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## Christmas celebrations slated for Coke County

### Christmas in Bronte plans announced

Christmas in Bronte activities planned for Saturday, December 1, 2012, include a Fun Run, arts and crafts vendors, a visit from Santa Claus and lots of good sales at Bronte businesses.

The Fun Run begins at 9 am, with registration set for 8:30 am. It includes a 1 mile run/walk, 5K and 10K.

Santa Claus will be downtown between 12 noon and 2 pm.

On Saturday, December 15, 2012, a Christmas movie will be shown at the Texas Theater. The first screening is at 1 pm and the second screening is set for 7 pm. The Bronte Chamber will be raffling off a Red Rider BB Gun after the 7 pm screening.

### Small Town Christmas set for Robert Lee

The first annual Small Town Christmas will be held in Robert Lee Friday and Saturday, December 7 and 8, 2012. The event is being sponsored by Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose.

The action begins at 6 pm Friday with the lighting of the Coke County Courthouse and the Wilson Bryan Park. Santa Claus will be on hand

at this time visiting with children in the Gazebo at the Wilson Bryan Park.

On Friday evening, VP will have stew, cornbread and hot chocolate available for purchase at the lighting of the gazebo.

Saturday's events begin with a Small Town Christmas Parade at 5:30 pm.

The parade will lead to the activities at the Rec Hall. An essay reading will begin at 7 pm at the Rec Hall. This Essay Pageant is divided by gender and into the following age categories: 4-6 years, 7-9 years, 10-15 years, and 16-18 years. Each group will describe "What Christmas Means To Me in My Hometown Robert Lee". Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the younger age groups, with those winners in the oldest category receiving scholarships.

There is no charge for parade or pageant entries. Entry forms are available at local businesses. Please return these entry forms to PO Box 203, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. You may also return the entry forms to participating businesses in Robert Lee.

Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose will be selling raffle tickets during "Small Town Christmas" activities for a 51

## Holiday Happenings!

### Christmas in Bronte

Saturday • December 1st

### Robert Lee Christmas Open House

Friday • December 7th

### Small Town Christmas

Robert Lee

Friday & Saturday

December 7th & 8th

Don't forget to get your Christmas Greeting in the December 21st issue!

Deadline is 12 noon Thursday, December 13, 2012.

Samsung Flat Screen TV. The drawing will be held at 10 am Thursday, December 20, at Pettitt Insurance.

### RL Open House celebrations set for December 7

The opening of the Christmas season in Robert Lee is Friday, December 7. A number of local offices and businesses hold open house to serve refreshments and celebrate the season with their valued customers and friends.

The Coke County Courthouse will have an open house from 8 am to 1 pm. Robert Lee State Bank is having their open house from 9

am to 3 pm and Ivey Motor Company, Inc., will celebrate from 11 am to 2 pm.

Other businesses and offices participating with open house celebrations include Robert Lee City Hall, Coke County Hardware, B's Blossoms and Blooms, DJ's Merle Norman and Especially For You, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau, Rock Solid Communications, and This 'N That Shop.

The Coke County Library will also participate in the Open House day. Visitors are welcome to stop by from 8 am to 12 noon.

### Garage Sale set

The Country Quilters are having a Garage Sale Saturday, December 1, through Tuesday, December 4. The sale begins at 9 am each day and will be held at the Quilting House at Robert Lee Park. The sale is benefiting the Coke County Food Bank, Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department and the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department.

### Christmas Greetings deadline set for December 13

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 21 issue.

Deadline of this year's greetings is Thursday, December

13, at 12 noon. For more information or to place your greeting, contact the O/E office at 453-2433.

### Santa Letter deadline set for December 13

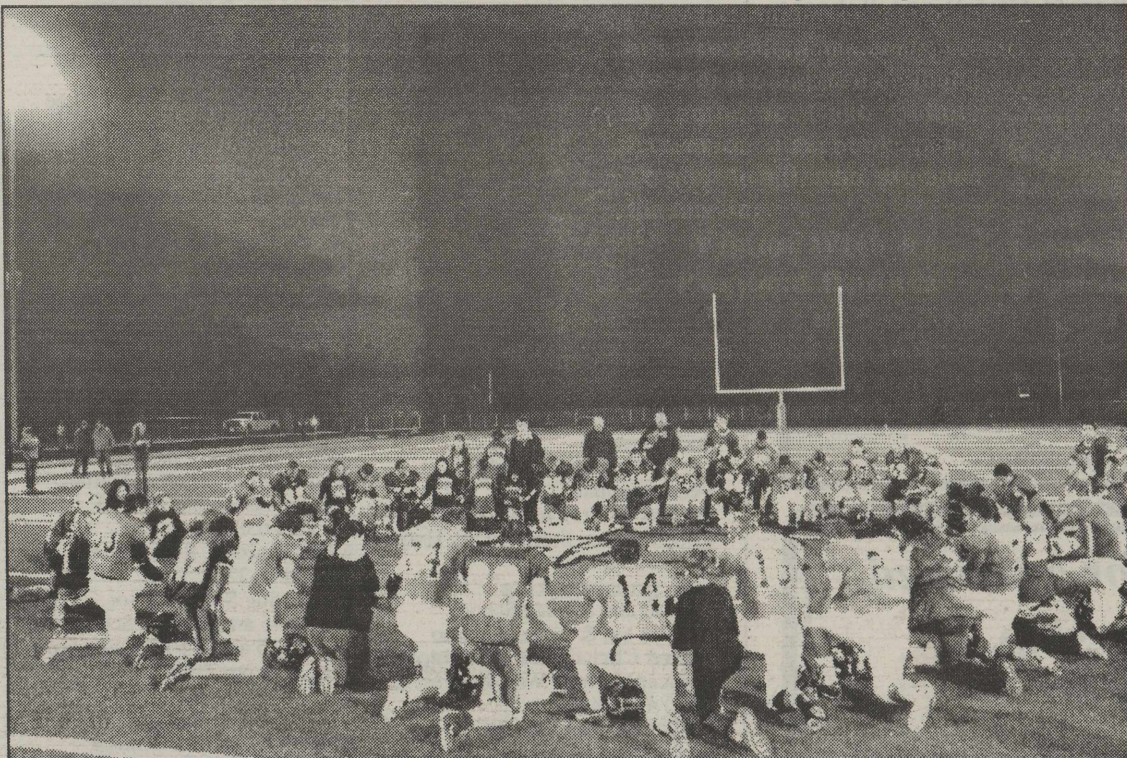
Deadline for Letters to Santa Claus to be printed in this year's Christmas edition has been set for Monday, December 13. As in the past, we will go by the schools and pick up their Letters for Santa for inclusion in the Christmas paper on December 21. We will forward these letters straight to Santa after 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 which are delivered to the post office, we will pick them up, type them for the paper, and mail them on to Santa as fast as we can.

### BHRC Angel Tree is ready

The Angel Tree at Bronte Health and Rehab Center is now complete. Individuals may pick up an Angel from the tree in the center's business office Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Each angel includes the resident's gift wish or need.

All participation in the Angel Tree program is appreciated. This program provides Christmas gifts for BHRC residents. Gifts should be returned to Misty Ball, Activity Director, by December 10, 2012.



**First in a Long Time!** The Robert Lee Steers celebrate their Bi-District Championship win against Trent with a prayer shared with the opposing team. Their next playoff game didn't end as well for the local boys as they fell to the Grandfalls-Royalty Cowboys, 30-34, last Saturday in Big Spring.



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## Obituaries



### Taylor

Death is the golden key that opens the palace of eternity and allows us to go home. On November 21, 2012, that door was opened for Bonnie Beatrice Johnson Taylor of Bronte. After 95 joyful years, she has gone to be with her Lord and Savior.

Services were held at 2 pm Saturday, November 24, at the Bronte Church of Christ. Visitation was held from 6 pm to 8 pm Friday, November 23, at Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte.

Bonnie was born to Lucian and Beulah Johnson on November 5, 1917, in Windom, Texas. The family moved to Roscoe where she attended school and met Horace Taylor. Bonnie and Horace were married on May 1, 1935, in Roscoe. The couple was blessed with four children and settled in the Humble Oil camp in Pickton, Texas, where they stayed for eleven years before making Bronte their home in 1955.

Over the years, Bonnie worked as an Avon consultant, a seamstress at Smith Mercantile, Joni-Lyn Blouse Factory, and for the Abilene Christian University food service. Bonnie will be remembered for her generosity, hospitality and love for her family and friends. Always with a twinkle in her eye, a song in her heart or a quoting a poem, she brought joy and sunshine to everyone she encountered.

Bonnie was a lifelong Christian and was a member of the Bronte Church of Christ for 57 years. She had the heart of a servant, visiting the sick and helping those in need. Bonnie walked with God daily and passed her love for the Lord on to her children and grandchildren. She leaves a long Christian legacy

of faith and love that she always hoped would live on in her children and her children's children, for generations to come.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her husband, Horace Taylor; brothers Frances Johnson, Herman Johnson and Jake "J.T." Johnson and daughter, Betty Stancill.

