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County voters disagree with state voters concerning some amendments

indicating that all eleven of Tuesday's constitutional amendment proposals were affirmed by state voters, county totals are indicating a different story on some amendments. County vote totals for each amendment are listed below:

The amendment to allow cities and counties to issue bonds to buy land to create buffer zones around military bases failed locally 139 for to 229 against.

The amendment which requires appraisal of residence homesteads based on homestead value passed locally, 196 to 185.

Allowing state enforcement of uniform property appraisal standards failed locally, 148 to 232.

The amendment establishing the National Research University Fund failed locally, 145 to 222.

Allowing consolidated boards of equalization for appraisal districts failed locally, 139 for to 233 against.

The amendment to renew the Veterans' Land Board bond authority for land and mortgage loans passed #3 cast a ballot, with a locally, 192 to 172.

Allowing members of the Texas State Guard to hold civil office passed locally, 235 to 135.

Authorizing the state to contribute resources to veterans' hospitals passed

Although early totals are passed locally, 198 to 169. Allowing board members of emergency services districts to serve four years passed locally, 204 to 162.

Restricting the use of eminent domain to take property for public purposes passed by a large percentage locally, 305 to 77.

388 county voters out of a total of 2508 registered voters cast a ballot in this election, making the turnout percentage for this amendment election 15.47 percent. That figure, according to County/District Clerk Mary Grim, is a good total for voting percentage locally in an amendment election.

In addition, Mrs. Grim also has a program which will figure the turnout percentage of each individual precinct in the county. Those totals and percentages are as follows:

132 voters of 702 in Precinct #1 voted in this election, making the turnout 18.80%.

97 of 581 voters cast a ballot in Precinct #2, making their turnout percentage 16.70%.

91 of 624 voters in Precinct 14.58% tournout.

68 of 601 voters cast ballots in Precinct #4, making their turnout percentage 11.31%.

Holiday Closings

Several county businesses will be closed for Veterans'

Coke County Football

Friday, November 6, 2009



Ghosts & Goblins! Robert Lee businesses were visited by these little costumed characters Wednesday morning, October 28.

will be closed on Wednesday, as well as the county courthouse. **Bronte Lion's Club** offers free pancake

breakfast

The Bronte Lion's Club will be offering a free pancake breakfast at 8:00 am at the First Methodist Church in Bronte on Nov. 14th. In order to receive your free pancakes you have to walk it off by picking up trash with the Lion's Club on the 14th.

Relay For Life meeting slated

There will be a Relay For Life meeting on Thursday, November 12th at 5:30 pm at West Central Wireless in Robert Lee. The meeting will be for all committee members, Team Captains and any other interested parties.

For more information, please contact DeeAnna Harmon, 453-2804. Come join us and fight back against cancer!

HORNS

Veterans Day **Dedication slated**

The veterans of Coke County will be honored with a special dedication at 10 am, Veterans Day, November 11, at the Bronte Veterans' Memorial Monument. The Veterans' Memorial Committee is so pleased to say they have fifteen new names being engraved on the marker. Please bring your lawn chairs and join them.

Major stock show entry sign-up slated

4-H or FFA members wishing to enter any of the major stock shows (Houston, Fort Worth, San Antonio, or San Angelo), will need to attend a meeting set for Thursday, held at the County Commissioners' Courtroom at 7:00 pm. For more information contact Garrett at

hunters, and is sponsored by Hall's Super Save Grocery and B&K Processing.

The menu will consist of deer and elk sandwiches, smoked sausage, beans, soft drinks, and dessert. Serving will begin at 11:00 am and go until 2:00 pm. The location is B&K Processing (behind Hall's Grocery) in Bronte.

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

While you're there, don't Nov. 12. The meeting will be forget to tour their state of the art processing facility.

WCCCD Hunter

Appreciation Barbecue

locally, 236 to 136.

Day Wednesday, on Establishing a right to use November 11. Both Bronte and access public beaches and Robert Lee City Halls 453-2461.

Counties offer hunter appreciation barbecues

Coke and Runnels Counties will offer three barbecues on opening day of hunting season to show our appreciation to you, as hunters, who choose to spend your recrea-Each of the barbecues is discussed below.

Wild Game Barbecue

Lunch at Bronte

The annual Hunters' Wild Game Barbecue Lunch is once again slated for Bronte, this year on Saturday, November 7, opening day of the deer season. As in years past, the barbecue lunch will be at no charge to attending

west Coke County Community Development will sponsor their 21st annual Hunters' Appreciation Barbecue on Saturday evening, November 7. Free to area hunters, the barbecue will again take place at the rec hall in the county park in Robert Lee.

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

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

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BRONTE LONGHORNS

VS.

Albany Lions

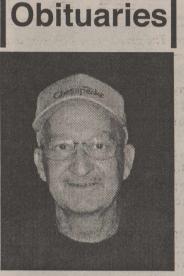
7:30 pm • Friday

November 6 • Bronte

ROBERT LEE STEERS VS. **Eden Bulldogs** 7:30 pm • Friday November 6 • Eden

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Calderoundin

Tony Neil Calder, 57, of White Oak, Texas, went to be with his Heavenly Father on Sunday, November 1, 2009

Neil was born to the late Clifton Elijah Calder and Dorothy Mae (Casey) Calder on October 23, 1952, in Robert Lee, Texas. Aftergraduating Robert Lee High School in 1972, he joined the U.S. Marine Corp in August 1973. On March 1, 1975, he married Phyllis Denise Duncan, in Robert Lee. In August 1975, he was honorably discharged from the Marine Corp and became employed in the oil fields of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico for 16 years. In 1991, he moved to East Texas and was promoted to District Manager of Harbison-Fischer, Inc. where he remained until his death. Neil was a loyal and dedicated employee of H-F for

26 years. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis; son, Jarron Rance Calder and daughter, Lindsay Breckon Jaree Calder, all of White Oak. Other loved survivors include 7 brothers, 5 sisters, brother & sister-inlaws, many nieces and nephews, co-workers, friends and family members too numerous to mention.

Visitation will be all day Thursday at the funeral home in Robert Lee. A graveside service will be held Friday, November 6, 2009, at 2:30 pm in the Valley View Cemetery outside Robert Lee. Arrangements are by Shaffer Funeral Home.

