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## Lady Steers wrap up playoff spot

As a result of the Lady Steers 29-22 victory over Bronte, Tuesday night, the Lady Steers wrapped up a playoff spot by finishing in second place in District 12-A with an 11-3 record.

The Lady Steers will face the winner of the Brookesmith-Rochelle game which will be played Friday night. The Lady Steers' playoff site and time have yet to be determined, but the game will be Monday or Tuesday (Feb. 13 or 14).

Robert Lee scoring against Bronte: Kyla Millican 1; Kelsy Duncan 2; Brettanie Reed 6; Cara Eaton 6; Cassidy Wink 10; and Becca Skinner 4.

## Singing Winds lends encouragement to young golfers

Coke County Golf Association is working to develop a junior golf program at Singing Winds Golf Course. Junior golfers are allowed to play free weekdays without adult accompaniment and are encouraged to come and take advantage of this playing time.

## Election dates announced

Early voting for the March 7, 2006, primary election begins Tuesday, February 21, and will continue through Friday, March 3.

Tuesday, February 28, is the final day the clerk's office may receive an application for a ballot by mail.

Early voting at the Law

Enforcement Center in Bronte is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, February 22 and 23 and March 1 and 2, from 9 am to 1 pm.

## Fire guard information posted

For information about Fire Guards that may be placed on State Highways for the protection of structures, please call County Judge Roy Blair at 453-2641 or come by the Judge's office to pick up a packet.

## New voting machines available for public's inspection

One of the new electronic voting machines is set up in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee. The public is urged to stop by during normal business hours anytime before early voting begins February 21st to familiarize themselves with the new machine. Any group or community organization who would like to have the machines demonstrated for their members are encouraged to contact the Coke County Clerk's office at 453-2631 to schedule a demonstration.

## Sorosis Study Club hosting style show

Bronte Sorosis Study Club is hosting a style show sponsored by Stein Mart of Abilene. All of the money raised from the sale of the tickets will go to the Sorosis Club's Bronte High School Scholarship Fund.

The clothes will be from Stein Mart of Abilene and the models will be local! Mark your calendars for Thursday, February 9th at 7 pm. The style show will be at the



**Brothers Take 8 Point Bucks!** Six-year-old Tucker Lee (left) was hunting with his father when he brought down this 8 point buck, his first buck. Tyler Lee, age 10, was hunting with his mother when he took this extra big 8 point buck about ten minutes later and approximately one mile from where his brother got his buck. The boys are from Slaton and were hunting on Melva Winkler's ranch November 5, 2005.

Fellowship Hall at First Baptist Church, Bronte. Club members will provide refreshments after the show. Come and see the newest trends for Spring.

## Dodge Jones Foundation emergency grant benefits Big Country VFDs

Overtaxed volunteer firefighters in the Big Country region of West Texas are receiving a welcome boost, thanks to the generosity of the Dodge Jones Foundation, based in Abilene. The foundation made emergency grant funding available through the Texas Forest Service to help replenish equipment and protective gear for 106 fire departments in 22 counties, which each have a \$2,500 grant awaiting them.

"The Dodge Jones Foundation came to us during the height of the wildfire siege and asked what they could do to address the immediate needs of the departments in the Big Country region," said Texas Forest Service Director James Hull. "By giving each department a grant for \$2,500, each one can purchase the items most vital to their continued operation, such as personal protective gear, replacement pumps and vehicle repairs. This will be a great benefit to their communities and the thousands of Texans they serve."

Most of these 106 volunteer fire departments (VFDs) are the first responders to wildfires in their areas, and they have seen more than their share of the state's largest and most

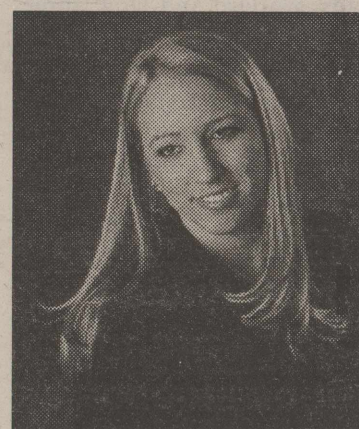
destructive fires during the recent wildfire siege. Many of these departments responded to the 35,300-acre Carbon Fire and the 7,600-acre Cross Roads Fire that burned through the town of Cross Plains.

"This has been a tough fire season, and we're a very small department, only four years old, so we're grateful for any help we can get," said Fire Chief Raymond Helberg with Promontory Park VFD in Comanche County. "We lost all our wildland firefighting gear when our brush truck was burned over on the Carbon Fire. All of our wildland hose, nozzles, everything burned up including our medical supplies. It was quite a loss. We were fortunate that our firefighters only received 2nd degree burns, and they're both fine now."

The Dodge Jones Foundation gift will provide emergency individual grant funds to volunteer fire departments in the following counties: Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Haskell, Irion, Jones, Mitchell, Nolan, Reagan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Sterling, Taylor, Throckmorton and Tom Green.

## Simpson graduates

Dixie Simpson graduated from Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas on December 17, 2005. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science and Business. During the summer of



**Dixie Simpson**

2005, Dixie completed an internship as a livestock market news reporter for the United States Department of Agriculture. Her assignments were in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Greeley, Colorado.

On February 6, 2006, Dixie joined the USDA Market News Reporting staff in Montgomery, Alabama. Her responsibilities include gathering marketing data by attending auctions, checking sales records and talking to buyers and sellers. Dixie participates in compiling the collected data for government publications, internet, and radio reports that provide merchandisers of agricultural products information needed to make marketing decisions.

Dixie is the daughter of Bill and Dianne Simpson of Robert Lee, Texas.



