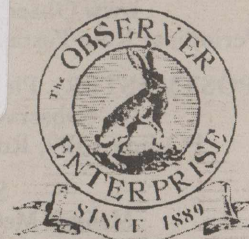


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Friday, November 10, 2017

RLISD to host Veterans Day Program

The annual Veterans Day Program, sponsored by Robert Lee ISD, will be held on Friday, November 10 at 9:30 am in the school cafeteria.

The program will include patriotic speeches, entertainment by the elementary choir and a slide show presentation. The Beta Club and Spanish Club will jointly provide a reception immediately following the program for all veterans.

All Coke County veterans are urged to attend and be recognized for their unselfish contribution to our nation's security.

Annual Lion's Club Pancake Supper set for Saturday

The Robert Lee/Silver Lions Club, joined by Coke County 4-H members, will be hosting their annual Pancake Supper on Saturday, November 11, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall.

The menu will consist of pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk and orange juice. The price is

\$5 per plate and serving will be from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm.

The proceeds from the pancake supper will benefit the local 4-H Club, as well as the '64 Study Club, who will be providing the desserts for the cake auction following the meal.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to come and enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship.

Extension Office to present "Lunch and Learn" series

Coke County Agrilife Extension is presenting a wildlife lunch and learn series with speaker Stoney Newberry, TPWD biologist for Runnels, Coleman, Concho, and Coke Counties.

The topic will be Feral Hogs on Tuesday, November 7, at 12 noon at the Bronte Community Center. Information will include habitat, possible modes for control, and identification of damage.

Deer management will be the topic of the second part of the series on Tuesday, November 14 at 12 noon at the Robert Lee

FOOTBALL FRIDAY NIGHTS!



**Robert Lee Steers
vs. Garden City Bearkats**
Friday, November 10, 2017
7:30 pm Robert Lee

**Bronte Longhorns
vs. Albany Lions**
Friday, November 10, 2017
7:30 pm Bronte



**Blackwell Hornets
vs. Highland Hornets**
Thursday, November 9, 2017
7:30 pm Highland

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, November 10

Robert Lee ISD Veterans Day Program,
9:30 am, RLISD Cafetorium

High School Basketball -
Blackwell at Lohn, 6 pm, Varsity Girls

High School Football -
Bronte vs Albany, 7:30 pm
Robert Lee vs Garden City, 7:30 pm

Saturday, November 11

Pancake Supper and Cake Auction, 5:30 pm,
Robert Lee Rec Hall

Monday, November 13

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, 6 pm,
First Baptist Church, Bronte

Robert Lee City Council Meeting, 6 pm,
Robert Lee City Hall

Tuesday, November 14

Commissioners Court Meeting, 9 am,
County Courthouse, Robert Lee

High School Basketball -
Robert Lee at Paint Rock, 4 pm,
JV Girls and Boys, Varsity Girls and Boys
Blackwell at Winters, 5 pm,
JV and Varsity Girls

Thursday, November 16

Bronte City Council Meeting, 6:30 pm,
Bronte City Hall

High School Basketball -
Varsity Girls Tournament at Westbrook

Friday, November 17

High School Basketball -
Varsity Girls Tournament at Westbrook

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Rec Hall. Information will include aging, survey methods, and identifying CWD.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by November 3 for the first part or by November 10 for the second by contacting the Extension Office at (325) 453-2461 or morgan.runyan@ag.tamu.edu. A meal will also be included in the admission cost.

Sterling County Hunters' Appreciation Dinner set for November 11

The annual Sterling County Hunters' Appreciation Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017, beginning at 6:30 pm. The event will be held at the Sterling County Community Center. A fajita supper with all the trimmings will be served. The public is encouraged to attend.

One dollar raffle tickets will be sold for the chance to win one of a selection of high quality guns. Guns will be raffled that evening, but you do not have to be present to win.

Local and area businesses will also have booths available. For more information contact the Sterling County Extension Office at (325) 378-3181.

RLISD Thanksgiving meal slated

Robert Lee ISD will host their annual Thanksgiving meal on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, from 11 am until 12:30 pm. There is a small fee for the meal

and the public is invited to attend.

Please RSVP to Rosa Long at (325) 453-4555 by November 15.

CCSWD hosting tree sale

The Coke County Soil and Water District is currently hosting a tree sale. Several different species of evergreen and hardwood trees are available this year.

Stop by the office at 214 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee to pick up an order form and view pictures of mature trees. Call (325) 453-2623 ext. 3 for more information.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 9, 2018, for the purpose of electing two directors.

Directors Dennie Braswell and Bob Ragsdale have filed for re-election to the board.

The election will be held at

Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact Clerk Fran Sonnenberg by 5 pm on Friday, November 24, 2017.

Benefit account set up for Tom Scates

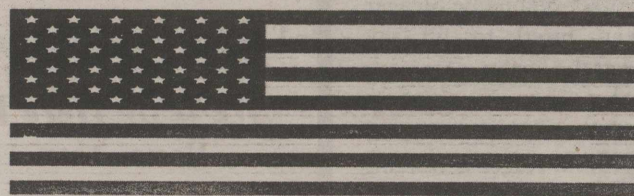
An account to benefit Tom Scates has been set up at the First National Bank in Bronte.

Family Movie Night slated for December 3

The First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee will host a family movie night on Sunday, December 3, and screen *The Polar Express*. The event will be held at the Family Life Center of the church, with doors opening at 4:30 pm and the movie beginning at 5:30 pm.

Nachos, popcorn, candy, and drinks will be available for purchase. Proceeds will go to the Robert Lee Care Center Activity Department.

Everyone is encouraged to wear your jammies and bring chairs, blankets, pillows, etc. and make yourself comfortable (the room has a concrete floor).



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Small Town Christmas slated for December 2

Due to unforeseen construction delays, Vision With A Purpose's building on Austin Street in Robert Lee will not be ready for our annual Small Town Christmas on Saturday, December 2. The celebration has been moved to the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church.

Santa will arrive at 5:15 pm and gifts for small children will be handed out.

Beef stew and cornbread, chili, drinks and gingerbread men will also be available for purchase.

Two handmade quilts will be available for a silent auction.

Hay rides, music, good food, and good friends are part of our start for the Christmas season. Please join them Saturday, December 2, starting at 5:15 pm at the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church.

West Coke County Hospital Board Meeting minutes

by Pat Stephens

The Board of Directors of the West Coke County Hospital District met in regular session October 31, 2017.

President Pat Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:30 am and declared a quorum was present. Board members present were Sarah Green, Patsy Cason, Pat Carwile, and Noel Tinkler. Roger Alexander (WCCHD Administrator) Chris Martin (Interim RLCC Administrator), Janie Munoz (BOM), and Becca McGuire (DON), were also present at the meeting.

The invocation was given by Pat Stephens.

There were no visitors. One absent board member was excused from the previous meeting, and the board minutes from that meeting were approved.

There are 32 residents in the Care Center as of the meeting date. In the staffing update, social worker Stephanie Steager, has been hired to fill this vacancy at the facility. Accounts receivable were discussed in depth, and a bad debt write-off was approved. Roger is working to bring the financials up to date for the November audit.

