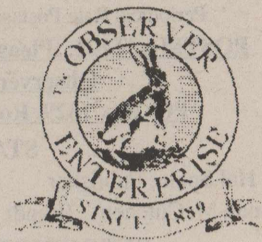


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## Interview with Aaron Hood, RLISD Superintendent

*(Editor's Note: Early voting for the RLISD school bond proposal begins this Monday, April 28, with election day set for May 10. In light of the upcoming school bond election, we asked RLISD Superintendent Aaron Hood a series of pertinent questions regarding the upcoming election. Some of these questions have been answered in the two previous educational meetings concerning the proposal. And, another meeting has been slated for Tuesday, April 29, beginning at 7 pm in the school auditorium to discuss this issue. Answers to these questions regarding the proposal are included below.)*

1. The RLISD School Board has ordered a bond election for the purpose of building a new school, plus some renovations to the old facility. Can you give us an idea of the background on this process? When and why was the proposal developed, and what has transpired up to this point?

**Answer:** In the Spring of 2007, RLISD was approached by two wind turbine companies about signing agreements and adding property value to the district. This increase in value gave RLISD a chance to update school facilities. A facility committee was formed that toured the current facility for possible renovations. After interviewing architects, Cadco Architects from Abilene were selected to work with the district to study the facilities and provide costs estimates to the committee. It was determined by the committee that new construction versus a combination of new and renovated would be better for the district. After a recommendation by the Superintendent, the School Board voted to direct Cadco to begin layouts for a new facility. The facility committee met to look through optional layouts for the new school and decided on the layout that is currently being

presented.

2. If the bond issue passes, what specifically will the funds be used for?

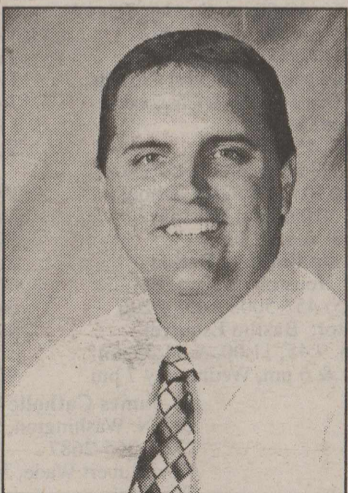
**Answer:** If approved, the funds will be used for construction of a new elementary and high school building (Pre-K through 12). We will renovate the High School Gym and convert the current Ag facility to a new maintenance building. A new Ag facility will be constructed as well as a multipurpose building to provide the elementary with a gym and activity building. A new competition gym, weight room, and locker rooms are included in the proposal. The seating and lighting at the football field will be replaced and a new track will be put down.

The funds generated by the debt tax rate cannot by law be used for salary or day to day operations of the school.

3. How many students does Robert Lee ISD currently serve, and how many students will the proposed facility accommodate?

**Answer:** RLISD currently serves 257 students. The new facility will accommodate an estimated 500 students. We are proposing a building that will serve the current 257 students and every other student who will attend school at Robert Lee for the next fifty years.

4. How much of the cost of the project can we expect to be paid for by the wind turbine energy companies in the district?



Aaron Hood



**Fort Chadbourne Excavation!** Fort Chadbourne began the excavation of the Butterfield Stage Stop on March 31, 2008. The Concho Valley Archeology Society, along with the retired military group, the SMARTS, volunteered two weeks of their time to help with the excavation.

Over 21,000 artifacts have been recovered, along with locating the openings for doors and windows. A unexpected surprise was the discovery of three fireplaces in the five room building.

Excavations will continue during the Fort Chadbourne Days Living History Event on May 3. Anyone interested in Archeology will be able to observe an excavation in progress.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the Butterfield Stage. Other events to celebrate the anniversary will be held later this year at Fort Chadbourne.

**Answer:** Currently, it is projected that the wind turbine companies will pay for 51% of the bond proposal.

5. Our school tax rate has declined to \$1.04 per \$100 valuation over the past three years. Tell us what the rate will go to upon approval of the bond issue, and why, with the infusion of the windmill energy tax money, do we need to increase this rate?

**Answer:** If the bond issue is approved, the tax rate will increase \$.45 per \$100 valuation. That would bring the total tax rate to \$1.49 per \$100 valuation. This \$.45 increase in taxes would be used strictly for debt service and cannot be recaptured by the state. In other words, local money generated from the \$.45 increase would stay local.

6. How will this bond issue affect those taxpayers 65 years of age and over in the district?

**Answer:** Taxpayers that are 65 years of age or older will not be affected by the increase in tax rate. Taxpayers that are 65 and over have a frozen levy amount/ceiling that was established whenever the over 65 exemption was granted.

7. Give us an idea concerning the timeline if the bond proposal passes. How

long before construction begins, etc.

**Answer:** If the bond passes, it will take close to 12 months to finalize plans and start construction. Once construction begins, it is an estimated 18 month completion timeline.

### 4-H sponsors Rabies Clinic

Coke County 4-H Clubs will be sponsoring the annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 26, 2008.

The clinic will be held from 1 pm until 3 pm at the south end of the show barn in the Robert Lee park. Veterinarian Ross Dutton will be in charge.

Pets 4 months of age or older should be immunized. Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually. Horse vaccinations will also be provided.

### Bronte Chamber Banquet set for Monday

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual community fish fry at 6:30 pm on Monday, April 28, at the Community Center in the local park. Everyone in the area is invited to attend this once-a-year event for a great evening - community members will be recognized for many years of service as the winners of the annual Citizen and Pioneer of

the Year awards are handed out. Also, recognition will go to the Educator and Student of the Year, along with a surprise category to be announced at the banquet.

The Paul Burns' "Fry Masters" team from Robert Lee will once again deliver a mouth watering meal of fried fish, and the Chamber will furnish side items, drinks, and dessert. Meal tickets can be bought at the door. Since it is a Presidential election year, the theme is "VOTE - Red, White, and Blue", and all city, county, and school office holders and those running for local or regional office are issued a special invitation to come and be recognized.

### Final public meeting set for RLISD bond issue

If you still have questions concerning the upcoming bond election for the Robert Lee Independent School District, mark your calendar for Tuesday, April 29. Superintendent Aaron Hood and the RLISD Board of Trustees will host the final educational meeting concerning the proposal at 7 pm at the school auditorium.

The meeting will include a question and answer session to answer any questions you may have concerning the proposal.



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## Obituaries



**Sarratt**

Wanda Sarratt, 72, of Blackwell, formerly of Odessa, passed away Wednesday, April 16, 2008, at Triumph Hospital in San Angelo.

Mrs. Sarratt was born on October 1, 1935, in Monte Vista, Colorado, to Garvin and Ruth Snook. She married Barron Sarratt on November 12, 1954, in Aztec, New Mexico.

She leaves behind her loving husband of 53 years, Barron Sarratt; her daughter, Rebecca Sanders Whipple and husband, Robert Whipple of San Angelo and daughter, Bernadette Sarratt of Sweetwater; her five grandchildren, William Sanders and his fiancé, Lynn Compal of Ft. Worth, John Sanders and his fiancé Ratheany Sengheu of Ft. Worth, Tara Sarratt of Blackwell, Monica Whipple of San Angelo and Brittany Sarratt of Rising Star; her two great-grandchildren, Soleil Davin Sanders of Ft. Worth and Emma Grace Whipple of San Angelo; and many family members and friends who will all miss her.

Wanda Starrett was an accomplished organist and pianist. She played for her church, St. James in Bronte for many years. She was also an artist. She sewed, crocheted and loved gardening. She was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother and will be sorely missed by her family.

The family wishes to thank all the nurses and staff of Triumph Hospital for their caring and compassion that they showed our beloved mother and being there for the family.

Visitation was Saturday and

Sunday with a Rosary being held at 7 pm, Sunday evening at the funeral home. The funeral mass was held at 2 pm, Monday, April 21, 2008, at St. James Catholic Church. Immediately following there was a graveside service in the Blackwell Cemetery. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

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**Prine**

J. M. "Junior" Prine, 84, passed away on Saturday, April 19, 2008, at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Graveside service was held at 2 pm, Tuesday, April 22, 2008, in the Sanco Cemetery. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Junior was born on July 21, 1923, in Sanco, Texas, to Jasper Monroe and Sara Reed Prine. He graduated from Sanco High School and married Mary Loretta Adams.

After three months of Basic Training in Mineral Wells, Junior received his orders and was sent by train to San Francisco where he sailed to the Philippines. He was shot twice during his 28 months of

service in the United States Army. The second time was on April 19, 1944, and received the Purple Heart in 1945.

After his return from the Army, he worked for a short time for Northrop. Moving back to Sanco in 1953, he set up his auto repair business. Junior was a gifted mechanic and even fabricated many of his own tools.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Mary Loretta Prine on February 4, 1996; a daughter, Shirley Ann Prine on March 18, 1944; and seven brothers and sisters.

Junior is survived by his children, Carolyn Maddux of Robert Lee, Kenneth Prine of Robert Lee, and Wanda Ingram of Odessa; seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren and two maybe three on the way.

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**Mitchell**

Mary "Jenell" Mitchell went to be with her Lord and Savior, Wednesday, April 9, 2008, after a long battle with leukemia.

Services were held at 10 am, Saturday April 19, 2008, at Shannon Rufe Snow Funeral Chapel. Graveside service followed at 3:30 pm in Robert Lee Cemetery in Robert Lee.

