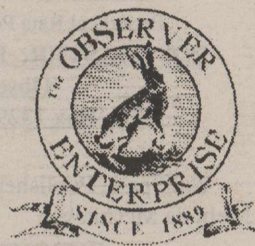


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## Coaches discuss upcoming season

by Hal Spain

The clouds opened up and Coke County got a good drenching this week. With the moisture, the cooler temperatures are making it feel more like football weather for tonight's season openers for both the Longhorns and the Steers.

Both county teams will be changing up their district competitors somewhat this year. This is the Steers' third year of six-man ball, having made the playoffs last year for the first time in six-man football. Their new district will consist of Ira, Highland, Water Valley, and Westbrook. The Horns have moved into District 16-1A, and their district competition will include Sterling City, Eldorado (who just moved down this year to 1-A ball), Menard, Irion County, Forsan, Miles, and Christoval.

Each year prior to the first game, we try to interview both head coaches to get their thoughts on the upcoming season. Rocky Rawls is now a seasoned veteran and a very stable influence at Bronte, while Robert Lee native Kerry Gartman is in his second year at the helm of a Robert Lee program which advanced to the playoffs last year.

We began the interview with each of the coach's thoughts on their two scrimmages. Coach Gartman felt like they kind'a wore Veribest out, because we had more kids playing. He felt

like the scrimmage with Panther Creek went about the same way, noting the Steers' quickness as one of the major differences in the two teams.

Following the Longhorn scrimmages against Roby and Baird, Coach Rawls felt that the defense was showing some improvement, especially since they were implementing a new defensive alignment for the first time this year. He also stated that the Horns only suited up 14 for the Baird scrimmage, giving those kids a lot of playing time. For the first time in a long time, the Horns are playing a JV schedule this year, with 18 (mostly freshmen) on the JV, and 17 on the varsity.

Concerning injuries, Coach Rawls stated they had three out against Baird, but was expecting all three to be ready to go for tonight's opener. Coach Gartman stated that one of the Steers had a broken foot, but he were expected to be back in action by the end of the week. No other major injuries were affecting the Steers at this time.

As to strengths and weaknesses of this year's teams, Coach Gartman is excited about the Steers' quickness, and indicated that the major weakness of this year's team is overall team strength. Numbers are also up, as he has 25 out for football this year as opposed to 18 last year. Coach Rawls stated



**Locals attend Grand Chapter Conference!** *Coke County residents (left to right) Jeffie Roberts, Dolores Roe, Earline Moore, and Beverly Sinclair recently traveled to Fort Worth for the 124th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star. At the conference, Earline Moore was appointed Deputy Grand Matron of District 5 Sections 1 and 2 for 2006-2007.*

that the Horns' major strengths are the number of returning lettermen that started last year, their experience, and their overall work ethic. He commented that this year's players are also a very coachable group, and cited their major weakness as their lack of team speed.

As to major contenders in each district, Coach Rawls indicated that Sterling City would be one of their toughest opponents, along with Christoval and Eldorado. He thinks that Eldorado is being underestimated as to their competitiveness because of their drop to 1-A ball. Coach Gartman stated that Westbrook may be a little weaker this year, with all the other teams in the district being competitive in the dis-

trict race. Concerning their general outlook for the upcoming season, Coach Gartman considers Highland with their winning tradition to be a major contender, along with Water Valley and Ira. Coach Rawls indicated that he expects good things from this group of athletes, as long as they can remain healthy.

Best of luck to the Horns and the Steers in the upcoming season. Both teams will start the new season on the road, with Bronte traveling to Cross Plains, and the Steers at Rankin. So make plans to show your support for our county teams at they play their first games of the new season.

### Red Hat Mamas meeting set

The Red Hat Mamas (Coke County Red Hat Society) will meet at 11 am on Tuesday, September 5, at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. If you want to carpool to Robert Lee, meet at the bank in Bronte at 10:35 am. Join this group where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life.

### Labor Day Holiday Closings

There will be several county offices that will be closed Monday, September 4, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

The Coke County court-

house will be closed on Monday, September 4. The facility will be open at 8 am on Tuesday.

The Robert Lee City Hall will be closed Monday, September 4. The City Landfill will be closed Saturday, September 2. Residents are reminded that in the event of a water emergency, on-call personnel may be reached by calling the answer service at City Hall.

The Bronte City Hall will also be closed Monday, September 4.

The Coke County USDA Service Center, NRCS and FSA Offices, will be closed Monday, September 4, for Labor Day. The service center will re-open for business as usual on Tuesday, September 5. Producers may come by the FSA office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

### Gospel singing Sunday cancelled

The regular monthly community gospel singing Sunday will be cancelled on September 3rd due to the Labor Day holiday. Plan on attending the singing again on October 1st.

### Coke County dance slated for September 5

The monthly dance for Coke County will be held from 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm Tuesday, September 5, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall.

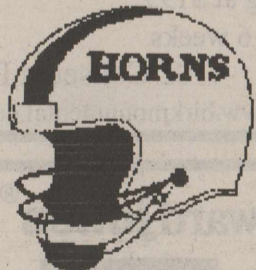
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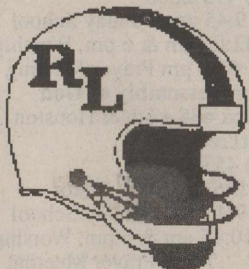


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**Obituaries**



**Martin**

Margaret Lee Martin, 89, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 23, 2006. She was born February 25, 1917 and was a long time resident of Runnels and Coke Counties.

She was a member of the Diversity Club, past Worthy Matron of Eastern Star, in the first class of the Texas Silver Hair Legislature, and member of the First Baptist Church of Bronte, Texas. Margaret loved to sing and play the piano, never shying away from entertaining anyone who would listen. Prior to retiring she was employed by the Coke County Health and Human Services.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Renza and Bernice Lee; husband, John Wilbur Martin; son, Gary D. Martin; grandson, Jon Kevin Martin; two brothers, Clyde and Joe B. Lee; one sister, Dorothy Kiker. She is survived by her daughter Dorothy Ruth (Dot) Mitchell; surrogate daughter, Melissa Lee Hoch; brother, Royce Lee; grandchildren, Russ and Kelly Perry and Eric Martin; great grandchildren, Callen, Landon and Gage Perry; and many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Russ Perry, Eric Martin, Ronnie Lee, Turner Lee, Billy Ren Lee, Michael Hoch, Callen Perry, Landon Perry and Gage Perry.

Funeral services were Friday, August 25, 2006 at 2 pm at the First Baptist Church in Bronte with burial at Fairview Cemetery in Bronte, Texas. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Bronte Health and Rehabilitation Auxiliary, P.O. Box 184, Bronte, TX 76933.

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**Murtishaw**

Helen Virginia Lockett Murtishaw, 82, went to be with her Lord on Sunday morning August 27, 2006.

She was born February 28, 1924, the second of six children of G.D. and Mattie Lockett.

Helen is survived by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Ginger and Sid Eubanks of Natchitoches, LA; her son, Johnny Murtishaw of New Orleans, LA; her sister, Joy McDaniels, Jr. of San Angelo; her brothers, Dewey Lockett and Dale Lockett and wife, Cindy of Bronte; grandsons, Johnny Wayne Murtishaw and wife, Melissa of San Angelo, Dewey Lee Eubanks and wife, Becky of Campbellsburg, KY; great grandchildren, Justin, Jason, and Madison Murtishaw and Meghan and Harrison Eubanks; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, J. I. Murtishaw; her sister, Pat Bryan Oglesby; and her brother, Billy Joe Lockett. She lived in Bronte all but

six years of her life, having graduated from Bronte High School in 1941. In the 1950's, she was employed with the local phone company before it went to the dial system in 1957. She was a licensed laboratory, EKG and X-ray Technician in the State of Texas. She worked for Dr. John R. Harris at the Bronte Hospital for 20 years until his death in 1976. Then the Robert Lee Hospital for 12 years until it closed and the remaining 15 years was at the Ballinger Hospital until her retirement in 1999.

Family visitation was held at the funeral home Tuesday evening from 6 pm to 7 pm. Funeral service was held at 2:30 pm, Wednesday, August 30, 2006, at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte with the Reverend David Bailey officiating. Pallbearers were Johnny Wayne Murtishaw, Dewey Lee Eubanks, Justin and Jason Murtishaw, Joey Lockett, and Dale Wojtek. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Her family would like to express a heartfelt thanks to her brother, Dewey who visited her everyday and helped her with errands and her sister, Joy with whom she enjoyed their daily chats by phone. A special thanks to Dr. Charles Marsh and Ballinger Home Health Care.

