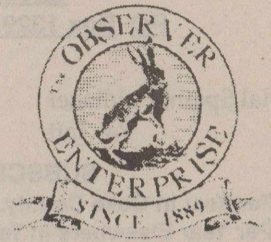


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Deer, turkey season opens Saturday

by Hal Spain

The month long archery season for whitetail deer closed October 26, 2003. Local processing facilities are reporting a better than average bow season, with some very good racks being harvested (or seen) during bow season.

The special youth season held last weekend, October 25 & 26, was very successful, from all reports received. Samuel Rawlings of Bronte harvested a big buck with a 21-inch spread during the youth weekend. The picture should be included in this issue of the O/E.

The general season for whitetail deer and turkey opens this Saturday, November 1, 2003, and will run through Sunday, January 4, 2004. A special late general season will run from January 5-18, 2004, for antlerless and spike bucks only. The bag limit for deer is five, with no more than two bucks, all seasons combined.

As stated previously in the annual Coke County Hunting & Fishing Guide, anticipation for some excellent racks is high in Coke County due to the good conditions for antler development during the growing season. We have received several reports of big buck sightings from local ranchers.

The general turkey season runs concurrently with the general deer season, with a special turkey season set for April 3 through May 9, 2004. The turkey bag limit is 4 (all seasons combined), with either sex being legal during the general season and gobblers only during the spring season.

Predictions for the fall turkey season mirror that of deer season. Locals have seen more wild turkey this year than in any other year that most of them can remember. You may want to harvest your turkey(s) early in the season, because they have a tendency to disappear after some hunting pressure is applied.

Wild Game Barbecue slated for Bronte

The annual Hunter's Wild Game Barbecue is once again slated for Bronte. Sponsored by Hall's Super Save Grocery and B&K Processing, Saturday's (opening day) excellent barbecue lunch menu will consist of deer and elk sandwiches, smoked sausage, beans, soft drinks, and dessert.

Serving will begin at 11:00 am and go until 2:00 pm. The location is B&K Processing (behind Hall's Grocery) in Bronte.

If you haven't eaten the variety of wild game sandwiches and sausages prepared at Bronte, don't miss this opportunity to sample some of these excellent meats. In previous years, the menu has also included rattlesnake and other exotic wild game cooked on the grill for your sampling pleasure. While you're there, don't forget to tour their state of the art processing facility.

WCCCD Hunter Appreciation Barbecue

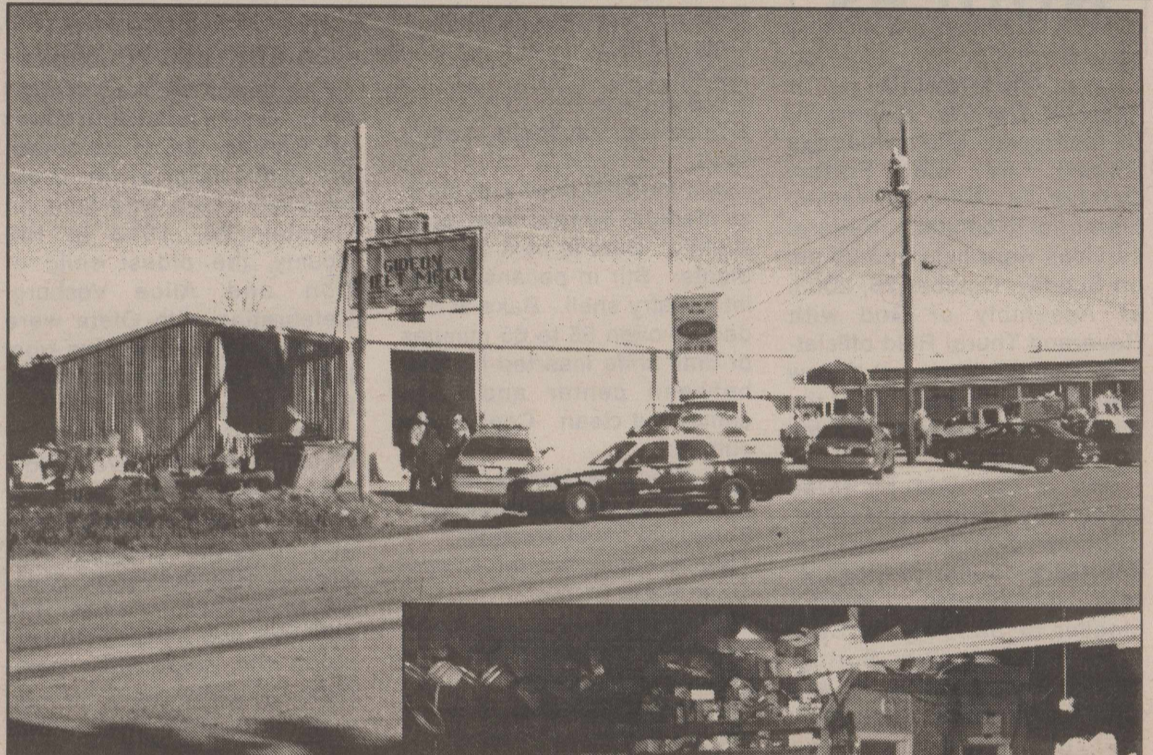
West Coke County Community Development will sponsor its 15th annual Hunters Appreciation Barbecue on Saturday evening, November 1. It will again take place at the rec hall in the county park at Robert Lee. The supper will include plenty of barbecued brisket and sausage, beans, potato salad, iced tea, and fixings. Serving will begin at 6:00 pm and will continue until 9:00 pm.

The feed is at no cost to hunters, but tickets are necessary. They are available from the party from whom they lease, or from participating individuals or businesses who have supported the barbecue by donations.

Great volunteers and WCCCD members do the work -- preparations, cooking, serving, clean-up -- whatever it takes to make the event happen. Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets at the following locations in Robert Lee: C&H Auto and Hardware, Key Feed Store, or Wink Insurance. For more information contact Barbecue Chairman Robert Wink at (325) 453-4551 (ofc) or 453-2003 (home).

Hunting has become increasingly important to Coke County as revenue from livestock and petroleum dwindles. The Hunters Appreciation Barbecue is our way of welcoming hunters back to Coke County each year. The annual barbecue has grown from about 300 the first year to as many as 1,000 hungry hunters the last several years.

Volunteers, if you can help in any way, call Robert, Phelan Wrinkle, Joan Davis, or Robin Sparks. The outdoor cooking crew is complete, but we need to put up tables, lots of odd jobs in the kitchen, and especially, clean



Early Wednesday morning, October 29, 2003, a female subject, approximately 20 years of age, stole a vehicle in Big Spring. She proceeded to San Angelo where she rear-ended an elderly lady's vehicle. When the older woman got out of her car to examine the damage, the subject assaulted her and stole her vehicle.

