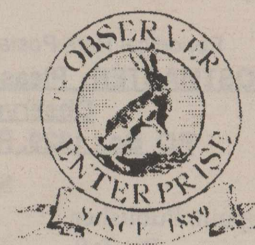


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Filing for May 1st local elections begins Feb. 17

Tuesday, February 17, 2004, is the first day to file for inclusion on the ballot for the May 1 local elections.

West Coke County Hospital District will have three 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Joan Cantrell, Rick Sanchez, and Gayland Hurst are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administrator's office at Robert Lee Care Center.

East Coke County Hospital District will have three 2 year terms on the ballot. The terms of Ed Cumbie, Billy Joe Lockett, and Mark Duncan are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administrator's office at Bronte Health & Rehab Center.

The city of Robert Lee will have to fill two council seats currently held by Beth Prather and Bonita Copeland. Mayor Garland Davis' term is also expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the City Secretary's office at Robert Lee City Hall.

The city of Bronte will have to fill three 2 year council seats currently held by Martha Ratliff, Charles Sonnenberg, and Leslie Rolls. Mayor Martin Lee's term is also expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the City Secretary's office at Bronte

City Hall.

Two 3 year terms will be on the ballot for the Bronte Independent School District Board of Trustees. The terms of Gary Acker and Terry Charles are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Superintendent's office at Bronte ISD.

The Robert Lee Independent School District Board of Trustees will have to decide on two 3 year terms. The terms of Darrell Pitcock and Bill Burns are expiring. Candidate applications may be picked up in the Administration office at Robert Lee ISD.

February 23 is first day to vote early in March 9th Primary

Monday, February 23, is the first day of early voting with Friday, March 5, marking the end of the early voting period.

Early voting will be conducted in the County Clerk's office from 8:00 - 5:00. The County Clerk's office will be open during the lunch hour. Branch early voting will take place in Bronte at the Coke County Annex (the old El Ranchero Bldg.) on February 24th, 25th and March 2nd & 3rd from 9:00-1:00.



Robert Lee's Ashley Sawyer placed in the top 5 with ten of the twenty-four rabbits she exhibited at the Fort Worth Stock Show on January 31, 2004. In the Solid Senior Bucks, Ashley won Best Opposite Sex of Variety and Best Opposite Sex of Breed. In this class, Ashley's rabbits also placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th. She also took Best of Variety and Best of Breed in the Solid Senior Does. Ashley's rabbits also placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 8th in this class. She placed 1st, 4th, 6th, and 7th in the Broken Senior Bucks and 2nd, 5th, 7th, and 9th in the Broken Senior Does.



Holiday Closings

The Coke County Courthouse and the Robert Lee and Bronte City Halls will be closed for President's Day on Monday, February 16, 2004.

AARP Tax Aid available

Free tax help for taxpayers with middle-and low-income with special attention to those age 60 and older, Friday, Feb. 20, @ 1:00 pm, Bronte Senior Center. E-Filing available. Please call 473-6471.

CC Retired Teachers to meet

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, February 16, 2004. The noon luncheon meeting will be held in the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Bronte Health and Rehab Auxiliary meeting scheduled

The Bronte Health and Rehab Auxiliary will have its monthly meeting Thursday, February 19, 2004, at 7:00 pm at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center. If you are currently a member or if you would like to become a member and make a difference in the life of the residents, then you are

highly encouraged to attend the meeting. We will have election of officers in addition to the regular meeting.

School board candidate workshop offered

Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop, Monday, February 16, 7-9 pm at the Region 15 Education Service Center (612 S. Irene St., San Angelo).

The workshop, cosponsored by the Region 15 Education Service Center and Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), will provide interested community members and individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a local trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include what it's like to be a trustee, key responsibilities of the board, division of authority with staff, how to campaign constructively, and where to find more information.

Participants will also view A Call to Service, a TASB video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to anyone. Admission is free. For more information about the workshop, call Brenda Canul at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6104, or check the TASB Web Site at www.tasb.org for other dates and locations.

FSA announces DCP sign-up underway

The FSA Office is currently signing producers up for the 2004 DCP program. This is the farm program which began last year. Each year producers are required to sign up for the current year. If you participated last year and want to participate in 2004, we encourage you to make an appointment and sign up. Signup will continue until June 1, 2004.

Keep in mind that if you cash lease a place, the FSA must have a copy of the cash lease on file before payments are made. For those producers wishing to sign a producer statement of the cash lease, they may do so but no payment can be made until after June 1, 2004.

For more information call (325) 453-2751 or come by the office.



Coke County couples Alonzo and Kay Robbins (left) and Bobby and Jeffie Roberts are shown arriving in Honolulu, Hawaii. They attended the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting in Oahu, Hawaii, January 9-16, 2004.

Roberts, Robbins attend FB annual meeting in Hawaii

Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee and Alonzo and Kay Robbins of Bronte attended the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting in Hawaii on the island of Oahu January 9-16, 2004. The meetings were held in the Honolulu Convention Center with around 7000 registered from the United States. Kentucky had around 450 in attendance with the largest number, and Tennessee was second and Texas third. The Texas delegation of 369 were housed in the Hilton Hawaiian Village on Waikiki Beach. The Village consisted of 22 acres with restaurants, shops of every kind, waterfalls, ponds with beautiful fish, penguins, turtles, birds, beautiful flowers and the Hilton Hotel with many towers on Waikiki beach. The Coke County group stayed in the Lagoon Tower in a complete apartment accommodation overlooking Waikiki Beach and the Pacific Ocean.

The Roberts and Robbins left Robert Lee at 4:00 am January 9, 2004, for Midland-Odessa Regional Airport and boarded the plane to Houston. We left Houston Geo. Bush International Airport at 12:20 pm on Continental Airlines Boeing 767. The plane was equipped with individual televisions and telephones on everyone's seat and larger TVs down each aisle. We were in the air 8 hours (3901 miles and 2500 over the Pacific Ocean). The trip was monitored at all times, and you knew exactly where you were, the speed of the plane up to 630 miles per hour, up to 38,000 feet in the air, and up to 61 degrees temperature. We arrived at Honolulu International Airport, the only offshore airport in the world, at 8:10 pm Texas Time and 4:10 pm. Hawaii Time. The Texas delegation each received an orchid lei and a kiss as they arrived.