Survivors include her brother Lucian Mac Johnson and wife Gladys of Odessa; sons, Bob Taylor and wife, Betty of Commerce, and Stover Taylor and wife, Jerita of Bronte; daughter Lynda Thornton of Abilene; grandchildren Randy Stancill and wife Trish of Tyler, Cathy Holton and husband, Randy of Midlothian, Rick Stancill and wife Shelly of McKinney, Bob Taylor and wife Tonya of Celina, Robert Taylor of Commerce, Carolin Taylor of Sinton, Misti Bedford and husband, David of Bronte; Eboni Johnson and husband Rick of Marion, South Carolina; Brent Taylor and wife Jamie of Carrollton, Melody Zufelt and husband Thomas of Houston and Michael Thornton and wife, Lori of Abilene; twenty great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Randy Stancill, Rick Stancill, Bob Taylor, Robert Taylor, Michael Thornton and Brent Taylor.

The family would like to extend their deepest appreciation to the Bronte Health and Rehab Center for the care and attention they gave to our loved one for the past

ten years. We sincerely appreciate the doctors and nurses who gave her outstanding care at Shannon Hospital. Thanks to the countless friends and family who have loved her and shown support to the family through calls, cards, visits and prayers.

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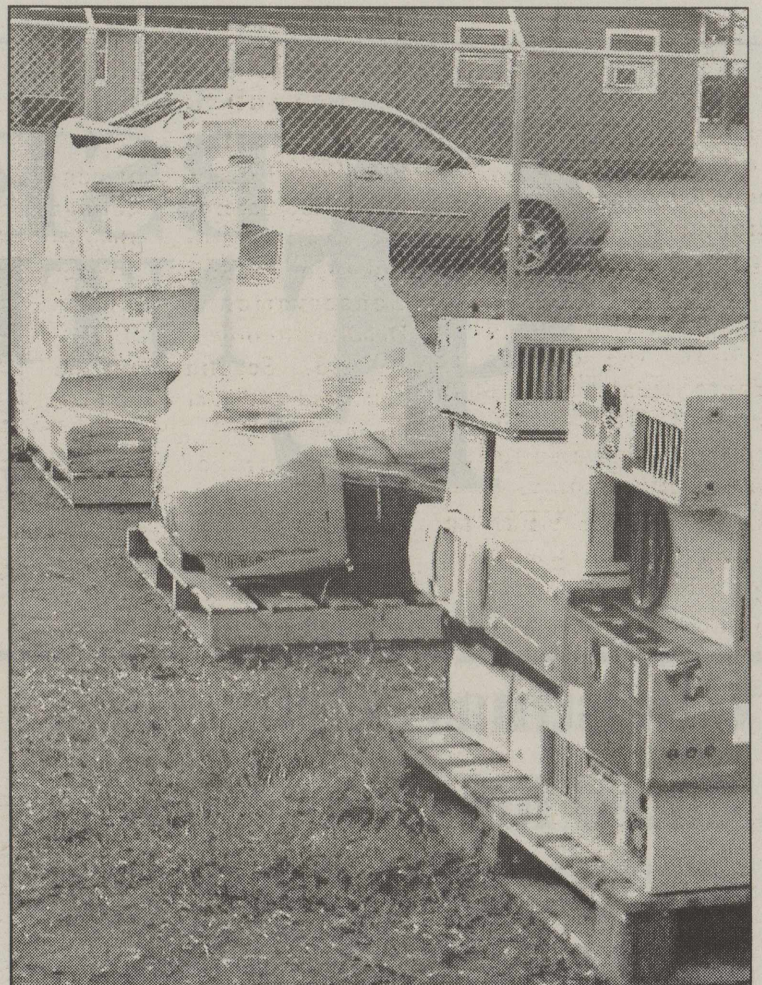
### Gartrell

Teresa Lynn Gartrell passed away Wednesday, November 21, 2012 in San Angelo, Texas, after a tragic automobile accident. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 29, 2012 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Services are under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Robert Lee.

Teresa was born March 24, 1980 in Lubbock, Texas, adopted by Gerry and Judy Gartrell. She graduated from Kaufman High School, Kaufman, Texas in 1999. She was currently employed by Chartwells serving as a line cook at Angelo State University.

Teresa was preceded in death by her grandparents, Robert Rushing Jr., Audrey Rushing, Clyde Thomas Gartrell and Dessie Gartrell, and her Uncle, Tom A. Rushing.

She is survived by her parents, Gerry and Judy Gartrell of Robert Lee, Texas; brothers Chris Gartrell of Robert Lee, Texas and Greg Gartrell of Midland, Texas; Aunts and Uncles Bob Rushing and wife Donna of Beeville, Texas Patsy Rushing of Vacaville, California, Tom Gartrell and Linda of Kemp, Texas, Ronald Gartrell and Rebecca of Payne Springs, Texas, Lou Ann Beverly and Mike of



**Electronic Recycling!** Thirteen pallets of electronic equipment was brought in to be sent for recycling Saturday, November 17, to the Recycling Center in Bronte.

Boling Green, Kentucky; who will be dearly missed by all.

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### O'Rear

Leola Mae O'Rear, 88, died Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, in a Ballinger nursing home. Visitation is from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at Shaffer Funeral Home/Bronte. Graveside service is at 2 p.m. Sunday in Fairview Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, John C. O'Rear of Bronte; and son Alvin "Deacon" Jones of Big Spring.

## Area Churches

### Invite You to Worship

#### Bronte

**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

**First Baptist Church**

424 S. Washington • Bronte

(325) 473-2331

Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor

Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,

10:55 am Worship,

5 pm Worship

6 pm Youth

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting

**First United Methodist Church**

Corner of Washington & Holmes

Bronte

(325) 473-3281

Rev. Everett Boyce, Pastor

Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship

**Forgiven Ministries**

117 W. Main, Bronte

Russ Frasier, Pastor

Sun. 10 am

**St. James Catholic Church**

215 N. Washington, Bronte

(325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor

Sun. 5 pm

#### Coke County

**Pecan Baptist**

PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of

Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy

(325) 453-2482

www.pecanbaptist.org

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship

**United Christians Fellowship**

Wildcat Marina • West of Robert Lee

(325) 453-2468

Ed Zimmerman, Leader

Sunday 10 am, Worship

**Robert Lee**

**Emmanuel Pentecostal**

PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy

Robert Lee • (325) 453-2360

Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

#### First United Methodist Church

PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne

Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417

Cyndi Weidner, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am Worship

5:00 pm Choir Practice

**Iglesia Bautista Bethel**

101 Houston • Robert Lee

Sun. 10 am • Worship

11 am & 6 pm • Service

Wed. 7 pm

**Southside Church of Christ**

PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston

Robert Lee

(325) 453-2176

Jordan Arnold, Preacher

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 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

**Robert Lee Baptist Church**

PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th

(325) 453-2724

Danny White, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 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. 6 pm, Bible Study

#### Tennyson

**Tennyson Baptist Church**

Hwy 277 • Tennyson

(325) 473-2040

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting



### Lighting assistance needed

The Bronte Health & Rehab Center is requesting the donation of rainbow or multi-colored lights or cash with which to purchase the lights. These will be used to decorate the outside of Bronte Health & Rehab Center for the residents' enjoyment and also for the community to enjoy.

### Robert Lee VFD to host open house

The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department is hosting an open house from 6 pm to 9 pm on Monday, December 10, 2012. Free hot dogs and chili dogs are on the menu. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come in and see the equipment and meet the firefighters and their families.

### Genealogy meeting to focus on

### computer programs

The Coke County Genealogical Society will meet at 6 pm on Monday, December 3, at the Coke County Library. A program will be given on using the computer in general for genealogy and steps in entering data into the most popular computer program, Family Tree Maker. A period of time will be devoted to assisting others with research problems.

All those interested in researching their family trees are invited to attend. There will be no second meeting in December due to the holidays.

### January 2 is first day to reserve county buildings

The first day to rent the Robert Lee and Bronte Large Recreation Halls, Robert Lee and Bronte Senior Citizens Buildings, and the Robert Lee and Bronte Pavilions will be on January 2nd, 2013. The Coke County Judge's Office will be open at 7 am to begin taking rentals. For more information, please call Lorrie at 325-453-2641.

### Conservation Tree and Shrub Seedlings available

A limited quantity of container and bareroot seedlings are available through the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. Deadline to order is February 1, 2013. Seedlings will be delivered and ready for pick up on February 7, 2013.

For species offered and other information, contact the SWCD office at 453-2623, ext. 3 or go by 214 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee.

### Kickapoo Water Board sets Election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 8, 2013, for the purpose of electing three directors.

Directors filing for re-election to the board are Ronnie Robbins and Gerald Sandusky. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact Clerk Fran Sonnenberg by 5 pm on Friday, December 7, 2012.

### TAHC tags are now available

This past week the tags for the Texas Animal Health Commission new cattle traceability program arrived, in preparation for the rule going into effect January 1, 2013. This rule requires that all sexually intact cattle 18 months of age and older have a TAHC approved permanent identification at change of ownership.