She loved her lord, her family, her church that the Lockett family has been a member of for over 70 years, and her home which she lived for over 50 years.

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**RL Sr. Center/**

**RLCC luau slated**

The Robert Lee Sr. Center and the Robert Lee Care Center will be hosting an end of summer luau at the Sr. Center on Tuesday, September 12 from 5-7 pm. The meal will consist of ham, oven-roasted potatoes, pineapple, and other Hawaiian novelties.

To RSVP or FMI, please call Karla Hamrick at 453-4780, Susan Millegan at 453-4790 or Mary Rodriguez at 453-2511.

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**Coke Co. Veterans memorial program scheduled**

Once again Coke County Veterans will be honored at the Coke County Veterans Memorial Plaza in Bronte at 11 am on September 23. The programs will include the recognition and reading of the new names placed on the monument recently and dedication. The program will be over at 11:30 in order for people to go to other planned activities. Your involvement in this ceremony is necessary to make the honoring of our heroes meaningful. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs!

**Free hot dog supper set for Robert Lee**

Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 16th, 2006 from 5 -7 pm at the recreation hall in Robert Lee.

Members of the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee are hosting an old fashion hot dog supper.

Come one-come all!! Eat and enjoy gospel and country music by Driftwood.

**Trapper's Association funding meeting set for Sept. 5**

There will be a meeting of the Coke County Trapper's Association on Tuesday, September 5, beginning at 7:30 am in the Robert Lee Rec Hall.

The morning program will be to discuss future funding of the association. Due to a steady decline in participation, it has become difficult for the association to meet

the budget to pay their portion of the county trapping program.

As you know, the association pays part of the county trapping program along with Coke County. We need to come up with some innovative ideas to increase participation and funds or risk losing the trapping program.

If we lose the county trapping program, we not only lose the county trapper, but more importantly, we will not be able to have access to any other Wildlife and Animal Damage Control program. This means we cannot utilize animal damage trouble shooters in times of need, nor will we be able to use the aircraft they provide in extreme situations or any additional assistance from the State.

Please try to attend this extremely important meeting with some innovative, sound ideas to increase participation in this valuable program for the entire county.

**RLVFD Auxiliary seeks donations**

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department is seeking donations of individual sized bottled water, gatorade, drinks, and/or money. This supply will be kept on hand and available for the volunteer firemen when responding to fires. Drop off locations are City Hall and the Mountain Creek Lodge. The donations received last July were very much appreciated, but with all the fires it is time to restock.

**Bronte Senior Center Memorials**

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**Bronte Church of Christ**  
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson  
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 (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  
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 11:00 am Worship  
 5:00 Youth  
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 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

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 PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne  
 Robert Lee  
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 Portis Ribble, Minister  
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 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**  
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 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  
 Jason Martin, 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. Irving Smith, Pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting



**RLBC welcomes new pastor!** Robert Lee Baptist Church welcomes Jason Martin as their new pastor. The Martin family, which includes Jason's wife of 12 years, Aimee, and their three sons, Daniel, Andrew and Ryan, will be moving to Robert Lee from Arlington.

**Moore named Deputy Grand Matron**

Earline Moore of Bronte Chapter No. 1048 Order of the Eastern Star has been appointed Deputy Grand Matron of District 5 Sections 1 and 2 for the Eastern Star Year 2006-2007. Geraldine (Gerry) Dusek of Rio Hondo was installed as Worthy Grand Matron of Texas and John Creel of Plano was installed as Worthy Grand Patron.

Earline will represent the following chapters: Ballinger No. 266, Brady No. 167, Bronte No. 1048, Concho No. 826, Paint Rock No. 391, Robert Lee No. 187, San Angelo No. 10, Winters No. 80, Sonora-Eldorado Chapter No. 575, and Ft. McKavett No. 783. She will organize and conduct an Eastern Star School in San Angelo, January 22-23, 2007.

The 124th "Surrounded by God's Love" Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star was held in Fort Worth, August 16-20. Those attending from Bronte Chapter No. 1048 and Robert Lee Chapter No. 187 were Earline Moore-Deputy Grand Matron, Beverly Sinclair-ESTRAL, Dolores Roe-Past Matron, and Jeffie Roberts-

Grand Representative of Minnesota in Texas.

**RLBC has new pastor**

In a called business meeting on Sunday, August 27, members of the Robert Lee Baptist Church voted positively to call Jason Martin to fill their Pastorate.

Bro. Jason Martin will preach his first sermon as full time minister of RLBC on Sunday, September 17. He and his wife, Aimee, of 12 years have 3 boys, Daniel, Andrew, and Ryan, ranging from 2 1/2 to 7 years.

Bro. Martin has just recently returned from the missionary field in Spain where he served

the International Mission Board as a Church Planter for the past 6 years. He has also served as a Youth Minister, Pastor, Youth Intern, and Summer Youth Minister over the past 10 years.

Jason's educational background includes graduating high school in Monahans, he went on to earn a BA in Bible and Biblical Languages from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. He continued his studies at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, where he earned a M. Div. in Church Planting and Biblical Languages.

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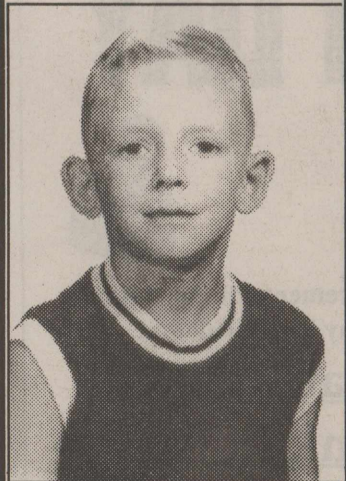
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Regular, Light or Select  
**Budweiser Beer**  
18 Pack Cans **\$12.29**  
Natural Light 24 Pack **\$12.69**

**Street Affair coming up soon**

The Robert Lee Street Affair is scheduled for Saturday, October 7. That's only 37 days away. But, plans are already set for the parade at 11 am in which all participants in the bed race and other activities are invited to participate - all organizations in town are invited to do a float, decorate a truck, spruce up a golf cart, get on a horse, deck out a bike, or get out the walking shoes and create some fun for residents and visitors.

The Bed Race is scheduled for right after the parade, and racers will follow International Bed Racing Rules in construction and manpower. Rules and entry blanks are at the Library and at City Hall. This show brought down the house last year.

The CERT (Citizen Emergency Response Team) organization is holding a giant auction under a tent with an auctioneer beginning at 9:00 a.m. Donated items will be auctioned in lots and a printed agenda will be available. Nothing too big for the auction, and nothing too small either - except clothing which will not be auctioned. Volunteers are spending their time being trained to react in an emergency. Citizens who donate to this auction will be supporting their efforts.

The art show will be accepting art pieces on Friday afternoon and the judging will be at 11 am on Saturday. Original drawings, oils, watercolors, sculpture are the mediums accepted.

The custom car show that drew such an admiring crowd last year will be held again this year. All custom car owners are invited to show their vehicles. Trophies will be awarded.

A day at the Old Jail will be another draw this year. Tours, enactments, and information will be available for visitors and residents. The always rousing cloggers from the south will be entertaining downtown around 6 pm and the Street Dance will begin about 8 pm.

All booths requiring electricity have been reserved. Spaces for others are filling fast. Anyone with an idea for the Street Affair is welcomed to jump in.

For information, call 453-2495 (Library) or 453-2831 (City Hall).

**Union Texas Petroleum holds 6th annual reunion**

by Jeffrie Roberts

The sixth annual Union Texas Petroleum former employees and retiree's reunion was held in the recreation hall in the Coke County Park in Robert Lee, Saturday, August 12, 2006. A delicious meal was catered by the Cracker Barrel and Jeffrie Roberts to a group of 36. The tables and room were decorated with sunflowers, yellow roses, greenery and pot plants of ivy. Everyone registered for the door prize. Cynthia Barnes of Colorado City was the lucky

winner.

