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Friday, December 11, 2009

#### Filing opens for Democratic and Republican Primary Elections

The filing period for both the tree. Democratic and Republican Primaries extends from Thursday, December 3, 2009, until 6 pm on January 4, 2010.

Primary elections are held Community Center. in March of even-numbered years to determine the Tuesday, March 2.

Judge, County/District Clerk, Drawing. County Treasurer, County Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus Commissioners for Precincts are coming to town! 2 and 4, and both Justices of the Peace.

County filings, according to County/District Clerk Mary Grim, as of presstime 2009, include Roy Blair -Coke County Judge, Grady Coulter - Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, and Jackie date! Walker - Justice of the Peace, Final Drawing for Precinct 1.

In addition, County Chairs Festivities! for the Democratic and Republican Parties will be elected in the March Primary. Presently, the Democratic a television set donated by County Chair is Linda Burns of Robert Lee. Mrs. Burns can be reached at 453-4305. The Republican County Chair is David Kitten of Blackwell. Mr. Kitten can be Yard Decorations! reached at 282-2425.

#### Bronte Christmas activities slated **Bronte Bucks**

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.

#### Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

Civic organizations, school organizations, classes, businesses or families are invited to create an ornament for the Community Bronte Christmas Tree. Use the following guidelines: must be weatherproof; a minimum of 10 to 12 inches in size; must have your name and date located somewhere on your design. Take your ornament to City Hall to be placed on Methodist Church of Robert

#### Christmas Craft Fair

The doors are set to open at 10 am Saturday, December 12, for the Bronte Christmas Craft Fair inside the Bronte vendors will provide merchandise for sale plus there Democratic and Republican will be a concession stand candidates to be on the ballot with barbeque, sodas, chips in the November General and desserts available for Election. The 2010 Primary sale. Prizes for winners of Election will be held on the Yard Decoration Contest will be awarded at 1 pm Coke County offices up for immediately followed by the election in 2010 are County Merchant's 2nd Bronte Bucks

Boys and Girls, you can visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, December 19, from 1 pm till 5 pm, at the Texas Theater. Pictures with you Wednesday, December 9, and Santa will be available for a nominal fee. There will be a drawing for WalMart gift cards. Don't forget the

## Christmas in Bronte

Grand Prize Drawing will be held in the Texas Theater at 5 pm. The Grand Prize is the Chamber of Commerce. Merchant's Bronte Bucks 3rd and final drawing will also take place at this time.

## Hayride to View Winning

The winners of the Yard Decoration Contest will have Elementary School. their yards lit up to show the town. On the evening of December 19, tour the winning yards on a wagon of hay or from a bus. Boarding will be in the Depot parking lot. Hot chocolate and cookies will be for sale. This will be the closing event for Christmas in Bronte, so come one, come all.

#### Christmas events slated at FUMC-RL

A Live Nativity Scene can be viewed at the corner of 9th and Chadbourne in Robert Lee on the lawn of First United Methodist Church Robert Lee on Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13 from 6 pm - 8 pm.

On Wednesday December 20, at 5:30 pm, First United



Winter Wonderland! Coke County residents woke up to a nice layer of the white, fluffy stuff Friday morning, December 4. Total accumulation was up to about 2 inches, depending upon where you live. The snow was preceded by from T to 1.4 inches of general rainfall throughout the county. Cooler temperatures and drizzly rainfall followed on Monday and Tuesday, December 7 and 8. The skies cleared on Tuesday afternoon, and in true West Texas tradition, the howling winds came from the south and blew up a sandstorm before dark.

Lee will host a performance of "The Bethlehem Story". A musical cantata that takes the audience through the story of the baby Jesus with familiar song and narration.

#### Bronte Hometown Hardware sponsors bicycle drawing

Bronte Hometown Hardware is sponsoring a drawing for a Schwin Stingray Orange County Chopper Bicycle. \$1 tickets may be purchased at Bronte Hometown Hardware. All proceeds will benefit the Bronte

Buy as many tickets as you would like. You do not have to be present to win.

Drawing will be held on Saturday, December 19, 12 noon, at the store.

#### Santa Letter deadline set for December 14

Deadline for Letters to Santa Claus to be printed in this year's edition has been set for Monday, December 14. As in the past, we will go by the schools and pick up their Letters for Santa for inclusion in the Christmas paper on December 25. We will forward these letters straight to Santa after we get through typing them up for the paper. This is why we have to have them early. As in the case of Letters to Santa that are delivered to post offices, we will pick them up, type them for the paper, and mail them on to Santa as fast

If you have any questions as to this year's Santa Letters deadlines or the holiday printing schedule, give us a call at 453-2433.

