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McMullan girls take top AJRA honors

by Melinda McCutchen

A true champion has been crowned in the American Junior Rodeo Association 12 & Under Division. Tessie McMullan of Bronte won both the Year End All-Around and the National Finals Rodeo All-Around Championship. For her efforts, she received a new two-horse trailer, a saddle, 3 buckles, a trophy saddle blanket, a pair of Justin boots, a certificate for Reebok shoes, and a \$1,000 savings bond.

Winning both of these titles is quite an accomplishment. However, the adversities Tessie has had to overcome in the last few weeks separates her from the rest of the competitors.

All the kids running for year-end titles will haul to as many rodeos as they can to pile up a

great number of points. This race becomes quite frantic in the months just prior to the finals.

At the beginning of the last lap of the race for the year-end titles, Tessie stepped off her horse while goat tying and broke her foot. She continued to compete in most of her events, such as barrel racing, pole bending, breakaway roping, etc. while waiting for her foot to heal. Just as she was ready to come back full steam and only one week prior to the beginning of the finals rodeo, her good gelding "Shelley Belle" was operated on for an impaction high in his small intestine.

Thus commenced a mad scramble to mount Tessie on good horses for each event. Tessie ended up borrowing horses from family, friends,

and even her little sister and brother, Lillian and Arlis.

Lillian is a champion in her own right. This was the first year for the AJRA to have an 8 & Under division. Lillie rode away with the very first AJRA 8 & Under Barrel Racing Championship. In the process, she won a trophy saddle blanket. She also placed third in the second round of goat tying.

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Extravaganza has "something for everyone"

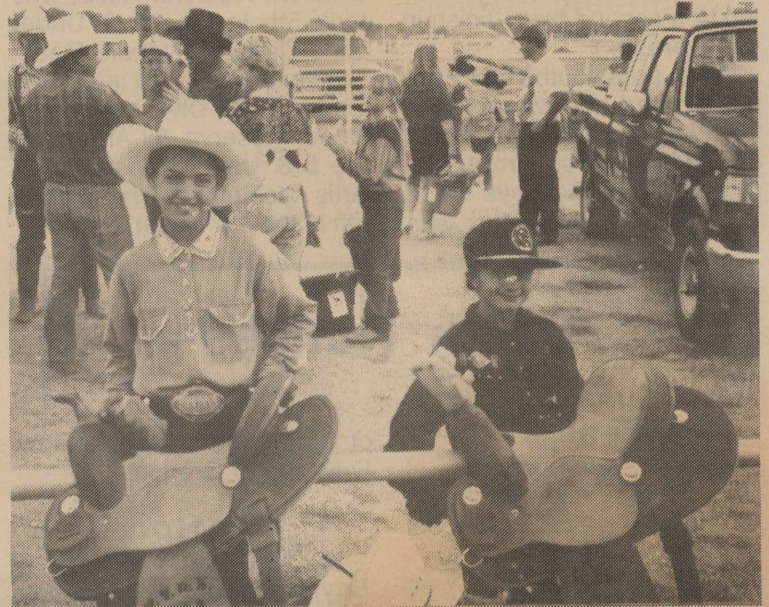
There will be something for everyone at the Labor Day Extravaganza in Robert Lee on Saturday. The 6th annual festival, sponsored by the West Coke County Community Development, will be held in the shady county park near the baseball fields and surrounding area. The all-day event will feature the Rabbit Twister Chili and BBQ Cookoff, arts and crafts, horseshoe and washer pitching, barrel train rides, beach volleyball tourney, a basketball shooting tournament, and lots of food and drinks. The Red Canyon Archery Club will be shooting in the amphitheatre.

It's not too late to sign up to play in the Beach Volleyball Tourney. Call Rosa Long at 453-2148 or Ruth Luna, 453-4742.

Arts and crafts will be outdoors under the trees and also inside the air-conditioned Rec Hall. Good booth locations are still available. Call to reserve yours - Joan Davis, 453-2301; Debbie Wilkes, 453-2819; Billy Kelly, 453-2362; or Carol Hardaway, 453-2287.

Coke County Bass Club will cook fish and fries; the Lions Club will have burgers for the evening meal; the local PTA has chosen homemade ice cream; one individual is making hot tamales; the WCCCD will sell soft drinks; and a local cook will have fajitas.

The event will run from early until late. A dance on the tennis courts will wrap up the day with music provided by Wagner Sound System. A nominal fee will be charged for the 8:00 to midnight dance.



Tessie and Lillian McMullan, daughters of David and Mary McMullan of Bronte, are shown with the saddles they won by competing in the West Texas Rodeo Association series. Tessie won the 9-12 Girls Division All-Around and Lillian, winning her first saddle, won the 8 & Under Girls Division.

Coke Comment

by Hal Spain, Publisher

It is probably way past time for us to have a discussion of our editorial and letters policy; so with your permission I'll do it now.

First of all, yes, we will print your letters concerning most any subject. There are a few conditions that we must insist on in order to protect the newspaper. First, the letter must be signed. No, it cannot be signed "Sleepless in Seattle" or "Bothered in Bronte" or "Rubbed Raw in Robert Lee". We need your signature on there and your address; so we can verify that you are a real person and not just some foreigner trying to start some kind of insurrection.

You can, however, request that your name be withheld, and believe it or not, we don't give out that kind of information without a court order.

Keep in mind that this does not relieve you of a libel suit, should you say something ugly about somebody that isn't true. And, we do reserve the right to edit these letters any way we see fit, such as for length, libelous content, etc.