We attended the convention two days and the rest of the time was spent on planned tours and free time. The highlight was our speaker, Retired General Tommy Franks, who conducted the Iraq War. During the free time, Kerry Holladay from Imperial, TX, who now resides in the Honolulu area and is a cousin of Kay Robbins, took the Robbins on a tour of the island and spent several hours visiting. He also took them to Safeway to shop for groceries as eating out was so expensive. Some of the food they purchased for our consumption in our apartment was milk (\$5.69 per gallon), \$2.59 for a loaf of bread, and so

on. This was much cheaper than eating in the restaurant -- breakfast buffet -- \$20 plus tax per person; hamburger - \$11 each; sandwich -- \$14.90 each. Sunday afternoon Kerry picked the Robbins and Roberts up at their hotel and toured part of the city. They ate at the internationally renowned restaurant, Bubba Gump, for seafood, which was located in the beautiful mall on the island. They also watched the beautiful sunset over the Pacific Ocean from the mall. Thursday evening as we were waiting to depart the island, Kerry came from his workplace to our hotel to take us to another popular restaurant, Dixie Bar & Grill, for seafood and to see other sights in the city.

Thank goodness for the ABC Stores in Hawaii, one on every corner, as the Dollar Stores are here on the mainland. We could purchase gift items, sandwiches, and soft drinks at a discount.

We saw many things on the several tours we took. They included Pearl Harbor (WW II - December 7, 1941) and the Museum, the Arizona Memorial (the ship Arizona sank during the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor with hundreds of bodies never recovered), Punchbowl National Cemetery of the Pacific, the natural Rainforest of Nuuanu Valley along Pali Drive (which receives from 100 to 200 inches of rain per year), the 200 foot waterfall known as the upside down waterfall as the winds are so bad it blows the water up the falls and on the other side of the island, which they call the dry wind side, where the average rainfall is 11 to 20 inches of rain per year. We were very lucky as it was their rainy season, but we only had one day of rain and a very bad storm on the North Shore with 92 mph winds. 57,000 were out of electricity for two days (power lines and trees down and across roads). It didn't affect us except that our dinner-cruise was cancelled.

More of the tours included Iolani Palace (the only royal palace on American soil), the famous statue of King Kamehameha, the unusual Capitol Building and the Aloha Tower, on the way to Sandy Beach and Halona Blowhole, we circled the beautiful golf course in Honolulu where the PGA Tour Sony Open was being held with Michelle Wie, the 14-year-old, playing. We could see the many people on the course watching the action.

We enjoyed many other sights such as the panorama from Puu Ualakaa State Wayside 1000 ft. high, overlooking Diamond Head, Waikiki, Honolulu, and the

Pacific Ocean. Koko Head Crater and the beautiful Hanauma Bay) marine preserve nestled in its own half sunken volcanic crater), Amelia Earheart Lookout. Our bus driver and tour guide worked as a director for the series "Hawaii 5-0" for 12 years and then became a tour guide when the series ended. We saw where "Gilligan's Island" was filmed.

One of the most enjoyable tours was the Farm Bureau's Private Farm Tour, where we boarded four beautiful buses with 200 plus Texas members and drove to the North Shore of Oahu, toured the Dole Pineapple Plantation and Pavilion, were served ice cold fresh pineapple while a Hawaiian pineapple farmer and a lettuce farmer told us of their farming operations. We saw many fields of pineapple growing in different stages in the working Matsuda-Fukuyama Farms, Inc. They were also growing papayas, coconuts, hydroponics lettuce, taro fields, and some coffee. We saw a sugar mill (there is not much sugar produced on this island anymore). We saw the Shrimp Farms which are becoming a big business.

We continued our tour passing through Haleiwa Town (an old plantation town and the former summer playground of Queen Liliuokalani, Hawaii's last reigning monarch and the largest marina on the north shore, on to the most famous surfing spots in the world along North Shore - Waimea Bay, Sunset Beach, and the spectacular Banzai Pipeline. There were many surfers in the water, and the waves were extra high (20 ft. and higher) because of the approaching storm.

Our next stop was a deli buffet luncheon at the famous Turtle Bay Resort where the beautiful Arnold Palmer Golf Course is located and at the most northern part of the island surrounded by the Pacific Ocean. Next stop was Tropical Farms where the tropical fruit is growing and an outlet for their popular Macadamia Nut grown on the island. Jeffie was crowned "The Coconut Queen" in front of the 200 plus Texas delegation by a native Hawaiian Chief who was presenting the program.

We learned how to say "ALOHA" which means hello and goodbye and "MAHALO" which means thank you. Walking on the sands of Waikiki Beach and the year round temperature of 70 to 85 degrees completed a simply wonderful trip. We left Hawaii at Thursday, January 15, at 10:30 pm and arrived in Coke County Friday, January 16, 2004, at 4:00 pm, temperature 45 degrees.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RL Project Graduation 2004 meeting

There will be a Robert Lee Project Graduation 2004 meeting on Tuesday, February 17, at 6:30 pm in the Robert Lee High School Library. All seniors and senior parents are encouraged to attend this meeting. For information about the meeting, contact Sara Cruz at 453-4345.

RL band students participate in All-Region Band Clinic/Concert

On Saturday, January 24th, several Robert Lee band students qualified for the ATSSB Region 22 All-Region Band. Our students competed against schools from the Far West Texas, Big Bend Area. Five junior high and four high school students will participate in an All-Region Clinic/Concert in Van Horn, Tx on Saturday, February 21st. Results from the junior high audition were as follows:

Garret Blair - 1st chair Trombone - 7th grade
 Luke Thurman - 1st chair Euphonium - 8th grade
 Ronald Shaw - 2nd chair - Euphonium - 8th grade
 Jodi Sheldon - 2nd chair Mallets - 7th grade
 Taylor Foster - 10th chair Flute - 7th grade

Robert Lee high school students who will participate are:

Dixie Johnson - Flute - 9th grade
 Nicole Fields - Flute - 9th grade
 Jessica Long - Flute - 9th grade
 Rosa Rojas - Clarinet - 9th grade

Robert Lee girls basketball results

The Robert Lee varsity girls basketball team was defeated in a very close game against Sterling City 49-50. Scoring for Robert Lee: Jessica Fluhmann 5; Julia Cruz 8; Tyler Lott 11; Cara Eaton 20; Cassidy Wink 3; and Michele Sanchez 2.