**Teen Takes 12 Point!** Chelsea Cook brought down this nice 12 point buck on the evening of November 30, 2005, at the Kelso Ranch while hunting with her step-father Corby Kelso. The buck scored 135 Boone and Crockett points.



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## Death Notices

### Eaton

Ray Eaton, 62, of San Angelo, passed away Sunday, January 29, 2006, in Robert Lee Care Center.

A family visitation was held from 6 pm to 8 pm Tuesday evening, January 31, at the funeral home. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 1, in the Shaffer Funeral Home Pioneer Chapel. Burial followed in the McKenzieville Cemetery north of Silver, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Ray is survived by his beloved wife, Brenda Eaton of San Angelo; two daughters, Terri Eisenbach and husband Van of Corpus Christi, and Renee Eaton of Spring Branch; two stepdaughters, Ashley Bynum and Michelle Bynum, both of Austin; three sisters, Catherine "Cissy" McKown and Alex, Kay Mincher and Curtiss, and Judy Wollard and Don; three brothers, Tom Eaton, Mike Eaton and Lori, and Bill Eaton and Brenda; two grandsons, Mason Eisenbach and Bret Eisenbach; his mother-in-law, Wanda Jameson; his brother-in-law, Steve Jameson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to VistaCare.

### Rogers

Leo Dale Rogers, 79, of Lake Sweetwater died Tuesday, January 31, 2006, in Big Spring. Graveside service was held at 2 pm Thursday, February 2, in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte. Arrangements were by McCoy Funeral Home.

Survivors include daughters Jan Campbell of Monahans and Jackie Hill of Midland; sons David Rogers of Denver City, Mike Rogers of Slaton and Ricky Rogers of Mesa, Ariz.; sister Mary Ann Proctor of Grape Creek; and brothers Lonnie Rogers of Athens, Doyle Rogers of Crane and Douglas Rogers of Clifton.

### Rogers

Funeral services for L.F. "Doc" Rogers, 74, of Veribest were held at 2 pm Sunday, February 5, 2006, in McNett Chapel in Andrews

with the Rev. Bob Zap of Andrews officiating. Burial followed in the Andrews North Cemetery. He passed away on Wednesday, February 1, 2006, in Robert Lee Care Center in Robert Lee, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Jackie Rogers of Veribest; one son, Doug Rogers and his wife Vikki of Laredo; two stepsons, Frank Rhea, and Michael Rhea and his wife, Sophie, all of Odessa; one stepdaughter, Betty Rhea of Odessa; one sister, LouWayne McQuirk and her husband Brent of Hermleigh; seven grandsons, Wayne Rogers and his wife Nicole, Aaron Rogers, Jacob Rogers, Todd Allison and wife Kristy, Travis Allison, Michael Rhea and wife Sarah; and Johnathan Del Bosque; and four great-granddaughters, Reagan Rogers, and Kylie, Krista and Kamry Allison.

### Valentine supper set February 9

A Valentine supper will be held at the Robert Lee Senior Center on Thursday, February 9, 2006, from 6 to 8 pm.

There will be a potluck meal of soup, salad, and desserts. Please call and RSVP at 453-4780 or on Monday,

Wednesday, or Friday mornings at 453-2314. Also, knowing what dish you would like to contribute will also assist in the planning.

### Central Baptist begins new series

Pastor Tim White will be beginning and continuing some important Bible study series in February and March. On Sunday mornings in the 11 am Worship Service, he will be continuing the "Church Triumphant" series through February. In March, he will begin a series entitled "Eight Vital Keys to Christian Maturity."

On Sunday nights at 6 pm, beginning February 12, Pastor White will be teaching through the book of Revelations. There will be a short period of questions and answers at the end of each lesson.

On Wednesday nights at 6 pm, Pastor White has just begun a study of the book of John.

Everyone is welcome to come and learn, fellowship and grow during these important Bible study series.

### Bronte Methodist slates Super Saturday

The Bronte First United Methodist Church will be hosting the first of what will be a series of mini vacation bible schools beginning this Saturday.

The event, coined SUPER SATURDAY, is a project of the new Children's Ministry started by the church in January.

In keeping with the Valentine's Day celebration, this month's event will focus on the scripture, "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you," John 15:12.

Children will spend the day



**Look Who's New!** Ryan Style Aguirri was welcomed home by his big brother Mason. Ryan was born at 6:38 pm Friday, January 27, 2006, at San Angelo Community Medical Center in San Angelo. He weighed in at 6 pounds, 6 ounces and is 19 inches long. The boys' parents are Keith and Marti Aguirri of Bronte. Their grandparents are Rick and Kay Styles of Bronte and Kenneth and Sandy Aguirri of Kerrville. Joyce Ann Style of Fort Worth is their great-grandmother.

learning about and sharing God's love with others. The highlight of the day will be the special mission project to the Bronte Health and Rehab Center where the children will be able to give each resident a handmade valentine and entertain the residents with a short musical program.

Additionally, children will share God's love with others across the world in a special pen pal activity. Games, food and fun will be plentiful at the event. SUPER SATURDAY will be from 9 am - 3 pm on February 11, 2006 at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte, 324 S. Washington. All children grades K-6 are invited to attend! For more information contact Tiffany Lange 473-2474 or Julie Springer

### City of Robert Lee election news

February 13, 2006, is the first day a candidate may file an application for a place on the ballot for the City of Robert Lee General Election which will be held May 13.

Applications may be picked up at the City Secretaries' office at the City Hall beginning on February 13, 2006, and ending at 5 pm March 13, 2006.

An Election will be held for the position of Mayor - two year term, Two (2) Council Members - two year terms, and One (1) Council Member - One Year Unexpired Term. City Officials terms expiring are: Mayor, Joe White, Council Members, Beth Prather, Bonita Copeland, and Gary Payne.