Jenell was born November 15, 1943, in Hobbs, New Mexico, to Joe and Hattie Jeffery and grew up in Robert Lee on her grandparents' ranch. She was the granddaughter of pioneer Jim Cobb. She married Walton Henry Mitchell of Abilene in 1961. They moved to Fort Worth in 1964, and she worked for many years at the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and then later at Bell Helicopter. She was a

very dedicated mother and grandmother, she loved to sew, was also a doll maker and oil painter and was masterful in her craft at each one of her skills. She was a devout Christian and a longtime member of Oak Knoll Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Walton Henry Mitchell; son, Colton Henry Mitchell; daughter-in-law, Terri Mitchell; daughter and best friend, Kelle Holomon and husband, Bud; loved aunt, Cora Wisdom; dear cousin, Eddie Wisdom; and grandchildren, Elena Mitchell, Erinn Holomon, Brandon Mitchell, Lauren Holomon, Renita Blackgoat and Joshua Patrick.

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### Coke County Red Hat meeting set

The Red Hat Ladies are back in the notion

Of getting dolled up and starting a commotion.

We're splitting this town and speeding away

To the big town of Blackwell for a fun filled day.

Lunch will be eaten and bellies will growl

We really don't care 'cause we're on the prowl.

Our meetings are all about gossip and food

And on the way home we're in a good mood.

Ready to get back to our daily grind

But always looking forward to our next meeting time.

The Red Hat Club has no rules and we pay no dues. We meet the first Thursday of each month and when

possible, we carpool. For anyone in Robert Lee who needs a ride call Joyce (453-4792) or Betty (453-9853), in Bronte call Janet (473-2087).

The Red Hatters will meet Thursday, May 1, at the City Café in Blackwell. Orders will be taken upon arrival to help expedite serving, so come a bit early (10:15 am to 10:30 am) and get your name in the pot. We can drink coffee and visit until our food is ready and we all enjoy talking and getting better acquainted.

### Scrapbook Day Celebration set

A National Scrapbook Day Celebration will be May 3 from 6 pm until midnight at the Robert Lee Senior Citizens Center. There is a small fee required to attend. For more information or to RSVP, contact Angie Davis at 453-4741.

### Graduation issues set for May 23 & 30

The Observer/Enterprise will publish the special Senior Class editions May 23 and 30. These issues rotate each year between the final two Fridays in May; so that the entire paper may be devoted to each graduating class. This year's issue honoring the Bronte Class of 2008 will be May 23, with the issue honoring the Robert Lee Class of 2008 set for May 30.

In the near future, representatives from our office will be calling on local businesses and individuals to sponsor these seniors in their special edition. If you would like to sponsor that special graduate in either class, please contact our office at 453-2433.

## 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  
 10:50 am Worship

Wed. 6 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  
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**Pecan Baptist**  
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 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy  
 (325) 453-2482

Jim Dominey, 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 & 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  
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 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

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**Bronte Citywide Garage Sale approaching**

There is still time to get your name and location on the Citywide Garage sale. This is such an opportunity to clean out your closets and storerooms and make some money on the side.

The Sorosis Study Club with help from Bronte City Hall is sponsoring the annual garage sale to be held Saturday, May 3, 2008. If you are interested in having a garage sale, please contact Bronte City Hall at (325) 473-3501 and get your name on the list. The citywide garage sale has been very successful each year! Let's make this year even better!

We can each do our part and "let's go green - reduce, reuse, and recycle." And a garage sale is a perfect way to do just that.

**Tennyson Reunion slated for May 17**

All persons that have lived or had family members that have lived in or around Tennyson Community are invited to meet with us on May 17, 2008.

Starting at 10 am until everyone goes home. Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm to 2 pm and the auction will follow a short business meeting.

Bring your stories to share and let's have a good day.

**Local elections set for May 10**

Several local taxing entities will be conducting elections on May 10 to determine who will serve in leadership capacities for our schools and cities. Each election or cancellation of election is discussed below:

The Bronte Independent School District has five candidates who have filed for 2 positions on the board of trustees. Incumbents Kendall Gibbs and Scott Frasier will be joined on the ballot by Shane Kelton, David McWright, and Paul Williams. Early voting will be conducted at the school



**Sadler-Service engagement announced!** Floyd (Sonny) and Caryl Benton of Robert Lee and Chris and Susan Sadler of Navarre, Florida, are pleased to announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Lisa Dawn Sadler, to Nicklas (Nick) Service. Nick is the son of Jay Lyn and Celeste Service of Robert Lee.

The wedding will be held on this Saturday, April 26, 2008, at the Patio at the Gables in San Angelo, Texas.

After the wedding, Nick and Lisa will reside in Robert Lee, along with Jay Henry and Emma.

from April 28 through May 6, Roberts and Irma Torres have with election day voting to be filed for these two positions. RLISD will also have a 1-year unexpired term on the School District has two open ballot. Brandi Brosh has 3-year terms on their board of trustees. Incumbents Jeffie (Continued on Page 6)

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If you are thinking of buying or selling a home in Coke County in the near future, please act now! The prison is scheduled to open soon and with today's fuel costs, most incoming employees will choose to live here. Please don't miss an opportunity to buy your perfect home or to sell your home to one of the people moving into our county. Call us today!



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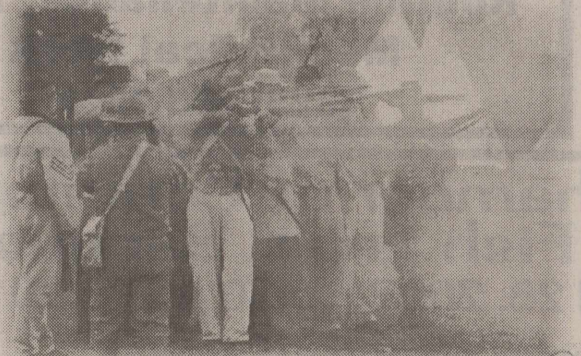
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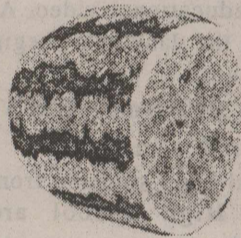
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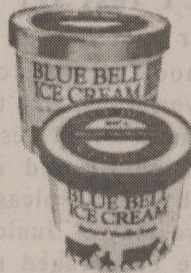
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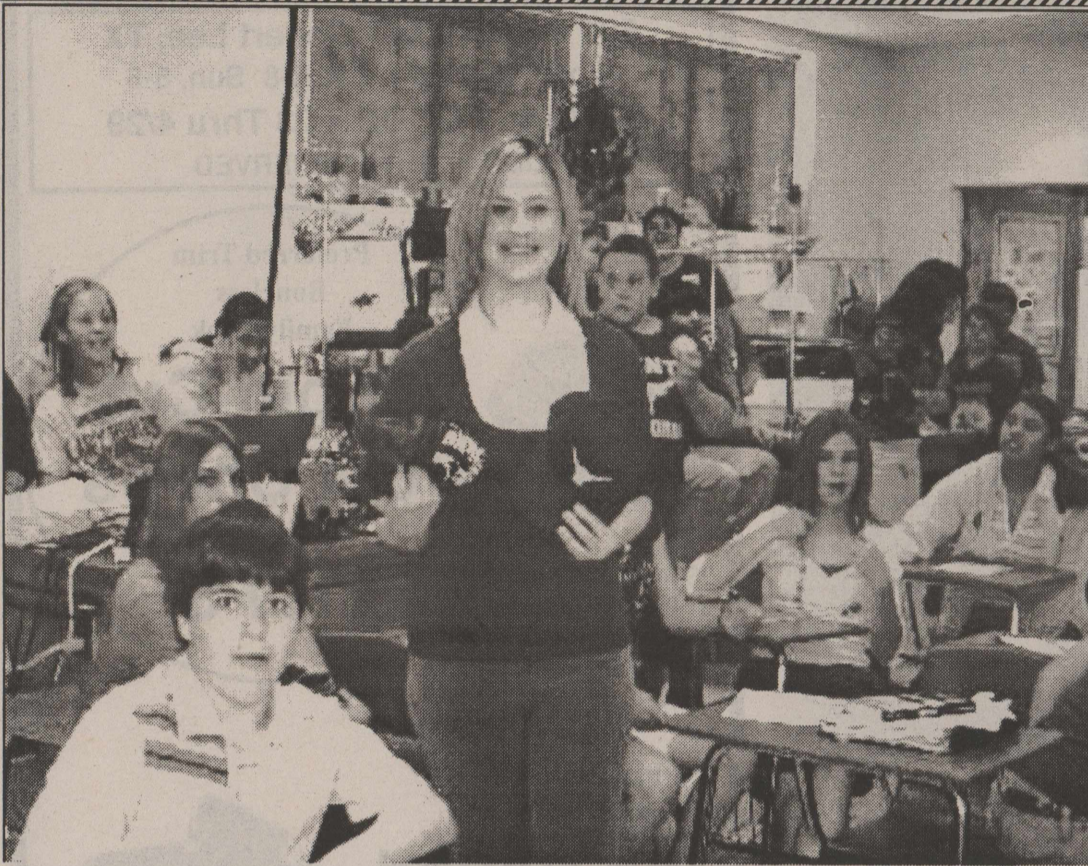
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# BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



**Meteorologist visits BJH!** KTXS Channel 12 Meteorologist, Danielle Dozier, visited Bronte, Tuesday, April 15. She presented a program to the 7th and 8th grade students on all aspects of the weather such as the layers of the atmosphere, weather instruments, the water cycle, tornadoes, hurricanes, blizzards, thunderstorms, and more. Danielle was presented with a Bronte Longhorn T-shirt and a Bronte Longhorn Cap in appreciation for her efforts.

