Mae, Fannie, and Theresa.

He is survived by his wife, Eva, of Sherwood; sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Jerri McCutchen of Sterling City and Wayne and Melinda McCutchen of Bronte; daughters and sons-in-law, Krista and Wayne Knox of Mertzson and Susan and Nicky George of Arlington; step son and daughter-in law, George and Rita Savala of Odessa; step daughters and sons-in-law, Angie and David John Gonzales of Mertzson, and Edwina and Cliff Cope of

Aztec, New Mexico; twenty-five grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; sisters, Georgia "Dodie" Gibbs of Crews, and Janie Kyle of Seattle, Washington; sister-in-law, Eula Maude McCutchen of Bronte; numerous nieces and nephews; and a very special friend, Eddie Martin of Mertzson.

Pallbearers were William Gressett, Doug McCombs, Colby Frizzell, Craig Frizzell, Sterling Abbott, and Larry Bates.

Honorary pallbearers were Jim Terry, Eddie Martin, Junior Soto, Clay Allen, Bub Baker, Tom Thorp, Bub Bailey, and Damon Bush.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to the dedicated people at VistaCare.

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Perry

Howard Perry, 70, of Carlsbad, died Sunday, November 21, 2004 in a local nursing home facility. Services were held at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, November 23, 2004 at Shaffer Funeral Homes Pioneer Chapel. Burial followed at 4:00 pm in the Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Lawana Perry of Carlsbad; a daughter, Rita Anderson of

Missionaries Speak at Bronte FBC! Marvin and Lanette Thompson, missionaries to West Africa, were special guests at Bronte's First Baptist Church on Wednesday, November 10, 2004. The Thompsons have their roots in Bronte and have served as missionaries for several years under appointment by the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Thompsons started the evening by sharing with the church's RA and GA children's mission organizations. They then shared with the adults and ended the evening with an informal reception and refreshments. The Thompsons shared about their work in Africa as well as the increasing danger that missionaries are facing around the world.



Big Spring; two step-sons, Marshall Millican of Robert Lee and Troy Millican of Sterling City; two brothers, Kenneth Perry of San Angelo and Robert Perry of Hacienda Heights, CA; four sisters, Mary Stegall of Midland, Laverne Smith of Hobbs, NM, Frances Sanders of San Angelo, and Edna Landgraf of San Angelo; three grandchildren, three great grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Numerous CEU Programs Offered

For producers who have a Pesticide Applicators license and need continuing education units (CEU's), there will be several opportunities over the next several weeks to get numerous hours. License holders must get 15 hours of CEU's within the five year span of your license renewal. Listed below are the places, dates and contacts for these various programs.

On November 30, a five-hour CEU course will be held at Eldorado. This training is being hosted by the

Schliecher County Extension office and TDA. For more details and to register for the meeting call Scott Edmonson at (325) 853-2132.

On December 7, a five-hour CEU course will be held at the Texas Agriculture Research and Extension Center in San Angelo. This training is being hosted by TDA and Tom Green County Extension office. The target audience is Right-Of-Way certified applicators and producers. Registration can be made by calling the Tom Green Extension office at (325) 659-6522.

On Wednesday, December 15, Taylor County Extension will present a CEU seminar at the Taylor County Extension office, located on the grounds of the Taylor County Exposition Center in

Abilene. The program will begin at 8:00 am and will be worth 5 hours of CEU's. Pre-registration received by Friday December 10 will be \$15 and \$25 after this deadline. You can contact the Taylor County Extension office at (325) 672-6048.

We will also be giving a 5 or 6 hour CEU course in February hosted by Coke, Sterling and Tom Green counties but we have not finalized a date as of yet.

There are several opportunities to get needed CEU hours over the next couple of months. Some of these courses will have pre-registration fees at a reduced rate, so you need to contact the sponsors early for additional information and meeting times and places.

**Area Churches
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
Central Baptist Church
324 S. Franklin • Bronte
(325) 473-4811
Tim White, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm Worship
Wed. 6 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. Larry Tianen
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
Rev. Richard Easterling, Pastor
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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Central Baptist continues series

Central Baptist Church in Bronte is continuing the Celebrate Recovery program with eight sermons on spiritual growth and recovery from hurts, habits and hangups. The sermons are being presented each Sunday morning during the 11 am worship service.

Volunteers who are familiar with 12-step programs are needed to be trained as leaders in a 12-step program focusing on Jesus Christ as the Higher Power. The Celebrate Recovery meetings will begin in December.

FMI, please call Pastor Tim White at 473-4811.

Lawhon, Bethancourt engagement announced

Dr. and Mrs. J. Lynn Lawhon of Abilene, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cami Lynn, to Phillip Ross Bethancourt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Bethancourt of Alamo, CA. Cami is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lawhon of Bronte.

Cami is a 2002 graduate of Wylie High School and is attending Texas A&M University where she will graduate in May of 2006 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Community Health. She is employed in the Executive Department of the Association of Former Students at Texas A&M.

Phillip is a 2000 graduate of Memorial High School in Houston, and is pursuing both a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and a Master's Degree in Finance from Texas A&M University. He will graduate in May of 2005. Phillip is also employed as the Associate College Minister at Central Baptist Church in Bryan, Texas.

The wedding is planned for January 8, 2005, at Beltway Park Baptist Church.

4-H Fundraiser set

The Coke County 4-H clubs are selling poinsettia plants for their annual fund raiser. The poinsettias will be provided by Magic Farms Nursery in San Angelo. The cost is \$10. Delivery date is December 8, 2004. If you have not been contacted by a 4-H member and would like to order, please call the Extension office at (325)453-2461.

