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Holiday Closings

Several Coke County offices and businesses will closed Thursday, be November 26, and Friday, November 27, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

County The Coke Courthouse, Bronte City Hall and Robert Lee City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday. Robert Lee trash pick-up will run as scheduled on Friday, November 27. The Robert Lee Landfill will be closed on Saturday, November 28. Robert Lee residents are reminded that in the event of a water emergency, on-call personnel may be reached after hours, weekends, and holidays by calling the City Hall phone number, 453-2831.

The Observer/Enterprise office will also be closed Thursday and Friday.

Red Hat meeting slated for Dec. 3

The Coke County Red Hat Club will meet at 11:00 am on Thursday, December 3, at the Red Barn Restaurant in Bronte.

The Red Hat Club has no rules and pay no dues. They get together once a month to eat and visit. We always welcome new members and visitors.

For more information, to carpool or a ride call Janet at 473-5388 or Betty at 473-8953.

BISD to discuss stadium renovation The Bronte ISD will hold a public hearing to discuss renovation of the football stadium on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, immediately following the basketball games with Menard.

For additional information, contact the Superintendent's office at (325) 473-251

Bronte Christmas activities slated

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Christmas Yard Decoration Contest. Residence must be within Bronte City Limits. Yards will be judged Thursday, December 10, by three neutral, out-of-town judges. Prizes for the winning yards will be awarded on Saturday, December 12, at 1 pm, at the Christmas Craft Fair at the Bronte Community Center. Prizes include: 1st place - \$100; 2nd place - \$75; 3rd place - \$50. Entry forms are available at Bronte businesses and are due by Monday, December 7, at City Hall.

Bronte Bucks will also be made available during Christmas in Bronte. Shop at any store in Bronte to be eligible to enter the Bronte Bucks Drawing of \$25. Bronte Bucks can be spent at any Bronte store or restaurant. The first Merchant's Bronte Bucks drawing will be held following the Christmas Tree

Have a .



The Coke County Jail Project is the recipient of a gift from the Roberta Grant! Cole Johnson estate. Mrs. Johnson's association with Charles and Joy Blake has greatly benefitted Coke County. The Blakes arranged for Fort Chadbourne, Pecan Baptist Church, Robert Lee Baptist Church, and the Old Coke County Jail Restoration Project to receive grants from Mrs. Johnson's estate.

The original amount of \$250,000 in stocks dedicated to the Old Jail Project when announced at the time, increased in value to \$400,000 when the check was presented. This assures that the restoration and renovation of the Old Jail structure will last well into the next century.

Coke County Historical Commission members met on Monday, November 23, at the Coke County Courthouse to sign the papers and prepare the check for deposit in the Robert Lee State Bank. Members present included (from left to right) Alan and Bonita Cartrite, Beth Prather - CCHC President, Stover Taylor - CCHC budget committee, Phelan Wrinkle, Donna Ash - CCHC Treasurer, and Coke County Judge Roy Blair.

Mrs. Johnson's estate and the Blakes choice of the Old Jail as a viable recipient of such a generous grant testifies to the importance of preserving what is left of early historically representative structures. The Old Jail will stand as a testament to the pioneer history of Coke County and the State of Texas. The Old Jail will remain standing to remind generations to come that they have been given a strong foundation on which to build the future.

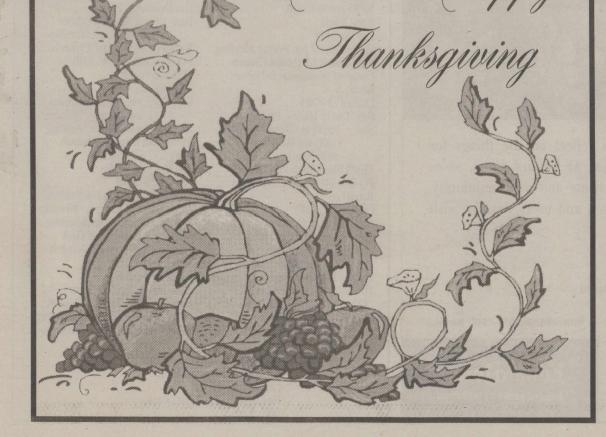
Lighting on Saturday, December 5, at 5:30 pm. The second drawing will be held at the Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, December 12, at 1 pm and the

afternoon visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Relay For Life Kickoff Postponed The Coke County Relay For

third drawing, along with the Glenn-Bivins Insurance and Grand Prize drawing of a televi- Robert Lee State Bank the week sion set, will take place before Christmas and at Bronte December 19, at 5 pm at the ISD and Robert Lee ISD on Texas Theater, following an December 17. More details on the exact date and time will be announced as they become available.