The subject left the accident scene and pursuit began between San Angelo and Sterling City on Highway 87. Pursuit continued to Sterling City, where the subject turned eastbound on Highway 158. At this time, the pursuit included a Texas Department of Public Safety officer and members of the Sterling County Sheriff's Department. Entering into Coke County, officers with the Coke County Sheriff's Department joined the pursuit and attempted to disable the subject's vehicle by shooting out the tires. As the vehicle was coming into Robert Lee, the subject appeared to lose control and left the roadway on the north side of 158 where she struck a ditch, causing the vehicle to become airborne. The vehicle entered into the west wall of Gideon's Sheet Metal, where employee Kent Cole was working in the shop. Mr. Cole was pronounced dead at the scene by Joan Davis, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1. The subject was airlifted to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo where she is listed in stable condition. The identification of the subject is unknown at presstime, according to Coke County Sheriff Rick Styles. The crime scene is currently under investigation and charges will be filed later in the week. Officers with the Texas Department of Public Safety, Sterling County Sheriff's Department, Coke County Sheriff's Department, San Angelo Police Department, the Texas Rangers, FBI, and Tom Green County Sheriff's Department participated in the pursuit and investigation.

nup afterward. A thousand other things like dipping up cobblers, getting tea and ice ready, errands, and stuff needing to be done before serving time at 6 pm. Come early to help -- 3 o'clock or so, please.

Gospel singing Sunday

The regular monthly community gospel singing will be held Sunday, November 2, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

Game Warden to address changes in fish and wildlife laws

On November 3, 2003 at 7:45 pm, the Bronte Masonic Lodge #962 will be hosting a presentation on changes to



fish and wildlife laws by Game Warden Jim Allen. This will be a very informative program with questions and answers to follow Mr. Allen's presentation. Local residents are encouraged to attend.

Workday at RL Cemetery set

Members of Hayrick Masonic Lodge No. 696 have called a workday at the Robert Lee Cemetery for Saturday, November 1, 2003, beginning at 7:30 am. They will be filling in sunken graves and various things. Plan to attend and help the Masons.

Flu shots

Flu shots will be given in Robert Lee on Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 9:00 am until 11:00. Girling Health Care will

be giving the shots at the Robert Lee Senior Citizen building.

There will be a charge, except for those who are covered by Medicare.

For more information including transportation contact Annice Walker at 453-2314.

TxDot to trim trees in Bronte

Texas Department of Transportation employees will be in Bronte Monday, November 10, 2003, to trim trees along the Right of Way on Highway 277. The work is necessary to increase the visibility for drivers of the road signs on Hwy. 277.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the office in Robert Lee at 325-453-2890.

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Death Notices

Skipworth

Grace Conner Skipworth, 86, of Haskell and formerly of Robert Lee, died Friday, October 24, 2003, at Haskell Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were held at 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 26, 2003, at Assembly of God with Reverend Thural Reid officiating. Burial followed at Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

She is survived by three sons, Troy Conner of Haskell, Kenneth Conner of Abilene and Gary Conner of Amarillo; four daughters, Melba Moeller of San Angelo, Sybil Blackwood of Big Spring, Brenda Autrey of Abilene, and Jeannie Forehand of Haskell; 18 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

**Robert Lee Street
Affair Dessert
Cook-off recipes**

The Dessert Cook-off at the Robert Lee Street Affair October 4, 2003, introduced the following recipes to the judges and those who bought portions of the entries:

**Mary Williams "PJ's
Banana Split Cake"**

- 1-yellow cake mix
- 1-can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 1-can crushed pineapple in heavy syrup
- 1-24 oz. container frozen sweetened strawberries (thawed)
- 3-bananas
- 1-small package vanilla or white chocolate instant pudding
- 2-medium containers of Cool Whip
- pecan pieces and Maraschino cherries

Prepare the yellow cake mix according to package. Let cool. Pierce cooled cake with a fork several times. Spread Eagle Brand milk evenly over cake. Spread thawed strawberries with juice evenly over cake. Spread crushed pineapple over cake. Cover cake and keep in fridge until about one hour before ready to serve. Shortly before serving, slice bananas on top of cake. Mix 1/2 package of instant pudding with Cool Whip until smooth. Spread on top of cake and sprinkle with pecan pieces and Maraschino cherries.

**Milburn Wink's
"Deluxe Pecan Pie"**

- 3-eggs
- 1-cup Karo light or dark corn syrup
- 1-cup sugar
- 1-Tbsp. margarine, melted
- 1-tsp. vanilla
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- 1-cup pecans
- 1-unbaked (9 inch) pastry shell

In a medium bowl with mixer at medium speed, beat eggs slightly. Beat in next 5 ingredients. Stir in pecans. Pour into pastry shell. Bake at 350 degree oven 55 to 65 minutes or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool before cutting.

**Skylar Rainwater's
"Frosted Orange Cookies"**

- 2-medium navel oranges
- 1/2-cup butter flavored Crisco
- 1-cup sugar
- 1/2-cup milk
- 2-cups all-purpose flour
- 1-tsp. baking powder
- 1/2-tsp. baking soda
- 1/2-tsp. salt
- 2 & 1/2-cups confectioner's sugar
- 1-Tbsp. butter, melted

With a sharp knife, score each orange into quarters; remove peel. Use knife to remove white pith from peel and fruit; discard. Quarter oranges and place in blender. Add peel. Cover and process until smooth. (Mixture should measure 3/4-1 cup.) In mixing bowl, cream shortening and sugar. Beat in milk and 6 tbsp. orange mixture. Combine flour, baking soda and salt, add to creamed mixture and blend.

Drop by teaspoons, 2 inches apart. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-13 minutes or until edges are lightly brown. Cool. Frost with confectioner's sugar, butter and enough orange mixture to spread.

**Shaylee Bell's "Grandma
Young's Pineapple Pie"**

- 2-cups sugar
- 3-Tbsp. flour
- 1-stick butter-softened
- 4-eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1-20 oz. can crushed pineapple in heavy syrup
- 1-cup chopped pecans
- 1-nine inch, deep dish pie shell

Mix all ingredients together and pour into pie shell. Bake at 325 degrees for one hour. Pie should be firm.

**Faylin Bell's "Hawaiian
Wedding Cake"**

- 2-cups sugar
 - 2-eggs
 - 1-20 oz. can crushed pineapple in heavy syrup
 - 2-cups flour
 - 2-tsp. baking soda
 - 1-cup coconut
 - 1-cup chopped pecans
- Beat sugar and eggs then

add pineapple. Mix in dry ingredients and add coconut and pecans. Grease and flour two round cake pans heavily. Pour mix into pans and bake at 325 to 350 degrees for 40 to 45 minutes. Toothpick inserted into middle should come out clean. DO NOT use cooking spray on pans instead of grease and flour or cake will stick to the bottom. Let cake cool completely!

Icing

- 1-8 oz. Philadelphia Cream Cheese
- 1-stick of butter-softened
- 1-lb. box powdered sugar
- 1-tsp. vanilla

Blend together cream cheese and butter. Add powdered sugar and vanilla and mix well. Double the icing recipe if you like more icing. Spread onto cooled cake and sprinkle the top with chopped pecans and coconut to finish.

**Oleta Braswell
Celebrates 90 Years**

Family and friends gathered at the Bronte Church of Christ on October 25 to celebrate the 90th birthday of Oleta Braswell. She was born on October 28, 1913 in Hill County, the oldest child of Den and Alice Vosburg. Celebrating with Oleta were two sisters, Peggy Huse from Malone, Texas and Jane Clark from Durango, Colorado.

The party was hosted by Oletais sons and wives Eddie and Carolyn Braswell of College Station and Dennie and Sharon Braswell of Bronte. Grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews and a host of friends made the celebration complete. Guests came from all over Texas and as far away as New Mexico, Colorado and California.

A three tiered birthday cake was the centerpiece on a beautiful table adorned with pictures, a proclamation from the Texas Senate, a poem written by a grandson, bouquets of flowers, candles, punch bowl, cookies and fruit plates. Guests were seated at tables decorated with candles and flowers.