Chris gave an in depth state of the facility report to the board and acquainted the board of some positive changes that

have been made. The leadership team at the facility and employees at the Care Center are all doing an excellent job.

Scott & White will be the medical insurance provider for the facility this year.

Other items on the agenda were addressed and tabled.

The bank account signature cards were updated and signed.

Future agenda items were discussed, and the board had a short Executive Session to discuss personnel.

The next regular meeting will be November 28. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

On November 3, the Board interviewed local resident Houston McGuire for the position of Administrator of RLCC. Houston accepted the position and will begin his duties November 20. The Board welcomes Houston and looks forward to working with him in the future.

To kick off the holidays,



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Operation Christmas Child! The GAs and RAs from the First Baptist Church in Bronte met recently and put together 41 shoe boxes to be sent to Operation Christmas Child. This organization is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse International Relief and partners with churches worldwide to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. After receiving shoe box gifts, many children participate in a bible study course, *The Greatest Journey*, where they learn to become faithful followers of Christ and share their faith with others.

A total of 71 boxes have been collected in our area so far. If you are interested in donating a box, please contact the First Baptist Church in Bronte at (325) 473-2331. The deadline is Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

November will be a busy month at the facility. On November 4, a member of the San Angelo Symphony entertained the residents with some beautiful singing and guitar music. A Sing-Along, led by Roger Alexander, was enjoyed on November 6, and there will be another on November 20, at 3:30 pm. Members of the Methodist Church will be entertaining on November 13 and November 27 at 3:30 pm. On November 14 at 3:30 pm, Jim Gross will be at the facility sharing his talents. On November 19, at noon, the

residents and their families and guests will enjoy the traditional Thanksgiving luncheon. The monthly birthday party, sponsored by the '64 Study Club, will be held on November 21 at 3:30 pm. The birthday boys this month are Bobby Roberts and Bob Gully. Happy

birthday guys! On Thanksgiving Day, the residents will enjoy a special meal and watch Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

The Resident Council meeting on the November 28 will wind down the month. Here's hoping everyone has a very blessed Thanksgiving!!

Area Churches Invite You to Worship

Bronte

Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
(325) 473-3291

Preacher David Lewis
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 & 5 pm Worship

First Baptist Church
424 S. Washington • Bronte
(325) 473-2331

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

Tuesday 6 pm Table Time

St. James Catholic Church
215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sun. 5 pm

4C Cowboy Church
Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte

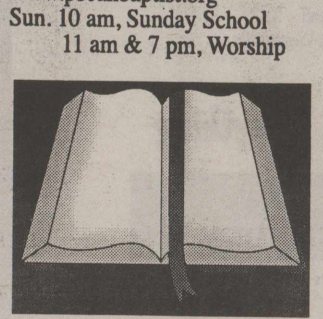
Pastor James Brunson
Sunday, 10:30 am

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Pecan Baptist
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Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy

(325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Pastor
www.pecanbaptist.org

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship



Robert Lee

Bible Baptist Church
PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin

Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School,

11 am Worship,

Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy

Pastor Tim Wood (325) 453-2360
Sundays 2 pm, Thursdays 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 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Betel
101 Houston • Robert Lee

Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School
11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm

Southside Church of Christ
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston

Robert Lee (325) 453-2176
Recardo Reyes, 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) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or

(325) 473-1053
Services: Sun. 10 am

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
(325) 453-2208, PO Box 638

6th & Houston, Robert Lee
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

Seeking Gold Star Families

On Saturday, November 18, 2017, at 11 am, the Fort Chadbourne Foundation will be dedicating a Gold Star Families Memorial Monument, followed by a reception inside the Visitor Center. A Gold Star Family is any family that has lost a loved one while serving our country. WWII Medal of Honor recipient Hershel Woody Williams will be present at the dedication and reception to visit with guests. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions on Iwo Jima.

A few years ago Woody Williams established the Hershel Woody Williams Medal of Honor Foundation to honor Gold Star Families. It was his desire to place these monuments all over the United States. The one being dedicated at Fort Chadbourne will be the first one in the West Texas area.

The purpose of the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument is to honor Gold Star Families, preserve the memory of the fallen, and stand as a stark reminder that Freedom is not free. This stunning black granite monument features two sides. One side bears the words: Gold Star Families Memorial Monument, a tribute to Gold Star Mothers, Fathers, and Relatives who have sacrificed a Loved One for our Freedom. The other side tells a story through the four granite panels: Homeland, Family, Patriot, and Sacrifice. The scenes on each panel are a reflection of each community's Gold Star Families and their fallen Heroes. At the center of this tribute is the most distinct feature of the monument, the cut out which represents the Loved One who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the name of Freedom.

Ann Pate, Fort Chadbourne Director, and Honorary Board Member of the Hershel Woody Williams Foundation said it is very special that Coke County has a memorial such as this erected in our county and at Fort Chadbourne. It honors our families that have paid the ultimate sacrifice and have lost a loved one while serving our country. If you are a Mother, Father, Grandparent, Sister, Brother, Aunt, Uncle, or Cousin who has lost someone, you are a Gold Star Family and this Memorial Monument is for you.

Although, the memorial pays tribute to all Gold Star Families across the United States, Fort Chadbourne would especially like to honor the Coke County Gold Star Families, and for them to be present at the dedication in November. The ceremony is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend. A reception will follow inside the Visitor Center. If family members would like to share a photo of their loved one on that day, they are encouraged to bring a photograph with them. If unable to attend you may email or mail a photo of your loved

one.

For more information please call (325) 473-5311 or (325) 743-2555. You may also send an email to the foundation at fchadbourne@taylortel.net

'64 Study Club meeting held

The '64 Study Club met on Monday, October 9, 2017, at the First Baptist Church. The program was presented by Morgan Runyan. She provided the group with succulent plants and soil to observe at home. She cautioned the group to let the plants dry out before watering. The experimental plot of drought tolerant plants at the Coke County Courthouse was discussed. Morgan explained that a variety of species had been planted to see how they reacted to the West Texas weather. Further plans include a water collection system.

The Coke County Extension Office includes 4-H programs, community health, ag and natural resources services through the A&M agrilife program.

The Study Club group also discussed plans for a chicken spaghetti casserole sale in the spring. Tickets will be pre-sold to determine quantity of supplies needed.

The next meeting will be held at Noel's on November 13 for the annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

November VP meeting held

Vision With A Purpose of Robert Lee held it's monthly meeting Thursday, November 4 at the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church.

Pastor Cyndi Weidner opened the meeting with prayer, then a meal was served.

Minutes from last month were presented and approved. Crystal Stanford then gave the Treasurer's report which was approved.

New officers were nominated for the coming year. They included President Nancy Wilson, Vice President Crystal Stanford, Secretary Sheri Millican, Treasurer Beverly Burdett, Sergeant of Arms Anthony Lopez, Parliamentarian Jeffie Roberts, Photographer Leta Caston, Reporter Dianne Hefner, and Long Range Planning

Cancer Messed with the Wrong Cookie

Benefit for Cookie Burns and her battle with cancer

Saturday, November 19 • Blaine's Pub

10 W. Harris, San Angelo, Texas

Poker Run Registration 9:30 am, \$25/Bike

First Bike Out - 10:30 am, All Back - 2 pm

Pulled Pork Meal 11 am - 4 pm

\$10/plate, to-go plates available

Silent Auction 11 am - 4 pm • Live Auction 3:30 pm

FMI or to donate, contact Cathy Sparks at

(325) 245-8882 or Debra Friend at (325) 656-1353.