The family extends appre-





Halloween - Not just for the kiddos! Participating in the Robert Lee Care Center Halloween Festival Costume Contest October 27 were these interestingly arrayed folks. Prizes were awarded to the winners.

Shepherd Medical Center and Longview Cancer Center. Memorial contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society.

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Nix

Death Notices

Evalyn "Big" Nix, 89, died ciation to Beacon Hospice at on Friday October 30, 2009 Margaret's House, Good at her residence. There will be no visitation. Graveside services were at 3 pm, Sunday, November 1, 2009 at Paint Creek Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.'

Survivors include her husband, Robert Nix and son, Tony Nix, of Abilene.

BHRC Auxiliary meeting date changed The date of the November meeting has been changed due to the BHRC Thanksgiving dinner. The BHRC Auxiliary will meet at 1 pm on Thursday, November 12 in the living room at BHRC. (This is a week early). Lunch will be served for a nominal charge. All members should plan to attend because plans will be made for the Christmas season. For additional information please contact Janet Wommack 473-5388 or Lanette Fletcher 473-6791.

Area Churches Invite You to Worship **Bronte Church of Christ**

PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte (325) 473-3291 Preacher John V. Driggers Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm **Central Baptist Church** 324 S. Franklin • Bronte (325) 473-4811 Dale Patterson, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am & 6 pm Worship Wed. 6 pm **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 •1019 Colorado City Hwy Robert Lee (325) 453-2360 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm **First Baptist Church** 424 S. Washington • Bronte (325) 473-2331 Bro. 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 5:00 pm Choir Practice Iglesia Bautista Bethel Robert Lee 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 • pecanbaptist.org Jim Dominey, Pastor Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Victory Assembly would like to invite the ladies of Robert Lee to a series of teachings on "How to Dig Yourself Out of a Worldly Hole to Become a Champion in Society" The 2nd Thursday of each month, running through December 10th, at the New Fellowship Hall (6th & Houston) at 7 pm Taught by Debbie Childens We Look Forward to Seeing You There and to See What the Lond has in Stone for His Ginls! Always in Him - Paston Inving & Betty Smith Fabulous Fun "Producing" Fabulous Victory

Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Jason Martin, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting **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 (325) 453-2208 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Hunters Barbecues

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

Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets at the following locations in Robert Lee: Massey Auto and Hardware, Mountain Creek Mercantile, Key Feed Store, and Wink Insurance, all in Robert Lee. You may also mail your donation to WCCCD, PO Box 226, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

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

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

Hunters' Appreciation Dinner at Ballinger

The annual Hunters' Appreciation Dinner at Ballinger will be held Saturday, November 7, 2009. The barbecue plate dinner will be held at the Community Center from 6:30 till 10:00 pm. Ticket prices are \$10.00 for adults and no charge for children under 12.

This event hosted over 1100 last year, and this year will not disappoint. Raffle items, vendors, silent auction, and door prizes will all be a part of this year's activities. In addition, "Lariat" will be providing live entertainment for this year's dinner.

The meal will consist of brisket, smoked ham and sausage, homemade beans, desserts, and all the trimmings.

For more information on the Hunters' Appreciation Dinner at Ballinger, contact the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at (325) 365-2333 or 365-5611.

> **4-H** fundraiser to begin Nov. 23

raiser. Please contact any 4-H member or call the Texas AgriLife Extension office for more information at 453-2461. Orders must be placed by November 23rd and will receive them in December.

WTRC schedules Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic

West Texas Rehabilitation Center's annual Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic is scheduled for Saturday, November 14 at the Angelo Claybird San Association.

Entry fee for the benefit shoot includes:

* 100 targets per shooter * A random drawing for Benelli M2 Black 12GA shotguns for \$800 cash; \$600 gift certificates from the Outdoorsman in San Angelo or \$500 cash

* A plaque for the top scorer for each rotation on each course

* A gift for each shooter from the Rehab Center

There will be two rotations - 8:30 am and 12 noon. The event will also feature shooting games and both a silent and a fast-paced auction. Entry form can be secured from West Texas Rehab Center, 3001 S. Jackson, or by going to the website www. rehabclayshoot.com to register on-line and to print the required release document to complete and mail to Rehab.

For more information contact the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 325-223-6312.

Desserts needed for **Bronte barbecue**

The annual Hunters Wild Game Barbecue in Bronte will be held Saturday, November 7, from 11 am until 2 pm. Coordinator Kerry Hall would like to make an appeal to area cooks to provide a dessert for the benefit barbecue. If you would like to donate a

The Robert Lee High School FCCLA, sponsored by Mrs. Millican, **RLHS FCCLA hosts party!** hosted the monthly birthday party for October at Robert Lee Care Center. The group served cookies and punch and decorated pumpkins with the residents. Celebrating October birthdays were Nola Harmon, Betty Ressman, J.W. Service and Paula Vaughan.

dessert, please call Kerry Hall at 473-2065.

Hunters Barbecue tickets available

Tickets are now available for the 21st Annual Hunters Barbecue set for Saturday, November 7, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets for their hunters at the following locations in Robert Lee: Massey Hardware, Key Feed Store, Mountain Creek Mercantile, or Wink Insurance. Donations may also be mailed to WCCCD, PO Box 226, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

For more information, contact Robert Wink, Chairman, at 453-4551 (office) and 453-2003 (home). According to Wink, "Our deer hunters. bring a lot of dollars into the local economy, and we would like to express our appreciation to them for their continued support."

In addition, there is always a place for local folks to help with the appreciation barbecue, whether you want to volunteer as a cook, server, ticket taker, set-up or wishing to volunteer may contact Robert Wink at 453-4551 or 453-2003.

Last chance to

purchase old papers is November 9

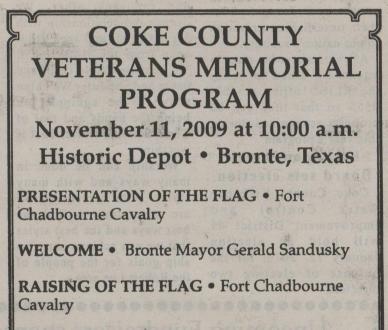
Monday, November 9 from 10 am to 2 pm, at Clendennen Storage behind the office on Chadbourne Street, is the last chance folks will have to save an Observer/Enterprise from the past.