The family expresses appreciation to Annie Gill and the



Mrs. Oleta Braswell

Bronte Church of Christ for creating a moment to remember.

**BISD Trustees meet
in special session**

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees met in special session October 23, 2003, at 7:00 pm. Absent was David Scott, Jeff Schoenfield, and Bob Frazee. Also attending the meeting were the principals, all the coaches and Richard Rodgers, Architect with CADCO.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Wayne Coalson.

The board approved the Interlocal Agreement with TASB for Unemployment Compensation and the Application to TEA for Expedited and General State Waivers for 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006.

Richard Rogers, Architect with CADCO met with the board to discuss construction plans for a new gym.

Discussion was held concerning personnel.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at

9:35 pm.
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be November 17, 2003, 8:00 pm.

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West Texas football invades Germany

Many young Americans have learned what West Texas Friday nights is all about! The Eubanks duo continues to rumble and bruise offenders. This past Saturday, the Bitburg Barons traveled 24 hours by bus to Naples, Italy, to take on the Naples Wildcats. After the long trip through Germany, Switzerland, and finally, Italy, the boys arrived in Naples and started practicing for the Saturday game.

The Barons made a change this past week and opted to place Chris in the backfield as a fullback, much to the dismay of the Wildcats. Chris had another impressive weekend on defense with 11 tackles and a great performance leading his defense. However, on offense it was different. Christ started on the line as usual and then moved to the backfield. He carried the ball 6 times for 36 yards and the tie breaking touchdown. His aggressive ball carrying techniques were too much for the Wildcats. He was witnessed several times trudging forward with several defensive members hanging on for dear life.

Brian went with the team and supported them as a newly assigned member of the varsity squad. He did not get the opportunity to play this week but was instrumental in supporting the team.

The Barons are going to the European Division II championship at Baumholder Germany on Nov. 1st. It seems that the Eubanks are getting very accustomed to going to European Championships.

If you would like to cheer these two Robert Lee boys on, please let them know at zimm1999@t-online.de.



Look Who's New!

Brooke Nicole Stockbridge

Chance and Kenley Stockbridge would like to announce the birth of their baby sister they named Brooke Nicole. Brooke was born at 12:37 am on October 12, 2003 at Hill Country Memorial Hospital in Fredericksburg. She weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz. and was 18 1/2" long.

Proud parents are Denver and Melissa (Arrott) Stockbridge of Mason. Grandparents are Wayne and Sandra Arrott of Tennyson and Don and Sue Stockbridge of Mason. Great grandmothers are Beatrice Langelhennig and Oleta Barton, both of Mason.

Sheriff and Jail book sent to binder

The Sheriff and Jail book authored by Bonita Copeland has been sent to the binder and will be available for distribution within two weeks. The Coke County Courthouse is planned as a distribution point when the books are received from Abilene. Pre-sale books will be distributed and books may be purchased at this time.

The book contains some of Coke County's best historical information. Sale proceeds have been dedicated by Bonita Copeland to the preservation of the Old Jail. The documentation necessary to



Chris and Brian Eubanks

historically preserve the Old Jail building is underway with records, documentation, and preservation plans being compiled by Kara Dotter, a master's degree candidate at the University of Texas School of Architecture. Ms. Dotter plans to register the Old Jail with the National Register of Historic Places.

Trick or Treaters visit downtown

Tuesday morning found thirty-one, or two, or three costumed Trick or Treaters and many mothers and fathers and care-givers making the rounds of the offices and businesses of Robert Lee. At each establishment in the downtown area, the children were greeted by smiling and generous adults with candy and Halloween treats.

Costumes ranged from princesses to Power Rangers, from animals to firemen, from comic book characters to hula to harem dancers, a rodeo clown, and some peas in a pod and one brave adult kitten. This brave crew walked up and down four blocks of Austin Street on a very warm morning, especially for the animals, without a hitch or a whimper. It was pointed out that most of the kids would probably not miss a nap-nor would some of the adults.

The children are fortunate to live in a community of businesses and office folks who will provide this special Trick or Treat event. Many contribute voluntarily so that the kids will all have a sack full of wonder.

Landowner liability workshop slated

A Landowner Liability in Outdoor Recreation workshop is being provided by the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Small Business Development Center at Midwestern State University and the Graham Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, November 11, 2003 in Graham, Texas.

Outdoor recreation is one way to assist in the economic stability of rural communities. Many are interested in the opportunities but the question of liability always creates confusion and concern. Knowledgeable speakers will convey information to those interested in such program.

Included in the registration fee is lunch, morning and afternoon breaks and a packet of information. Contact Lisa McCool at the Graham Chamber of Commerce at 800-256-4844, or you may email her at grahamcc@visitgraham.com.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 13, 2004, for the purpose of electing two directors. Directors filing for re-election to the board are Bob Ragsdale and Jack Corley. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact President Gerald Sandusky by 5 pm on Friday, November 21, 2003.

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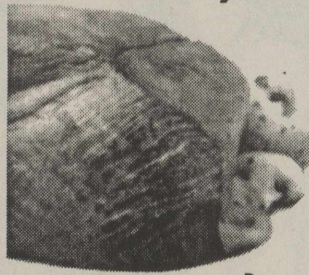
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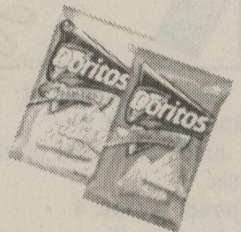
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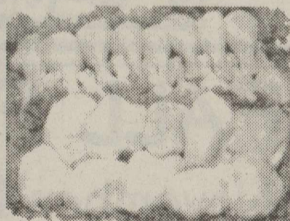
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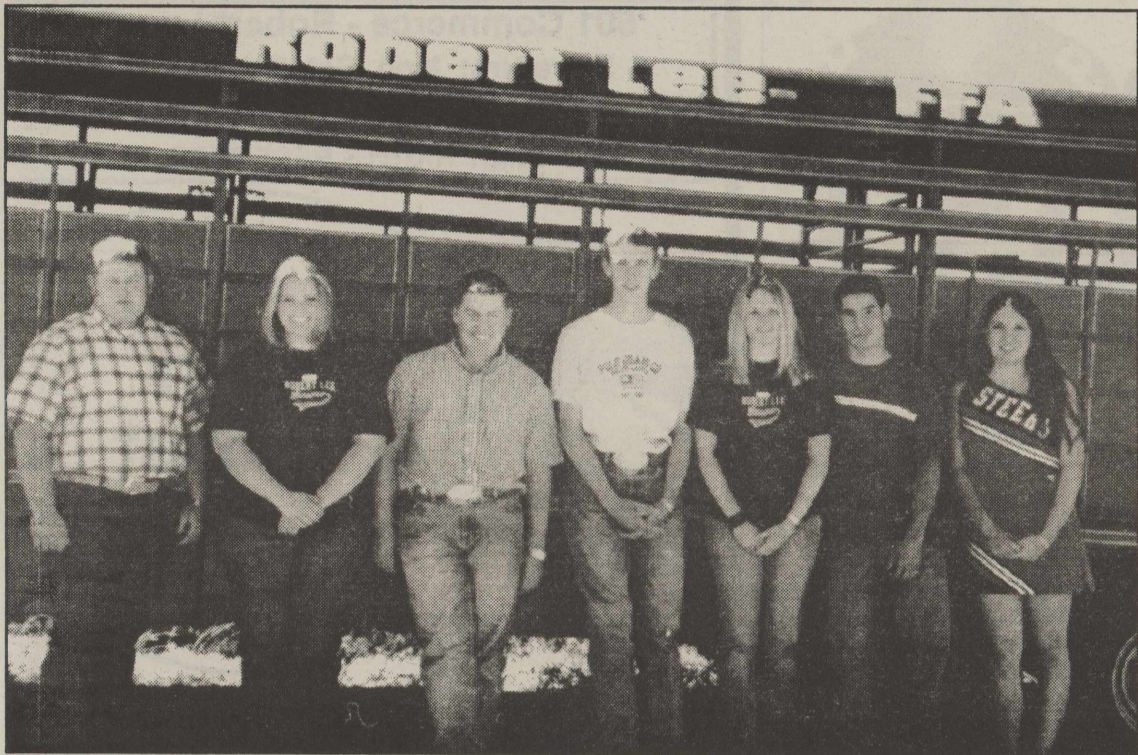
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