## PALS' Be Safe Street Rally slated

The Bronte High School PALS in conjunction with the Robert Lee High School PALS will be holding a safety-driving rally for all the surrounding communities on May 3, 2008 at the Train Depot on Main Street in



### Breakfast

- Monday, Apr. 28**  
Cereal, apple sauce, toast, jelly, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 29**  
Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, juice, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 30**  
Blueberry muffins, toast, jelly, juice, milk
- Thursday, May 1**  
Pancake & sausage on a stick, syrup, juice, milk
- Friday, May 2**  
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

### Lunch

- Monday, Apr. 28**  
Pizza, tossed salad, corn, juice bar, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 29**  
Grilled cheese sandwich, beef & vegetable soup, baby carrots w/ranch, corn bread, sliced strawberries, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 30**  
Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit jello, milk
- Thursday, May 1**  
Chicken & noodles, corn on the cob, tossed salad, sliced peaches, roll, milk
- Friday, May 2**  
Cheeseburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, rice krispie bar, milk

Bronte. There will be booths with food and entertainment set up for the public from 6 pm to 8 pm followed by a 15 minute educational video. At 8:30 pm the dance will begin and last until 11 pm.

## Help support BHS band students

Several band students from Bronte High School are trying to raise money to attend the Howard Payne Band Camp this summer. A shaved ice stand will be set up across the street from Town & Country in Bronte on different days and each student will work that day and 100% of the profit will go to that student for their band camp fees.

## Register now for ACT test set for BHS

High school juniors or seniors, if you would like to take the June 14 ACT test, which will be offered at Bronte High School, please do so before May 9. Junior students are encouraged to take the ACT or SAT test before the beginning of their senior year so that they may start filling out college applications and scholarships. Please see Mrs. Timmerman if you need a registration packet or you may register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

Remember that fee waivers are available for students on free or reduced lunches. Free study guides are also available in the counselor's office. For more information, please call the counselor's office at 473-2521.

## Scholarship Opportunities

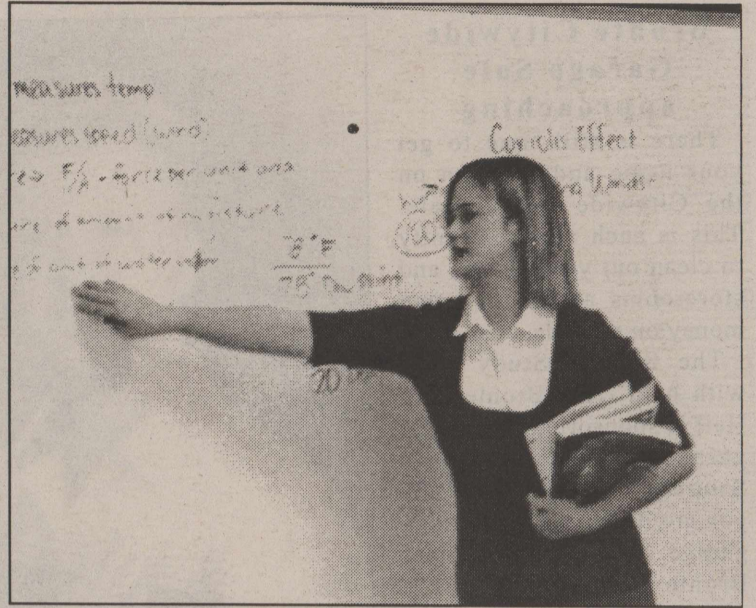
Order of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 1048, of Bronte,

Texas, will provide a \$250.00 scholarship to an outstanding senior student at Bronte High School. Applications are available in the counselor's office at BHS. The deadline to apply is Friday, April 25, 2008.

The Leadership San Angelo Alumni Association will be awarding a \$500.00 scholarship to one senior student from the surrounding San Angelo area. Applications are available in the Bronte HS counselor's office. The deadline to apply is May 9, 2008. Applications must be turned into the counselor's office at Bronte High School.

## Bronte pre-registration for preschool programs set

Bronte Elementary has scheduled pre-registration for the 2008-2009 Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for all students residing in the Bronte school district for Wednesday, April 30, from 3 pm - 4:30 pm. In order to enroll, you must bring the following documents with you: immunization record, social security card, birth certificate and proof of residence (i.e. utility bill, rent receipt, etc.) If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please



**Meteorologist visits BJH!** KTXS Channel 12 Meteorologist, Danielle Dozier, quizzes Bronte Junior High 7th and 8th grade students on weather terminology, explaining the movement of cold and warm fronts and how weather travels across the United States and much more. Her visit was to help the students prepare for the upcoming Science TAKS test. Bronte is part of the KTXS Weather Station SchoolNet program. They gave the school science department a weather station about eight years ago. The TV station pulls information from this location to help them with their weather tracking over the Big Country.

call the elementary office at 473-2251.

## PALS "Be Safe" Rally needs your help

The Bronte and Robert Lee PALS will be holding a "Street Affair" on May 3, 2008 to promote safe driving for all. From 6 pm - 8 pm there will be a silent auction benefiting the C.J. Macon Scholarship Fund, Clay Antilley Scholarship Fund and the Brown family. They are asking all community members from Bronte and Robert Lee to please donate a non-perishable item to make this silent auction a success. You may bring your item to the Bronte High School

office or the Robert Lee High School office. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Please come join in the fun while learning about the importance of safe driving.

## Lady Longhorns named All-State Academic

The Texas Association of Basketball Coaches recently selected Estephanie Flores and Holly Huskerson to the All-State Academic Team. Both young ladies are Bronte seniors.

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## Bronte Chamber of Commerce Annual Fish Fry & Banquet

Monday, April 28, 2008 • 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Bronte Community Center

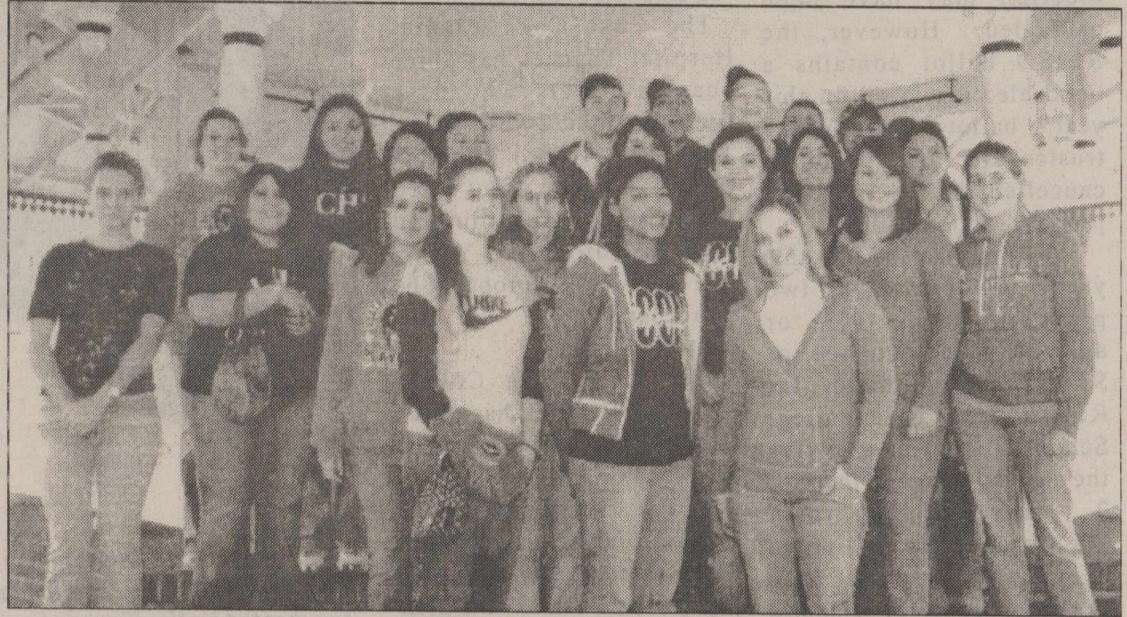
\$7 Adults • \$5 12 & Under (Tickets will be sold at the door)



# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**Robert Lee FCCLA!** Chase Roe, a senior at Robert Lee High School, along with other state FCCLA officers were honored at half-time of a San Antonio Spurs game on FCCLA night in San Antonio recently.



**Robert Lee FCCLA!** The Robert Lee High School FCCLA group traveled to San Antonio to watch a San Antonio Spurs game for FCCLA night, where all FCCLA members in attendance were recognized.

## Robert Lee All Sports Booster meeting slated

The Robert Lee All Sports Booster Club will meet April 24, 2008, at 7 pm, at the Robert Lee ISD Library for discussion on the upcoming RLHS Sports Banquet to be held on May 15 to recognize all athletes for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Advance tickets only will be available through May 1 and can be purchased through Pam Millican at the RLHS office, 453-4555.

## Community Meeting minutes

On Tuesday, April 15, 2008, a Community Meeting was held in the RLISD Auditorium at 7 pm. Kevin Roe opened the meeting as he read the Public Forum Guidelines.

## School Menu

### Breakfast

- Monday, Apr. 28**  
Pizza, juice, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 29**  
Muffin, cereal, juice, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 30**  
Pigs in blanket, cereal, juice, milk
- Thursday, May 1**  
Pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, juice, milk
- Friday, May 2**  
Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk

### Lunch

- Monday, Apr. 28**  
Chicken strips, mac & cheese, black eyed peas, sliced bread, banana, milk
- Tuesday, Apr. 29**  
Corndog, tator tots, pork & beans, pineapple & orange salad, milk
- Wednesday, Apr. 30**  
Frito Pie, corn, salad, applesauce, teddy grahams, milk
- Thursday, May 1**  
Burrito, salad, fruit cocktail, pudding, milk
- Friday, May 2**  
BBQ on bun, pickles, ranch beans, baked chips, peaches, go-gurt, milk

Aaron Hood, RLISD Superintendent gave a presentation on the Wind Turbines. Steve Ellinger and Richard Rogers from CADCO Architects and Engineers spoke about the upcoming May 2008 Bond Election and held a question and answer session afterwards.

