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Midnite Madness Softball Tourney slated for this weekend

The 2nd annual Midnite Madness Co-ed Softball Tournament will be held this weekend, Friday June 19 and Saturday, June 20 in Bronte. For more information or to sign up contact Mark Gonzales at (325) 227-2495 or mgonzales55555@yahoo.com. The tournament is in memory of the late Remedy Jacques.

FUMC-RL to host VBS next week

The Robert Lee First United Methodist Church is reminding everyone of their Vacation Bible School starting next week, June 22-26. It will begin at 9 am and last until 12 noon. The theme this year is "Camp Edge". Everyone is invited to share a fun filled week with us. Invite friends and neighbors to join you on a huge adventure at Camp Edge.

Hickman-Herran reunion set

The Hickman/Herran family reunion will be at the recreation hall in Bronte June 20-21. Hickmans were on the Texas Census of 1850 in Bexar County. They were run out by Indians and returned after the War of the Republic. Herrans were in a Tennessee Colony in Erath County until they came to Coke County after the war.

The American Pedigree Collateral liner for Hickman is: Hicks, Lindsey, Frizzle - an Anglicism of the Scottish name Frazier, Croft,



State Track Meet! Bronte Longhorns Chelsea Cook and Rob Rosson competed at the UIL State Track Meet in Austin on June 6. Chelsea placed fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 35'2". Rob placed fifth in the 110 hurdles with a time of 14.97. Both students performed well and are excited about the possibility of a return visit next spring. A large contingent of family and friends were there to encourage these two athletes.



Strickland, Webber and Elliot. Collateral lines for Herran are: Goode, Hayle, McKennelly, Best, Mason, Dales, Anderson and Woodson.

Super sandwiches and dessert will be served after five on Saturday, June 20. The Bar-B-Que will be at 1 pm on Sunday.

BHRC Auxiliary 4th of July Celebration slated

The Bronte Health and Rehab Center (BHRC) Auxiliary along with the BHRC will host its annual 4th of July Celebration on Saturday, July 4, at 6:30 pm at the BHRC. There will be a meal provided at no cost to guests. Following the meal, the BHRC Auxiliary will

have a bake sale and auction. All proceeds of this auction will benefit the residents at the nursing home.

Then at dark, there will be a fireworks display paid for by the BHRC Auxiliary.

Each year this fund raiser is a huge success for the auxiliary. There are many people who help make this event possible. Many townspeople come and enjoy a great meal which the board members serve. The townspeople have always supported the nursing home and the auxiliary; and for that, the community is very fortunate!

Please mark your calendars for July 4, and plan to attend the meal, auction, and fireworks display at Bronte Health & Rehab Center.

Multi-County 4-H Camp slated

The Multi County 4-H Camp will be held July 9-10 at Buffalo Gap. Registration deadline is July 1. For more information and to register contact the Coke County Extension office at (325) 453-2641.

Benefit dance set for July 4th

There will be a benefit dance on Saturday, July 4, at the Robert Lee Pavilion, from 6 pm until midnight. Tracy Scott from Kick'n Country 103.1 FM will be the DJ.

If you get hungry, Tracy Scott with Big T Catering will be serving BBQ and drinks at affordable prices.

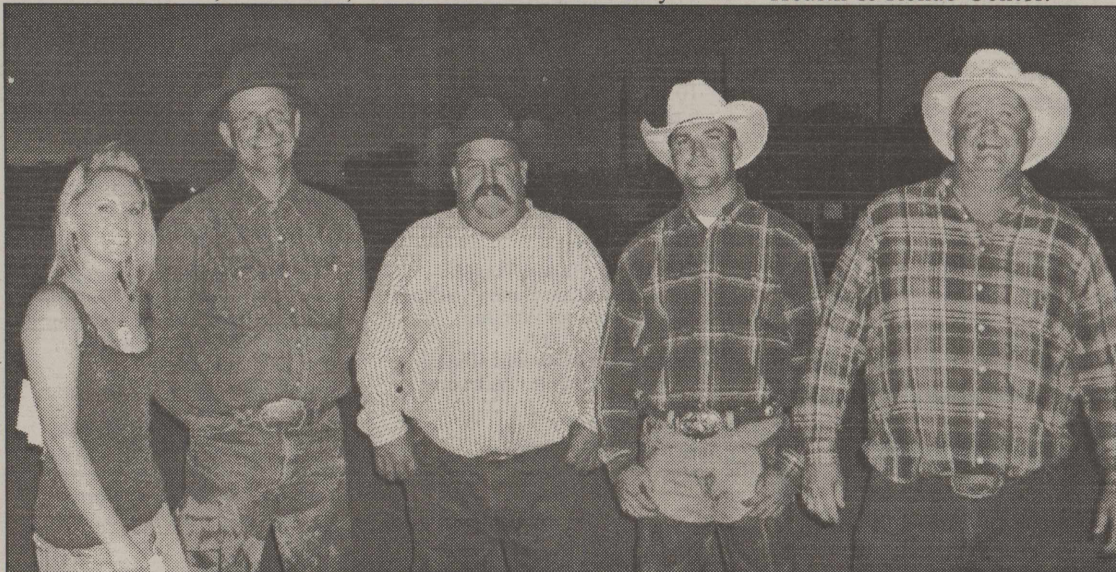
All donations will help support the Robert Lee Softball/Baseball Team Association. Come and enjoy! 453-2495.

Coke County Newspaper Project

Several historical preservationists have found a cool way to get out of the house. They are helping to preserve Coke County history through the Newspaper Project at the Wojtek Building and the air conditioning is being provided by the Wojtek family.

