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Special election set for Tuesday, November 6

by Hal Spain, Publisher

The special election for sixteen constitutional amendments will be held in Coke County and throughout the state on Tuesday, November 6. Constitutional amendment election turnouts are notoriously low; however, there are some issues on this ballot that strike close to home and deserve our attention and our collective vote.

Proposition 1 on the ballot is the transfer of ASU from the Texas State University System to the Texas Tech University system. This is the ballot item that our own state legislator Drew Darby and Senator Robert Duncan fought so hard for.

Having two degrees from Texas Tech, I feel qualified to weigh in on this issue. However, I am always reminded what my mother used to say which is, "Who cares what the publisher thinks, anyway (especially when she disagreed with him or her)."

Realizing that risk is ever present, I will tell you that I have been a strong supporter of this amendment, even before it was thought to be a viable concept. One of the main reasons I support the amendment is that the ASU system is much more closely associated with Texas Tech, both geographically and philosophically, than it is with the Texas State System,

which is headquartered in San Marcos.

Another reason I support this amendment is, if this relationship had existed in 1969 when I graduated high school, I would have seriously considered attending at least one degree from ASU, then transferring to Texas Tech for a Master's Degree. Starting out at a smaller school would have definitely helped my transition from a small high school to a college with over 20,000 students (at that time).

For those I have talked with who didn't understand the importance of this issue, I hope this clears it up a little.

Another important issue on the amendment ballot is #15, which would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would authorize up to \$3 billion in general obligation bonds for research on all forms of human cancer. This is another important issue that requires your consideration and your vote, regardless of whether you are for or against the amendment.

Polls will be open at the four precinct locations on Tuesday, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm. Precinct 1 will be voting at the Senior Citizens Building, 225 County Park Road, in Robert Lee.



Trick or Treat! Coke County Head Start kids did a little trick or treating around Robert Lee Tuesday morning, October 30, and we were lucky to get them together for a quick photo.

Precinct 2 will be voting at the Senior Citizens Building, 613 E. Oliver in Bronte. Precinct 3 voters will cast their ballots at the Courthouse at 13 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee, and Precinct 4 will be voting at the City Hall, 114 S. Washington in Bronte.

Due to space limitations, we will be unable to publish a description of these amendments in this issue; however, they were published in the September 14th and 21st issues of the Observer/Enterprise, if you have those issues available. You may also go online to www.sos.state.tx.us, to learn more about these amendments.

Courthouse to be closed

The Coke County Courthouse will be closed Tuesday, November 6 for

election day. It will reopen as usual on Wednesday, November 7.

Counties offer hunter appreciation barbecues

Coke, Sterling, and Rannels Counties will offer four barbecues to show our appreciation to you, as hunters, who choose to spend your recreational time in our counties. Three of the barbecues are set for this weekend, opening weekend of deer season. Each are detailed below, in chronological order.

Wild Game Barbecue Lunch at Bronte

The annual Hunters' Wild Game Barbecue Lunch is once again slated for Bronte, this year on Saturday, November 3, opening day of the deer season. As in years past, the barbecue lunch will be at no charge to attending hunters, and is sponsored by Hall's Super Save Grocery and B&K Processing.

The menu will consist of deer and elk sandwiches, smoked sausage, beans, soft drinks, and dessert. Serving will begin at 11 am and go until 2 pm. The location is

B&K Processing (behind Hall's Grocery) in Bronte.

If you haven't eaten the variety of wild game sandwiches and sausages prepared at Bronte, don't miss this opportunity to sample some of these excellent meats. In previous years, the menu has also included rattlesnake and other exotic wild game cooked on the grill for your sampling pleasure.

While you're there, don't forget to tour their state of the art processing facility.

WCCCD Hunter Appreciation Barbecue

West Coke County Community Development will sponsor their 19th annual Hunters' Appreciation Barbecue on Saturday evening, November 3. Free to area hunters, the barbecue will again take place at the rec hall in the county park in Robert Lee.

The supper will include plenty of barbecued brisket and sausage, beans, potato salad, iced tea, and fixings. Serving will begin at 6 pm and will continue until 9 pm.

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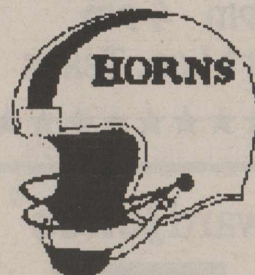
Coke County Football

BRONTE LONGHORNS

vs.

Miles Bulldogs

7:30 pm • Friday
November 2 • Miles



ROBERT LEE STEERS

vs.

Water Valley Wildcats

7:30 pm • Friday
November 2 • Water Valley



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Obituaries



Turner

Robbie Bell Turner was born in Robert Lee, Texas, on December 3, 1909. She had a very happy childhood in Robert Lee and graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1926 at the age of 16. She dearly loved her Mama and Papa and her eight older sisters. She was the baby of the family but she wasn't spoiled - she was "one of the girls".

Robbie married her soul mate, Marcus Turner, in 1926 at the age of 17. She loved being a farmer's wife. She was a great cook, she had a big garden, and she canned, sewed, and quilted.

When she moved to Robert Lee in 1942, (when her husband was in the service), she cared for her mother until her death in 1950.

Robbie and Marcus moved to Iris Street in San Angelo in 1951. Their mutual hobby was square dancing, attending sporting events and watching baseball and football on TV. Marcus worked for Pool Well Service until his death in 1982. They had been married 55 years.

After selling her home on Iris Street in late 1990, she lived for several years on the 10th floor of Concho Manor. Following a hospital stay, she realized she needed to be at Meadow Creek Nursing Home. She felt at home there because she had made daily visits to be with her sister, Opal Brown, who was a resident of Meadow Creek for several years.

Robbie's hobby at Meadow Creek was observing all holidays with her door decorations. She spent hours nearly every day cutting out symbols and pictures from the newspaper and magazines. She would

arrange them in an artistic way, and then transfer them to the door. This was her way of sharing her love with fellow residents, nursing staff and visitors. She would interact with the persons who stopped to make comments or to admire her work. Her most recent doors this year were for Mother's Day, Memorial Day and Father's Day.

Robbie attended very few activities at Meadow Creek but did greatly enjoy going to Bible Study when she was able. The Robert Lee United Methodist Church supplied her with the Upper Room devotionals and she read them daily as well as her newspaper. She enjoyed walking the halls with her rolling walker and visiting along the way. She was a stylish dresser and always had a smile and a twinkle in her eyes.

She loved having visits from relatives and friends and receiving calls, cards, and letters from them.

Robbie was honored recently at Meadow Creek for government service during World War II. In the 1940's when she was living in Robert Lee, she worked for a time on the U.S. rationing board. She issued ration stamps for gas, meat, sugar, and shoes.