The other most misunderstood part of our letters policy is a card of thanks. Expressions of appreciation to

an individual or group in a news article or letter to the editor will automatically be cut off with Joan's big scissors and dumped unceremoniously into the round file. If you want these thank-you's printed, we will be happy to put them where they belong in the classifieds under **Card of Thanks**, and charge you a very nominal amount to print them (average charge is \$7 to \$8). That is how we make a living, and we don't apologize for it too much.

I would not close this without discussing just how unique our situation is here in Coke County. When I first came here twelve years ago, I was impressed with how local folks turned in their news. And we print it, in most cases, just like it's turned in. We've gone through some pretty major changes since then, such as consolidating the papers, desktop publishing, etc. One thing I hope never changes is how you turn in your news. This is your paper, and as the saying goes, if you don't see your name in the paper, then you forgot to turn in your news. Let us hear from you, whether it be a news item, letter, or whatever. We'll be glad to assist you in whatever way we can.

...Upcoming

Labor Day observed

The Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee will be closed Monday, Sept. 4, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Most county businesses and public offices will also be closed, including the Observer/Enterprise newspaper offices.

Tennyson Homecoming

Tennyson Homecoming will be held Saturday, Sept. 2, at the Tennyson Community Center. Visitation will begin at 2:00 pm. A covered dish supper will be held at 6:00 pm. All former residents of the Tennyson community are invited to attend this gathering. For further information, contact Mrs. Robert Brown at 473-7206.

Blackwell board meeting scheduled

Blackwell CISD will hold a board meeting Thursday, September 14.

Commodities

Food commodities will be distributed on the second Friday of the month, September 8th, at the Robert Lee and Bronte Senior Citizens Center building. Distribution is from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Library Storytime scheduled

Storytime will start September 5th at Coke County Library. It begins at 10:00 am, and Laurie Miracle is in charge of the program this year. Storytime is for 3, 4, and 5 year olds not in school.

4-H meetings to resume

The Coke County 4-H club meetings will resume in September.

The Rabbit Twister club (grades 3-7) will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, September 6th, at 3:45 pm in the Robert Lee school cafeteria. The Future Leaders club (grades 8-12) will begin at 6:00 pm.

The Renegade club (grades 3-12) will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, September 13th, at 4:00 pm at the Bronte Agricultural department.

Anyone wanting to participate in the 4-H program may sign up at this time.

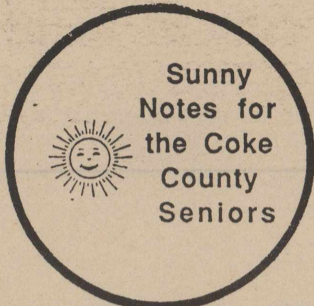
Gospel singing

Central Baptist Church in Bronte will be the site for the monthly old-fashioned gospel singing. It will be held Sunday, Sept. 3, from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Everyone in the area is invited to attend this enjoyable event.

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Glaucoma screening canceled

Due to the lack of response from the community, Texas Society to Prevent Blindness canceled their screening last week. In order for them to justify coming from Midland to provide this free service to the community, they had to have a better appointment list. They have agreed to come back whenever we would like to reschedule, so next time you see it advertised, please call and sign up!

Can you believe it!

September is already upon us. Where has the summer gone? September will be a busy month: 2 quilting days, commodities, blood pressure and glucose screenings, fuel assistance representative, food stamp representative, games and potluck, and of course our congregate meals three days a week. The rural public transportation van goes to San Angelo each Tuesday for medical appointments and social service agencies. We offer a lot. Please take advantage of these services!

Senior Center closed

The Bronte Senior Center will be closed Monday, Sept. 4, in observance of Labor Day.

Quilters

Thursday, Sept. 7, is an additional day of quilting. Charlie Belle Bagwell will have the quilt. Supplies have been bought to begin piecing the Rehab '96 quilt. Contact Ann Ellis for more information about the Rehab quilt.

RSVP Luncheon

Plans for transportation

to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program luncheon are underway. Those of you who are RSVP volunteers should have received your invitation in the mail. The luncheon is Friday, Sept. 8. We will not be able to take the rural public transportation van because of our regular congregate meals, so if you plan to go, give Mary a call and let her know. This is a special event held each year to honor our RSVP ladies and gentlemen.

Meals for the Week

Monday, Sept. 4

Center closed for Labor Day

Wednesday, Sept. 6

Chili dog w/ chili sauce, Corn, Spinach, Bread, Jello w/ whipped cream

Friday, Sept. 8

Beef tips w/ mushrooms, Noodles, Broccoli w/ cheese, bread, Tossed salad w/ dressing, Fresh fruit cup.

Blackwell School Lunch Menu

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 4

Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 5

Corn Dogs, French Fries, Green Beans, Okra, Dessert, Milk

Wednesday, Sept. 6

Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Black Eyed Peas, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Sept. 7

Tacos, Refried Beans, Corn, Lettuce & Tomato, Dessert, Milk

Friday, Sept. 8

Sandwiches, Soup, Salad, Cookies, Milk

Arrotts observe 45th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. LeDrew Arrott celebrated their 45th anniversary August 27, 1995, at a family dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shane Webb.