> Windbreak Seedlings on sale



Life Kickoff has been postponed those teams! The Kickoff will during the be held Bronte/Robert Lee basketball game in the RL tournament on girl's game. Contact Rhonda Street in Robert Lee. Hood at 453-2065 or Glenda Draper at 473-2050 to participate.

The Lion's Club will be having a pancake supper to benefit the RADA knives and gifts for the Coke County RFL that eve- their annual fund raiser. Please ning. There are still a few t- contact any 4-H member or call shirts that can be purchased in the Texas AgriLife Extension advance. Contact DeeAnna office for more information at Harmon at 453-2545 or 453- 453-2461. Orders must be 2804 for orders. The t-shirts placed by Monday, November will be available for pickup at 23, and will arrive in December.

Seedlings for conservation due to the Bronte Longhorns windbreaks are available being in the playoffs and the through the Coke County Soil Lady Horns going to State in and Water Conservation volleyball. Congratulations to District. Order your seedlings now through Monday, January 25, 2010. Delivery is set for February 4, 2010. For more information and December 29 or December 30. availability, contact the Cancer survivors will be recog- SWCD office at 453-2623, nized during halftime of the ext. 3 or come by 214 E. 7th

4-H fundraiser to begin Nov. 23

4-H members will be selling

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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.

Diaper Pantry open at FUMC

There will be a free diaper pantry open once a month at the Bronte First United Methodist Church the third Tuesday of each month at 2 pm and at the Robert Lee First United Methodist Church the third Monday of each month at 10 am. Each family will receive one free pack of diapers for each child 3 and under. Parent, grandparent, or guardian must be present to get the diapers.

For more information, contact Misty McGlothlin, RN FUMC Wesley Nurse at 473-2069.

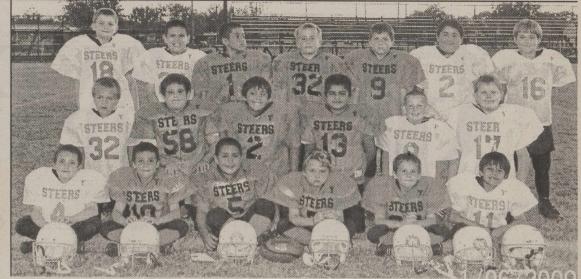
Sorosis Study Club meeting held

The Sorosis Study Club met for a regular meeting at Main Street Market on November 19, 2009. Cyndi and Aaron McConnell presented a very informative and interesting program on Texas wines. Delicious refreshments were served by hostess Kathi Cox.

be held November 30 -Deceember 4. The Sorosis Club will have a float in the Bronte Chamber of Commerce Parade on December 5. The theme of the float is "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree". The group will meet before the parade to decorate the float. Those riding in the float will bring a rocking chair and the club will purchase candy to be thrown. Lee Wommack will provide the truck and trailer for the parade.

The club will donate \$150 to the Coke County Food Bank. Members donated money and Angel Cervenka volunteered to purchase BHRC Angel Tree gifts.

The following were elected to serve on the nominating committee - Doris Sims, Chairman; Fredna Moore, Janet Wommack, and Marilyn Bivins.



YMCA Football! Several second grade through sixth grade boys participated in YMCA 6-man football. Coke County had two teams including the Robert Lee White Team and Robert Lee Orange Team (above), consisting of second grade through fourth grade boys, and one team of fifth grade and sixth grade boys, known as the Robert Lee Heavy Weights (below). The boys concluded their season by playing in the Super Bowl on Saturday, November 14, at Old Bobcat Stadium.



Jennifer Stango won the Chinese Auction.

Angel Cervenka was accepted as a new member.

Members present were Marilyn Bivins, Angel

Gohman, Fredna Moore, Martha England.

Cervenka, Kathi Cox, Glenda Ratliff, Jennifer Stango, Jane Draper, Jean Fancher, Lanette Wheat, Janet Wommack and Fletcher, Mary Glenn, Marian guests Jo Baker and Debora



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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 101 Houston • Robert Lee (325) 763-9208 • 320-1354 Sun. 10 am • Worship 11 am & 6 pm • Service Wed. 7 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 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

The club walked down the street to Glenn-Bivins Insurance for the business meeting. President Lanette Fletcher opened the meeting, pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags were said and the Club Collect was read. The minutes of the October 15, 2009, meeting were read and approved as read. The final net profit from the Potato Bake was given.