## School Board Meeting minutes

On Thursday, April 17, 2008, a regular meeting was held in the Robert Lee High School Library of the public school building at 7 pm. President Roe called the meeting to order.

Members present were: K. Roe, I. Torres, W. Washam, J. Roberts, B. Brosh, T. Sawyer; members absent: T. Reed.

At 7 pm President Roe called the meeting to order and led the invocation and pledge.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of March 13, 2008 and April 15, 2008 meetings, which was seconded by Irma Torres; all for.

Wes Washam made a motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills as presented, which was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for.

Wayne Simpson gave the elementary report and high school report; 134 enrolled for PK-6; 97% ADA for March; 118 enrolled for 7-12, 97% ADA.

Brandi Brosh made a motion to enter into a contract with Interquest

Detection Canines for substance awareness and detection services for the 2008-2009 school year, which was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to continue Catastrophic Insurance and Student/Athletic Insurance with Jacobs Insurance Agency for the 2008-2009 school year, which was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to purchase new computer software for the district from SHI Government Solutions, which was seconded by Brandi Brosh; all for.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to award the bid to Todd Smith for house located at 1312 Childress; the motion was seconded by Tom Sawyer; all for.

Supt. Aaron Hood spoke about the drug-testing program of RLISD. Supt. Hood also gave his respective report on summer hours for administrative office, update on State Comptroller Request on 313 Agreements and Bond Issue Information.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to accept Superintendent Hood's recommendation to hire Jeff Brisbin as Ag Teacher for one-year probationary contract, 11-month position, the motion was seconded by Irma Torres, all for.

The next regular board

meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 7 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

## FCCLA Night with the Spurs

The Robert Lee FCCLA, Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America, went to San Antonio to attend a San Antonio Spur game for FCCLA night. They recognized all FCCLA members in attendance. The day began by 23 members and 5 sponsors loading on the bus at 6 am and heading for a day of fun and excitement.

Chase Roe, State Vice-President of Recreation, met with other state officers while the Robert Lee members went to the River Walk. They ate at Hard Rock Café and celebrated Mr. Henderson's "birthday", went on a riverboat cruise, and shopped at the River Center Mall. Time for the ball game arrived and members enjoyed watching their favorite players take on the Hornets. Chase, along with other state officers, was honored at halftime. After the game, FCCLA members enjoyed a sideline talk by Robert Horry. Chase and the rest of the state officer team met him and took pictures with him.

Members attending were Lacy Brown, Kelsey Martin, Sarah Walker, Megan Percifull, Kelsey Reed, Anna

Rojas, Heidi Austin, Kacee Roberts, Andrea Pineda, Prescilla Lara, Gaby Saucedo, Brody Dillard, Olga Perez, Jeremy Martinez, Haden Dillard, Josh Tennison, Paul Pineda, and Daniel Nowlin. Sponsors were: Roger Henderson, Denise Roberts, Kevin Roe, Tammy Roe and Sheri Millican.

## Emergency Conservation Program deadline set for May 15

Due to the recent wildfires, Coke and Sterling Counties have been approved to take applications for assistance to replace or restore fences damaged by the fires under the Emergency Conservation Program. At this time there has been no money allocated by Washington for the program, however we encourage producers to apply for assistance. In order to receive any assistance if it becomes available, you must have your application completed with our office prior to beginning any repairs. Our office will have to make an inspection to determine the amount of loss. Cost shares are authorized for cross fences, boundary fences, and gates. If you have sustained damage to fences from the recent wildfires, we encourage you to call the office in Robert Lee at (325) 453-2751 to make an appointment to sign up for assistance. The final date to file an application is May 15, 2008.

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**...May 10 Election**

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In years past, with no contested spots on the RLISD school board, the election may have been cancelled. However, the RLISD ballot contains a bond election issue on this year's ballot. By law, the trustee election cannot be cancelled due to the bond proposal on the ballot.

The bond proposal on this year's ballot involves two propositions: 1. (for or against) The issuance of \$15,000,000 of bonds for Robert Lee Independent School District and levying the tax in payment thereof. 2. (for or against) Maintenance tax as limited by Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code. A combined sample ballot which includes all three elections is included in this issue.

Early voting will be the same dates as the BISD election, and election day is also the same (May 10). All early and election day voting will be held at the courthouse in this election.

Incumbent Joe White will be joined on the ballot by Richard Cantrell for a 2-year term as mayor on the City of Robert Lee ballot. In addition, incumbent Bonita Cartrite, Trey Sawyer, and John Jacobs will be vying for two positions on the city council, with both being 2-year terms. Registered voters of the City of Robert Lee will be able to vote during the extended hours for early voting on April 29 and April 30. The Early voting poll place at the Coke County Courthouse will be open from 5 pm to 8 pm. The extended early voting hours are a requirement of the State Election Code and is required for cities only.

Early and election day voting in the city election will be the same as for the RLISD board of trustees election.

In the Bronte City Council election, Alvin Jones, Jim Guthrie, and Buzz Gohman have filed for three spots on

the city council for 2-year terms. Gerald Sandusky has also filed for re-election for mayor. There are no contested positions for the City of Bronte election and the election is cancelled.

The East Coke County Hospital District has three board members who have filed for three 2-year terms. They are Alonzo Robbins, Garry Bivins, and Lee Wommack. According to Administrator Pat Young, that election will probably be cancelled due to no contested races.

The West Coke County Hospital District has three filings for three 2-year positions on the board. They are Pat Stephens, Mike Lomas, and Marilyn White. Since there are no contested positions, the WCCHD Board has voted to cancel their election.

**Upcoming events at RLBC**

Robert Lee Baptist Church will observe World Hunger Day this Sunday, April 27, emphasized with a church-wide dinner of beans and rice following the 11 am Worship Service; All donations for the lunch will be used 100% for World Hunger.

Robert Lee Baptist Church will lead the worship service at the Robert Lee Care Center on Sunday, April 27 at 3:30 pm. The center is located at 307 W 8th, Robert Lee, Texas.

**Public invited to support Disaster Preparedness needs**

First United Methodist Church invites Robert Lee residents to help support the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) re-supply of health kits due to high demands on relief supplies in North America and overseas. Whenever events such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, and wars dislocate large numbers of people, hygiene is a major concern. Our world-wide disaster relief distribution facility



**Ladies Tea!** A large group of ladies from Robert Lee, Christoval and San Angelo enjoyed food, fellowship, fun and listened to an inspirational speaker at the second annual Ladies Spring Tea, hosted by the Victory Assembly of God in Robert Lee, on Saturday, April 19.

(Sager Brown Center) in Baldwin, Louisiana, has experienced a massive draw-down of supplies, and not only hygiene kits, over the past year. RLFUMC has decided to focus upon hygiene kits because they are inexpensive, easily assembled and portable, and relatively inexpensive to ship. They are assembling kits themselves during April and May, and they ask the general public to assist us to fill this simple, refreshing, and truly life-sustaining need.

Kit assembly instructions are as follows:

Kit Contents:

Place these items inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag.

- 1 hand towel (15"x25" up to 17"x27", no kitchen towels)
- 1 washcloth
- 1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket sized)
- 1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- 1 bath-sized bar of soap (3 oz. and up)

- 1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-sized brushes)
- 6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages

(NOTE: UMCOR Sager Brown Center is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before it is sent. Please include \$1 for each kit you bring toward the purchase of toothpaste.)

Important Kit Assembly Information:

- All items included in kits must be NEW items.
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items - nothing more.
- Do NOT include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and

will delay the shipment. (NOTE: Please bring health kits to the RLFUMC Church Office at the rear of the church property.)

**RL-UMC to host luncheon**

On Sunday, April 27, 2008, at noon, the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee will be having a "Bring-A-Friend" Luncheon with Chicken-N-Pasta for the main course. The luncheon will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee in the Fellowship Hall. Fellowship with friends and neighbors following the 10:50 am worship service.

For more information you can contact Rev. George A. Bradley at 453-2417 or robertleeumc@gmail.com.

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### Spring Chicken Affair set

Sunday, April 27, that's the date brightly colored tents will dot San Angelo's skyline, fryers will bubble with the batter of 9,000 pieces of chicken and hand clapping musical entertainment will fill the air.

The occasion is the 26th annual Spring Chicken Affair set to begin at 11 a.m. on Knickerbocker Road behind San Angelo National Bank to benefit West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Sponsors of this popular fundraiser are San Angelo National Bank, H-E-B Food Store, Foster Communications and the San Angelo Restaurant Association who provides the expertise and personnel to serve the Sunday-after-church fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

Tickets are available in advance at SANB, H-E-B, the Foster complex and the Rehab Center. Tickets also will be available at the event.

For those who can't stay and enjoy the activities, take-out service will be available. Also, thanks to Home Motors Towing Service, volunteers will deliver plates of food to homebound individuals within the San Angelo city limits who have no transportation or have physical limitations which prevent them from attending. Call Rehab at 223-6305 to arrange for delivery.

This year's featured entertainer will be Daniel Makins and his Austin-based band. Daniel was raised in San Angelo where he has recently returned after a decade away in Nashville and Austin. The singer/songwriter also will perform in June at the local New Folk Concert Series and Chicken Farm Art Center.

"In 25 years, the Spring Chicken Affair has raised more than \$585,000 for the Center, thanks to the generous support of sponsors, vendors and the thousands who attend each year," said WTRC President Woody Gilliland. "All of us at Rehab are deeply grateful to everyone responsible and we invite the Center's friends from the Concho Valley to come join the fun as serving lines will be open until 2 pm."