#### Christmas Greetings deadline set for December 18

It is time once again for Christmas greetings! The Observer/Enterprise would like to remind businesses and individuals wishing to place a Christmas Greeting in the newspaper to call or stop by and choose your greeting for the December 25 issue.

Deadline of this year's greetings is Friday, December 18. For more information or to place an ad, contact the office at 453-2433.

#### Cowboy Christmas scheduled for Blackwell

The 2nd Annual Blackwell Cowboy Christmas is slated for Saturday, December 19, beginning at 6 pm. Events kick off south of Blackwell at the Community Christmas Tree for a hayride and carol-Afterward, they will stop at the Methodist Church for hot chocolate, cookies and a visit from Santa. Street in Robert Lee.

Blackwell will also sponsor a home deocrating contest. To be eligible, all decorations must be up by Saturday, December 12.

For more information, call Gwen Ware at 282-3441 or Shirley Lemley at 282-4006.

#### Coke County buildings for rent

The first day to rent the following Coke County buildings for 2010 will be on Monday, January 4, at 7 am in the Judge's Office in the Coke County Courthouse.

The buildings include the Robert Lee Large Recreation Hall, Robert Lee Senior Citizen Building, Robert Lee Pavilion, Bronte Large Recreation Hall, Bronte Senior Citizen Building, and the Bronte Pavilion.

If you have any questions, please call the Judge's Office at 453-2641.

#### 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

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## **Obituaries**



Bryan

Wilson Bryan, life-long resident of Robert Lee, went to be with his Lord on December 2, 2009, two weeks after his 97th birthday. He was born to Frank and Birdie Bryan on November 16, 1912, in Hawkins, Texas. At the age of 7, Wilson, along with his parents and younger brother, Frank Dean, rode the train to Bronte and then the mail wagon to Robert Lee. The Bryan family was actively engaged in farming and became well-known for their Duroc hogs.

Wilson married Ruby Dodson in 1933. They had four children - Thelma Jo, Cynthia Ann, Terry Frank and Richard. At this time, Wilson and his dad started in the sand and gravel business in which he continued with his own sons, Terry and Richard. This was on the home place, which is now under Lake Spence

Wilson was especially proud to have been on the original Robert Lee Steer football team, where he helped choose the school colors and mascot. Recently, Wilson was proud to be honored at the 80th anniversary of the Robert Lee Steer team and escorted onto the field by his greatgranddaughter Molly and his great-great-granddaughter, Kiara, who are 4th and 5th generation RLISD students.

Wilson had many accomplishments and honors in his life. He enjoyed telling the story of traveling to Houston in 1946 with Mr. Bryan Gartman to purchase two pre-fabricated Army barns that became the Livestock Show Barns for Coke County for many years. Wilson served on the Coke Livestock County Association board and served as secretary.

In 1956, Wilson was serving as President of the Robert Lee School Board when the current school was dedicated. He also served as Mayor of Robert Lee from 1968 - 1972 and again from 1986-1990. During his term as mayor, he built the Mini-Park by City Hall, which was eventually given his name. He was given the Citizen of the Year award by the Robert Lee - Silver Lions Club in 1979. In 2002, Wilson was awarded the prestigious Community Builders Award for "Distinguished Service and Personal Contributions to the Community of Robert Lee" by Hayrick Masonic Lodge 696 and Grand Lodge of Texas.

Mr. Bryan was a man who made things better, wherever he was. He designed and built the Mountain Creek Amphitheater in Robert Lee where "Ole Coke County, Home of the Rabbit Twisters" was presented annually for twenty years. Most recently, Wilson and Lucile, their children, and others were responsible for lighting up Coke County at Bryan's Barn every December for almost twenty years. It was an annual pilgrimage for many families, for local families! Many the 6-acre display of Box Creek.

Wilson was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Ruby, his daughters Ann Martin and Thelma Jo Hinnard, and by his wife, Lucile Dean Bryan.

He will be greatly missed by his brother, Frank Bryan; his children, Terry Bryan, Richard Bryan, Della "Kitten" Dean Plagens, Jerry Dean, Tony Dean, their spouses; and a host of grandchildren, grandchildren, great-greatgrandchildren, and many

A celebration of his life was held Saturday, December 5 at the Robert Lee Methodist Church. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

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#### Tucker

Services for Mrs. Bessie Mae Tucker, 78, of Gilmer, were held at 2 pm, Friday, December 4, 2009, at Croley Funeral Home Chapel in Gilmer with Reverend Danny Fleming officiating. Burial followed at Sunset Memorial Park. Mrs. Tucker passed away on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, in Gilmer.