The West Texas Rehab Telethon will be January 16. Sorosis Club members will phone prospective donors sometime after January 1. Kathi Cox volunteered to serve as contact person during the Telethon. Marilyn Bivins asked members to sign up to work at the Bronte Book Fair to



Thanksgiving is time to reflect on the things for which we're truly grateful. At Edward Jones, we're thankful to serve our clients and our community. During this holiday season and every day, we wish you all the very best.

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

St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sun. 5 pm

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Veterans Day Posters! Robert Lee Elementary held a Veterans Day Poster Contest. Results are as follows.

Sixth grade - 1st) Justice Saucedo and Brady Clawson (top left photo), 2nd) Julia Madrid (third left photo), 3rd) Bruce Buddin, Jake Jackson and Kaleb Torres (third photo on right).

5th grade - 1st) Mauricio Ureno (top right photo), 2nd) Matthew Curry (second photo on left), 3rd) Kaden Hayes (fourth photo on left).

4th grade - 1st) Margo Mendoza (second photo on right), 2nd) Bethany Coppedge (bottom photo on right), 3rd) Kiara Padgett (bottom photo on left).

Donate a **Texas Sage Donations and Memorials** received November 3 - 23 Memorials **Orval Lee White** Phil and Anne Lowder Verna Belle Robertson Jessie Harmon Foy and Lawana Askins John and Dorene Bearfield Bobby and Jeffie Roberts Jerry and Janie Harmon **Kreg Lusbly** Dana St. Clair **Ricky Don Adams** Doris A. Shandley J.C. Wallace, Jr. Jewell Wallace and family **Marilyn Smith** Jewell Wallace and family **Baby Girl Millican** Jewell Wallace and family **Donna Morton** Jewell Wallace and family Calvin and Leona Wallace Jewell-Wallace and family

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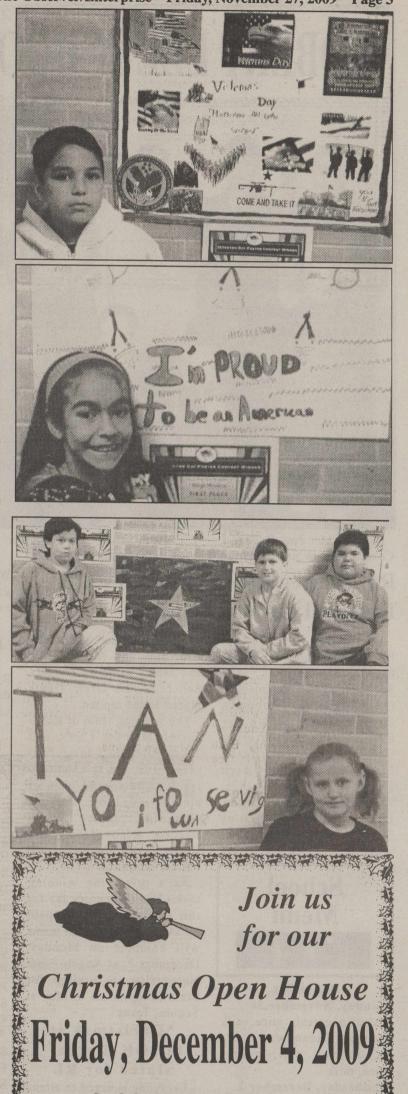
If you are interested in donating to buy a sage, contact Jeffie Roberts at 453-2957; 130 Buffalo Creek Road, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

Christmas for the Troops

Boxes of goodies will be mailed from Coke County to the troops for Christmas for the third year. Things that might make a nice Christmas treat for the troops include:

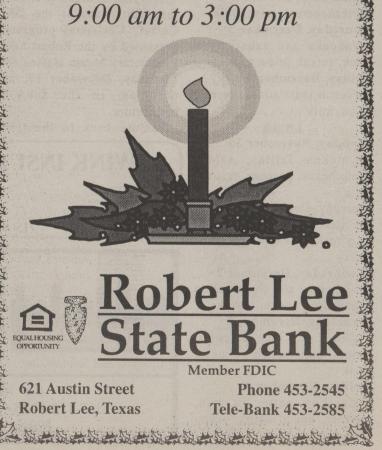
Candy (<u>purchased only</u>); Cookies (<u>purchased only</u>); Beef Jerky; Salsa (in plastic containers or tins); Chips or crackers;





Trail mix, hot chocolate; Any kind of mix like chocolate chips, peanuts or a "trash mix"; Peanuts, canned fruit, dried fruit and any kind of gum; Trail mix bars.