Events such as the Spring Chicken Affair make it possible for the Center to serve all who seek its services, regardless of their financial circumstances. For more information about the event or Rehab services, call 325-223-6300.

### 21st Annual Senior Spring Fling

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley, City of San Angelo Recreation-Senior Services and the Concho Valley Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) continue to offer

sponsors, exhibitors and vendors the opportunity to participate in the 21st Annual Senior Fling on May 8, 2008 at the San Angelo Coliseum. "Senior Safari-Supporting Stronger Communities" presents your organization with a unique opportunity to provide education information and details of your services which help older adults.

For more information, contact Dolores Schwertner at dschwertner@wtrc.com (325) 223-6388, LaRhonda Trammel at laronda.trammel@sanangelotexas.us (325) 657-4490 or Terry Lockhart at terry.lockhart@cvcog.org (325) 223-5704.

### Relay for Life slated for June 6-7

The Coke County Relay will be June 6 and 7. The theme for this year will be Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back. The Relay will kick off at 7 pm with the Survivor Lap, followed by the Caregiver Lap. If you are a Survivor (anyone who has had or is battling cancer of any kind), we are asking that you be there by 6:30 pm to register and complete a form. Also if you did not participate last year, please call Glenda Draper, 473-2050, or Rhonda Hood, 453-2065, and give us your name and T-shirt size.

Everyone will want to come out and join their neighbors in this fun-filled evening to help raise money to fight back against cancer.

Why do we Relay? One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetime. The funds raised at Relay save lives by funding cutting-edge cancer research, early detection and prevention education, advocacy efforts and life-affirming patient services. This happens only because of your involvement.

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Service to Honor and Remember those who have had cancer or who have lost their battle will be held around 10 pm in the evening. Forms to purchase luminaria can be obtained from Dian Coulter (325/743-2038) or at various locations in Bronte and Robert Lee. Watch for more newspaper articles and posters around town!

### RLVFD Memorials and Donations

**In memory of Erma Lee Gartman**

Mike and Fran Lomas, Maudie Conley, Allen and Carole Clendennen, Kenneth and Nancy Rasco, Joe and Marilyn White, Nell Hines, The Domino Club, Dorothea and Lou Wright, Waldon and Judy Millican, Tad and Therese Emert, Bobby and Joyce Walker, Mike and Sherry Wilkes, Mike Conley, Jamie Boren, Winnie Pitcock, Melva Winkler, Joyce Dodson

**In memory of Fred Beaty**

Mike and Fran Lomas, Maudie Conley, Mrs. Vaughan Davis, Kenneth and Nancy Rasco, Jamie Boren, Joe and Marilyn White, Roy and Judy Blair, Waldon and Judy Millican, Mike Conley

**In memory of Kenny Sims**

Jamie Boren, Bill and Bobbie Allen

**In memory of TM Wylie (1913-1986) and in appreciation**

Mary May Wylie, Prescilla Davis, Mike and Fran Lomas

**In memory of Philip Hardin**

Jewell Wallace and family  
**In memory of Irma Casey Blair**

Barbara and Add Davis, Roy and Judy Blair

**In memory of Leta Stokes**

The Domino Club, Tommy and JoAnn Clifton

**In memory of Elizabeth Matlock**

Bill and Bobbie Allen

**Donations**

Horace and Mary Scott, Ivey Motor Company, Kathy Wrinkle, Wallace and Billie Ross, Drennan-Metcalf Ranch, Mr. and Mrs. Eph Cummins,



**Ladies Tea!** Debbie Childers, Womens Ministry Coordinator for Victory Assembly of God in Robert Lee, makes her inductive comments and welcomes the ladies to the second annual Ladies Spring Tea, held on Saturday, April 19.

Jewell Wallace, Gaylon and Debbie Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Waldon Millican, Michael Neal Oliphant, Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Walker, First United Methodist Church, Linda Lou Arledge, and those that donated bottled water, drop-in packets, gatorade and juice.

### Bronte United Methodist Women meet

The Bronte United Methodist Women met in the home of Mary Percifull on April 15. Members present were: Joyce Bailey; Cynthia Robinson;

Juanette Gentry; Glenda Draper; Pat Martindale; and Mary Percifull.

The members enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by Mrs. Percifull. The Minutes and Treasurers reports were approved.

Preparations continued for the "Spring Fling" Plant and Bake Sale to be held on April 18-19.

The members began their study on Native Americans by viewing a video entitled "Stories from the Circle of Life".

Mrs. Sonnenberg will be the hostess for the May meeting. Mrs. Draper will conclude the Unit's study on Israel/Palestine.

## Are Your Prayers Effective?

### Praying to Yourself

The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers or even as the publican (tax collector). I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. • Luke 18:11-12

### God Is Not Committed To The Prayers of Sinners

Now we know that God heareth not sinners, but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him He heareth. • John 9:31

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me. • Psalm 66:18

The Lord is far from the wicked: but He heareth the prayer of the righteous. • Proverbs 15:29

### God Hears Repentent Prayers

And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: For every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. • Luke 18:13-14

### Prayer Of Acceptance Of Jesus Makes You A Son Of God

But as many as received Him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name. • John 1:12

### God Is A Good Father

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him? • Matthew 7:11

### Now You Can Call God Father

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. • Matthew 6:9-10

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**Regional Quilt Show set for Abilene**

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The special displays offer a wide variety of quilts. For the third year the Hoffman Quilt Challenge quilts will be displayed. The display is sponsored by Hoffman Fabrics. Quilters from all over the world will use this year's Hoffman challenge fabric in a small wall quilt. The quilts are judged, and the best are displayed at various quilt shows, including the International Quilt Festival in Houston. The Members' Challenge quilts will also be on display. Guild members will use red, white, and black fabrics for this year's challenge. In addition, there will be a display of wall hangings made by students in last year's workshop led by Tom Russell. The guild will also display a donation quilt made by members of the guild.

One of the highlights of the show is the opportunity to shop at the many vendor booths at the show. Vendors from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma will offer quilting related items such as kits, fat quarters, fabric on the bolt,

notions, books, patterns, including vintage pieces. There will also be vendors offering other items that appeal to Quilters. Vendors will also donate door prizes to be awarded throughout the show.

Quilters will also be able to learn about new tools and quilting techniques. There will be hourly demonstrations both Saturday and Sunday. The demonstration schedule will be posted at the quilt show entrance. In addition, Tom Russell, a noted quilt designer and teacher from Katy, will be offering all day classes both days of the show. On Saturday he will offer a class for beginners. This will be a hands-on class where students will make a small wall quilt. Then on Sunday he will teach a mystery quilt for intermediate and advanced Quilters. Registration is available on a first come, first served basis. Contact Charlotte Williams at [iquilt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:iquilt@sbcglobal.net) for more information about these classes.

**RLISD Awards**

**5th 6 weeks**

**Pre-K**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Kolten Hooten, Ian Paredes

**Kindergarten**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Reaghan Bohannon, Jonathan Skipworth, Clayton Montgomery, Ethan Brashear, William Dunn, Tara McCormick, Andrew Martin, Joseph Leal

**1st Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Desirree Roe, Corbin Drennan, Bubba Bohannon,

Kaden Austin, Kelby Clawson, Jose Reyes

**2nd Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
William Coppedge, Kiara Padgett, Kourtney Roach, Joshua Gregston, Ryann Harless, Mariah Munoz, Jayce Bower, Julian Torres, Samantha Roe, Margo Mendoza, Bethany Coppedge, Daniel Mendoza, Jorge Mendoza, Chaiston Golden, Hailey Padgett, Kelsey Benson, Meghan Bohannon

**3rd Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Kandace Skipworth, Chesney Minjarez, Anna Huapilla, James Wyatt, Ryan Martin, Gabriel Abalos, Marcy Leatherwood

**A Honor Roll**  
Gabriel Abalos, Kaden Hayes, Anna Huapilla, Nicole Jones, Ryan Martin, Casey Scruggs, James Wyatt

**4th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Jacob Jackson, Sandra Hubbard, Rani Coppedge, Blaine Yanez, Bailey Hooten, Karlee Roach, Bruce Buddin, Kodi Drennan, Jordan Bowser, Madison Wright, Julia Madrid

**A Honor Roll**  
Bruce Buddin, Brady Clawson, Rani Coppedge, Kodi Drennan, Hunter Hamrick, Bailey Hooten Jacob Jackson, Kershtan Netherland, Myrka Rangel, Karlee Roach, Justice Saucedo, Madison Wright

**5th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Tristen Hildebrand, Katelynn Chancellor,



**King and Queen!** Carroll Robbins and Nina Bivins were named the King and Queen of the Valentine Party at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center.