Most Tuesdays the cars out front of the building indicate that a dedicated group is working to get the papers in chronological order in order for the papers to be transferred to microfilm by the West Texas Collection at Angelo State University. Any of the volunteers on hand will show new volunteers the process involved.

Just step through the door to see what a massive project this is. For information call the Coke County Library at 453-2495.



Ranch Rodeo Winners! The Crawford Brothers team, out of Andrews, Texas, were the winners of the 18th annual Coke County Ranch Rodeo, held this past Saturday at the Coke County Roping Arena in Bronte. The team consists of (from left to right) Lex Crawford, Mike Harmon, Dustin Deaver and Monty Keeney. Presenting the team with their buckles and combined winnings of \$1,400, was Morgan Webb, secretary of the Coke County Roping Club.

**Happy
Fathers' Day!
June 21, 2009**

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**RL Mini Cheer
 Camp slated**

The Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, taught by the RLHS Cheerleaders, will be held August 3-7 from 9 am - 11 am at the Robert Lee High School Tennis Courts. For more information, contact Maranda Hood at maranda.hood@rlisd.net.

**Scott Family
 Reunion held**

The Scott Family Reunion was held in the Bronte Senior Building on Saturday, June 6, 2009. Forty-five cousins gathered for the day with lots of visiting.

Those present included David and Donna Scott of Vernon; Randy Scott of Alvarado; Tim and Sharon Scott of Wingate; Dean and Sharon Scott of Wingate; Richard Scott and son of Big Lake; Kay Hafterson of Tacoma, Washington; Joyce Wrinkle Riley of Hubbard, Texas; Lorie Wrinkle Knight of Abilene; Steve and Brenda Hines of Bronte; Shane, Tina and Summer Sanders of Water Valley; Mickey, Kay, Sarah and Emily Scott of San Angelo; Ken and Linda Scott of Odessa; Doris Parsons of Odessa; Eloise Laster of Van Nuys, California; Becky and Kael Byrom and Mekenzie Coble, Gatesville; Carey and Tresia Scott of Midland; Cherie, Riley and Drake Ellison of Andrews; Bette Scott and Lana Muncy of Keller; Misty Muncy and sons of Sweetwater; Roy Proctor and Donna Mapes of Monahans; Lou Ann and Kendal Scott of Athens; and Wayne and Ariel Coalson of Bronte.

**ASU's Dean's list
 released**

The Dean's List for the 2009 Spring Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees from the Robert Lee area include: Christopher C. Cooper, Jordan D. Davidson, Micah A. McDowell and Alexandria D. Welch.

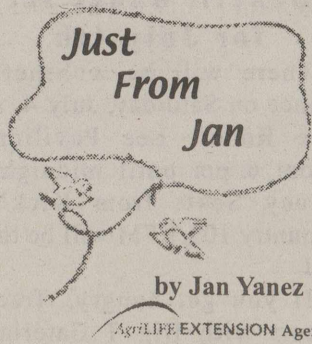
The honorees from the Bronte area include: Blaine M. Dyess, Joseph E. Israel, and Logan D. Rawls.

**Check Out
 Coke
 County
 Library**

Three more lucky winners in the Read and Relax drawing at the Coke County Library can claim their free treat at Rhonda and Judy's by coming by the library to pick up the coupon. This week's winners are Ryan Martin, Daniel Martin and Hanna Hamrick.

To have a Read and Relax summer just come by and pick up a book or two and find a cool place. If you are a student you are eligible to add your name to the drawing once for each book returned. If you are an adult, you get to choose from a wide range of good reading. Large print books in western, romance, mystery, detective, and biography are available. Books on tape are also ready to go along on a road trip.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; and Fridays, 8-12. Call 453-2495 for information.



What is a Father?

A FATHER is someone who is forced to endure child birth without anesthetic

FATHERS usually growl when they feel good and laugh very loud when they are scared to death

A FATHER never feels entirely worthy of the worship in children's eyes

But he keeps trying to be the hero his daughter thinks



Senior Reception! A reception honoring 2009 Robert Lee High School graduates was held recently at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. Those hosting the event included (back row, left to right) Milbern Wink, Charlotte McKnight, Mary Bessent, Jeanette Jacobs, (front row, left to right) Mary Williams, Kacee Roberts, James Roberts, Nina Brewer, Maudie Conley and (not pictured) Earla Ferry.

he is and the man his son believes him to be

Sometimes FATHERS go to war. They don't want to, but as always they know war is part of their most important jobs in life which is to make the world a better place for their children than it has been for them

FATHERS are men who give their daughters away to men who aren't nearly good enough so they can have children who are smarter than anybody's

FATHERS fight dragons almost daily. They hurry away from the breakfast table, off to the arena which is sometimes called an office or workshop. There they tackle the obstacles that stand in their way, schedules, hard work and occasionally, the boss. They never quite win the fight but they never give up.

I don't know where FATHERS go after life, but I have an idea that a Father doesn't just sit there on a cloud waiting for the girl he's loved and the children she bore. He will be busy there, too, repairing the stairs, oiling the gates, improving the streets, smoothing the way.