Any goodies that will remind them of Christmas is great. Pat Gunnells will have to have these mailed on Friday, December 4. If you would like to contribute money, you may also call Pat at 453-5503 or anyone at Southside Church of Christ. Volunteers will pick up what you have to donate and will be packing boxes Tuesday, December 1 - 4. Donation boxes are also set out in Robert Lee at Especially For You, Coke County Library, Courthouse, This 'N That, Mountain Creek Mercantile, and the churches. Please also send Christmas cards, as this is a lonely time for them. Let's keep their hopes up and let them know Coke County is behind them 100%.



ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



Robotics! The Robert Lee ISD Robotics teams competed at the Regional Robotics Competition in San Angelo on Monday, November 16.

Robert Lee Robotics teams win at Regional Competition

On Monday, November 16, Robert Lee Robotics swept the competitions for Secondary and Elementary at the Regional Robotics Competition put on by Region 15 Educational Center in San Angelo, Texas. Linsey Arellano with Garrett Rogers took first place, followed by Jorge Rostro, Luke Sheldon, and Bailey Smith in second place. The other two teams consisting



Breakfast Monday, November 30 Muffin, cereal, juice, milk Tuesday, December 1 Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk Wednesday, December 2 Pizza, cereal, juice, milk Thursday, December 3 of Tristen Hildebrand, Jaden Aldridge, and Mason Hill; and James Roberts, Zachary Sanchez, and Drew Davis placed in the top ten.

The winning team of Kaleb Torres, Matthew Curry, and Trace Oleksiuk took first place for the elementary level. The second team of elementary kids, Enrique Gonzales, James Wyatt, Braden Richardson, and Burke Sayles competed well but did not place.

As a prize, the winning teams had their entry fee for the Area Competition paid by TCEA Area 15. All teams will compete on Monday, December 7, at Angelo State University to qualify for State Competition in May at Seguin, Texas.

"Christmas at the OK Corral" slated for RL

Everyone is urged to attend the "Christmas at the OK Corral" Christmas program West and have a stompin' and knee clappin' experience.

RLHS Steers

basketball results On November 17, the Robert Lee JV Steers defeated Christoval by a score of 35-18. Scoring: Justin Gartman 4, Zach Skinner 10, Blake Hewitt 13, Cooper Hinderliter 6 and Zachary Sanchez 2.

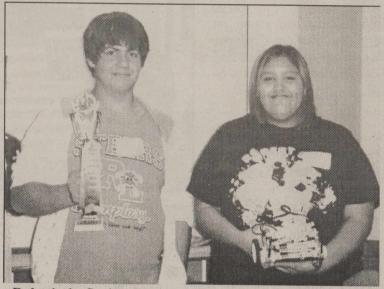
The Robert Lee Varsity Steers were defeated by Christoval by a score of 73-28. Scoring: Tyler Henderson 1, Sam Peyton 2, Stetson Nesbit 4, Haden Dillard 4, Logan Philley 15, and Cayetano Carrera 2.

On November 20, the Robert Lee High School JV Steers were defeated by Forsan 31-23. Scoring: Justin Gartman 8, Zach Skinner 8, Zachary Sanchez 4, and Joe Estrada 3.

The Robert Lee Varsity Steers were defeated by Forsan by a score of 52-39. Scoring: Tyler Henderson 4, Sam Peyton 1, Stetson Nesbit 4, Haden Dillard 14,



Robotics! A Robert Lee Elementary Robotics team, consisting of Kaleb Torres, Matthew Curry and Trace Oleksiuk took first place in the elementary level of the Regional Robotics Competition in San Angelo recently.



Robotics! Garrett Rogers and Linsey Arellano of the RLHS Robotics teams, took first place at the Regional Robotics Competition.

first game of the season by Garden City 40-Robert Lee 4. Individual scoring: Will Howard 2 and Everett Wilson 2

The junior high girls were defeated by Garden City by a score of 44-21. Individual scoring: Jesse Sheets 6, Taylor Benton 2, Bianca Huapilla 3 and Sidney Sheldon 10.