LeDrew Arrott and Bobbie Tomlinson were married August 26, 1950, in Bronte. Their children are: Nick and Linda Arrott, Mike and Andra Arrott, Randy and Kim Arrott Crooks, and Shane and Alisa Arrott Webb. They have 14 grandchildren: Jayson, Stanley, Danny, Micah, Nicholas, Chad, Keith, Courtney, Shaylon, Kala, Tanner, Chrissie, Joel and Cheyenne. They have one great grandson, Mason Hoyt.

They have lived in Bronte since their wedding. LeDrew is semi-retired from farming and ranching. Bobbie is retired from First National Bank in Bronte and Angelo Community Hospital, San Angelo. They are members of First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Their mothers, Marie Arrott and Opal Tomlinson, also attended the special occasion, as well as Warren Tomlinson and Jodie Hilliard.

Runnels County Team Penning

The Runnels County Horse Club will be having a Team Penning Saturday, Sept. 2. Books will open at 7:30 pm. It will be held at the Runnels County Horse Club Arena, HWY 158 West. FMI, call 365-2985.

40+ Dance

The 40+ Dance will be held on the first Tuesday, September 5th, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Dancing begins at 7:30, and tickets are available at the door.

...McMullans (ct'd. from page 1)

She was first in the first round of the breakaway roping which led to a second place finish in the average.

Other area youths that have participated and competed in the West Texas Rodeo Association were Dusty Arrott, who placed 3rd in the Boys 13-15 Division, Brandy Denton, who

placed 3rd in the Girls 13-15 Division, Natasha Reed, who took 5th in the 12 & Under Girls Division, Natalie Reed, Reserve All-Around in the 8 & Under Girls Division, Nicole Reed, Reserve All-Around in the 5 & Under Division, and Arlis McMullan, who placed 5th in the 5 & Under Division.

Death Notices

Fannin

James Leroy Fannin, 50, of San Angelo, died Monday, August 28, 1995, in a local hospital.

Graveside service was conducted at 2 pm Wednesday, August 30, in Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger. Arrangements were by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Survivors include three sisters, Barbara Paul of Robert Lee, Ida Mae Chastain of Bastrop and Gladys Campbell

of Kyle; and a son, Jimmy Sylvester of Oregon.

Lofton

W. N. "Jiggs" Lofton, of Baytown, died Wednesday, August 30, at his home. Services will be conducted Saturday, September 2, in Baytown. Navarra Funeral Home is making funeral arrangements.

Court officials attend workshop

Coke County elected officials Judge Jackie Walker, Constable Kenneth Rasco, and Peace Justices Jack Moore and Joan Davis attended a one-day seminar in San Angelo on Tuesday. The workshop, held at Holiday Inn, dealt with the recently enacted Magistrate's Protective Order, which can be issued at the time of a defendant's arrest on family violence charges. That order prevents the defendant from contact with the victim for 31 days.

Coke County jail meets state standards

Coke County Sheriff Marshall Millican received word this week from the Texas Commission On Jail Standards that the county's small jail was in compliance with state regulations. The executive director of the commission, Jack E. Crump, congratulated the department on the day-to-day management, which led to meeting the Texas Minimum Jail Standards.

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Blackwell CISD announces faculty

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 Melinda Busby - First Grade
 Terry Blair - Second Grade
 Lisa Stanford - Third Grade
 Kellye Duncan - Fourth Grade
 Leva Self - Fifth Grade
 Nicole White - Sixth Grade,
 Journalism, High School English
 Rebecca Airhart - Health, PE
 Janet Lisso - Chapter 1/Migrant
 Dona Sanderson - Special Education
 Mary Ussey - CBI Lab
 Sherie Wilkinson - Early Childhood
 Al Blaine - Science, History
 Randy Anderson - Accounting, Keyboard, Counselor
 Lori Griffin - Home Economics
 Duane Hyde - Math, PE, Athletic Director, Head Football Coach
 Bill Magness - History, PE, Ass't. Football Coach, Head Girls' Basketball Coach
 Barbara Smedley - Speech, Reading, English
 Brenda Smith - Computer Literacy, Math
 Keven Smith - Ag., Science
 Cody White - English, PE, Ass't. Football Coach, Head Basketball Coach (6th grade)
 Wanda Saunders - Librarian
 Deborah Mulanax - Secretary
 Deborah Holland - Secretary
 Betty Tankersley - Secretary
 Gary Smith - Principal
 Richard Wood - Superintendent

United Methodist Women meet

Robert Lee's United Methodist Women Dorcas Circle and the new Satellite Circle met in Fellowship Hall in joint session Aug. 23 for a salad supper, program, and business meeting.

Dianne Lockett of Bronte, San Angelo District U. M. W. President, spoke on guidelines and history of the organization and of its influence on Methodism. (With a worldwide membership of 1,500,000 women, it is a powerful force.) During a question and answer period, it became evident that both circles are operating effectively, but new and broader goals were discussed.

Pat Martindale of Bronte, district secretary of literature, gave information concerning literature available through her office, which is recommended by conference-level officers. The many fields of study and activity undertaken by any organization can be supplied through her contacts.

A business meeting concluded the evening's activities.

Visitors and prospective members are welcome to regular meetings of the Dorcas Circle each 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 3:00 pm., and at the Satellite Circle each 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Both groups meet at Fellowship Hall unless notified otherwise.

All welcome at Camp Meeting

All cowboys, cowgirls, and everyone in between, are invited to the Indian Mound Cowboy Camp



Lindy Robinson

Robinson receives degree

Lindy Robinson recently received her Master's degree in Administration & Supervision from Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana, with a 3.7 GPA.