A short business meeting was conducted by Winton Milliff and Jeffrie Roberts. Several had written or called that they were unable to attend because of health problems. They were Pauline Donley, Joann Meadows, Burton Witherwax of Eunice, Louisiana, and Thomas and Ruby Gaurine of Carriere, Mississippi. A list of deceased was distributed with 48 names from the UTP Perkins Plant which was located at Silver and 30 names from other UTP plants. Winton asked each of the 19 retirees to introduce themselves and tell what they are doing since their retirement. The 4 widows were considered a special group and were welcomed by everyone.

The group voted to have the 2007 reunion in Robert Lee whenever the Rec Hall can be reserved. Bobby and Jeffrie agreed to continue to organize the reunion with Brenda Hines of Bronte and Stella Webb of Ballinger volunteering to help.

Those present for the 2006 reunion were Winton and Virginia Milliff, Bobby and Jeffrie Roberts, D.J. Walker and Winnie Pitcock, all of Robert Lee; Jerry Wilkes of Silver; Steve and Brenda Hines, Ettie Hubbard, and Floyd and Charlotte (Coalson) Blackburn, all of Bronte; Buddy and Gayna Eldred of Blackwell; Charlie and Donna Stephens of Novice; David Fernandez and Donald Walker of San Angelo; Joe Tarter, Bill and Georgia Barnes and Cynthia Barnes, all of Colorado City; Joe and Sharon Young of The Colony; Bill and Louise Rickey of Goldsboro; Charles and Stella Webb of Ballinger; Martha Snell and Dora (Snell) Taylor of Kingsland; and Tommy and Joyce Latham, Ronnie Walker, C.C. (Pete) Golson, J.L. Johnson and Garland Dupreist, all of Rankin.

**Dove season opening set for today**

by Hal Spain

All along we have been predicting a less than spectacular dove season throughout west Texas this year due to the prolonged drought conditions we have been experiencing. The recent moisture we have received shouldn't change that prediction too much, except to make it a little worse on opening day. If it continues to rain this week until opening day (which we hope), opening weekend of dove season could provide what doves we do have a lot of options for watering holes, which could make hunting at stock tanks even less of a good prospect.

If that situation develops, we will still be so thankful for the wonderful rains, and we'll just postpone our hunting for a month or so. In another month, we may have enough weeds and feed to salvage this year's dove hunting season.

Whenever your dove season begins, there are some hunting regulations you need to be aware of. In addition to purchasing your new hunting license, you

will need to add a migratory game bird stamp, which costs an extra \$7.00, and is required to hunt any migratory game bird, including mourning doves. While you're at it, you will probably want to purchase an upland game bird endorsement for another \$7.00, which is required to hunt turkey, pheasant, and quail. If you plan on hunting deer or turkey with a bow, you will need an archery stamp endorsement (\$7.00), and a duck stamp (\$15.00) if you plan on doing any duck or goose hunting.

All migratory game bird hunters will also need to be certified in the HIP Program, which is available at the time you purchase your new license. Just indicate to the clerk where you buy your new license that you will be hunting migratory birds, and you can answer a few questions and receive your free certification.

Dove season will open in our area (the Central Zone, basically the area between Interstates 10 & 20, on September 1 and run through October 30. The late dove season will be from December 26, 2006 through January 4, 2007. Daily bag limit in the Central Zone is 12 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than two whitetips. Possession limit is twice the daily bag limit, or 24.

Texas Parks and Wildlife also requests that hunters inspect the doves you shoot for bands and report them. The bands are very small and easy to overlook. Report banded doves to the following toll-free number: 1-800-327 BAND (2263).

Legal shooting hours for dove are from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. Don't forget to plug those auto loaders and pumps; so that they are incapable of holding more than three shells for migratory bird hunting. Hunting over baited areas such as deer feeders is prohibited, as is hunting from a vehicle.

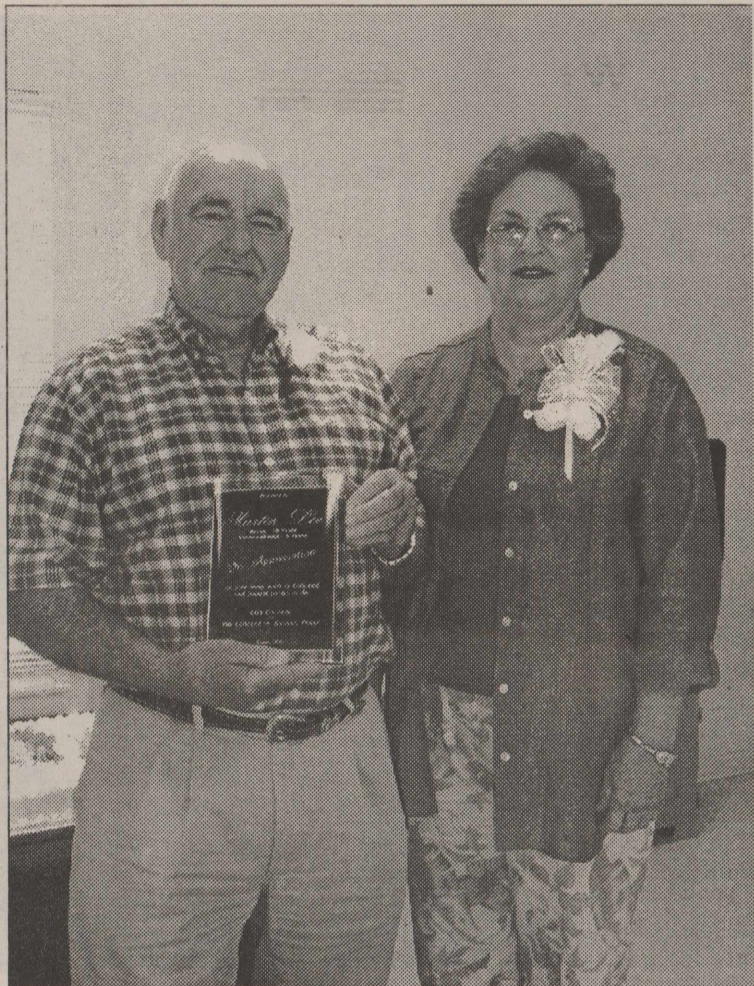
Local businesses which are handling licenses this year are C&H Auto and Hardware and Cindy's in Robert Lee, and Hometown Hardware and Town & Country Convenience Store in Bronte.

Good luck, and as always, be safe this hunting season. Don't forget to pick up a free copy of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual when you purchase your new license. Any further questions may be directed to local game warden Jim Allen.

**RLVFD news**

The first few weeks of August allowed the department some much needed down time, but the week of the 20th through the 26th more than made up for the respite.

During this time frame, the department answered 5 calls on wildland fire, fires near the gas plant at Silver, an escaped trash fire on Jones Circle at the lake, one smoke call on south Hwy 208, fires north of Exxon Road, and an assist to Bronte VFD near Hayrick.



**Lee honored at reception!** Longtime Bronte Mayor, Martin Lee, pictured here with his wife, Patricia, was honored at a reception on Wednesday, August 23, for his dedicated service to the community of Bronte.

The August election provided the department with a new Chief and Assistant Chief. Brian Hamrick was elected Chief, and Lou Millegan was elected as Assistant Chief.

The department is requesting a place on the agenda for the City Council's September meeting. The department plans to ask the Council for a continuation of the voluntary \$2.00 per residential meter, per month, fee. This fee will, by the end of September, help pay off the loan against the new fire station. Continuation of this voluntary fee, along with donations, grants, and fundraisers, will help the department pay for new personal safety equipment, new rolling stock, and maintenance, fuel and repairs on

existing equipment. The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department encourages the citizens of Robert Lee and Coke County to attend the meeting and show your continued support for the department.

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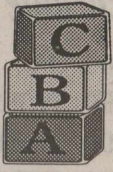
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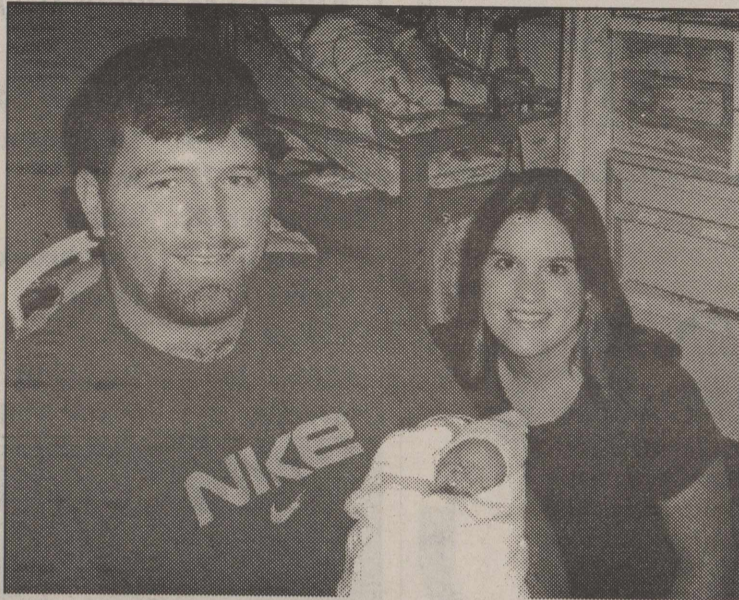
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## Look Who's New!