The Robert Lee varsity girls lost to Roscoe 29-39. Scoring for Robert Lee: Jessica

Fluhmann 2; Monica Rodriguez 2; Julia Cruz 1; Tyler Lott 4; Brittany Soliz 1; Cara Eaton 4; Cassidy Wink 9; and Michele Sanchez 6.

The Robert Lee junior varsity defeated Sterling City by a score of 35-30. Scoring for Robert Lee: Jaden Alexander 2; Becca Skinner 10; Christan Kelly 6; Sarah Philley 11; and Kelsy Duncan 6.

On the 3rd, the junior varsity defeated Roscoe 33-21. Scoring for Robert Lee: Kyla Millican 6; Becca Skinner 7; Katie Bessent 4; Sarah Philley 10; Christan Kelly 4; and Kelsy Duncan 2.

On the 9th, the RLJH "A" girls defeated Bronte JH "A" 30-20. Scoring for Robert Lee: Kasie Skinner 8; Allison Millican 2; Megan Pecifull 7; Andrea Pineda 2; Ashley Hopson 2; Chelsea Conner 4; and Molly Burns 5.

The RLJH "B" girls defeated the Bronte JH "B" team 11-7. Scoring for Robert Lee: Arrin Minjarez 7 and Olga Perez 4.

The Robert Lee junior high girls basketball teams finished their season Feb. 9th at Bronte. The "A" girls record was 6-7 and the "B" girls also had a 6-7 record.

County 4-H'ers win at Ft. Worth Stock show

Last week, during the Southwestern Livestock Show in Fort Worth, Coke County 4-H members placed their animals in several species. In the Market Steer show, Clay Antilley placed his heavyweight American Breeds steer fifth. In the Market lamb show, Briana Brisbin placed her lambs fourteenth in the Finewool Cross class and her Southdown placed nineteenth in the medium weight class. Cody Bridges placed his Finewool lambs twentieth in the lightweight and twenty-fourth in the medium weight class. Participating in the Market swine classes were Katie Bessent and Cara Eaton.

dies, adoration is expressed with a giant "kiss" - of the chocolate variety, and "hugs" are now candy kisses with a stripe.

How can you celebrate Valentine's Day without serving a lot of sugary, high-calorie food? Here are some ideas:

- Cut out sandwiches with a heart-shaped cookie cutter.
- Use heart-shaped pasta for a special meal.

- Make red gelatin in a heart-shaped mold and add the children's favorite fruits.

- To make a muffin look like a heart-shaped treat, fill the muffin cup to 2/3 full and then insert a small ball of tin foil between the muffin pan and liner. Bake as usual.

- Use a heart-shaped cookie cutter to cut individual hearts from pizza dough or form a big pizza dough heart.

- Add a few drops of red food coloring to vanilla pudding to make a special pink Valentine's Day dessert.

- Add a few of those tiny red hot cinnamon heart candies to a popcorn snack.

- Set the table special for Valentine's. Perhaps the children can color their own special placemats for the day. Or, you could cut out red paper hearts from construction paper to place under each child's plate. Let your imagination guide you!

- Have a "red" food day on Valentine's. Plan with the children what you might serve. Perhaps you could serve tomato sauce over pasta, have apples for a snack, serve a red gelatin-type salad, have a pink dessert such as frozen strawberry yogurt and so on.

See "Red" on Valentine's Day

See 'Red' on Valentine's Day and throughout the year. The Produce for Better Health Foundation calls red fruits and vegetables "Red-hot and Healthy". Some "red" fruits and vegetables include red apples, cherries, cranberries, red grapes, pink/red grapefruit, raspberries, strawberries, watermelon, beets, red cabbage, red peppers, radishes, red onions, rhubarb and tomatoes.

Some "red" ideas for Valentine's Day include:

- Pasta with tomato sauce
- Tossed salad with red bell peppers
- Tossed salad with cherry or grape tomatoes
- Tomato soup
- Cole slaw made with red cabbage
- Cranberry sauce * use that bag of cranberries in your freezer that you bought when they were on sale



Mr. and Mrs. Wibby Millican would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy, to Brad Williams of Waxahachie, Texas. Tracy received degrees in Human Resource and Family Service in 2002 and an Early Education degree in 2003 from Texas Tech University. Brad is the son of Mitch and Karen Williams of Forrester, Texas. He graduated in 2003 with an Animal Science degree from West Texas A & M in Canyon. The couple will exchange vows May 8, 2004.

- Oatmeal topped with a heart shape made of dried cranberries
- Raspberry smoothie * put 3/4 to 1 cup plain or vanilla-flavored yogurt in blender. Add a few tablespoons of frozen raspberries at a time and blend until desired consistency. After blending, if desired, blend in 1 or more teaspoons of sugar or artificial sweetener to taste.
- Pink/red grapefruit half topped with a sprinkle of brown sugar
- Red grapes as a side dish to your sandwich for noontime nibbling
- Frozen low-fat yogurt or ice cream with "real" strawberry sauce * see recipe below

Strawberry Sauce

1 cup fresh strawberries, or partially thawed frozen strawberries

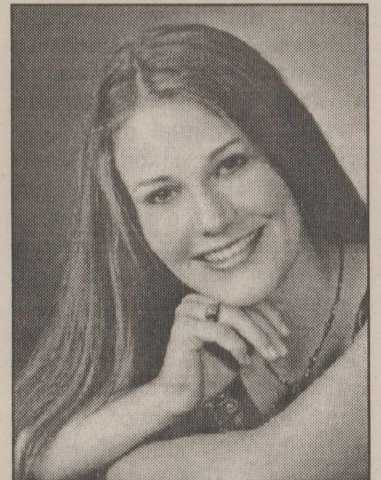
1 tablespoon lemon juice
 1/4 cup confectioners sugar

In a blender, blend strawberries with lemon juice and sugar until smooth.

Ashlee Millican honored

Ashlee Millican was honored to receive a letter from the Office of the Dean of Texas A&M University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at College Station. The letter reads as follows: Congratulations!