She was the aunt of nineteen nieces and nephews. The children of her sisters were Jack Sturman of Tulia, Texas (deceased); Bill Sturman of Riverside, California; Frank Sturman of Boise, Idaho; Floydene

Groves of Las Cruces, New Mexico; Janie Beth Sturman of Thousand Palms, California; Joyce Hope Jarmon of Corpus Christi, Texas; Marjorie Lewis of San Angelo, Texas (deceased); Gwendolyn Scherz of San Angelo, Texas; Robert Lowry of Houston, Texas (deceased); Carleen Craddock of Medina, Texas; Alta Bell Kay of Alpine, Texas; Jamie Boren of Robert Lee, Texas; Jo Ann Littlefield of Grove, Oklahoma; Janet Rathmell of Mertzon, Texas; Peggy Gilmore of San Angelo, Texas (deceased); Bill Rial Denman of Medina, Texas; (Robbie's administrator and caregiver); Tommy Joy Denman of Corona Del Mar, California; Charlotte Prickett of Carrollton, Texas; and Craig Landers of El Centro, California (deceased).

She had at least six great nieces and nephews who visited her frequently as well as about eight great-great nieces and nephews. One great niece, Rebecca Levesque of San Angelo, helped care for Aunt Robbie.

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...Hunters Dinners

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The feed is at no cost to hunters, but tickets are necessary. They are available from the party from whom they lease, or from participating individuals and businesses who have supported the barbecue by donations.

The annual barbecue is produced by WCCCD members and great local volunteers who do the work - preparing, cooking, serving, clean-up - and whatever it takes to make the event happen.

Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets at the following locations in Robert Lee: C&H Auto and Hardware, Super H Grocery, Key Feed Store, and Wink Insurance, all in Robert Lee. You may also mail your donation to WCCCD, PO

Box 226, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

For more information contact Barbecue Chairman Robert Wink at (325) 453-4551 (ofc) or (325) 453-2003 (home).

The annual barbecue has grown from about 300 the first year to as many as 1,000 hungry hunters in recent years.

Hunters' Dinner at Ballinger

The annual Hunters' Dinner at Ballinger will be held Saturday, November 3, 2007. The barbecue plate dinner will be held at the Community Center from 6 til 9 pm. Ticket prices are \$6.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12.

All types of raffle prizes are available to tickets buyers, including rifles, shotguns, digital game camera, laser range finders, scopes, deer feeders, custom made hunting knives, a chainsaw, and a fiberglass deer blind.

For more information on the Runnels County Game Dinner, contact the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at (325) 365-2333.

Sorosis Study Club to host Potato Bake

Everyone is invited to enjoy a baked potato with all the trimmings, as well as salad and dessert, served from the fellowship hall at the First Baptist Church, on November 6. Tickets can be purchased from Sorosis Study Club members as well as at the door. All proceeds will benefit the scholarships

given to graduating seniors at Bronte ISD.

Coke County Red Hats Meeting set

Once again it's time for the Red Hats to gather,

For fun and games and idle chatter.

Bronte 1st Baptist Church on Tuesday, November 6, is the place to meet,

For a delicious baked potato, salad and dessert treat.

Mind your manners and watch what you say!!!

We want to make a good impression in every way.

The cost is minimal, the time is 11:00,

Lets all go to Church for a real taste of Heaven.

Coke County Red Hat Club welcomes new members. We pay no dues and have no rules. Dress is mostly casual, but anything is acceptable. Each member is responsible for the cost of her lunch and for her method of travel. Mostly we travel by automobile, but come on horseback, horse and buggy, or stagecoach if you choose.

McSwain to be guest speaker at Sorosis Study Club

Ross McSwain, popular author and columnist for the San Angelo Standard Times, will be guest speaker at the November 8 meeting of the Sorosis Study Club. The meeting will be in the recreation room of the Housing Authority of Bronte at 116 NE Railroad Street starting at 7 pm. The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information, please call Lanette Fletcher at 473-6791.

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

- Bronte Church of Christ**
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
(325) 473-3291
Preacher John V. Driggers
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
- Central Baptist Church**
324 S. Franklin • Bronte
(325) 473-4811
Dale Patterson, 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. David Bailey, Pastor
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. George Bradley, 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
- St. James Catholic Church**
215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sun. 5 pm

- 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
- Northside Church of Christ**
PO Box 508 • 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
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 & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
- 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


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Fall hunting season is upon us

by Hal Spain, Publisher

What a difference a year can make, huh? Last year we were whining about the drought. And it was pretty bad – the pastures were all grazed off; we were suffering a lot of deer mortality from one disease or another, depending on whom you talked to; we saw almost no does with twins, but when we did, we said, “Uh-Oh, that’ll never work this year.” We had basically no quail hatch last year – quail just quit trying to pair up about the 1st of June, and went back to the covey to try to survive with no cover and nothing to eat. I really don’t know how the turkey survived last year as well as they did. Mother Nature must know something the rest of us don’t.

This year has been about one of the biggest turnarounds you can imagine in the wildlife situation in Coke County. Some areas of the county have received as much as forty inches of rainfall through the third quarter of 2007. Other areas are not quite that blessed, but almost every area of the county is over thirty inches of rainfall (through the third quarter of the year). And our annual average rainfall in somewhere between 18 and 20 inches; so you can imagine the metamorphosis our area as well as most other areas of the state have experienced.

I’ll try to explain how this has affected our wildlife populations. Concerning our deer, I have seen no less than a jillion little four and six point bucks, and about as many spikes as I have seen little eight point bucks. As to horns, I think it will be a couple more years before we work our way out of this drought cycle and get these little four, six and little eight point bucks old enough to sport some decent antlers. I think we need to get these deer up to at least four years old before they’re going to show you a decent rack.

As to how to accomplish that, it’s pretty tough unless your place is big enough to start some type of management program. Maybe you can get your neighboring ranches to join with you in some type of management program.

There has to be some way to let these little six and eight point bucks get old enough to show their potential. But that is something we are still trying to get a handle on in most areas of the county.

As to our quail populations, welcome to paradise for the bobwhite quail in the year 2007. There are several criteria that have been identified which contribute to having a good quail population, and we have met or exceeded all those criteria in 2007. From nesting habitat, to plenty of humidity, weeds, and an overabundance of insects, we have had everything a quail needs to multiply.

How many do we have? I don’t know, cause the cover has

been so thick all spring, summer, and fall that I haven’t been able to see ‘em. I am just now seeing some quail at my grain feeders, and I am seeing some half-grown birds in big coveys, which indicates to me that we had an additional late hatch this year, and that is “way” good.

Quail populations can rebound quicker than anything I know. But I think it will be a couple more years in most areas before we can get back to the kinds of numbers we would like to hunt. But who knows, maybe I’m wrong.

I don’t know how all the turkeys survived the drought, but there was a lot of ‘em that did, and they all reproduced very well in 2007; so we are looking for a very good year for the wild turkey in Coke County. I have been seeing a lot of hens with half grown jakes and little hens (whatever they’re called, I forget). I am also seeing some pretty big toms, which are still hanging with their male counterparts.

I can tell you where the turkeys are now. The hard part is where they go when season starts. Your guess is as good as mine. Old Ben Franklin was right. They should be our national bird. I hate to badmouth the eagle, but they come in as a distant second to the wild turkey. On second thought, maybe it’s better they’re not the national bird. Some tree hugging bureaucrat in Washington would put them on the endangered species list, and we couldn’t hunt ‘em.