The newspapers have been organized for microfilming to preserve the history of Coke County. As a result of the project, extra copies of old papers were set aside for

clean-up crews. Those anyone who wanted a copy of a paper from the last 40 years commemorating birthdays, weddings, obituaries, sports events, anniversaries. After Monday, November 9, the extra papers will be taken to the recycle center.

> Big city papers will send a copy of a commemorative paper for \$50. The papers from this project will be available for a contribution to the Coke **County Historical Association.**

To have the papers pulled in advance, call 453-2495 with the date or dates of the paper. The papers will be ready for you on Monday, November 9. at Clendennen Storage building behind the office on Chadbourne Street.



NATIONAL ANTHEM • Led by Don-Ann Wheeler

(during flag raising)

4-H members will be selling the RADA knives and gifts for their annual fund

Editorial & Advertising Deadline is 2 pm on **Tuesday preceding** publication.



invites All Coke County Veterans to a Come and Go Brunch in Their Honor. To be held at Bronte High School Immediately following Ceremony at Veterans' Memorial, approximately 11 am, Wednesday, November 11th, 2009.

The Teen Leadership Class of

Bronte High School

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER • Mr. C. B. Barbee

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER • Judge Roy Blair

SPEAKER • Edward M. Cumbie

DEDICATION OF THE NEW NAMES OF VETERANS Judge Roy Blair

CLOSING STATEMENT & ANNOUNCEMENT Judge Roy Blair & Don-Ann Wheeler

DISMISSAL & PRAYER Robert Lee Mayor Joe White

Bring your lawn chairs

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Lady Horns & Parents Recognized! Alongside their parents, the Lady Horns were honored in their last district game of the season. For some it was a night to be recognized as part of the varsity volleyball team, but for the Seniors, it was a night to remember for the rest of their lives as they took the court one final time coming out with a victory against the Sterling City Lady Eagles.

RLISD sponsors **Veterans** Day Program

The annual Veterans Day Program, sponsored by the Robert Lee Independent School District, will be held on November 11 at 1 pm in the school auditorium.

The program will include patriotic speeches, entertainment by the elementary choir and a touching slide show presentation. All Coke County veterans are urged to attend and be recognized for their unselfish contribution to our nation's security.

All veterans who plan to attend are asked to notify the RLISD office at 453-4555 so that they can be properly recognized during this year's program.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election January 12, 2010, for the purpose of electing two directors.

Directors filing for re-election to the board are Bob Ragsdale and Jack Corley. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact President Gerald Sandusky by 5:00 pm on Friday, November 20, 2009.

RL UMC holding worship survey

Worship is a very important part of the church life. The purpose of worship is to praise God, to pray to God and for each other. We deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ, and seek guidance from the Holy Spirit. We hear the Bible read, and preached about. We also strive to be equipped on being the hands and feet of Christ into the world. That is worship!

Worship can be done in many ways and with many styles. With our survey we are attempting to find the best ways and the best styles that we can achieve our worship goals for the people of the Robert Lee area.

For questions or comments, contact Rev. Steve Peyton 453-2417.

Windbreak

Seedlings on sale Seedlings for conservation windbreaks are available through the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. Order your seedlings now through Monday, January 25, 2010. Delivery is set for February 4, 2010.

For more information and availability, contact the SWCD office at 453-2623, ext. 3 or come by 214 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee.

Coke Co. Relay For Life Kickoff set for November

The Kickoff for the 2010 Coke County Relay For Life will be Tuesday, November 24, at the Bronte/Robert Lee basketball games in Robert Lee.

The American Cancer Society, through the Relay For Life, is working together to create a world with less cancer and more birthdays. For that reason, this year's theme for the Kickoff is to

Upcoming Fundraisers sponsored by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce

"Light up the gym" by wearing your lime green t-shirt on game day. The t-shirts are being sold in advance for \$10 (\$12 for 2X and 3X) as a fundraiser. Deadline is Monday, November 9, 2009, with delivery on Monday, November 23, 2009. The design will be "Everyone wins when we play as a team" and include a picture of a basketball and Coke County Relay For Life.

A few shirts will be available for sale at the game for \$15. To purchase a shirt in advance, contact Dee Anna Harmon in Robert Lee, 453-2804 or 453-2545 or Marilyn Bivins or Lanette Fletcher in Bronte, 473-6791.

There will also be a fundraiser pancake supper that night with the help of the Robert Lee/Silver Lion's Club in the RLISD cafeteria. More details will come at a later date.

Cancer survivors will be recognized at half-time of the girls game. For more information or if you're a survivor planning to attend. contact Rhonda Hood in Robert Lee, 453-2065 or Glenda Draper in Bronte, 473-2050.

There will be a drawing for a Relay For Life goodie basket for all individuals or teams registering with a paid \$10 entry fee per person on or before the Kickoff on November 24, 2009. The basket will be given away that night at the ballgame. For more information on having a team or registering, contact Judy Blair, 453-2380 or go to

www.relayforlife.org/cokecotx . The 2010 Coke County Relay For Life will be held on April 23-24 in Robert Lee. Join us in supporting American Cancer the

Society's work to save lives by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures and fighting back.

RL Landfill Winter Schedule

As of November 1, the Robert Lee Landfill will be open on the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 am - 12 noon. An evaluation of customer usage of the landfill during the winter months shows zero to only a few customers on Saturday. Due to low activity and budget constraints, the new schedule will remain in effect until March 1, 2010.

ACT/SAT Deadlines

The deadline to register for the December 12, 2009, ACT test is November 6, 2009. Late registration will be accepted November 7 - 20 for an additional fee. Register online at www.actstudent.org or pick up a registration packet in your school counselor's office.

The deadline to register for the December 5, 2009, SAT test is October 30, 2009. Late registration will be accepted through November 12 for an additional fee. Register online at www.collegeboard.com or pick up an application packet in your school counselor's office.

Please note that students who are on free or reduced lunches are entitled to two fee waivers for each test. Please see the counselor or principal for fee waivers.

Happy

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Veterans Day! REPERSIS Community **Thanksgiving Service**

All Churches are Welcome! Sunday, November 22

November 11th • Texas Pile-On

Location - Longbranch Barb-B-Que Time - 11 am to 2 pm • Dine-In or Carry-Out \$7 Donation

November 14th • Bake Sale Downtown on the Sidewalk between Hometown Hardware and Hall's Grocery beginning at 8 am. If you would like to donate a baked good, please contact Don-Ann Wheeler at 325/245-8686.