It is with great pleasure that we confirm the fact that you have earned the designation of "Distinguished Student" for the Fall Semester 2003. It is certainly an honor to be among



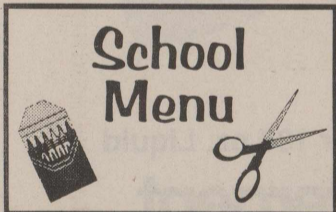
Ashlee Millican

those students having compiled a GPR of 3.50 or better. The faculty and staff of the "College of Agriculture and Life Sciences" extend to you our congratulations.

We realize it takes a dedicated individual to compile such a fine record. This accomplishment should give you great pride, and we hope that it will encourage you to continue in your pursuit of academic excellence.

Sincerely,

Robert Gates, President
 Joe Townsend, Associate Dean
 Ashlee is a 2003 RLHS graduate who is majoring in Animal Science hoping to practice orthodontics upon completion of her education.
 Ashlee is the daughter of Judy and Waldon Millican and granddaughter of Charlotte and Wilbern Millican, all of Robert Lee.



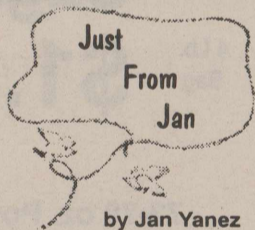
School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Feb. 16
 Student holiday
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Juice, biscuit, sausage, cereal, milk
Wed., Feb. 18
 Juice, pizza, cereal, milk
Thurs., Feb. 19
 Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk
Friday, Feb. 20
 Juice, French toast, sausage, cereal, milk

Lunch

Monday, Feb. 16
 Student holiday
Tuesday, Feb. 17
 Rib-b-que, broccoli & cheese, corn, roll, fruit cocktail, milk
Wed., Feb. 18
 Chicken strips, macaroni & cheese, green beans, bread, peaches, milk
Thurs., Feb. 19
 Frito pie, cheese, salad, tator tots, pears, milk
Friday, Feb. 20
 Chicken patty on bun, pickles, French fries, chocolate pudding, milk



by Jan Yanez
 Cooperative
 Extension Agent

Have a Healthy, Happy Valentine's Day!

As Valentine's Day approaches, I am again reminded of the distorted relationship our culture has with food. On a day originally devoted to loving relationships, "sweetheart" has come to mean those little valentine can-

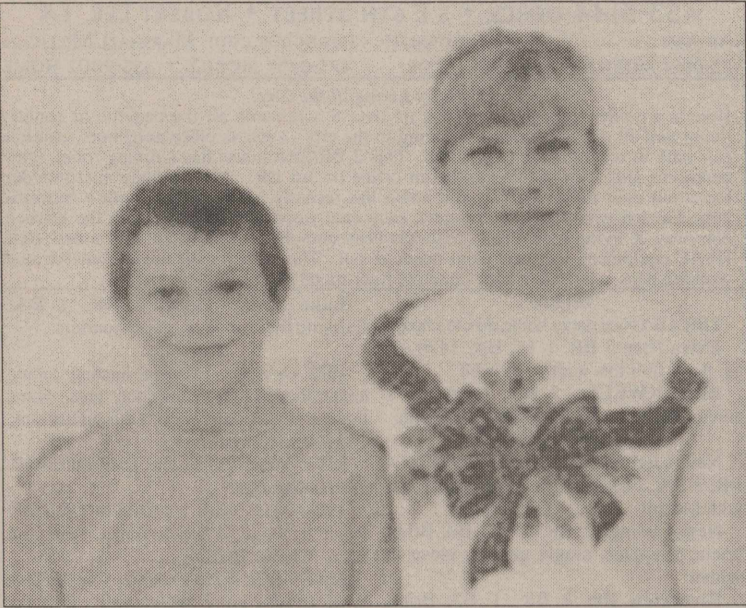
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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Carol Moore & Logan McGlothlin

Diane McGlothlin & Stephanie Huntley

Angela Davis & Jordan Rowan

Bronte 4th graders interview teachers

Diane McGlothlin

by: Stephanie Huntley

Mrs. Diane McGlothlin is an Elementary Librarian at Bronte Elementary. The things McGlothlin likes about her job is getting to see kids enjoy reading, being with her own children, and she enjoys the atmosphere.

The thing Mrs. McGlothlin finds frustrating about her job is when kids drop books or leave them lying anywhere in the library.

Mrs. McGlothlin's favorite thing about teaching in Bronte is she likes the small town and the atmosphere. Her wish for her students is to enjoy reading, always do their best and to enjoy life. If she weren't in the school system what would she be doing?, "I would love working outdoors with dogs and horses," she said.

Mrs. McGlothlin's hobbies are riding on her horses, listening to music, watching movies, walking, and doing crafts. Her favorite sports are volleyball and football. Mrs. McGlothlin's favorite restaurant is Olive Garden. She likes it because she loves Italian food.

Her home town is Colorado



City, Texas. McGlothlin attended Colorado High School. Later after she graduated she attended Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas. Her major in 1986 was basic courses. In 1989 it was cosmetology. Now she is married to Jeff. They have two kids named Logan and Bailey. Logan is ten years old and Bailey is seven. Mrs. McGlothlin has 12 pets. She has three dogs named Curly, Cowgirl, and Nikki, five horses named Scooter, Grace, Bug, Buttercup and Littlebit. She also has four goats named Spec, Shorty, Harry, and Lloyd.

"One unique thing about me", Mrs. McGlothlin said, "is I'm the only one like me".

Angela Davis

by: Jordan Rowan

Ms. Davis is a first grade teacher. She lives in Bronte, Texas. She went to Bronte High. Ms. Davis went to four different colleges, Texas Tech University, Central Texas College, University of Missouri in Kansas City, and Cameron University. She majored in Elementary Education and Curriculum Instruction.

Ms. Davis has two daughters, Jerica Angelique, who is five years old and E'lexia

Brontay, who is 19 months old. She has no pets.

What Ms. Davis likes about her job is she is teaching the future. What she finds frustrating about her job is that the kids don't mind. If she wasn't in the school system she would be an eye doctor.

Ms. Davis's favorite hobbies are sports. Her favorite sport is volleyball. Ms. Davis's first choice to eat would have to be Cheddars.