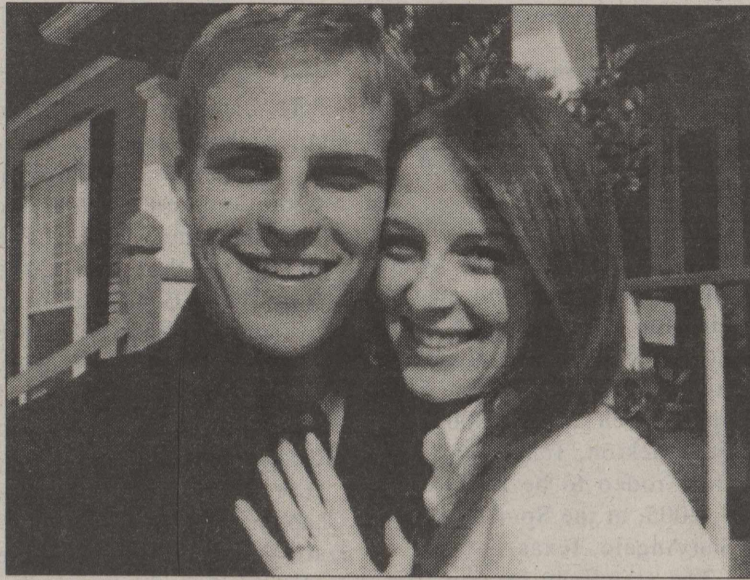
Reminder to all 4-H members. Order forms for your poinsettia sales are due in the Extension office by November 29, 2004.

Holiday festival kicks off Concho Christmas celebration

El Paseo de Santa Angela and the Concho River area in downtown San Angelo come alive with a spectacular array of Christmas lights each year during the month of December. Additionally, a holiday festival the first weekend of December, "Christmas at Old Fort Concho," kicks off the lighting and holiday celebration.

Each year brings new additions to the brilliant holiday lighting display. Flickering campfires, soldiers on horseback; Santa riding in a stagecoach led by prancing reindeer; and towering tin soldiers are just a few of the many spectacular lighting fantasies that lure visitors to this Texas winter wonderland every year. More than 4.5 million Christmas lights illuminate the celebration in the downtown area daily from dusk until midnight from Dec. 3 through Dec. 31.

Complimentary maps mark the 2.5 mile driving tour where millions of bulbs illuminate the displays along the



Phillip Ross Bethancourt and Cami Lynn Lawhon

Paseo, River Walk and River Drive. The route takes visitors along the river, through the Historic District to the Paseo across from Fort Concho. While the tour is free, donations are accepted.

Christmas at Old Fort Concho slated

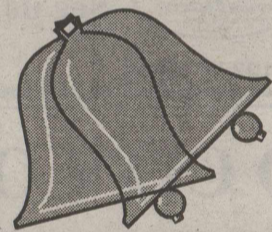
Shoppers and visitors step back in time to the 19th century and experience life on the frontier with ongoing period entertainment. One hundred merchants and artisans, soldiers and Native Americans, shopping and dining, and children's programs are just a few of the activities that combine Old West style with Yuletide magic. During the festival, Fort Concho is transformed into a frontier fantasyland guaranteed to educate and entertain visitors.

Traditional favorites of the winter rendezvous include

Pancakes with Santa, Santa's Workshop, Miss Birdie's Tea Party, Young Soldiers Camp, Christmas Jubilee, Rotary Barn Raising and the Cowboy Campfire Concert. Several hundred living history soldiers and civilians will keep the parade field full of activity with drills and demonstrations, while food vendors feed the hungry. The festival supports the ongoing education and preservation projects at Fort Concho.

The festival hours are: Dec. 3, 3 pm to 9 pm, Dec. 4, 10 am to 8 pm, and Dec. 5, 11 am to 5 pm. For admission information or additional information call 325-481-2646 or see www.fortconcho.com.

For additional information, contact the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce at (800) 375-1206 or see www.sananangelo.com.



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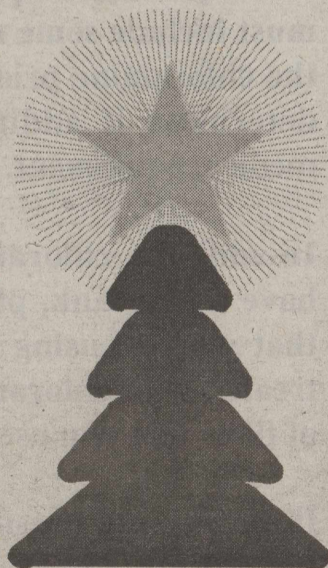
Christmas Open House

Friday

December 3

11 am to 3 pm

453-4561

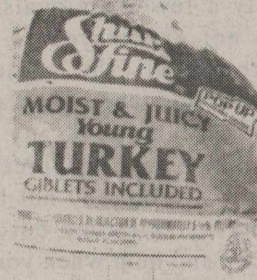


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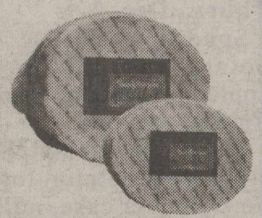
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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Longhorn varsity basketball results

The Bronte boys varsity basketball team won against Eden 50-37. Bronte's individual stats: Sherman Griffin 17 points, 6 rebounds; Garrett Jackson 4 assists; Riley Coalson 7 points; Zach White 2 points; Logan Rawls 13 points, 8 rebounds, 8 assists, 4 steals; and Eric Hendrickson 11 points, 10 rebounds.