Lady Steers

basketball results On Tuesday, November 10, the Robert Lee High School JV Lady Steers took on Victory Life and won by a score of 52-3. Scoring for the JV squad: Kimberly Roach 14, Jordan Gartman 8, Lubbock Roe 8, Diana Vera 6, Dusty Howard 6, Linsey Vallery 4, Meagan Ross 2, Luisa Carrera 2, Victoria Roe The Robert Lee High School Lady Steers recently defeated Veribest 54 – 19. Scoring for the varsity team: Molli Hinderliter 12, Sarah Walker 12, Amanda Mendoza 11, Briana Brisbin 6, Skyler Rainwater 6, Rebecka Saucedo 5, Emilee Yanez 2.

On Tuesday, November 17, the JV Lady Steers defeated Highland 41 – 9. Scoring: Jordan Gartman 12, Meagan Ross 6, Raquel Rojas 6, Victoria Roe 5, Luisa Carrera 4, Diana Vera 3, Ashlie Wheat 2, Linsey Vallery 2, Kacee Roberts 1.

The Lady Steers varsity unfortunately were defeated by Highland, 29 – 32. Scoring: Briana Brisbin 14, Molli Hinderliter 5, Connie Saucedo 3, Kimberly Roach 3, Amanda Mendoza 2, Sarah Walker 2

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Praise! Praise! Praise!

And oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness. And for His wonderful works to the children



Bronte Longhorns and Lady Longhorns seasons come to a close

was a day full of spirit as the Lady Longhorns were treated to an early morning pep rally led by the Bronte Scream Team, made up of high school football and basketball players. Following the pep rally, the team loaded up on the Longhorn team bus and were sent off by the town of Bronte to San Marcos for the 2009 UIL State Volleyball tournament. The Lady Longhorns were set up to play the Lindsay Knights for the semi-final game. Bronte was ready to face the Knights for a chance to re-match one of the few teams who they fell short to early in the season. Game one was a dominant win for the Lady Longhorns with a 25-11 outcome. As they entered Game two the battle was close as Lindsay stayed tight with Bronte, but the Lady Longhorns fought their way through and won with a 25-22 score. Although the thought of a three game victory came to the Bronte minds, Lindsay pulled one victory over with a 22-25 final in game three. The Lady Longhorns had enough and pulled together as one strong team and finished the match with a victory in game four over the Lindsay Knights 25-13.

This led the Lady Longhorns to the state cham-



Breakfast Monday, November 30 Cereal, fruit, toast, jelly, milk

Tuesday, December 1

French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk Wednesday, December 2

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk Thursday, December 3

Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, assorted juice, milk

Thursday, November 18, pionship game with the Louise Hornets on Saturday, November 21, at 9 am. Bronte walked onto the court ready to play with a strong win over Louise in Game one of 25-16. This win caused the Hornets to rise up and take Game two with a 25-19 final. The true meaning of play was witnessed by all fans as Game three rolled by. It was a continual battle of ties at 21 and 22 and one point leading the way until the final outcome of 26-28 fell into the hands of the Louise Hornets. Aiming to find a way to win, the Lady Longhorns tried to gain the victory of Game four and instead earned the title of "State Runner Up".

The Bronte Lady Longhorns have had an outstanding 2009 season, with an overall record of 40-6 and stunning state runner up trophy to bring home. Congratulations Lady Longhorns!

The 2009 Bronte Longhorn Football season came to a close this past Saturday, November 21, in Abilene as the Horns fell to the Munday Moguls by a score of 44-38. Munday scored on the final play of regulation to end the Longhorns season at 10-2.

The Longhorns scored first when Ernesto Casillas booted a 30-yard field goal. The Moguls scored just a minute later to take a 7-3 lead at the end of the first. Then the fireworks started as Bronte outscored Munday 28-19 in the second. Dakota Rawls scored on runs of 12 and 8, and Casillas scored a 10-yard run. The other score came with just 9 seconds left until halftime as Rawls threw a screen pass to Casillas from 15 yards out. Munday scored on runs of 61, 57, and 80, as the Moguls scored on the final play of regulation in the second quarter.

The third quarter was played well by both defenses, as neither team could get anything started on offense and both teams went scoreless. In the fourth quarter the offenses came back to life. With 9:47 to go in the contest, Casillas scored on a 7-yard run that gave Bronte a 38-26 lead. Munday would score the next 18 points and win the game. Ernesto Casillas rushed 29 times for 246 yards, Dakota Rawls added 62 yards on 12 carries and Louie Martinez had 38 yards on 13 carries to lead the offense. Our lineman and

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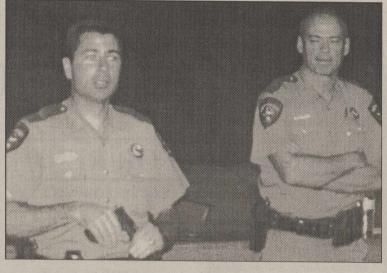
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Gun Safety! Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Shawn Baxter (left) and Trooper Tommy Matthews presented a gun safety program to elementary and junior high school students at Bronte ISD last week. The troopers told students that if they ever come across a gun they should "not touch it. leave and tell an adult". The elementary students also received a safety coloring book from the officers.

backs did a great job of blocking and executing as they gained 389 yards in total offense. Sometimes whoever has the ball last wins, and sometimes it's the other way around. The Longhorns needed one more possession but time just ran out on us.