**HAPPY FATHERS DAY!
 Families Invited to
 Host Exchange
 Students**

Coke County families are invited to host international exchange students coming to the area this fall. The students are aged between 15 and 18 and will have their own spending money and health insurance. They will attend your local high school for the 2009-2010 school year. Host families are responsible for providing

meals, a place to sleep and a nurturing and safe environment. The STS Foundation places a large emphasis on supporting host families and will have a local representative who will maintain monthly contact with the family. The students are proficient in English and must maintain satisfactory academic progress while in school here. All types of families are welcome to apply to host, including empty nesters, older couples, young couples, families with/without children and even single parents. Below are some profiles of students for next fall. The STS Foundation has over 200 additional students to choose from. For more information on hosting call 1-800-522-4678 or email info@stsfoundation.org

Hello! my name is Martina and I come from Milan, Italy. I'm 17 years old. I live with my parents and my two older brothers, Andrea (22) and Federico (20). My Dad is a manager and my Mom is a homemaker. I am an active Catholic and attend church with my family regularly. I have 8 years of English and French. My favorite hobbies are golf, jogging, meeting friends and playing volleyball. I was recently ranked 16th in the under sixteen bracket of the National Golf Championships. I also like to jog about 10k most days. My Mom says that I'm a little shy at first when meeting people but after a while you have to tell me to stop talking! I don't have any allergies and I am an A student at school. I can't wait to meet you and your family on my exchange program in the USA.

**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. Corey Cornutt, 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

Steve Peyton, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 5:30 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Bethel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee

(325) 763-9208 • 320-1354
 Sun. 10 am • Worship
 11 am & 6 pm • Service
 Wed. 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) 453-2482

Jim Dominey, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 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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Money Tree! Pecan Baptist Church in Robert Lee honored Mira Myrice, valedictorian of the 2009 Robert Lee High School graduating class with a luncheon on May 21, following the morning worship service. Pastor Jim Dominey presented Mira with a check from the church and she was also surprised with a money tree filled with many "green" leaves from the church congregation. Mira will be attending Angelo State University in the fall.



Second Place! Capturing second place at the 2009 Coke County Ranch Rodeo was the Robert Lee team, The Ranch Hands. Team members included (from left to right) Luis Rojas, Germano Lopez, Carlos Valenzuela, and Pepe Navarette. Presenting them with their winnings of \$900 was Morgan Webb, Coke County Roping Club secretary.

Hi, my name is Idun and I come from southern Sweden. I am 16 years old and my birthday is in October. I have 3 sisters aged 18, 12 and 7. My father is an Engineer and my mother is an Assistant Professor. My two biggest hobbies are cheerleading and gymnastics. Our gymnastics team has been ranked 4th or 5th consistently over the past few years. I have been practicing cheerleading for 1 year and I love it. I hope to try out for your high school cheerleading squad. I am enrolled in our Nature Science Program at school. My classes are in the sciences and my favorites are Biology, Chemistry and Math. I love animals and have an A average at school.

Hello, I'm Felipe from near San Paulo in Brazil. I am 16 years old. I have 11 years of English and have a B grade average in school. I like to eat healthy foods and I do not smoke or drink alcohol. I consider myself to be a very chatty boy. My favorite hobbies are soccer and swimming. I have participated in our Regional Championships in swimming but soccer is my favorite sport. I would love to continue playing soccer and try a new sport while I am in the USA. My teacher says that I am very mature for my age.

Hello, my name is Olivia and I come from Germany. I am 17 years old and I have a 19 year old sister named Tatjana. My Dad is a Craftsman and my Mom is a Medical Secretary. I am an active Christian and attend Church every week. My favorite hobby is dancing. I train twice a week having ballet and Jazz on Wednesdays and then on Saturdays I have Jazz, Modern and Hip-Hop classes. I love animals and have a dog named lucky and a turtle named Hildegard. I go to a private school where there are quite a few students with hearing problems. Don't worry though as I don't have hearing issues but I do know some sign language! My

other interests are cooking, playing cards, gymnastics, reading, cycling and photography.

Hi, I'm Jenna and I come from Australia. I am 16 years old and there 6 people in my family. I have 2 sisters aged 24 and 14 and one brother aged 12. My parents buy and sell things on EBay for a living! I do a lot of things with my family including church activities, going out for tea, birthday parties and relaxing at home. I love singing and have entered into Duet competitions with my friend. I also sing in the Church ministry. I play the piano as well sometimes. I love talking and am a very outgoing and positive person. We love animals so hopefully you will have some too. Other things I love doing are reading, cooking, swimming, playing cards and school clubs.

STS Foundation is a not for profit Foundation and is dedicated to intercultural exchange.

Farm program calculation tools available online

USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces that new online research and planning tools are now available for farmers and ranchers to assist them in examining how the new 2008 Farm Bill programs apply to their crops and operations.

Average Crop Revenue Election Program (ACRE) is a new revenue-based guarantee program administered by FSA that assists farmers and ranchers in managing the risks inherent in agricultural operations. ACRE is an alternative to the traditional price-

stabilizing Direct and Counter-cyclical Program.

By visiting the FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov, growers can enter their crops, acreages and price yield projections into an "ACRE Calculator" to evaluate potential results. The calculator tool and other information including eligibility resources can be found by navigating to the Direct and Counter - Cyclical Program/ACRE pages shown in the menu bar on the left side of the FSA homepage.

The ACRE alternative provides eligible producers a state-level revenue guarantee, based on the five-year state Olympic average yield and the two-year national average price.

The website also provides a 2008 Benchmark Yield History, ACRE Revenue Yield Maps and ACRE Price Values. The calculator can be used for one year and repeated to project multiple year results. Additional ACRE background information includes fact sheets and descriptive charts to help explain this program's provisions and calculations.

August 14 is the deadline to elect and enroll in ACRE for the 2009 Crop Year. Note that once a producer elects to participate in ACRE, the farm is no longer eligible for the regular Direct and Counter-cyclical Program through the 2012 Crop Year, the last year covered by the 2008 Farm Bill.