Bronte varsity lost a close game to Menard 48-44. Individual stats: Sherman Griffin 10 points, 9 rebounds; Garrett Jackson 5 assists; Riley Coalson 7 points; Zach White 8 points; Logan Rawls 15 points, 10 rebounds, 6 assists, 3 steals; Eric Hendrickson 2 points; and Garrett Acker 2 points.

Volunteers needed

The Bronte band is desperately needing parents to help in the concession stand during our home basketball games. The money earned is helping send the band to contest in South Padre Island this spring.

So please, if you have a child in the band or just want to spend a fun evening supporting our wonderful school, join us. A sign up sheet will be posted in front of the concession stand in the commons area, or you can call Kathy James, 473-6034.

The junior high games are generally on Mondays &

Thursdays beginning at 5:30 while the JV & varsity games are usually on Tuesday & Friday with JV beginning at 4:00 followed by the varsity.

This could make for some long evenings if left up to only a few individuals. We do not expect you to work through all the games or when your child is playing, but any help at any time would be greatly appreciated. Many of you may not be off work by this time but come on by and help when you can. Your band members will be very thankful.

The home games are as follows:

Jr. High - Mon.-Dec.13; Mon.-Dec. 29 and Mon.-Jan. 10

JV & Varsity - Tue.-Dec 14; Tue.-Jan 4; Fri.-Jan. 7; Sat.-Jan. 8; Tue.-Jan. 11; Fri.-Jan 21; Tue.-Jan. 25; Tue.-Feb.1; Tue.-Feb. 8; and Fri.-Feb. 11.



During a wet and very cold weekend in Ft. Stockton, Texas, Region II of the Texas High School Rodeo Association held its final weekend of rodeo competition to round out the fall semester of qualifying rodeos. Students from both Bronte High School and Robert Lee High School competed successfully throughout the weekend.

Still striving to gain a qualifying berth to the state finals later this summer, Lance Millican made his presence known by winning both days of the calf roping event. Also on Saturday, Jake McCabe placed 4th in the calf roping, and in the team roping placed 4th with Cody McCabe. Lillian McMullan won the goat tying event and placed 4th in the breakaway roping.

On Sunday, along with Lance winning the calf roping event, sophomore Cody McCabe placed 5th. Lillian placed 4th in the barrel race, and 2nd in the goat tying event.

A Region II qualifying cutting event competition was held at Ft. Stockton, November 20-21. This event is normally held at a separate time from the other rodeo competition. However, the event is still used for qualifying for the Texas State High School Rodeo Finals. It is also an event that contributes to a competitors all-around standings.

Competition for the spring

semester will begin with another cutting event scheduled for January 22 and 23 in Ft. Stockton. The spring rodeos will be March 5-6, and March 12-13, 2005, in Ft. Stockton, Texas, with the final rodeo to be held April 9, 2005, at the Spur Arena in San Angelo, Texas.

The standings for the first semester of competition in Region II show Jake McCabe sitting 3rd in the calf roping, Lance Millican 8th and Cody McCabe 9th. In the team roping event, Jake and Cody are currently sitting 10th. Lillian McMullan is sitting 1st in the goat tying, 3rd in the breakaway roping, 5th in the barrels and pole bending events. All-Around standings are based on a cumulative of all points won in multiple events and the standings are showing that Lillian McMullan is leading the Girls-All-Around and Jake McCabe is sitting in 7th place in the Boys division. With five rodeos left in which to compete and points to be earned, each of these Coke County residents are striving to complete the qualifying season in the top ten of each event so that they may earn a trip to the Texas State High School Rodeo Finals which will be held in Abilene, Texas, in the early part of June. Best of luck to each of them--they are all winners!

Bronte Order of the Eastern Star News

The Order of the Eastern Star reached out to the hurricane victims in Florida with a \$100 donation given to the Salvation Army. They have also heard that the Coke County Food Bank is in need of funds and food with the holidays around the corner. They have given several checks to the food bank in recent months to help.

One way the Bronte Chapter is able to help organizations and groups of people is by having fund raisers. They will be having a Holiday bake sale in front of Hall's Grocery Store on the First Saturday in December, December 4th, at 8:30 am until all is sold. They plan to have pies, cookies, tins of snacks, cakes and more.

And, to honor the senior citizens of Bronte, the Bronte Chapter will be hosting a Christmas luncheon on December 16, at 11:30 am. All senior citizens are invited to attend and enjoy turkey, dressing, ham, and all the fixins including pie for dessert. Come and help celebrate the holidays.

Added cost for attending college

Room and board is not a discretionary cost in a college student's budget. Students must eat and have somewhere to live - and four-

fifths of college students don't live with family and must pay rent. They do have some discretion in their choices, which will affect how much they must pay for food and housing.

Based on areas where their students tend to live, Texas universities estimate the cost of food and housing to be \$5,759 for the 2003-2004 academic year. The USDA estimates that an adult can eat with \$196 per month if all meals are prepared at home, leaving \$420 per month for rent and utilities. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development says the average nine-month cost of rent and utilities for a one-bedroom unit in areas where Texas universities are located is \$490 per month. Sharing housing lowers that amount, while students living alone and single parents will pay more.

Production of Nutcracker 2004 set

The San Angelo Civic Ballet's production of Nutcracker 2004 will be at the City Auditorium Fri., Dec. 3 -8 pm; Sat., Dec. 4 - 2 & 8 pm; Sun., Dec. 5 - 2 pm.

