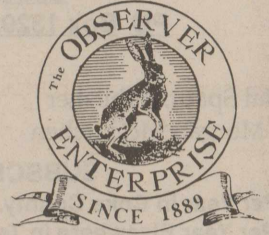


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AON Service Club's annual Bike-a-thon set for April 21

The AON Service Club will be sponsoring the annual "Pedal For The Park" bike-a-thon Saturday, April 21, 2001. Bike-a-thon chairman, Lorrie Martin, expects another outstanding group of bikers who will meet at 8:30 am at the county courthouse. Riders will follow a route with each circuit earning points and funds for Cody Bill Park. Funds raised by bike-a-thon riders will go to future park improvements.

Students were given sign up sheets at school, if anyone would like to participate in any way or make a donation, please call Lorrie Martin at 453-4500.

The county park at Robert Lee already sports new playground equipment, thanks to a joint effort by Coke County Commissioners Court and AON Service Club. Funds for the much needed items were provided by Coke County and AON Service Club, a community minded organization. The brightly colored merry-go-round and spiral slide are in place along side new swings just south of the tennis courts, which were installed by county employees, under direction of former commissioner, Pat Percifull. Monies

contributed by the service group were raised through bike-a-thons hosted annually by AON. AON fund raisers for West Coke County Park are in memory of Cody Bill Bessent, with park improvements dedicated to him.

If you have not visited the park, please come by and check out the new additions.

Story Hour & Head Start graduation exercises

On Tuesday, April 10, at 10:00 am, the Coke County Library Story Hour children will meet at the Library with Easter baskets and then attend the annual Easter egg hunt at the courthouse. Parents and siblings are welcomed to attend this grand event. We appreciate the contributors and volunteers from the courthouse who see that this event is held to become a part of special childhood memories.

Graduation exercises for Story Hour and Head Start participants will be held Tuesday, April 24th at 10:00 am. There will be graduation hats and certificates, pictures by the press and parents, and refreshments served to all. This event will take place in the gazebo in the mini park.



New members to the National Honor Society were inducted Sunday, April 1, 2001, at Bronte High School. Bronte NHS members include (front row, from left) Clayton Acker, Crissie McCoulskey, Amy Morgan, Lacy Schoenfield, Katy Frazee, Morgan McCutchen, Tessie McMullan, Brooke McCutchen, Jade Richards, (back row, from left) Cassandra Parks, Josh Schoenfield, Cara Sefcik, Eric Johnson, Henry White, Mindy Boyd, and Elizabeth Morgan. Not pictured is Daisy Porter.

Easter egg hunt set Tuesday

The Coke County Easter Egg Hunt has become a joyful annual event. Last year, over 200 children searched for 3,000 eggs on the courthouse lawn. It will again be held on the courthouse lawn in Robert Lee.

The Easter Bunny will be hopping down the bunny trail at 10 am on Tuesday, April 10. All Coke County children 1st grade and younger are invited to hunt.

Prize eggs will be among the Easter egg candies, and refreshments will be served following the hunt.

Egg hunters are asked to bring whatever container they choose to deposit their eggs in - baskets, pails, sacks, etc.

Kids, watch for the Easter Bunny and moms, bring your cameras to capture the fun.

Spring turkey season opens Saturday

Saturday, April 7, will mark the opening of Spring Turkey Season and will run through May 13. The gobblers only season bag limit will depend on how many turkey tags are left on hunters' licenses. Four turkeys per license year are allowed, and most hunters manage tags to be able to take gobblers in the spring. Hens (with or without beards) are not legal game.

The same regulations and laws apply to spring hunting

as in the fall season. Beards must remain on turkey carcasses till disposition. Hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Turkeys may not be taken from the roost. Unplugged shotguns may be used; shells may hold lead shot.

Biologists predict a good hunt this spring - best perhaps in four years. A number of season carry-over mature birds exist with late fall and early year rains filling watering spots and furnishing green forage. A good spring hatch looks really promising, too.

Nature tourism meeting set

On Tuesday, April 10, at 2:00 pm in the Coke County Library, a meeting will be held to investigate the area's possibilities in the field of nature tourism. Mrs. Judy Fort, Agribusiness Development Specialist, of the Texas Department of Agriculture, will be the presenter.

The meeting is held in conjunction with the economic development endeavors of the Robert Lee City Council. Ms. Fort will cover aspects of nature tourism as a means of increasing revenue for both the city and private landholders.

Nature, recreational, and heritage tourism represent possibilities for economic development. Ms. Fort will assist in taking a realistic look at the

possibilities.