As to seasons, we have just closed the book on a pretty good dove season, which ran from Sept. 1 through October 30, 2007. The winter short season

runs from December 26, 2007 through January 4, 2008, with a daily bag limit of 12 in the central zone, which includes Coke County.

Archery season for deer and turkey will close on November 2, 2007, with no antlerless permit required except on MLD properties. The general deer season will run from November 3, 2007 through January 6, 2008. The special late general season will run from Jan. 7 – 20, 2008, for antlerless and spike bucks only. The bag limit for deer is 5, with no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined.

Turkey season will run concurrently with deer season, Nov. 3 through Jan. 6. Spring turkey season will be March 29 through May 11, gobblers only, with a bag limit of 4 (all seasons combined).

Quail season will run statewide Oct. 27, 2007 through Feb. 24, 2008, with a daily limit of 15 and a possession limit of 45.

Legal shooting hours for all game animals and nonmigratory game birds are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Hunting stamp endorsements which are required are an archery stamp - \$7; migratory game birds - \$7; upland game birds - \$7; and a federal migratory game bird (duck stamp) - \$17.

Hunting Lease License (Types 132, 133, and 134)

Required of a landowner or landowner’s agent who leases hunting rights to another person on property they own or control for pay or other consideration. The license must be displayed on the property.

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Coke County Library Book Sale
 706 Austin • Robert Lee
First Chance Sale
 Friday, Nov. 2 • 9 am - 12 noon
 Saturday, Nov. 3 • 9 am - 2 pm
Second Chance Sale
 Monday, Nov. 5 • 9 am - 12 noon

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\$12.59

18 Pack
Cans

Reg., Light or Select

Budweiser Beer

\$12.59

18 Pack
Cans

License fee: \$75 for 1 through 499 acres; \$140 for 500 through 999 acres; or \$240 for 1,000 acres or more: Note: Recordbook no longer required.

If you have any questions concerning any of the regulations governing our hunting and fishing resources, please consult the 2007-2008 Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual, which is available at no charge where you purchase your hunting license. For further information contact your local game warden. Have a wonderful time during your stay in our area. Please remember that you are ambassadors for all of us involved in the hunting and outdoor industry. Don't forget to think SAFETY every time you handle a firearm, and make proper gun handling and safe shooting a part of your everyday life at home or in the field. Have a safe and successful season.

Feral Hog Workshop set for RL

The Texas Cooperative Extension offices in Coke and Sterling counties have teamed up to present a "Feral Hog Appreciation Day" at 8 am, November 12, in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall.

The Robert Lee Recreation Hall is located at the County Park in Robert Lee at the corner of Austin and 15th streets.

Five and one half Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered with three general, two IPM and one half in Laws and Regulations.

"Feral hogs are a growing menace across much of our area, and until recently, we haven't had much of a problem here," said Tommy Antilley, Extension agent for Coke County. "That's all changing now as evidenced by the

increasing number of hog calls we are getting these days.

"These appreciation days have been held around the state to bring landowners and managers up to date on what is happening in their particular area. Now it's our turn, because we have them here now. Unfortunately, once you have them, they are all but impossible to get rid of. Our aim is to teach producers what tools are available to help them cope with this new factor on our ranges."

Morning topics are: "What's Your Feral Hog IQ", "Appreciating Feral Hogs", "Feral Hogs in Texas, the Good, the Bad and the Ugly", "Status and Distribution of Feral Hogs in Texas", "Feral Hog Biology", "Animal Health Regulations", "Transfer of Feral Hogs", "Diseases", "Interactions with Native Wildlife", and "Research Updates."

Following a catered lunch, the afternoon session will include "Controlling Feral Hogs", "Hunting Opportunities of Feral Hogs - Feral Hog Damage to Landowners" and "Laws and Regulations Governing Feral Hogs".

Adjournment is set for 3 pm.

Individual pre-registration price to cover the meal and handouts will increase after November 5. Please RSVP by November 5 so they can get a lunch count.

For more information call the Extension offices in Coke County, 325-453-2461 or Sterling County, 325-378-3181.

Coke County dance slated

The monthly dance for Coke County will be held from 7 pm to 10 pm, Tuesday, November 13, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Everyone is invited to take this opportunity for some fun.

There is a break from dancing around 8 pm for a little snacking. After the good finger foods, it will be

time to get out and dance once again, and burn off some of those calories.

The turnouts have been fairly good, but it would be nice to have a few more pairs and/or spares to make it a really fun evening. It is a great time for a little socializing, a little snacking, and a lot of dancing!

Singing Winds to host golf tourney

There will be a 27 hole, two person golf tournament on November 17, at the Singing Winds Golf Course, Bronte. For more information, please call 473-2156.

Livestock Risk Management Workshops slated

Texas cattle and forage producers have faced many frustrating conditions over the past ten years. Drought, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) incidents, volatile markets, and rising input costs such as fuel and fertilizer have combined to increase risk levels in the cattle industry. Now, with the cost of corn and feedstuffs, producers are yet again faced with unparalleled input costs. Although cattle prices have stayed relatively high, never has the importance for risk management been higher in the cattle industry.

To assist cattlemen with their risk management skills, the Texas Cooperative Extension

is partnering with the Risk Management Agency of the USDA and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to offer two one-day Livestock Risk Management Workshops. The objective of these workshops is to provide cattlemen an overview of the risk management tools approved by the Risk Management Agency and that are available through local crop insurance agents as well as other risk management programs of Texas Cooperative Extension. The speakers for the workshops include specialists from both agencies and will cover the Pasture, Rangeland, and Forage Insurance, Livestock Risk Protection for Feeder Cattle and Fed Cattle, Livestock Gross Margin and the current market situation and outlook. At the San Angelo program, there will be segments on the new Livestock Risk Protection-Lamb policies for lamb producers and an update on the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance coverage. Anyone involved in the livestock industry would benefit by attending this workshop.

The San Angelo workshop will be held on November 7, beginning at 8:30 am at the Management Instruction and Research Center of Angelo State University.

These workshops are provided through a partnership of the

Texas Cooperative Extension, the Risk Management Agency of the USDA, and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

While there is no registration fee for these workshops, it is important to reserve a seat. Early registration will ensure you have a seat for this important workshop.

Registration forms can be obtained in the Coke County Extension office, located in the county courthouse.

First Annual Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic

West Texas Rehabilitation Center's First Annual Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic will be held on Saturday, November 10 at the San Angelo Claybird Association.

There is an entry fee, which is less if you pay it by October 26. The entry fee will include:

- 100 targets per shooter
- A random drawing for Beretta 391 shotgun, \$600 gift certificate from the Outdoorsman in San Angelo, and \$500 cash.
- Lunch catered by Kenny Blane
- A plaque for the top scorer
- A gift from West Texas Rehab Center

There will be two rotations - 8:30 am and 12 pm. The event will also feature shooting games and both a live and silent auction. Entry forms can be secured at West Texas Rehab Center, 3001 S. Jackson, at the Claybird Association office - or by going to the [events website: www.rehabclayshoot.com](http://www.rehabclayshoot.com).

Let Bronte Health & Rehab Center help you with your holiday cooking!

The following items will be available for pick-up or delivery on Friday, November 16; Friday, December 7 and Friday, December 14.