Tickets are on sale at the following San Angelo locations:

The San Angelo Civic Ballet office, 15 W. Beauregard; The Angelo Civic Theater, 1936 Sherwood Way; Kid Shoes, 2021 Knickerbocker Rd.

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NOTICE TO CITY OF BRONTE WATER CUSTOMERS

On December 20, 2004, the City of Bronte Water System will be changing the disinfectant that we use from chlorine to chloramines. This change is intended to benefit our customers by reducing the levels of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) in the system, while still providing protection from waterborne disease.

However, the change to chloramines can cause problems with persons dependent on dialysis machines. A condition known as hemolytic anemia can occur if the disinfectant is not completely removed from the water that is used for the dialysate.

Consequently, the pretreatment scheme used for the dialysis units must include some means, such as a charcoal filter, for removing the chloramine prior to this date. Medical facilities should also determine if additional precautions are required for other medical equipment.

In addition, chloraminated water may be toxic to fish. If you have a fish tank, please make sure that the chemicals or filters that you are using are designed for use in water that has been treated with chloramines. You may also need to change the type of filter that you use for fish tanks.

If you have any questions, please call Ricky Royall at 325/895-0546.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 29

Cereal, sliced peaches, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Pancake & sausage on a stick, assorted juice, syrup, milk

Wed., Dec. 1

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

Thurs., Dec. 2

French toast sticks, assorted juice, jelly, milk

Friday, Dec. 3

Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, assorted juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 29

Chicken strips, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, roll, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Pigs in a blanket, macaroni & cheese, pork & beans, grapes, milk

Wed., Dec. 1

Taco salad, lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, taco chips, jello, milk

Thurs., Dec. 2

Spud day, chili & cheese, potato (baked), broccoli, apple half, crackers, milk

Friday, Dec. 3

Bar-b-que sandwich, ranch style beans, tator tots, bun, pink panther cake, milk

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



District 4-H Food Show Features a Dish For Every Occasion! Area 4-H'ers tested their cooking magic during the annual District 7 Texas Cooperative Extension 4-H Food Show at the Taylor County Expo Center November 20. The event attracted 197 entries from across the 23 counties in Extension's District 7. Winners were named in senior, intermediate and junior categories. The young gourmets were judged on their knowledge of nutrition, food preparation, principle and the quality of their food entries. Third place Intermediate honors went to Emilee Yanez (top left photo) of Robert Lee, breads and cereals. 4-H members participating in the food show were: Meagan Ross (from left), Ashley Sawyer, Emilee Yanez, and Megan Yackley. All 4-H members entering the district competition won their divisions in their home counties' food shows. The District 7 Food Show is a culmination of the Foods and Nutrition Project taught annually in each of the district's counties. Trained volunteer leaders and agents conduct the projects for hundreds of 4-H'ers during the year. Sponsors for this year's show were Extension and American Electric Power (AEP).



Steer varsity basketball results

In the first game of the season on the 16th, the Steer's varsity basketball team took a win over Hermleigh 43-32. Robert Lee stats: Andy Mulkey 13 points; Omar Saucedo 8; Kevin Honse 4; Jake McCabe 5; Josh Conner 4; Lance Millican 2; and Brandon Soliz 7.

On the 18th, the Steer's varsity took another win over Roscoe 44-30. Scoring for Robert Lee: Andy Mulkey 14; Omar Saucedo 4; Kevin Honse 8; Jake McCabe 4; Josh Conner 10; Lance

Millican 2; and Brandon Soliz 2. The varsity has a record of 2-0.

Steer's JV basketball results

The Robert Lee JV lost a close game to Roscoe 21-25. Scoring for Robert Lee: Taylor Percifull 5; Brandon Phillips 5; Cameron Hodge 4; Brody Dillard 3; and Chase Roe 4.

RLJH boys basketball results

On the 15th, the Robert Lee "A" lost a close game to Sterling City "A" 22-24. Robert Lee scoring: Blake Millican 1; Aaron James 8; Michael Rodriguez 4; Cody Brosh 1; and Jeremy Martinez 8.

On the 19th, in the 1st Round of the Iraan County Tournament, the Robert Lee "A" team won against Bronte "A" 30-18. Robert Lee scoring: Aaron James 17; Michael Rodriguez 2; Cody Brosh 6; Mason Ross 2; and Jeremy Martinez 3.

In the 2nd Round, held on the 20th, Robert Lee "A" won against Christoval 29-20. Robert Lee scoring: Aaron James 10; Kaden Duncan 4; Jeremy Rodriguez 5; Mason Ross 3; and Jeremy Martinez 7.

In the Championship Game, Robert Lee "A" lost to Miles 10-37. Jeremy Martinez had 10 points for the game.

The "A" team finished the tournament as runnerup.

On the 22nd, the Robert Lee "B" team lost to Winters 16-30. Scoring for Robert Lee: Ivan Landeros 2; Cayetano Carrera 2; Stetson Nesbit 2; and Blake Millican 10.

The Robert Lee "A" team won against Winters 52-20. Scoring for Robert Lee: Aaron James 9; Kaden Duncan 3; Michael Rodriguez

2; Cody Brosh 2; Mason Ross 2; Jeremy Martinez 26; Cody Williamson 2; and Dustin Moreno 6.