She is survived by her husband, W. Duane Tucker of Gilmer; sons and daughters-in-law Sammy and Debra Tucker of Houston, Richard and Dee Tucker of Ewell; Daughters and son-inlaw, Judy and Terry Brown of Illinois, Janet Matthews of Hallsville; eight grandchildren, Michael Roberts, Matthew Roberts, Rachel Van Haselen, Katie Auguste, Ben Evans, David Matthews, Sara Matthews, Amber Gutschlag and four great grandchildren.

Visitation was Thursday, December 3, 2009, from 6 pm until 8pm at Croley Funeral Home in Gilmer.

#### Free Exercise Classes available

Do you want to get healthy for 2010? Don't wait until and sometimes a nightly one January, start now! Come and join us for free exercise thousands of people enjoyed classes and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. The Christmas Lights on Mess free exercise classes are



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

#### 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 landfill during the winter 2069.

being offered at the Bronte 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, am - 12 noon. An evaluation contact Misty McGlothlin, RN of customer usage of the FUMC Wesley Nurse at 473-

## 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 • 320-1354Sun. 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

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

www.pecanbaptist.org Jim Dominey, Pastor Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 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

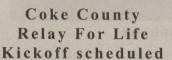
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting **Forgiven Ministries** 117 W. Main, Bronte Russ Frasier, Pastor Sun. 10 am

Honored! Coke County Judge Roy Blair has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to handle his duties as county judge.

Judge Blair was inducted as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy, November 18, at a reception in Corpus Christi, Omni Hotel, during the 2009 Fall Judicial Education Session.

The Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech University School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, names as Fellows each year those judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law.

The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of activities being held included the Christmas Parade on Criminal Appeals and includes instruction by higher court judges, law school faculty, as well as representatives of the Texas Probate College and the National Judicial College.



The Coke County Relay For Life Kickoff has been rescheduled to be held during the Robert Lee basketball tournament the last week of December. Bronte and Robert Lee girls and boys teams will be playing an evening game. Watch for exact dates and times in next week's paper.

Cancer survivors will be recognized during halftime of the girls' game. Contact Rhonda Hood at 453-2065 or Glenda Draper at 473-2050 to register or for more information.

All team members that have registered and paid the \$10 Relay entry fee will be entered into a drawing for a Relay For Life goodie basket to be given away at halftime of the girls' game. You can online www.relayforlife.org/cokeco tx to register. Team packets will be available at the game.

A few kickoff t-shirts are still available for \$10. Contact DeeAnna Harmon at 453-2545 or Lanette or Marilyn at Glenn Bivins Insurance at 473-6791 to purchase one in advance. The t-shirts will be available for pickup at Glenn-Bivins Insurance and Robert Lee State Bank the week before Christmas and at Bronte ISD and Robert Lee ISD on December 17. If any shirts are left, they will be \$15 at the ball game.

The Robert Lee/Silver Lion's Club will be having a Pancake Supper to benefit the CCRFL from 5 pm until 7 pm in the Robert Lee ISD cafeteria before the games. Tickets can be purchased at Glenn-Bivins Insurance, West Central Wireless and Robert Lee State Bank.

#### Brewer Scholarship Fund Challenge

Since 2003, the Jack and Nina Brewer Scholarship Fund has awarded over 80 scholarships totaling more than \$48,000 to Robert Lee High School graduates. Nina



Brewer has continued to add encourage my friends and additional gifts to the Fund each year and friends and family have also made over 100 gifts to this fund in honor of Nina and in memory of Jack. Through these gifts and investment returns, the fund has grown to more than \$180,000 which will provide scholarships in perpetuity to too!" select Robert Lee High School Graduates. Nina's husband, Jack, passed away in December 2003 from a long and courageous battle with myelodysplasialeukemia. One of his last 205, San Angelo, Texas gifts to the community was to establish this scholarship fund to help young people

education. Nina would like to challenge area residents to contribute to this scholarship fund and she intends to match their donation, up to a total of \$20,000. If matched 100%, this would increase the fund an additional \$40,000, increasing the number and amount of scholarships to Robert Lee graduates. Each year more young people are awarded scholarships from this fund and the amount awarded has increased each

from Robert Lee get a college

"I want to give back to this wonderful community and help our youth get a college education. But I also want to

neighbors to join me in this effort. I hope they will consider meeting this challenge." Said Nina Brewer, "If someone wants to establish their own scholarship fund, instead of contributing to ours, then I encourage them to do that,

charitable gift and are eligible for a tax deduction. Gifts can be made to the San Angelo Area Foundation, 2201 Sherwood Way, Suite 76901 and note the Jack and Nina Brewer Scholarship Fund on your check.