Mychael Tijerina

**A Honor Roll**

Tristen Hildebrand, James Roberts

**6th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Bianca Huapilla, Ashlie Tennison, Sydney Sheldon, Kevin Saucedo, Hanna Hamrick, Fatima Fabian, Taylor Sheldon

**A Honor Roll**  
Shaylee Bell, Bridget Byers, Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard, Jesse Sheets, Everett Wilson

**7th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Dawson Brisbin, Kelsey Hewitt, Zachary Sanchez

**A Honor Roll**  
Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat

**8th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Luisa Carrera, Jose Fabian, Tyler Henderson, Lisa Myrice, Kimberly Roach, Meagan Ross

**A/B Honor Roll**

Linsey Arellano, Elizabeth Chancellor, Tyler Henderson, Lisa Myrice, Kimberly Roach

**9th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Lacy Brown, Matthew Daniell, Haden Dillard, James Hewitt, Daniel Nowlin, Logan Philley, Paul Pineda, Skylee Rainwater, Kelsey Reed, Kacey Roberts, Jorge Rostro, Joshua Rowoldt, Connie Saucedo

**A Honor Roll**  
Kelsey Reed

**A/B Honor Roll**  
Heidi Austin, Lacy Brown, Haden Dillard, Logan Philley, Skylee Rainwater, Kacey Roberts, Jorge Rostro, Luke Sheldon

**10th Grade**

**Perfect Attendance**  
Briana Brisbin, Cayetano Carrera, Josef Hanigan, Blake Millican, Emilee Yanez

**A Honor Roll**  
Emily Arellano, Cayetano Carrera, Piedad Juarez

**A/B Honor Roll**  
Justina Gloria, Sarah Jones, Stetson Nesbit, Erika Sheldon, Colton Reed

**Robert Lee State Bank**

**Internet Banking Has Arrived**

Come by or call the bank at 325/453-2545 to sign up!  
[robertleestatebank.com](http://robertleestatebank.com)

**Online Bill Pay Available!**

**Full Service ATM & Night Drop On Site!**



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**GENERAL ELECTION**

**ELECCION GENERAL**

Coke County, Texas

Condado de Coke, Texas

May 10, 2008 - 10 de mayo de 2008

**Instruction Text:**

Please use a black or blue pen to mark your ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the box provided to the left of your choice.

**Nota de Instruccion:**

Por favor use una pluma de tinta negra o azul para marcar su boleta. Para votar por su seleccion en cada carrera, llene completamente el espacio cuadrado a la izquierda de su seleccion.

**ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE ROBERT LEE**

**TRUSTEE, Three Year Term**

Vote for none, one or two

**REGENTE, Termino de Tres Años**

Vote por ninguno, uno o dos

JEFFIE ROBERTS

IRMA TORRES

**TRUSTEE, One Year Unexpired Term**

Vote for none or one

**REGENTE, Uno Año Duración Restante del Cargo**

Vote por ninguno o uno

BRANDI JO BROSH

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,000,000 OF BONDS FOR ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF.

**PROPOSICION NUM. 1**

LA EMISION DE BONOS POR LA CANTIDAD DE \$15,000,000 PARA EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE ROBERT LEE Y GRAVAR UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE LOS MISMOS.

FOR A FAVOR

AGAINST EN CONTRA

**PROPOSITION NO. 2**

MAINTENANCE TAX AS LIMITED BY CHAPTER 45 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE.

**PROPOSICION NUM. 2**

IMPUESTO POR MANTENIMIENTO SEGUN LO LIMITA EL CAPITULO 45 DEL CODIGO DE EDUCACION DE TEXAS

FOR A FAVOR

AGAINST EN CONTRA

**Sample Ballot**

**CITY OF ROBERT LEE**  
**CIUDAD DE ROBERT LEE**

**MAYOR**

Vote for none or one

**ALCALDE**

Vote por ninguno o uno

RICHARD CANTRELL

JOE WHITE

**CITY COUNCIL**

Vote for none, one or two

**CONCILIO DE CIUDAD**

Vote por ninguno, uno o dos

TREY SAWYER

BONITA CARTRITE

JOHN JACOBS

**BRONTE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BRONTE**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER**

Vote for none, one or two

**MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA ESCOLAR**

Vote por ninguno, uno o dos

KENDALL GIBBS

PAUL WILLIAMS

SHANE KELTON

DAVID McWRIGHT

SCOTT FRASIER



**11th Grade**  
**Perfect Attendance**  
 Holly Austin, Taylor Foster, Alexis Garren, Jeremy Martinez, Mira Myrice, Mason Ross, Jodi Sheldon

**A Honor Roll**  
 Jeremy Martinez, Mira Myrice

**A/B Honor Roll**  
 Holly Austin, Taylor Foster, Arrin Minjarez, Michael Rodriquez, Gabriela Saucedo, Jodi Sheldon, Cori Torres

**12th Grade**  
**Perfect Attendance**  
 Molly Burns, Brody Dillard, Briana Longoria, Taylor Percifull, Chase Roe, Ashley Sawyer, Heather Williams

**A Honor Roll**  
 Molly Burns, Brody Dillard, Briana Longoria, Andrea Pineda, Chase Roe, Anna Rojas, Kasie Skinner, Heather Williams

**A/B Honor Roll**  
 Cody Denton, Corbin Martin, Kelsey Martin, Megan Percifull, Taylor Percifull, Ashley Sawyer, Luke Thurman

**BJH/BHS**

**Honor Roll**  
**5th Six-Weeks**

**12th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Emily Austin, Stephanie Flores, Casey Harris, Holly Huskerson, Terrah Macon, Savannah Martinez, Paul McConnell, Gus Saunders, Cody Wallace

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Kyler Lee, Marcy McMorris, Miranda Parks

**11th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Lahne Burns, Ariel Coalson, Shannon Deller

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Sindy Barba, Jessi England, Reece Springer

**10th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Chelsea Cook, Bill Miller, Jacob Scott

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Trentin Deronde, Ryan Everheart, Emily Fiveash, Stephanie Frasier, Louie Martinez, Chelsea Meek, Jose Perez, Paola Perez, Rob Rosson, Cheri Sonnenfelt, Kim Womack

**9th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Heath Richey

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Cheyenne Boyd, Ginny Caston, Skyler Ellis-York, Ali Franco, Benny Fuentes, Dakota Rawls

**8th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Shelby Amendt, Katie Austin, Mackenzie Gibbs, Kim Lee, Kaleb Parks, Jill Scott, Harley Wallace

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Stephanie Barba, Jordan Baumann, Lauren Burns, John Deller, Kassie Fillman, Amy Godinez, Beau Grigg, Leah Jones, Austin Mertz, Kaitlin Moore, Leticia Pena, Brenda Perez

**7th Grade**  
**A Honor Roll**  
 Brooke Bedford, Kaitlyn Braswell, Mikayla Fraune, Caleb Rosson, Jael Williams

**AB Honor Roll**  
 Nathan Fillman, Kyle Kelton, Ethan Sedden

**Spring-clean your financial records**

By Jason Alderman  
 Have you ever wasted precious weekend hours searching for tax-related documents? If the television died, could you locate the warranty to see if it's still covered? Ever forgotten an online account password? These are all good arguments



**TMCN Luncheon!** Tammy Thorn (left to right) and Alan Richey of Bronte, Beth Prather of Robert Lee, Gerald Sandusky and Michael Bohensky of Bronte attended the TMCN network luncheon in Winters recently.

for setting up a proper filing system.

Consider this: A recent survey uncovered that nearly a quarter of adults have incurred late-payment fees because they couldn't find billing statements. So poor paperwork management is not only time-consuming,

it's expensive.

Here are a few helpful document filing categories: Tax-related documents. These include receipts for deductible items, income and investment statements, and mortgage and home improvement expense receipts. The IRS

has up to six years to audit you (there's no time limit if they suspect fraud), so keep all tax returns and related receipts and statements at least that long. IRS Publication 552 recommends what to save and for how long (www.irs.gov).

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**MAKE A DIFFERENCE  
 VOTE FOR THE RLISD BOND ISSUE**

**Make a difference for our children -** our most valuable assets. A vote for the bond issue will assure our children of a safe, up to date, accessible school.

**Make a difference for our city -** Robert Lee is a great place to live and the school is the "heart of our town".

A new school can strengthen our community, boost civic pride, and make Robert Lee a more desirable place to live and raise a family.

**Make a difference where tax revenue goes -** Taxes levied for bond payments are not subject to recapture. In other words, more Robert Lee ISD taxes will stay in Robert Lee ISD rather than going to the state.

**The windmill projects have already made a difference** in increased property values. Passing this bond issue will allow RLISD to keep debt tax revenue generated from windmill projects and keep our money from being redistributed to another school district. Your vote **FOR** the bond will allow our community to cash in on the new tax values.

**Please join us in voting  
 FOR  
 the RLISD Bond Issue**

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Vote Yes School Bond Committee, Cindy Brown, Treasurer, PO Box 423, Robert Lee, Texas 76945

**Are you at RISK?**  
**YES! EVERYONE is at risk!**  
 \*Stroke \*Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm  
 \*PAD (Peripheral Artery Disease)

- Legs hurting?
- Have you experienced leg pain when walking?
- Are you overweight?
- Vision loss, double vision or blurred vision?
- Difficulty speaking or loss of speech?
- Severe headaches?
- Do you have high cholesterol?
- Diabetic?
- Do you smoke?

**Only \$99 for all 3 vascular tests!**

Robert Lee State Bank  
 Friday, May 9

**Strokes are the 3rd leading cause of death in America!**  
**You NEED to be CHECKED!**  
 Doctor referral NOT needed

Concho Diagnostics will be at Robert Lee State Bank, Friday, May 9. Schedule your vascular screenings today, don't become a statistic! These are three simple, painless screenings that could save your life or the life of a loved one! All procedures performed by a registered vascular technician and read by area cardiologists. All procedures placed on CD (MPEG) for viewing and written results mailed to your home within 48 hours! All 3 tests only take 30 minutes! Cholesterol and Diabetes testing is also available.

**Call 653-3000 or 1-888-245-7605 to schedule your appointment!**



**BUY IT! SELL IT! FIND IT!**

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES**  
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*A service charge will be added to all ads which must be billed.*

**ADVERTISING DEADLINE**  
Tuesdays at 2 pm

**PUBLISHER'S NOTICE:**  
All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18.

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

**FOR SALE**

**COMPUTERS**  
New and Used. Repairs, upgrades, internet service. New 6.0 megapixel digital cameras \$90. New Polaroid photo printers \$25. Many new items 1/2 price! Ed Martindale, 473-3004.