RL varsity girls results

In Christoval on the 9th, the Robert Lee varsity girls outscored Christoval by a score of 60-55.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Ashley James 19, Kyla Millican 3, Christian Kelly 3, Julie Riley 2, Cara Eaton 12, Cassidy Wink 16, Becca Skinner 2, and Michele Sanchez 3.

In Robert Lee on the 12th, the varsity came up once again with a victory over Sterling City 55-49.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Ashley James 9, Brittany Soliz 6, Julie Riley 10, Cara Eaton 15, Cassidy Wink 10 and Michelle Sanchez 5.

In Robert Lee on the 16th, the varsity won against Hermleigh 67-24.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Ashley James 4, Kyla Millican 2, Kelsy Duncah 8, Christian Kelly 5, Brittany Soliz 3, Julie Riley 10, Cara Eaton 6, Cassidy Wink 8, Veronica Cerritos 4, Sarah Philley 3, Brettne Reed 9 and Michele Sanchez 5.

RL JV girls results

In Christoval on the 9th, the Robert Lee JV girls took a loss with a score of 17-41.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Anna Rojas 3, Briana Longoria 2, Megan Percifull 2, Molly Burns 4, Andrea Pineda 4, and Rosa Rojas 2.

In Robert Lee on the 12th, the Robert Lee JV girls came on strong to take Sterling City 53-46.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Jaden Alexander 3, Anna Rojas 1, Kasie Skinner 3, Molly Burns 4, Kelsy Duncan

17, Becca Skinner 10, and Sarah Philley 15.

RL JH girls results

On the 15th, in Sterling City, the Robert Lee JH "A" team girls won their game 30-25.

Scoring for Robert Lee: Nancy Landeros 6, Kelsy Martin 2, Jodi Sheldon 4, Molli Hinderliter 8, Rebecka Saucedo 4, Arrin Minjarez 2, and Olga Perez 4.

On the same night, the Robert Lee JH "B" team girls

won their game 12-3. Scoring for Robert Lee: Emilee Yanez 1, Erika Sheldon 1, Olivia Trejo 2, Taylor Foster 2, Norma Rojas 2, and Emily Arellano 2.

In the 1st game of the Bronte "A" Tournament, Robert Lee won their game against Menard 22-18. Scoring for Robert Lee: Nancy Landeros 2, Molli Hinderliter 2, Sarah Jones 2, Rebecka Saucedo 2, Arrin Minjarez 12, and Olga Perez 2.

School Menu

- Breakfast**
- Monday, Nov. 29**
Juice, donut, cereal, milk
 - Tuesday, Nov. 30**
Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk
 - Wed., Dec. 1**
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk
 - Thurs., Dec. 2**
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk
 - Friday, Dec. 3**
Juice, pigs in blanket, cereal, milk
- Lunch**
- Monday, Nov. 29**
Salsibury steak, scalloped potatoes, broccoli & cheese, roll, peaches, milk
 - Tuesday, Nov. 30**
Taco, salad, cheese, ranch beans, fresh fruit, milk
 - Wed., Dec. 1**
Steakfingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, sliced bread, pears, milk
 - Thurs., Dec. 2**
Chicken O's, macaroni & cheese, green beans, roll, applesauce, milk
 - Friday, Dec. 3**
Hotdog, chili & cheese, French fries, pineapple, ice cream, milk

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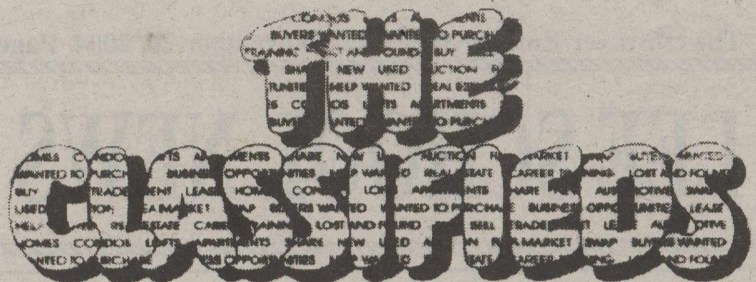
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NOTICES

ROBERT LEE ISD
 currently has a vacancy on the Board of Trustees. In the near future, the School Board will appoint a trustee to serve until the next regular election. The qualifications for being on the School Board are living in the school district, and being a registered voter in the district. If you meet the qualifications and would like to be considered for appointment, please contact M. Lindsey Wallace, Superintendent, Robert Lee ISD at 453-4555.
 19-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners will receive sealed bids until 9:00 am on Monday, December 13, 2004, in the Coke County Clerk's office for the following:
 Robert Lee Park: 2 desks-contact Curtis Walker 453-2714

Courthouse: Computer, key board, hard drive, copier, Hyundai monitor dictaphone
 Bronte Park Caretakers House - Contact Jason Wilson 473-8506
 1 tub/shower enclosure
 1 shower/tub glass door
 1 medicine cabinet
 9 interior doors w/hwd
 9 door frames
 1 mailbox with stand
 1 fireplace screen with tools
 1 double stainless steel sink with faucets
 kitchen cabinets
 Misc. items: Windows, brick paneling, shelves, plumbing connections, etc.
 Coke County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and or all bids.
 Stover Taylor, County Auditor
 18-2tc

RL school board holds regular meeting

Be it remembered that on Thursday the 18th day of November 2004, a regular meeting was held in the Robert Lee High School library of the public school building at 7:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by Secretary McCabe. Members present included Kevin Roe, Fredda McCabe, Wes Washam, Ron Hill, Tom Sawyer, and Supt. Wallace. Mark Riley was absent.