Before August of 2011 TAHC tags were applied automatically at the time of brucellosis testing was performed. This program was cancelled at that time and is being replaced with the Cattle traceability rule, to enhance



**Engagement Announced!** *And the Lord God said, it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help mate. Genesis 2:18*

*Joe Autry and Lillian Posey have been blessed by God with a love that shines between them. They will be joined in holy matrimony. Their family along with their Christian family from United Christian Fellowship will witness this beautiful union and celebration of love.*

*"Therefore God hath joined together let no one put asunder." Mark 10:9*

TAHC ability to identify and trace animal movement quickly and effectively, no matter what disease is involved.

The official Tags can be obtained at no charge to the producer at the Texas AgriLife Extension Office inside the Coke County Courthouse Monday - Thursday 8:00-5:00 and Friday 8:00-1:00. The tags are also available to producers at livestock auction barns; however the producer will have to pay a tagging fee if they chose to use this option.

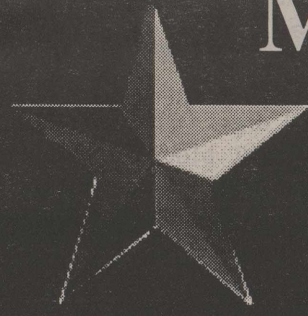
### 4-H having fundraiser

Coke County 4-H is having their RADA Cutlery fundraiser. All proceeds will benefit 4-H projects.

If you are interested in ordering, you may call Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office at 325-453-2461 or order directly from the web site [www.helpourfundraiser.co](http://www.helpourfundraiser.co)

m. The customer order number is 504110 and ID rada76945 (all lower case). All orders and money need to be turned in by Tuesday, November 20, 2012.

## MAIN STREET MARKET



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2 HOURS ONLY  
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**Edward Jones**  
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I would personally like to thank Robert Lee State Bank and the citizens of Robert Lee for supporting our first Bake Sale in the bank foyer to raise funds for our first annual "Small Town Christmas".

Please come and join us as we celebrate Christmas with sights and sounds Friday and Saturday, December 7 and 8.



Always in Him,  
Debbie Childers  
President, Robert Lee VP

Get your Orders  
in Now for your  
Holiday Hams,  
and  
Homemade  
Rolls & Pies!

**CINDY'S**

409 W. 10th

Robert Lee

453-9200





# School Menu

Chicken parmesan, savory green beans, garden salad, fresh apple slices, breadstick.



A black and white photograph of a crowded school cafeteria during a social event. Students are seated at long tables, some eating and talking. In the foreground, two girls are smiling at the camera. A person in a dark jacket with "ACADE" on the back stands on the right. Posters are visible on the walls.

Basketball games only at Districts which are participating.

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## Bronte Elementary 2nd 6 week Awards

### 1st Grade

#### Met Reading Goal

Ryan Aguirri, Brandon Baughman, Ryana Castaneda, Jarrett Cherok, Nina Cherok, Daysiah Flores, Halie Gibson, Joey Goddard, Emily Jackson, Dayton Jones, Ambree McGinnis, Maelynn Williams

#### Super Citizen

Ryana Castaneda, Nina Cherok, Daysiah Flores, Emily Jackson, Maelynn Williams, Emery Willis

#### Perfect Attendance

Ryan Baughman, Jaclyn Broadbent, Ryana Castaneda, Jarrett Cherok, Nina Cherok, Daysiah Flores, Halie Gibson, Joey Goddard, Brayden Graves, Mystik Guillen, Dayton Jones, Ambree McGinnis, Tryntin Parnell, Jayden Sanchez, Maelynn Williams, Emery Willis

### 2nd Grade

#### Super Longhorn

Juan Orlando De La Garza, Deliziah Flores, Jett Jackson, Bastian Quezada, Chloe Reyes, Krisol Reyna, Ashlyn Richards

#### A Honor Roll

Parker Bearden, Arath Brosig, Juan Orlando De La Garza, Kolson Follis, Ashlyn Richards

#### A-B Honor Roll

Deliziah Flores, Zoey Hortenstine, Jett Jackson, Krisol Reyna, Jamison Seales

#### Perfect Attendance

Parker Bearden, Juan Orlando De La Garza, Deliziah Flores, Kolson Follis, Marissa Handlon, Zoey Hortenstine, Jose Madrid, Joey Ochoa, Bastian Quezada, Chloe Reyes, Ashlyn Richards,

Jamison Seales, Emmy Speary

#### Met Reading Goal

Parker Bearden, Aiden Beck, Arath Brosig, Juan Orlando De La Garza, Deliziah Flores, Kolson Follis, Zoey Hortenstine, Jett Jackson, Jose Madrid, Chloe Reyes, Krisol Reyna, Ashlyn Richards, Emmy Speary

### 3rd Grade

#### A Honor Roll

Zachary McWright

#### A-B Honor Roll

Tiffany Timmerman, Corbin Beam, Thaliah Castaneda, Gabby Quezada

#### Perfect Attendance

Corbin Beam, Marissa Reyes, Nikkole Harendt, Zachary McWright, Gabby Quezada, Jessica Montez, Tiffany Timmerman, Alexis Sanchez, Brandon Arthur, Thaliah Castaneda, Seth Parker

#### Met Reading Goal

Corbin Beam, Thaliah Castaneda, Jessica Montez, Marissa Reyes, Tiffany Timmerman

### 4th Grade

#### A-B Honor Roll

Michaela Basquez, Saige Busby, Kristina Correa, Amanda Marrs, Jaden Morgan, Katelyn Powell, Keeley Queen, Nico Willis

#### Perfect Attendance

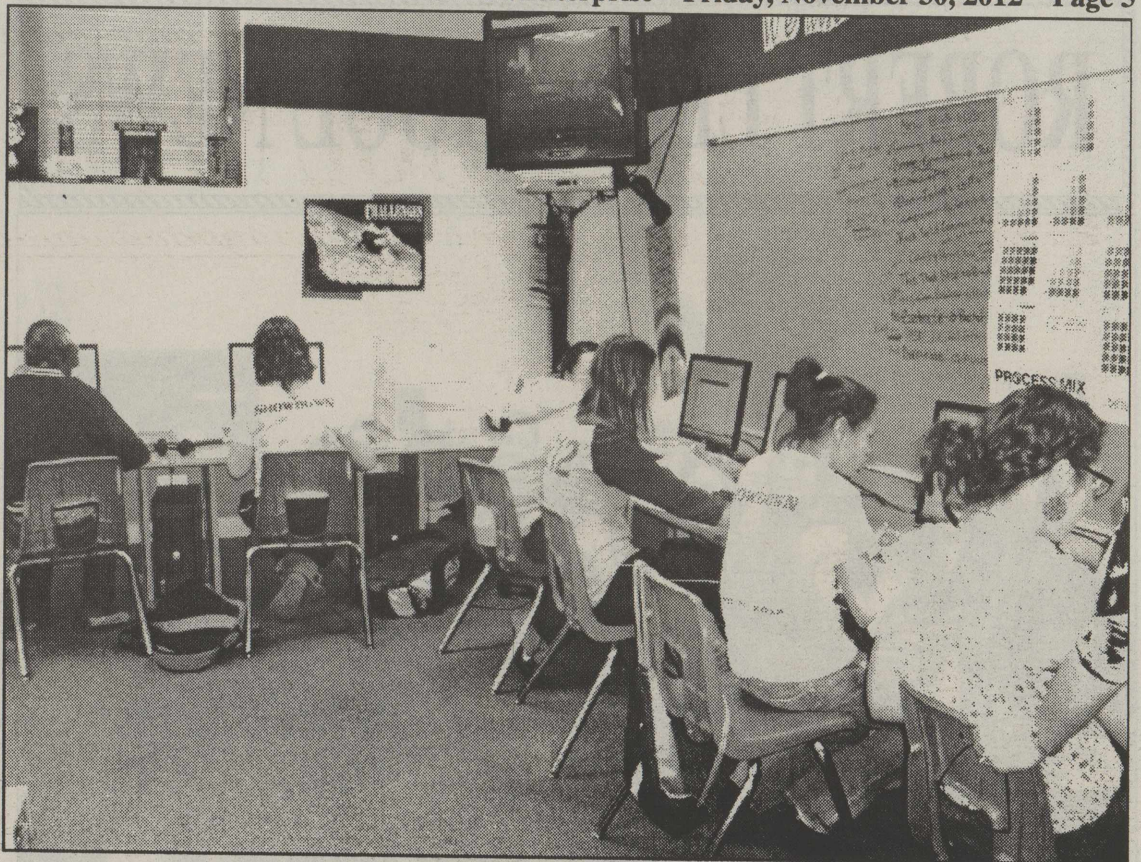
Michaela Basquez, Myrka Ibarra, Katelyn Powell, Kristina Correa, Amanda Marrs, Keeley Queen, Mariah DeLaCerde, Jaden Morgan, Nico Willis

#### Met Reading Goal

Michael Basquez, Kristina Correa, Amanda Marrs, Jaden Morgan, Katelyn Powell, Keeley Queen, Khira Santiago, Nico Willis

#### Citizenship

Saige Busby, Kristina Correa, Mariah DeLaCerde, Myrka Ibarra, Katelyn



**Aptitude Testing for 8th and 10th Graders at BHS!** The 10th grade students at Bronte High School recently took the PLAN aptitude test and career interest inventory and the 8th graders took the EXPLORE aptitude test and career interest inventory. The PLAN and EXPLORE tests help 10th and 8th graders build high school course plans that will prepare them for college and work. The test also introduces them to career options that are relevant to them, and shows areas where they may need extra help, suggestions for improving skills, and careers that match their interests.