Memorial! Hershel "Woody" Williams poses with one of the Gold Star Families Memorials, which is similar to the one to be erected at Fort Chadbourne.

Commissioner Floyd Pettitt. New officers terms will begin in January, 2018.

Floyd Pettitt presented an update on our office on Austin Street. The elevator is being installed and the office will not be ready for use by Small Town Christmas on December 2. The celebration has been moved to the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church. All construction and improvements have been generously donated. All monies made by VP are going toward community improvements, not the building.

The Hunter's Bar-B-Q plans were finalized for Saturday, November 4. Assignments were given out for the event. Sales of raffle tickets for the UTV and guns were turned in. Tickets were also available at the door.

Small Town Christmas will be here very soon on Saturday, December 2, at the Family Life Center. Decorations will be put up November 11 in Memorial Park. Santa Claus will arrive by fire truck at 5:15 pm on December 2. Food will be available for purchase includes chili, stew and cornbread, drinks and gingerbread men. Plan on spending the evening with good music, good food and even a hay ride!

Also decorate your homes and/or businesses; we're having another lighting contest this year.

Entries must be turned in by November 30 and judging will be December 10.

Two beautiful quilts have been donated for a silent auction. Bids can be made Saturday, December 2 at our Small Town Christmas at the Family Life

Center. Several new members have joined VP and we are looking for more. Our next meeting will be Thursday, December 7 at the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church at 6 pm. A meal will be served.

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Robert Lee Rec Hall

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm • \$5/Plate

**A bodacious cake auction will
follow with goodies provided
by the '64 Study Club!**

Come one, come all!!



Steers drop district game

by Tom Sawyer

Robert Lee lost their second district game against the Westbrook Wildcats in Westbrook on Friday night.

With four teams in our football district and this being the second loss the Steers will face their final opponent this Friday against the Garden City Bearcats at our home field at 7:30.

Steer fans please come out to the game and show your support for our Steers.

WE BLEED ORANGE
STEER PRIDE

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

Wildcats - 22 yard pass with 9:05 left, PAT kick good;
Wildcats - 36 yard pass with 8:12 left, PAT kick good;
Wildcats - 20 yard run with 7:41 left, PAT kick good;
Wildcats - 25 yard run with 7:00 left, PAT kick good;
Wildcats - 12 yard run with 1:27 left, PAT kick good.
Steers - 0
Wildcats - 40

2nd Quarter

Steers - 44 yard pass from Fowler to Mendoza with :01 left PAT failed.

Steers - 6
Wildcats - 40

3rd Quarter

Steers - 47 yard run by Smith with 9:51 left, PAT by C. Skipworth;

Wildcats - 2 yard run with 6:26 left, PAT kick good;
Wildcats - 38 yard pass with 3:20 left, PAT kick good.

Steers - 14
Wildcats - 56

4th Quarter

Wildcats - 8 yard run with 6:39 left, game called by Mercy rule.

Final Score

Steers - 14
Wildcats - 62

Player Statistics

Lane Fowler - 9 carries for 45 yds., 2 of 6 passing for 61 yards and 1 TD and 10 tackles;
Hunter Jowers - 6 tackles and 1 fumble recovery;
Daniel Mendoza - 2 carries for 1 yard, 1 reception for 44 yds. and 1 TD and 9 tackles;
Nathan Scates - 1 carry for 6 yards, 1 reception for 17 and 7

tackles;

Bubba Bohannon - 9 tackles and 1 fumble recovery;
Isaiah Smith - 10 carries for 87 yds. and 1 TD and 5 tackles
Jorge Mendoza - 5 tackles;
Casey Skipworth - 2 tackles and 1 PAT kick.

GO STEERS STEER PRIDE

Robert Lee will be at home against Garden City at 7:30 pm this week, Friday, November 10.

Longhorns add one to the win column

The Longhorns went to Baird last week to resume district play against the Bears.

After a slow start, the Longhorns offense finally got rolling to score 24 points in the second half. The defense played lights out all night, only allowing 6 points. The Longhorns got in the win column with a final score of 24-6.

Tanner Bedford led the team offensively 5-11 passing for 32 yards and a TD, and 19 rushes for 119 yards. Garret Knight got over the century mark on the ground as well for the Longhorns with 21 rushes for

112 yards and 2 touchdowns. Knight also led the defense with 7 tackles. Also playing well defensively was the duo of Colton and Riley McIntire. The McIntires were in the Baird backfield all night causing problems.

The Bronte Longhorns will host Albany this week, Friday, November 10, to take on the Lions at 7:30 pm.

Hornets shut out another team

Nine different Hornets scored as Blackwell blasted Trent 59-0 Thursday in Blackwell.

Freshman Cameron Coldiron got things started by returning the opening kickoff for a touchdown. Less than a minute later, sophomore Brandon Brinkman ran in a 33 yard score. Blackwell led 51-0 at the end of the first quarter. In the second, Blackwell saw Senior Jimmie Lewis plow through the line for a 1 yard score and freshman Jaydon Taylor sail the extra point through.

Blackwell is now 2-0 in district and 9-0 on the season. The Hornets end their regular season

next week at Highland in the Battle of the Bell.

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

9:50 - Cameron Coldiron 50 yard Kick Off Return TD, PAT Michael Lowry to Cameron Coldiron.

Blackwell - 7
Trent - 0

8:42 - Brandon Brinkman 33 yard TD, PAT Kyler Walls good.

Blackwell - 15
Trent - 0

7:09 - Nathaniel Shipman Fumble Recovery in End Zone TD PAT Kyler Walls good.

Blackwell - 23
Trent - 0

5:24 - Michael Lowry to Orrin Sirmons 42 yard TD, PAT Kyler Walls good.

Blackwell - 31
Trent - 0

3:00 - Hunter Clark 55 yard TD PAT Kyler Walls good.

Blackwell - 39
Trent - 0

2:51 - Peyton Hinkley 25 yard TD, PAT Jared Taylor no good.

Blackwell - 45
Trent - 0

1:04 - Brenden Scott 18 yard TD, PAT Jared Taylor no good.

BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL



vs. Albany Lions

Friday, November 10

7:30 pm
Bronte



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September 1	Roby	Here	7:30	7	20
September 8	TLCA	There	7:30	6	42
September 15	Munday	Here	7:00	0	48
September 22	McCamey	There	7:30	0	54
September 29	Irion County**	Here	7:30	22	29
October 6	OPEN				
October 13	Miles *	There	7:30	22	36
October 20	Cross Plains *	There	7:30	0	58
October 27	Winters *	Here	7:30	27	35
November 3	Baird *	There	7:30	24	6
November 10	Albany *	Here	7:30		
* District Games				** Homecoming Game	



...Blackwell Football

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Blackwell - 51
Trent - 0

2nd Quarter

5:35 - Jimmie Lewis 1 yard TD, PAT Jared Taylor good.

Final Score

Blackwell - 59
Trent - 0

Offensive Stats

Passing

Michael Lowry - 1 of 1, 42 yards, 1 TD.