Jaci Laine Wilson arrived 11 weeks early on August 5, 2006, in Georgia. Jaci weighed 2 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 16 inches in length.

Jaci's parents are Kasey and Becca Wilson. She was greeted by her grandparents from Georgia, Steven and Elaine Wilson. Travelling from Texas to Georgia to also greet Jaci were Aunt Carrie Powers and Pap-paw and Nana Emert, also known as, Tad and Therese Emert.



Jaci Laine Wilson

As we go to the press for this week's issue, I have gotten at least a few results from area residents, as follows: James Arnold Tidwell reported 3 inches on each of three places in the Bronte area, one being Seven Mile Hill between Bronte and Robert Lee. Ray Barnett also reported a total of 3 inches in the City of Bronte area. James Hood reported less than an inch on the Colorado River area east of Bronte. North of Bronte reported from 2.5 to 2.8 inches.

As for Robert Lee, George Grim reported a total of 5.7 inches in the area of Mountain Creek in Robert Lee. Louis Clark, on W. 15th Street, recorded a total of 6.7 inches, from Saturday through Monday. Mark Wright reported 3.0 inches total for the area west of Circle R at Lake Spence. Fred and Glenda Taylor reported 2.5 inches from the initial storm at Edith on Saturday night. I also heard that the Pecan Baptist Church area west of Edith and the 2662 cutoff area eight miles south of Robert Lee between Hwys 208 and 277 missed out on the original downpour on Saturday evening. We are hoping they got some moisture on Sunday and Monday.

I also talked to Doug Frey with the CRMWD on Tuesday morning, and he confirmed that the runoff from the storm was negligible; however, the creeks and potholes are good and wet now, if we do happen to get that good 'un on the Spence or Oak Creek watershed.

### Boykin home in Boerne enjoys visit

Visitors in the Boykin home in Boerne included Dawn's brother Chas Lucas who arrived July 13 from Australia.

It had been 23 years since he & his wife visited at the Boykin place in Robert Lee. Several family get togethers included Dawn & Billy Bob Highsmith who live next door in Boerne, Rosanna & Kevin Webb, Lake Kiowa, Benny & Jo Ann Boykin from Robert Lee, Madelon & Tyler Coover from San Antonio, Charlie & Meredith Highsmith, Austin and Chasa Chris & Samara Benzner from Pleasanton.

Four families moved during late June, the Coovers from Dallas, the Benzners from Gainesville, Benny & Jo Ann Boykin from Ben Wheeler to

Robert Lee.

Dawn moved from San Angelo to Boerne where she was welcomed by several ladies whom she has known for years while visiting daughter Dawn.

Everyone had a wonderful visit and Chas Lucas arrived back in Australia in August and promised to come and visit every two years.

### Landowners or managers must have lease license

by Joan Davis

Dove hunting will open in the Central Zone, which includes Coke County, on Friday, September 1 and remain open through October 30. The short 2nd season will be open December 26, 2006 through January 4, 2007. Shooting hours will be one-half hour before sunrise until sunset. Daily bag remains at 12 doves, and may be a mixed bag of mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped (no more than two). Remember the light-colored, ring-necked doves are freebies-you may take as many of them as you want without adding to your bag limit. The only requirement is to leave the head or feathers intact to identify.

Coke County Game Warden Jim Allen has some information to share with hunters he feels is important. Every property owner or manager must possess a lease license in order to allow paying hunters to hunt your property. These may be purchased at regional P&W offices or wherever license are sold.

This hunting year game wardens will be giving citations for the "Trespass by Projectile" Law. This law is broken by shooting across public roads or your neighbor's adjoining property.

Every hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must have successfully completed a Hunter Education Course and have the certification to prove it.

Hunters, pay close attention to buying your hunting license. Don't let those guys rush you and do ask questions. Ask for the HIP certification and say you want the Upland Game Bird endorsement (which is turkey, quail, etc.). Hunters purchasing only the \$23 regular hunting license must add the \$7 migratory bird stamp if you want to hunt doves. That is



**Cotter bikes in Wichita Falls!** Jake Cotter rode in the Hotter'n Hell Hundred in Wichita Falls on August 26. He rode the 25-Mile and his time was approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. He has ridden in the "Tour De Gap" in Buffalo Gap, The "Biscuits & Gravy" at the State Park in San Angelo, And "The Melon Patch Tour" in DeLeon, Texas.

Jake's parents are Danny and Tessa Cotter of Bronte. His grandparents are Ben and Patsy Ratliff of Robert Lee, Vaughdeen and Melvin Horner, and the late Orville Cotter.

included in the \$64 super combo.

Now for the old laws we know but sometimes forget.

\*Plug your gun back to 3 shells for doves.

\*Do not hunt doves over baited areas.

\*Your bag limit of 12 birds is per day-not 12 before lunch; 12 after lunch.

\*Watch for rattlesnakes; they are out there.

We are pleased hunting and fishing licenses are available in the county this year. Try C&H Auto & Hardware and Cindy's in Robert Lee or Hometown Hardware and Town & Country in Bronte. Have a safe, enjoyable hunt!

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When Nature has work to be done, she creates a genius to do it.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Generosity is giving more than you can; pride is taking less than you need.

Kahlil Gibran

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Jump into the middle of things, get your hands dirty, fall flat on your face and then reach for the stars.

Joan L. Curcio

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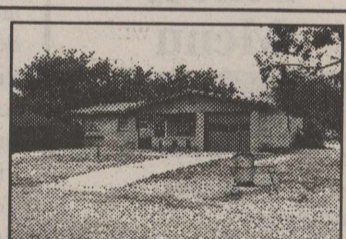
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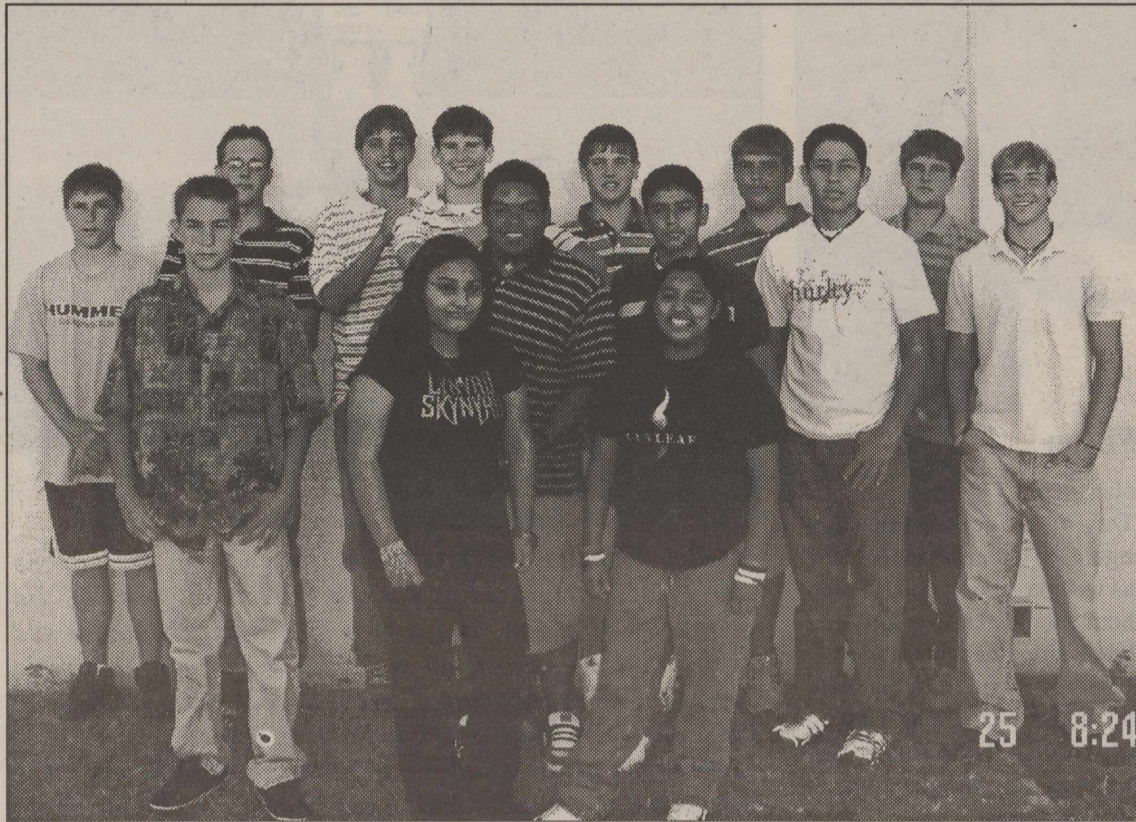
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# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**RLHS Robotics Team!** The Robert Lee High School Robotics Team is gearing up for another year. The team includes Emily Arellano, Devin Batten, Garrett Blair, Cody Brosh, Brody Dillard, Jeremy Martinez, Johnathan Pagan, Taylor Percifull, Michael Rodriguez, Mason Ross, Luke Thurman, Cori Torres, Eleasar Vera and Jimmy Womack. They are coached by Celeste Service and Sandy Sawyer.