The shock of losing a game like that was difficult to handle, but the kids played hard and did everything they could to give themselves a chance to win an Area round game. Nobody likes to lose, but Coach Burns was proud of the way they handled themselves when the outcome was decided. The speed of the Moguls was definitely a factor and the team knew that coming into the game. The Longhorns knew they had big play potential and they had proved it to everyone they played all This year's season. Longhorns placed second in District 12-A, won their Bi-District game over Hamlin, and gave the Area round champions all they could. Coach Burns is proud of their effort, and looks forward to the rest of the year in other Longhorn sports. To the seniors, the coaching staff appreciates your dedication and leadership, both on and off the field, and best of luck in your future endeavors.

ASU LeGrand Scholarship



Mrs. Timmerman, Bronte and click on Prospective High School counselor. Reference forms must be submitted to the ASU financial aid office no later than March 1, 2009. Please call or see Mrs. Timmerman, Bronte High School Counselor, if you have any questions, or call the financial aid office at Angelo State University.

ASU Scholarship Deadline

Angelo State University has announced a priority deadline of December 1, 2009, for the new institutional online scholarship application. Prospective ASU students must complete the admission's application process in addition to submitting the online scholarship application by December 1, in order to be considered for an ASU scholarship. The admission's office requires that prospective students submit their online application at www.applytexas.org, partial high school transcript, \$25 application fee or waiver, and ACT or SAT scores by December 1 to be given priority status for ASU scholarships. This one scholarship application will be used for CARR Academic the Scholarships, Transfer Scholarships, Departmental Scholarships, and General Scholarships. The institutional scholarship application Students and then on Scholarships and Financial Aid to access the institutional scholarship application.

BISD to host school auction

Bronte ISD is having a school auction on Saturday, December 5, 2009, at 9 am in the Home Economics building. There will be a lot of childcare equipment, children's toys, and TV's.

For more information, contact the Superintendent's office at (325) 473-2511.



Friday, December 4

Sausage rolls, assorted juice, milk

Lunch Monday, November 30

Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches, cookies, milk

Tuesday, December 1

Baked potato, chili and cheese, baby carrots with ranch, fruit cup, Texas toast, milk

Wednesday, December 2

Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, jello, milk **Thursday**, December 3

Nachos Grande, lettuce, tomato, orange smiles, cornbread, nacho chips, milk Friday, December 4

Corndog, oven fried potatoes, pork and beans, apple crisp, milk

Any student planning on attending Angelo State University may apply for the Robert and Jean LeGrand Scholarship. In order to apply, students must go online to ASUs financial aid web page and fill out and submit the online institutional application before December 1, 2009. Students must also get a copy of the reference form from

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will still be accepted after the December 1 deadline but will not be given priority status. For more information, please contact the ASU financial aid office at 942-2246 or visit online at www.angelo.edu

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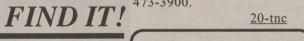
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CARD OF THANKS

THANKS TO ALL

We would like to offer our thanks to everyone who sent cards, flowers, food, donations, thoughts and prayers in the recent loss of Dad. our Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated.

> The Family of Thomas (Tom) Price Rachel McAdoo

> > 19-2tc

HELP WANTED

DEPARTMENT HIRING The City of Robert Lee is accepting applications for a position in the Water Department. Applicant must be at least 18 years old, High School Diploma or equivalent required. Applications can be picked up at City Hall. Position open until filled. City of Robert Lee is an

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the JV Lady Steers came

away with another win over

Forsan with a score of 30 -

Roach 9, Raquel Rojas 5,

Luisa Carrera 5, Jordan

Gartman 4, Meagan Ross 2,

Victoria Roe 2, Linsey

Vallery 2, Kacee Roberts 1.

Forson defeated the Lady

Steers varsity team, 28 - 47.