> Please come out and show your support! Donations are always greatly appreciated!

> > **Bronte Chamber of Commerce PO Box 516** Bronte, Texas 76933

7:00 pm Hosted by Robert Lee **Baptist Church** 22 W. Eleventh Street - Robert Lee Fellowship to Follow Please bring finger foods for the fellowship to follow in the RLBC Fellowship Hall! A love offering will be taken to help benefit the Coke County Food Pantry. For more information contact **Robert Lee Baptist Church** at 453-2724.

Fort Chadbourne Groundbreaking and Ribbon Cutting set for Saturday, November 14

14, 2009 the Fort Chadbourne Foundation will break ground on its new million dollar Visitor's Center. What a way to celebrate a ten year anniversary! The 15,000 square foot facility will house many artifacts, military memorabilia, cannon displays, Native American displays, along with cowboy and ranching history from this area. It will have a walk through vault displaying a large gun exhibit of Sharps, Winchesters, and Colts. The building will also have a historical research library, media center, and new administrative offices.

The groundbreaking will take place at 10:00 a.m. at Fort Chadbourne. Several guest speakers will be in attendance including Margaret Hoogstra, Regional Coordinator for the Texas Forts Trail; and the Honorable Roy Blair from Coke County. Charles and Joy Blake of Brenham will also be attending in honor of Roberta Cole Johnson. The Blakes were instrumental in bringing this wonderful addition to Coke County. The Blakes acting as administrators to Roberta's estate donated the million dollars to Fort Chadbourne. Charles and Joy had been to Fort Chadbourne on several occasions with the Concho Valley Archeological Society participating in archeological excavations, and saw the great need for a facility such as this. The Roberta Cole Johnson Building should take approximately two years to complete.

The very same day the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held at the Butterfield Stage Station. The stage stop has been undergoing reconstruction for the past year. Fort Chadbourne served as a major hub along the

On Saturday, November to 1861 until the outbreak of the Civil War. The journey took you from St. Louis, MO, to San Francisco, CA, via Fort Chadbourne in twenty three days, traveling day and night by stagecoach. Fort Chadbourne can now boast it has the only restored Butterfield Stage Stop in the State of Texas. This new restoration is a great addition to the other fully restored buildings located at Fort Chadbourne. It will house a stagecoach, doctor's buggies, antique saddles, and be used as our 1800's travel center.

Please watch next week's paper for more information along with photographs of the new proposed Visitor's Center and the Butterfield Stage Station. A reception will follow the groundbreaking and ribbon cutting ceremonies. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Anyone needing further information may contact the Fort office at 325-473-2531 or 325-743-2555.

Hunters are not the only ones excited

about deer season

Another hunting season is here. With archery season coming to a close, many more hunters will join the ranks when November 7 ushers in the general hunting season for white-tailed deer. However, there are many people who will never participate in the hunt, but are just as excited about the potential results it brings. Food banks, pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other food assistance providers hope to benefit from hunters' generosity this season through the Texas Hunters for the Hungry program.

Last hunting season, hunters donated 192,040 pounds of meat to the Texas Hunters for the Hungry program, with more than 90 food assistance agencies receiving and distributing the venison to their clients. In Coke County, donations totaled

More Tricks! The Robert Lee High School Cheerleaders pulled out some tricks of their own during the recent Pep Rally preceding the Steer victory over the Veribest Falcons on October 30, 2009.

7,700 pounds. For the 2009-2010 hunting season, hunters and food assistance agencies alike, anticipate exceeding last year's efforts.

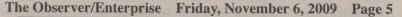
Be part of the solution to hunger. For a complete list of participating meat processors, visit www.tacaa.org/hunters.htm. Interested hunters can take legally harvested deer to a participating meat processor, who will process and package the meat for a nominal fee to help cover basic costs. Meat processors make arrangements with local food assistance agencies to distribute the meat to people in the community who need food. In Coke County, deer can be donated at B & K Deer Processing in Bronte.

If the processor you use is not on the list, encourage them to join by contacting program staff during business hours Monday - Friday at (800) 992-9767, extension 506.

Monetary donations to support the program are always welcome. See the website for details.

RELAY

FOR LIFE





RELAY FOR LIFE OF COKE COUNTY

Kickoff & Fundraiser – "Light up the gym" "Coke County Basketball & Relay For Life"

Wear your lime green t-shirt on Tuesday, November 24, 2009 for the Bronte/RL basketball games in Robert Lee

Butterfield Trail from 1858



Cost: \$10 in Advance (2X & 3X is \$2.00 additional charge) "Everyone wins when we play as a team" design (a few shirts will be available for \$15 at the basketball game)

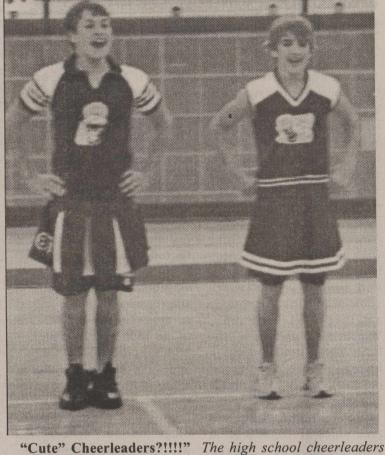
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For more information: Contact DeeAnna Harmon, 453-2804 or 453-2545 Or in Bronte, Marilyn Bivins or Lanette Fletcher, 473-6791

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were not the only ones spreading Longhorn Spirit as Newt

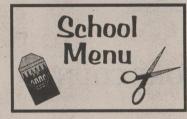
McGinnis and Mason Hoyt showed their "HOORAH" in a

class competition at a recent pep rally. (--Shelbi Waller)

Lady Horns Take Championship!!! Tuesday night the Bronte Lady Longhorns were named District Champions in District 4. Their win over Sterling City put them at 10-0 in district and 34-5 for the season. The Lady Longhorns will continue play with Area. Congratulations Lady Longhorns!