For more information about the fund and the San Angelo Area Foundation, contact Matt President of the Foundation at 947-7071 or visit the Foundation web-site at www.saafound.org.

#### Donate a Texas Sage

The Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association is working to beautify Robert Lee Cemetery with Texas

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

memorials.

Donations qualify as a

Lamar Kay

Email: o-e@wcc.net April Flanagan Designs by Toni Christmas Special







Saturday, December 5. Along with several other floats and cars that participated in the parade, members of the Fort Chadbourne Cavalry (above) and Coke County Sheriff Wayne McCutchen, led the way from the Bronte Health and Rehab Center down Washington Street to end at the historic depot.

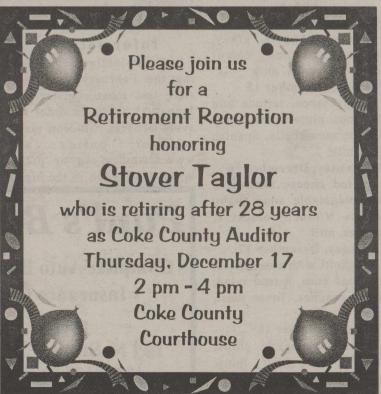
If your donation is in memory of someone, please include the person's name. The sages will be planted in Alley and Alta Bilbo the spring of 2010. The Cemetery Association runs only on donations and

received from November 24 through December 8 include Peggy Bilbo the following.

**Bob Boren** 

Jamie Boren Kathy Alexander Tom Boren John Boren

Alta Bell Kay Jan Hungate Mark Kay Alta Bell Kay Jamie Boren Jo Ann Littlefield Janet Rathmell Donations and memorials Kathryn and Robert McGuire Jo Ann and Jarvis Littlefield Billy, Zachary, and Will Havins Mike, Becca, Sarah, Christopher, Lucas, and Seth Levesque **Donations** Frank Bryan Betty (Hughes) Varnadore Send your news in through the internet.



## BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

#### Bronte Band Concert slated for Sunday

The Bronte ISD Band Concert will be held Sunday, December 13, at 7:30 pm in the Bronte ISD Auditorium. The community is encouraged to attend.

#### Longhorn basketball

racks up the wins

The Bronte Longhorns recently defeated Menard by a score of 56-24. Stats: Rob Rosson 10 pts., 6 rebounds; Ernesto Casillas 6 pts., 6 rebounds, 4 assists; Dakota Rawls 21 pts., 12 rebounds; Heath Richey 10 pts., 9 rebounds; Jason Horton 3 pts.; Jacob Scott 3 pts. and Terron Charles 3 pts., 4 assists.

In the first game of the Bronte Tournament, the Longhorns defeated the Robert Lee Steers by a score of 75-43. Stats: Rob Rosson 8 pts., 7 rebounds; Ernesto Casillas 2 pts.; Dakota Rawls 32 pts., 12 rebounds; Heath Richey 6 pts.; Kerwin Rawls 8 pts., 5 assists; Jason Horton 1 pt.; Jacob Scott 3 pts.; KC Barber 6 pts., 6 rebounds and Terron Charles



#### Breakfast. Monday, December 14

Cereal, fruit, toast, jelly,

Tuesday, December 15

French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk Wednesday, December 16

Sausage, assorted juice, biscuit, jelly, milk

Thursday, December 17

Breakfast pizza, assorted juice, milk

Friday, December 18

Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, assorted juice, milk

#### Lunch Monday, December 14

Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, fruit, rolls, milk

Tuesday, December 15

Crispy tacos, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, fancy gelatin, taco shells, Spanish rice, milk

Wednesday, December 16

Grilled cheese sandwich, beef vegetable soup, baby carrots w/ranch, crackers, cookies, milk

Thursday, December 17

Spaghetti with meat sauce, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches, Texas toast,

Friday, December 18

Hamburger, baked chips, baked beans, fruit, buns,

Martinez 4 pts. and Terron administration. Charles 3 assists, 2 steals;

time by Poolville by a score of 46-42. Stats: Rob Rosson 6 pts., 5 rebounds, 5 assists; Ernesto Casillas 6 pts., 6 rebounds, 3 steals; Dakota Rawls 20 pts., 8 rebounds, 3 steals; Heath Richey 3 pts. and Kerwin Rawls 7 pts. and