Receiving

Orrin Sirmons - 1 reception, 42 yards, 1 TD.

Rushing

Jimmie Lewis - 4 rushes, 5 yards, 1 TD;

Brandon Brinkman - 2 rushes, 44 yards, 1 TD;

Brenden Scott - 1 rush, 18 yards, 1 TD;

Hunter Clark - 1 rush, 55 yards, 1 TD;

Peyton Hinckley - 1 rush, 25 yards, 1 TD;

Drew Hardy - 1 rush, 8 yards.

Special Teams

Cameron Coldiron - 50 yard

kick off return TD.

PATs

Kyler Walls - 4 of 4;
Jared Taylor - 1 of 3;

Michael Lowry to Cameron Coldiron extra point conversion.

Defensive Stats

Joe Sanchez - 4 tackles;

Hunter Clark - 2 tackles;

Devin Clower - 3 tackles;

Peyton Hinckley - 4 tackles;

Sam Brinkman - 1 tackle;

Hunter Perry - 1 tackle;

Nathaniel Shipman - 6 tackles, 1 fumble recover for TD;

Cameron Coldiron - 3 tackles;

Caleb Sirmons - 1 tackle;

Zach Panzer - 2 tackles;

Cade McKee - 3 tackles;

Jared McMurtrey - 2 tackles; 1 onside kick recovery.

Lady Longhorns

qualify for regional quarterfinal game

The Bronte Lady Longhorns continued their playoff run as they took on the Gorman Lady Panthers on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, in Clyde. The Lady



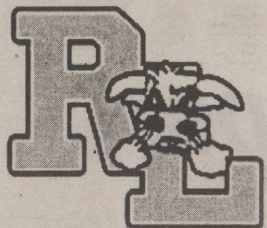
State Competition! The Bronte High School Longhorn Band competed at the UIL State Marching Band Competition on November 6, 2017. They placed 9th in the state in the 1A division.

Longhorns have qualified for this Regional Quarterfinal game by winning their first two rounds in the UIL playoff bracket. The defeat of Lingleville in the Bi-

District match was the first step and then the Area round game brought an exciting win in a three set match against Benjamin.

Thank you to all of the parents, fans, and supporters who continue to follow the successes of these remarkable young ladies.

ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL



ROBERT LEE
STEERS

vs. Garden City Bearkats

Friday, November 10

7:30 pm

Robert Lee



RLHS

September 1	Panther Creek	Here	73	79
September 8	Grady	There	50	34
September 15	Santa Anna	There	52	6
September 22	Ira	There	38	68
September 29	Highland**	Here	36	34
October 6	Rankin	Here	22	68
October 13	OPEN			
October 20	Eden	There	64	28
October 27	Sterling City *	Here	40	90
November 3	Westbrook *	There	14	62
November 9	Garden City *	Here		

* District Games ** Homecoming Game
All games begin at 7:30 pm.

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SCHOOL PAGE

Dogies win in close game over Westbrook

The Robert Lee Junior High Dogies pulled out a win over Westbrook with a score of 35-32.

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

Dogies - Reid Crisp - 41 yard run, point after run good by Reid, score 7 - 0;

Dogies - Michael Munoz - 22 yard run, point after run good by Michael, score 14-0;

Dogies - Reid Crisp - 46 yard interception return, kick good by Reid, score 22-0.

2nd Quarter

Westbrook - 1 yard run, score 22-6;

Dogies - Reid Crisp - 1 yard run, score 28-6.

3rd Quarter

Dogies - Reid Crisp - 77 yard run, point after good by Wayne Riley, score 35-6;

Westbrook - 37 yard run, point after good, score 35-13;

Westbrook - 40 yard run, point after good, score 35-20.

4th Quarter

Westbrook - 50 yard run, score

35-26;

Westbrook - 37 yard run, score

35-32.

Player Statistics

Rushing

Reid Crisp - 10 carries for 137 yards and 3 TDs;

Zane Avants - 1 carry for -4 yards;

Michael Munoz - 11 carries for 58 yards and 1 TD.

Passing

Zane Avants - 0 out of 1;

Michael Munoz - 0 out of 1.

Tackles

Reid Crisp - 11 tackles and 1 interception return for TD;

Caleb Smith - 1 tackle;

Dylan Thomas - 1 tackle;

Zane Avants - 1 tackle and 1 interception;

Judah Smith - 1 tackle;

Michael Munoz - 6 tackles with 1 for loss;

Fernando Sosa - 1 tackle for loss;

Wayne Riley - 9 tackles with 2 for loss;

Benjamin Riley - 1 fumble recovery;

Brayden Sherwood - 1 fumble recovery.

School Menus

Bronte ISD

Breakfast

Monday, November 13

Breakfast pizza or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, November 14

Donut holes or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, November 15

PB&J or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, November 16

Breakfast taquito or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, November 17

Sausage and biscuit or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, November 13

Taquitos, queso, charro beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk

Tuesday, November 14

Meatball sub sandwich, potato

rounds, fresh veggie cup, fruit, milk

Wednesday, November 15

Hamburger, chips, ranch beans, applesauce, milk

Thursday, November 16

Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, gravy, roll, cranberry sauce, fruit, milk

Friday, November 17

Frito pie, Mexicali corn, baby carrots with ranch, salsa, peaches, milk

Robert Lee ISD

Breakfast

Monday, November 13

Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, November 14

Chicken-n-biscuit, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, November 15

Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, November 16

Biscuit, gravy, eggs, bacon, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, November 17

Biscuit, sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, November 13

Pizza, seasoned corn, red bell

pepper strips, tomato cup, fruity gelatin, milk

Head Start - pizza, seasoned corn, fruity gelatin, milk

Tuesday, November 14

Chili cheese combo, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk

Wednesday, November 15

Taquitos, queso, charro beans, corn, salsa, seasonal fruit, fruit crisp, milk

Head Start - taquitos, queso, charro beans, corn, sliced seasonal fruit, milk

Thursday, November 16

Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, green beans, salad, apple slices, milk

Head Start - chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, green beans, apple slices, milk

Friday, November 17

Hamburger, garnish, cucumber slices, baby carrots, cinnamon applesauce, cookie, milk

Head Start - hamburger, garnish, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, milk

Blackwell CISD

Breakfast

Monday, November 13

BLACKWELL HORNETS FOOTBALL

BLACKWELL
HORNETS
vs. Highland Hornets



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Hornets!

Thursday, November 9

7:30 pm
Highland



			BHS	
September 1	Paint Rock	There	58	0
September 9	Brookesmith**	Here	54	0
September 15	Woodson	Here	66	6
September 22	Rotan	Here	50	26
September 29	Moran	There	40	21
October 6	Veribest	Here	77	38
October 13	Santa Anna	There	52	0
October 20	OPEN			
October 27	Loraine *	Here	58	18
November 2	Trent *	Here	59	0
November 9	Highland *	There		

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Everything
Coke County

Kolache, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday, November 14
 Biscuits, gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Wednesday, November 15
 Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk
Thursday, November 16
 French toast, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Friday, November 17
 Funnel cake, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, November 13
 Nacho supreme, pinto beans, Spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, fruit, milk
Tuesday, November 14
 Corn dog, baked beans, mac-n-cheese, fruit, milk
Wednesday, November 15
 Homemade meatloaf, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, hot roll, fruit, milk
Thursday, November 16
 Baked BBQ chicken, mac-n-cheese, corn, bread, fruit, milk
Friday, November 17
 Beef tips with rice or noodles, carrots, green peas, fruit, milk

VP hosts successful Hunter's BBQ

Another successful Hunter's Bar-B-Que, hosted by Vision With A Purpose, was held Saturday, November 4, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Brisket and all the fixins were served to happy hunters and townfolk!