Lindy is a 1980 graduate of Bronte High School and a 1995 graduate of Angelo State University. She is currently employed by the Stanton ISD.

Lindy is married to Robbie Robinson, and they have two children - Jantzen, 6, and Jaxson, 3.

She is the daughter of Elroy and Margie Butler of Nolan, Texas.

Meeting in Crews, Texas, September 8-9. Special guest speaker will be Glenn Smith from Rodeo Cowboy Ministries.

This two-night camp meeting is set to be held at the Indian Mound in the pasture. (From Crews, go 1 3/10 mi. E. on FM 382, and watch for signs. Follow pasture road for approx. 1 mile.) Should it rain (and we hope it does!), the meetings will be held at the old Crews gym, Hwy 153 and FM 382.

On Friday, Sept. 8, hot dogs & hamburgers will be served at 5:30 pm, and the meeting will begin at 6:30. On Saturday, come for barbecue at 5:30 pm, and stay for another good time at 6:30. If you want to help with the Saturday meal, just bring a salad or dessert.

Lake Spence "fish stories"

Lake E. V. Spence - water temp. 84 degrees
 Paint Creek Marina

Jack Orr - San Antonio, reeled in a 6 lb. 4 oz. Black Bass.

Jonie Parker and Terry Brown - Odessa, reeled in 8 lb. and 12 1/2 lb. Stripers.

Vicki Ali, R.L. Flanagan, and Patrick Rayburn - Robert Lee and Odessa, reeled in a limit on Whites and Stripers off Top Water.

Carolyn and Ernest Coates - Odessa, and Gene Wheless - San Angelo, reeled in 7 Stripers using white jigs for a total of 16 1/4 lbs.

Bennie Massey and Bruce Brunning - Odessa, reeled in a limit on Stripers, totaling 48 lbs.

Ken Ratke - Post, reeled in a 12 lb. Stripper.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Breakfast
Tuesday, Sept. 5
 Cereal, Diced Peaches, Toast, Milk
Wednesday, Sept. 6
 French Toast, Mixed Fruit, Milk
Thursday, Sept. 7
 Sausage, Pancakes, Orange Juice, Milk
Friday, Sept. 8
 Breakfast Pizza, Grape Juice, Milk

Lunch
Monday, Sept. 4
 Labor Day!
Tuesday, Sept. 5
 Pizza, Tossed Salad, Green Beans, Diced Pears, Banana Pudding, Milk
Wednesday, Sept. 6
 Nachos, Meat & Cheese, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomato, Nacho Chips, Orange, Milk
Thursday, Sept. 7
 Spud Day, Diced Ham & Cheese, Tossed Salad, Steamed Broccoli, Crackers, Pink Panther Cake, Milk
Friday, Sept. 8
 Bar-B-Que on Bun, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Dill Spears, Ice Cream Cups, Milk

Br. Elementary has 100% attendance

Bronte Elementary has started the year out right! We have already had perfect attendance TWICE this year - on August 24th and August 25th. We at Bronte Elementary are extremely proud of this accomplishment and we would like to salute the students and parents for making it happen.

Last year we had perfect attendance 10 times during the school year, and this year we would like to outdo that accomplishment by issuing a challenge to all our students to be here every day. We are going to try to fill up one of our bulletin boards by hanging a different banner each time we have perfect attendance. We already have two banners up - come see our bulletin board!

Br. graduate receives degree

Stephen Martin Lee, a graduate of Bronte High School, was one of 225 students at Angelo State University to participate in Summer 1995 commencement services at the university. Mr. Lee received a Bachelor of Science degree, with a major in Kinesiology.

Bronte PTA meeting scheduled

The Bronte PTA will meet Sept. 5th at 7:00 pm in the auditorium. Items on the agenda will be a fundraiser and membership drive. This meeting will conclude with a short movie on "You Can Be A Better Parent in 30 Minutes." PTA officers for the '95-'96 school year are: Donna Poehls, President; Lisa Dyess, Vice President; Angie Hoyt, Membership Secretary; Terri Rawls, Treasurer; Susan Graves, Secretary; Angie Basquez, Reporter. Officers may be contacted at Bronte ISD, 473-2511.

Future teachers invited to join TAFE

The Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) will be having a meeting Thursday, Sept. 7th, at 7:00 pm in Mrs. Brewer's room. Anyone who wants to join TAFE is more than welcome to attend. There will be refreshments. Tell a friend!

I am an old man and have known a great many troubles, but most of them have never happened.

Mark Twain

Bronte Longhorn Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 1	Eden - Scrimmage	There	6:00
Sept. 8	Cross Plains	Here	8:00
Sept. 15	Miles	There	8:00
Sept. 22	Roby	Here	8:00
Sept. 29	Santa Anna	There	8:00
**Oct. 6	Menard	Here	8:00
*Oct. 13	Robert Lee	There	7:30
*Oct. 20	Roscoe	Here	7:30
*Oct. 27	Garden City	There	7:30
*Nov. 3	Sterling City	Here	7:30
*Nov. 10	Water Valley	There	7:30
**Homecoming			
*District			

Bronte Shorthorn Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 14	Miles Scrimmage	Here	6:00
Sept. 21	Roby	There	6:00
Sept. 28	Santa Anna	Here	6:00
Oct. 5	Menard	There	6:00
Oct. 12	Robert Lee	Here	6:00
Oct. 19	Roscoe	There	6:00
Oct. 26	Garden City	Here	6:00
Nov. 2	Sterling City	There	6:00
Nov. 9	Water Valley	Here	6:00