New Robert Lee High School FFA officers include (from left) Jason Rich - Advisor, Stacey Denton - Vice President, Cody Bridges - Treasurer, Jake McCabe - President, Julie Riley - Sentinel, Brian Abalos - Secretary, and Michele Sanchez - Reporter.

Steers vs: Eagles

by Tom Sawyer

1st half

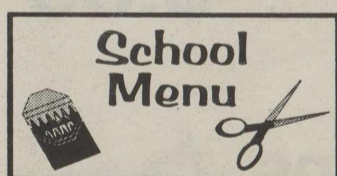
The Steers held Sterling City to a scoreless first quarter. In the second quarter, Sterling City scored on a touchdown pass. The extra point was blocked by Ruben Torres. Sterling City 6 - Robert Lee 0.

2nd half

The Eagles scored five more rushing touchdowns in the second half with the Steers scoring in the fourth quarter on a 45 yard touchdown run by Evan Braswell and Ruben Torres kicking the extra point. Sterling City 42 - Robert Lee 7.

Bake sale to benefit Project Graduation 2004

A Bake Sale will be held Friday, October 31, 2003, from 9 am to 12 noon in the Robert Lee State Bank lobby. Proceeds from the bake sale will benefit RLHS 2004 Project Graduation.



Breakfast

- Monday, Nov. 3**
Juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk
- Tuesday, Nov. 4**
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk
- Wed., Nov. 5**
Juice, donut, cereal, milk
- Thurs., Nov. 6**
Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk
- Friday, Nov. 7**
Juice, burrito, cereal, milk

Lunch

- Monday, Nov. 3**
Bean chalupa, cheese, salad, Spanish rice, tamale, pears, milk
- Tuesday, Nov. 4**
Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, sliced bread, applesauce, milk
- Wed., Nov. 5**
Sausage on stick, red beans, potato salad, corn bread, fruit cocktail, milk
- Thurs., Nov. 6**
Chicken O's, mac & cheese, green beans, roll, peaches, milk
- Friday, Nov. 7**
Hot dog, chili, cheese, pork & beans, fritos, Mandarin oranges, milk

Robert Lee Project Graduation 2005

Robert Lee Project Graduation 2005 will be taking orders for basketball shirts. Shirts will be available in short or long sleeves. FMI contact Cindy Riley, Valarie Howard, Elena Sanchez or go by Cathy's to place your order.

Robert Lee UIL Marching contest

On Saturday, October 18th, the Robert Lee High School Band competed at the UIL Region 2 Marching Contest in Abilene. Small in quantity, but big in quality, the Steer band continued their recent string of success by receiving a Division 2 Excellent Rating.

With less than 30 kids, the band still managed to please crowds at Friday night football

games and Saturday's contest. Band Director, Brad Roberts, is very proud of what the band has accomplished this fall, and is looking forward to another great concert season.

FCCLA brisket dinner set

The Robert Lee High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America will be hosting a Brisket Dinner Friday, November 7, before the Robert Lee/Bronte varsity football game.

Proceeds from the dinner will help fund projects and trips to cluster, regional and state meetings for the members.

Gaylon Pitcock, famous for his delicious brisket, assisted by Marshall Millican and Robert Wink, will cook the meat. Potato salad, beans, and homemade desserts will be served. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

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453-4555 or 453-2667



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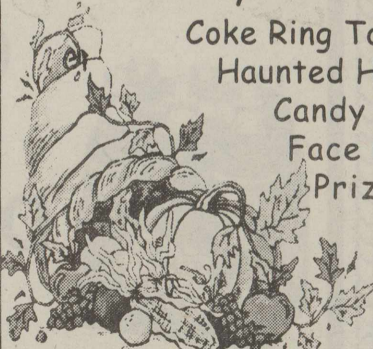
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Katie Drennan • 453-2343

Robert Lee and Bronte fans are urged to come and enjoy the food and fellowship before the Coke County teams hit the field.

RLHS Spanish Club to participate in project

The Robert Lee High School Spanish Club will take on a new service project this year. Operation Christmas Child is an exciting project of Samaritan's Purse that demonstrated God's love through gift-filled shoeboxes.

Each year, caring individuals, families, churches, schools, businesses, and other groups fill shoeboxes with toys, school supplies, and other items for children in need.

Working with national churches and ministries around the world, the shoeboxes are distributed to millions of children affected by war, poverty, disease, and disaster.

Everyone is urged to help the club bring Christmas to needy children this year. If you would like to participate, please contact Elena Sanchez at 453-4555.

Shoeboxes will be taken to San Angelo on Monday, November 17. Please join the RLHS Spanish Club in sharing the true meaning of Christmas through Operation Christmas Child.

Silent auction to benefit RLHS Spanish Club

The silent auction will be a new fundraising idea that the Robert Lee High School Spanish Club will be trying out this year.

Every member of the club is asked to bring a new item, ranging in price from \$5-\$10 in value, for his or her assigned game. The item can be anything from a baked item (cakes, pies, cookies, casseroles, tamales, etc.) to a purchased item (Christmas ornaments, tools, deer corn, craft items, etc.).

All items need to be at RLHS by 1 pm of their assigned game day.

Anyone wishing to bid on a particular item will be given a form to fill out and will then be

assigned a number. The items will be on display behind the gate in the foyer. The person with the highest bid will be announced during half time of the varsity boys' games. The winners may then pick up and pay for their items.

For questions, please contact Elena Sanchez at 453-4555 or 453-2131.

Dogies land the Eagles

The Dogies start at the 30 yard line after the opening kick. They drove the ball down the field and Brody Dillard ran it in from 3 yards out. Cameron Hodge ran in the PAT to make it 8-0.

Sterling City fumbled on their second play and the ball was recovered by Josh Gallegos. After a short drive, Hodge scored on an 18 yard run to put the Dogies up 14-0.

Next, Sterling City fumbled on their first play, with Chris LaRue recovering the ball. Gallegos ran it in from 5 yards out and Hodge added the PAT. The score stood at Dogies 22, Sterling City 0.

Sterling City began their next possession on their own 31 yard line. The Dogies held them on downs and Gallegos returned the punt 60 yards for another touchdown. The first quarter ended with the Dogies leading Sterling City 28-0.

In the second quarter following a couple of possession changes, Hunter Sheridan recovered a fumble. The Dogies turned the ball over on downs as the first half ended.

Sterling City started the second half with the ball, but the Dogies took over on downs. Hodge scored on first down from 24 yards out, making the score 34-0.