Raffle tickets were sold for two guns and a new UTV. Winners were UTV - Don Sharp, guns - Melva Winkler Lee and Jeannie Bonner.

Organizations that helped make this a most successful event included the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Dept., 4-H of Robert Lee, AON, 64 Study Club, and lots of community involvement.

Our hunters contribute a lot to the Robert Lee economy and this is our way of showing our appreciation.

All proceeds from this event will go to our county park improvement.

Bronte City Council minutes told

The Bronte City Council met in regular session at City Hall on Thursday, August 24, 2017, at 6:30 pm.

Those present included Mayor Gerald Sandusky, council member Paul Gohman, council member Jim Rodriguez, council member Wade Stautzenberger, council member Stormy Vaughn, city secretary Crystal L. Blevins, and utilities director Ricky Royall. Council member pro tem David Bedford was absent.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by those in council chambers and prayer was given by council member Paul Gohman.

A finance public hearing was held regarding a tax rate of \$0.436351 per \$100 valuation that has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of the City of Bronte. This rate exceeds the effective rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

No citizens were present to

discuss proposed 2017 Tax Rate at the public hearing.

The council discussed considering an ordinance levying ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City of Bronte for 2017; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid.

Council member Stormy Vaughn requests the proposed tax rate to be reduced from \$0.436351 to \$0.43130096 per \$100.00 valuation of property. A motion was made by council member Stormy Vaughn to approve of the property tax rate of \$0.43130096 per \$100.00 valuation; seconded by council member Paul Gohman. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

A public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2017-18 Operating Budget. No citizens were present to discuss Proposed Fiscal Year 2017-18 Operating Budget.

The board discussed considering an ordinance approving and adopting a budget for Fiscal Year 2018; approving summary of estimated and forecasted revenues, providing for filing of adopted budget; and approving all permit license fees and charges for services recommended to be adjusted finding that proper notice of meeting provided by law and ratifying such, and providing for publication. A motion by council member Santiago Rodriguez to approve of the adoption of the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018; seconded by council member Paul Gohman. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

The board discussed considering an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 14-18 passed by the City Council on October 1, 2015, providing for



Fire Safety! The Bronte Elementary School Kindergarten students learned about fire safety from the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department firefighters on Friday, October 13, 2017. The firefighters brought the fire trucks, as well as some of their special equipment, to the school parking lot. They demonstrated how they use their equipment to help the community. The firefighters also set up an activity course for the young students. The students were able to use hammers, carry water hoses, and drag a very heavy set of turnout gear. They learned so much while having a lot of fun!

the collection and disposal of garbage and trash within the City of Bronte, Texas, by revising Section I by the increase of Convenience Center rates. A motion by council member Santiago Rodriguez to approve of amending Ordinance No. 14-18 to change rates at the Convenience Center; seconded by council member Wade Stautzenberger. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

There being no further business, council member Santiago Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm, seconded by council member Stormy Vaughn. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Fall into Good Planting Habits

by Erin Oleksiuk,
 District Technician,
 CCSWD

Fall is the time for planting in West Texas! Tree roots and shrubs grow whenever the temperature is roughly 40 degrees. Planting in the fall and winter months give trees time to establish and ready themselves

for the harsh summer months. If cared for properly, your trees will be bursting with life in the spring!

It is very important to plant and care for your new trees properly. Trees can easily become damaged during transportation from the nursery to the home. If moving a tree by truck or trailer, make sure the limbs and leaves are wrapped with burlap or a bed sheet to protect them from the wind. An uncovered ride home can break limbs and cause leaves to drop after planting. During the first growing season it is crucial to make sure the tree has received proper watering; a new tree will need to be slightly watered every day for the first week after planting, every other day the second week, every third day the third week, and once a month thereafter. Trees do not need fertilizer after planting, spring is the time to fertilize but even then it is recommended to go light on the fertilizer to avoid burning the roots. Staking or tying down a tree should be a last resort; ropes can damage tree bark and will weaken a tree by not allowing it to strengthen itself against the elements.

It is very disheartening to have a tree die; these are the top 10 reasons trees don't survive:

10. Tree is not suitable to live in West Texas heat. Do some research to find the best trees for your area.

9. Not adapted to the local, clay soil. Clay soil can form a slick surface on the sides of the hole that will prevent root growth if not broken up properly.

8. Trunk was damaged during transport or planting. The vascular system of a tree is just below the bark. Young trees have thin bark and can be easily damaged.

7. Wire stake and tags were not removed from tree. Remove all tags from tree and avoid staking.

6. Tree was planted too deeply. The top of the root ball should be even with the surrounding soil.

5. Tree was not healthy when purchased. Check tree for splits, broken branches, insects or disease, and the root system. Do not purchase a tree with encircling roots because the root system will strangle the tree. If already purchased, spread out the roots and cut through them (new roots will grow where you cut the circling roots).

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...Good Planting Habits (Continued from previous page)

4. A weed eater or mower damaged the tree trunk. Be careful when doing yard work around trees.

3. Roots over dried while waiting to be planted. Make sure tree has adequate water if you are unable to plant after purchase.

2. Leaves dehydrated while being transported. Remember to cover limbs and leaves for the ride home.

1. Lack of water or over watering during the first growing season is the #1 killer of trees. Especially in heavy, clay soils. Use weekly soil wetness tests to ensure proper watering.

USDA announces 2018 farm safety net enrollment

Farmers and ranchers with base acres in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or Price Loss Coverage (PLC) safety net program may now enroll for the 2018 crop year.

The enrollment period will end on August 1, 2018.

"Since shares and ownership of a farm can change year-to-year, producers must enroll by signing a contract each program year," Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting Administrator Steve Peterson said. "I encourage producers to contact their local FSA office to schedule an appointment to enroll."

Farmers who are not enrolled for the 2018 enrollment period will not be eligible for financial assistance from ARC or PLC programs for the 2018 crop should commodity prices or farm revenues fall below the historical price or revenue benchmarks established by the program.

Farmers who made their elections in previous years must still enroll during the 2018 enrollment period.

"This week, FSA is issuing approximately \$850 million in rice payments," Peterson said. "These payments are part of the \$8 billion in 2016 ARC and PLC payments that started in October to assist enrolled producers who suffered a loss of revenue or price, or both. Over half a million producers will receive ARC payments and over a quarter million producers will receive PLC payments for 2016 crops."

The ARC and PLC programs were authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill and offer a safety net to agricultural producers when there is a substantial drop in prices or revenues for covered commodities.

Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium grain rice (which includes short grain and sweet rice), safflower seed, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat. Upland cotton is no longer a covered commodity.

For more details regarding these programs, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc.