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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) 655-9784 or 453-2685  
Portis Ribble, Minister  
Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;  
Wed. 6 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) 473-2040

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

### The First United Methodist Church of Bronte

invites you to attend

## Super Saturday

Join us February 11, 2006 from 9-3 for a day of music, games, crafts and a mission project. All children grades K thru 6 are invited to attend!

For more information call Julie Springer 473-7018 or Tiffany Lange 473-2474!

### YOUTH POWER SUNDAY

at

### SOUTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Robert Lee

February 12, 2006

Youth from Johnson Street Church of Christ, San Angelo, will be coming to Robert Lee to hold a

Power Study at 10 am, and then lead the Worship at 11 am.

Lunch will be provided by the congregation.

Youth of Coke County are invited to join us for Youth Power Sunday



By Pat Stephens

The RLCC Board met in regular session January 31, 2006, at 5:45 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Dessie Kendall, with all board members present. The minutes of the November 29 meeting were approved, and Mary Bessent gave a report on the renewal of the CD. The legality of posting minutes in the newspaper before they had been approved was questioned, and the board was assured that the previous report by Pat Stephens in the Observer was not the minutes of the November meeting, although it is an accepted practice to post minutes of open meetings immediately following the meeting. The board discussed the possible future purchase of a vehicle for use by the Care Center, and all agreed to purchase the vehicle locally when one became available. SB 286 Open Meeting and Public Information training for elected and appointed officials was discussed, and the board was informed the materials are not yet available. The financial reports for November and December were discussed and approved. It was decided to keep an updated Board Policy manual available to meet the needs of the Care Center.

In the Administrator's report, Terri Tedford acquainted the board with a need for the extended services of a consultant due to a recent survey of Medicaid funding. It was decided to use a consultant every other month for 6 months, then review the standing. Ms Tedford also reported the plans for the Alzheimer's unit are making progress. The board then discussed wage incentives for employees, voted to implement them, and list them in the policy book. The board went into



**Engagement Announced!** Dee and Kaye Horton of Fort Worth are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi Kaye Horton, to Dr. J. Warren Brasher of San Angelo. Warren is the son of Joe and Kathy Brasher of Robert Lee.

Kristi is a 1997 graduate of Brownwood High School and a 2001 graduate from Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She teaches first grade at Bess Race Elementary School in Crowley ISD.

Warren is a 1990 graduate of Robert Lee High School and a 1995 graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree in biology. He received his doctorate in optometry from the University of Houston College of Optometry in 1999. He currently practices in San Angelo and owns Advanced Eye Care.

They plan to marry Friday, March 24, 2006, at The Cactus Hotel in San Angelo.

executive session from 8:25 to 8:55 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. No action was taken. The date of the next meeting was set for February 28, 2006 at 5:45 p.m. The meeting was then adjourned.

#### Music Festival set Feb. 19th

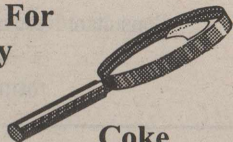
Runnels Baptist Association will meet Sunday, February 19 at First Baptist Church, Winters for a Music Festival.

The Music Festival will begin at 4:00. An evening meal will follow the festival.

Dale Ellis, association music director, is in charge of the program. Churches that have individuals, ensembles, choirs or instrumentalists that would like to sing or play, may contact the area office. You may mail your entries to: Baptist Area Office, P.O. Box 639, Ballinger, Texas 76821.

The public is invited to attend.

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IT'S TIME TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE  
EAST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

East Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday • February 13, 2006 • 7:30 pm  
Bronte Health & Rehab Center

The East Coke County Hospital District (ECCHD) was established by State legislation in 1969 to "...establish a hospital or a hospital system within its boundaries to furnish hospital and medical care to the residents of the district ... provide all necessary hospital and medical care for the needy inhabitants of the district."

#### DID YOU KNOW ...

- The ECCHD dba BHRC operates at a loss each year - over \$350,000 in 2003, almost \$375,000 in 2004, and over \$425,000 in 2005?
- In 2005, the nursing home had 27 deficiencies at the annual state survey - third from the last compared to surrounding counties.
- The ECCHD has operated without financials since **June 2005** - spending your money without direction.
- The ECCHD should be providing medical care to all residents of the county, specifically indigents - not just subsidizing the nursing home.

You are encouraged to attend this meeting and provide your thoughts and ideas.  
If you have questions or need information, call 743-2062.

#### AND ...

- Corporate owned nursing homes are profitable without public funds. Look for your taxes to go up next year to cover the YE 6/30/2006 operating loss.
- All but one of the corporate owned nursing homes in surrounding counties had better survey results. Could these be better managed facilities?
- The District has no idea if this year's budget is accurate or if they are meeting budget projections. **Is this how you do your personal finances?**
- Your tax dollars could support a clinic and/or an ambulance service **and** help the nursing home - the ECCHD will collect \$410,000+ in taxes this year.

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# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**Robert Lee PIPS!** Robert Lee Care Center residents enjoyed the basketball drills during the PIPS performance Saturday, January 28, 2006.

## Steers basketball results

The Steers hosted Veribest on January 31st and came out on top 40-30. Scoring were: Lance Millican 9; Brandon Soliz 8; Josh Conner 5; Josh Gallegos 4; Brandon Phillips 4; and Kevin Honse 4; Chase Roe 4; and Cameron Hodge 2.

The JV team also won by a score of 61-13. Scoring were: Taylor Percifull 14; Jeremy Martinez 14; Johnathan Pagan 13; Mason Ross 9; Michael Rodriguez 8; Chris LaRue 2 and Luke Thurman 1.