Please place orders by the prior Wednesday.

Cookies

Chocolate Chip
Snickerdoodle
Peanut Butter
\$6/dozen

Pies

Pecan
Pumpkin
\$8

Cakes and Fudge

Chocolate Candy Cake
Pound
Spice
\$15

Casseroles

Chicken, rice and broccoli
Chicken enchiladas
Lasagna
\$20

Bronte Health & Rehab Center

325/473-3621

God's Word

Deuteronomy 7:9

Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Romans 4:21

And being fully persuaded that, what He had promised, He was able also to perform.

Psalms 119:11

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Matthew 13:58

And He did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

Romans 11:20

Well, because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear.

Romans 4:20

He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God.

Psalms 73:24

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

Victory Assembly of God
Corner of 6th & Houston • Robert Lee
Pastor Irving Smith

Annual Texas Renewables Conferences slated

Texas Renewables' 07 is a 23 year tradition sponsored by Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association. The conference continues a mission that has focused solely on policy and business developments in the renewable energy field throughout our existence. This year the conference is in Abilene, Texas, a center of wind power development, November 12-15. The program will focus on ways to make renewable energy technologies, including wind, solar electric and thermal, biomass electric, ethanol, biodiesel, geothermal heat pumps and geothermal electric and renewable hydrogen, the fastest growing source of new energy for Texas. This is your opportunity to hear experts and state officials speak on the impact these industries are having and to learn about their growth potential. This is a place to see products and talk business with top renewable energy companies active in Texas today, and to learn more about a variety of forms of renewable energy from the basics to the advanced implications and applications of this growing industry. For details on the full four day event go to www.treia.org and click on the Texas Renewables' 07 logo.

National Weather Service Open House set

Come experience weather first hand. Curious about tornadoes, thunderstorms, droughts, floods, hurricanes or El Nino/La Nina? What is Doppler radar? How will the upcoming winter affect you? See a Weather Balloon Instrument!

All residents of West Central Texas are invited to come and discover the answers to these questions at an Open House at the National Weather Service Weather forecast Office in San Angelo, Texas from 11am - 3pm on Saturday, November 10.

Come and meet the men and women of your NWS. They will show you first hand how they prepare your forecasts and warnings. There will be activities for children and children at heart. Free programming for your All Hazards NOAA weather radio will be available!

Turf, Pest and Ag Expo slated

The second annual Turf, Pest and Ag Expo will be held November 16. This annual event is designed to provide the most current information on landscape and turf management and agricultural pest control. Five continuing education units will be provided for both Structural Pest Control and Texas Department of Agriculture licenses. Updates on turfgrass, landscape irrigation requirements, range land and right-of-way vegetation management and much more will be presented. Registration is on-line at <http://www.tpaexpo.com>, at the Tom Green County Extension Office at 113 West Beauregard or at Bes-Tex at 3808 Devonian in San Angelo. Running concurrently with the presentations on managing plants and pests, there will be an outdoor power equipment maintenance service school. The Tom Green County 4-H Facility is located at 3168 U.S. Highway 67 North near San Angelo. For more information contact the Tom Green County Extension Office at 659-6522 or Bes-Tex at 653-1300.

Pioneer Vet Clinic to host meeting

Pioneer Vet Clinic and Pfizer Animal Health would like to invite you to their meeting on November 8, 2007, at The Shed in Wingate at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be over cow/calf herd health. A meal will be provided. We hope you can all attend. Please RSVP to 325-754-5487 by November 2.

Vendor reg. open for Winters Arts & Crafts Show

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting vendor applications for the annual Arts & Crafts Show on Saturday, November 17 from 9 am to 5 pm. The event will be held in the Spill Building on Main Street in downtown Winters.

For reservations, please contact the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 325-754-5210, P. O. Box 662, Winters, Texas 79567, or e-mail wacc@wtxs.net.

Area Agency on Aging seminar set

The Area Agency on Aging and Shannon invite everyone to come to the Caregiver Seminar on Thursday, November 8, at the Houston Harte Center at Angelo State University from 9:45 am to 2:30 pm, lunch included.

Dr. Sid O'Bryant, Assistant Professor of Neuropsychiatry at the Texas Tech Health Science Center, will be speaking on: "Maintaining Memory & Thinking Abilities as We Age."

There will also be workshops on financials, communication, Medicare Part D, practical Caregiving, and memory games. There

is no charge and everyone is invited.

Contact the Area Agency on Aging or the Continuing Studies office at ASU to reserve a place.

CEU and CNE credits are available.

Respite is available for caregivers through the AAA.

Flu shots will be available at no charge for those with Medicare Part B or for \$20 for anyone else.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

We are students of Robert Lee Elementary School. We are not old enough to participate in sporting activities, however we show our "Steer Pride" the best way we can. Our parents had purchased a Steer Flag and we proudly hung it on our front gate on the Hwy. 208 divide on game days. In weeks past we have left our flag hanging overnight, never to fear that something

would happen to it. Last week we hung our flag on Thursday morning and by day's end someone had stolen the flag and pole. We attend all the steer games and represent our school with as much "Steer Pride" as we can. As Steer fans we support our school by purchasing the flag and other various Steer items so that our colors will be well represented on the mountain. The flag is there to represent pride and tradition for our school, not for someone to help them to a cheap thrill. If the persons who are responsible for stealing our flag needed or wanted the flag that bad, I know my parents would have offered to buy one for them. So please, all we are asking is for the responsible party to return our Steer Flag and pole so that we can continue to fly our colors and support our fellow steer athletes from the mountain.

Future Steer Athletes,
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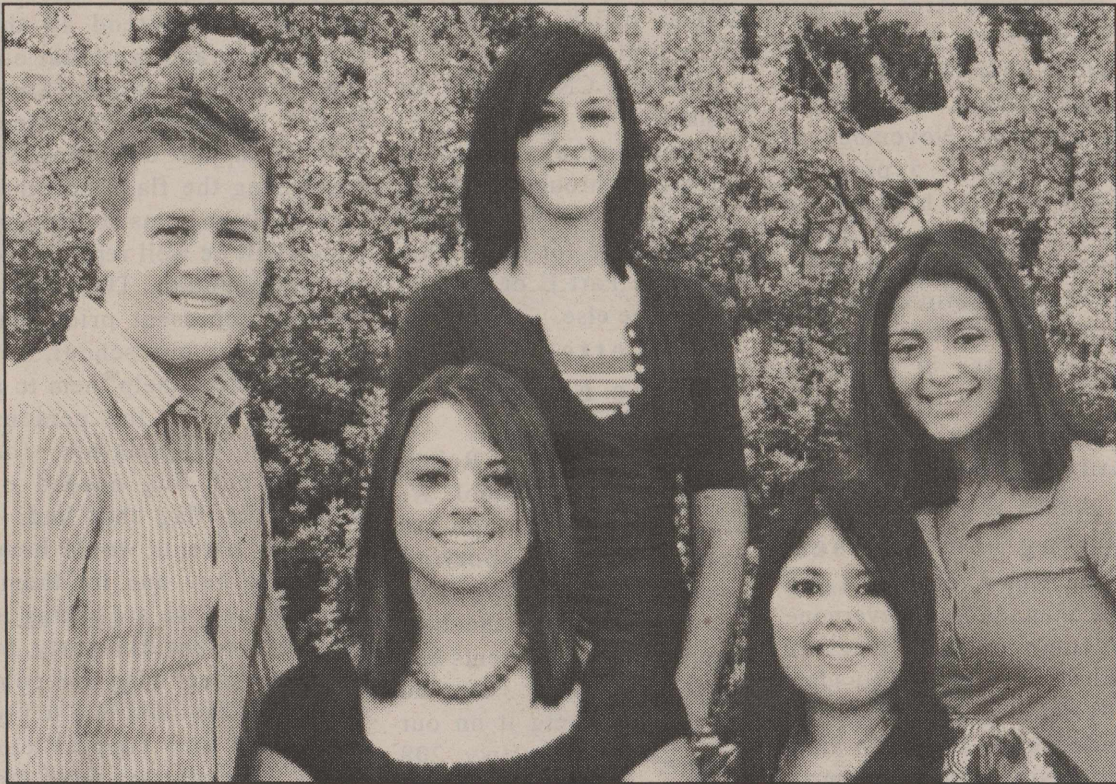
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