**FURNITURE FOR SALE**  
Couch, large dresser, recliner, entertainment center, chest of drawers, washer and dryer. 453-2450 for appointment.

**BAD BACK?**  
Tempur-pedic type Memory Foam Mattress set new in plastic. Retail \$1800. Must sell, \$550. 432-664-8980.

**THE HANDYMAN CONSTRUCTION CO.**  
Licensed Electrician • Insured & Bondable  
Any Type of Job • Turn Key Metal Buildings  
If you have a job that you can't get done, call Tommy Williams!  
Robert Lee, Texas  
325-453-2838 • 325-453-4477 • 325-277-7370

**Political Calendar**  
**The Observer/Enterprise**  
has been authorized to make the following announcements for the political offices in Coke County.

Each candidate or the campaign treasurer has paid for his or her announcement. All political advertising, announcements, and printing is cash in advance.

**CONSTABLE PRECINCTS 1 & 3**  
Marshall Millican (Dem.)  
**COKE COUNTY SHERIFF**  
Randall Jacks (Dem.)

**BRAND NEW**  
Queen Pillow Top Mattress set. New, still in plastic with warranty. \$150. 432-664-8980.

**VERY NICE 3BR/2BA**  
Doublewide on approximately 1 acre at 625 Summit, Robert Lee. CH/CA. Some appliances remain. \$39,900. Directions: take 208 to Robert Lee, left at 158 (flashing light), right on Sunset, follow dirt road to Summit. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Sammie Gonzales, D&D Realtors, at 325/234-3939 anytime.

**A KING PILLOW TOP**  
Mattress set. Factory warranty. New. Must Sell. \$245. 432-664-8980.

**HAYGRAZER**  
Square and round bales. Horse quality. 453-2731.

**FOR RENT**  
**RENT TO BUY LARGE HOME**  
\$495/mo. Security deposit. 508 W. 9th, near RLISD. 655-9141.

**FOR RENT**  
2 BR/1 BA, furnished, covered parking, fenced yard. 325-763-7843.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**PARKER PLUMBING**  
Residential & Commercial. All types plumbing repair - new construction, remodeling, fixtures, and sewer service. Licensed Master Plumber. 473-2131, Bronte.

**STUMP GRINDING**  
You have an unsightly tree stump in your yard? We'll grind it out without leaving a hole or a mess. Richard Baker. 473-2017 (home), (325) 669-7415 (cell).

**THE "BARBER" SHOP**  
Debora England, 107 W. Main, Bronte. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. 9 am - 5 pm. Avon, buy or sell, independent rep. 650-1970.

**HELP WANTED**

**CRMWD POSITION OPEN**  
The Colorado River Municipal Water District is accepting applications for the position of Maintenance Foreman for the San Angelo to Ivie Reservoir area. The successful candidate will have the experience necessary to successfully plan, direct, organize, and oversee the daily activities of a crew maintaining the District's raw water pipelines, pumps, and pump stations. CRMWD is an equal opportunity employer. Benefits include health insurance, retirement plans, and sick, vacation, and holiday leave. Resumes should be sent to CRMWD, Attn: Foreman Position, P.O. Box 869 (400 E. 24th Street), Big Spring, TX 79721-0869. Applications for employment are available at this same address and will be required of all candidates selected for interviews. Questions regarding this position may be directed to Mr. Cole Walker at 432-267-6341.

**COKE COUNTY WATER SUPPLY**  
Applications are being accepted for Manager Operator until May 5, 2008. Applicant must have valid driver's license, HS Diploma or GED equivalent. A

**Mother's Day will be here before you know it. Come on by and check out our gifts!**  
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Bob Frazee's 944-0010 473-6603  
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453-5144 OFFICE • 21 E 6TH STREET • ROBERT LEE, TX  
JOE ASH • 473-0164 MARSHALL MILlicAN • 473-0437  
For information & photos, visit our web site at [www.amcwesttexasranches.com](http://www.amcwesttexasranches.com)

**Coke County ~ Ranch & Hunting Properties**  
New Listing! 91+/- ac., Highway frontage, 2 water wells, a 36'x45' all metal barn with plumbing, nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home. 310+/- ac. Very Nice 3 BR, 2 bath home. Live water. Good fishing. Large Live Oak trees. Excellent turkey and deer hunting.

**We have Buyers, We need Land Listings.**  
On 3.7 acres, brick home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, attached two car **SOLD** metal shop with a 25'x40' attached shed, perfect for livestock.  
**Lake Spence**, mobile home on large lot with huge storage/shop.  
**Lake Front Property**, 3 BR, 2 Bath home, 1550 sq. ft., vaulted ceiling in living area, 2 car carport, on apprx. 4.5 ac. with magnificent views, additional guest house.

required TCEQ class D water license is preferred and training will be made available. Applicant must provide personal transportation and tools. Applications are available at the CCWSC office at 10390 W. Hwy. 158, Robert Lee, TX. Office hours M - F 8am - 12 noon. Equal Opportunity Employer.

**HELP WANTED**  
Cedar Manor Nursing and Rehab Center has LVN & CNA positions open. Apply in person @ 1915 Greenwood St., San Angelo. 942-0677.

**WAITRESSES NEEDED**  
Flexible hours. Apply in person at Rangel's Restaurant in Robert Lee. 453-9010.

**GARAGE SALES**  
**HUGE FIVE FAMILY GARAGE SALE**  
113 Driftwood, Bronte. Friday, April 25, 8am - 4pm and Saturday, April 26, 8am - 5pm.

**HUGE THREE FAMILY GARAGE/MOVING SALE**  
314 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee. Friday, April 25, 5pm - 8pm; Saturday, April 26, 9am - 5pm; Sunday, April 27, 9am - ??? Furniture, toys, men and ladies clothes, boys clothes (0 - 9 yrs.), girls (0 - 3t), kids shoes, household items, much, much more. Probably new items daily.

**Land**

- 160+/- acres in Nolan County with 4 Bedroom 2 Bath Home! Hills, Live Oaks and Gorgeous Valley!
- 220+/- acres with Creek, Pond, Water Well & New Fences!
- 955+/- acres that owner will divide! Great hunting or homesite! Rough Creek area!

**Homes Available!**

- **Barn with Stalls!** Frame 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home near School! Hardwood Floors! French Doors lead to backyard with Chain Link fencing! \$60's!!!
- **Possible Owner Finance!** 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Furnished Mobile Home! Shop! Chain Link fencing surrounding property! \$40's!!!
- **Hilltop Views** from this 4 Bedroom 2 Bath Home on Acreage! Hardwood Floors! Fireplace in Living Area!
- **Large Frame Home with Character!** Fireplace in Living Area! Formal Dining! Huge Master Bedroom! Sunroom! Covered Patio! \$80's!!!
- **Approx. 9 Acres** with 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home surrounded by huge shade trees! Double car garage! RV Cover! \$70's!!!
- **4 Bedroom Rock Home!** Hardwood Floors! New Windows! Huge enclosed patio could be Second Living Area or Game Room! \$70's!!!
- **Near Golf Course & Park!** 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home with Fireplace and Built-Ins! Updates include carpet, tile counter tops and backsplash! \$80's!!!
- **Charming Older Home** with High Ceilings and Hardwood Floors! 3 Bedroom 2 Baths with Large game room! Shop! Horse stalls! \$60's!!!
- **4 Bedroom Brick Home!** Updated ceramic tile in kitchen and oversized dining room! Huge Sunroom leads to park-like backyard with many trees!

**Concho Realty**  
Office 653-4535  
[www.conchorealty.com](http://www.conchorealty.com)

Becky Clendennen Home 453-4748  
Melinda McCutchen Home 473-3201  
Owner/Broker Cell 650-9729 Cell 473-8863 REALTOR®

**CARD OF THANKS**  
**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK**  
everyone for all the calls, prayers, and caring during Casey's recent hospital stay. It is great that we live in such a wonderful caring community. Casey is doing much better and is back at work.  
Thanks again to everyone, Casey and Sue Ann Nesbit and family  
40-1tc

**NOTICES**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
The Robert Lee Housing Authority will hold a PUBLIC MEETING on June 16, 2008, at 10:00am-12:00pm at the Housing Office on 710 Bishop, to receive comments on the Annual and 5-Year Plan for the Robert Lee Housing Authority. All documents are on display at the office of the Housing Authority, at 710 Bishop, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00am and 12:00pm.  
40-1tc

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that Coke County is taking applications for a rural transportation van driver in Robert Lee, Texas. Applications may be picked up in the judge's office in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Applications will be taken until 9 am, April 28, 2008. For further information you can call 453-2922. Coke County is an equal opportunity employer.  
39-2tc



...More Classifieds

**NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION**

To the registered voters of Bronte I.S.D., Texas.

Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00am to 7:00pm on May 10, 2008, for voting in a General Election to elect two trustees for full three-year terms. Location of polling place: City Hall - 114 South Washington, Bronte Texas 79633. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Bronte ISD Superintendent's Office - 210 South Jefferson, Bronte Texas 76933, between the hours of 8:00am - 4:00pm beginning on April 28, 2008 and ending on May 6, 2008.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Sujane Schoenfield, Box 670, Bronte, TX 76933. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than close of business on May 2, 2008.

SS// Wayne Coalson  
President

**AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL**

A los votantes registrados del Bronte I.S.D., Texas.

Notifíquese, Por las presente, que las Casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrieron desde las 7:00am hasta las 7:00pm el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir eleccion dos administradores por un periodo de tres anos. DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES, City Hall - 114 South Washington, Bronte Texas 76933. La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en Bronte ISD Superintendent's Office - 210 South Jefferson, Bronte Texas 76933 entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de abril, 2008 terminando el 6 de mayo, 2008.