The students have received their results and have gone online to investigate potential careers, including educational requirements, job descriptions and salaries related to the student's career areas of interest. Both tests are designed by the ACT Test Corporation and additional information may be found at [www.planstudent.org](http://www.planstudent.org) or [www.explorestudent.org](http://www.explorestudent.org).

Powell, Keeley Queen, Nico Willis

### 5th Grade

#### Perfect Attendance

Mason Aguirri, Ava Capezzuto, Karissa Cervenka, India Chumney,

Elexia Davis, Cindy Gentles, Hunter Hortenstine,

Whitney Moran, Brendan Penner, Searra Powell,

Megan Reyes, Kyalyn Seales

#### A Honor Roll

Karissa Cervenka, Hunter Hortenstine

#### A-B Honor Roll

Mason Aguirre, Elexia Davis, Searra Powell

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## HEB Camp Luncheon

Sunday • December 2  
11:30 am to 1 pm

Carry-out Only. Plates may be picked up in front of Bronte School.

Pork Loin • Sausage  
Potato Salad • Beans & Bread

\$6 per plate

Proceeds go toward 4th graders attending HEB Camp in May.

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## Celebrate the Season with Christmas in 'Ole Bronte

—Calendar of Events—

### December 1st:

#### Fun Run

8:30 a.m. - Registration at the Depot  
for 10K, 5K, or 1 mile run/walk

9 a.m. - Race Begins

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Holiday Craft Bazaar on Main Street

12 noon to 2 p.m. - Santa Arrives!

Have your picture taken with  
Santa in Downtown Bronte!

Movie at Texas Theater!

A Christmas movie will be shown at 1 pm & 7 pm.  
Raffle for Red Rider BB Gun following last show.

Don't forget to "Shop at Home" this Holiday Season!



# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**RLHS Students Attend Concert!** Robert Lee High School students recently attended a concert at Coleman High School. They enjoyed a concert by Ennio Emmanuel, a Latin musician of Puerto Rican descent. The Ojala tour includes a line up of over 75 shows in various venues across the United States. The tour focuses on inspiring youth to the richness of the Spanish language and culture. Students attending included Taylor Sheldon, Sydney Sheldon, Myrka Rangel, Julia Madrid, Kodi Drennan, Bieanca Bower, Hunter Hamrick, Rani Coppedge, Justice Saucedo, Berenice Fabian, Mikayla Ramon, Ashley Wheat, Kelsey Hewitt, Haley Grantham, Lubbock Roe, Mason Hill, Bianca Huapilla, Sean Hildebrand, Ennio Emmanuel, Blake Smith, Yulissa Peraza, Brady Clawson, Jaicee Torres, Sara Lara, Hanna Hamrick, and Madison Wright.

## Steers end playoff run

By Tom Sawyer

Steer fans traveled to Big Spring for what ended up being the last game of this season. Robert Lee players fought a hard battle for four quarters just to

come up one score short of extending the season.

Everyone agrees that this group of Steers has made this city extremely proud by playing tough football this whole season. The Steers were led by a group of seniors that showed great leadership and true athletic ability. I would like to thank #3 Sean Hildebrand, #10 Justin Gartman, #16 Bailey Smith, #24 Dawson Brisbin, #26 Blake Smith, and #33 Zach Skinner for making this the most memorable season in a very long time. These young men truly define Steer Pride and will forever have Steer orange running through their veins. You will be missed.

This season could also not have been possible without the many fans who showed up at every game with their colors on and voices heard. For that, we thank you and look forward to seeing you at all the other events for the rest of the year. I would also like to thank the guys that helped bring these stats to you every week, Jimmy Skinner, Jeff Brisbin, Doug Roberts, and the Observer/Enterprise for putting it out to the fans in this area.

**STEER PRIDE -  
BLEED ORANGE**

## SCORING SUMMARY

### 1st Quarter

Steers - 5 yard run by Gartman with 7:57 left, PAT kick by Howard

Cowboys - 1 yard run with 4:59 left, PAT failed

Steers - 46 yard run by Gartman with :10 left, PAT kick by Howard

**STEERS - 16  
COWBOYS - 6**

### 2nd Quarter

Cowboys - 56 yard pass with 9:41 left, PAT kick failed

Cowboys - 54 yard pass with 1:30 left, PAT kick good

**STEERS - 16  
COWBOYS - 20**

### 3rd Quarter

Cowboys - 71 yard run with 5:30 left, PAT kick blocked

Steers - 8 yard pass from Gartman to Skinner with 3:35 left, PAT kick By Howard

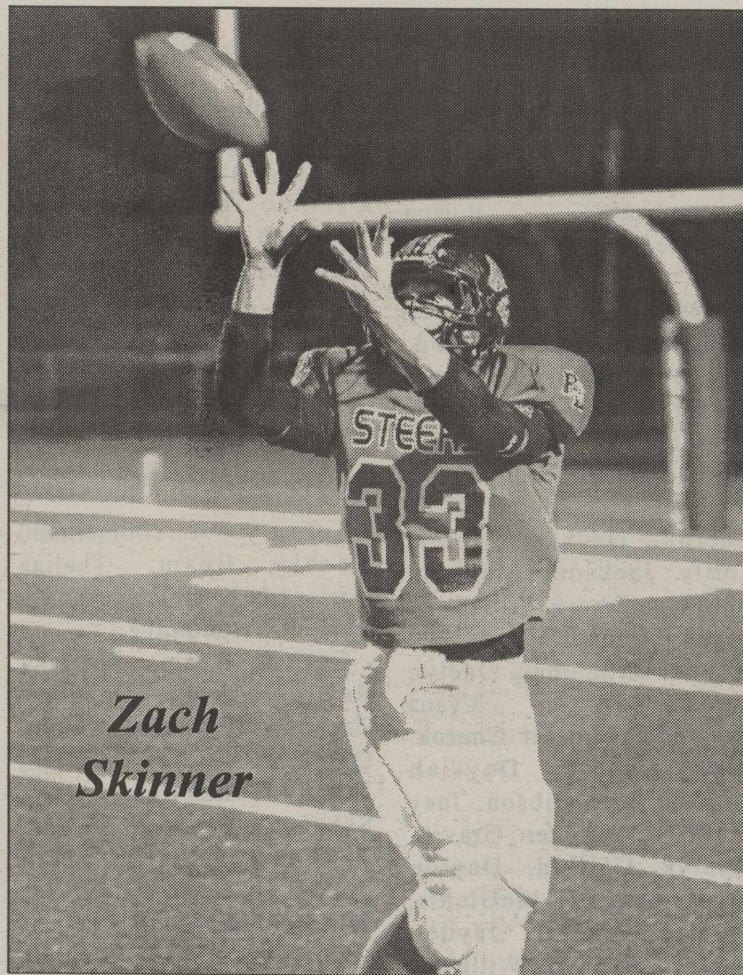
**STEERS - 24  
COWBOYS - 26**

### 4th Quarter

Steers - 4 yard run by Gartman with 5:33 left, PAT kick failed

Cowboys - 62 yard pass with 3:56 left, PAT kick good

**FINAL  
STEERS 30  
COWBOYS - 34**



**Zach  
Skinner**

## Player Statistics

Sean Hildebrand - 5 tackles  
Kevin Saucedo - 1 reception for 7 yards

Efrain Olguin - 14 tackles  
Mychael Tijerina - 2 receptions for 32 yards, and 16 tackles

Justin Gartman - 17 carries for 129 yards and 3 TD's, 22 of 37 passing for 219 yards and 3 TD's, and 11 tackles

James Roberts - 1 reception for 2 yards

Will Howard - 3 carries for 16 yards, 7 receptions for 64 yards, and 15 tackles

Bailey Smith - 3 receptions for 25 yards and 1 tackle

Dawson Brisbin - 3 receptions for 18 yards, 1 tackle

Blake Smith - 4 tackles

Zach Skinner - 5 receptions for 71 yards and 1 TD, and 13 tackles

## GO STEERS STEER PRIDE RLJH Dogies, Lady Dogies open season

The Robert Lee Junior High Lady Dogies opened their basketball season with a win over Sterling City on Monday, November 19, 38-18.

Scoring for Robert Lee were Chesney Minjarez with 12, Mariah Munoz 10, Jessie Wheat 6, Margo Mendoza 4, Kiara Burns 4, and Anna Huapilla 2.

The Robert Lee Junior High Dogies dropped their first game 0-25 to Sterling City.