Her favorite class is Elementary. Her favorite thing about teaching in Bronte is that it's where she went to school. What her wish for her students is that they read 60 words per minute. What's unique about Ms. Davis is that she loves God and God loves her.

Carol Moore

by: Logan McGlothlin

Carol Moore teaches 9th grade Geography, Health, and is a coach. Her hometown and high school she attended was in Quanah, Texas. She attended college at Angelo State University. Her major was Physical Education. Her family members are Bill, Cody (16), Jake (11), Jill (9), and Jared (6). Her pets are her dog Sally and horse Red.

She likes her job because she likes kids. In her job she



doesn't like rude kids. Her hobbies are to bake, read, and exercise. If she was not in the school system she would be a stay at home mom.

Her favorite sports are volleyball and basketball. Her favorite restaurant is Papadeaux. Athletics is her favorite class. Her favorite thing about teaching is respectful kids. Her wish for her kids is to successful in life. Her unique thing is she is the shortest teacher.

Bronte boys basketball results

The Bronte Longhorn basketball team defeated Eden by a score of 70-38. Scoring and stats for Bronte: BJ Hall 15 points, 4 steals, 6 assists; Cody Lee 6 points, 7 rebounds; Tyson Baker 13 points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists; Garrett Fiveash 8 points, 5

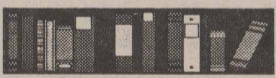
steals; Logan Rawls 28 points, 5 rebounds, 3 steals, 5 assists; and Joseph Israel 5 rebounds.

The Bronte Longhorns were defeated by Irion County by a score of 40-48. Scoring for Bronte: Tyson Baker 2 points; Logan Rawls 2 points; Garrett Fiveash 9 points; BJ Hall 22 points; Cody Lee 2 points; and Chase Williams 3 points.

On the 3rd, the Bronte JV boys were defeated in a close game against Eden 41-39. Scoring for Bronte: Justin Taylor 2; Phillip Rawlings 3; Jonathan Marrs 2; Garrett Jackson 1; Jonathan Ehl 6; Sherman Griffin 15; and Eric Hendrickson 10.

On the 6th, the Bronte JV boys were defeated by Irion County 60-29. Scoring for Bronte: Phillip Rawlings 2; Jonathan Marrs 2; Garrett Jackson 7; Sherman Griffin 13; and Eric Hendrickson 5.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Feb. 16

No school

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Breakfast burrito, assorted juice, milk

Wed., Feb. 18

French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk

Thurs., Feb. 19

Scrambled eggs, hash browns, toast, jelly, milk

Friday, Feb. 20

Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, assorted juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Feb. 16

No school

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Frito pie, chili & cheese, tossed salad, sweet corn, apricots, corn chips, milk

Wed., Feb. 18

Grilled cheese sandwich, beef & vegetable soup, carrot sticks, corn bread, apple crisp, milk

Thurs., Feb. 19

Tacos with cheese, lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, taco shell, jello, milk

Friday, Feb. 20

Chick-fil-lay sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, bun, sugar cookies, milk

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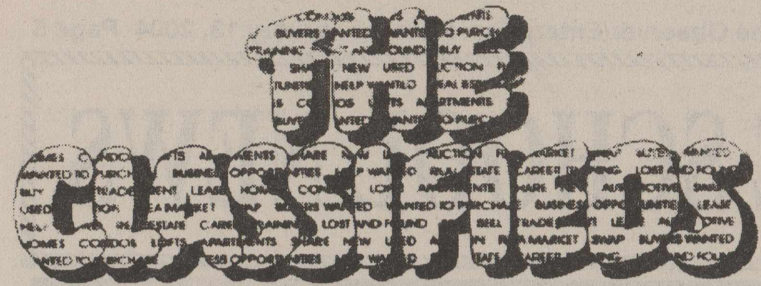
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 11-tn

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 13-tn

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 29-2tp

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24-tn
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 Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221.

19-tn
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 for one, two & three bedroom apartments. Contact Housing Authority of Robert Lee, 710 N. Bishop, 453-2912. Equal Housing Opportunity.

29-EOW
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 3 bedroom 2 1/2 baths
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 Call: 915-473-3105 for information or 915-473-9548
Santa Fe Crossing Duplexes
 320 SE Railroad
 Bronte, Texas 76933
 44-51tp

MISCELLANEOUS

NEW SHIPMENT
 of McCall Candles at Cloud 9 Videos for your Valentine!!
 29-1tc

WHAT WOULD YOUR FAMILY
 and friends say is the driving force in your life? You weren't put on earth to be remembered; you were put here to prepare for eternity. May we help you prepare? God says, "I know what I am planning for you...I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future" (Jer 29:11, NCV). Private study, your place or ours. Call John, 473-3291.
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 Quail hunters for 200 acres near Bronte. 450-0980 or 277-0270.
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Bronte
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248 +/- AC. Highway frontage, good water well, pens, 81 ac. CRP income, good dirt tank.
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 28-2tc

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 28-4tc

GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE
 Corner, Chadbourne & 16th, Robert Lee. Sat., Sun. 8:30 - ?. Bedroom suit, ramps, dishes, etc.
 29-1tp

NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of William A. Bloodworth, were issued on January 27, 2004, in Cause No. 1643, pending in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, to Mary Bloodworth.
 Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows:
 Mary Bloodworth
 Independent Executor
 Estate of William A. Bloodworth,
 Deceased
 c/o John A. Hay, Jr.
 P.O. Box 271
 San Angelo, Texas 76902-0271
 29-1tc

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
 DATED January 29, 2004
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 State Bar No. 09266500
 P.O. Box 271
 San Angelo, Texas 76902-0271
 Tel: (325) 658-2728
 Fax: (325) 655-2278
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 29-1tc

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINES
 The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives notice of filing deadlines for the May 1, 2004 Election. Three (3) Directors will be elected for a term of two (2) years each. Candidates may file applications for inclusion on the ballot between February 16, 2004 and March 17, 2004. Applications and petitions may be obtained at Robert Lee Care Center during normal business hours, 9 am - 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Any questions may be addressed to Roger Alexander, Administrator.
 29-1tc

From the Family of Ben Boykin
 We deeply appreciate your many acts of kindness and hospitality during our recent loss. You typify the character and spirit that make West Texas a unique and wonderful place.