Las solicitudes para boletas que votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Sujane Schoenfield, Box 670, Bronte Texas 76933. Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 2 de mayo, 2008.

SS// Wayne Coalson  
Presidente  
40-1tc

**ORDINANCE #402**

**AN ORDINANCE CANCELING THE MAY 10, 2008, GENERAL ELECTION AND SPECIAL ELECTION AND DECLARING EACH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE ELECTED TO OFFICE; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**SECTION 1.**

The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 10, 2008, General Election and Special Election, are hereby declared elected to office, and shall be issued a certificate of election:

Mayor: Gerald Sandusky (Two-year Term)

Councilman: Jimmie Guthrie (Two-year Term)

Councilman: Alvin Jones (Two-year Term)

Councilman: Paul Gohman (Two-year Term)

**SECTION 5.**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained. PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2008.

SIGNED: Gerald Sandusky,  
Mayor

ATTEST: Pat Martindale,  
City Secretary  
40-1tc

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO**

**BILL EASLEY AND DESCENDANTS OF EDITH MAE EASLEY**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 29 of the Texas Property Code, Suc Diane Luckett, P. O. Box 21, Bronte, Texas, seeks reimbursement of the prorata share of a total of \$2,500.00 paid on ad valorem taxes on the property from Bill Easley who may own an approximately undivided 1/4 of the following described property and the descendants of Edith Mae Easley who may own an approximately undivided 1/2 of the following real property, said property described as Lots 11 and 12, Block 49, Original Town of Bronte, Coke County, Texas.

Greg Gossett, Attorney  
P.O. Drawer 911  
San Angelo, Texas 76902  
40-4tc

**...Financial Spring Cleaning**

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Checking and savings accounts. Enter ATM and debit card deposits, withdrawals and purchases into your check register right away to keep a running balance. Check all entries against your monthly statements for accuracy. Save cancelled checks for deductible expenses with tax returns. Banking online is an easy way to keep your recordkeeping current.

Utility, phone, cable and credit card accounts. Review bills for any errors or mischarges. Once payments have cleared, you can shred the bills unless you need a record for tax purposes (like home-office tax deductions).

Pay stubs. Save until your year-end W-2 form arrives. When your annual Social Security income statement arrives, double-check annual income amounts. If you spot an error, call 1-800-772-1213.

Investment and retirement funds. Keep monthly and quarterly statements until you receive year-end statements. Always save records of any after-tax contributions to retirement funds to prove you've already paid the taxes.

Housing. Retain paperwork on your mortgage, refinancing, lease or rental agreement. Also save home improvement receipts for possible tax advantages when you sell.



**Artists!** Members of the Robert Lee Art II and junior high art classes, taught by Mrs. Service, helped add some color to some of the classrooms at Robert Lee ISD recently.

Major purchases. Save original sales receipts for appliances, electronics and other major purchases and attach to product warranties and owner's manuals. When purchasing items online, save sales receipts and shipping confirmations until the items have arrived and cleared your credit card statement.

Insurance policies. Maintain files for homeowner/renter, car, life, disability and medical insurance policies. Indicate on medical bills how and when you paid in case of billing disputes; also, save for six years if you deduct medical expenses from your income taxes.

Wills and trusts. Keep copies of your will and living trust and contact information for attorneys who helped prepare them. Important: Don't put your only copies in a safe deposit box, since it will likely be sealed should you should die unexpectedly.

Passwords. Create a list of all online accounts and passwords and store in a secure location.

A few additional tips:  
\* Store critical documents such as your will, trusts, birth/marriage certificates, insurance policies, old tax returns and passport in a fire-proof, lockable storage box. Also, keep additional copies

in a safe deposit box or with a trusted acquaintance in case of major home damage.

\* Periodically back up information in computer files on CDs or an external hard drive.

\* Always shred mail or documents containing personal information rather than

simply throwing away.

\* Consult a financial professional about your particular situation. If you don't know one, [www.plannersearch.org](http://www.plannersearch.org) is a good place to start looking.

Filing is a drag, but so is tearing the house apart looking for documents.

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**IVEY MOTOR COMPANY, INC.**

- 2008 Mercury Grand Marquis #7089 \$19,995  
Vibrant White • Stone Leather • 8K Miles!
- 2007 Ford Expedition XLT #7090 \$21,995  
Red Fire • Stone Cloth • 3rd Row Seat • Rear Air • 22K Miles!
- 2007 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4 #7088 \$20,995  
Carbon Clearcoat • Camel Sport Bucket Seats
- 2007 Ford F-150 SuperCrew XLT #5102 \$20,995  
Red Fire • Tan Cloth • 24K Miles • Really Sharp!
- 2007 Ford Explorer XLT #5093 \$19,995  
Pearl Blue • 3rd Row Seat
- 2007 Mercury Grand Marquis LS #5103 \$16,995  
Vibrant White • Tan Leather • 24K Miles!
- 2007 Ford Taurus SE #7087 \$11,995  
Silver • Floor Shift • Power Seat
- 2006 Ford F-250 SuperCab XLT #6031A \$17,995  
White • Powerstroke • Auto • Grill Guard • Headache Rack
- 2006 Mercury Grand Marquis LS #6046A \$15,995  
Light Ice Blue • Tan Leather • Only 20K Miles!
- 2005 Ford F-250 CrewCab 4x4 #H246A \$28,995  
Toreador Red • Tan Accent • Powerstroke • Tan Leather • 39K Miles!
- 2005 Mercury Mountaineer AWD #5100A \$14,995  
Satin Silver • Charcoal Leather • 44K Miles!
- 2005 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4 #4986A \$14,495  
Silver • 3rd Row Seat • Rear Air

- 2004 GMC Yukon XL SLT #6005A \$17,495  
Dark Gray • Charcoal Leather • DVD • VCP
- 2004 Ford F-150 SuperCab XLT #7074A \$12,995  
Toreador Red • V-8 • Automatic
- 2004 Ford F-150 Regular Cab STX #6039A \$10,995  
White • V-6 • Auto • Power Locks • Sporty Ride!
- 2003 Ford Excursion Limited #H221A \$20,995  
Hunter Green • Tan Leather • Powerstroke • Wow!
- 2003 Ford F-250 CrewCab XLT #6037C \$14,995  
Toreador Red • Powerstroke
- 2002 Ford F-250 SuperCab 4x4 #H224A \$11,995  
Arizona Beige • V-8 • XLT
- 2001 Ford Ranger SuperCab XLT H164M \$ 6,995  
Dark Blue • Hardshell Bed Cover

**453-4561**

Ask For:  
**Randy Flanagan • Marsha Wink  
Billy Wayne Roe**



**Pet Talk**

Having those pearly whites checked is as important for horses as it is for people. Experts say annual dental exams are extremely important for horses young and old to help ensure the animals comfort and performance.

Dr. Cleet Griffin, a clinical assistant professor at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, says that horses are known to develop a number of dental problems that may cause pain and lead to poor performance. But how will horse owners know when the animal is experiencing dental problems, and when they need to call the veterinarian?

Griffin says there are a few good signs that a horse may need to have its teeth examined, such as when it is dropping quite a bit of feed while eating, holding its head tilted to the side while chewing, eating slowly, spitting out large balls of poorly chewed hay, presence of excessively long fibers in the stool or having foul breath.

Signs of dental pain during riding may include chewing on the bit, noticing blood-tinged saliva from the mouth or shaking its head excessively.

"Horses should have their teeth examined by a veterinarian at least once a year to ensure high dental health, but if any of these symptoms are displayed, it is very important for the owner to have the horse examined in the near future," Griffin believes.

If dental problems are not resolved there can be serious consequences. Colic, choke, sinus infection and poor athletic performance have all been cited as problems that can be caused by dental abnormalities in horses.

Griffin says the field of equine dentistry has evolved with the domestication of horses. In the wild, horses graze for about 16 hours a day, constantly taking in tough, fibrous vegetation that also contains small, sand-like particles. The horse then grinds its teeth laterally, which has a two-fold purpose, he notes.

"First, the lateral grinding of the horse's teeth obviously enables the animal to break the food down into smaller particles to aid in digestion. But it also serves a secondary purpose of slowly wearing away the chewing surface of the horse's teeth," Griffin adds. He notes that unlike human teeth, a horse's teeth continue to slowly erupt over the lifetime of the horse.

Domesticated horses may not graze for extended periods of time and are given manufactured food products like hay and feed. These products are easier to chew, causing the horse to grind its teeth far less compared to horses grazing a forage diet.

With a grain-rich diet, the horse chews with the mouth moving more up and down instead of laterally, and the reduced amount of grinding contributes to the development of sharp points on the animal's cheek teeth, which can produce cheek and tongue discomfort, he explains.

"Sharp points can be easily eliminated by a process called floating, which is simply filing and smoothing the sharp areas. This can alleviate the discomfort the animal feels while chewing or being ridden," Griffin notes.

Horses may also encounter dental problems when the baby teeth are replaced by the adult teeth. This transition happens between the ages of 2 and 5, and should be closely monitored

by a veterinarian. Adult teeth may not come in correctly because of the baby teeth's inability to detach properly, which can cause a number of problems for the animal.

As the horse gets older, more serious dental problems can occur. Griffin states that older horses are more prone to the following malocclusions: abnormal amounts of wear on the crown of the tooth, a fractured crown, loose teeth, or even periodontal disease (inflammation of gums or tissues in the mouth caused by food being packed into small spaces in between the teeth).

"To reduce the likelihood of a horse having dental problems, owners should have their horse examined annually," Griffin adds. "Many problems can be

reduced or alleviated before they cause pain or reduce performance in the animal."

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