For more information,

farmers are encouraged to visit their local FSA office. To find a local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

School trains next generation of sheep- shearing professionals

by Gary Joiner

TFB Radio Network Manager Training the next generation of shearers by offering the most cutting-edge technology available to harvest wool is the goal of the Third Annual Sheep Shearing School in San Angelo January 13-15.

The school is a collaborative effort among the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, the American Sheep Industry Association and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association.

Registration is open for the school, which will be held in San Angelo.

Individual registration is \$150 for Texas residents and \$250 for non-residents. The minimum age is 16 years old. Students will receive a sheep shearing handbook and DVD. Previous students will receive a \$100 discount.

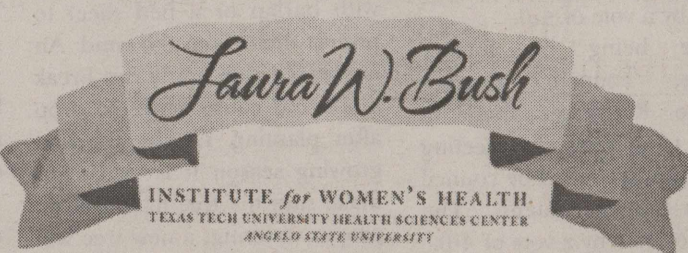
Applications must be submitted by December 1.



Trick or Treat! These cute kids visited the Coke County Courthouse and downtown Robert Lee businesses for candy and goodies on Wednesday, October 25, 2017.

Apply online at <http://agrilife.org/sheepandgoat/> registration or call 325-653-4576.

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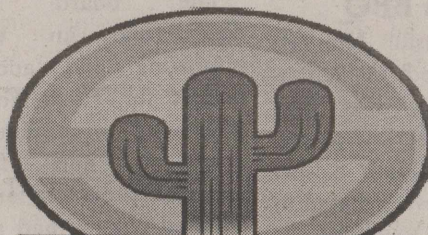
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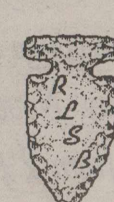
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WWI dog tag crosses ocean back to Texas

In September, a gentleman by the name of Willem Schmidt, who lives in France, discovered a dog tag while digging in his garden. The dog tag belonged to Willie I. Tubb, who was a Coke County native and served in World War I.

After conducting some research, Willem found a blog

online created by Willie's great-nephew, John Millican, that chronicles Willie's life and military career. John uses his blog to honor his great-uncle's memory and to make sure that he is not forgotten (the website address for the blog is www.myunclewillieandworldwaridiary.blogspot.com).

Willem reached out to John and after corresponding, Willem mailed the tag to John. Willem also attached a note expressing his happiness that this piece of family history was back where it belonged.

After almost 100 years, Willie's tag was back on Texas soil.

Willie I. Tubb



The experience of World War I

by Ava Lou Davis
October 29, 1999

My dad, Arthur Milton Tubb, was born November 15, 1894, in Leon County, Texas, to John Lee Tubb and Bettie Beatrice West Tubb. He was one of three children. When he was nine years old, the family moved to Sanco and later to Robert Lee. When he was a young boy, he helped build the Coke County Jail here in Robert Lee. As a young man, he learned to play the guitar; he loved to play and sing.

In 1917, during World War I he was inducted into the Army and transported to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, along with other Coke County men. He was inducted with Willie I. Tubb and Pammie Landers. The three found San Antonio to be a very colorful place in 1918. They lived in tents and trained with whatever was available for them. There was an epidemic of the flu during that time; a lot of men had to be hospitalized and many died.

Willie I. Tubb was born to George W. Tubb and Sarah J. Tubb in 1894. He grew up in Coke County around the Silver area. He attended school there and graduated there and went to secondary school. He taught school for several years. In fact, he taught some of the men when he was in the service, as they had little education.

Pammie Z. Landers was born 1888 in Thrifty, Brown County, Texas, to A. K. and Catherine Landers. He was one of nine children. Later the Landers family moved to a 200 acre farm north of Robert Lee. They became acquainted with other families there, and the area later became known as the Friendship Community.

These three men were good friends, and my dad, Arthur, was a second cousin to Willie I. They were getting ready to be shipped out overseas to France to help in the war against Germany. My dad, like the others, had been equipped with all the necessary gear and had been trained for war. Marching by foot or riding by horseback in the cavalry, my dad, Arthur Tubb, was assigned for certain duties.

The unit was to leave in a matter of days for Europe. My dad was riding by horseback and the pavement was wet.

The horse slid down, falling on my dad, causing injury to his back. The doctors' examinations left no alternative

but to keep my dad from joining the unit going overseas, much to his disappointment, because he wanted to be with his buddies.

Alta Bilbo of Robert Lee said she remembered when the men left home to go to war. She said she was 17 years old in 1918, and it was a sad time. Alta said it was hard times and they couldn't buy certain things. They all got together to help in the war effort. They rolled bandages to send to the Red Cross and Salvation Army. She said there was an epidemic of flu everywhere. Alta told me the

drug store was owned by Charlie Goss, and Dr. Coalson was the doctor. Her husband to be, Alli Bilbo, worked in the drug store.

Floy Sawyer, also of Robert Lee said she was 5 years old in 1918, and times were hard. She said her father was a farmer and they had to move a lot because of bad crops. She said a man drove her and her family from Indian Creek near Brownwood in a large touring car to the train station in Brownwood. They went to College Port, Texas, on the bay, to try with new crops.

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BLACKWELL CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:				
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 6,822,297	\$ 698,057	\$ 41,963	\$ 7,562,317
State Program Revenues	399,989	1,863	5,295	407,147
Federal Program Revenues	-	-	13,359	13,359
Total Revenues	7,222,286	699,920	60,617	7,982,823
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
Instruction	1,649,430	-	13,359	1,662,789
Instructional Resources and Media Services	57,978	-	-	57,978
Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	8,028	-	-	8,028
Instructional Leadership	12,899	-	-	12,899
School Leadership	232,735	-	-	232,735
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	27,561	-	-	27,561
Health Services	91,590	-	-	91,590
Student (Pupil) Transportation	183,769	-	-	183,769
Food Services	-	-	172,415	172,415
Extracurricular Activities	219,699	-	-	219,699
General Administration	392,302	-	-	392,302
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	588,059	-	-	588,059
Security and Monitoring Services	80	-	-	80
Data Processing Services	18,061	-	-	18,061
Debt Service:				
Principal on Long Term Debt	-	720,000	-	720,000
Interest on Long Term Debt	-	120,200	-	120,200
Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	350	-	350
Intergovernmental:				
Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	3,161,130	-	-	3,161,130
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	45,958	-	-	45,958
Other Intergovernmental Charges	45,594	-	-	45,594
Total Expenditures	6,734,873	840,550	185,774	7,761,197
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	487,413	(140,630)	(125,157)	221,626
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Transfers In	-	-	234,900	234,900
Transfers Out (Use)	(234,900)	-	-	(234,900)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(234,900)	-	234,900	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	252,513	(140,630)	109,743	221,626
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	532,220	146,165	-	678,385
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 784,733	\$ 5,535	\$ 109,743	\$ 900,011

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...Sheep Shearing School

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"We teach the basics of the shearing pattern. A lot of it is you learn how to handle the animal so you don't hurt yourself or the animal and how to harvest the wool efficiently," said Dr. Reid Redden, Extension state sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo, in an interview with the Texas Farm Bureau Radio Network. "We update shearing equipment, handling equipment and the most advanced shearing technique and process that we have available to us."