Bronte Band earns excellent rating

at UIL competition The Longhorn band competed in the Regional Marching Contest at Brady on October 17 and received a Division II Rating. Many positive comments were made about the band. The UIL gives the following definition of Division II (Exce-



Breakfast Monday, November 9 Cereal, fruit, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, November 10 Sausage rolls, assorted juice, milk

Wednesday, November 11 Breakfast pizza, assorted juice, milk

Thursday, November 12 Blueberry muffin, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

llent). " An unusual performance in many respects but not worthy of the highest rating due to minor defects in performance or ineffective interpretation. A performance of distinctive quality. "This would correlate to the TEA rating of Recognized. Mr. Dannheim is very proud of the band and the outstanding progress that has been made this year. Considering that the band is made up of half seventh graders competing as a varsity high school group, the band's level of achieve-

ment was very high. The band is selling tickets for a chicken spaghetti meal to be served at lunch on Sunday, November 8th, at the Bronte The season began with a ISD cafeteria. are \$6 each. Please see a City. The team then won 1st high school band member for place at the Albany tourna-

Good

your ticket. Thank you for your support of the dinner and also for your support of the band's World's Finest Chocolate sale that just concluded.

Kyle Kelton was band member of the week. He is an excellent trumpet player and is the son of Shane and Stacey Kelton. Go Longhorns!

Lady Longhorn JV volleyball team improves

throughout season

The Bronte JV Lady Longhorn team earned their way to a successful season with an overall 15-9 record. The tickets strong win over Colorado

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by ment Aspermont, Breckenridge, and Sweetwater for the championship game. This was followed by losses to Abilene Christian, Snyder, Grape Creek, and Lake View.

The Lady Longhorns then came back at the Bronte tournament with victories in games over Grape Creek 9th and Colorado City, and ending the day with a loss to Grape Creek JV. The JV Lady Longhorns had many other regular season victories over Junction, Evant, Bangs, and Colorado City once again.

They continued their winning streak by going into the district part of the season with 2 game wins over Veribest, 25-8 and 25-16, and call 1-800-687-4878.

defeating also Water Valley, 25-22 and 25-23. The 3 game battle with Miles ended with a loss, but the Lady Longhorns came back on round 2 of district games with 2 more wins over Veribest and Water Valley and one loss to Miles.

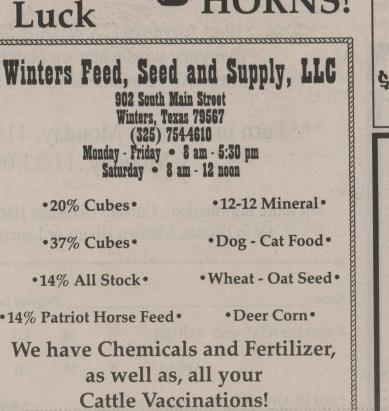
> The JV team improved all around throughout the 2009 season. Congratulations JV Lady Longhorns for a winning season.

TSU announces tour

Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas, would like to announce their Texan Tour (campus preview day) on Saturday, November 7, 2009. Students can register online for Texan Tour at the www.tarleton.edu/welcome or

icken Dinner Sunday • November 15 11:30 am to 1 pm Carry-out Only. Plates may be picked up in front of Bronte School. Smoked Chicken • Potato Salad Beans & Bread \$6 per Proceeds go toward 4th graders plate attending HEB Camp in May. **Glenn-Bivins Insurance** 325-473-6791 GlennBivinsUsa@aim.com Locally and Family Owned Since 1922 We'll Be Here When You Need Us! Home - Auto - Life - Commercial - RV "Insure your home and auto with Germania and save 15% on both; and receive an additional 10% with a Life policy."

Friday, November 13 Sausage patty, assorted juice, biscuit, jelly, milk Lunch Monday, November 9 Hot dogs, potato rounds, orange smiles, pinto beans, buns, milk **Tuesday**, November 10 Frito pie, cheese, corn, tossed salad, fruit, corn chips, milk Wednesday, November 11 Chicken strips, gravy, creamed potatoes, peas, fruit, rolls, milk Thursday, November 12 Taco salad, seasoned corn, fruit, peach crisp, taco chips, milk Friday, November 13 Cheese hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, baked beans, potato round, fruit, buns, milk





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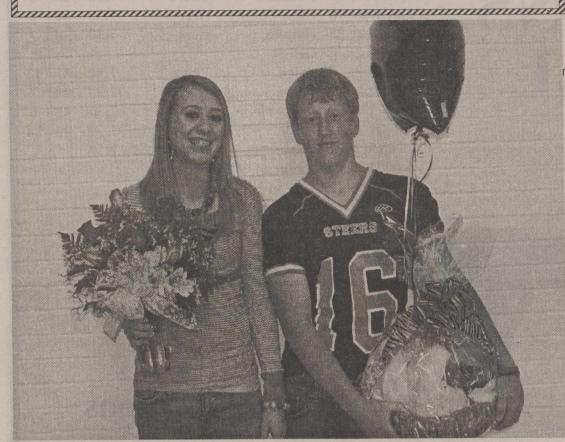
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



RLHS HONOREES! Robert Lee High School Football Sweetheart for 2009 is Molli Hinderliter. Bailey Smith is the RLHS Cheerleader Hero.

Steers take 1st WIN of season By Tom Sawyer

The Steers brought home their first win of the season in an exciting game that had players and fans cheering through all four quarters.

It has been a difficult year for a very young team that has had many hurdles to overcome and they have held their heads high and finally got their just reward.

There is one game left at Eden Friday and Steer fans need to show up in force to



Breakfast Monday, November 9 Muffin, cereal, juice, milk Tuesday, November 10 Pancake and sausage on stick, cereal, juice, milk Wednesday, November 11 Pigs in blanket, cereal, juice, milk Thursday, November 12 Biscuit and sausage, cereal, juice, milk Friday, November 13 Pizza, cereal, juice, milk Lunch Monday, November 9 Pizza, corn, salad, orange breadstick, milk Tuesday, November 10 Chili macaroni, salad, green beans, crackers, yogurt, milk Wednesday, November 11 Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes, peas, sliced bread, pears, milk Thursday, November 12 Rib-B-Ques, cheesy potatoes, salad, roll, apple slices, milk Friday, November 13 Hot dog, chili, cheese, fritos, pork and beans, peaches, milk

cheer the Steers on to their second win in a row to end the season on a high note. SCORING SUMMARY