#### Dannheim advances to area band tryouts

Jonathan Dannheim, a senior at Bronte High School, will advance to the Area round of the Association of Texas Small School Bands to try out for a position in the All-State Band. Jonathan competed on Saturday, December 5, at Cisco Junior College at the Region 7 ATSSB tryouts. He placed third out of 37 percussionists. Jonathan will perform with the Region Band Stephenville on January 16. Jonathan competes on snare drum, marimba and timpani. This will be his third year to advance to the Area level. This year's competition will be held at Waco-Robinson in January. If he is selected there, he will perform with the ATSSB All-State band in February at the Texas Music Association Educators convention.

Jonathan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dannheim and the private student of Keith Lloyd, percussion instructor for McMurry University.

#### ACT/SAT Information

Students interested in taking the February 6, 2010, Country's public high ACT test must register by schools who has shown inter-January 5, 2010, in order to est and ability in scientific avoid late fees. Students may study and has plans to pursue register online

school counselor's office. In the second game, Bronte The cost of the ACT (no defeated the Miles Bulldogs writing) test is \$32.00 or by a score of 69-36. Stats: \$47.00 if a student registers Rob Rosson 7 pts.; Ernesto for the ACT Plus Writing Casillas 2 pts., 5 rebounds; test. If someone is unsure Dakota Rawls 35 pts., 9 which test to sign up for, rebounds, 4 steals; Heath please consult the high Richey 4 pts.; Kerwin Rawls school counselor. Bronte 7 pts., 5 rebounds, 8 assists; High School will not be host-Jose Perez 5 rebounds; Louie ing the February ACT test

Students interested in tak-Jason Horton 3 pts; Jacob ing the January 23, 2010, Scott 4 pts., and KC Barber SAT Reasoning Test must register before December 15, In the Championship game, 2009, in order to avoid late Bronte was defeated in over- fees. The cost of the SAT Reasoning test is \$45.00 and includes a required writing portion. Registration may be online www.collegeboard.com or you may pick up a registration packet in the counselor's

> Fee waivers are available to junior and senior students who qualify for free or reduced lunches. Call or see Mrs. Timmerman, Bronte High School counselor, for more information. Please keep in mind that the ACT and SAT tests will be offered again throughout the spring semester. The next time the ACT test will be offered at Bronte High School will be in April and June. Free study guides are available in the counselor's office. The high school library has practices test preparation books available to students. The ACT and SAT websites also have free practice items available online. Also, students at BHS have the opportunity to go online to access the ACT Online Prep program free of charge. The students should have their passwords to log on. If a student has misplaced their password, please have them stop by the counselor's office to get a copy of their password. For more information, please call Mrs. Timmerman at 473-2521.

#### Available Scholarships

Odell Johnson Scholarship

The West Texas Fair and Rodeo will grant a scholarship annually to a senior student of one of the Big at Science as a career.



at Bronte High School and must be turned into the counselor's office by February 12, 2010.

West Texas Fair and Rodeo

The West Texas Fair and Rodeo will grant a scholarship to a graduating senior in the Big Country who has participated in activities or contests in the Livestock Department and to an individual who has participated in the Modern Living Mall Youth Department. Applications are available on the bulletin board at Bronte High School and must be submitted by March 1, 2010. KFC Colonel's Scholar's

Program The KFC Colonel's Scholar's program is looking for high school seniors with financial need and an entrepreneurial spirit to qualify for the KFC Colonel's Scholar's Program. Awards are up to \$20,000 for tuition, fees, textbooks, room and board. To qualify, graduating high school seniors must: earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75, enroll in a public college or university, pursue a bachelor's degree, be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and demonstrate financial need. The online scholarship application will be available from December 1, 2009, to February 10, 2010, at www.kfcscholars.org.

Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship

The Ronald McDonald House Charities Program has scholarships available to applicants who either: 1) had a serious childhood illness or injury or 2) had a sibling who had a serious childhood illness or injury which impacted the family. The RMHC Scholars application is available online at www.RMHCsouthwest.com/sch olarship.aspx. For additional information, you may also call 1-806-744-8877.