The Steers traveled to Santa Anna on February 3rd and brought home a 61-31 victory. Scoring: Kevin Honse 14; Josh Gallegos 11; Brandon Soliz 10;

Josh Conner 8; Lance Millican 5; Chris Torres 4; Cameron Hodge 4; Brody Dillard 2; Jeremy Martinez 2; and Taylor Percifull 1.

## Lady Steer basketball results

The Lady Steers won two big district games last week, as they defeated Veribest 49-33 on Tuesday night and then traveled to Santa Anna on Friday and brought home a 33-26 victory over the Lady Mountainers.

The two wins propelled the Lady Steers into second place in the district standings at 10-3, behind Water Valley, who is a perfect 13-0 in district play, and although the Lady Steers are tied with Santa Anna, the Lady Steers have the tiebreaker by virtue of their 2 wins over Santa Anna in head-to-head competition.

In the Veribest game scoring for the Lady Steers were: Kelsy Duncan 15; Brettne Reed 7; Cara Eaton 10; Cassidy Wink 7; and Becca Skinner 10.

Against Santa Anna, Kyla Millican had 2; Duncan 4; Reed 6; Eaton 10; Wink 2; and Skinner 9.

## Robert Lee JH boys basketball results

On January 28th in the Garden City Tournament, the Robert Lee "A" team lost their first game to Garden City 37-29. Robert Lee scoring: Logan Philley 12; Blake Millican 2; Cody Brosh 4; Diego Saucedo 4; and Stetson Nesbit 7.

The "A" team won the consolation game against Midland Classical 28-18. Robert Lee scoring: Logan Philley 8; Blake Millican 5; Cody Brosh 4; and Stetson Nesbit 11.

The "B" team lost to Water Valley 35-12. Robert Lee scoring: Luke Sheldon 2; Greg Gonzales 6; and JP Conner 4.

The "B" team lost to Garden City 37-6. Robert Lee scoring: Luke Sheldon 1; Greg Gonzales

4; and Ivan Landeros 1.

On January 30th in Robert Lee, the boys "A" team defeated Bronte 28-27. Robert Lee scoring: Logan Philley 6; Blake Millican 7; Cody Brosh 5; Diego Saucedo 4; Stetson Nesbit 4; and Joe Estrada 2.

The boys "B" team lost to Bronte 24-10. Robert Lee scoring: Luke Sheldon 2; Greg Gonzales 2; Dustin Brown 2; and Daniel Nowlin 4.

## Texas Tech University 2005 Dean's Honor List

Jacob McCabe was named to the 2005 Dean's Honor List for the fall semester at the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Texas Tech University.

This recognition is accorded to those students who have attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the indicated semester.

## RLISD board apps available

Candidate applications will be available for 4 places on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees with 3 places each being three year terms and 1 place being for a 3 year unexpired term with 2 years remaining.

Applications can be picked up at the Robert Lee ISD Administration Office beginning Monday, February 13, during the hours of 8-12 and 1-3:30, Monday through Friday. The deadline for filing a candidate application is Monday, March 13, at 5 pm.

Election day will be Saturday, May 13, 2006. Requirements for filing are that you must have lived 1 year in the state and 6 months in the school district prior to filing, be at least 18 years of age, and be a registered voter at time of election.

Robert Lee ISD will need to elect four trustees. The 3 year terms of Wes Washam, Fredda

McCabe, and Tom Sawyer, Jr. are expiring. RLISD will also need to fill a vacant 3 year unexpired term with two years remaining held by Mark Riley.



## Letters to the Editor

To the Parents and Students of Robert Lee and Coke County:

As an educational consultant who has visited numerous schools in Texas as well as presented a wide variety of Educational Conferences at all levels, I have a unique perspective on the TAKS.

The problem is -- No one is empowering the student. We are telling the students what they should know or do, making the students defensive and at times scared, irritated or confused. It is just like the old saying: If you give them a fish, you feed them for a day; if you teach them how to fish, you have fed them for a lifetime. But if you beat them over the head with the fish, they begin to hate the whole process and everyone begins to stink.

Test-taking skills, that are unique to standardized tests, are not being taught in our schools; and they can be fun. The latest brain research that shows how whole-brain techniques reach all learning styles is not being embraced; and these techniques can be fun.

Do not blame the schools but do not make yourself totally dependent on their timetables, either. The average teacher in Texas has 3.5 minutes per student per day to answer questions. This is not enough time for most students. Also a good coach knows that a student has the best chance to win a race when that student practices in the exact conditions

of the real thing.

So....Parents and Students who are reading this....Do you want to not only pass the TAKS but to make Commended Performance on it? Go to the TEA website ([www.tea.state.tx.us/student\\_assessment/resources/release/](http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student_assessment/resources/release/)) and download three copies of the released TAKS tests along with the answers. Two copies should be grade appropriate and one test should be one grade above the level of the student. The student then goes through the first test and decides which questions are clear, which are confusing, which have what are called distracters or mental traps. Working through three tests one question at a time and checking the answer immediately helps the brain record only the information and format that is correct. Problems should be spaced out over the three weeks prior to the test. The student is in control. There is no incorrect learning and the student spots questions designed for failure. If the chosen answer is wrong, immediate help by parent or mentor will keep the student from storing incorrect information.