1ST Quarter

Steers - 4 yard run by Hinderliter with 5:14 left, Dillard with PAT kick Steers - 15 yard run by Hinderliter with :38 left, Dillard with PAT kick Steers - 16 Falcons - 0 2nd Quarter Steers - 38 yard pass from Gartman to Dillard with 1:02 left, Dillard kick

Falcons - 13 yard run with :14 left, PAT kick Steers - 24 Falcons - 8 3rd Quarter

Falcons - 1 yard run with 7:16 left, PAT kick Falcons - 34 yard run with 3:48 left, PAT kick Steers - 1 yard run by Hinderliter with 2:16 left,

PAT failed Steers - 30 Falcons - 24

4th Quarter No Scoring Final Steers - 30 Falcons - 24 STEER STATS

Stetson Nesbit - 2 receptions for 35 yards, 9 tackles and 1 hurry

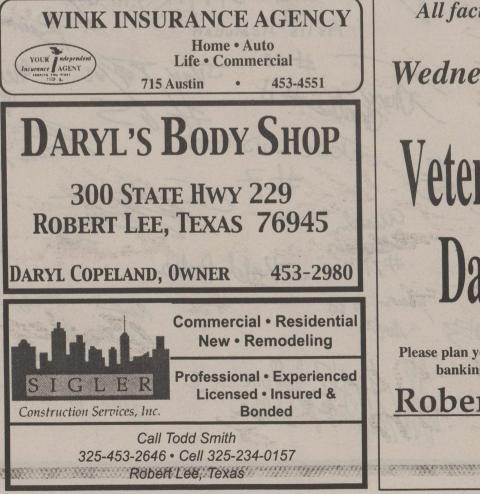
Blake Hewitt - 2 tackles Cooper Hinderliter - 23 carries for 152 yards and 3 TD's, 3 receptions for 14 yards, 8 Tackles, 1 hurry and 1 fumble recovery

Justin Gartman - 1 carry, 12 of 16 passing for 153 yards and 1 TD, and 2 tackles

Haden Dillard - 1 carry for 8 yards, 4 receptions for 100 yards and 1 TD, and 9 tackles

Zach Skinner - 1 reception Blake Millican - 15 carries for 51 yards, 2 receptions for 8 yards, 5 tackles and 1 int

Joe Estrada - 2 tackles, 2 hurries and 1 punt for 29 yards





Luke Sheldon

Let's all get out and enjoy the Friday night lights and travel to Eden to cheer on the Steers for the final game of the year.

GO GET EM STEERS! STEER PRIDE!!!! RLISD Thanksgiving

lunch set Thanksgiving lunch will be

served at the Robert Lee ISD in the cafeteria on November 18, from 11 am until 12:45 pm. The public is invited to attend. The cost is very minimal. Call Kathy Henderson at 453-4555 by November 12 to make reservations.

RLISD Cross Country

results posted

Results of the district cross country meet at Water Valley, which was held on October 28, 2009, are listed below: JH Girls: (total of 60 running)

Bianca Huapilla, 15th, 17.53

Jesse Sheets, 27th, 21.14

Sidney Sheldon, 30th, 21.33 Girls: (total of 62 girls running)

Erika Pearcy, 16th, 16.22 Boys: (total of 50 boys running)

Luke Sheldon, 8th*, Medalist, 19.19

*Qualified for regional in Arlington on 11/07/09

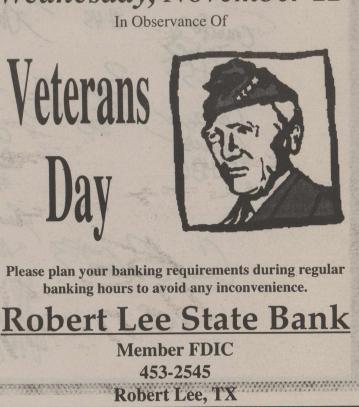
RL Dogies win

against Veribest The RL Dogies won their game against Veribest by a score of 26-18.

Kevin Saucedo rushed for 80 yards and had 2 touchdowns. Will Howard rushed for 102 yards and 1 touchdown. James Roberts threw for 1 touchdown pass to Everett Wilson.