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



#### 325-473-6791 www.actstudent.org or pick Applications are available on up an application in the high the scholarship bulletin board

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#### "Christmas at the OK Corral" slated for RL

Everyone is urged to attend the "Christmas at the OK Corral" Christmas program presented by the Robert Lee Elementary Music classes on Thursday, December 17, at 6:30 pm in the school auditorium.

Venture back to the Old West and have a stompin' knee clappin' experience.

#### RL Steers

basketball update

On Tuesday, November 24, Robert Lee varsity defeated TLCA by a score of 65-46. Scoring: Justin Gartman 2, Tyler Henderson 8, Sam Peyton 2, Blake Hewitt 7, Stetson Nesbit 10, Haden Dillard 14, Logan Philley 17, Cayetano Carrera 2 and Tanner Hanigan 2.

On December 1, Robert Lee was defeated by the Miles Bulldogs by a score of Scoring: Tyler 48-29. Henderson 2, Sam Peyton 6, Blake Hewitt 1, Stetson Nesbit 9, Haden Dillard 1, Logan Philley 9 and Cayetano Carrera 1.

On December 3, Robert Lee was defeated by the Bronte Longhorns by a score of 75-43. Scoring: Justin Gartman 2, Tyler Henderson 4, Blake Hewitt 4, Stetson Nesbit 11, Haden Dillard 6, Logan Philey 14 and Cayetano Carrera 2.

Poolville defeated Robert Lee on December 4 by a score of 73-45. Scoring: Justin Gartman 2, Sam Peyton 1, Blake Hewitt 1, Stetson Nesbit 25, Haden Dillard 1, Logan Philley 11 and Cayetano Carrera 4.

On December 5, Miles defeated Robert Lee by a score of 54-60. Scoring: Justin Gartman 1, Tyler



#### Breakfast Monday, December 14 Cinnamon roll, cereal,

juice, milk Tuesday, December 15

Biscuit & sausage, cereal,

juice, milk Wednesday, December 16

Pop tart, cereal, juice, milk Thursday, December 17 Pizza, cereal, juice, milk Friday, December 18

Muffin, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch Monday, December 14 Corn dog, tator tots, applesauce, teddy grahams Tuesday, December 15

Bean chalupas, salad, Spanish rice, peaches, milk Wednesday, December 16

Ravioli, carrots, salad, roll, apple, milk Thursday, December 17

Burritos, salad, corn, orange, milk

Friday, December 18

Hamburger, chips, pickles, salad, pears, milk

Henderson 2, Sam Peyton 6, Blake Hewitt 1, Stetson Nesbit 19, Haden Dillard 12 and Logan Philley 13.

#### JV Steers win some, lose some

On November 24, the Robert Lee Junior Varsity Steers defeated TLCA by a score of 55-36. Scoring: Justin Gartman 6, Jose Fabian 6, Zach Skinner 10, Cooper Hinderliter 6 Zachary Sanchez 9, Joe Estrada 12 and Tanner Hanigan 6

The Miles JV Bulldogs defeated the JV Steers on December 1 by a score of 26-34. Scoring: Justin Gartman 2, Jose Fabian 4, Zach Skinner 4, Cooper Hinderliter 4, Zachary Sanchez 7, and Joe Estrada

On December 3, the JV Steers were defeated by the Sterling City JV Eagles by a score of 32-17. Scoring: Jose Fabian 2, Zach Skinner 4, Cooper Hinderliter 7, Joe Estrada 1 and Tanner Hanigan 3.

On December 5, the Robert Lee JV Steers defeated the Water Valley JV Wildcats by an exciting score of 45-44. Scoring: Jose Fabian 4, Zach Skinner 5, Cooper Hinderliter 9, Zachary Sanchez 10, Joe Estrada 11 and Tanner Hanigan 5.

The JV Steers took on the Miles JV Bulldogs and defeated them by a score of 31-24. Scoring: Zach Skinner 6, Cooper Hinderliter 2, Zachary Sanchez 2, Joe Estrada 11 and Tanner Hanigan 8.

The Robert Lee JV Steers won Consolation at the Robert Lee JV Tournament.

#### Lady Steers basketball update

On December 1, the Robert Lee High School Lady Steers were defeated by the Miles Lady Bulldogs by a score of 33-39. Scoring: Connie Saucedo - 4, Molli Hinderliter - 2, Briana Brisbin - 2, Skyler Rainwater - 1, Amanda Mendoza - 15, Sarah Walker - 7.