## School Menu

### Breakfast

#### Monday, December 3

Breakfast pizza or cereal, juice, milk

#### Tuesday, December 4

Pigs in blanket or cereal, juice, milk

#### Wednesday, December 5

Cinnamon roll or cereal, juice, milk

#### Thursday, December 6

Muffin or cereal, juice, milk

#### Friday, December 7

Pancake on stick or cereal, juice, milk

### Lunch

#### Monday, December 3

Chicken parmesan, green beans, salad, apple slices, breadstick, milk

#### Tuesday, December 4

Tangerine chicken, rice, carrots, steamed broccoli, snowball salad, milk

#### Wednesday, December 5

Tex-mex stack, salsa, salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, cinnamon apples, milk

#### Thursday, December 6

Stuffed BBQ potatoes, cheese, carrots, crackers, fruit bowl, fruit bar, milk

#### Friday, December 7

Hamburger, salad, tator tots, western beans, diced pears, milk

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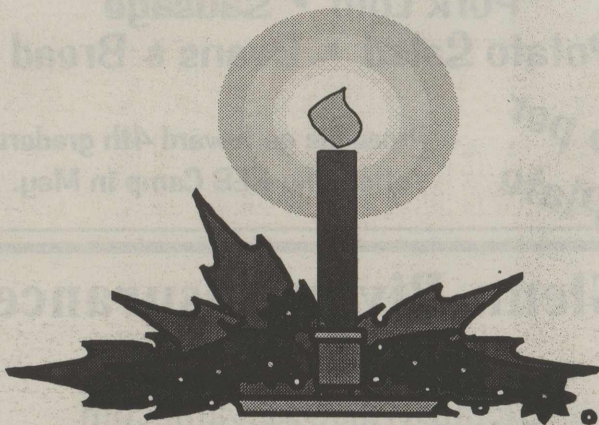
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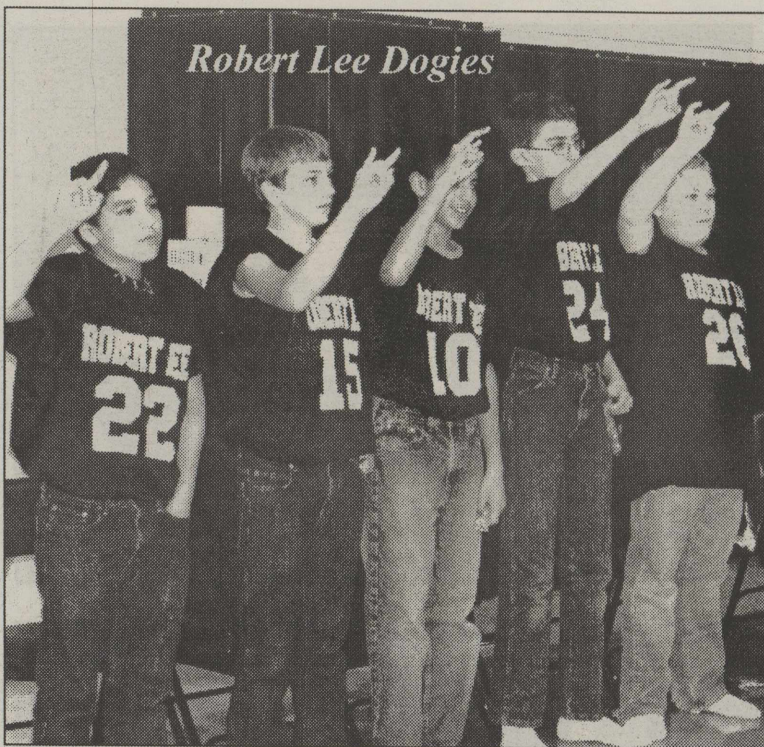
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**Robert Lee Elementary  
2nd Six Week Awards  
A Honor Roll**

**1st Grade**

Abigail Arthur, Kailey Freeman, Mackenzie Galicia, Cloe Minjarez, Brody Pitcock, Jimma Richardson, Brayden Sherwood, Koltun Williams

**2nd Grade**

Patricio Barrera, Caitlyn Cerritos, Sydney Hardin, Taylor Hardin, Skyler Horne, Ryan Mendoza, Kristen Moreno, Alex Munoz, Presley Oleksiuk, Roxana Rangel, Emma Service, Brooke Smith

**3rd Grade**

Zane Avants, Gavin Freeman, Braylee Hood, Aubrey Nichols, McKenzie Puentez, Dylan Thomas

**4th Grade**

Aden Taylor

**5th Grade**

Cali Lee

**6th Grade**

Kaden Austin, Kelby Clawson, Megan Grantham, Aimee Zimmerman

**Perfect Attendance**

**Pre-Kindergarten**

Dalton Abalos, Max Garcia,

Brennen Hood, Karmen Radloff, Shyan Stanczyk  
**Kindergarten**

Noah Gonzales, Jose Heredia, Brewer Hood, Sofia James, Adyson Justiss, Cole Knight, Lucas Martinez, Carlos Olguin, Mysael Rangel, Edward Samaniego, Trentin Williams, Alyssa Worster

**1st Grade**

Aden Burns, Kailey Freeman, Mackenzie Galicia, Cloe Minjarez, Canyon Moran, Jimma Richardson, Koltun Williams

**2nd Grade**

Patricio Barrera, Caitlyn Cerritos, Skyler Horne, Cassandra Juarez, Ryan Mendoza, Kristen Moreno, Alex Munoz, Roxana Rangel, Myrka Sosa

**3rd Grade**

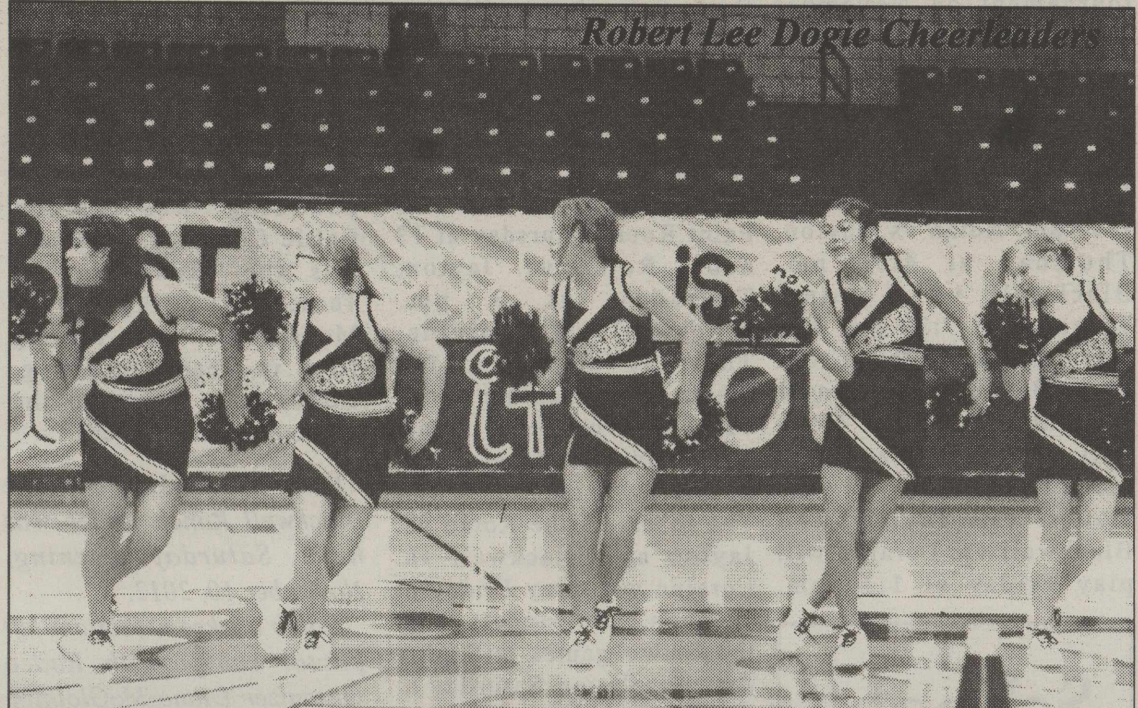
Zane Avants, Reagan Bohannon, Gavin Freeman, Braylee Hood, Heather Huapilla, Michael Munoz, McKenzie Puentez, Dylan Thomas, A'Chyanna Torres, Brisely Ureno, Todd Worster

**4th Grade**

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**Robert Lee Dogie Cheerleaders**



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**Dec 7, 2012 @ 6:00 pm**  
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Robert Lee Texas

December The 8th Starting The  
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Admission: 1 Can Of Food For Local Food Bank  
Concession Stand Will Be Available  
Dance Over At 11:00 Pm

**Essay Pageant**

|                    |                    |                 |                |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 4-6                | 7-9                | 10-15           | 16-18          |
| Little Miss Jingle | Little Miss Kingle | Miss Snow Flake | Miss Christmas |
| Little Mr. Jingle  | Little Mr. Kingle  | Mr. Snow Flake  | Mr. Christmas  |

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# BLACKWELL SCHOOL NEWS

## Blackwell Stock Show slated

The Blackwell local stock show has been set for December 22, 2012. The stock show will take place at the Blackwell Show Barn from 9 am-3 pm.

## Oak Creek Classic Basketball Tourney set for this weekend

Blackwell High School will host the Oak Creek Classic basketball tournament on November 29-December 1.

The boys game times are as follows: Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh, Thursday at 10:30 am. Highland vs. Paint Rock, Thursday at 1:30 pm. Rotan vs. Jayton, Thursday at 4:30 pm. Blackwell vs. Loraine, Thursday at 7:30 pm. The losers of the Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh and Highland vs. Paint Rock will play Friday at 10:30 am. The losers of the Rotan vs. Jayton and Blackwell vs. Loraine will play Friday at 1:30 pm.