Redden said the heart of the fine wool sheep industry in Texas is in and around San Angelo. But there are smaller flocks of sheep popping up all over the state and the nation. And he said some of those are just too far away for major shearing crews to get to, so there's a growing demand for small flock shearing.

...World War I

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Meanwhile, more Yanks had started to arrive in a tired Europe. The American Troops had been in Europe since Aug. 1917, when they had paraded down the streets of London. Once in France the Doughboys were put through rigorous training in both trench and open warfare. As they gained skill, they were posted to sentry duty or sent out on small raids. As of December 31, 1917, 176,665 American Troops were in France. America was badly prepared for the war it entered on April 6, 1917. Woodrow Wilson was the President of the United States.

On July 4, 1918, three days after Vaux fell, American G.H.Q. at Chaumont announced loudly that more than one million Americans had arrived in France.

Willie I. Tubb and Pammie Landers had left Arthur Tubb at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio and they shipped out to Europe. They arrived with their division fresh off the boats. They carried the Model 1917 rifle, a weapon so awkward and crudely tooled that their firing was only effective at short range.

They arrived wearing hot O.D. Woolens with choker collars, which in the July heat, only added another atrocity to the Western front. However, when they came down the gangplank, they radiated vigor and confidence. They stood tall and appeared all powerful, thanks to the campaign hats they were wearing. There has never been a prouder, happier, more talkative army under the American Flag.

As they marched over the Roman Roads, they sang the bawdiest songs within memory: "Lulu", "Frankie and Johnny", and the "Fusiliers", a ditty that was later cleaned up to become "I've got sixpence" of World War II.

World War I was a bloody war and it was then that the Mustard Gas was introduced.

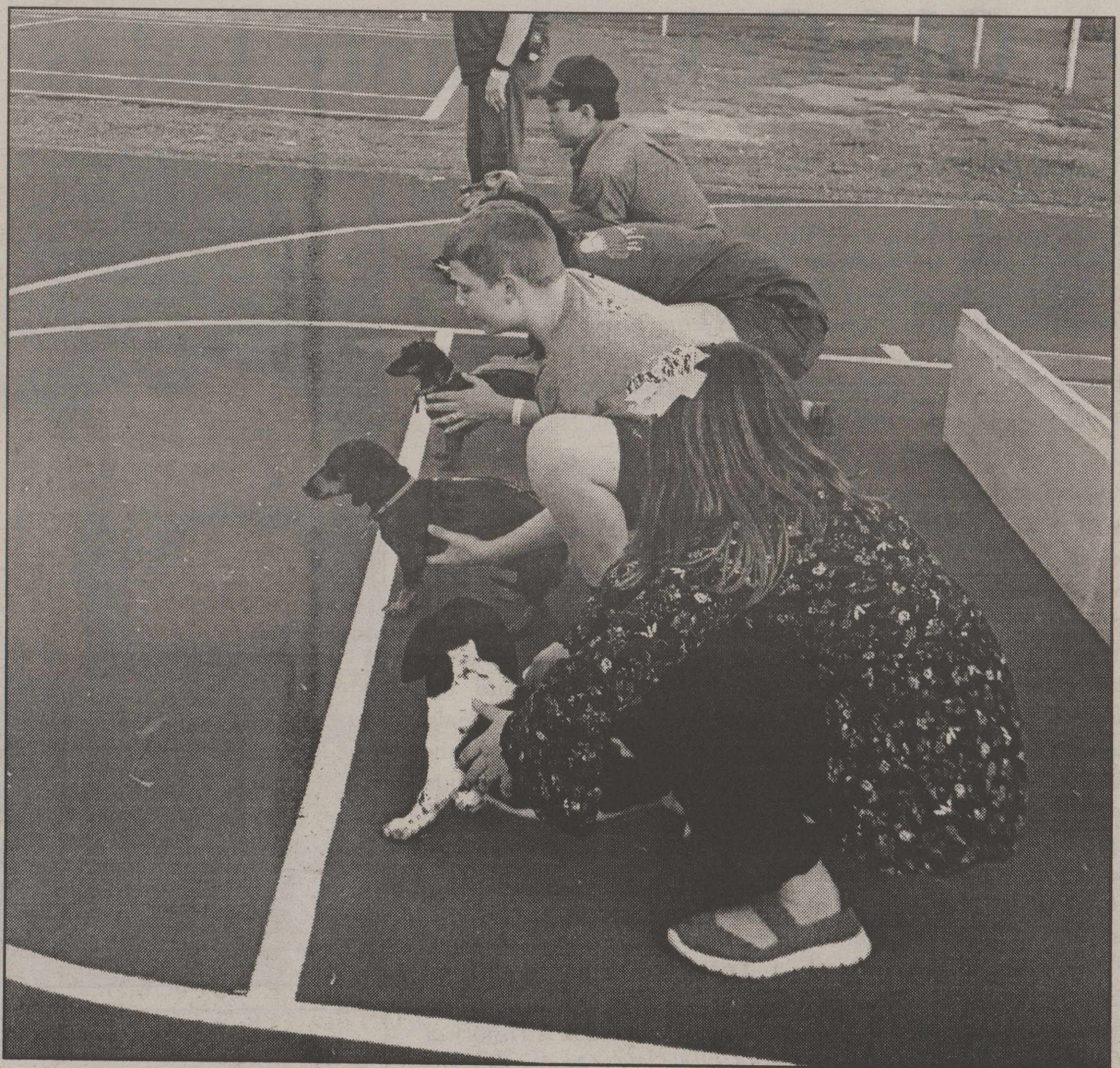
Pammie Landers was in the

130th M.G. Bat. 35th Division. He was killed 29 September 1918, three days after Armistice; they didn't get the word in time while fighting in the trenches. Pammie was a courageous hero; he paid the supreme sacrifice. Pammie was buried somewhere in France, in a place called Ramagne, in a cemetery named Meuse-Argonne. Clodene Greer Guillary of Waco, Texas, one of Pammie's nieces, was able to go to France to visit his grave.

Although Pammie was unable to return home with Arthur and Willie I., his memory lives on. Pammie had two nephews living in Robert Lee, Wilbern Millican and Finis Millican. Wilbern named one of his sons after his uncle Pammie. Other nieces and nephews have kept some memorabilia on Pammie. My dad, Arthur Tubb, was instrumental in naming the local American Legion Post after Pammie Landers. Pammie was the only man killed from Robert Lee during World War I.

After the fighting in the trenches had ended in France and they were told that Armistice was signed, according to Willie I., the Germans and Americans offered one another cigarettes. Willie was able to get acquainted with several families before returning home.

Willie I. lived in Silver, Texas. He became a rancher and was successfully involved in investments in the oil industry until his death. Willie has one



Dog Races! These pups were some of the participants at the annual 'Running of the Weiners' at the 3rd Annual Brontetoberfest, held October 21, 2017.

nephew, Bunyon Millican living at Silver, along with great nieces and nephews.