REMEMBER IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAKE ALL YOUR MISTAKES BEFORE IT COUNTS. BUT THE MISTAKES HAVE TO BE CORRECTED IMMEDIATELY TO GUARANTEE MENTAL ACCURACY. Otherwise your child is storing as much wrong information as he or she is storing correct. Reward your child for the effort. Find another student and parent who can use your knowledge. And ask your school's PTA to host test-taking workshops for students and parents, it makes you an independent thinker and prepares you for college. Do not let the TAKS own you; YOU own the TAKS.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Mac

Jeanine McGregor  
Educational

Consultant/Researcher/Author  
325-365-2048  
msmac@wcc.net

## School Menu



### Breakfast

**Monday, Feb. 13**

Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 14**

Juice, muffin, cereal, milk

**Wed., Feb. 15**

Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 16**

Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk

**Friday, Feb. 17**

Juice, pizza, cereal, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, Feb. 13**

Pizza, salad, breadsticks, sauce, applesauce, teddy grahams, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 14**

Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes, green peas, sliced bread, peaches, milk

**Wed., Feb. 15**

Frito pie, cheese, corn, salad, fruit cocktail, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 16**

Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans, sliced bread, pears, milk

**Friday, Feb. 17**

BBQ on bun, pickles, French fries, corn on cob, ice cream, milk

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## Bronte Longhorn basketball results

Bronte defeated Santa Anna by a score of 63-45. Bronte stats: Riley Coalson 2 pts., 5 rebounds; Zach White 12 pts.; Logan Rawls 13 pts., 8 rebounds, 4 assists, 5 steals; Eric Hendrickson 17 pts., 15 rebounds; Albert Force 4 pts., 5 steals; Philip Rawlings 3 pts.; Johnathan Ehl 2 pts.; Adam Halfacer 4 pts.; and Brett Wills 6 pts.

Bronte defeated Novice 66-29. Bronte stats: Riley Coalson 6 pts., 4 steals; Zach White 6 pts.; Logan Rawls 18 pts., 6 rebounds, 5 assists, 3 steals; Eric Hendrickson 8 pts.; 6 rebounds, 4 steals; Albert Force 8 pts., 3 steals; Philip Rawlings 4 pts., 3 steals; Jonathan Marrs 2 pts.; Johnathan Ehl 2 pts.; Adam Halfacer 2 pts.; Garrett Acker 3 pts.; and Brett Wills 7 pts.

## Bronte JH boys basketball results

On January 30th in Robert Lee, the Bronte JH boys "B" team defeated Robert Lee 24-10. Bronte scoring: Audie Miller 3; Chase Harris 2; Tyler Riney 5; Skyler Ellis 4; Thomas Foster 2; Ernesto Castillo 6; and Wesley Suter 2.

On February 4th in the Sterling City Tournament, the Bronte "B" team defeated Christoval 26-14. Bronte scoring: Audie Miller 2; Matthew Halfacer 2; Arlis

McMullan 2; Hadley Holland 4; Tyler Riney 7; Jackson Rowan 2; Thomas Foster 3; and Wesley Suter 4.

The Bronte "B" team defeated Irion County 33-6. Bronte scoring: Audie Miller 10; Matthew Halfacer 1; Hadley Holland 8; Jose Perez 2; Tyler Riney 4; Jackson Rowan 2; and Wesley Suter 6.

## Bronte "Maroon" JH boys basketball results

On February 6th, the Bronte "Maroon" boys JH basketball team defeated Loraine by a score of 39-7. Bronte scoring: Heath Richey 9; Kerwin Rawls 3; Dakota Rawls 1; Kolten Pena 6; Terron Charles 1; Louie Martinez 4; Rob Rosson 11; and Haydan White 4.

## Bronte Vision Planning meeting slated for February 9

The next Vision Planning meeting for Bronte is set for 5:30 pm Thursday, February 9, 2006, at the BISD Library.

Mary Kuss will be on hand to lead the session. Every effort will be made to adjourn the meeting prior to the Sorosis Club Style Show at 7 pm.

For more information, contact Michael Bohensky at 473-5700, ext. 161.

## Richey named to honor roll

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2005 fall semester, recognizing students for outstanding academic performance. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours or first semester students taking at least 12 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Among those recognized were Heather Jynell Richey, a senior from Bronte, who is working toward her Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies.

## Continuing nurse education course set

The Partnership for Development of the Health Care Workforce will sponsor an educational seminar for professional nurses on cultural diversity in health care.

This course will be presented by Martha Tafoya, MSN, RN, CNS and Corine Martinez, MS, RN and will include information about communications, values, and beliefs, self-awareness, overcoming barriers and responses to pain, grief and fear.

The program will be offered on February 10 and 17 from 8 am until noon at the West Texas Training Center, located at 3501 N. US Hwy 67 in San Angelo. Nurses completing the course will receive 4 contact hours. Shannon Medical Center is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This activity meets Type 1 criteria for mandatory continuing education requirements toward relicensure as established by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas.

To register or for information, please contact Cris Moreno, Staff Development at Shannon Medical Center, 325-657-5181.

## Rural Rental Housing available through USDA Rural Development

Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced recently that USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for the Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program. Funding in the amount of \$99 million nationwide is available to guarantee loans for the construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of rural multifamily housing.

"The Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program not only provides decent and affordable housing, but is an important

component of USDA's economic development efforts," said Daniel. "The availability of affordable rental housing is often a key element in whether a business decides to locate or remain in a rural community."

The Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program is intended to fund construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of rural multifamily housing for low-income occupants. The program guarantees up to 90% of the amount of the loan from a private lender to a housing developer. Residents of the completed housing facility must be very low-to moderate-income households; or elderly, handicapped, or disabled persons with income not in excess of 115% of the median income of the surrounding area.

Eligible lending partners for the Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program are those approved and considered eligible by the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, State Housing Finance Agencies, and a member of the Federal Housing Finance Board or the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Other lenders have the opportunity to enter into a correspondent bank relationship with approved lenders in order to participate in the program. The terms of the loans guaranteed may be up to 40 years, and the loans must be fully amortized.

Under Federal guidelines posted in the Notice of Fund Availability, interested and eligible lenders must submit loan applications to the USDA Rural Development State Office, Housing Programs, 101 South Main, Suite 102, Temple, Texas 76501 by June 16, 2006. For more information regarding the 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program, call Gayle

Ledyard at 254-742-9770.