Many responded to the economic survey saying that the lake, the river and the park offered possibilities for development. Several landowners expressed an interest in nature tourism as an additional income source. Anyone who has an interest in any aspect of nature tourism as a economic source is welcome to attend this meeting.

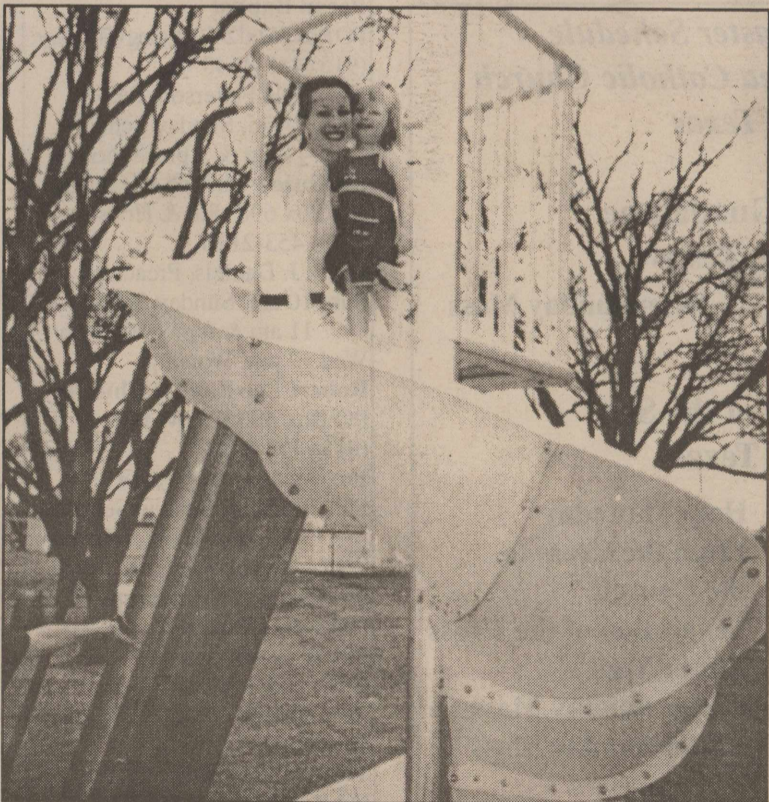
Rabies clinic

The Coke County 4-H Clubs will be sponsoring a Rabies Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, April 7, 2001. The clinic will be held at the south end of the show barn at Robert Lee Park from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm. Pets 4 months of age or older should be immunized. Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually.

Robert Lee City Hall will be closed

The Robert Lee City Hall will be closed on Friday, April 13 in observance of Good Friday. The Landfill will not be open on Saturday, April 14. Trash Service will run as scheduled. Happy Easter.

The white trumpet lily, which blooms naturally in springtime, was brought here from Bermuda. They are often called "Easter Lilies" because they bloom around Easter time.



Rachel Koontz and her two year old daughter, Eden, of Brownwood, enjoy the new playground equipment at the county park in Robert Lee. The equipment was a joint effort of the Coke County Commissioners Court and AON Service Club.



The Bronte Elementary "A" Honor Roll Luncheon was held recently. Students honored included Jessi England, Samuel Rawlings, Casey Harris, Gus Saunders, Rebekah Beauchamp, Eric Hendrickson, Jonathan Marrs, Phillip Rawlings, and Logan Rawls.

Bronte ISD "Students of the Year" Tessie McMullan and Ryan McCorkle were the guest speakers. They gave the younger students tips on how to be successful high school students. Others attending were Terry Marrs, Francis Williams, Pat Lee, Heather Lee and David Rawlings.

BISD posts district UIL academic results

The Bronte Longhorns High School Academic team participated in the District UIL competition at Eden Saturday, March 31. These students all performed well in their individual events. The following students and their events were:

- Clayton Acker - Computer Application, Mathematics, Science
- Jenna Herold - Current Events
- Anthony Flores - Current Events, Science
- Christine Galvan - News, Feature, Editorial, Headline
- Jeremy Sanchez - Current Events, Headline
- Elizabeth Morgan - Calculator, Science, Mathematics

- Amy Morgan - Spelling, Prose
 - Brandon Poehls - Current Events, Science
 - Jade Richards - Number Sense, Mathematics, Science
 - Scott Snyder - Calculator
 - Cara Sefcik - Mathematics, Science, Headline Writing
 - Joe'l Sefcik - Calculator
 - Lindsay Springer - Calculator, alt. Science
 - Ariel Marrs - Spelling, Poetry Interpretation
 - Logan Acker - Number Sense, alt. Mathematics
 - Casey McKee - Number Sense, alt. Mathematics
- Several students advanced to the regional competition on April 20-21 in Abilene. For the first time in many years, we have a student, Ariel Marrs, advancing in Spelling and in Poetry. She placed 2nd in Spelling and 3rd in Poetry. Jade Richards placed 1st in Science and is the Physics al-

ternate. Anthony Flores placed 2nd in Science. The Science Team placed 1st over 2nd place Ranger. Out of six students on the Science Team, the three students scoring the highest make up the team. Bronte's Science Team that advances to regional consists of: Jade Richards, Anthony Flores, Cara Sefcik, and Brandon Poehls as the alternate.