Sterling City started at their 3 next, but the Dogies held them at the 1 yard line. Michael Rodriguez scored from a yard out to put the final score at Dogies 40, Sterling City 0.

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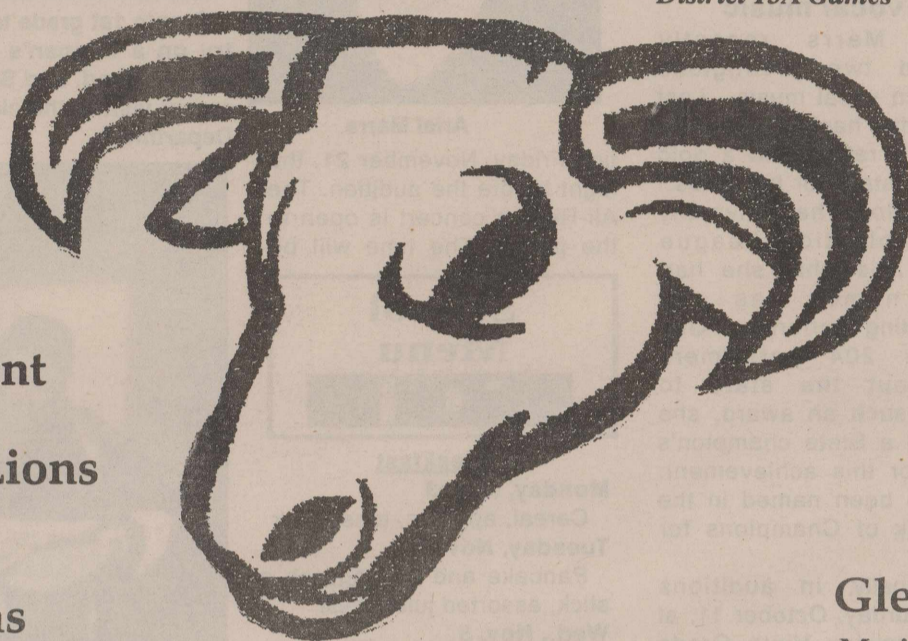
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August 29	Cross Plains	Here	8:00	18	20
September 5	Menard	There	8:00	8	37
** September 12	Garden City	Here	8:00	15	27
September 19	Christoval	There	8:00	6	33
September 26	Winters	Here	8:00	7	49
October 3	Open				
* October 10	Roscoe	There	7:30	0	42
* October 17	Miles	There	7:30	14	52
* October 24	Sterling City	Here	7:30	7	42
* October 31	Roby	There	7:30		
* November 7	Bronte	Here	7:30		

* District 15A Games

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Cris Torres #3
Amanda Trueman #70, Brandon Torres
Tontmano #64
Duke #35, Sean B. Ruben #62
Brian #40, Cole #25, Sloupe #75
Sergio Rocha #19, Van #68, Shelby Sailer #12
#61, Vincent McGlelland, Jerry #64
Coach Koffe, Tony Long #60

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Bronte takes victory from Bulldogs

The Longhorns took a big step towards their quest for a playoff bid Friday night, as they defeated the Miles Bulldogs 20-6 to improve to 6-2 overall and 2-1 in District. The win sets up a big game this week against the Roscoe Plowboys.

The game was scoreless for about the first quarter and a half, before the Longhorns got on the board with a Tyson Baker 6 yard run and a Garrett Fiveash PAT to make the score 7-0. That lead stood at half.

The Bulldogs pretty much dominated the third quarter, where they got their only score. The score at the end of the third quarter was 7-6.

The Longhorns dominated the fourth quarter when Fiveash scored on a 1 yard run and Cody Lee scored on a 37 yard run. The Longhorn defense shut down Miles in the fourth quarter.

The Longhorns will play Roscoe here Friday night at 7:30. This game is a big step for both teams for a post season berth. Both teams are 2-1, both having lost to Roby.

Shorthorns fall to Miles

On the 23rd, the Bronte Shorthorns lost a close game to Miles 22-18. Scoring for the Shorthorns:

1st quarter

Brett Wills scored with a 4 yard run, conversion failed.

3rd quarter

Brett Wills had a 92 yard

run, 2 point conversion failed. 4th quarter

Brett Wills scored again with a 94 yard interception, 2 point conversion failed.

The Shorthorns play at Roscoe, Oct. 30th, at 5:00.

Marrs receives awards for outstanding work in vocal music

Ariel Marrs recently received two prestigious awards in vocal music. Last spring, after having received a Division I rating and a gold medal at state for her class I vocal solo, The University Interscholastic League notified Ariel that she had been named as an Outstanding Performer. One of only 204 performers throughout the state to receive such an award, she received a State champion's medal for this achievement. She has been named in the UIL Book of Champions for 2003.

Additionally, in auditions held Saturday, October 11, at North Crowley Ninth Grade Center, Ariel was named as a member of the Texas Music Educators Region VII All-Region Choir. Ariel placed in the top twelve of 40 students selected in a previous audition to take a position in the choir as first alto. Ariel will participate in the All-Region Clinic and Concert Saturday, November 22, at Weatherford High School and will also have the opportunity to advance another step toward All-State at the pre-area audi-



Ariel Marrs

tion Friday, November 21, the night before the audition. The All-Region concert is open to the public. The time will be

School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Nov. 3

Cereal, apricots, toast, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Pancake and sausage on a stick, assorted juice, milk

Wed., Nov. 5

Donut, apple sauce, teddy grams, milk

Thurs., Nov. 6

Breakfast pizza, assorted juice, milk

Friday, Nov. 7

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, milk

Lunch

Monday, Nov. 3

Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, sweet corn, rolls, brownies, milk

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Spud day, chili & cheese, potato (baked), steamed broccoli, crackers, jello, milk

Wed., Nov. 5

Corn dogs, tator tots, macaroni & cheese, strawberry cups, milk

Thurs., Nov. 6

Spaghetti, tossed salad, corn on the cob, mixed fruit, bread sticks, milk

Friday, Nov. 7

Chopped Bar-b-que sandwich, French fries, pinto beans, bun, peanut butter cookies, milk



Bronte 1st grade teacher Angela Davis helps Kyndall Reynolds try on a fireman's coat while Stacia Emfinger, Amber Betts, Jensen Reed, and Sydney Breeding wait for their turns during a recent visit to the class of members of the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department.



Bronte Volunteer Firemen Jeff Lee (left) and Marty Boyd show their fire suits and tools to both Bronte Elementary 1st grade classes during a recent visit to the school.

announced at a later date.

Bronte varsity volleyball results

The Bronte varsity won against Sterling City, on the October 21, with scores of 25-8, 21-25, 25-18 and 25-20. Individual stats: McCutchen 25 assists, 1 block, 1 kill; Howell 11 kills, 5 blocks; Coalson 9 kills, 1 ace; Webb 3 kills, 1 block, 1 ace; Garcia 4

kills; Rawlings 4 kills; and Acker 1 ace.

The Bronte JV lost their games to Sterling City with close scores of 24-26, 25-19, 25-23 and 25-19. Individual stats: Cooper 9 kills, 5 assists, 1 ace; Mirelez 9 assists, 3 kills; Basquez 2 kills, 2 aces; Stewart 3 kills; and Gibbs 1 kill, 1 ace, and 1 assist.

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The Bronte Independent School District will hold a public meeting on Schools FIRST At 8:00 pm November 17, 2003 In the BISD Board Room 210 South Jefferson, Bronte, Texas

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss BRONTE ISD's Financial Accountability System.