## RLISD Robotics starting new year

Robert Lee Robotic teams are starting the new school year with returning members and new members. Robotics is a new program started last year at Robert Lee ISD that encourages problem solving in a student-centered situation. And what is Robotics? It is a curriculum, which covers science, math, technology, language arts, and communications. And it is fun for the student.

Robotics was introduced into the state by Texas Computer Education Association or, TCEA, and has finally reached our area. Using Lego building blocks along with a computer block, the students build robots to perform certain tasks. Once the robot is built, then they use a simplified flow chart program to instruct the robot to perform its mission.

TCEA selects a mission each year for the teams to accomplish and schools compete each year in Austin during February. Last year's mission was based on the Katrina disaster with clean up and rescue. Spam cans were the debris and coke cans became the victims. The design of the robots allowed the clean up of the debris and the bringing the victim back to a home base. Teams had the chance to practice their robotics at regional competitions in November before going to state. Region 15 hosted the second regional competition last year where the Robert Lee team placed 2nd, 4th, and 6th place. The team went on to state but did not place. The mission was similar but a modification proved to be fatal to many of the teams including Robert Lee. Robert Lee did a great job for a first

year. The team does not know the mission for this year, but is practicing on other smaller missions to get ready for the 3rd Regional competition this November.

## Cassidy Wink receives scholarship

Cassidy Wink, a May 2006 graduate of Robert Lee High School, has been named as recipient of a Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo/FCCLA 4 year college scholarship. Cassidy joins a select group of young women and men whose dreams of college are becoming reality thanks to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship Program. Since this scholarship program began in 1957, more than \$100 million has been committed to Texas students for their education. In the fall of 2005, 1907 students were enrolled at 90 Texas colleges and universities on direct Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships.

Eligibility for these scholarships requires that the student meet application deadlines and SAT/ACT test score minimums, and be ranked in the top one-fourth of their graduating class. All recipients of Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships must demonstrate

## Robert Lee Junior High/JV Football Schedule

August 31	Rankin	Here	7:00	JV
September 7	Borden Co.	There	6:00	JV/JH
September 14	Santa Anna	Here	5:00	JV/JH
September 21	Eden	There	5:00	JV/JH
September 28	Trent	Here	5:00	JV/JH
October 5	Westbrook	Here	5:00	JV/JH
October 12	Open			
October 19	Ira	There	5:00	JV/JH
October 26	Highland	Here	5:00	JV/JH
November 2	Water Valley	There	5:00	JV/JH



**Cassidy Wink**

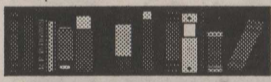
academic potential, citizenship/leadership and must have applied to and plan to attend a Texas college or university. Awards from this HLSR scholarship effort are channeled through diverse educational programs. One such program is the FCCLA Program, with 10 scholarships awarded statewide. Inspired by Sheri Millican, RLHS teacher and FCCLA Advisor, Cassidy Wink applied for and has been selected to receive one of the 2006 FCCLA scholarships.

Each year, Mrs. Millican encourages and works with graduating students to apply for educational assistance. With

caring Robert Lee ISD teachers and staff providing support, guidance, and a solid educational foundation, many RLHS graduates are attending college on scholarship and grant awards.

Cassidy has enrolled at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas and plans to major in Multidisciplinary Sciences. Cassidy is the daughter of Robert and Marsha Wink of Robert Lee and the granddaughter of Joyce Dodson and the late Leslie and Erma Wink. She is following a Texas Tech family tradition as her dad, her brothers and sister all attended Tech. Cassidy also has 2 aunts, 3 uncles and a cousin who are Red Raider alumnae.

## School Menu



### Breakfast

- Monday, Sept. 4**  
Holiday
- Tuesday, Sept. 5**  
Juice, muffin, sausage, cereal, milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 6**  
Juice, ham, egg, cheese taco, cereal, milk
- Thursday, Sept. 7**  
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk
- Friday, Sept. 8**  
Juice, burrito, cereal, milk

### Lunch

- Monday, Sept. 4**  
Holiday
- Tuesday, Sept. 5**  
Chicken strips, gravy, mac & cheese, blackeyed peas, roll, fruit cocktail, milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 6**  
Tuna or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, tator tots, veg. sticks, apples, milk
- Thursday, Sept. 7**  
Barbecue meatballs, scalloped potatoes, green beans, sliced bread, peaches, milk
- Friday, Sept. 8**  
Chicken patty on bun, pickles, salad, corn on cob, pears, milk

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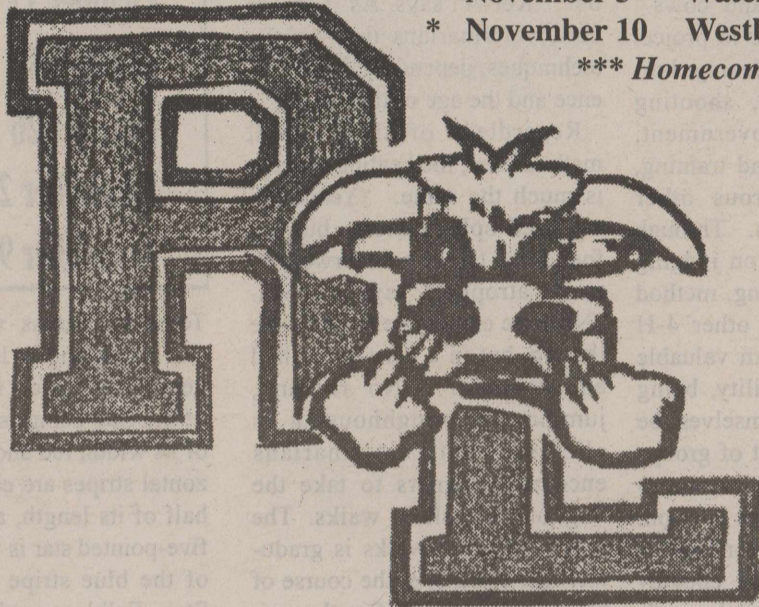
### On the menu:

Fried Fish, Hush Puppies, Beans, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Iced Tea

For more information contact Cynthia Dillard at the RLISD Superintendent's office at 453-4555

# ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL

Friday,  
September 1  
7:30 pm  
Rankin



September 1	Rankin	There	7:30
September 8	Borden County	Here	7:30
September 15	Santa Anna	There	7:30
September 22	Eden	Here	7:30
September 29	Trent	There	7:30
**October 6	R-chelle	Here	7:30
October 13	Open		
* October 20	Ira	Here	7:30
* October 27	Highland	There	7:30
** November 3	Water Valley	Here	7:30
* November 10	Westbrook	There	7:30

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# BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

## 4-H Seeks Members

The Coke County Extension agents will be conducting 4-H meetings in Bronte and Robert Lee to kick off the 4-H year. Any youth who is either 9 years old or 8 years old and in the 3rd grade, and has not reached their 19th birthday by August 31, 2006, is eligible to become a 4-H member. Meetings in Robert Lee will be held the first Wednesday of the month beginning September 6, 2006. The senior 4-H group, grades 7-12, will meet during the lunch period at the Catholic Church hall and the junior 4-H group, grades 3-6, will meet after school in the cafeteria. Bronte 4-H meetings will be held the 2nd Wednesday of the month, beginning September 13, 2006. Grades 3-12 will meet after school in the library.