Senior Class Officers! The Robert Lee High School Senior Class Officers for 2007-2008 are (from left to right) Chase Roe - President, Molly Burns - Vice-President, Kasie Skinner - Secretary, Briana Longoria - Treasurer and Anna Rojas - Reporter.

Robert Lee Steers put a leash on Ira Bulldogs

By Tom Sawyer

Mercy! Mercy! Mercy! The Steers have started district play with two tough teams and came away with two wins. If you haven't been to one of these games then let me tell you that not only have you missed a lot of scoring but these guys can play some defense and are not afraid to put a hit on you.

Everyone come over the divide and show some support as the Steers take on the Wildcats, I know this Bubba (a.k.a. Tootsie) and my fellow Bubbaettes will be there.

Steer fans get out and watch the excitement grow and what a treat it is to see and hear the Rompin' Stompin' Marching Steer Band.

Go Steers! Steer Pride!
Go Rompin' Stompin'
Steer Band!

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter
Robert Lee - Hodge 2 yard run with 3:38 left, Gallegos kick.

Robert Lee - 8
Highland - 0

2nd Quarter
Highland - 2 yard run with 8:22 left, PAT kick good;

Robert Lee - Hodge 40 yard run with 7:57 left, PAT failed;

Robert Lee - Hodge 60 yard run with 6:02 left, PAT failed;

Robert Lee - Hodge 42 yard

run with 4:22 left, Gallegos kick;

Robert Lee - Gallegos 35 yard run with 2:21 left, Gallegos kick;

Highland - 21 yard pass with :05 left, PAT kick good;

Robert Lee - Hodge 60 yard run with :00 left, Gallegos kick.

Robert Lee - 44
Highland - 16

3rd Quarter

Robert Lee - Hodge 63 yard run with 9:35 left, PAT failed;

Robert Lee - Martin 24 yard run with 6:24 left, Gallegos kick.

Robert Lee - 58
Highland - 16

4th Quarter

Robert Lee - Percifull 51 yard run with 8:46 left, game called

Robert Lee - 64
Highland - 16

Steer Statistics

Percifull - 1 carry for 51 yards and 1 TD, 11 tackles;

Martinez - 1 reception for 14 yards;

Dillard - 1 carry, 1 for 2 passing for 14 yards, 7 Tackles and 1 fumble recovery;

Gallegos - 13 carries for 122 yards and 1 TD, 2 for 2 Passing for 15 yards, and 9



7th Grade Class Officers! The Robert Lee Junior High 7th Grade Class Officers for 2007-2008 are (from left to right) Vincent Batten - Reporter, Zachary Sanchez - Vice President, Justin Gartman - President and Jordan Gartman - Secretary/Treasurer.

tackles;
Philly - 1 carry for 10 yards;
Hodge - 8 carries for 270 yards and 6 TD's, 1 Reception, 6 tackles and 1 fumble recovery;
Roe - 7 tackles;
Martin - 2 carries for 26 yards and 1 TD, 1 reception for 14 yards, and 4 tackles.

GO STEERS!
STEER PRIDE!

RLISD

Thanksgiving Lunch

Thanksgiving lunch will be served in Robert Lee Cafeteria on Nov. 9 starting at 11 am until 12:30 pm. The public is invited to attend. The cost of the lunch is very minimal. Call Rosa Long by November 7. To make reservations call 453-4555.

Veterans Day Program

Robert Lee ISD is planning a program to salute some of our nation's most elite citizens: Veterans of the US Armed Forces! We invite the public to attend this event, which is scheduled for November 12 at 10 am in the school auditorium with the BETA club hosting a reception for local veterans immediately following the ceremony. We invite local veterans to attend and, in order for us to prepare for your presence, please RSVP by calling Rosa or Pam at 453-4555.

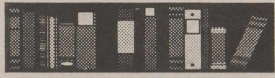
Clay Antilley Memorial Scholarship Fund established

The Clay Antilley Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established at the San Angelo Area Foundation in memory of Clay Kennedy Antilley of Robert Lee, an avid member of 4-H and FFA, who attended as many stock shows as was possible. The San Angelo Area Foundation will be accepting scholarship applications for this fund in the spring of 2008.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be a graduate of a Coke County high school located in Coke County, Texas, and have been a resident student of said high school for three consecutive semesters beginning the junior year. In addition, the student must demonstrate outstanding achievement in a Coke County FFA or 4-H club and participated in school, community and agriculture related organizations. Scholarship applications will be available on our website January 1, and are due to the Foundation office by March 1.

To obtain more information about this and other scholarships at the San Angelo Area Foundation, please visit our website at www.saafound.org. Memorial contributions to this fund may be made online or may be mailed to the Clay Antilley Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o San Angelo Area Foundation, 2201 Sherwood Way, Suite 205, San Angelo, Texas 76901.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 5
Pop tart, cereal, juice, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7
Cinnamon toast, cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, Nov. 8
Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk

Friday, Nov. 9
Muffin, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 5
Rib B Que, scalloped potatoes, corn, rosy applesauce, bread, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6
Chicken A La King, rice, egg roll, carrot sticks, pineapple, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7
Fish sticks, tartar sauce, mac & cheese, green peas, bread, apples, milk

Thursday, Nov. 8
Burrito, salad, tator tots, banana, milk

Friday, Nov. 9
Turkey breast, creamed potatoes, green beans, dressing, fruit salad, roll, cranberry sauce, milk

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WAY TO GO STEERS!!

Two down, two to go!

Fans, come on out to Water Valley for a great game this week. The pep rally will begin at 3 pm and the game is at 7:30 pm.

Get on your feet and yell for the team!