Lady Horn Volleyball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 1/2	Central Tourney - V	There	10:00
Sept. 5	Central - 9/JV/V	There	5:00
Sept. 8/9	Andrews Tourney - V	There	TBA
Sept. 12	Open		
Sept. 16	Colorado City Tourney - V	There	TBA
Sept. 19	Snyder - 9/JV/V	Here	5:00
Sept. 23	Albany - 9/JV/V	There	1:00
Sept. 26	Colorado City - 9/JV/V	Here	5:00
Sept. 30	Sweetwater - 9/JV/V	There	1:00
*Oct. 3	Santa Anna - JV/V	There	6:00
*Oct. 7	Miles - 9/JV/V	Here	1:00
*Oct. 10	Water Valley JV/V	There	6:00
*Oct. 14	Santa Anna 9/JV/V	Here	1:00
*Oct. 17	Miles - 9/JV/V	There	5:00
*Oct. 21	Water Valley - JV/V	Here	1:00
*District			

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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

and NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the City of Bronte will request the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing & Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended to be used for the following project:

Project Title: Water and Sewer System Improvements - 714729

Purpose of Project: The Texas Community Development Program project involves installation of 2,300 linear feet of six inch PVC sewer lines, 1,800 linear feet of eight inch PVC sewer lines, 2,100 linear feet of four inch sewer lines, thirteen manholes, thirteen new service connections, and one grinder pump lift station.

Location of Project: Bronte, Coke County, Texas

Estimated Cost of Project: The project involves \$99,500.00 of TCDP funds and \$9,950.00 of local funds for a total project budget total of \$109,450.00.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

It has been determined that such request of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly Bronte has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190).

The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

- (1) There will be no negative impacts on the environment as a result of an activity or project undertaken with Texas Community Development Program funds;
- (2) Some increase in noise, dust or other nuisance levels may occur during the program; however, such disturbances will be temporary and will cease on the completion of the project;
- (3) None of the activities to be undertaken will affect any known local, state or national historic, architectural or archaeological resource presently listed, or potentially eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historical Places or in any state or local registry;
- (4) No impact is anticipated upon the floodplain or other flood hazard areas;
- (5) No effect is expected on protected or endangered wildlife or vegetation; and
- (6) No farmland will be taken from or otherwise adversely impacted.

An *Environmental Review Record*, which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required, has been completed by the City of Bronte. The *Environmental Review Record* is on file at the Bronte City Hall office and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at the City Hall office during normal business hours.

Public Comments on Finding

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Bronte to the address as set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered, and the City of Bronte will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

Release of Funds

Bronte will undertake the project described above with Texas Community Development Program funds from the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs (TDHCA) under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. The City of Bronte is certifying to the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs that Bronte and Martin Lee in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental assessments, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, Bronte may use the Texas Community Development Program funds, and the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and 24 CFR Part 58.75.

Objection to State Release of Funds

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer or other certifying officer of the Contractor approved by TDHCA; or (b) that the Contractor's Environmental Review Record for the project indicates omission for a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR 58), and may be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs, Texas Community Development Program, PO Box 13941, Austin, Texas 78711-3941.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs. No objection received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs. Martin Lee, Mayor
 City of Bronte

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RL Steers & Dogies look good

The Cowboys may be America's team, but the Steers and the Dogies are Robert Lee's teams. A group of All-Sports Booster Club cooks can attest to that. They cooked over 400 burgers for the Meet the Steers night on Monday evening in 90 degree heat. A large crowd filled the stands while the coaching staff and athletes were introduced. Some families went on home for supper, but most stayed for grilled burgers, chips, and tea.

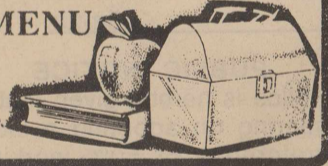
Coach Ed Poehls said Tuesday night that the teams were pleased with the big crowd and it fired them up for the upcoming season. He added the lingering high temperatures had been hard on everybody - especially the coaches!

Squad members for the varsity and junior varsity swelled to 47 this year, which may be a school record for the football program.

Coach Poehls said that although several of the Steers have good size, they will be smaller overall than in the last couple of years. He commended the squad as being "very coachable, hard-working, and anxious to learn." When the coaches reviewed and graded the film of the Ozona scrimmage, they were surprised and pleased at how good the Steers looked so early in the season, he reported.

The Steers will scrimmage in Christoval Thursday, Aug. 31, and open the season schedule against Miles at home on Sept. 8 at 8:00 pm.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

- Monday, Sept. 4
Labor Day
- Tuesday, Sept. 5
Donut, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 6
Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk
- Thursday, Sept. 7
Biscuits & Sausage, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk
- Friday, Sept. 8
Cinnamon Toast, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk
- Lunch**
- Monday, Sept. 4
Labor Day
- Tuesday, Sept. 5
Pizza, Tossed Salad, Buttered Corn, Gingerbread, Milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 6
Sub. Sandwich w/ ham & cheese, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Fruit Cocktail, Milk
- Thursday, Sept. 7
Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Buttered Rolls, Pears, Milk
- Friday, Sept. 8
Miles Bulldogs w/ Mustard, Tator Tots, Pork & Beans, Applesauce, Milk

RL welcomes Coates & family

Joining the coaching staff for 1995-96 is R. L. Coates, a 21-year veteran coach, formerly of Coahoma and Stanford. In addition to his football coaching duties, Coates will be the boys' head basketball coach and will coach the golf teams.