4-H is open to any youth regardless of sex, religion, race, socio-economic level, color, disability, or national origin, who meet the age requirement listed above.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in these meetings, are encouraged to contact the Coke County Extension office to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

Being a member of 4-H offers vast opportunities to gain valuable experience in leadership, learning responsibility, inter-

action with others and knowledge in several project areas. Many people have the misconception that 4-H members only learn to cook, sew or have livestock projects, but 4-H is "more than just cooking and cows." Youth can participate in project areas including: gardening, horticulture, electricity, shooting sports, archery, government, wildlife, dog care and training, poultry and numerous other learning experiences. Through project work, being on judging teams, public speaking, method demonstrations and other 4-H areas, youth can learn valuable lessons in responsibility, being able to think for themselves, be able to speak in front of groups and other beneficial lessons to help them in their lives later on. Also, 4-H is not just for youth - adults and parents are encouraged to become involved as volunteer leaders to assist in club meetings and various project groups.

Additional information can be obtained from the Coke County Cooperative Extension office in the county courthouse, or by calling (325) 453-2461.

## Pet Talk

Athletes aren't the only ones who get ligament tears.

If Fido has a hitch in his get-along, a ligament tear may be to blame. A common injury among canines, ligament tears can cause a pet to limp or sit with one paw protruding. While this injury can be painful and permanent, seeking help from a veterinarian can put you and your pet at ease.

Dr. Sharon Kerwin, a veterinarian at the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University, says the most common type of ligament tear is the cruciate ligament tear in the knee or stifle joint. This is a frequent sports injury among humans, commonly known as an ACL tear. But in contrast, the animal injury happens over time due to stress. "With people, it is really common with trauma," says Kerwin, "but in dogs it tends to be more of an aging change."

Dogs are not the only four-legged companions to suffer from this type of injury. Cats are susceptible as well, although it is not as common, Kerwin adds. "With big, fat indoor cats that don't get a lot of exercise, we see more ligament tears, but not near as many as we see in dogs," Kerwin says. If a pet does tear a ligament, the injury is permanent. Surgery, however, can repair the damage, and it is the best option for the majority of pets. The goal of the surgery is two-fold, Kerwin explains. "The first thing we do when we get in there is take care of cartilage damage," says Kerwin. "The second thing we do is to try and stabilize the joint so we don't have continued damage." Kerwin adds that one of the cur-

rent hot topics in veterinary medicine is which surgical procedures should be used to repair ligament tears. "We don't have a lot of objective studies that say this procedure is better than that one," Kerwin says. As it stands now, veterinarians use various techniques, depending on preference and the age of the dog.

Regardless of the surgical method used, the healing process is much the same. "Years ago we used splints more, but we found that the legs underwent so much atrophy," says Kerwin. "Now we encourage them to use the leg, but in a very controlled environment." No running, jumping or roughhousing is allowed, but veterinarians encourage owners to take the dog out for short walks. The length of these walks is gradually increased over the course of eight to 12 weeks after the surgery. "It usually takes a good three months until the animal is healed," says Kerwin. "It's a big commitment when it's your dog."

The ideal situation would be to prevent the injury entirely, but this may prove to be a difficult task because the injury comes with age. However, Kerwin says she has noticed that the dogs most at risk of ligament tears are overweight, middle-age dogs. "Keeping your dog slim and fit can probably help, either in prevention or getting them through the surgery better," Kerwin says. Kerwin hopes that pet owners will do just that because of the frequency of ligament tears. "We see this injury almost every day," Kerwin adds.

## Honor The Texas Flag

by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

As students return from summer vacations, many will soon begin learning Texas history as part of their curriculum. Texas pride is instilled in us at an early age as we learn about our state's history in school. As we grow, so does our pride. This is evident by the fact that a Texan is never far from a Texas flag.

Whether flying above the Texas Capitol or hanging in the homes of displaced Texans around the world, our flag conveys how we feel about our state. Texas' identity as the Lone Star State is represented in our flag's design, which has always reflected our independence.

Our flag's history dates back to 1836, but it has not always looked as simple and classic as it does today. The original Texas flag featured a gold star in the middle of a blue field, while other early Texas flags contained a blue field featuring a white five-pointed star and the word "TEXAS" embroidered between the star's points.

The dimensions and colors of our current flag were adopted and specifically defined by the

## Bronte Junior High Football Schedule

September 7	Rotan	There	5:00
September 14	Open		
September 21	Winters	There	5:00
September 28	Sterling City	Here	5:30
October 5	Eldorado	There	5:30
October 12	Menard	Here	5:30
October 19	Irion County	There	5:30
October 26	Forsan	Here	5:30
November 2	Miles	There	5:30
November 9	Christoval	Here	5:30

Texas Congress when Texas was a republic in 1839: a blue, vertical stripe on the left side of the flag comprises one-third of its width, red and white horizontal stripes are each equal to half of its length, and a white, five-pointed star is in the center of the blue stripe - the Lone Star. Folklore explains the red stripe as representing the bloodied ground in Texas' battle for independence from Mexico. State legislation passed in 1933 qualified the flag's colors as blood red, azure blue and white, representing bravery, loyalty and purity, respectively. In 1993, these colors were changed to "Old Glory Red" and "Old Glory Blue" to mimic the colors of the U.S. flag.

Because our current flag is such a recognizable image, many do not realize that it is only one in a line of six flags that have flown for our state. The "Six Flags Over Texas" - the Kingdom of France, the Kingdom of Spain, the Mexican Federal Republic, the Republic of Texas, the Confederate States of America, and the United States of America - all represent different eras, and the legacy of each flag contributes to our state's culture. This unique heritage resonates not only in our diversity but also in our varied styles of music, art, food and culture.

Texans take great pride in our flag - especially when they see one outside Texas. In the U.S. Senate building in Washington, D.C., a large Texas flag is displayed at the end of the hallway in front of my office, and few visitors leave without tak-

ing pictures with this flag. I regularly observe families crowding around the flag to recite the Texas pledge, "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible."

The Texas flag has a special mystique. When I visit Texans serving abroad in the armed forces, I frequently notice the display of the Texas flag. Texas soldiers speak of the aura surrounding the flag and its ability to heighten morale and arouse camaraderie. This is the essence of our flag. Not long ago, I had the opportunity to tour Afghanistan and visit with soldiers bravely defending America in the War on Terror. Upon arriving, I was moved to see a Texas flag waving proudly in that war-torn country.

Our state flag has even been to space. In 1972, NASA astronaut Charlie Duke took a Texas flag to the moon. When he served as lunar module pilot of Apollo 16, the fifth manned lunar landing mission, a Texas flag was stowed behind his seat. This flag is currently on display at the Texas State History Museum in Austin as part of the "It Still Ain't Braggin' If It's True" exhibit.

Our flag has a deep history and strength. It has a special place in our state's lore, and it represents the pride of Texas wherever it is displayed.

## Miles Take A Taste set for Sept. 8th

A Taste Testing of all the salsa and bake-off entries at the Miles Cotton Festival will be held at 9 pm on Friday, September 8 at the Miles Young Farmers Complex in Miles. Come and enjoy all the great entries as we get ready for the Miles Cotton Festival this next weekend.