...More Classifieds

NOTICES

INFORMACION DE EL DIA FINALE PARA LOS DATOS

El Consejo De Directores del Hospital Distrito Del Condado Oeste De Coke hacen saber que el dia 1 de Mayo, 2004 sera el dia final para hacer los datos para las elecciones. Cada tres (3) directores seran elejidos para un termino de dos (2) anos. El dia 16 de Febrero, 2004 hasta el 17 de Marzo, 2004 seran los dias para que los candidatos llenen las aplicaciones; favor de incluir su nombre en las balletas. Las aplicaciones seran obtenidas de las 9 am - 5 pm en el Robert Lee Care Center. Si tienen preguntas llamen al Administrador Roger Alexander.

29-1tc

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: San Angelo
Contract 0140-14-009 for RESTORATION OF EXISTING ROAD in CROCKETT County, etc will be opened on March 09, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Contract 6112-15-001 for PICNIC AREA MAINTENANCE WORK in COKE County, etc will be received on March 10, 2004 until 1:00 pm and opened on March 10, 2004 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$9,040.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. 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.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 12223

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
Phone: 325-944-1501

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

28-2tc

Christmas cards to St. Jude's

About 30 pounds of Christmas Cards as well as other greeting cards were picked up in Coke County and delivered to S.A.F.E. Best Way Trucking Co. will furnish a driver and a truck and take these cards to Boulder City, Nevada, on Feb. 14.

These greeting cards will be used by the troubled kids at St.

Judes. They will be used to make other cards from them, as well as make gift boxes, and art projects.

Next year the same program will be in operation. Put a box in the closet now and every greeting card that you receive this year, place it in the box for St. Jude's. Next January there will be a box in a public place and you can send your beautiful cards again for others to enjoy.

I appreciate the nice response from the citizens of Coke County, Texas.

Diane Luckett

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to commend the young men of our Bronte Basketball team on their sportsmanship on the court last Friday night at Irion County. Also my thanks to Coach Rawls and all the Bronte coaches on teaching them the importance on how athletes are supposed to conduct themselves.

This goes for all the young men and women who participate in sports at Bronte School. Sometimes we might forget or take it for granted, but are so quickly reminded on the importance of sportsmanship and fair play. Especially when some coaches let their team get out of control.

Proud Bronte Longhorn parent
Mike Saunders

Dear Editor,

Well, it finally happened. I wrote sports for the Steers for many years, but I didn't think this would ever happen. After 70 something years, the Steers and the Longhorns have hit a stump. Where will the pizzazz go? What will Coke County have to talk about? It's been a friendly rivalry at times and sometimes not. The change of times has taken its toll on many things, but this is like losing something important.

May it rest in peace.

P.S. Maybe they could play an 8 man game like some teams used to. Just a thought.

P.S. Good for a crowd.

Ronnie Baker

'64 Study Club news

The '64 Study Club met at the Coke County Courthouse at 5 pm February 5 to go to San Angelo.

The group of 28 members and seven visitors ate at Enrique's Restaurant and then went to Angelo Civic Theatre to see the play Lend Me A Tenor by Ken Ludwig.

Celebrating birthdays in February are Joan Cantrell, Betty Hurley, Charlotte McKnight, Deone Roe, and Jackie Walker.

Coke County Library news

The Coke County Library has received income tax forms. There are copies of the 1040 and 1040A forms available. The forms used to itemize deductions are in a notebook and may be removed to be used on a copy machine. These forms must be returned when the copies have been made. The forms from the notebook cannot be sent to the IRS, only the copies may be used.

While the heart may be heavy because of the above mentioned forms, Valentine's Day is on Saturday, which should lighten the heart somewhat. Valentine's Day dates back to the 1400's. Over time many superstitions have become connected to the holiday. One mentioned in a website called "astrocenter.astrology.msn.com" says that a girl can predict her future husband by writing the names of the men in her life on a piece of paper and

enclosing each name in clay and throwing them into a pond. The paper that rises to the top contains the name of the future husband. This might also work for males curious about their future.

A book sale has been set for March 6th at the library from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The newer hard-back books will be sold for \$1.00 and the paperback books will be sold for 10 cents. In this sale there will be some children's books and some western paperbacks.

CAC volunteer

inquirer's open house
The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County will be holding a volunteer inquirer's open house, Wednesday evening, February 18th from 6:00-8:00 pm. Persons interested in combating child abuse in our community should attend. The Children's Advocacy Center has volunteer opportunities in three programs: Hope House, CASA, and Partner in Prevention. All programs vary in their duties and there is something for everyone. Those interested in volunteering should contact the CAC at 653-4673 for more information, or if you plan to attend.

Bronte All-Sports Booster Club news

by Randy Springer

On Thursday, February 12th, at 6:00 pm, the Bronte All-Sports Booster Club will meet for their regular monthly meeting. Regular meetings are held on Monday nights during Volleyball and football season, and because our kids are involved in basketball every night except Wednesdays we will meet once monthly for a meeting until track season. I will continue writing this column each week during the season to keep each and every one of you informed on the performance and activities of the kids, and it is still never too late to become active in our kids school athletic activities. We need your participation and there is something for everyone. Coach Rawls, Coach Fine, Coach "Maw" Bo (Amy Bohensky), Coach Bedford, Coach Peterson, Coach Hilliard, Coach Moore and Coach McCutchen, and Coach "Paw" Bo (Michael Bohensky) are at every meeting reporting progress, injuries, and interests you won't hear anywhere else, and they have made themselves available for questions, even with their very busy schedules.

So, this is what's happening with our kids since we last talked: the varsity boys Longhorn basketball team has continued to work hard, and faced Miles Tuesday night (10th) to try to

clinch second place in district, and the second play-off spot and finish their regular season. But this is only the tip of the story of the season, as the 'Horns swept through the first half of the district season with an upset win over the Irion County Hornets in Bronte (only the Hornets second loss of the season) to finish unblemished. In the 2nd half of district play, the 'Horns prolific scorers all seemed to have their first shooting slumps of the season and lost back to back games before rediscovering the "touch" to win critical games at the end of January, and first of February. The 'Horns are presently 6 and 3 after Friday night's exciting game in Mertzon as the team extended the Hornets to the limit before succumbing to Irion County, 48-40. The 2 teams have averaged well over 60 points in district play except when playing each other, when the games hinge on the defensive play of each team.