He and his wife, Linda, have one son at home, Rocky Coates, a junior, and by coincidence, already a Steer. Linda is employed by the local school system also.

The Robert Lee coaching staff includes R. L. Coates, Ed Poehls, Sid McCown, Bobby Bolding, and Jimmy Randolph.

TAAS-TEAMS testing

All out-of-school individuals who wish to take the 1995 Fall Exit Level TAAS or TEAMS test must register by Sept. 22, 1995. The TAAS Writing test is scheduled for administration on Monday, Oct. 23, 1995, the TAAS Math test on Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1995, and the TAAS Reading test on Thursday, Oct. 26, 1995. The TEAMS Math test is scheduled for administration on Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1995, and the TEAMS English Language Arts test is

scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 26, 1995.

Robert Lee High School will be a testing site for these tests. Those individuals who have completed all other high school graduation requirements are encouraged to register in advance for any section of the TAAS or TEAMS for which necessary minimum expectations have not previously been met.

Registration packets may be acquired at Robert Lee ISD. For more information, contact Melba Mauldin, Robert Lee ISD, 453-4555.

Look for 911 / voter info booth at Extravaganza

Coke County citizens will have an opportunity to "discover" their 911 address and help local offices clean up and correct records at the 911/Voter Registration Booth at the Labor Day Extravaganza on September 2. The Coke County Voter Registrar's Office, County Judge's Office, U. S. Post Office, and the Concho Valley Council of Governments will be manning the booth to help identify the addresses for citizens and collect change forms to transfer the information to the voter registration records.

Many citizens were unavail-

able at the time the 911 addresses were assigned. This will be a perfect opportunity to make sure all citizens outside the city limits are identified with a unique address that will save precious time in case of emergencies.

The current 911 address listing and current voter registration rolls will be available at the booth. Residents are encouraged to check their records for accuracy, and fill out the form authorizing the addition of the 911 address to the voter registration records. Full voter registration services will also be available at the booth.

Sheep & goat field day

The 22nd Annual Sheep and Goat Field Day will be held Thursday, Sept. 7, at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center located on Highway 87 North in San Angelo. This year's event is dedicated to Senator Bill Sims and Tom Green County Extension Agent Rex Jones. Programs for the day include:

- * Tactical Brush Management
- * Comparison of Performance of Boer cross and Spanish Goats
- * Carcass Characteristics of Goats of Differing Breeds and Crosses

- * Sheep and Goat Teaching and Research
- * Marketing Strategies to Enhance Income from Sheep and Goats
- * Reports of Industry Activities (Lamb and Goat Processing Plant, Sheep Promotion Referendum, and Check off)

Optional tours include:

- * Inspect Meat Goats Performance
- * Quail Reproductive Ecology
- * Sheep and Goat Disease
- * Wool and Mohair Lab
- * Meat Goat Performance Test
- * Safe Use of Cotton Feeds

The 22nd Annual Sheep and Goat Field Day begins with registration at 9:00 am, programs to start at 9:45. Lunch will be catered, and afternoon programs will begin at 1:00 pm. The Field Day will conclude at 3:00 pm. For more information, contact Tommy Antilley at 453-2461, or the county extension office.

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ing morning of sale only. 108
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05-2tc

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05B-1tp

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Road. Look for signs. Friday
& Saturday.
05-1tp

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Keeper Road, off Highway 70
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GARAGE SALE
Saturday, Sept. 2, 8 til?
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furniture, dishes, household
items, etc. The Connors, 814
Alice St., Robert Lee.
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GARAGE SALE
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weekend, 8-5. Furniture,
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fall session on Sept. 5. Basic
fundamentals & new dance
routines will lead us to a recital
& twirling competition in April.
FMI call Mindy Cox at 378-
2202.
05-3tc

**WANT LEASE FOR
5 HUNTERS**
near Robert Lee. Responsi-
ble, references. Leave mes-
sage with Jim, 453-2920.
05-1tc

NEED SOMEONE
to help in my home two
mornings per week. Nancy
Wyatt, 453-4658.
05-2tc

CARD OF THANKS

**THERE ARE TOO MANY
PEOPLE TO THANK**
for all the help they gave my
son and his wife and children
after their house burned, but I
want you to know how much
we appreciate it. If we can
help any person any way,
please let us know.
Wayne & Janet Rhodes
and family
473-2070
05B-1tc

...Classifieds

THANK YOU

These 2 single words are not
enough to show our deep
appreciation and sincere grati-
tude to each of you who were
there for us in our time of
need. The many deeds of
kindness given that removed
daily concerns from our
shoulders, the lovely flowers,
food and words of support
meant so much.

Your thoughtfulness of
starting the memorial fund in
Sharon's name, touched us
deeply and will always be re-
membered that you cared.
For this we are thankful.

The Sharon Brunson Family
05B-1tp

**I WOULD LIKE
TO THANK**

everyone for the food, flow-
ers, calls, cards, visits, and
prayers throughout my
surgery and recuperation.

God Bless you all,
Joann Runnion
05-1tc

I WANT TO THANK

my loved ones and friends for
all the telephone calls, cards,
food, and flowers that they
sent while I was in the hospital
the second time; and also
while we were staying at our
home in San Angelo. Thank
you all for your prayers for me.
I feel that it is only with God's
help that I seem to be improv-
ing. God bless and keep each
one of you who has shown me
your kindness and concern.