Producers should carefully evaluate their participation in ACRE. Payments in ACRE are made only when both state and farm-level triggers are met. By participating in ACRE, producers

elect to forgo counter-cyclical payments, receive a 20-percent reduction in direct payments and a 30-percent reduction in loan rates.

For more information about your options under ACRE and other new Farm Bill programs, contact the Coke Sterling FSA at 325-453-2751 to schedule an appointment.

First case of VS for 2009 detected in Texas

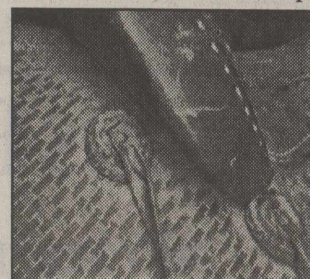
The nation's first case of vesicular stomatitis (VS) for 2009 has been detected in a horse in Starr County, in far south Texas. VS is a sporadically occurring virus that is endemic to the U.S. Signs of the disease include blisters, lesions and sloughing of the skin on the muzzles, tongue, teats and above the hooves of susceptible livestock, which include horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, deer and some other species of animals.

"The most recent outbreak was in 2006 limited to Wyoming only, where 17 horses and a dozen cattle on 13 premises were confirmed to have the virus," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. "To prevent the spread or

introduction of infection, many states and countries will place additional entry requirements or restrictions on the movement of animals from affected states, or portions of the state. Call the state or country of destination before moving livestock, to ensure that all entry requirements can be met. Do not risk shipments being turned away, or worse, spreading disease and facing legal action by animal health authorities."

"Often horses are the signal, or first, animals to be confirmed with vesicular stomatitis when the virus is active. If the blisters and lesions are seen in cattle, sheep, pigs or other cloven-hooved animals, our first concern is a possible introduction of foot-and-mouth disease, the most costly and destructive foreign animal disease. Horses are not susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease, but anytime blisters or unusual sores are seen, animals should be examined by a veterinarian as soon as possible."

"Move sick animals away from the remainder of the herd to protect against disease spread," urged Dr. Hillman. "Do not move sick animals from the premises, and call your veterinarian or the nearest Texas Animal Health Commission area office, or the Austin headquarters at 800-550-8242. Laboratory testing to confirm infection can be run at no charge to the livestock owner."



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RLJH End of Year Awards

Robert Lee Junior High held their annual End of Year awards assembly recently. Awards are as follows.

Valedictorian

Zachary Sanchez

Salutatorian

Jordan Gartman

Top 10 scholars for 8th grade

Zachary Sanchez, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Ashlie Wheat, Drew Davis, Kelsey Hewitt, Lubbock Roe, Cooper Hinderliter, Faylin Bell, Zack Skinner

Top Students in each course

7th Grade

Writing

Hanna Hamrick

Reading

Everett Wilson

Texas History

Everett Wilson

Math

Will Howard

Keyboarding

Everett Wilson

Reading

Will Howard

Life Science

Will Howard

8th Grade

English

Zachary Sanchez

American History

Zachary Sanchez

Math

Jordan Gartman

Earth Science

Zachary Sanchez

Applied Ag Science

Zachary Sanchez

Communication

Jordan Gartman

Reading

Zachary Sanchez

Perfect Attendance

7th Grade

Bianca Huapilla, Jesse Sheets, Sydney Sheldon

8th Grade

Zack Skinner

"A" Honor Roll all year

7th Grade

Will Howard

8th Grade

Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat

Principal's Citizenship Award

Jordan Gartman, Zachary Sanchez

TAKS Commended Results

7th Grade

Commended in Writing, Reading and Math

Hanna Hamrick and Everett Wilson

Writing

Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard, Jacob Torres, Everett Wilson

Reading

Hanna Hamrick, Jesse Sheets, Everett Wilson, Michael Curry

Math

Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard, Everett Wilson

8th Grade

Commended in Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Science

Drew Davis, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez and Ashlie Wheat

Reading

Josh Barnes, Faylin Bell, Beanca Bower, Drew Davis, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat, Cooper Hinderliter, Blake Smith

Math

Drew Davis, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat

Social Studies

Josh Barnes, Faylin Bell, Beanca Bower, Drew Davis, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat, Kelsey Hewitt, Cooper Hinderliter, Dusty Howard, Blake Smith

Science

Faylin Bell, Drew Davis, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Zachary Sanchez, Ashlie Wheat, Cooper Hinderliter

RLHS End of Year Awards

Robert Lee High School held their annual End of Year Awards assembly recently. Awards are as follows.

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Certificate

Jeremy Martinez
Daughter of the American Revolution Excellence in History Award
 Mira Myrice

Scholarships

Eastern Star Scholarship
 Jeremy Martinez - \$500

64 Study Club Scholarship
 Holly Austin - \$1,000, Jodi Sheldon - \$1,000

Jack & Nina Brewer Scholarship
 Sarah Jones - \$1,200, Prescilla Lara - \$500, Olga Perez - \$500, Jeremy Martinez - \$500, Josh Gallegos - \$500, Michael Rodriguez - \$500, Jodi Sheldon - \$500, Arrin Minjarez - \$500, Mason Ross - \$500, Norma Rojas - \$500, Holly Austin - \$500, Mira Myrice - \$500, Garrett Blair - \$500

Casey Eubanks Memorial Scholarship
 Jeremy Martinez - \$500, Olga Perez - \$500

AON Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship
 Olga Perez - \$800, Norma Rojas - \$375, Jeremy Martinez - \$375, Mira Myrice - \$375

Spanish Club Scholarships
 Michael Rodriguez - \$150, Jeremy Martinez - \$150, Norma Rojas - \$150, Olga Perez - \$150, Mason Ross - \$150, Jodi Sheldon - \$150, Prescilla Lara - \$150

WTC Athletic Training
 Garrett Blair - \$3,000 per year plus books

CARR Scholarship
 Mira Myrice - \$4,750 per year, Sarah Jones - \$3,000 per year, Holly Austin - \$2,750 per year.