The Lady 'Horns also finished Tuesday night at home against Miles, and what would seem to be a disappointing season if you only base it on their record, it was anything but. Coach Paw Bo and the ladies took district leading and undefeated Menard to overtime in Bronte and the girls have lost the games they have lost by the slimmest of margins, and have been out of very few games. A few breaks here and there, and the Lady Longhorns would be headed to

the play-offs.

The junior varsity 'Horns and Lady 'Horns also finished Tuesday night in a season that saw many improvements as the kids readied themselves for the varsity next year.

The junior high Shorthorns, both boys and girls, may have shown the most improvement from beginning to end as they finished their season in Bronte on Monday night. As you may have guessed by now, this column was written prior to Monday night, and next week, we will summarize the seasons of all four teams and bring you up to date on any news available. We will also begin reviewing the future track, tennis, and golf seasons.

I salute all of our coaches, and applaud each of them for a job well done, and salaries hard-earned, and then them for spending quality (and quantity) time with our kids. When you see kids and coaches in basketball, give them a smile and thanks for their hard worked because they deserve it.

Your BASB Club is seeking new and creative ideas to encourage attendance at meetings, as well as the reasons for non-participation. Your input is vital to our kids, and if you have ideas, suggestions, complaints, or just want to know more about BASB, please send a letter or card to P.O. Box 112, Bronte, Texas 76933 (and you may send them anonymously). Thanks for your time and consideration.

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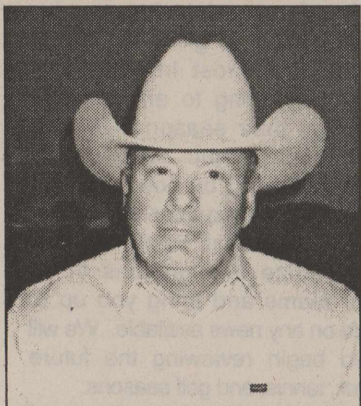
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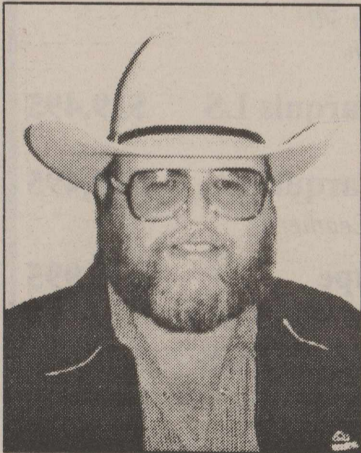
My name is Jimmie R. Byrne, and I am 51 years old. I graduated from San Angelo Central High School in 1971. At the age of 20, I became a Police Officer with the San Angelo Police Dept. During my police career, I earned 1,989 hours in law enforcement education. I supervised the K-9 Unit, Motorcycle Division, Gang Unit, and several Patrol Shifts. I retired from the San Angelo Police Department with the rank of Lieutenant after serving the public for 26 years.

Patty, my wife of 32 years, is an elementary teacher at RLISD. Our son, Doss, recently served a 5 year tour of duty in the Navy. He is Dad to our grandson, Austin. Our daughter, Sarah and her husband, Aaron, live in Ft. Worth and are expecting their first child in August.

I am presently serving on the Robert Lee Baptist Church Budget Committee and the Coke County Underground Water Conservation District's Board of Directors. I'm also a member of the Robert Lee/Silver Lion's Club.

My great-grandfather migrated to Coke County from Ireland in the late 1800's where he raised his family near Sanco. My parents, Leon and Nadine, were ranching here when I was born. Since my roots run deep in Coke County, I chose to return to Robert Lee 10 years ago. I feel I have the time and public experience required to be an effective County Commissioner. This job deserves someone who will be concerned with county finances and actively serve the folks of Precinct 1 with integrity. I would be honored to serve on the Coke County Commissioner's Court representing YOU.

Phone - 453-2115, E-mail - jimpatbyrne@aol.com.



Gene Montgomery

My name is Troy (Gene) Montgomery. I am 54 years old. I was born in San

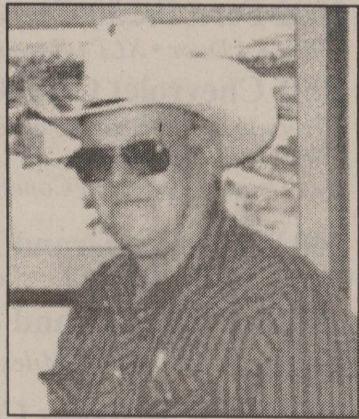
Angelo, Texas and then I moved to Lubbock, Texas with my parents Troy and Norma Wojtek Montgomery, where I graduated from Lubbock High School. I have a certificate from Mopar in Automotive Technology. My family owned and operated a Surplus Center, now Texas Tools in Lubbock. I moved to Coke County in 1969 to work the farm and ranch with my grandfather. My wife of 25 years is Shirley Montgomery, who is a nurse at West Coke County Nursing Home and we have two children, Whitney and Zeke (who both graduated at Robert Lee High School) and one grandson, Clay. My family is a member of the Methodist Church.

I was a supervisor for Burwick Oil Field Services for over 12 years where I drove trucks and operated heavy equipment. My duties included bidding oilfield locations, roads, pits, pipelines and general oil field construction.

I went to work for Coke County in 1990 as a road hand for Paul Burns, Commissioner Prec. #1, where I have enjoyed working for the past 14 years. Since I have been employed with Coke County, we have upgraded dump trucks, water trucks, loaders and maintainers. We have re-calched half of our dirt roads and have seal coated 90% of our blacktop. We have poured several low water crossings and culverts.

I have farmed, ranched and operated heavy equipment for over 35 years in Coke County. I have many relatives and have made many friends over the years. There is no better place than Coke County to live and raise a family. I believe my experience and knowledge in operating heavy equipment, and the farming and ranching business qualifies me for the position of Commissioner of Prec. #1.

I feel that I have the honesty, integrity, business knowledge and experience required to serve the citizens of Coke County as Commissioner of Precinct #1. If elected, I will listen to the concerns of the citizens and do the job to the best of my ability.