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Other Listings Available

Wes Washam made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2004 board meeting as read seconded by Tom Sawyer. All for.

Jerry Tinkler, auditor, presented the annual financial report for Robert Lee ISD 2003-2004. Ron Hill made a motion to accept the audit as presented seconded by Kevin Roe. All for.

Supt. Wallace gave financial report for Robert Lee ISD.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the 2004 Tax Roll Totals seconded by Wes Washam. All for.

Wes Washam made a motion to approve the 2005-2006 Calendar Waiver seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

Ron Hill made a motion to accept the bid for 2005 Ford Pickup from Ivey Motor Company for the district to purchase in a manner that best meets the needs of the district. Bid was for \$26,626.19 seconded by Tom Sawyer. 4 for, 1 abstained.

Supt. Wallace read resignation letter from Jim Gray. Tom Sawyer made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets from Jim Gray seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

Kevin Roe made a motion to advertise with the intent to fill the vacancy for RLISD Trustee seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

Janet Wallace gave report on TELPAS (Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System).

FMH Local and DB Local were discussed.

Janet Wallace gave her respective principals report. Jill Lankford gave her respective principals report.

Supt. Wallace gave report on office and district activities.

The board adjourned to closed session at 9:59 pm and returned to open session at 11:01 pm.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Wes Washam made a motion

to adjourn the meeting seconded by Kevin Roe: Meeting adjourned 11:05 pm.

FSA announces program deadlines

EWE Lamb Program:
 Producers that have retained ewe lambs during the period of August 1, 2003 to July 1, 2004, may be eligible for the Ewe Lamb Replacement and Retention Program.

Ewe lambs are lambs that turned 18 months sometime during the program period, were not bred until after the animal was 18 months old and did not have parrot mouth, foot rot or scrapies. All ewe lambs must be retained for 1 complete lambing cycle.

To apply for the program producers must provide the number of ewe lambs retained and month of birth, provide purchase receipts, if bought and scrapie flock certification number, when making an application.

At this time there is no end date for signup.

NAP Coverage on Native and Improved Grass:

The final date to purchase a NAP policy on native and improved grass is December 1, 2004. The final date to have the grass certified by is December 15, 2004 for NAP purposes.

Producers may come by the office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election January 11, 2005, for the purpose of electing three directors.

Directors filing for re-election to the board are Gerald Sandusky, Ronnie Robbins, and Elton Moore. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact President Gerald Sandusky by 5 pm Monday, November 29, 2004.



Look Who's New!

Abbie Dell Miller

Jeff and Debbie Miller are the proud parents of Abbie Dell Miller born at Harris Methodist Hospital of Fort Worth October 19, 2004, at 11:06 am, weighing 6 lbs., 8 oz., and 18 1/2 inches long.

Hayden Miller 5 years old is the happy big brother. The proud grandparents are Steve and Jeanie Miller of Hardy, Virginia, Glenda Herron of Forth Worth and Eph and Dovie Cummins of Robert Lee. Abbie Dell was named after her maternal great-grandparents, Abbie Oxford and Dell Herron.

Central Baptist continues series

Central Baptist Church in Bronte is continuing the Celebrate Recovery program with eight sermons on spiritual growth and recovery from hurts, habits and hangups. The sermons are being presented each Sunday morning during the 11 am worship service.

Volunteers who are familiar with 12-step programs are needed to be trained as leaders in a 12-step program focusing on Jesus Christ as the Higher Power. The Celebrate Recovery meetings will begin in December.

For more information, call Pastor Tim White at 473-4811.

Capitol Comments

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

Americans have much to give thanks for

Thanksgiving is a uniquely American holiday. It does not commemorate a battle or other historical event, nor does it honor a specific person or even a particular religion. It is dedicated to the simple idea that we have received blessings as individuals and as a nation for which we should give thanks. It is this idea, far more than turkey, gravy and mashed potatoes, which makes each Thanksgiving so special to me and my family.

I frequently have occasion to appreciate these blessings, especially when I am at home in Texas and think about our nation and the world in which we live. I am particularly grateful for our standard of living, made possible by the hard work of millions of Americans. A recent study by Swedish economists Fredrik Bergstrom and Robert Gidehag reported the average living space for poor American households is 1,200 square feet. In Europe, the average space for all households, from rich to poor, is 1,000 square feet. We live in a productive economic system, and that's one reason we all should be thankful.

What separates Americans

from the rest of the world is the freedom enjoyed by every American, from the most humble to the most powerful. A key civil right is guaranteed by the First Amendment, the freedom of speech.

This freedom is not matched by Canada or the nations of Europe. This means that unpopular words which may merely earn disapproval and criticism in the United States can result in jail or heavy fines imposed by the government in other countries. I am thankful the people of the United States support the rough and tumble of free speech instead of censorship, however well-intentioned.

Our recent presidential elec-

tion is also a cause for thanksgiving. The election was a victory for the American people not because of which party won, but because we again proved to the world that we set aside our partisan differences after our elections as we cherish the democratic process. This year, when I saw young Afghan women ignoring death threats to cast their ballots in Afghanistan's first free elections, I was reminded yet again of how lucky we are to be living in the Land of the Free.

Finally, as I watch the progress of our troops in the War against Terror, I am grateful for the young men and women who fight against despica-

ble enemies: enemies who behead civilians and shoot fleeing children. Our brave soldiers are cut from the same cloth as their forbearers who guarded the free world against communist totalitarian dictatorships in the Cold War, and destroyed Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan when those regimes tried to impose their dark vision on all Mankind.