Also on December 1, the RLHS Junior Varsity Lady Steers defeated Miles by a score of 41-25. Scoring: Jordan Gartman - 9, Meagan Ross - 4, Kimberly Roach -12, Lubbock Roe - 1, Victoria Roe - 1, Raquel Rojas - 2, Ashlie Wheat - 1, Luisa Carrera - 5, Linsey Vallery - 6.

At the Bronte Varsity Tournament on December 3, the Lady Steers were defeated by the Highland Lady Hornets by a score of 36-49. Scoring: Erika Pearcy - 1, Connie Saucedo -4, Skyler Rainwater - 9, Sarah Walker - 7, Amanda Mendoza - 10, Rebecka Saucedo - 5.

On December 4 at the Bronte Tournament, the Lady Steers were defeated by the Bronte Lady Longhorns by a score of 42-24. Scoring: Molli Hinderliter - 6, Briana

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Brisbin - 6, Skyler Rainwater - 4, Amanda Mendoza - 2, Sarah Walker - 6.

On December 5, the Lady Steers defeated Miles by a score of 37-30. Scoring: Connie Saucedo - 2, Molli Hinderliter - 7, Briana Brisbin - 6, Skyler Rainwater - 5, Amanda Mendoza - 6, Sarah Walker - 11.

Also on December 5, the Lady Steers were defeated by Colorado City by a score of 41-29. Scoring: Molli Hinderliter - 11, Briana Brisbin - 4, Skyler Rainwater - 7, Amanda Mendoza - 2, Sarah Walker - 2, Rebecka Saucedo - 1.

At the Robert Lee JV Tournament on December 3, the JV Lady Steers defeated Bronte 32-18. Scoring: Jordan Gartman - 9, Megan Ross - 2, Diana Vera - 3, Kimberly Roach - 10, Linsey Vallery - 8.

The JV Lady Steers defeated Westbrook by a score of 39-4. Scoring: Jordan Gartman - 9, Diana Vera - 2, Kimberly Roach -10, Kacee Roberts - 4, Victoria Roe - 2, Raquel Rojas - 2, Ashlie Wheat - 2, Luisa Carrera - 6, Linsey Vallery - 2.

On December 5, the JV Lady Steers defeated Forsan by a score of 46-26. Scoring: Jordan Gartman -16, Meagan Ross - 6, Kimberly Roach - 5, Victoria Roe - 2, Raquel Rojas - 5, Luisa Carrera - 8, Linsey Vallery - 4. The JV Lady Steers were named champions of the Robert Lee JV Tournament.

#### RLJH basketball takes some hits

The Robert Lee Junior High Dogies were defeated by Water Valley recently by a score of 53-10. Scoring: Will Howard - 2. Everett Wilson - 2, Efrain Olguin -2, Eric Wells - 4.

The Lady Dogies were also defeated by Water Valley by a score of 33-29 in triple overtime. Scoring: Jesse Sheets - 6, Taylor Benton -4, Bianca Huapilla - 15, Sidney Sheldon - 4.

#### Steers garner All-District Football Honors

Several Robert Lee High School Steer Football players were named to the District 9 All-District Football Team. They are as follows.

Newcomer of the Year

Cooper Hinderliter -Freshman 1st Team Offense Wide Receiver

Haden Dillard - Junior 1st Team Defense Defensive

Stetson Nesbit - Senior 1st Team Defensive Cornerback

Blake Millican - Senior

1st Team Defensive Safety Justin Gartman - Freshman 2nd Team Offensive Tight

Stetson Nesbit - Senior

2nd Team Offensive Center Blake Hewitt - Junior Team Offensive 2nd Quarterback

Justin Gartman - Freshman 2nd Team Offensive Running Back

Blake Millican - Senior 2nd Team Kicker Haden Dillard - Junior 2nd Team Defensive Line Haden Dillard - Junior 2nd Team Punter Joe Estrada - Junior

#### Honour Society inducts Jake McCabe

Jacob (Jake) McCabe has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was honored during a recent induction ceremony at Texas Tech University.

"It is only fitting that a top academic achiever like Jacob be recognized by Golden Key," said John W. Mitchell, Chief Golden Key's Executive Officer. members are inspired and motivated not only to achieve exceptional academic accomplishments, but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society's commitment to service."

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Started nearly a decade ago, the ACT student blog is intended to personalize the college planning process for all students. ACT realized early on that it's more interesting and real for teens to read about high school and college in the words of other teens.