Scoring: Molli Hinderliter 7,

Amanda Mendoza 7, Sarah

Walker 6, Skyler Rainwater

4, Connie Saucedo 2, Briana

Scoring: Kimberly

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ranch, good hunting.

The United States Senate last week voted to allow the 2000 plus page healthcare bill to advance to floor debate, bringing it to the last step before implementation. The vote to proceed was 60 for and 39 against. As I understand the procedure, the bill will be debated on the floor of the Senate and then be voted either up or down, with only 51 votes needed for final passage. This will allow 9 of the Senators who voted to advance the bill to vote against it in the final vote. These will be Senators who are in danger of being replaced in the 2010 elections. They will vote against the bill and then go home to their states and campaign telling how they fought the bill but were just unable to stop it.

The bill must be stopped now or it will be nearly impossible to get rid of later. It would take a shift of 113 Congressional seats and a shift of 27 Senate seats to override a presidential veto of any bill that would rescind the healthcare bill (or any other bill such as Cap and Trade). Our Congress and Senate are rife with fools and the ambitious, but I am afraid that many are actually the treasonous traitors that Cicero spoke of.

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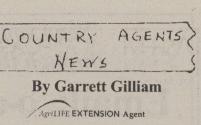
November Deer Management

By early November scraping may have already peaked. From early to late November the majority of the does should be in estrus, and the bucks should be cruising, chasing and breeding does, which causes scraping and rubbing to tail off. But, the bucks may still be scraping and checking scrapes near nighttime food sources, and in travel corridors. Scout to locate buck rub routes and feeding areas, backtrack rub routes to locate buck core areas and bedding sites. By mid to late November many of the older does have been bred, and some of the older bucks may return to their core areas to rest, where you can hunt them during the day. Some older does may still be in estrus and some doe fawns may come into estrus. Some of the older bucks may continue scraping and some of the younger bucks may start scraping as they look for does. Hunt all day.

Population Objectives, **Balancing Social Structure** and Carrying Capacity

When we are talking about ideal social conditions in deer management, the buck to doe ratio should be close to one buck to one doe (1:1). However in areas where this type of management has not been practiced, the buck to doe ratio may be as low as one buck to three does (1:3). Keeping the buck to doe ratio in balance helps increase the number of older bucks. It can also improve the social ranking, health and reproductive rate of the herd.

A herd of 100 deer with a makeup of 50 percent bucks and does will not increase by 100 percent per year, because some of the does will be too young to breed and some too old to conceive. Even if each doe



Up to 25 animals should be removed through natural mortality, predation or hunting to prevent habitat only bucks continues, there destruction and starvation. If half the young are bucks and half does, and no natural mortality or predation occurs. the buck to doe ratio must be kept in balance by removing 12 males and 12 females the next year. This will keep the herd at carrying capacity. But, the herd should be kept below carrying capacity. By keeping the herd below capacity you ensure that if a severe winter, drought or habitat destruction occurs the animals may still survive.

In many cases hunters only remove the males from the herd, which can be disastrous. If 25 males are removed from the herd there will be 37 males and 62 females, leaving 99 animals. Some of the bucks shot will be 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 years old, production is higher than and they will never have a normal; or forage production chance to become dominant is reduced by unforeseen breeding bucks. But, the real circumstances. The best problem is that there are now strategy for responsible deer 62 does that can conceivably management is to keep the produce 124 young, with a 75 herd below carrying capacity, percent survival rate, and the male to female ratio increasing the herd by 93 the as balanced as possible.

next year for a total of 192 deer, with 83 bucks and 109 does.

Because the herd is above carrying capacity, habitat destruction is likely to occur. If the hunters again remove only males, by taking 42 bucks, there are still 109 does instead of the original 50. If the practice of taking will not be enough mature -males left to ensure that all the does will be bred during the peak of the rut; some late born fawns will starve or die of exposure, and the population may crash. Even if the population doesn't suffer, the number of older bucks will decline.

In order to produce more older bucks some of the does must be taken each year. If the habitat is at carrying capacity and the herd is balanced, as many females as males must be taken each year in order to keep the herd in balance with the carrying capacity of the habitat. If the herd is kept below carrying capacity, there may be enough forage even if the harvest quotas are not met;

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RLISD Board Meeting held

On Monday, November 16, 2009, a regular meeting of the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees was held in the Robert Lee High School Library of the public school building at 6 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Roe.

Members Present: K. Roe, J. Roberts, W. Washam, I. Torres, B. Brosh, T. Reed, T. Sawyer.

At 6 pm, the meeting was called to order by President Roe with a quorum of members were present.