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## Child Passenger Safety Week

The week of February 12-18th is national Child Passenger safety week. Nation wide, crashes kill more than 1,600 child passengers a year and injure more than 210,000. There is no excuse for an unbuckled child.

\* Infants and toddlers ride in safety restraints more than 90 percent of the time, but children ages 4-7 ride in safety restraints only 73 percent of the time.

\* Kids who have outgrown car seats (usually 40 pounds, but some car seats are rated for 60 pounds or more) are safer and more comfortable on a booster seat until they are 57 inches tall and 80 to 100 pounds.

\* Car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury in passenger cars by up to 71 percent for infants and 54% for toddlers. Booster seats for older kids reduce the risk of injury by 60 percent compared to safety belts alone.

\* Just going around the corner? Most crashes occur on short trips close to home and on low speed roads, not highways.

\* You'll hold your child tightly in your arms? Holding a 10 pound baby in a 40 mph crash is like jumping out a window holding a 400 pound weight.

\* If your child rides in a car pool, make sure all drivers follow the correct safety rules based on age, height and weight for everyone in the car.

Be safe and be sure to buckle up no matter how far you intend to drive!!!!

## School Menu

### Breakfast

**Monday, Feb. 13**

Cereal, sliced peaches, toast, jelly, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 14**

Breakfast burrito, assorted juice, milk

**Wed., Feb. 15**

Honey bun, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 16**

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

**Friday, Feb. 17**

French toast sticks, applesauce, syrup, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, Feb. 13**

Pizza, tossed salad, corn fruit cup, pink panther cake, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 14**

Nacho grande, lettuce & tomato, refried beans, assorted fruit, nacho chips, milk

**Wed., Feb. 15**

Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, sliced peaches, bread sticks, chocolate pudding, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 16**

Grilled cheese sandwich, beef & vegetable soup, carrot sticks, corn bread, fruit jello, milk

**Friday, Feb. 17**

Chick-Fil-Lay sandwich, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, grapes, bun, sugar cookie, milk

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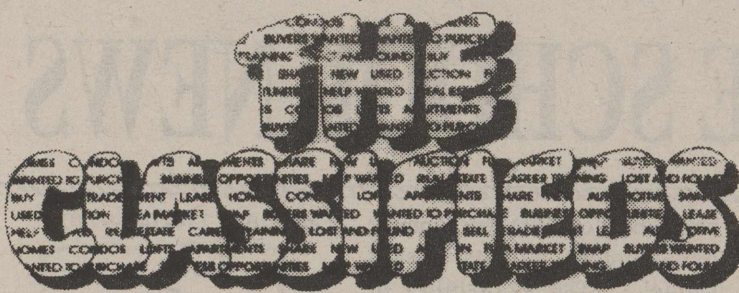
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## GARAGE SALES

### GARAGE SALE

406 W. 11th, Robert Lee. 8 am, Sat. 11th. Tools, trucks, cars, hunting gear, fishing gear, TV, stereo, 2 guns, misc. Property also for sale-first \$25,000. 29-1tp

## NOTICES

### ROBERT LEE ISD NOTICE

Candidate applications will be available for 4 places on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees with 3 places each being three year terms and 1 place being for a 3 year unexpired term with 2 years remaining. Applications can be picked up at the Robert Lee ISD Administration Office beginning Monday, February 13, 2006 during the hours of 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:30, Monday thru Friday. The deadline for filing a candidate application is Monday, March 13, 2006 at 5:00 pm. Election day will be Saturday, May 13, 2006. Requirements for filing are that you must have lived 1 year in the state and 6 months in the school district prior to filing, be at least 18 years of age, and be a registered voter at time of election. 28-2tc

### NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINES

The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives notice of filing deadlines for the May 13, 2006 Election. Three (3) Directors will be elected for a term of two (2) years each. Candidates may file applications for inclusion on the ballot between February 11, 2006 and March 13, 2006. Applications and petitions may be obtained at Robert Lee Care Center during normal business hours, 9am - 5pm, Monday through Friday. Any questions may be addressed to Terri Tedford, Administrator. LA NOTA DE LA CLASIFICACION LAS FECHAS TOPES

La Junta directiva Occidental del Distrito del Hospital del Condado del Coque por la presente avisa de la clasificación las fechas topes para el mayo 13, 2006 Elección. Tres (3) Directores serán elegidos para un término de dos (2) años cada. Los candidatos pueden archivar las aplicaciones para la inclusión en la votación entre el 11 de febrero de 2006 y el 13 de marzo de 2006. Las aplicaciones y las peticiones se pueden obtener en el Centro del Cuidado de Sotavento de Robert durante

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### Midessa Boat & Gun Show set

Zoo Dynamics will present a special attraction "The Royal White Tiger Discovery" each day of the Midessa Boat, RV, Sport & Gun Show. The show will be held on February 9, 10, 11, and 12th in Odessa.



Joan Davis

I am a candidate for re-election for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1. On January 1, 2007, I will have sixteen years in the office. The March 7 primary election is fast approaching and I will be unopposed on the ballot.

With my experience and annual continuing education, I feel I still have much to offer the county and the community. Over the years, more and more paperwork and judgments have come under the Justice Court's jurisdiction, in addition to certification of deaths, disposition of Class C tickets, 119 weddings up to Jan. 1, and court cases, such as evictions and small claims. Without a clerk, this is a busy office - magistrating defendants any day or night, for instance.

I am especially proud of my ongoing work with young people, who are my favorite defendants.

A lifelong resident of Coke County, I was raised in the Wildcat community by grandparents, Henry and Roxie Childress. Orphaned at an early age, I had a great country upbringing; my sister and I had a wonderful childhood.