San Angelo Bowling Association
 Sarah Jones - \$500

Flynn - ASU
 Garrett Blair - \$1,000

ASU - ROTC
 Mira Myrice - \$1,500

Ford Motor Company
 Mason Ross - \$1,000



Spring Concert! Robert Lee ISD held their Spring Concert on Monday, May 18. Pictured above are a few of the participants from Robert Lee Elementary.

Band

Olga Perez - \$400, Norma Rojas - \$400, Jodi Sheldon - \$700

WCC

Jeremy Martinez - \$500
Cielo Wind Power
 Jeremy Martinez - \$1,000

Wayland

Jodi Sheldon - \$250, Mason Ross - \$750

Wayland Centennial

Jodi Sheldon - \$1,500 per year, Mason Ross - \$2,000 per year

Coke County Foundation

Mira Myrice - \$500, Holly Austin - \$500

Clay Antilley Scholarship

Holly Austin - \$500

Student Council Officers

President
 Garrett Blair

Vice President
 Cody Brosh

Secretary
 Holly Austin

Treasurer
 Jeremy Martinez

Reporter
 Jasmine Cortinez

Senior Beta Club

Mira Myrice, Jeremy Martinez, Holly Austin, Mason Ross, Sarah Jones, Michael Rodriguez, Norma Rojas, Garrett Blair, Prescilla Lara, Jodi Sheldon, Cori Torres

Top Students in each course

English I
 Tyler Henderson

English II
 Heidi Austin

English III
 Stetson Nesbit

English IV
 Mira Myrice

English 1301/1302
 Sarah Jones

English 2322/2323
 Holly Austin

World Geography
 Tyler Henderson

World History
 Jorge Rostro

US History
 Emily Arellano

US History 1302
 Sarah Jones

Algebra I

Tyler Henderson

Algebra II

Piedad Juarez

Geometry

Jorge Rostro

Pre-Calculus

Michael Rodriguez

IPC

Tyler Henderson

Biology

Heidi Austin

Chemistry

Piedad Juarez

Spanish I

Luisa Carrera

Spanish II

Jorge Rostro

ESL

Jose Fabian

Art I

Cynthia Mitchell

Art II

Jimmy Womack

Art III

Cori Torres

Communications

Mira Myrice

BCIS I

Heidi Austin 97

BCIS II

Piedad Juarez

Web Mastering

Emily Arellano

Digital Graphics

Emily Arellano

Animal Science

Cynthia Mitchell

Ag Power Tech

Cody Brosh

Wildlife

Emilee Yanez

Ag Structures

Mason Ross

Independent Study

Jacob Moreno

Careers

Jodi Sheldon

Consumer Economics

Mira Myrice

Personal & Family Development

Emily Arellano

Interior Design

Heidi Austin

Prep for Parenting

Jasmine Cortinez

Child Development

Jasmine Cortinez

Housing

Heidi Austin

Apparel

Piedad Juarez

Nutrition

Stetson Nesbit

FCCLA Regional Competitors

Heidi Austin - 3rd Regionals, Daniel Nowlin - 2nd Regionals,

Logan Phillely - 2nd Regionals, Haden Dillard - 2nd Regionals, Jodi Sheldon - 1st Regional,

4th State, Meagan Ross - 2nd Regional, 1st State,

Kacee Roberts - Region II VP, Newly elected Region II President.

UIL Scholar Award

Jeremy Martinez, Michael Rodriguez, Mason Ross, Sarah Jones

Sonrisas Therapeutic Riding, Inc.

Jennifer Barrett

Most Athletic at RLHS

Boy - Josh Gallegos
 Girl - Amanda Mendoza

Teacher's Choice Citizenship Award

Mira Myrice, Jeremy Martinez

Perfect Attendance

9th Grade
 Jose Fabian, Kimberly Roach

10th Grade
 Haden Dillard, Kacee Roberts, Jorge Rostro

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"A" Honor Roll all year

11th Grade

Piedad Juarez

12th Grade

Holly Austin, Jeremy Martinez, Mira Myrice, Mason Ross, Cori Torres

Top 10 Senior Scholars

Mira Myrice, Jeremy Martinez, Holly Austin, Cori Torres, Mason Ross, Sarah Jones, Michael Rodriguez, Prescilla Lara, Jodi Sheldon, Norma Rojas

Valedictorian

Mira Myrice

Salutatorian

Jeremy Martinez

Office Aide and Elementary PALS

Dustin Moreno

Commended TAKS

Performance

9th Grade

Commended in Reading and Math

Tyler Henderson, Lisa Myrice, Raquel Rojas, Meagan Ross

Reading

Luisa Carrera, Tyler Henderson, Lisa Myrice, Raquel Rojas, Meagan Ross, Destiny Thomas, Diana Vera

Math

Tyler Henderson, Chad Martin, Lisa Myrice, Kimberly Roach, Raquel Rojas, Meagan Ross

10th Grade

Commended in ELA, Social Studies, Science

Skyler Rainwater

ELA

Skyler Rainwater, Kacee Roberts

Social Studies

Skyler Rainwater, Heidi Austin, Blake Hewitt, Sam Peyton, Jorge Rostro, Luke Sheldon

Science

Skyler Rainwater, Jorge Rostro, Luke Sheldon

11th Grade

Commended in ELA, Math, Social Studies and Science

Emily Arellano

ELA

Emily Arellano, Cody Brosh

Social Studies

Emily Arellano, Briana Brisbin, Cayetano Carrera, Tanner Hannigan, Piedad Juarez, Stetson Nesbit, Emilee Yanez

Math

Emily Arellano, Piedad Juarez, Stetson Nesbit, Erika Percy, Emilee Yanez

Science

Emily Arellano, Cayetano Carrera

Editor's Note

Katelynn Tijerina was left off of the Bronte Elementary School 4th Grade A/B Honor Roll last week.