Following the Schools FIRST Public hearing A Public Hearing will be held at approximately 8:15 pm on the TEA Academic Excellence Indicators System Ratings for Bronte ISD.



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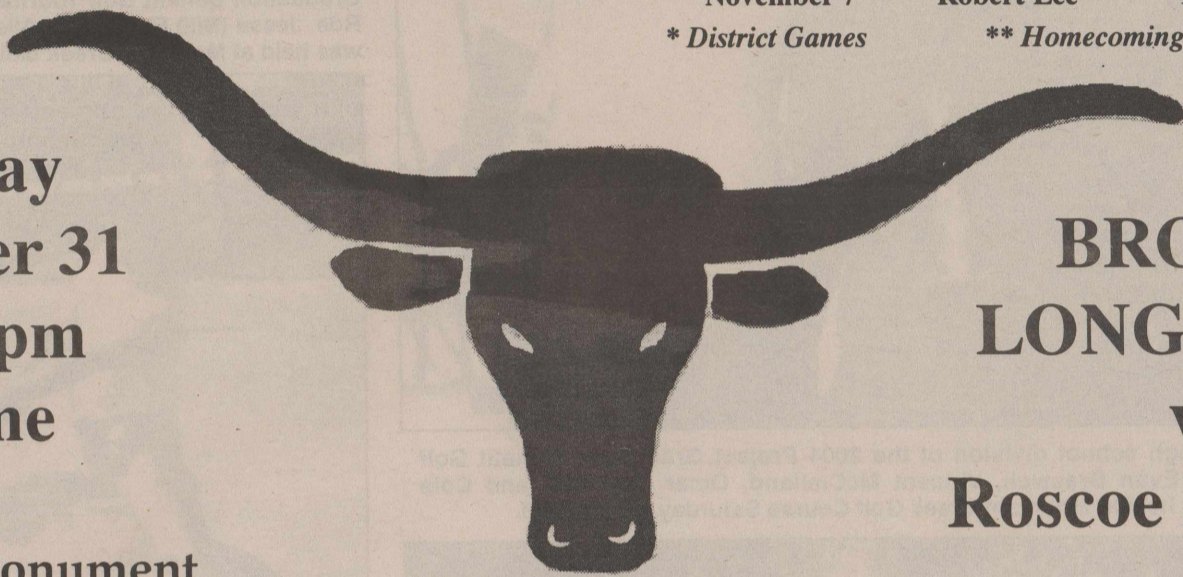
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- Bicyclists must obey all traffic laws

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BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

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September 5	Christoval	There	7:30	7	6
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October 3	Hamlin	Here	7:30	8	25
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Winning first place in the high school division of the 2004 Project Graduation Benefit Golf Tournament were (from left) Evan Braswell, Vincent McClelland, Omar Saucedo, and Cole Flanagan. The tournament was held at Mountain Creek Golf Course Saturday, October 18.



Winning second place in the high school division of the 2004 Project Graduation Benefit Golf Tournament were Jonathan Pagan, Will Parker, Trey Sawyer, and Josh Alexander. The tournament was held at Mountain Creek Golf Course Saturday, October 18.

New eyes

By Mary Williams

We're new to Robert Lee, moved here not quite four months ago. One evening shortly after we moved here, following a small tiff with my husband, I decided to get away for a few minutes. I drove down Sanco Road to the top of the hill, where the county caliche pit use to be. I looked to my left and immediately stepped on the brake. In the distance were two giant cliffs with a valley in between. At that moment the sun was setting in the middle of the valley. The sight was awe inspiring. I opened the window, turned the car off and just sat there watching what I consider to be a gift from God. As the light became dimmer I became more aware of the sounds around me. Crickets and birds seemed to be saying their good nights to one another. Somewhere in the distance cows were mooing. In those brief moments I realized I'd found my way home. I am where I am meant to be, in Robert Lee.

That short drive down Sanco Road was just the beginning of my "adventuring". The county roads are in

good shape and the abundance of wildlife to be seen down these back roads make these drives very rewarding. It's amazing how the mountains can look so different from day to day. It's as if they have moods, and I want to witness all their moods! Whether it be a trip around the Sanco Loop or to the park overlooking Lake Spence, or down FM 2034 between Water Valley and Robert Lee, there is always something worth seeing.

As beautiful as this scenery is, there is another beauty that is more pervasive and inspiring. It is the beauty of the people of Robert Lee. With their patience and warm sense of humor, their support, kindness and down to earth wisdom, they turn strangers into friends in no time at all. Just as I enjoy going on my drives to experience the scenery, I enjoy everyday interactions with the town people, whether it be doing grocery shopping, filling up the gas tank, going out to eat or visiting City Hall. Things that I use to considered chores and inconveniences in other towns, I now consider opportunities to pass pleasant time with people I truly enjoy.

I often wonder if the residents of Robert Lee realize how very blessed they are. They may think that this is the way life should be, and they are right! But unfortunately there are fewer and fewer places in the world where life is as it should be. If ever they question their blessings, I would recommend spending a few hours on a busy Saturday in a larger town shopping in a super shopping center where patience, kindness and humor is in short supply. Then come back to town, to home, to Robert Lee, and look at it as if you had just moved here, with new eyes, and see if it doesn't just glow!

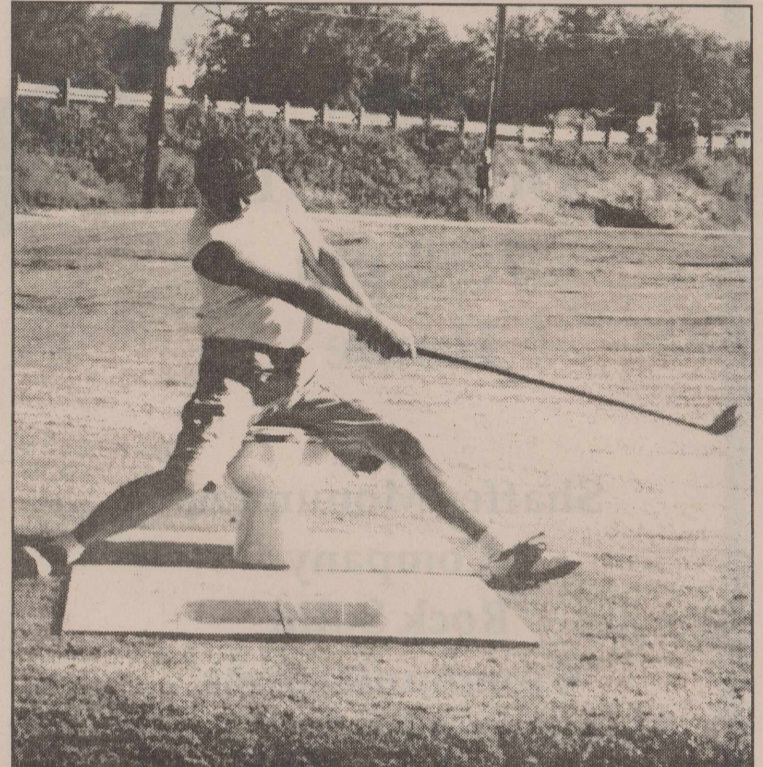
'College Days' offers sampling of ASU life

Angelo State University will host its fall "College Days" program on Saturday, Nov. 8, to give prospective college students a taste, both figuratively and literally, of campus life at ASU.