The winners from those two games will play for consolation Saturday at 11:30 am. The winners of the Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh and Highland vs. Paint Rock will play Friday at 4:30 pm. The winners of the Rotan vs. Jayton and Blackwell vs. Loraine will play Friday at 7:30 pm. The losers of those two games will play for 3rd place Saturday at 2:30 pm. The winners of those two games will play the championship game Saturday at 5:30 pm.

The girls game times are as follows: Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh, Thursday at 9 am. Highland J.V. vs. Paint Rock, Thursday at 12 noon. Rotan vs. Jayton, Thursday at 3 pm. Blackwell vs. Loraine, Thursday at 6 pm. The losers of the Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh and Highland vs. Paint Rock will play Friday at 9 am. The losers of the Rotan vs. Jayton and Blackwell vs. Loraine will play Friday at 12 noon. The winners from those two games will play for consolation Saturday at 10 am. The winners of the Panther Creek vs. Hermleigh and Highland vs. Paint Rock will play Friday at 3 pm. The winners of the Rotan vs. Jayton and Blackwell vs. Loraine will play Friday at 6 pm. The losers of those two games will play for 3rd place Saturday at 1 pm. The winners of those two games will play the championship game Saturday at 4 pm.

## Blackwell Ranch Rodeo posts results

The Blackwell Ranch Rodeo was held Saturday, November 10, 2012, at the arena on FM 1170 in Blackwell. The event is sponsored by the Blackwell Riding Club, assisted by numerous community volunteers. The San Angelo Ambassadors performed prior to the start of the rodeo. Judges for this year's event were Shawn Edwards, Brian Lacey and Wayne McCutchen.

Winning first place in the average was the Werner Ranch team. Team members include Jody Clark, Casey Clark, Tres Campbell, and Shawn Wilke. They received prize money and buckles.

Falcon Cattle Company came in second in the average. Team members include Rooster Falcon, Carlos Venezuela, Marty Daniel, and Gumero Lopez. This team received prize

money and headstalls.

7 Cross Ranch placed third in the average. Team members were Luis Rojas, Bartley Murray, Cory Lloyd and Matt Lloyd. They each received prize money and halters.

Top Hand at the rodeo was Caleb Jackson. Caleb, riding for the Lee Ranch, took home a buckle.

Bay Boy, ridden by Barry Holman, was named Top Horse and earned Barry a buckle.

Werner Ranch placed first in Trailer Loading and Wild Cow Milking. Winning first in Team Branding was Falcon Cattle Company. 7 Cross was the winner in the Team Mugging with McGlothlin Ranch placing first in Team Doctoring. Ropes were given to the winners of each event.

**Ranch Rodeo!** The Blackwell Ranch Rodeo was held Saturday evening, November 10, 2012.

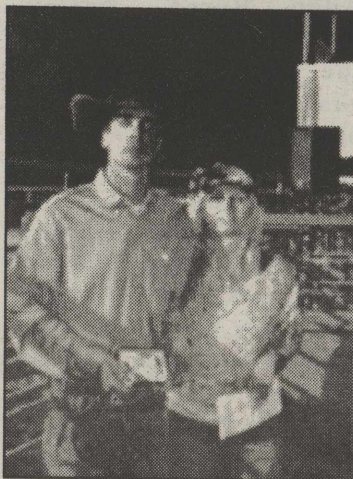
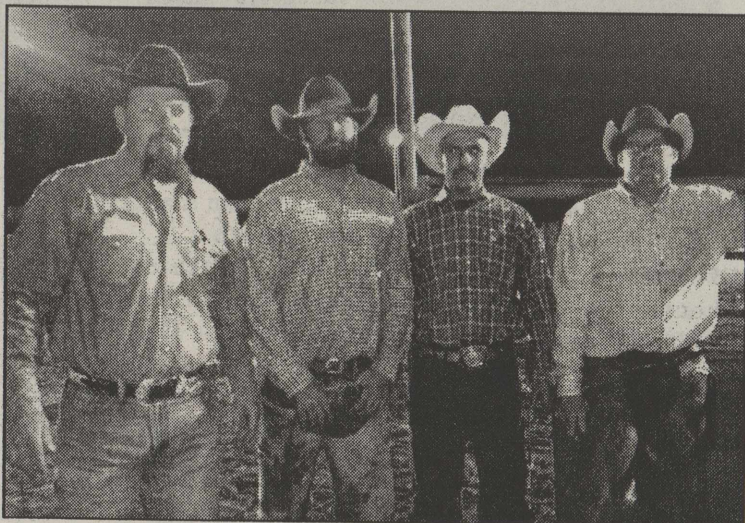
Caleb Jackson, (bottom left photo) shown with Rodeo Organizer Diane McGlothlin, was named Top Hand.

Barry Holman's mount "Bay Boy" (bottom right photo) earned Top Horse honors.

Winning first in the average was Werner Ranch (top right photo). Team members included Jody Clark, Casey Clark, Tres Campbell and Shawn Wilke.

7 Cross Ranch (middle right photo) placed third in the average. Team members included (from left) Matt Lloyd, Cory Lloyd, Luis Rojas, and Bartley Murray.

Placing first in the Team Doctoring was McGlothlin Ranch (bottom photo).



## School Menu

### Breakfast

**Monday, December 3**

Poptart/yogurt or cereal, juice, milk

**Tuesday, December 4**

Pancake on stick or cereal, juice, milk

**Wednesday, December 5**

Breakfast pizza or cereal, juice, milk

**Thursday, December 6**

Biscuits, sausage, gravy or cereal, juice, milk

**Friday, December 7**

Muffins/gogurt or cereal, juice, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, December 3**

Toasted ham & cheese sandwich, broccoli bites, garden salad, orange smiles, milk

**Tuesday, December 4**

Crispy tacos, garden salad, charro beans, salsa, cinnamon applesauce, milk

**Wednesday, December 5**

Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes with gravy, carrot coins, strawberries and bananas, hot roll, milk

**Thursday, December 6**

Spaghetti with meatballs, garden salad, savory green beans, sliced peaches, chocolate or vanilla pudding, milk

**Friday, December 7**

Turkey and cheese wrap, sweet potato tots, cucumber dippers, fruity gelatin, oatmeal cookie, milk



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## What if Grandpa doesn't really have Alzheimer's?

[Editor's Note: The following article first appeared at Parade.com. Both that article and the article following were submitted by Teri Key. The second article was written by Teri's mother.]

There's a condition that often masquerades as dementia, with one difference—it's treatable.

Jimmy Nowell of Clifton, Tex., had always been a top-notch salesman. Locals in search of auto parts knew he could get them exactly what they needed. But in 2000, when he was 59, Nowell's speech, along with his walking, started slowing. Sometimes he needed a cane. Later, he became disorganized, losing his train of thought or turning on the computer and freezing, not knowing what to do. In 2005, he lost his job as a result of his behavior. Still, Nowell and his wife, Ann, just chalked up the symptoms to old age.

Then in 2007, Nowell started blanking on Ann's name. In a panic, she dragged her husband to doctor after doctor, but no one could agree on a diagnosis. One specialist thought Nowell had Parkinson's disease; another said it was Alzheimer's. Finally, in 2009, Nowell's condition was correctly identified when a neurologist took an MRI and compared it to a baseline image taken a few years earlier: Nowell had normal pressure hydrocephalus (NPH), a condition that occurs when the clear fluid surrounding the brain fails to be reabsorbed, eventually leading to problems with memory, as well as bladder control and walking (one of the distinguishing signs is a disturbed gait). The symptoms creep up slowly at first—and when the condition is brought to a doctor's attention, it's often misdiagnosed.

"About 30 percent of my [NPH] patients were told they had Alzheimer's or Parkinson's," says Mark Luciano, M.D., neurosurgery director at Cleveland Clinic. "Sometimes they were told they were just getting old." As a result, it's tough to know how prevalent NPH truly is, but the

Hydrocephalus Association estimates that at least 350,000 Americans—and 5 percent of people with dementia—have the condition. A 2005 Virginia Commonwealth University paper estimated that 9 percent of patients in assisted-living facilities may have NPH.

The good news is that unlike the vast majority of conditions that cause dementia, NPH can be treated by surgery to reduce pressure in the brain. The procedure is successful in 85 to 90 percent of NPH patients, as long as they have no complicating factors, like a spinal condition, says Michael Williams, M.D., director of Sinai Hospital's Adult Hydrocephalus Center in Baltimore.

For Nowell, news of a cure was welcome, but also frightening: A dime-size hole would be drilled into his skull and a shunt implanted to drain the excess fluid. Nevertheless, the Nowells decided to go forward with the surgery. Upon waking, Jimmy was able to walk without a cane for the first time in years. When his wife stepped off the elevator, he called out her name without hesitation, and she cried with joy. Jimmy was back.

To learn more about Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus, visit [lifenph.com](http://lifenph.com).

### "You Have the Beginning of Alzheimer's..."

"You have the beginning of Alzheimer's," I heard my primary care doctor say to me. I don't think it really sank in. Looking back on it now, I really don't think I believed her. I know I didn't want to.