## School Menu

### Breakfast

**Monday, Sept. 4**

Holiday

**Tuesday, Sept. 5**

Cereal, diced pears, biscuit, jelly, milk

**Wednesday, Sept. 6**

Sausage rolls, assorted juice, milk

**Thursday, Sept. 7**

French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk

**Friday, Sept. 8**

Honeybun, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, Sept. 4**

Holiday

**Tuesday, Sept. 5**

Chicken strips, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, fruit cup, milk

**Wednesday, Sept. 6**

Soft tacos w/cheese, lettuce & tomato, refried beans, Spanish rice, flour tortilla, fruit jello, milk

**Thursday, Sept. 7**

Lasagna, tossed salad, corn, carrot sticks, bread sticks, chocolate pudding, milk

**Friday, Sept. 8**

Chick-Fil-Lay sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, French fries, grapes, bun, ice cream cups, milk

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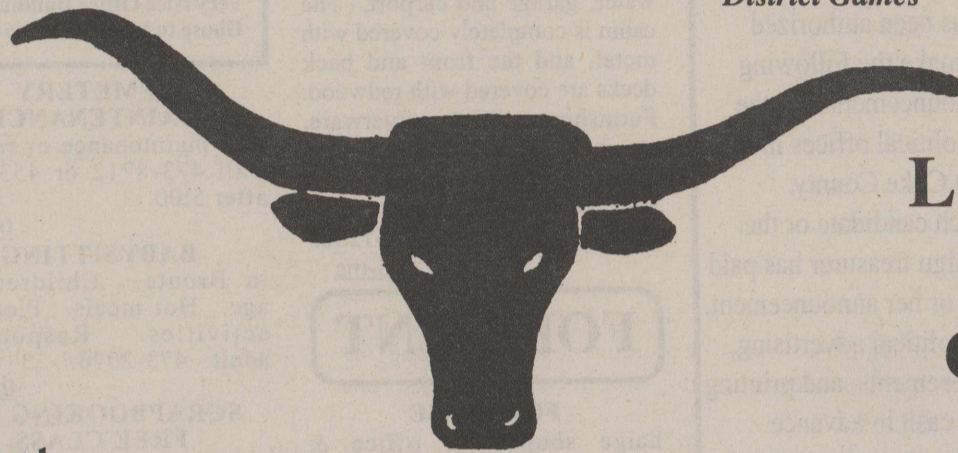


# BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

September 1	Cross Plains	There	7:30
September 8	Rotan	Here	7:30
September 15	Open		
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* October 27	Forsan	There	7:30
* November 3	Miles	Here	7:30
* November 10	Christoval	There	7:30

\* District Games • \*\* Homecoming

**Friday**  
**September 1**  
**7:30 pm**  
**Cross Plains**



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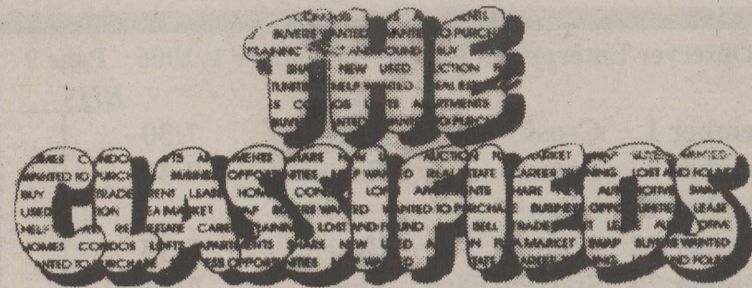
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- COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4**  
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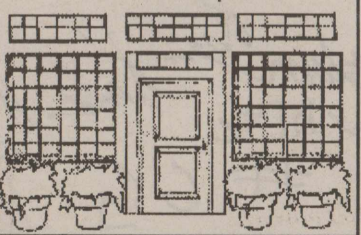
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The families of Doyle Caulder, Shirley Turner, Jean Chew & Wayne Caulder

**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK**  
the community of Robert Lee for all they have done for us. We really appreciate your prayers and support. Meghan is doing better. She has to return to Fort Worth for further treatment in November. Thank you very much for your love and support.  
The Bohannon Family

**NOTICES**

**BRONTE ISD**  
is accepting proposals for: 1. Construction of Parking Lot and 2. Installation of Guard Rails. For specifications contact the Superintendent's office, 210 South Jefferson, Bronte, Texas. Mailing address: PO Box 670, Bronte, TX 76933. Phone: 325-473-2511, Fax: 325-473-2313. Proposals are due September 12, 2006, at 2:00 pm. Bronte ISD reserves the right to accept/reject any or all proposals.

**SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE**

The CITY OF BRONTE will hold a meeting at 6:45 pm on September 14, 2006 at Bronte City Hall, 114 S. Washington, Bronte, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2006. The proposed tax rate is 0.39000 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in CITY OF BRONTE by 4.22% percent.

**SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE**

The City of Robert Lee will hold a meeting on September 11, 2006 at the Robert Lee City Hall, Robert Lee, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2006. The proposed tax rate is 0.37709 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Robert Lee by 0%.

...More Classifieds

**NOTICES**

**SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE**

The EAST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold a meeting at 6:30 pm on September 11, 2006 at Bronte Health and Rehab Center, 900 S. State St., Bronte, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2006. The proposed tax rate is 0.37300 per \$100 of value.

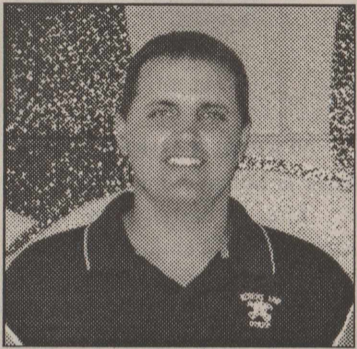
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**SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE**

The COKE COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT will hold a meeting at 7:30 pm on September 11, 2006 at Coke County Courthouse, 13 E. 7th, Robert Lee, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2006. The proposed tax rate is 0.01136 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in COKE COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT by 7.88% percent.

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**Introducing RLISD's new faculty**



**Aaron Hood**

Aaron was named Superintendent in January. He is married to Maranda Hood. He is the father of Braylee, 2 years old, and Brewer, 4 months old.

He received his Bachelor's and Master's degree from Angelo State University and was previously the High School Principal at Veribest ISD.

His hobbies are playing golf, playing with his kids, and going to the races to watch family members race on the dirt track.



**Andrew Fowler**

Andrew will be the new Director of Bands/Elementary music at Robert Lee this year.

He graduated Angelo State University in December, 2005. He was a saxophone performer with Angelo State Marching Band from 1998-2003. He was a jazz band performer with ASU for 3 years and guest performer with Howard College Night/WK jazz band. He has done numerous solo and small ensemble performances which include premiering several new works. He was born in San Angelo and graduated from Central High School in 1998.

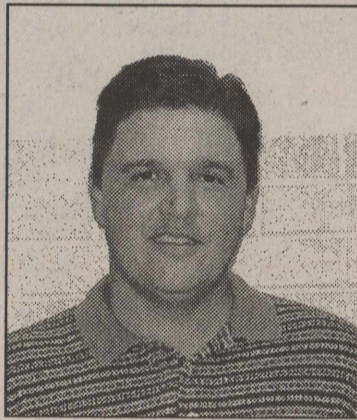


**Dawn Harrison**

Dawn will be new to the teaching staff this year. She will teach 4th, 5th, and 6th grade. She is married to Shawn Harrison and has one child, Jordan (J.J.) Harrison.

She received a B.S. from Tarleton State and an M.A. from Texas Tech. She worked at Three Way ISD for 4 years and New Home ISD for 6 years.

Her hobbies include reading, playing piano, and traveling.



**Dwin Nanny**

Dwin came in January to the position of Principal. He is married to Sallie and they have 3 children, Jorie 13, Cade 9, and Kloie 7.

He received a B.S. in Agriculture from Tarleton, M. Ed in Mid-Management from Angelo State, and Superintendent certification also from Angelo State University. This is his 14th year in education.



**Frankie Gartman**

Frankie will move from High School Special Ed to 2nd grade teacher this year. She is married to Coach Kerry Gartman and has two children, Justin & Jordan, 11 years old and are 6th graders at Robert Lee Elementary. She graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1982 and Angelo State University in December 1985. She taught Special Education for 8 years at Robert Lee, 1 year at Ozona, 4 years at Ropesville,

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and 4 years at Haskell. Her hobbies include supporting the Steers!



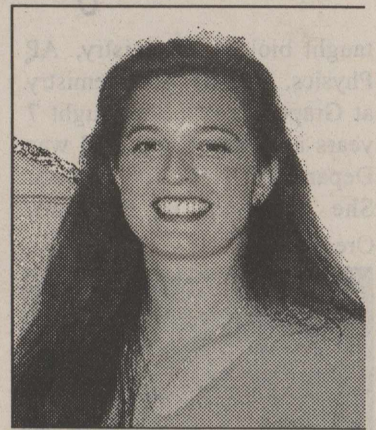
**Kristy Hooten**

Kristy is another new member of the teaching staff in Robert Lee. She will be the Special Education Aid. She is married to Jim Hooten and has 2 children, Bailey age 8 and Kolten age 3.