In addition to sampling the various academic and extracurricular programs available at the university, students and their families will also be treated to a free lunch and will be offered complimentary tickets to ASU's 2 pm football game against Texas A&M



Winning first place in the open division of the 2004 Project Graduation Benefit Golf Tournament were (from left) Billy Wayne Roe, Jesse (Bill) Flores, Bill Allen, and Bill Blair. The tournament was held at Mountain Creek Golf Course Saturday, October 18.



Winning first place in the long drive contest at the 2004 Project Graduation Benefit Golf Tournament was Dean Jones of Sterling City. The tournament was held at Mountain Creek Golf Course Saturday, October 18. The Long Drive contest was held on a toilet from the #2 tee box.

Commerce in San Angelo Stadium and the Rambelles' 7 pm volleyball game against Tarleton State in the Junell Center/Stephens Arena.

Activities will begin at 9:30 am with check-in at the C.J. "Red" Davidson Conference Center in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont. The program will begin at 10 am in the Davidson Center with a welcome by ASU President James Hindman. Tours of campus will then be conducted, including a stop at the Food Service Center for the complimentary lunch.

After lunch, students and their families will return to the Davidson Conference Center for the ASU Expo, where information will be available on academic programs, stud-

ent organizations, extracurricular activities, financial aid, Carr Academic Scholarships, residence halls and other areas of interest to prospective students and their parents.

Special information sessions also will be presented for students in ASU pre-professional programs, including nursing, physical therapy, pre-law and pre-health professions.

Throughout the event ASU faculty, staff and students will be available to welcome guests to campus and to answer their questions about all aspects of student life at ASU.

College Days programs are also scheduled Feb. 14 and April 3 during the spring semester.

For more information, contact the Office of Admissions and Retention at (325) 942-2058.

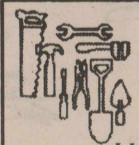
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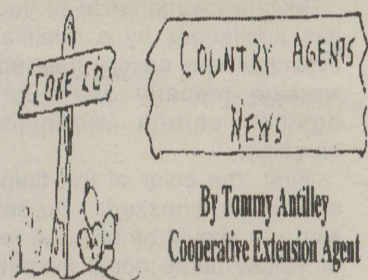
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Coke county high school rodeo contestants again traveled to Ft. Stockton, Texas to compete in another Region II qualifying rodeo held October 18-19. Finishing Saturday's competition saw Ashley Denton placing 3rd and Lillian McMullan placing 8th in the breakaway roping. Cody McCabe with his team roping partner won the team roping with Jake McCabe and his partner placing 4th. In the barrels, Lillian placed 2nd. The pole bending event saw Lillian placing 2nd and Natalee Reed placing 5th. The goat tying had Ashley placing 3rd and Lillian 4th.

In Sunday's rodeo, Lance Millican won 2nd place in the calf roping. The breakaway event saw Ashley winning 6th place and Lillian 8th place. In the barrels, Lillian won 2nd place. The goat tying ended with Lillian winning 1st place and Ashley placing 4th. The day ended with the pole bending event where Natalee Reed won 1st place and Lillian placing 3rd. The next high school rodeo will be November 15 and 16 in Sonora, Texas.



Predator Awareness Workshop

The Mid-West Natural Resources Task Force made up of Coke, Sterling, Irion and Tom Green County Extension agents will be conducting a Predator Awareness Workshop on November 13, 2003 at the Sterling County Community Center. The event is co-sponsored by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences - Texas A&M University System, Sheep & Goat Predator Management Board, and Texas Department of Agriculture.

The Workshop will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at 5:00 pm. A catered lunch and refreshments will be served. The Workshop will provide 6.0 ceu credits (4 general; 1 laws and regulations; 1 IPM) toward Pesticide Applicator License re-certification.

The morning session will begin with Ken Cearley, Texas Cooperation Extension - San Angelo, speaking about appreciating predators and interpreting physical evidence of predation. Following a morning break, Marty Sedden, Wildlife Services, will discuss predator biology

and Cearley will discuss predator control and wildlife management. After a catered lunch, Cearley will discuss the predators in the classroom project. Then, there will be 4 concurrent sessions led by Wildlife Services personnel featuring demonstrations of control alternatives. Session A, led by Jim Harper, discusses non-lethal approaches. Session B, led by local trappers Benny Radde and James Martin, discusses foothold traps and snares. Session C, led by District Supervisor John Dorsett, discusses M-44's and LPCs. Session D, led by Sedden, discusses aerial gunning and calling. Following the afternoon break, Cearley will discuss predators as disease vectors, a code of ethics for predator management, and preventing illicit use of pesticides in predator control. The day will conclude with an update on the Sheep & Goat Predator Management Board.

The cost of the Workshop will be \$20 and will cover the cost of registration, 6.0 ceu credits, noon meal and educational materials. Please RSVP by calling the Sterling County Extension Office at (325) 378-3181 by November 7th. The cost at the door will be \$25.

All programs of Texas Cooperative Extension are available to everyone without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin. We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for those with disabilities for this event. Please contact Chad Coburn at (325) 378-3181, as soon as possible, to advise of any auxiliary aid that you might require. For more information, contact Tommy Antilley, County Extension Agent - Coke County at (325) 453-2461.

Two-stepping with fire ants

And we don't mean an ants-in-your-pants dance. We mean the currently best proven approach to effectively manage fire ants, called the Two-Step Method. This approach works best in fully infested areas (five or more mounds for each quarter-acre of yard) or where there is little or no concern for preserving native ant species.

Two-stepping includes broadcasting a bait insecticide over your entire yard sometime between late August and mid-October, and then treating individual, problem mounds with an approved mound drench, granule, bait or dust insecticide.

Step One: Baits:

Fire ant baits consist of pesticides on processed corn grits coated with soy bean oil. Worker ants take the bait back to the colony, where it is shared with the queen, which then either dies or becomes infertile. Baits currently available include Amdro, Siege, Logic Award, Ascend, or Raid Fire ant killer. Baits are slow-acting and require weeks to months to achieve 80% to 90% control. Bait products can be used to easily treat large areas effectively.

They contain extremely low amounts of toxins. For best results:

*Use fresh bait, preferably from an unopened container.

*Apply when the ground and grass are dry and no rain is expected for the next 24 to 48 hours.

*Apply when worker ants are actively looking for food, usually in late afternoon or in the evening. To test, put a small pile of bait next to a mound and see if the ants have found it within 30 minutes.

*Apply baits with hand-held seed spreaders. Don't apply baits mixed with fertilizer or seed.

*Baits can be applied anytime during the warm season. When applied in late summer/early fall, ants are still foraging and it's easier to predict weather patterns. Then the bait can take effect over the winter while you're indoors. Re-apply baits once or twice a year. Step Two: Individual mound treatments:

Chemical. With dust products, no water is needed and they act fast. However, they leave a surface resi-

due. Liquid drenches generally eliminate mounds within a few hours and leave little surface residue after application. Granular products are relatively fast acting and usually require putting granules on and around the mound and then sprinkling 1 to 2 gallons of water on without disturbing the mound. Closely follow directions on the label. Organic: Pouring 2 to 3 gallons of very hot or boil-

ing water on the mound will kill ants about 60% of the time. Otherwise, the ants will probably just move to another location. Very hot or boiling water will kill the grass or surrounding vegetation that it is poured upon. Other natural or organic methods include mound drench products containing plant derived ingredients (e.g. botanical insecticides) and biological control agents.