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"It was my first year ... and I didn't really focus on my studies as much as I really should have," she said during an inter-

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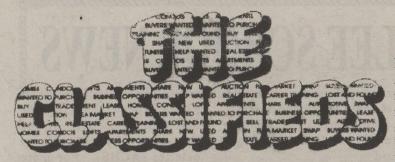
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> Thanks again so much, Don and Joyce Bailey 22-1tc

#### **NOTICES**

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF **REAL PROPERTY** STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE

On Tuesday, January 5, 2010, between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm, a public sale will be held to sell all right, title, and interest held by Wayne Worley in real property

1. Lot 15, Block 55, Texas 76933;

2. Lot 18, Block 55, Original Town of Bronte, commonly known as 120 South Woods Street, Bronte, Texas 76933; and

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SIGNED this 7th day of December, 2009.

Wayne McCutchen, Coke County Sheriff 22-3tc

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'64 Study Club

raffle winner

anounced

winners in the '64 Study

Club annual scholarship project. The first winner is

Keith Taliaferro, from Eden, Texas, whose name was

drawn on Friday, December

4, as the winner of the oil

painting donated by Pat Stephens. Pat was on hand to

do the drawing and when she

drew Keith's name, she

reported that she had known

Keith since he was a child,

and she was glad that

someone she knew would

Other winners are the

people who bought tickets

for the drawing and who, by

doing so, were contributing

to a scholarship for a Robert

Lee High School graduating

The other winners will be

the students who apply for

the scholarships in the

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Historical Commission has

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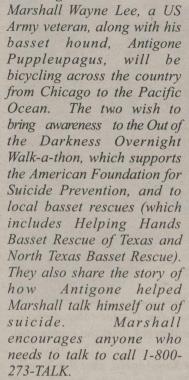
have a painting of hers.

There will be many

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Historical Commission from grant from the estate, rather the Roberta Cole Johnson than the Robert Lee Baptist Also, Allan name First Baptist Church of misspelled. It is hoped Bronte was a recipient of a apologies will be accepted.

www.antigonebasset.blogspot.com.



Biking for a Cause!

The pair traveled through Robert Lee on Tuesday, December 8, and stopped by

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the Observer/Enterprise office for a visit. Marshall pedals while Antigone rides in a kiddie For more on the adventures of Marshall and Antigone, visit Antigone's blog at

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#### Jesus Came To Save Your Soul

"And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a son, and shall call His name Jesus.

"He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest: And the Lord God will give Him the throne of His Father David." • Luke 1:31-32

But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

"And she will bring forth a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." • Matthew 1:20-21

Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work." • John 4:34

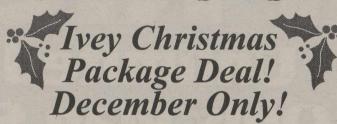
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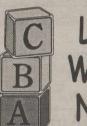
76092. A correction to the story regarding the designated gift to the Coke County

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Big Turnout! The Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Robert Lee Care Center (above photo) was held on November 22. At least 200 family members and volunteers from the community gathered and had a great time visiting with everyone.

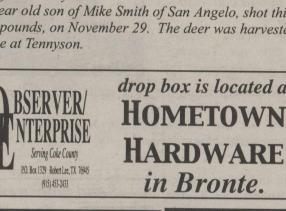
Nice Buck! Brett Smith, the 12 year old son of Mike Smith of San Angelo, shot this 8 point buck (right photo), that weighed 130 pounds, on November 29. The deer was harvested on his grandfather, Jerry McPherson's, place at Tennyson.



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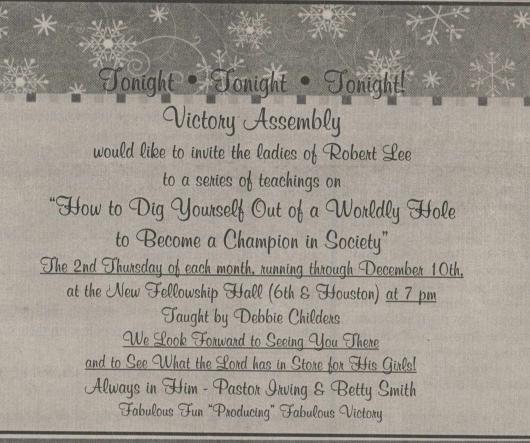




Taylor Clay Rose

Taylor Clay Rose was born Wednesday, November 18, 2009. He weighed 6 lbs., 15 oz and was 19 inches long. Taylor is the son of Travis and Kayli Rose. His grandparents include Valerie Howard and Ron and Jamie Dickey of Robert Lee. Taylor's proud uncle is Will Howard, and his great grandparents are Ronnie and Sammie Baker and Jim and Norma Dickey.

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