She has an Associate Degree in psychology and B.A. in Sociology. She has seven years

experience with Tom Green County working with adult and juvenile offenders.

She likes being outdoors and spending time with her family.



**Stephanie Brady**

Stephanie is new to the teaching staff in Robert Lee this year. She will be the high school science teacher.

She received a BA at Arizona State University and is certified for Secondary Science & Math. She

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON COKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET**

The Coke County Appraisal District Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2007 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on Friday, September 15, 2006 at 5:30 P.M. in the Appraisal District office in the Courthouse, 2nd Floor West, 13 East 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas.

The total amount of the proposed budget is \$133,535.00. This is 1.29% (.0129) increase from the 2006 budget.

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget is two full-time and one part-time. The number of employees compensated by the current year s budget is two full-time and one part-time.

The Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Appraisal District. If approved by the Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, the propped budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, and cities served by the Appraisal District.

A copy of of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies.

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<b>2002 Toyota Celica GT</b> Satin Silver • Automatic • Very Sporty! • 29K Miles	#7013A	\$14,995	<b>2006 Ford Explorer XLT</b> Dark Stone • Tan Interior • 16,000 Miles!	#7050	\$19,995
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<b>2005 Lincoln Towncar Signature</b> French Silk • Beige Leather • Light hail	#7037	\$26,995
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## Introducing RLISD's new faculty

taught biology, chemistry, AP Physics, AP BIO, AP Chemistry at Grape Creek. She taught 7 years at Grape Creek and was Department Head for 5 years. She grew up in Portland, Oregon.

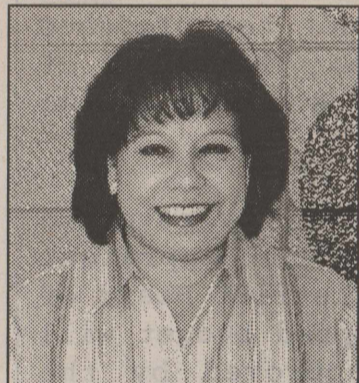


**Lupe Torres**

Lupe came last year but in January became Maintenance Supervisor. He is married to Cheryl Torres and they have 2 children, Bailey and Kaily Torres and a dog named Katie.

He went to Robert Lee High School and Elementary. He was the Green keeper at Mountain Creek Golf Course for 13 years. He was at the Robert Lee County Park for 6 years.

He has played at the San Antonio Market Square Fan Fair Music Festival. There were 4,500 there, and Lupe was center stage. Hobbies include being a musician, golfer, and fisherman.

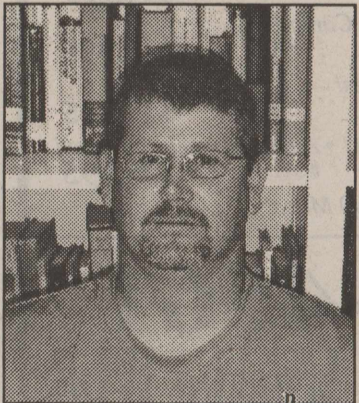


**Rosa Long**

Rosa is the new Elementary Secretary. She is married to Kyle Long and has 2 daughters and one granddaughter.

She is an RLHS graduate and has lived in Robert Lee all of her life. Rosa has 2 daughters and one granddaughter. Her husband works for TXDOT.

Her previous job was Special Ed Clerk for Bronte ISD. Before that she worked for the First National Bank in Bronte, SAGO Energy and was the Secretary at the County Judge's office. She spends all of her free time enjoying her grandbaby.



**Shawn Harrison**

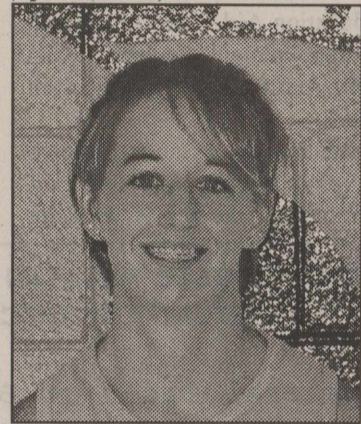
Shawn is the new Head Boys basketball/Elem. PE coach. He is married to Dawn and has one

child, Jordan (J.J.) Harrison.

He received his B.S. from Texas Tech University and M. Ed. from Tarleton State University.

He was assistant coach at Tarleton State for 3 1/2 years and Head Boys basketball at Three Way ISD for 4 years and Head Boys basketball at New Home ISD for 6 years.

His hobbies are pencil sketching, reading, and watching TV (Sports-ESPN).



**Sabrina Cowart**

Sabrina will hold the position of Instructional Aide this year at Robert Lee. Last year, she worked for Small Schools Cooperative as a Paraprofessional on the Robert Lee Campus. She is currently working on her degree in Business Administration.

Her hobbies include photography, exercising, and volunteering at several veterinarian clinics in San Angelo.



**Vianna Madrid**

Vianna is not new to RLISD but will hold her new position as High School Library Paraprofessional. She is married to Frankie Madrid and they have one child, Julia Madrid.

She is currently pursuing the completion of an Associates Degree in Office Administration at Howard College. She is also taking the required core-curriculum courses to continue her education with a Bachelors Degree in Applied Arts and Sciences (B.A.A.S.).



**Maranda Hood**

Maranda is new to the teaching staff at Robert Lee this year. She will be the new Special

Education teacher. She is married to Aaron Hood and mother of Braylee Marie Hood, 2 years old whose favorite color is orange and Brewer Wayne Hood will be 4 months on September 8, 2006. He is doing great and will go back to Ft. Worth for check up and Swallow Study in October.

She attended college at ASU, majored in SPED and minored in Phy. Ed. (Kinse.) She did her student teaching at Cross Plains. Her previous positions: Paraprofessional in Kindergarten at Irion Co., Behavioral Unit at Grape Creek Elem/Inter, Middle School, Spec. Ed. Teacher at Grape Creek ISD (Middle School).

She loves to take pictures of anything and would like to play golf again in the next year or so.

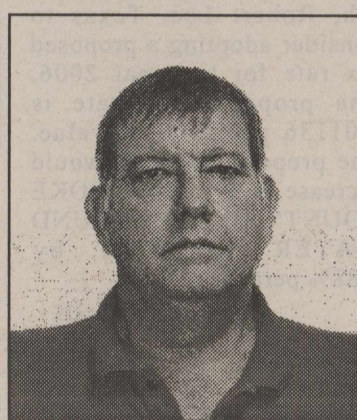
**Julian H. Torres**

Julian started in January in maintenance. He is married to Rosa Isela G. Torres and has 2 children, Julian E. and Chris Torres.

He graduated from RLHS. He was maintenance, janitor & van driver for the Robert Lee Care

Center for 12 years. Maintenance at Courthouse for 5 years and maintenance 4 years at the Mountain Creek Golf Course.

His hobbies are hunting, fishing, camping. He has resided in Robert Lee for 37 years.



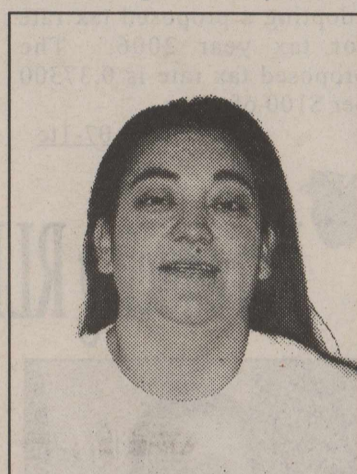
**Wayne Simpson**

Wayne came in last year as Asst. Principal. He has been married to Vickie Simpson for 31 years and has 2 children, Candace Hanes, head tennis coach and assistant volleyball coach at Crandall HS in Crandall, Texas, and Michael Simpson, junior at Texas A&M at College Station.

Wayne graduated from Lake

View High School in San Angelo in 1973. In 1977, he received a BBA at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and attended SMU on a football scholarship, played 4 years NCAA Division 1 football. In 2004, he received his MEd at ASU.

His previous work experience includes Special Ed teacher for Ector Co, ISD, Odessa, Business teacher at Lake View HS, owner/operated Simpson Motor Co. in San Angelo for 20 years.



**Maria Tinkler**

Maria is our new custodian this year. She is married to Wade Tinkler and has 2 children, Olga in 10th grade and Daria in 4th grade

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