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September 11	Garden City	Here	7:30	0	58	
September 18	Rankin	There	7:30	8	54	
September 25	Sterling City	There	7:30	14	60	
October 2	OPEN				Real State	
** October 9	Rochelle	Here	7:30	10	55	
* October 16	Richland Springs	Here	7:30	8	62	
* October 23	Santa Anna	There	7:30	38	54	
* October 30	Veribest	Here	7:30	30	24	
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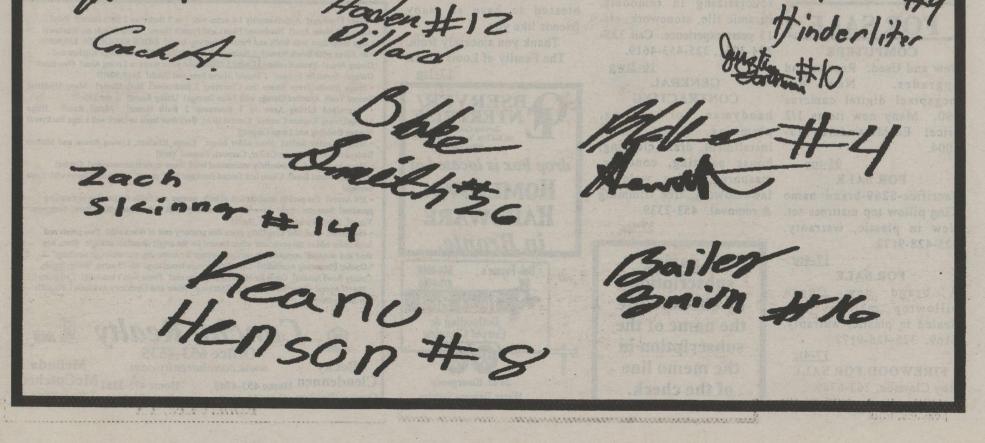
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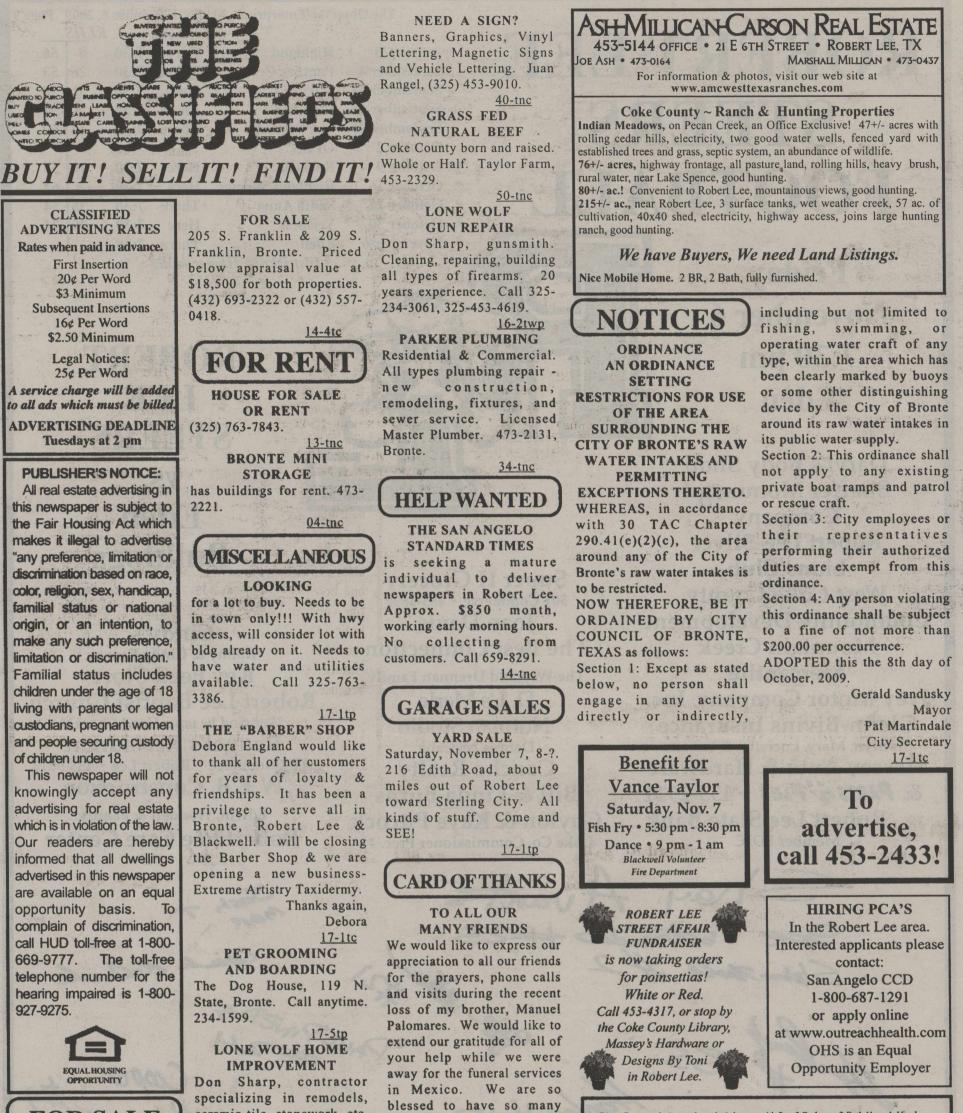
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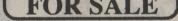
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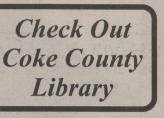
Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTE NANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES

CONTRACT(S) Dist/Div: San Angelo

Contract 6196-51-001 for MOWING THE RIGHT OF WAY in COKE County, etc will be received on December 16, 2009 until 1:00 pm and opened on December 16, 2009 at 1:15 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$34,595.00. Contract 6191-53-001 for MOWING THE RIGHT OF WAY in STERLING County, etc will be received on December 16, 2009 until 1:00 pm and opened on December 16, 2009 at 1:15 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$54,332.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, with bidding along proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 31214

State Office Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s) San Angelo District District Engineer 4502 Knickerbocker Rd-San Angelo, Texas 76904



The Coke County Library appreciates the participation at 453-2957; 130 Buffalo of downtown offices and Creek Road, Robert Lee, businesses and their generous Texas 76945. Halloween treating of the little ones on Wednesday, October 28. While waiting on a corner for everyone to catch up, the children examined their treasures with big smiles on their faces even though they had to wait until they got home to dig in.

The library book sale is scheduled for Friday, November 13, from 8-12; and on Saturday, November 14, from 9-2 (or later if there is a Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. crowd). Really good hard She weighed 8 lbs, 4 oz. and back books will be on sale she was 20 inches long. Friday for \$1.00. On Saturday, the books will be and Jessie Pitcock of Yukon, sold for 50 cents. There will Ok. She also has a 3 year old also be paperback books for sister, Landry. 10 cents each.

information.

Donate a Texas Sage **Donations and memorials** received Oct.21st - Nov. 2nd include the following. Memorials

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If you are interested in donating to buy a sage, please contact Jeffie Roberts



Hannah Lynn Pitcock

Hannah Lynn Pitcock was born October 28, 2009, at 7:32 am at Mercy Hospital in

Her parents are Matthew Her grandparents are Darrel and Library hours are Tuesdays, Sharon Pitcock of Robert Lee 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; and Glen Rose, Texas, Jan Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8- and Greg Moore and J.J. and 12. Call 453-2495 for Cindy Mathews all of Andrews. Her paternal greatgrandparents are D.J. and Nelia Walker and Winnie Pitcock all of Robert Lee and the late Teddy Pitcock. Hannah's maternal greatgrandparents are Jim and Rosemary Mathews of Sonora and Dwayne and Barbara Turner of Andrews. Hannah's local great-great grandparents were the late

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Bryan and Sallie Mae Walker. She also has nine (Clevenger) Gartman, Ben cousins who will welcome her and Grace (Key) Boykin, and to the Pitcock Christmas. D.J. and Ada (Millican)

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(Continued From Last Week)

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And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers. Till we all come to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:

That we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness by which they lie in wait to deceive. But, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head -Christ - from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love. • Ephesians 4:11-14

But one and the same spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. For as the body is one, and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one spirit we were all baptized into one body - whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free - and have all been made to drink into one spirit. For in Fact the body is not one member but many. If the foot should say, because I am not a hand, I am not of the body, is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear should say, because I am not an eye, I am not of the body? \cdot I Corinthians 12:11-16 its or legal