Schniers selected to visit NASA this summer

Brad Schniers of Miles High School, son of Curtis and Patty Schniers of Miles, grandson of Clayton and Pansy Bloodworth of Silver and Joe and Clare Schniers of Rowena and great-grandson of Maxine Post of Robert Lee, has been selected to travel to NASA's Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston, Texas, this summer to participate in a one-week summer intership.

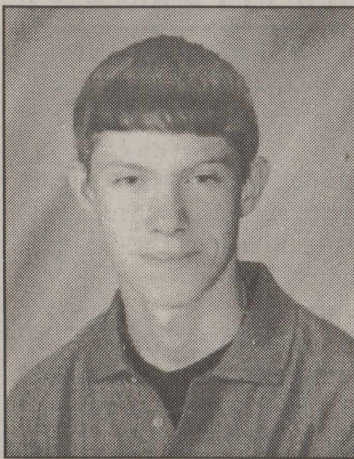
Nominated by Congressman Harvey Hilderbran, he has been selected as one of 354 high school juniors from across Texas to be part of High School Aerospace Scholars (HAS). Students completed 10 web-based assignments during the school year maintaining an 86 average to qualify for the intership. They will apply what they have learned during the year to work with NASA engineers and design a mission to Mars while at JSC.

The weeklong experience at JSC includes a tour of JSC facilities and briefings by noted NASA employees-including astronauts. These students will conclude their experience by presenting their proposal at a closing event to their parents, members of the Texas Legislature, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Rotary NASA, and JSC senior management.

The State of Texas, in partnership with JSC and the Texas educational community, developed HAS in 1999 to encourage more students to pursue studies and careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). More than 2000 students from across Texas have participated in the program since its inception.

With this program, NASA continues the Agency's tradition of investing in the nation's educational programs. It is directly tied to the Agency's major education goal of attracting and retaining students in STEM disciplines critical to NASA's future missions, which include missions returning to the moon, on to Mars and beyond.

For additional information, please contact Jessica Cejka at 281-483-4853 or jessica.a.cejka@nasa.gov. For more information about Texas



Brad Schniers

Aerospace Scholars, please visit our web site at: <http://aerospacescholars.jsc.nasa.gov>.

Baker completes internship at NASA

Lubbock, Texas, native Jake Baker spent the past spring at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston where he took the knowledge he learned in college and applied it to an intership.

Baker worked in the Materials & Processes division at JSC. He performed failure analysis and material evaluations on components of the space shuttle, International Space Station, Orion and the JSC facility.

Baker wanted to find an intership that was different than what classmates had applied for and decided to do a search on the internet for student programs at NASA. That's when he discovered the Undergraduate Student Research Project (USRP).

The USRP intership allowed Baker to learn how many different pieces of lab equipment are used to perform an evaluation, including a scanning electron microscope, hardness and micro-hardness testers, spectrometer, stereoscope and a borescope. He also learned about fracture mechanics, heat treatment of metals and protective chemical coatings to do his job.

"This intership has helped me develop for a future as a professional engineer," said Baker. "The experience proved essential because it gave me a taste of what a job of this nature is like in the real world."

Baker is attending Texas



NASA! Jake Baker (right) recently completed an intership at NASA. He is congratulated by former NASA Flight Director Gene Kranz. Kranz is known for his work as flight director on the Project Mercury (the original manned space missions) and Apollo Missions, especially Apollo 13, and is the author of the book "Failure Is Not An Option".

Jake is a student at Texas Tech University and is the son of Micky and Kelly Baker of Comanche and the grandson of Ronnie and Sammie Baker of Robert Lee.

Tech University with plans to graduate with a mechanical engineering degree in May 2012. After he graduates, he plans to pursue a full-time job at NASA, which has been a lifelong dream.

The NASA Undergraduate Student Research Program is a mentored intership program that provides hands-on experiences in a technical environment. NASA USRP interns work on science and engineering projects that have real application among NASA's core research focus areas.

...First VS Case

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"Vesicular stomatitis is painful for affected animals, but usually, the lesions will heal within two weeks to a month. For some severe cases, owners may elect to have an infected animal euthanized, to put an end to the suffering. In dairies, VS infection can lead to a substantial loss of production," said Dr. Hillman. Treatment of VS-infected animals consists of supportive care, and antibiotics may be needed to prevent secondary infections in the open sores. Animal health officials in nearly all states, including Texas, require VS-infected animals and their herd mates to be quarantined until at least 21 days after all lesions have healed. A follow-up examination of the animals

by the state veterinarian's office is required prior to quarantine release.

VS outbreaks are extremely sporadic, and years may lapse between cases. Sand flies and black flies are thought to play a role in the virus transmission, so controlling insects is important. In 2005, the VS outbreak involved livestock on at least 445 premises in nine states, including Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Texas, Utah and Wyoming. In 2004, affected animals were detected in eight counties each in Texas and New Mexico and in 22 Colorado counties. Before the 2004 outbreak, VS had been "silent" since 1998, when Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas had cases.