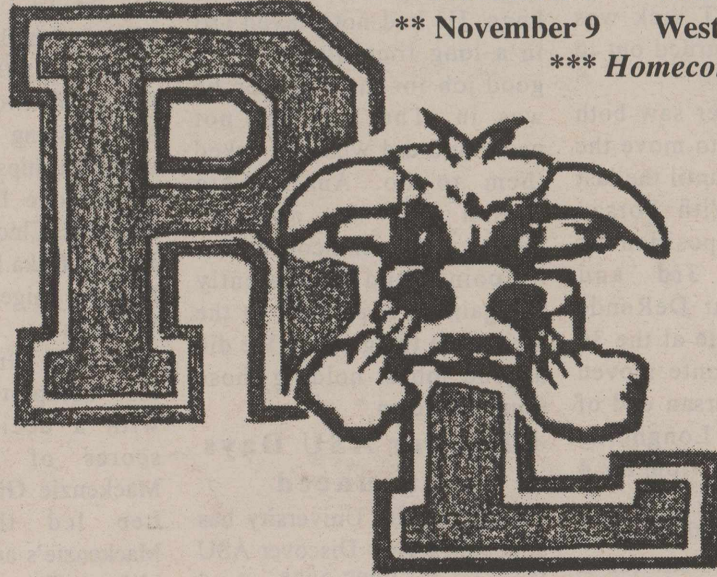
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Next Home Game
Nov. 8 vs. Westbrook
Senior Pep Rally • 3 pm



ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL

Friday
November 2
7:30 pm
There



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August 31	Rankin	Here	7:30 22 68
September 7	Borden County	There	7:30 - -
September 14	Santa Anna	Here	7:30 42 36
September 21	Eden	There	7:30 34 38
***September 28	Trent	Here	7:30 53 8
October 5	Rochelle	There	7:30 34 14
October 12	OPEN		
* October 19	Ira	There	7:30 69 24
* October 26	Highland	Here	7:30 64 16
* November 2	Water Valley	There	7:30
** November 9	Westbrook	Here	7:30

*** Homecoming **Parents Night *District

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Garrett #25
Blair #20
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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Longhorns battle the Buffaloes

By Coach Kevin Burns

The Bronte Longhorns stayed in the play-off race this past Friday by defeating the Forsan Buffaloes by a score of 14-13. The win improved Bronte's record to 4-4 on the season and 3-2 in district. This marked the second home win in district that came down to the final buzzer.

Forsan scored midway through the first quarter on a 29-yard run by Jace Sandridge and the PAT the Buffaloes led 7-0. The Longhorns responded two minutes later on a one-yard run by Gus Saunders. The PAT by Ernesto Casillas tied the score at 7-7. The touchdown was set up by a 48-yard pass to Saunders from Dakota Rawls.

On the ensuing kickoff, Bronte successfully recovered the onside kick when Cody Waller recovered the ball for the Horns at the Forsan 45 yard line. On the next play from scrimmage, Rawls was injured on a QB scramble and was unable to return for the remainder of the contest. Brett Wills was forced into the QB spot with Sam Rawlings out due to a

previous injury.

Forsan took the lead at 13-7 on a QB sneak just before halftime. The PAT kick was missed and that turned out to be a big play.

The third quarter saw both teams struggling to move the ball successfully until the last few minutes. With Forsan holding the field position for most of the 3rd and threatening, Trent DeRonde recovered a fumble at the 30 yard line and Bronte moved the ball to the Forsan end of the field. The Longhorns faced 2nd and goal from the 4 as time expired.

After a penalty on the 4th and 1, the Longhorns went for it from the 6 but could not punch the ball in the end zone. From there, the Buffaloes marched 90 yards in 6 minutes. The play of the game for the Longhorns came when the Forsan QB fumbled on the one yard line and Gus Saunders recovered it in the end zone for a touch back giving the Longhorns life at their own 20.

From here, the Longhorns began the winning drive. Bronte had to convert two 4th down passes on their own end of the field to keep the momentum on their side. Brett Wills hit Gus Saunders on the first one and Lahne Burns on the second one. From there Wills ran two lead plays to find the end zone. The first run covered 35 yards to the Forsan 15 yard line and the second one covered the final 15. The PAT from the foot of Ernesto Casillas was good and gave the Longhorns the win at 14-13.

"I thought our lineman did a much better job of controlling the line of

scrimmage. As a group, this was by far our best game. We challenged those guys earlier in the week and they responded. Also, the play of Wills coming in for Dakota and running the offense was huge. He had not played QB in a long time but he did a good job for the situation he was in. The kids did not panic and did what we asked them to do. Another big reason was the defense. Forsan had been scoring lots of points and consistently out-gaining opponents in the air and on the ground. We did a good job at holding those numbers down."

Discover ASU Days Announced

Angelo State University has announced their Discover ASU Days for the 2007-2008 school year. ASU invites students and parents to attend one of these free informative sessions to learn more about Angelo State University. Different academic departments will have booths set up, campus tours will be provided, and other information regarding the application process, housing, and financial aid will be discussed. A free hamburger lunch will be provided to all those who attend. The dates announced are November 3, February 16, and March 29. You may register online at www.angelo.edu, or by calling 942-2041.

HEB Food Stores Job Fair

On Friday, November 9, at 9 am in the Bronte High School Auditorium there will be a job fair.

The HEB job fair is open to all interested individuals in the community or area wanting to apply for positions or learn more about employment opportunities.

Bronte Lady Shorthorns Finish Stellar Season

The Bronte Lady Shorthorns finished their volleyball season in Sterling City on Monday night. Both the 7th and 8th grade teams won each of their matches in two games. The 7th grade team led by Brooke Bedford and Erika Puentez in aces defeated the Lady Eagles 25-15; 25-12. The 7th grade girls finished the season with a perfect 15-0 win/loss record, losing only two games all season and winning two tournament championships. Team members are Brooke Bedford, Kaitlyn Braswell, Cindy Davila, Brayde Knight, Erika Puentez, Michelle Rhodes, Paige Royall, and Jael Williams.

The 8th Grade Shorthorns also completed their season with a decisive win with scores of 25-10; 25-22. Mackenzie Gibbs and Kimber Lee led the way with Mackenzie's aces and Kimber's kills. The 8th grade team finished with a near perfect 14-1 win/loss record, losing only two games that decided their only match loss, but redeemed themselves with a tournament championship the next week in Bronte. Eighth grade team members are Mackenzie Gibbs, Stephanie Barba, Brenda Perez, Harley Wallace, Lauren Burns, Jill Scott, Kassie Fillman, Leticia Pena, Kimber Lee, Shelby Amendt, Rani Parks, Katie Austin, and Leah Jones.

Bronte ISD Update

by Michael Bohensky
The varsity volleyball girls were red hot on Tuesday! They beat the Buena Vista Longhorns in three games to advance to the area game against Sierra Blanca on Thursday at 6 pm in Monahans. The girls won

with a 25-18; 25-19, 25-23 performance. It was a good start for the Lady Longhorns. We are very proud of our Lady Longhorn Volleyball Team and wish them the best for the next match on Thursday. Good luck to Seniors - Holly Huskerson, Marcy McMortis, Stephanie Flores, Emily Austin, Savannah Martinez, Casey Harris, Terrah Macon; Juniors - Ariel Coalson, Jessi England, Shannon Deller; Sophomores - Chelsea Cook, Chelsea Meek; Coaches, Amy Bohensky, Pam Hilliard, Carol Moore, and manager, Shandee Vaughn. Thank you for all the support and help from parents and fans!