Sincerely,
Mary Jo Pentecost
05-1tc

NOTICES

**EFFECTIVE
SEPTEMBER 7, 1995**
The Shamrock Clinic of
Robert Lee will be closed all
day on Thursdays until a prac-
titioner is available for fulltime
coverage. For emergencies
call 911.
05a-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that a
hearing on adopting a local
preference of 50% working
families will be held at 9 am on
Sept. 6, 1995 at the following
locations: 710 Bishop,
Robert Lee, Texas, 101 N.
Washington, Bronte, TX. The
public is invited to attend and
participate in the hearing.

Frances Percifull
Executive Director
Brenda Tidwell
Executive Director
05B-1tc

**AMENDED NOTICE OF
APPLICATION**

Notice is hereby given that
the Applicant, Exxon Corpora-
tion, PO Box 1600, Midland,
TX 79702, has made applica-
tion for a spacing exception
permit under the provisions of
Railroad Commission
Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex.
Admin. Code Section 3.37).
Applicant seeks exception to
the distance between wells
requirement to plug back if
completed in the Bronte
(Capps Lime) field, Bronte
Capps Unit, Well No. 210,
1023.7 Acres; if completed in
the Bronte field, Bronte Palo
Pinto Unit, Well No. 210,
2411.3 acres; if completed in
the Bronte (Gardner), Wildcat
and Bronte (4800 Sand)
fields, Well No. 210, R.E.

NOTICES

Hickman C Lease, 309.6 acres, C.&M. R.R. Co. #5 Survey, A-62 Field(s), Coke County, being 1.5 miles in a southwest direction from Bronte, Texas. The location of this well is as follows: IF COMPLETED IN THE BRONTE (CAPPS LIME) FIELD, BRONTE CAPPS UNIT LOCATION IS AS FOLLOWS: 5682' from the north line and 2033' from the east line of lease. 2882' from the southerly northeast line and 650' from the northwest line of survey. IF COMPLETED IN THE BRONTE (GARDNER), WILDCAT AND BRONTE (4800 SAND) FIELDS, R.E. HICKMAN C. LEASE LOCATION IS AS FOLLOWS: 2503' from the southwest line and 650' from the northwest line of lease. 2882' from the southerly northeast line and 650' from the northwest line of survey. Field Rules for the Bronte and Bronte (4800 Sand) fields are 330/933, 40 acres. Field Rules for the Bronte (Capps Lime) field are 330/933, 80 acres. Field Rules for the

Bronte (Gardner) and Wildcat fields are 467/1200, 40 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate of 5333 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees or record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Alex M. Correa, Sr. Regulatory Specialist, at (915) 688-6782. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN

PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 30, 1995. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT WILL BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY, TO BE EFFECTIVE THE DAY FOLLOWING THE TERMINATION OF SUCH THREE-WEEK PERIOD.

This notice of application requires publication.

05a-4tc

Sims assists local farmers

In response to the infestation of beet armyworms currently plaguing cotton grown in the West Texas counties of Schleicher, Concho, Tom Green, McCulloch, and Runnels, Senator Bill Sims (D-Paint Rock), Chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee, is responding with a comprehensive effort to stop the spread of the worms and assist farmers whose crops have been severely damaged by the insect.

"In some of these counties, between 50 and 75 percent of the cotton planted is already heavily infested and any attempts to kill the worms at this time would be pointless. Consequently, I am working with our Texas delegation in the United States Congress, the Texas Department of Agriculture, the United States

Department of Agriculture, and any other agency that can provide us with the means to stop the worm from spreading to other counties. I am also working with local and state officials to obtain a disaster declaration for the area. This declaration should help soft-

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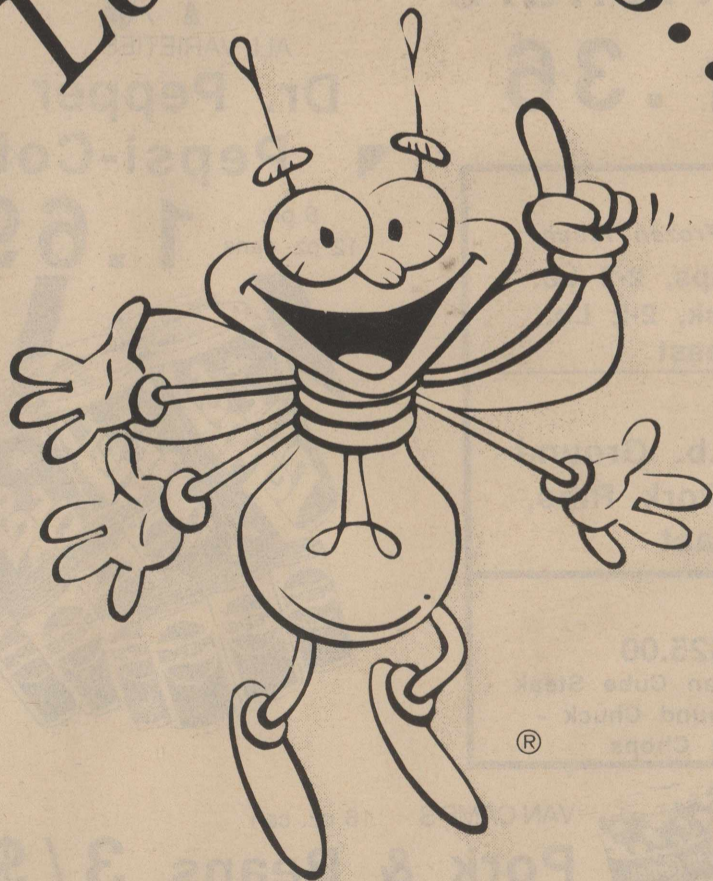
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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

As a general rule, responding to false rumors and innuendo is an exercise in futility because it only accords them attention and respect they do not deserve. When falsehoods make it into print, however, that rule may need to be bent. I refer to recent letters to the editor of the Observer/Enterprise, in particular the August 25 issue, in which anonymous critics have maligned Bronte Independent School District.