More information about VS and a map showing the location of Starr County in Texas are available on the TAHC web site at: <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us>.

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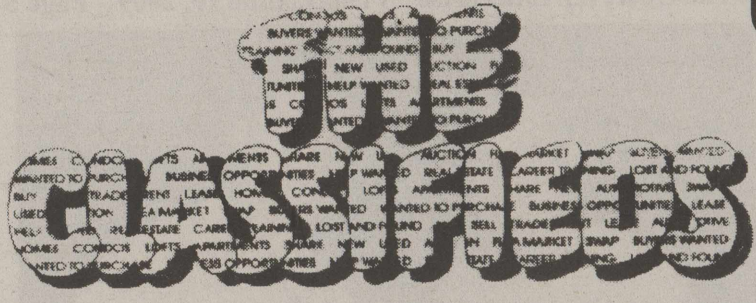
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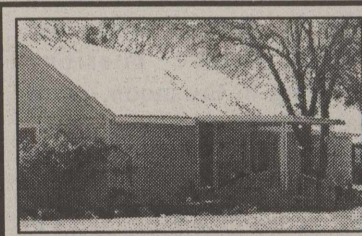
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NOTICES

THE EAST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Board of Directors will have a Budget Hearing on the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year starting July 1, 2009, until June 30, 2010. The Budget Hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 30, at 5 pm in the conference room of the Bronte Health and Rehab Center, 900 S. State Street, Bronte, TX 76933. The public is invited.

48-1tc

NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED: APRIL 29, 2009 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 51st Judicial District, of Coke County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 29th day of April, 2009, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in July, 2009, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Courthouse door, ground floor vestibule entrance, of said County in the City of Robert Lee, beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Coke and the State of Texas, to-wit: **SUIT NO. 3855; Coke County vs. David R. Conoley** TRACT 1: Lot Twelve (12), Block Eight (8), Lakeside Estates, 1st Filing, a subdivision of Coke County, Texas; less and except all oil and gas and other minerals in, on and under said land; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 2, Page 153 of the Deed Records in Coke County, Texas.

SUIT NO. 3952; Coke County vs. Digby, J. C. ET AL

TRACT 1: Lot Twenty (20), Block One (1), Edith Estates, Coke County, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 169, Page 447 of the Deed Records in Coke County, Texas.

SUIT NO. 3995; Coke County vs. Howard, Dennis

TRACT 1: Lot Six (6), Block Seventy-three (73) in the Original Town of Bronte, Coke County, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien recorded in Volume 125, Page 15 of the Deed Records in Coke County, Texas.

SUIT NO. 4100; Coke County vs. Jacobs, John Richard, Jr.

TRACT 1: All of Lot Four (4), Block Two (2) of the Arrott Addition, to the Town

of Bronte, Coke County, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Cash Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 131, Page 374 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

SUIT NO. 4160; Coke County vs. Wardlow, Raymond Kelly, Jr.

TRACT 1: All of Lots Twenty, Twenty-one, (20, 21), Block Twenty-three (23), Original Town of Robert Lee, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 146, Page 293 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

TRACT 2: All of Lots Twenty-two, Twenty-three, and Twenty-four (22,23,24), Block Twenty-three (23), Original Town of Robert Lee, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded at Volume 146, Page 293 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

TRACT 3: All of Lots Eighteen, and Nineteen (18,19), Block Twenty-three

(23), Original Town of Robert Lee, Texas being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded at Volume 146, Page 293 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

SUIT NO. 4190; Coke County vs. Sanford, Lingo

TRACT 1: All of Lots One and Two (1, 2), in Block Three (3) of the Maxwell Addition to the Town of Bronte, Coke County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof in the office of the County Clerk of Coke County, Texas; Mobile Home and any improvements; being that property more particularly described in a Cash Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 165, Page 499 of the Deed Records in Coke County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, and costs; subject, however to the right of redemption by the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem said property, or their

interest therein, in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

I have appointed the following as agent to conduct the sale,

to-wit:
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At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with me, a deputy Sheriff, or the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

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**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE
ORDER PROHIBITING
CERTAIN FIREWORKS
IN UNINCORPORATED
AREAS OF COKE
COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Coke County; and WHEREAS, on the 8th of June, 2009, the Commissioners Court of Coke County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Coke County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing; NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Coke County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Coke County.

A. no person may sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(r) (2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Coke County.

B. This Order does not prohibit:

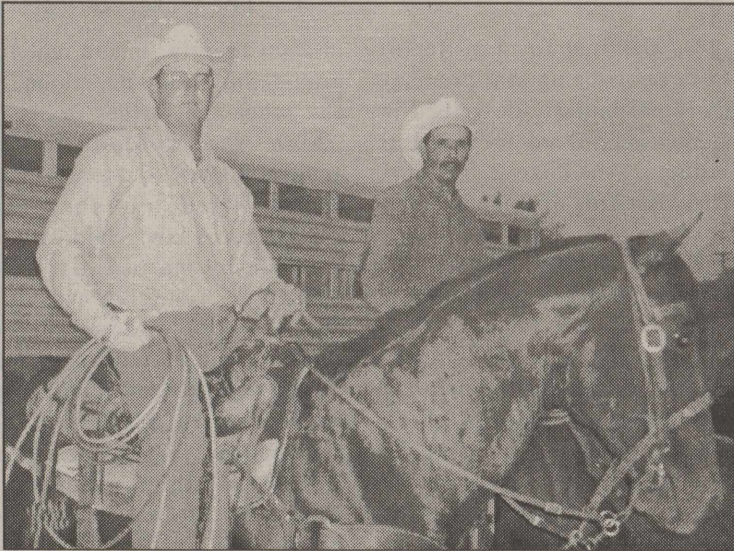
1. common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives;
2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. (TEX OCC.CODE, Chapter 2154).