When I think of the efforts our great nation has made to defend the cause of freedom, and the sacrifices made by America's sons and daughters in this fight, my heart is filled with boundless gratitude. Remembering all these things makes Thanksgiving one of my favorite holidays.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER

PERMIT NO. WQ0013901001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Robert Lee, P.O. Box 26, Robert Lee, Texas 76945-0026, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. 13901-001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 121,000 gallons per day, with provisions to irrigate a 30-acre golf course. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on February 27, 2004.

The facility is located at 101 West 1st Street on the east bank of the Colorado River, approximately 2,500 feet southwest of the Coke County Courthouse in the City of Robert Lee in Coke County, Texas. The treated effluent is discharged to the Colorado River Below E.V. Spence Reservoir in Segment No. 1426 of the Colorado River Basin. The designated uses for Segment No. 1426 are contact recreation, public water supply, and high aquatic life use.

The TCEQ executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Robert Lee City Hall, 6 East Seventh Street, Robert Lee, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comment or to ask questions about the application. Generally, the TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing. The TCEQ may act on this application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from the City of Robert Lee at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Kaye Torres at (325) 453-2831.

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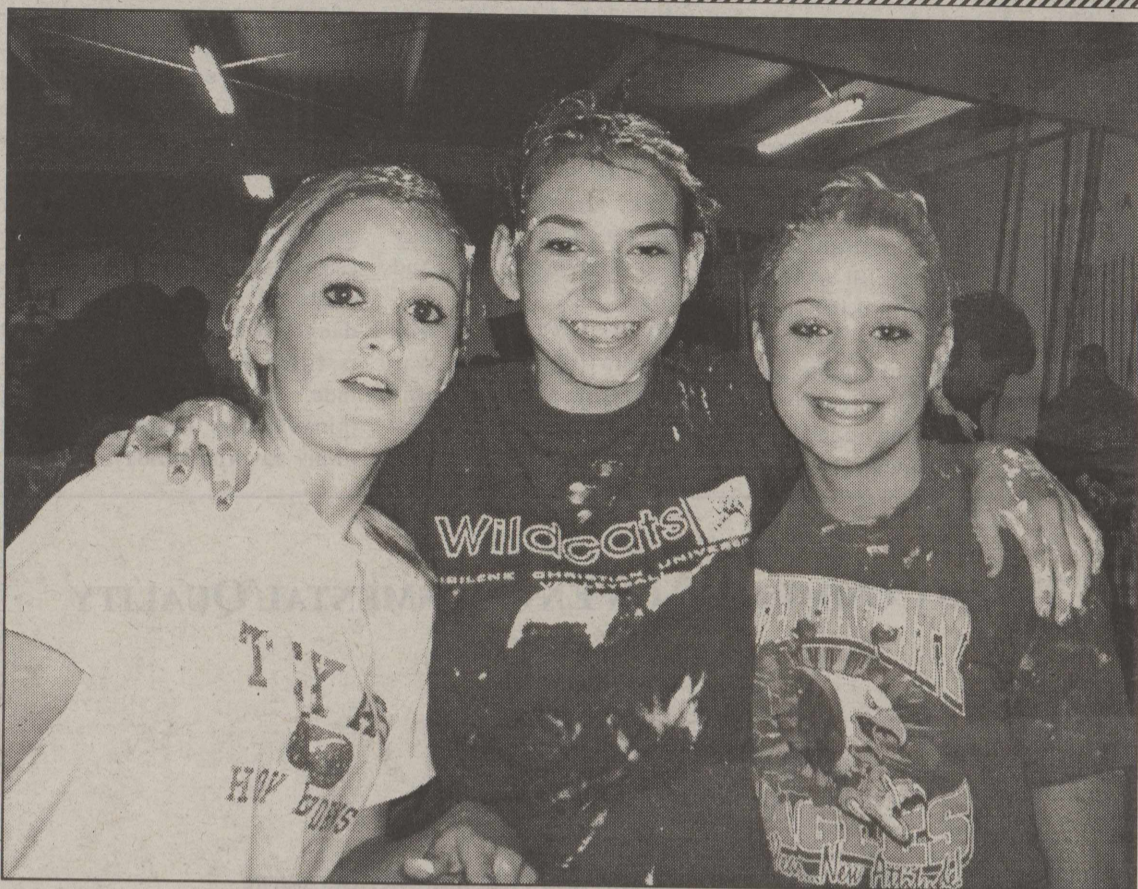
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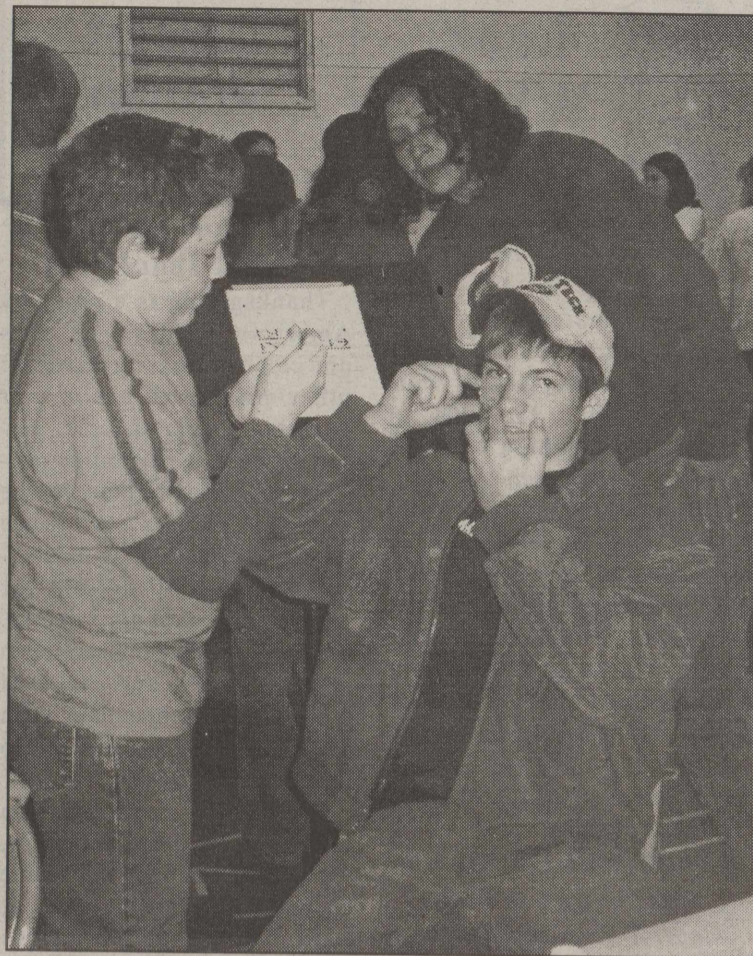
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STERLING CITY SCHOOL NEWS