This visit to the doctor in January of 2009 came at the urging of our three daughters and oldest granddaughter after we were all together for Christmas in 2008. Noticing my inability to function in normal daily menial tasks as well as slurring in my speech, there was great concern.

Sending me home with free samples of Aricept and Namenda, my doctor told me to go and surround myself with good memories. Driving back to the house, Buzz, my husband of 54

years, and I looked at each other and agreed: We will take this one day at a time and trust the Lord. Our lives up to that point had been lived that way and we would continue to do the same through this.

Rummaging through pictures of our family—all the way back through my great grandparents—as well as those of close friends and the old family home, I began a mural in the dining room and my bedroom, turning the walls into what resembled a picture studio. A project that had been set aside was once again picked up—my family genealogy. These were daily reminders of the life God had blessed me with and of His care over me throughout all those years.

I had no intention of giving up. However, shortly after the diagnosis, my ability to walk unassisted was lost. Dear friends bought me a bright red walker that we fondly named the "chariot". With it I was able to move from one place to the other, albeit slowly. It became harder and harder to leave the house and my memory became non-existent.

In June of 2009, my primary care doctor called, said she would like to do some further testing, and referred me to a neurosurgeon in Odessa, TX. After being hospitalized and going through a battery of tests including a CT scan, lumbar puncture, and checking for atherosclerosis, a different diagnosis was given: Normal-Pressure Hydrocephalus (NPH). Occurring mostly in adults over the age of 60, NPH develops slowly over time causing cerebrospinal fluid to build up. Because the fluid cannot drain, pressure is

applied to the brain. The parts of the brain that control the legs, bladder, and cognitive mental processes (memory, reasoning, problem solving, and speaking) are affected, as well as the bladder and walking.

After the testing was done and a video was viewed with the doctor, we learned that NPH patients, unlike Alzheimer's patients, do have hope. Surgery could be done, and if successful, there was a possibility I could walk again with the use of a cane. Of course, with any surgery, risk is involved, and at this time I had just celebrated my 80th birthday.

Buzz and I discussed surgery with the doctor, our children, my siblings, and dear friends, and made it a matter of prayer. We were all in agreement and the decision was made—I would undergo the surgery.

On August 20, 2009, I was admitted to the hospital, had my head shaved, and went into surgery. The doctor went in through the top of my head, through my scalp, down the right side behind my ear, and placed a shunt. If the surgery was a success, then the excess fluid from my brain would drain into my stomach. It would be

several weeks before we would know if it worked, but we had to try!

After two days in the hospital and 16 days in rehab, I was released to go home. Although I had been carried in, I walked out with the aid of my chariot! Buzz and I went home and I began working with my physical therapist. It felt as if I had been given a new lease on life!

On September 23, 2009, another brain scan was done. An appointment with the neurosurgeon was made for September 25th. While the neurosurgeon is a man of few words, his PA is not! His excitement was heard all over the office when I walked in unassisted—no walker, no cane! Thrilled with my progress and giving me a good report, I did not need to return to his office until December 18, 2009!

It is now March 2010. Ask anyone who knows this story and I believe you will hear the word "miracle". My children say I've gained 20 years of my life back. There are so many I am grateful to: First, God; second, my husband (now of 55 years!) Buzz; third, my family; and also to the health professionals, my pastor and church family, and my many praying friends! To God be the Glory!



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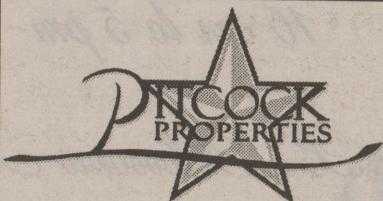
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The Bonnie Taylor Family  
21-1tc

### NOTICES

#### NOTICE OF ESTRAY THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Wayne McCutchen who after being by me duly sworn deposes says:

After the herein described estray was impounded, I made a diligent search for the register of recorded brands in the county where said estray was found. The search did not reveal the owner of said estray.

I did then advertise the impoundment of said estray in Observer/Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation in the county

where said estray was found, at least twice during the fifteen (15) days after the impoundment of said estray. The dates of such advertisement were November 30, 2012 and December 7, 2012, and a duly verified printed copy thereof is returned herewith.

I also posted a copy of the Notice of Estray and the Notice of Impoundment of Estray on the public notice board of the courthouse of the county in which the estray was found

Said estray is described as the following:

Kind of Animal: Bovine/3 head

Breed: Crossbred Color: Black, Red, Brindle

Sex: 2 steers, 1 heifer

Age: Weanling

Size: 300-400 lbs

Brand, Marks, Identifying Characteristics: Red Heifer has split in left ear; steers have no marks of brands

WITNESS my hand, this the 26th day of November, 2012.

Wayne McCutchen

Sheriff or Designee of Coke County, Texas

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### ... Bronte

#### Elementary Awards

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##### Met Reading Goal

Mason Aguirre, Ava Capezzuto, Karissa Cervenka, India Chumney, Elexia Davis, Cindy Gentles, Hunter Hortenstine, Mia Minjarez, Whitney Moran, McKenna Parker, Brendan Penner, Searra Powell, Megan Reyes, Kyalyn Seales

##### 6th Grade

##### A-B Honor Roll

Nathan Arthur, Tanner Braswell, Jacob Eubanks, Cassidy McWright, Raegen Moore, Hailey McKinney, Tiffani Sullivan

##### Met Reading Goal

Hailey McKinney, Chris Correa, Hunner Powell, Kaci Queen, Tiffani Sullivan, Sarah Allen, Nita Betts, Raegan Moore, Cassidy McWright

##### Super Citizens

Sarah Allen, Nathan Arthur, Nita Betts, Tanner Braswell, Cassidy McWright, Raegan Moore, Mahira Tapia, Bailly Torres, Kaily Torres, Makaylah DeLaCerde, Kevin Parks, Kaci Queen, Jayden Speary

##### Perfect Attendance

Kendra Coalson, Chris Correa, Zachary Gully, Hailey McKinney, Hunner Powell, Kaci Queen, Jose Sanchez (Joe), Tiffani Sullivan, Sarah Allen, Nathan Arthur, Nita Betts, Tanner Braswell, Cassidy McWright, Danny Pullen, Mahira Tapia, Bailly Torres, Kaily Torres

### ... Robert Lee

#### Elementary Awards

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Jarett Justiss, Ian Paredes, Hemma Rangel, Harlee Richardson, Casey Skipworth, Aden Taylor, Zoe Tijerina, Jullisa Ureno

##### 5th Grade

McKenzie Bachman, Kaleb Gregston, Sydney Hayes, Joseph Leal, Crystal Salinas, Jonathan Skipworth, Veronica Ureno

##### 6th Grade

Kaden Austin, Bubba Bohannon, Kelby Clawson, Corbin Drennan, Mark Garces, Megan Grantham, Madison Hall, Garrett Knight, Ariana Limones, Daniel Mendoza, Jade Mitchell, Kaylee Puentez, Autumn Ramon, Elexis Sanchez, Chelsea Wyatt

##### Robert Lee

##### High School 2nd

##### 6 weeks Awards

##### A Honor Roll

##### 8th Grade

Matthew Curry, James Wyatt

##### 9th Grade

Hunter Hamrick, Karlee Roach

##### 10th Grade

Mason Hill, James Roberts

##### 11th Grade

Michael Curry, Hanna Hamrick, Will Howard, Everett Wilson

##### 12th Grade

Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Sara Lara, Lubbock



**RLHS Captains!** The Robert Lee Steers Captains lined up for their official duties prior to the Bi-District game against the Trent Gorillas in Blackwell. They include #10 Justin Gartman, #33 Zach Skinner, #3 Sean Hildebrand, and #24 Dawson Brisbin.

Roe, Zachary Sanchez, Bailey Smith, Ashlie Wheat

##### A/B Honor Roll

##### 7th Grade

Kiara Burns, Bethany Coppedge, Margo Mendoza, Mariah Munoz, Cesar Rangel, Braden Richardson, Kourtney Roach, Rachel Russell

##### 8th Grade

Gabriel Abalos, Kaden Hayes, Nicole Jones

##### 9th Grade

Wade Allen, Brady Clawson, Kodi Drennan, Haley Grantham, Pammy Meeks, Myrka Rangel, Madison Wright

##### 10th Grade

Mychael Tijerina

##### 11th Grade

Bianca Huapilla, Jesse Sheets, Ashlie Tennison

##### 12th Grade

Beeanca Bower, Dawson Brisbin, Drew Davis, Kelsey Hewitt, Dusty Howard, Paige Royall, Zach Skinner, Blake Smith

##### Perfect Attendance

##### 7th Grade

Samantha Alaniz, Meghan Bohannon, Kiara Burns, Bethany Coppedge, William Coppedge, Josh Gregston,

Jorge Mendoza, Cesar Rangel, Kourtney Roach

##### 8th Grade

Matthew Curry, Anna Huapilla, Nicole Jones, Casey Scruggs, Mauricio Ureno

##### 9th Grade

Wade Allen, Bruce Buddin, Brady Clawson, Rani Coppedge, Kodi Drennan, Hunter Hamrick, Jesus Landeros, Julia Madrid, Pamela Meeks, Yulissa Peraza, Myrka Rangel, Karlee Roach, Kaleb Torres, Madison Wright, Blaine Yanez