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C Misdemeanor. APPROVED THIS THE 8TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009, BY THE COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Roy Blair
COUNTY JUDGE
Attest: Mary Grim
48-3tc

**REQUEST FOR
PROPOSAL
MANAGEMENT
SERVICES
TEXAS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT PROGRAM
PUBLIC NOTICE**

The City of Blackwell is soliciting proposals from qualified individuals or firms for management, administrative, and planning services in conjunction with the Community Development Block Grant, Fund Community Development Supplemental Fund and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Fund from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for program years of 2009/2010. Accordingly, the



Winners! Bartley Murray (left) of Miles and Luis Rojas of Robert Lee won the first buckle roping in the Coke County Roping Club's summer series. The roping was held this past Sunday, June 14, at the Coke County Roping Arena in Bronte.

City is seeking to contract with a qualified management firm to administer the contract. Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

Mayor Laura Rozzlle
City of Blackwell
P.O. Box 477

Blackwell, Texas 79506

Proposals must be received by the City no later than **Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.** to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. The City of Blackwell is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

48-1tc

**The Gideon
Graham Family
of Coke County**

By Jane Austin Bruckner
Perhaps the Graham Valley north of Robert Lee was named for this family.

Gideon Graham was Coke County Attorney 1899 - 1900. In 1901 - 1904 he was Coke County Judge, resigning 20 February 1904 to move to Arizona. Gideon Graham was born 03 February 1862 in Coryell County, Texas. He met Miss Blenda Catherine Waldrip who was born 04

June 1866 at Fort Chadbourne, Coleman County, Texas. They were married 03 July 1882 and had these children:

Mamie Graham born 03 June 1885 in Sweetwater, Nolan County, Texas. Died 26 February 1902;

Willie Mae Graham born 18 March 1888 in Sweetwater, Nolan County;

Abigail Ester Graham born 15 Apr 1892 Runnels County, Texas;

Jesse Anderson Graham born 15 April 1893, Nolan County, Texas;

Jehu Smith Graham born 06 Mar 1894 Nolan County, Texas;

Dora Lee Graham born 14 January 1898 in Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas. In 1916 she married Leslie Call. She died 26 Jan 1922;

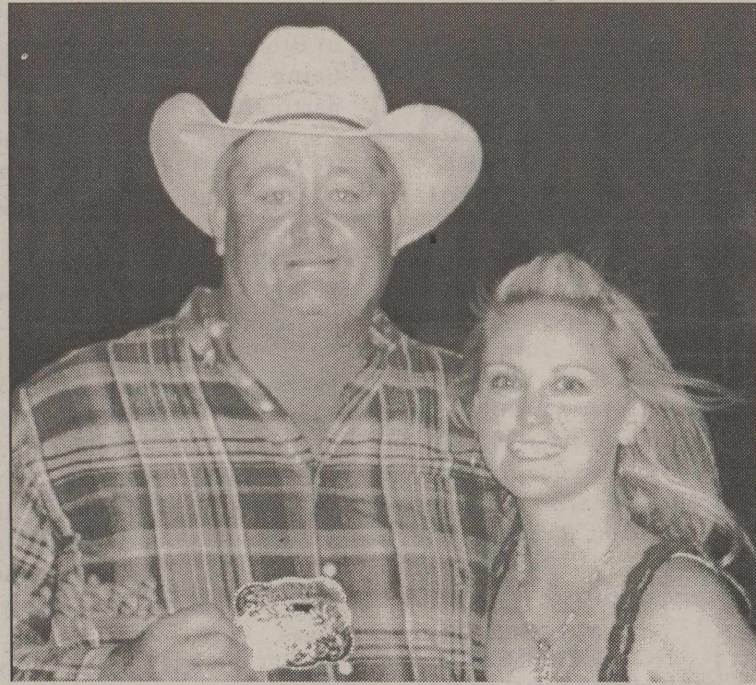
Gideon Perryman Graham born 15 June 1902, Robert Lee, Coke County Texas. Married Thelma Reid. He died 13 Mar 1949;

Alice Sarah Graham born 04 July 1904 in Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona.

There are some Grahams in Coke County, Texas Cemeteries.

Robert Lee Cemetery
Mamie Graham - 3 Jun 1885 - 26 Feb 1902, "Our darling one has gone before to greet us on the golden shore.";

Winnie Graham - 15 Aug 1904 - 21 May 1906, Daughter of W. and S.C.



Top Hand! Monty Keeney of Bronte was named the Top Hand at the 2009 Coke County Ranch Rodeo on Saturday, June 13. Presenting him with his buckle was Morgan Webb.

Graham, "Her Happy soul has winged its way to one pure bright eternal day."

Blackwell Cemetery
Fannie J. Graham 1894 - 1983

Maverick Cemetery, Runnels County (From Bronte toward Ballinger on Highway 158, this cemetery is 1/8 miles from the Coke County line)

Graham, infant - 4 June 1903 - 26 June 1906, "Budded on earth to bloom in heaven."

Sources: *A History of Coke County, Jessie Newton Yarbrough, Coke County Officials, p. 79.*

The family of Gideon Graham information came from Ancestry.com.

Coke County Cemeteries compiled by Copeland and Smith, Ames Enterprises,

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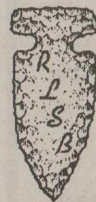
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For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. • John 3:16

Jesus answered and said unto her, if thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water. • John 4:10

Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift. • II Corinthians 9:15

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