Not Just a Pie in the Face! Jordan Rawles (from left), Darcy Musick and Jill Halfmann accomplished the goal if the goal was a pie in the face at the Pie Throwing Booth at the Sterling City Fall Festival.



An Artist in the Making? Matthew Hasty (left) is showing his creative side as he gives Kyle Mayfield (seated) a new look. Litzia Tetherow watches all the action at the Freshman Class' Face Painting Booth at the Sterling City Fall Festival Saturday evening, November 13, 2004.

Just From Jan
by Jan Yanez
Cooperative Extension Agent

Keep Your Eating on Track During the Holidays

From Halloween candy to Thanksgiving turkey and Christmas cookies, many

School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 29
Sausage, biscuits, cereal, peaches

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Cinnamon rolls, cereal, mixed fruit

Wed., Dec. 1
Waffles, cereal, pineapple

Thurs., Dec. 2
Sopapilla, cereal, mixed fruit

Friday, Dec. 3
Cereal, toast, jelly, juice

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 29
Chicken pretzels, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, sliced pears

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Chili & beans, crackers, cheese slice, cornbread, pineapple, carrot sticks

Wed., Dec. 1
Mr. Rib, au gratin potatoes, ranch beans, cornbread

Thurs., Dec. 2
Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, spice cake

Friday, Dec. 3
Cornbread, pork-n-beans, sliced pears, baby carrots

people feel it is inevitable they will gain weight during the holidays.

The biggest belt-busters aren't the large sit-down dinners on Thanksgiving or Christmas, as most people think, but the never-ending parade of holiday appetizers and sweets.

Popular hors d'oeuvres like chips and dip and crab puffs are laden with fat and calories. And most people can't partake of all the cookies and candies that pile into the office and home throughout the entire month of December without feeling their clothes get tight.

Don't use the holidays as an excuse to eat, or cheat on your diet - try to maintain regular eating. Make it more of a time to enjoy who you are with.

A study published in "The New England Journal of Medicine" in March offered yuletide revelers some good and some bad news. The good news: Most people don't gain as much weight over the holidays as they think. The average person gains only about a pound during the period between Thanksgiving and New Year's -- that's a fourth of what the study participants believed they had gained.

Now for the bad news: That pound sticks around long after the holidays, and a pound a year over 20 years can really add up, according to the study's author, Dr. Jack Yanovski, an obesity researcher at the National Institutes of Health.

Most people gain that pound and have a heck of a time getting rid of it. Most of us hate going on diets and they usually backfire because

we end up feeling deprived.

The National Institutes of Health study also found that the holidays posed an even greater challenge for people who were already overweight. They were more likely to gain more than five pounds, further increasing their health risks.

More than half of Americans are overweight or obese, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Obesity is a risk factor for diabetes, heart diseases and other various health problems.

The tradition of stuffing yourself with heaping platefuls of high-fat foods may pose a more immediate risk than weight gain. Research presented recently at the annual meeting of the American Heart Association found heavy meals can be hard on the heart. A person's chances of having a heart attack quadruple in the two

hours following a very big meal.

So how can you make it through all the festivities with buttons intact? Here are tips for getting through the feasting season:

- *Imagine your plate is divided into four equal sections with a different food group in each.
- *Don't cover your plate in just starch.
- *Use a smaller plate.
- *If you go back for seconds, make it for vegetables and high fiber foods.
- *Eat with your less dominate hand, it slows the pace - Most people don't realize it takes 20 minutes for your brain to realize that you are full.
- *Bring a lower calorie or low-fat dish to the company potluck or family gathering, so you know you can eat it.
- *Go for a walk in the even-

ings to help burn off the calories.

Also, it is recommended to incorporate new foods into the traditional menu. It is good to try something new for the holidays that incorporates lower calorie items. There are lots of books out there specific to the diabetic lifestyle, with recipes that are low in sugar and low in fat to help keep the calories down.

Learning to substitute lower fat items, such as skim milk for whole, and apple-sauce for cooking oil in baking recipes, also helps to make recipes healthier.

Keeping healthy eating habits in mind is important year-round. A well-balanced diet that includes all food groups, plenty of water, fiber and regular exercise is the best recipe for good health.

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