James Royall

Hello, my name is James Royall. I was born in Waco, Tx. on August 12, 1939 and moved to Littlefield, Tx. with my family in 1940. I met and married Dean in 1958 and was married 40 years before her passing. We had two children, Brenda Skinner of

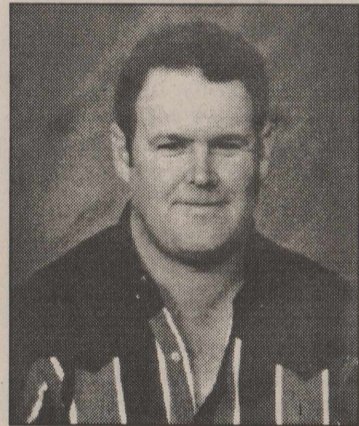
Robert Lee and Ricky Royall of Bronte. I met Diane in 1999 and married her in 2001, increasing my family by two more children, Eddie Uminn of Michigan and Staci Dow of Kentucky. I have 11 grandchildren combined.

I joined the Navy in 1957 serving Active and Reserves until 1967. I worked for the City of Littlefield in various capacities from 1960 until 1974. I moved to Anton, Tx. and was Water & Sewer Superintendent until 1980. I then moved to Robert Lee and became Superintendent until 2003.

I have attended numerous schools for water, sewer and street maintenance. I also held licenses for Building Official, Landfill Operator, and Customer Service Inspector. I was Vice President and President of the Water Assoc. and various other committees for them. Though retired, I have remained an active member of the Association. Past experience through City Gov't. & maintenance will provide me with the necessary knowledge in the role of Commissioner of Pct. 1.

If elected, I am able to provide full time service to the needs of Pct. 1 of Coke County and its residents.

My name is James Royall, candidate for Commissioner - Pct. 1, Coke County and I would appreciate your vote on the Democratic Ballot, March 9, 2004. Thank you.

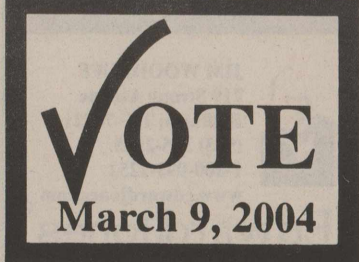


Marty Boyd

I am a candidate for Coke County Constable Precinct #2. I moved to Bronte at the age of 14. I am a 1983 graduate of Bronte High School. I continued my education by attending Angelo State University majoring in Business. In 1998, I opened my own business of B & B Enterprises.

My wife, Missy, teaches Early Childhood at Bronte Elementary. I have two daughters, Cheyenne and Whitney. They both attend Bronte Elementary. We are active members of the First United Methodist Church in Bronte. I have served on the city council since elected in 1991. I volunteer on the Bronte EMS as a driver.

Coke County Constables work in conjunction with the Justice of the Peace and the Sheriff's Department. I will bring honesty and sincerity to this position. I will be very proud to serve you as the Constable for Coke County Precinct #2. I hope you will exercise your right to vote March 9.



Kenneth Rasco

Kenneth Rasco is a candidate for Constable in Precincts 1, 3 and 9 of Coke County. He is retired from Robert Lee ISD after 25 years service.

He was born July 22, 1934, in Roscoe, Texas. He grew up in the Hobbs Community near Rotan, Texas. He graduated from Hobbs High School and entered the Army for two years. He served in the Military Police while stationed in Germany.

He received his degree from Howard Payne University in 1960. He is married to the former Nancy Rinker of Roby. They have three grown children and one grandson. He is an active member of Robert Lee Baptist Church. He enjoys all spectator sports, hunting, fishing and family activities.

Rasco said, "If elected as Constable of Coke County, I will serve to the fullest of my ability in the best interest of the county people. Your support and vote will be appreciated."



Gayle Sisemore

My husband Tommy and I have resided in Robert Lee since April of 1991, moving here from Muleshoe, Texas. We have five daughters, two sons (one deceased) and have been blessed with eight grandchildren.

In my "spare" time I enjoy time with two of our grandchildren who live in Bronte. I also have several relaxing hobbies including reading, sewing, crocheting and cross stitching.

My history with Local Government began in 1981 in Bailey County as a dispatcher first for the Sheriff's Office and later for the Muleshoe Police Department. I also was secretary for the Chief of Police in Muleshoe. In the mid 80's I dispatched for the Snyder Police Department.

In September of 1991 I began work in Coke County as a part time deputy in the Coke County Tax Office, later advancing to Second Deputy followed by the position of Chief Deputy. I held that position until August 2001 when I was appointed by Commissioner's Court as Tax

Assessor Collector upon the resignation of Kristy Roe. In 2002, I was elected by the public to complete the final two years of Mrs. Roe's four year term.

By law, a Tax Assessor Collector is required to be certified by the State of Texas in the fields of assessment and collections. I have now completed eight classroom courses and one State Exam successfully. In May of this year I plan to take my final State Exam, and if all goes as planned will receive my RTA (Registered Tax Assessor/Collector) certification shortly thereafter.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of serving the residents of Coke County in the capacity of my office. My job affords me the opportunity to meet so many people that I otherwise would not have met.

As Tax Assessor Collector I will strive to continue to serve the citizens of Coke County with the service and dedication you deserve.

Even though I do not have an opponent in the upcoming election, I would appreciate your vote and support.

Nancy Arthur

Nancy Arthur, incumbent candidate for County Attorney in the upcoming primary, opened a law office with her late husband Lane Arthur, in Robert Lee in May of 1995.

She had practiced law in private practice in Lubbock since 1973.

The family moved here because Lane spent many wonderful years at Silver as a child. They had purchased some land near Robert Lee and subsequently built a home on the Colorado City Highway.

Nancy had worked for several newspapers and libraries prior to entering law and holds a bachelor's in journalism and a master's in mass communications as well as doctorate of jurisprudence. She taught classes in journalism and law-related areas in Lubbock and served on the Board at Westmont Christian Church.

She led a Girl Scout Troop here and is active in Boy Scouting. Her sons, Drake and Frank are both Eagle Scouts, and her daughter Emily was a Girl Scout for many years.

She is a member of the Texas District and County Attorney's Association, the State Bar of Texas, and the Government Technology Association. She has served as County Attorney for the past four years. She is unopposed in this primary and upcoming election.

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