The Longhorn Football team will face Miles on Friday night at 7:30 pm in Miles. This is an important game for the Longhorns who have a good chance of earning a playoff bid with wins in the next two weeks.

Parents, progress reports were sent home last Friday. Please check with your child to see that report. Also, grades are posted weekly on Gradespeed for parents if you have obtained access to this information. The link can be found on our web-page---www.bronteisd.net. Next Friday, November 9, is the last day of the second six-weeks. Students need to be aware that grades and missing assignments must be completed.

Wednesday was Halloween and Bronte ISD hosted the Fall Festival from 5 pm - 7 pm. It was a good time for students and the community.

Also, the 8th grade students will be taking the EXPLORE test next Wednesday, November 7. The EXPLORE test measures a student's current aptitude level and also is a career interest inventory.

Parents, keep posted for information about upcoming events on the Bronte ISD web-page.



School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 5

Cereal, apple sauce, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6

Blueberry muffins, toast, jelly, juice, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7

Breakfast burrito, juice, milk

Thursday, Nov. 8

Sausage, biscuit, jelly, juice, milk

Friday, Nov. 9

French toast sticks, syrup, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 5

Chicken fajitas, tossed salad, corn, sliced peaches, tortilla, chocolate pudding, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6

Spaghetti, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread, rosie apple sauce, milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7

Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, roll, milk

Thursday, Nov. 8

Taco salad, lettuce, tomatoes, refried beans, taco chips, frozen strawberry cup, milk

Friday, Nov. 9

Hot dogs, chili, cheese, tator tots, pork & beans, fruit cup, sugar cookies, milk

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Beans & Bread**
\$6 per plate
Proceeds go toward 4th graders attending HEB Camp in May.

BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

			BHS		
August 31	Cross Plains	Here	7:30	29	12
September 7	Rotan	There	7:30	12	35
September 14	Open				
September 21	Winters	There	7:30	7	21
* September 28	Sterling City	Here	7:30	26	0
* October 5	Eldorado	There	7:30	7	27
** October 12	Menard	Here	7:30	35	28
* October 19	Irion County	There	7:30	0	21
* October 26	Forsan	Here	7:30	14	13
* November 2	Miles	There	7:30		
* November 9	Christoval	Here	7:30		

* District Games • ** Homecoming

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7:30 pm
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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas, denying the rate increase proposed by Atmos Energy Corporation, authorizing the hiring of counsel and rate experts, requiring the reimbursement of municipal rate case expenses, and declaring an effective date.

Whereas the City in accordance with applicable provisions finds that the increase requested by Atmos should be denied.

Passed and approved the 8th day of October, 2007.

By: Jackie Walker,
 Mayor Pro-Tem
 Attest: Kay Torres,
 City Secretary
 16-1tc

**4-H Fundraiser
 in progress**

The Coke County 4-H Clubs are currently holding their annual fund raiser. As in the past, the 4-H Clubs are taking orders for Rada cutlery, cookbooks, stoneware, candles and dip & soup mixes. Please contact a 4-H member or the Extension office at 453-2461 to place your order. To receive these items by Christmas, all orders must be turned in by Thursday, November 15, 2007. The money earned from this fund raiser helps 4-H members with camp costs, competition registrations, supplies and awards.

**Winters Arts &
 Crafts Show
 set for Nov. 17**

With dozens of talented vendors exhibiting their goods, the Winters Arts & Craft Show on November 17 promises something for just about everyone. The annual

event is sponsored by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.

"We had around 60 vendor spaces rented last year and are expecting another great show this year," says Chamber Manager Jean Boles. "We're excited to offer such a wide variety of items from artisans near and far. Craftsmen will be bringing handmade pottery, jewelry, soaps, home décor, Western accents, Christmas items, and much more."

The show will be in the former Spill furniture building on Main Street. Doors open at 9 am and the show ends at 5 pm. Admission is free. Pony rides, inflatable toy vendors and vendors offering hamburgers, brisket, burritos and other fresh foods will be located just south of the Spill building.

"We also invite shoppers to browse the stores in our downtown area," said Boles. "And the chamber's information booth will have discounts offered by local

restaurants and other chamber member businesses. We're looking forward to a great, fun-filled day."

For more information, call the Winters Chamber at 325-754-5210 or e-mail at wacc@wtxs.net.

**Robert Lee ISD
 Board holds
 special meeting**

A special meeting was held in the Robert Lee High School Library of the public school on October 22, 2007 at 5:00 pm.

Members present were K. Roe, W. Washam, T. Reed, J. Robert, I. Torres, B. Ramon, T. Sawyer; with no members absent.

Tod Reed led the invocation and the pledge.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for.

Presentation was given by Jeff Robert from First Southwest Company.

The board recessed at 5:25 pm and reconvened at 6:00 pm to begin interviews of

Architects for facilities and construction planning.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to rank the Architects as presented, which was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for. The Architects rankings are as follows:

1. Cadco Architects-Engineers, Inc
2. Douglas K. Architecture
3. Grimes & Associates
4. Parker & Associates
5. Holster & Associates

Wes Washam made a

motion to authorize Supt. Hood to negotiate contract with the top two candidates, which was seconded by Tod Reed; all for.

There will be board training Monday, November 12, 2007, in the Distance Learning Lab from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The next regular school board meeting is Monday, November 19, 2007.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 pm.

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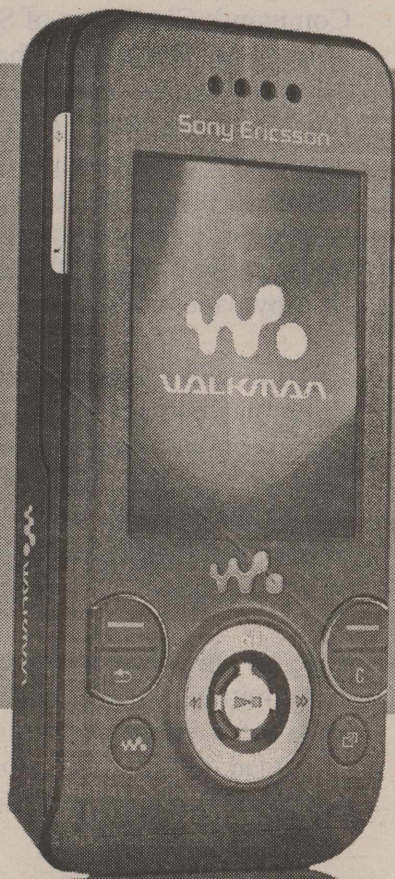
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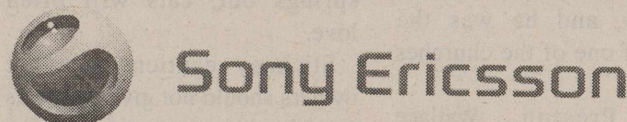
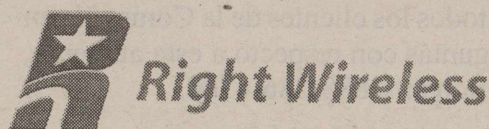
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RL Cross Country District results

On Wednesday, October 17, the Robert Lee Steers, Lady Steers, Dogies, and Lady Dogies competed in the District Cross Country Meet at the San Angelo State School Recreation Facility. Devin Batten, Jorge Rostro, Luke Sheldon, and Dustin Brown competed for the Steers. Luke placed 13th in the three mile run with a time of 21:37 minutes, Devin was 26th in 23:43, Jorge finished 27th in 23:43.28, and Dustin Brown completed the race in 25:10 minutes in 35th place.