Invocation and pledge led by President Roe.

Jeffie Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of October 19 and October 26, 2009, seconded by Irma Torres. All voted for. Wes Washam made a motion to accept the financial report given by Robin Allen and to pay the bills as presented, seconded by

Brandi Brosh. All voted for. Matters related to the 2008 construction projects were discussed. Wes Washam made a motion to approve plate #11 for the terrazzo floor, the motion seconded by Tod Reed. Three voted for, two were opposed. Motion amended to stay with plate #11 and add 1% or less of orange speck. All voted for. Wes Washam made a motion to approve silver letters, orange beam and black base. The motion was seconded by Tod Reed. Two voted for, three were opposed. After a short discussion, the motion was made again by Tom Sawyer and seconded by Tod Reed to approve silver letters, orange beam with black base. Four voted for and two were opposed. The motion carried.

The Board recessed at 6:40 pm to tour the construction site. The meeting reconvened into open session at 7:23 pm.

Wayne Simpson, Elementary Principal, attended the junior high basketball game in Garden City. Roger Henderson gave elementary report. The enrollment for elementary is 141 students with 94% ADA for the month of October. Roger Henderson, High School Principal, reported enrollment for grades 7-12 is 101 with ADA of 96% for the month of October. (Continued on next page)

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Longhorn Football Team earned the title of Bi-District Champions with a season record of 10-2; and

WHEREAS, this has been an exciting, hard-fought, and successful season; and

WHEREAS, our city is proud of the record they have earned and the fine publicity they have brought to our community by their good sportsmanship and inspired team play; and

WHEREAS, the Longhorns, Coach Kevin Burns and his coaching staff, have proven to be a source of admiration and inspiration to the citizens of our City; and

Now, therefore the Bronte City Council congratulates the Bronte Longhorn Football Team, Coach Kevin Burns, his staff and everyone associated with the Team for their outstanding accomplishments.

IN WITNESS Whereof, I do hereby set my hand, and cause the Corporate Seal of the City to be affixed this 23rd day of November, 2009.

Gerald Sandusky, Mayor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Lady Longhorns Volleyball Team, under Coach Keith McCutchen, is to be recognized and honored for their outstanding season; and WHEREAS, by its extraordinary efforts, this dynamic team advanced to the State Finals; and



produces twins, the natural mortality rate would keep the increase below 100 animals.

If you are trying to increase the number of older bucks in the area you must remember that the habitat can only carry so many deer. It makes no difference if they are bucks or does. The herd must also be kept in balance with the carrying capacity of the habitat in order to keep both the habitat and the animals healthy.

Let's assume that there are 100 animals with a 50:50 male to female ratio, and the total property area has a carrying capacity of 150 animals. If every doe produces twins and 3/4 of the young survive, the herd is now above carrying capacity of the land with 175 animals.

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WHEREAS, the Lady Longhorns displayed character, ability and perseverance of the highest order in this season; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Longhorns placed second at the State Tournament and ended the season with an amazing record of 40-6; and

WHEREAS, our city is proud of the fine publicity they have brought to our community by their inspired team play;

Now, therefore the Bronte City Council congratulates the Lady Longhorn Volleyball Team, Coach Keith McCutchen and all people associated with the Team for the outstanding accomplishments.

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Extracurricular Code of Student Conduct was discussed. Fairview Accelerated Cooperative was reduced to three slots from five slots.

on budget update, bus aide position, activity funds, and grading policy.

The next meeting for the RLISD School Board will be held on Thursday, December 17, at 6 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Veterans Memorial addition

Committee wish to say that they accidently left off the name of one veteran on the Veterans Memorial in Bronte from the article that ran in last week's issue of the Observer/Enterprise. William Earl Williams served our country proudly in World War II.

FSA accepting applications

The Farm Service Agancy (FSA) is now accepting applications for Emergency Farm Loans resulting from damages and losses caused Supt. Hood gave his report by drought, above normal temperatures and associated wildfires on January 1, 2009, and continuing.

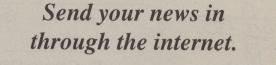
Coke and Sterling Counties have been named contiguous disaster counties where eligible farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Farm Loan Manager, Justin B. Holland, asks farmers who want to apply for emergency The Veterans Memorial loans to submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadling for applications is July 2, 2010, but if farmers wait too long, a backlog will develop and cause delays.

> Generally, farmers who have lost 30 percent of their production due to designated disasters are eligible for



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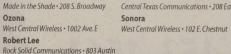
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