I will not devote much space to defense of the board, because anyone in such a position must expect a certain amount of discontent and criticism, whether justified or not. It should be noted, however, that the "unorganized" budget hearing to which the latest letter referred involved detailed questions which, under ordinary circumstances, would have been directed to the district's chief financial officer, the superintendent. It is more than a little disingenuous for the district's critics to campaign so avidly for the removal of a given individual and then complain about the results when that campaign succeeds. Moreover, the only significant unanswered questions in that meeting involved tax matters, which by law could not be dealt with at that time. It should surprise no one that the board was unprepared to deal with an issue that it was prohibited from addressing. As for board members arriving up to "four hours after the meeting is supposed to start," it is not unusual for board members to arrive after a meeting begins, following a long day of gainful employment, tired, hungry, and still in their work clothes, but most of our meetings are scheduled for 8 pm, and I have yet to see a member arrive at midnight.

The letter claims it is "impossible" to get on a meeting agenda. Anyone who encounters such a problem need only appeal to the board president. In my years in that position I have received only a few such requests; I cannot remember ever denying one, nor imposing "impossible" requirements or subjecting anyone to a "dissertation." State law does specify that meeting agendas be completed and posted several days prior to a meeting, a requirement that cannot be ignored to accommodate a petitioner any more than it can to accommodate the board.

The letter also implies that teachers' pay for tutorials has been or will be reduced. The truth is that BISD has not paid for tutorial time in the past, and only this year began doing so. How an entirely new category of compensation can

be described as a "cut" is baffling to me. As for the board "considering" eliminating home economics, the possibility was raised, in large part because only a few students choose to take the course voluntarily. The board voted not to terminate it, however, and the matter has been closed for weeks.

By far the most disturbing aspect of the letter is its contention that some faculty and administrators are unqualified for their positions. Neither BISD nor any other school district can employ faculty or administrators who lack proper certification. That certification can take a variety of forms, but each and every one must be recognized by the state, and all of our faculty members are in full compliance. The charge against our principals, likewise, is totally false. Both were fully certified as principals before they came to Bronte, and both had prior administrative experience. Far from "just now finishing up" requirements for the positions they currently hold, both of our principals are eligible at this very moment for temporary certification as su-

perintendents, and are only a few classroom hours away from permanent superintendent certification. To falsely denigrate the qualifications of professionals in such a rigidly regulated field is irresponsible in the extreme, and puts the accuser on slippery legal ground.

The real victims of this letter-writing campaign and the malicious gossip that has gone hand in hand are the students of Bronte. Their hard work and that of the faculty and administrators has earned BISD an impeccable academic rating, a zero dropout rate, and virtually 100 percent participation in college entrance examinations. The district has computer capabilities that are the envy of other schools across the state, and in recent years has constructed a modern new library, band hall and athletic dressing rooms, not to mention remodeling and/or adding several new classrooms to meet increasing state mandates. Meanwhile, BISD partnered in the creation of a pioneering cooperative off-campus "alternative" education facility for students with

special needs, and we are the guinea pigs in educating incarcerated youngsters at Wackenhut's first-in-the-nation private juvenile justice facility.

This has all been done without incurring a penny of debt, and BISD in fact has more money in the bank than many state officials would like to see us have. Despite all that, our tax rate is among the lowest in the state, aside from districts with great mineral or commercial property wealth, and those districts are rapidly surpassing our rate as the state's "Robin Hood" financing plan bleeds away their valuations.

This will all be for naught, however, if a handful of dissidents succeed in convincing our students that their teachers are incompetent and their administrators are unqualified. The Bronte school system is truly an institution the community can be proud of, and the school board is eager to make it even better. Legitimate problems will arise from time to time, but they can all be overcome if everyone involved is willing to address them in a cooperative, constructive manner. It is high

time for this process to begin, so we can dispense with divisive distractions and return to our number one priority, educating our students. They deserve nothing less.

Steve Kelton, President
Bronte Independent School District
Board of Trustees

"Watermelon Bowl" huge success

A large crowd turned out for the Bronte Longhorns' first football scrimmage Thursday evening at the local football field.

The All-Sports Booster Club furnished a brisket supper to the pre-game crowd. There was no charge, but donations of over \$800 were received.

After the meal, sports fans settled back to watch the Longhorn Varsity and Jr. Varsity football teams play Christoval. Coaches and fans were well pleased with the Longhorns' debut.


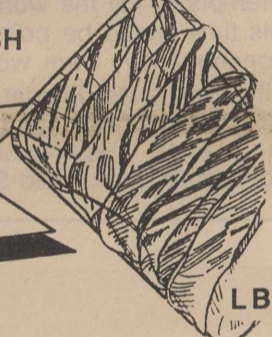



Afterwards, players from both teams joined parents and fans for watermelon and visiting.

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