Robert Lee Varsity Girls placed 3rd overall as a team. The Lady Steers who competed were: Erika Sheldon in 5th place with a time of 15:29 minutes, Jodi Sheldon finished 15th in 16.44 minutes, Mira Myrice followed closely behind in 16th place in 16:49 minutes, Sarah Walker was 21st in 17:12, Connie Saucedo placed 26th with 18.23 minutes, Kacee Roberts was 36th with a time of 19.28, and Emilee Yanez brought up the rear in 46th place in 20.25 minutes.

Robert Lee Lady Dogies who ran were Rachel Rojas in 10th place, Lubbock Roe in 21st, Victoria Roe in 28th, and Jordan Gartman in 43rd. There times were 17:32, 18:21, 19:02, and 21:45 respectively.

The Dogies finished the day as the 3rd place team. Competing for the Dogies were: Jose Fabian 4th, Tyler Henderson 9th, Zachary Sanchez 11th, Justin Gartman 15th, and Cooper Hinderliter 22nd. Their times were 14:44, 15:10, 15:27, 15:59, and 17:37 minutes respectively.

The Lady Steers will be competing in the Regional Cross Country Meet in Arlington on November 3, 2007. Good luck to them!

Ross family get together held

Preston and Norma Ross of Brownwood, and Wallace and Billie Ross, Elmer and Barbara (Ross) Adkins, Marie Ross, and Nellie Ross, all of Robert Lee, joined Royce and Alice (Ross) Wallace in their home in Robert Lee, on Saturday, October 22, 2007, for a brother and sister luncheon and a day of visiting. The group enjoyed a pot luck dinner, with each one bringing a dish for the meal.

While together for the special day, the siblings and their spouses took the opportunity to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Barbara and Elmer, and a beautifully decorated cake, prepared for the occasion, was enjoyed following the meal. On October 25, 1947, Barbara and Elmer were married in a ceremony performed by E.R. Wright, in his home. The Wrights lived in the Sanco community, and he was the minister of one of the churches there.

Barbara, Preston, Wallace and Alice are four of the nine children of the late Roy and May Ross. The youngest

brother, Freddie and his wife, Shirley, live in Mississippi, and they were unable to be there. The other sister and brothers, who are deceased, are Edwina Wilkerson, R.D. Ross, Mike Ross, and Joe Ross. R.D.'s widow, Bea, lives in Athens and was also unable to attend.

Pet Talk

Kids love to get toys to play with, and your pet is no different. But don't let the price of entertainment result in a trip to the emergency room.

Buying safe toys for your pet is a must in order to keep them safe from harm. The problem is that most people are not aware of the potential hazards that pet toys may cause their animal.

Dr. Mark Stickney, a veterinarian at the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, says commonsense goes a long way. When looking for a toy for a dog, "Don't buy anything too soft where the dog could bite off pieces and swallow them," he warns.

Stickney says that the dog could choke on these pieces or even swallow them, and if it did, surgery may be needed in order to remove them. Toys that may be too soft are toys made of soft plastic or rubber; these materials are easy for dogs to bite through, he says.

Stickney also recommends that toys not be too hard. He strongly suggests that dogs not be given animal bones. Bones are too hard, leading the dog to chip or even break its teeth.

He advocates the use of raw hide chews. He believes that dogs enjoy playing with them and that they are the safest material for the dog. He also urges pet owners to buy toys that are appropriate for the size of their dog. "If the dog is smaller, naturally the toy should be smaller; and the same holds true for larger dogs," he believes.

Stickney proposes that a safe toy is one that the dog can easily hold in its mouth without its teeth puncturing the toy. The toy should not be small enough to fit down the dog's throat.

The best toys, in Stickney's opinion, are called 'Kongs'. They are tubes that are filled with treats in the center. They come in a variety of different sizes for different dogs, and are hard enough that the dog cannot chew through them. The tubes even have weight recommendations on their boxes, signifying the most appropriate tube for the weight of the dog.

Cats are a bit different with their toy preferences than dogs. They tend to like toys that move and are stimulating to the eye. "Cats tend to like toys that are free, such as playing with small aluminum and paper balls," he notes. "Any toy that a cat can place under its paws and the toy springs out, cats will often love."

Stickney cautions that cat owners should not give their cats toys that have long strings. The cat may swallow the string causing choking. Cat's

preferences on toys tend to be more varied than dogs, but most prefer round toys that move.

Most large pet stores are good places to purchase toys because they have a large variety, and if

a toy has proven to be harmful, they are good about taking it off the shelves, he adds.

PUBLIC NOTICE

On September 20, 2007, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos" or "the Company"), filed a Statement of Intent with each city within Atmos' service territory to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is October 25, 2007. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,428,700 residential, 122,600 commercial, and 960 industrial & transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$ \$50,946,000 or 3.5%, including gas costs, or 13.49% excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code. In addition, the Company seeks to recover all of its rate case expenses and all city rate case expenses as allowed by law. The exact amount will not be known until the case is completed.

Based on the proposed rate design, the system-wide average monthly bill for each customer class within the incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percent shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$70.85*	\$72.42*	\$1.57	2.22%	8.27%
Commercial	\$296.15*	\$305.36*	\$9.21	3.11%	22.72%
Industrial	\$2,975*	\$3,143*	\$167.89	5.64%	38.95%
Transportation	519.88	\$687.77	\$167.89	32.29%	38.95%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

*Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$7.55 per Mcf.

**The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial, and 300 Mcf for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, other proposed tariff changes include changes to Rider GCR, Rider WNA and proposed Riders for a rate review mechanism and conservation & energy efficiency program. The Company proposes to revise its weather normalization adjustment ("WNA") mechanism to exclude non-weather sensitive commercial customers and to modify the WNA mechanism to calculate the WNA adjustment based on weather stations at a regional level rather than under the current practice of associating all towns with a single weather location for purposes of determining the WNA adjustment. The Company proposes a change to its Rider GCR to allow the recovery of the gas cost component of uncollectible expense through the Rider GCR instead of through base rates and to update the Upstream Allocation (Factor D) to reflect the factors as proposed in the Company's Class Cost of Service Study. In addition, the Company proposes a new Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM"), Rate Schedule RRM, to provide for an annual review by the cities of the Company's expenses, revenues and rate base investment and a corresponding adjustment to the Company's rates to reflect annual changes (increases or decreases) in these categories. The Company proposes a gas conservation & energy efficiency program and tariff to authorize the program. Finally, the Company is asking for authority to make future filings with the regulatory authority on an electronic basis, rather than by paper copy.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Statement of Intent, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos' offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Éste es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex División de Atmos Energy Corporation, (la "Compañía"), que la Compañía está solicitando un aumento en la tarifa del gas. Este aumento afecta a todos los clientes de la Compañía en el ciudad de Mid-Tex. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.