Students placing in the top six in their events but not advancing were Elizabeth Morgan placing 4th in Calculator (alternate to regional) and her sister Amy Morgan placing 5th in Spelling.

All of the students are to be commended for their efforts this year. This is the largest UIL total points that Bronte has accumulated in many years. The final tally at District consists of the points earned by the advancement of the One Act Play plus the Academic points earned in individual events.

Program on drugs presented

A program on careers in Law Enforcement and one on narcotics abuse was presented at Bronte schools on Wednesday, March 28. Lt. Justin Corp with the Department of Public Safety Narcotics Division talked to the students in junior high and high school about careers in Law Enforcement and on the topic of Drug Abuse. Videos were shown to help the students understand the dangers of drug abuse and of working undercover in the Narcotics Division of DPS. The program was excellent. The student body received valuable information to help them make the right choices in their lives.

Bronte School News



Inducted into the National Honor Society at Bronte High School were (from left) Amy Morgan, Daisy Porter, Lacy Schoenfield, Eric Johnson, Katy Frazee, Mindy Boyd and Morgan McCutchen.

Bronte High School students honored

The State Board of Education sponsors the Texas Celebrations of Educational Excellence program to honor

selected students from high schools all over the state of Texas. Students are chosen based on their outstanding academic achievements. A ceremony was held on the campus of Angelo State University, Wednesday, April 4 to honor the students in the area. Students received medallions and a congratulatory letter signed by Governor Rick Perry.

Smith, Parks attend Women's Panel

Kim Smith and Cassandra Parks, seniors at Bronte High School, attended the Goodfellow Air Force Base Women's Panel in San Angelo at the Goodfellow Club. They were two of the ten featured panelists.

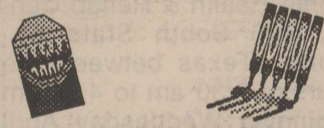
The guest of honor was Mrs. Faye Kelly, a WWII veteran of San Angelo. The students were asked questions about their future goals and plans in the military. They also had the chance to learn about women in the armed forces and their present and future roles.

Cassandra and Kim have enlisted in the U. S. Army after graduation.

Bronte High School students selected for this honor were seniors: Elizabeth Morgan, Jade Richards, Brooke McCutchen, and Tessie McMullan; juniors: Katy Frazee, Lacy Schoenfield, and Amy Morgan; sophomores: Khanni Beauchamp, Jenna Herold, and Heather Richey; freshmen: Ariel Marrs, Kailey Howell, and Britney McCutchen.

Cats do not have the ability to taste sweet things.

SCHOOL MENU



Breakfast

- Monday, April 9**
Cereal, sliced peaches, donut, milk
- Tuesday, April 10**
Sausage, grape juice, pancakes, milk
- Wednesday, April 11**
Scrambled eggs, hash-browns, toast, milk
- Thursday, April 12**
French toast sticks, apple juice, biscuit, milk
- Friday, April 13**
Easter Holiday
- Lunch**
- Monday, April 9**
Pizza, sweet corn, tossed salad, milk, pink panther cake
- Tuesday, April 10**
Spud day, chili & cheese, potato (baked), steamed broccoli, crackers, milk, jello
- Wednesday, April 11**
Beef chalupa with cheese, tossed salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, milk, chocolate cake
- Thursday, April 12**
Sliced turkey with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, milk, peach cobbler
- Friday, April 13**
Easter Holiday

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Floyd Harmon of Robert Lee celebrated his 88th birthday March 8, 2001, with his friends and relatives who attended the domino games at the Senior Citizens Building in Robert Lee. His daughters, Lawana M. Perry, Dorene Mashburn and Jeffie Roberts, provided the refreshments. Shown are Nola Harmon (standing), Inez Harmon Hamm (seated, from left), Floyd Harmon and wife of 68 years, Jessie Harmon.

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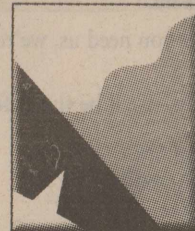
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