After my dad, Arthur Tubb had the accident on the horse at Fort Sam Houston, he was honorably discharged and returned home.

He was in the cafe business and later was involved in stock farming. He married Mary Maxwell and raised a family. Arthur was in the American Legion, serving as adjutant for

over 35 years in Robert Lee.

My dad, Arthur, never forgot Pammie and the time they spent together while training at Fort Sam Houston.

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Old Coke County Jail is 110 Years Old!

Coke County Jail! Coke County Historical Commission members assembled at the installation of the plaque documenting the Old Coke County Jail fencing project, along with Julian Torres, welder and senior at Robert Lee High School (top photo). Those in attendance included Torres, Brenda Hines, Bobby Blaylock, Phelan Wrinkle, Bobbie Allen, Peggy Davis, and Jerita Taylor.

Jeff Brisbin, Agriculture Department at Robert Lee ISD, Bobby Blaylock, and Julian Torres, discuss the installation of the fence plaque.

The Old Coke County Jail is now 110 years old. For the past several years a preservation project funded by the Roberta Cole Johnson estate and through the direction of Charles and Joy Millican Blake has preserved the building for another 100 years.

The Old Jail property has recently been defined by an iron fence forged in Coke County by Steve Clark and Ryan Jones, with the planning of Jeff McCrea, who oversaw the Old Jail preservation project with Coke County Historical Commission members.

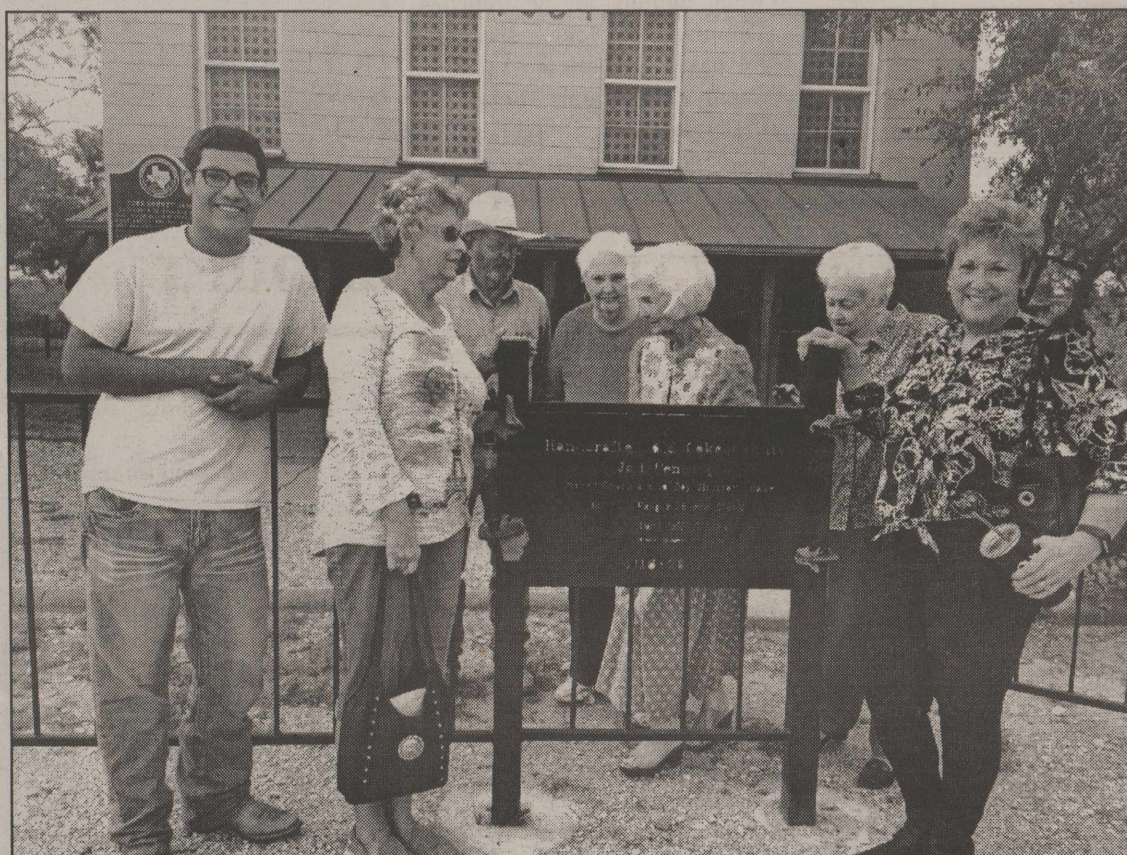
Charles and Joy Blake are the benefactors of the fence project. The local NRCS office personnel helped in measuring the property when the project began two years ago.

The fence now bears a plaque designed and cut by Caitlin McGuire of Bronte ISD and installed with the help of Jeff Brisbin, Ag Dept. at Robert Lee ISD and Julian Torres, senior at RLHS. The plaque documents the date and people involved in

the fencing project.

Historical documentation of the preservation of the Old Jail property began with a master's thesis from the University of Texas by Kara Dotter who spent a year in research into the construction materials, installation of the cells by the the Southern Folger Detention Equipment company still in operation in San Antonio, and included professional historical preservation procedures necessary.

Local history of the jail was documented by Bonita Copeland Cartrite in her book *A History of the Old Coke County Jail and Sheriffs: With Related Facts and Tales*. The first printing has sold out. A second printing of her work is in the planning. Descendants and friends of the sheriffs who served the County prior to 1969 reside in the County and can relate first hand stories of the Old Jail, its sheriffs and its history. It is hoped their historical remembrances can also be documented for the next generation.



Why should you care about the farm bill?

by Gene Hall

The process of reauthorizing the farm bill has begun in Congress. That happens every five years. Historically, the farm bill has received a lot of support. It provides for conservation, food for the hungry and a safety net for farmers.

In recent years, this debate has been difficult. The environmental left sees the bill as an opportunity to force regulations on agriculture that would be difficult. The far right sees the farm bill as an affront to the free market.

Agriculture uses technology to make enormous strides in environmental protection. We get much bigger yields from the same amount of land we farmed 50 years ago, with much less fuel and chemicals.

As for an absolutely free market, just understand that means most of our food will be grown somewhere else. Other nations subsidize food production heavily. Others have far fewer regulations and lower

labor costs.

The farm bill helps keep our farmers on the land—a national food security issue.

If your Congressman asks, there are many good reasons to have a farm bill.

...World War I

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When he played the guitar and sang some of the World War I songs, "Over There" and "It's a long, long, way to Temporary" he always ended with this song he learned while he was in the Army. He taught this to my brother, Mack, and I. It goes like this:

"Oh she promised to meet me
When the clock struck seventeen,
In the stock yard a mile away
from town,

Where the pig feet and pig
ears,

and the tough old Texas Steers,
Sell for sirloin steaks at 17
cents a pound.

She's my Darlin', my Daisy,
She's hump back, she's crazy,
She's knock knee'd, bowlegged
and she's blind.

Oh, they say her teeth are
false,

Just from drinkin epsom salts.
She's my freckle faced,
sonsumptive Susan Brown"

Written in memory of Pammie

Landers, Willie I. Tubb and
Arthur Tubb.

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