##### 10th Grade

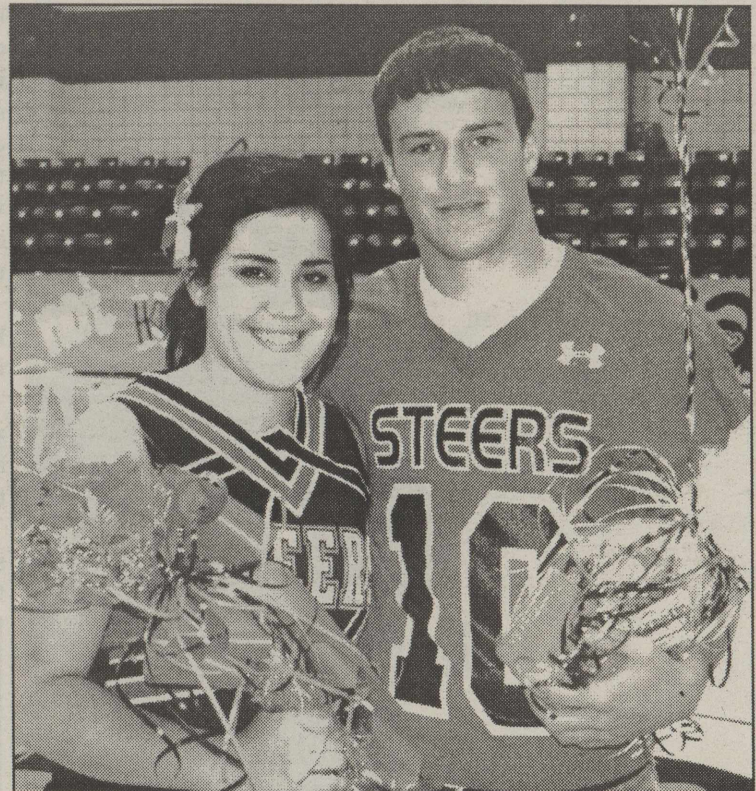
JR Aldridge, Charissa Caston, Mason Hill, James Roberts, Mychael Tijerina, Daria Tinkler

##### 11th Grade

Taylor Benton, Michael Curry, Bernice Fabian, Will Howard, Bianca Huapilla, Efrain Olguin, Kevin Saucedo, Jesse Sheets, Sydney Sheldon, Everett Wilson

##### 12th Grade

Dawson Brisbin, Jordan Gartman, Justin Gartman, Kelsey Hewitt, Dusty



**RLHS Honorees!** Jordan Gartman was named Football Sweetheart and Justin Gartman was named Cheerleader Hero for 2012 at Robert Lee High School.

Howard, Sara Lara, Paige

Royall, Zachary Sanchez,

Bailey Smith, Ashlie Wheat

Robert Lee Dogies, Lady

Dogies post results

The Robert Lee Lady

Dogies "A" team defeated

Water Valley recently, 30-26.

Scoring for Robert Lee

were Anna Huapilla 8, Margo

Mendoza 2, Chesney

Minjarez 9, Jessie Wheat 2,

Mariah Munoz 3, Kiara Burns

4, and Katline Tijerina 2.

The Lady Dogies "B" team

lost a close one to Water

Valley, 14-15.

Scoring for Robert Lee

were Meagan Bohannon 4,

Kourtney Roach 4, Niclolle

Jones 2, Bailey Grimes 2,

and Jaycee Bower 2.

The Dogies "A" team fell

to Water Valley 2-51.

Gabriel Abalos put up the

Dogies only points.

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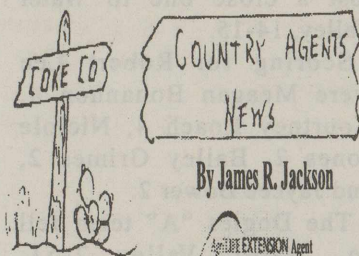
**Randy Flanagan • Jim Herring**

**Billy Wayne Roe**





**Living History!** Cory Robinson, history guide for Fort Concho in San Angelo and former Bronte student, presented the Bronte third and fourth graders with a lesson on the role Fort Concho played in Texas History.



On November 22 Coke County Extension office hosted a meeting in Bronte that focused on leasing your land for oil production. The speaker for the event was Judon Fambrough; Mr. Fambrough has been the attorney for the Texas Real Estate Center for the past 34 years, where he has authored over 300 articles regarding Texas real estate law. One of his prime objectives is to inform landowners about their property rights and tell them how to best protect and utilize them. At the meeting in Coke County he addressed a crowd of concerned landowners from a 9 county area of West Central Texas. He spoke on what landowners needed to know before they negotiate an oil lease. To view the presentation he gave go to <http://recenter.tamu.edu/speeches/> or the link can be found by going to Coke County Extension Facebook page. Thanks to all who attended the meeting.

#### Vision With a Purpose Update

By Joan Davis

Vision With a Purpose continues work on the Coke County Memorial Garden. The Ed Blackburn windmill has been set south of the courthouse. Plans have been made to install the foot bridge across the ditch in the south gap of the rock wall at 9 am on Thursday, November 29, 2012. Noel Gregston is in charge of that project. Memorial brick sales are offered at most public gatherings. The bricks will be placed on walkways in the garden area as ongoing work.

They may be seen and with more information available from representatives of VP at both Robert Lee and Bronte Christmas Open Houses. Information and bricks are on display at B's Blossoms and Blooms in Robert Lee or call Sheri Millican at 325-453-2667.

The VP bake sale on November 19 was very successful with over \$600.00 in sales. Our appreciation to the Robert Lee State Bank for the use of their lobby!

VP will continue with its float and the Christmas preparations for December 7 and 8. Please see the events that will take place on those days in the VP ad on page 7 in this paper.

Monthly meeting will be December 6 at the Coke County Senior Building Rec Hall at 7 pm.

#### Being prepared is better than being miserable.

By Mark Sides

Robert Lee VFD Fire Chief The Department of Homeland Security, FEMA, and the CDC are running ads recommending that people be prepared for the Zombie Apocalypse. I guess if a family is prepared for that, they are prepared for most disasters. But, on a more practical note, Hurricane Sandy showed how poorly prepared most folks are when it comes to nature doing the unexpected. Closer to home, in the mid 90s and again in 2000, ice and blizzard conditions stranded Texas motorists on interstates and rural highways for as much as two days. Even closer were the evacuations caused by the Silver/Spade fire of 2008 and the Wildcat fire in 2011.

A little bit of preparation can go a long way toward keeping you and your family safe and healthy when the unexpected hits. Here are some basic items to keep on

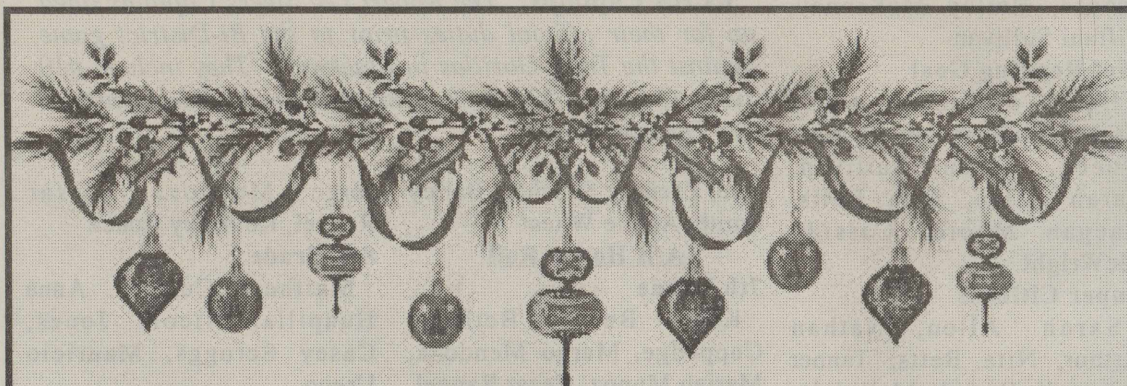
hand and ready for emergency situations whether it means evacuation or sheltering in place. These can be stored in a plastic tote, and easily carried in a vehicle if you have to evacuate or just leave on a trip.

A Basic Emergency Supply Kit should include these items.

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three day supply of non-perishable food

- Battery powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both.
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust masks, to help filter contaminated air along with plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags (big ones make great emergency rain ponchos) and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

- Can opener (if kit contains canned food)
- Local maps
- Prescription medicines and glasses
- Matches in a waterproof container (or other fire starting items)
- Important family documents such as ID and bank account records in a waterproof container
- At least one complete change of clothing for each member of your family
- Infant formula and diapers, Food and extra water for pets (if needed)
- Cell phone charger



## The annual Christmas issue is scheduled for Friday, December 21, 2012!



This issue will contain Santa Letters from all of the younger elementary children in Blackwell, Bronte, and Robert Lee.

Also, any other children are welcome to send their letters to Santa to us for printing in this issue and then forwarding to the North Pole!

Included in this issue are Christmas Greetings from local business and individuals.



Call the Observer/Enterprise office at (325) 453-2433 to get your greeting in this special holiday edition!