I am a Robert Lee High School graduate and have a large number of continuing education hours. I am an active member of Northside Church of Christ, as well as a longtime board member of the West Coke County Community Development.

My two children, Nadine Davis and Mike Davis and his wife, Peggy, live in Abilene. Nadine is a principal with the Wylie School District.

Mike is an Easy Go Golf sales and service rep. My grandson, Craig Davis, is a student at ASU in San Angelo.

Even though I have no opponent in the upcoming election, I have always appreciated the voters of Precincts 1 and 3 for marking my name on the ballot to reflect their confidence and trust. Please vote for me in the Democratic Primary on March 7.

Thank you,  
Joan Davis



Josie Dean

My name is Josie Dean; I am the present Tax Assessor-Collector, seeking your support in the primary election on March 7, 2006. I was born in Uvalde, Texas, moved to Robert Lee in 1995. My husband is Joseph Dean, who is employed by Range Resources. I have five children, Kristopher, Brandie, Krystal, Brittany and Brandon. My grandchildren are Kobe and Kayden Smith.

Some of my hobbies are crafts, fishing, camping, fishing bass tournaments and gardening. I also enjoy landscape painting and most of all spending time with my family.

Prior to being appointed as Tax Assessor-Collector, I worked as Deputy in the Tax Office for one year and nine months. Before being employed by Coke County, I worked as Supervisor/Lead Teacher for the Ballinger Head Start for six years and six years for 3M Company as Operator/Trainer in Brownwood, Texas.

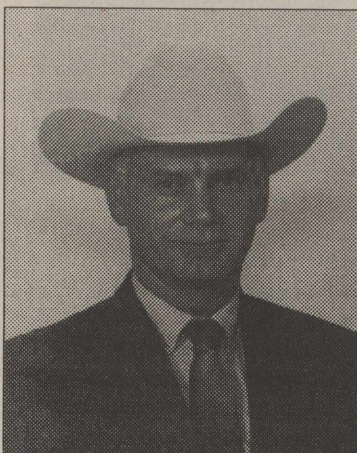
I graduated from Brownwood High School and attended Cisco Junior College, Weatherford Junior College, and took an Administrative course at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.

Presently, I am a member of the Tax Assessor Collectors Association of Texas, the Board of Tax Professional Examiners, the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts, and Texas Association of Assessing Officers. I am presently taking all of my courses required by the state. At

# Political Profiles

this time, I have completed course one and am now a Class II Tax Assessor Collector. Upon completion of these courses, I will advance to Class IV Registered Tax Assessor.

Since being appointed the Tax Assessor for Coke County, I have enjoyed serving the Citizens of Coke County. If elected, I will continue to serve the community with loyalty, honesty and integrity. I look forward to your support in the Primary Election, on March 7, 2006.



Marshall Millican

Marshall Millican is a democratic candidate for Constable, Precincts #1 and #3, of Coke County. He is 53 years old and has been a resident of Coke County for 41 years and is a graduate of Robert Lee High School. Marshall has been married to Sheri Pitcock Millican for 31 years and they have two children, Kannan, and Stewart. Marshall is a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, and has been a co-owner, operator of Ash-Millican-Carson Real Estate in Robert Lee for the past five years.

Marshall has over 26 years of law enforcement experience in Coke County. He first served the county as deputy sheriff in 1974 and received his basic peace officer's license. He began his political career when he was elected Constable as a write-in candidate in 1978. After serving two years as Constable he was elected Sheriff of Coke County and took office in 1981 at the age of 27 and was the youngest sheriff in Texas that year. Marshall served the county in this position for sixteen years. He later served as Chief Deputy Sheriff in Coke County for five years until he resigned January 2, 2004.

Marshall has previously served on the state level of the Sheriff's Association of Texas as a Director and an officer. He also served as President of the West Texas Law Enforcement Officers Association and was an active member and director of the Rio Concho Multi-Agency Drug Enforcement Task Force. Marshall has obtained his intermediate peace officers license and has developed a special interest in narcotic and criminal investigations. He is also certified as a Mental Health Peace Officer.

Marshall's personal statement is, "If elected Constable I will serve the citizens of Coke County with courtesy, honesty, and respect while enforcing the laws that I have sworn to uphold in the oath of office."

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## Political Profiles



**George Snapp**

Democratic candidate for re-election-Commissioner Precinct #4-Coke County

**Personal Information:** Born March 27, 1932 in Fisher County, TX. Sons: David and Jimmy Snapp of Odessa, Daughters: Karen Phillips of Odessa and Annette DiStasi of Carrollton, Step-daughters: Vickie Parker of Robert Lee and Terry Gardner of Blanchard, OK. Stepson: Lea Daggett of Lajitas

**Education:** Rotan Schools-Rotan, TX; Texas Trade School-Dallas, TX; Odessa Jr. College-Odessa, TX; County Government-77 hours of continuing education-TX

**Armed Forces:** US Army Cpl. Korea 1953-1955

**Work History:** American Meter-Garland, TX 1952-1958, Technician; Odex Engineering Inc.-Odessa, TX and Hobbs, NM 1958-1964, Construction Superintendent and Store Manager; Calibration Services Inc.-Odessa and Monahans, TX 1964-1970, Co-owner and Vice President; Snapp Lease Works, Inc.-Odessa, TX 1970-1996, Owner and President; Retired in 1996.