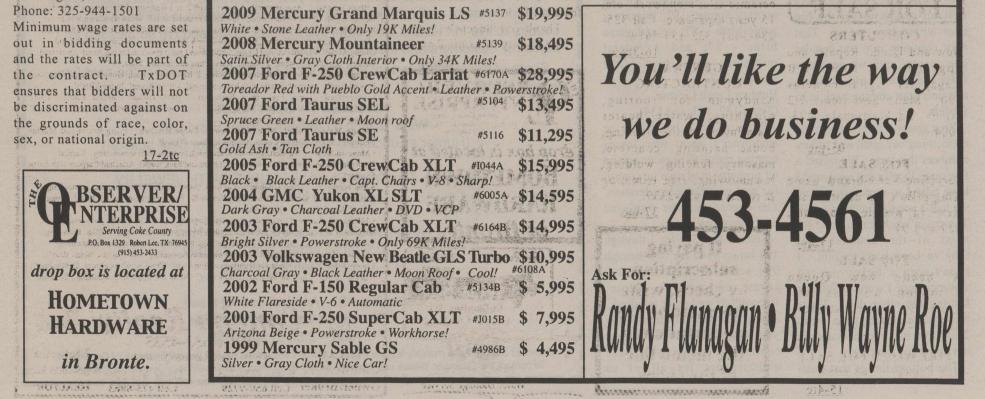
Let us draw hear with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the day approaching. • Hebrews 10:23-25

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RLCC Halloween Festival huge success

The Robert Lee Care Center had their Halloween Festival Tuesday October 27th. There were at least 60 children at this event. The residents really enjoyed seeing the children dressed in their costumes and joining in on the games.

Just to name a few they had spider-man, Dorthy and the scarecrow, Dracula, zebra, Hanna Montana, fairies, witches, ASU cheerleader, Dallas Cowboy-Tony Romo, Little Indian, you name it they had all kinds.

This could not have been possible without volunteers helping with this event. The Southside Church of Christ ladies were nice enough to make cookies & cupcakes for our cake walk. Libby Trejo and Emily Yanez volunteered with helping with the spin-the-wheel and basketball toss. Junior high kids also dressed in their costumes and assisted with the fishing booth. A great time was had by all!

Fall hunting season is upon us

by Hal Spain, Publisher Well, here we are at the beginning of another hunting season, and it's time for some of those fearless predictions from the newspaper publisher. Well, here goes, and you can take this to the bank... right along with your Enron stock (and most of your other stock, for that matter), and all your investment income with Bernie Madoff.

First, let's go way far out on the narrow limb and talk about the upcoming deer season. We've got some horns out there this year, people.

I am predicting a banner year as far as antlers are concerned. To give you an example, I have been seeing two ten point bucks and an eight that have been coming to corn on my little 100 acre place all during the summer months. I think we have some four and five year old deer that will be harvested this year that everyone will consider to be really nice bucks.

We are coming to the end of bow season, and I haven't gotten any reports from bow hunters at all. With all the forage available for deer this year, I figure it's been a fairly difficult season to get the big deer within bow range. That may continue into the regular gun season, until we get some frost and some cold weather, and deer start coming back in to feeders. Your guess is as good as mine concerning our quail and turkey numbers this year. We raised a few quail locally this year, and I have talked to some who swore we had a second hatch of quail. The cover has been so good for most of the summer that they've been hard to find. I hadn't seen a turkey one all summer until I went to Wildcat Marina the other day. Those turkeys are smarter than most. They live in an area that does not allow any hunting.



Halloween Cuties! Participating at the Robert Lee Care Center Halloween Festival were (from left) Ryan Mendoza, Bernica Susana Hancock, Braylee and Brewer Hood.

are going to be hard to find in enough numbers to hunt. I think we've probably got a good supply of turkey this year (I just haven't seen any).

As to seasons, the fall dove season ended October 25, 2009. The winter short season runs from December 26, 2009 through January 9, 2010, with a daily bag limit of 15 in the central zone, which includes Coke County.

Archery season for deer and turkey will close on November 6, 2009, with no antlerless permit required except on MLD properties. The general deer season will run from November 7, 2009 through January 3, 2010. The special late general season will run from Jan. 4 - 17, 2010, for antlerless and spike bucks only. The bag limit for deer is 5, with no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined.

Turkey season will run concurrently with deer season, Nov. 7 through Jan. 3. Spring turkey season will be April 3 through May 16, 2010, gobblers only, with a bag limit of 4 (all seasons combined).

Quail season will run statewide Oct. 31, 2009 through Feb. 28, 2010, with a daily limit of 15 and a possession limit of 45.

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

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

involved in the hunting and outdoor industry. Don't forget to think SAFETY every time you handle a firearm, and make proper gun handling and safe shooting a part of your everyday life at home or in the field. Have a safe and successful season.







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At Main Street Market we have had a tough year, but we are done with the "Oh-woe-is-me-feelings". I wasn't sure how to buy at market for my store. After 30 years in retail, 15 here in Bronte, I had to buy with a little different mind set. What kind of gift giving are we going to be doing this year? And you know what? I don't know! I'm just going at this with the attitude that we only have this life to live, so give from the heart.

Thank you, friends and customers for your support this year. Let's go into this

The bottom line is that quail

(Types 132, 133, and 134) Required of a landowner or landowner's agent who leases hunting rights to another person on property they own or control for pay or other consideration. The license must be displayed on the property.

License fee: \$79 for 1 through 499 acres; \$147 for 500 through 999 acres; or \$252 for 1,000 acres or more: Note: Recordbook no longer required. Have a wonderful time during your stay in our area. Please remember that you are ambassadors for all of us wonderful time of year with joy in our hearts and know this is still the best country to live in. I thank God that I live in West Texas and I'm so blessed to serve my customers and friends in Bronte.

Some of the exciting events coming up at Main Street Market in the next few weeks will be:

November 7 • Open House Wine Tasting by Maverick River Bend Co. (Hunter's Luncheon – opening weekend for deer season)

November 14 • Trunk Show by VISIBLE FAITH JEWELRY Located in Llano, Texas

> November 24 • Trunk Show by Jen Hart 20% off all orders during the day Free Monogramming

December 19 • And last but not least! Our 5th Annual Half-Price Sale Time – 2:00 to 5:00 PM

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