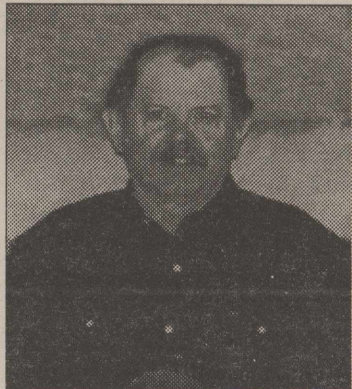
**Community Service:** Monahans, TX-Jaycees 1964-1968, Director and VP; Little League Coach 1964-1969, Secretary and Treasurer; Girls Softball Organization 1965-1969, Organizer and VP; Cub Scouts 1966-1968, Cub Master, Odessa, TX-Little League Coach 1971-1972. Bronte, TX; Lions Club 1996-Present, Member; Bronte Nursing Home Auxiliary 1997-1998, Organizer and Vice President; Bronte Nursing Home Auxiliary 1999-2000, President; Coke County Food Bank 2000-current Board Member; RSVP of Concho Valley 1998-current Board Member; Economic Development 1998-current Board Member; Bronte Community Chest 2000-present Chairman; City Council 1998-2004 Councilman; Lake Brownwood, TX-Heart of Texas Baptist Camp 1999-current, Board member.

**Awards:** Monahans Jaycees Distinguished Service Award 1968; Youth Work Award 1968; Director of the Year 1967; Youth Work Award Monahans Little League 1968; Named in the US Jaycees Outstanding Young Men of America 1969, Citizen of the Year, 2001-Bronte, TX.

**Religious Affiliation:** Member of First United Methodist Church, Sunday School teacher-Monahans, TX; Member of St. Luke's Methodist Church, Youth Leader 1971-1977, Odessa, TX; Current member of the First Baptist Church, Sunday School teacher-Bronte, TX.

"With my 3 years experience as

your County Commissioner, I am asking for the voters of Bronte, Tennyson and all voters of Precinct 4 to re-elect me as your County Commissioner".



**Bobby Blaylock**

I, Bobby Blaylock, am a native Rabbit Twister who grew up on a ranch in the Lometa Community of Coke County. My younger days were spent helping on my dad's ranch and exploring all the creeks and hills with our sheep dog and a pet deer. When I started school I rode a bus on county roads for

twelve years in the Robert Lee Independent School District. I graduated from Robert Lee High School and attended San Angelo College, now known as Angelo State University.

During my Angelo State era, I was nominated for Student Body President, active in the Baptist Student Union, where I was their president and became vice-president of the campus Christian Council. I was also involved with the agricultural organizations on campus and a manager for the college's first football team.

I left San Angelo to continue my education at Texas Tech University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Range Management. While at Tech, I served as Vice-President and President of the infamous Texas Tech Range & Wildlife Society. I was on the plant identification team that won 1st place in national collegiate competition at Calgary, Canada.

I became a ranching partner with my dad after graduation and during the years that followed I was a member of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association, a director on

the Texas Mohair Council, President of the Business Men's Bible Class, held offices in the Coke County Livestock Association and Presidio County Livestock Association.

When ranching was no longer an option, I worked for a short period at the hardware store in Bronte before accepting a position, in Marfa, Texas, as manager of the 2nd largest ostrich facility in the U.S. When the ostrich were shipped to Chicago, I became assistant manager to a feather company, where we designed, made, and sold feather goods throughout the world. While in Marfa, I was Chairman of the Marfa Independent School District's Site Base Committee and was on the Presidio Crisis Management Board for the school and county. I did lay ministry at the First Presbyterian Church in Marfa, where my wife, Melissa, and I were active members.

Melissa and I are living on one of our "old home" places and enjoying our four children and our grandchildren. Melissa has a son and two grandsons in Tucson, Arizona, and a daughter in Stephenville, Texas. My oldest son and his wife are in San Angelo, Texas, taking care of our two granddaughters, while the

younger son is traveling the world as a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps.

I am a member and Past Master of Hayrick Masonic Lodge #696 and currently employed by the Bronte ISD as the substitute horticulture teacher for the Coke County Juvenile Justice Center. We are active members of First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger.

We love this area that is our home. We care about the people, the land, the water, and our community. I want us to grow, not just the two of us, but our whole county. We need to search in every direction possible in order to expand into this 21st Century. I have always been one who listens and tries to gather as much information possible before making a decision. I am one who doesn't like to spend money unnecessarily, especially when it is not mine to spend. If elected, as your Commissioner, I will work with everyone in Precinct 4 and the county to do the best job possible and as cost effectively as our economy will permit. The only promise that I will make is that I will do my very best for the betterment and benefit of all in Coke County.

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# Scott Campbell

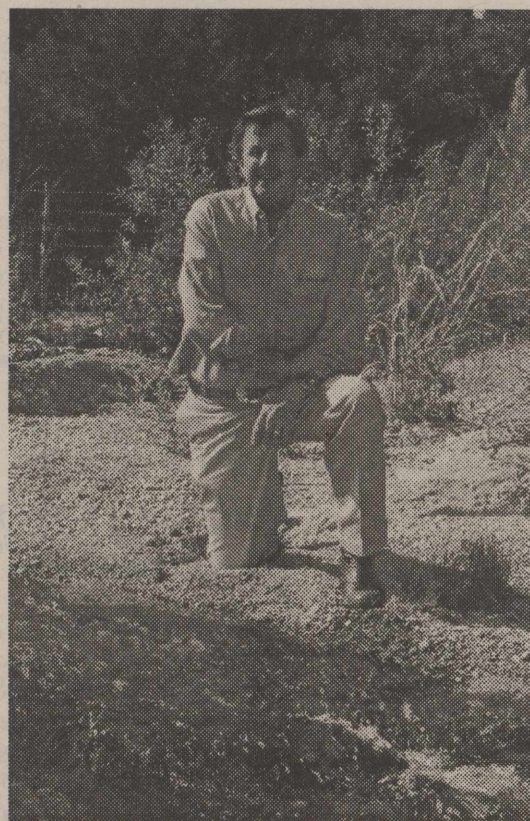
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**Scott Campbell**

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