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Lady Horns fall to Veribest

On October 25, Bronte varsity and JV lost to Veribest. The Bronte varsity lost with scores of 25-22, 11-25, 22-25 and 16-25. Individual stats included: McCutchen 32 assists, 2 kills; Howell 21 kills, 1 block, 1 ace; Coalson 8 kills, 1 assist; Webb 3 kills, 1 ace; Rawlings 3 kills; Garcia 3 kills, 1 assist; Johnson 1 kill; and Acker 1 assist, 1 ace.

The JV lost their games to Veribest, but once again with very close games. They were defeated by scores of 21-25, 25-19, 19-25 and 23-25. Individual stats: Cooper 4 aces, 10 assists, 5 kills; Mirelez 11 kills, 6 assists; Basquez 1 block, 1 kill; Gibbs 2 kills, Waller 1 kill and Stewart 1 kill.

4-H Awards

Reception held

The annual 4-H Awards Reception was held October 26, 2003 at the Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Jeff Brisbin was honored with the Friend of 4-H Award for his work with the 4-H Clubs in Coke County. Silver Star, the highest Junior 4-H Achievement Award, was given to Allison Millican. The following 4-Hers received certificates for the completion of their 4-H projects.

Beef Cattle: Clay Antilley Consumer Decision Making: Emilee Yanez, Molli Hinderliter, Olivia Trejo Rabbits: Ashley Sawyer Meat Goats: Stacey Denton, Cody Denton, Molli Hinderliter, Amanda Mendoza, Lance Millican, Ashlee Millican, Taylor Percifull, Brettne Reed, Monica Rodriguez, Michael Rodriguez, Michele Sanchez, Nicole Sanchez, Sara Walker, Emilee Yanez

Lambs: Cody Bridges, Briana Brisbin, Stacey Denton, Cody Denton, Brody Dillard, Haden Dillard, Lance Millican, Ashlee Millican, Blake Millican, Kyla Millican, Allison Millican, Taylor Percifull, Robert Raney, Cody Wallace Swine: Holly Austin, Clayton Austin, Heidi Austin, Katie Bessent, Briana Brisbin, J.P. Conner, Chelsea Conner, Josh Conner, Kaden Duncan, Kelsy Duncan, Cara Eaton, Lance Millican, Taylor Percifull, Brettne Reed, Kacee Roberts, Meagan Ross, Mason Ross, Nicole Sanchez
Method Demonstration: Clay Antilley, Cody Denton, Stacey Denton, Michele Sanchez, Nicole Sanchez, Johnathan Pagan, Brody Dillard, Taylor Percifull
Livestock Judging: Clay Antilley, Allison Millican, Kelsy Duncan, Katie Bessent
Clothing: Meagan Ross, Olivia Trejo, Kacee Roberts, Nicole Sanchez, Emilee Yanez

Foods and Nutrition: Emilee Yanez, Kacee Roberts, Olivia Trejo, Logan Philley, Heidi Austin, Holly Austin

BASB news

by Randy Springer

On Monday, October 27th, 2003, at 7:00 pm, the Bronte All-Sports Booster Club met for their regular meeting (held every Monday night at 7:00 pm at the school library). Regular meetings are held on Monday nights during volleyball and football season, and it is never too late to become active in our kids school athletic activities. We need your

participation and there is something for everyone. Coach Rawls, Coach Fine, Coach "MAW" Bo, Coach Bedford and Coach McCutchen are at every meeting reporting progress, injuries, and interests you won't hear anywhere else, and they have made themselves available for questions, even with their very busy schedules.

So this is what's happening with our kids since we last talked: This is the biggest week for the athletic department so far this year. The varsity football Longhorns played another outstanding defensive game and again worked hard offensively to secure another crucial district win over a good Miles team, 20 to 6. Coach Rawls commented "the kids up front on the offensive line worked hard and inspired against a defense that was trying every variation they could to stop the Longhorn offense". Everyone should get to know these kids before Friday night on both the offensive and defensive line. They are often referred to affectionately by coaches and especially offensive and defensive backs as "Grunts", or the trench, or in this column's opinion the Longhorn "Bulls". Some of them are Clayton Adams, Zach White, Justin Frazee, Blaine Dyess, Joseph Israel and Justin Moore, just to name a few. Applaud them for the work they do. And that brings us to Friday at 7:30 pm in Longhorn Stadium. The game our kids have been preparing for since two-a-days. An opportunity to play a game for all the marbles (a play-off berth) with the Roscoe Plowboys is in hand. The teams are very evenly matched, and if anyone might have an advantage, our Longhorns are playing on their home field. What is home field advantage? YOU ARE, the fans and supporters of our kids, with your maroon shirts, caps, and yes, your cowbells are essential to this advantage. No excuses, we'll be there Friday night and help 'Get'er done'.

The junior high Shorthorns played another exciting, hard fought game against the Miles Bullpups, losing 22 to 18 when Miles scored with less than two minutes to play. Coach Fine commented "the staff has been working with the kids on finishing strong and they are learning and still working hard". The Shorthorns meet Roscoe in Roscoe at 5:00 pm Thursday evening.

Tuesday night (even though you will not have read this yet), is the second segment of our kids big athletic week. The varsity Lady Longhorns meet the district champion Miles Bulldogs on Parents Night. The very good junior high Lady Shorthorns will get the games rolling at 3:45. So read closely why this is such a critical game. The Lady Longhorns are presently tied with Water Valley for second place and the final playoff spot, with Veribest one game behind each team. Also tonight, Water Valley must face Veribest (presently playing as well as anyone in the district) in Veribest.

Here are the scenarios according to Coach "Maw" Bo:



Coke County children, ages 3-5 years, visited Robert Lee businesses Tuesday morning, October 28, during the Coke County Library Trick or Treat Walk. Approximately thirty children participated in the annual event.

the Ladies beat Miles and Water Valley beats Veribest, play-off for 2nd between the two. The Ladies lose to Miles and Water Valley beats Veribest, Water Valley advances to the play-offs. The Ladies beat Miles and Water Valley loses to Veribest, the Ladies advance to the play-offs. The Ladies and Water Valley lose, and there is a three-way tie for 2nd with Veribest, and there is a district play-off for second. Whew! So, I'll fill you in next week, but for now I hope you attended the games and supported our kids in their quest on our home court.

Longhorn Fan yard signs, new caps, maroon t-shirts for All-Sports and personalized cowbells are now available at all home games or from any BASB member listed below. The next BASB meeting is Monday, November 3rd, at 7:00 pm at the school library. See you there. Let's get'er done. Thanks to all who have worked in the concession stand and on the Fall Festival.

Officers are (and can be contacted at any time): Randy Springer, President (473-7018); Mickey Ehl, Secretary (282-2083), Alisa Webb, Treasurer (473-2811), Kenny White, 1st Vice-President, Becky Wills, 2nd Vice-President and 3rd Vice-President, Gloria Allen.

ACT deadline is November 7

College-bound high school students who want to take the ACT test for college admissions have two chances to register before the December 13 national test date. The postmarked registration deadline is Friday, November 7. There is also a late registration postmark deadline on November 20 (an additional fee is required for late registration). Students can get information from their high school counselor or register online at www.act.org.

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The ACT is a curriculum-based achievement test, not an aptitude test. There are four sections, covering English, reading, math and science. The tests cover material that students study in high school.

ACT scores are considered by colleges for admissions and course placement, along with several other important factors including high school GPA, college prep courses taken in high school, extra curricular activities, personal



Allison Millican and Jeff Brisbin were honored at the 4-H Awards Reception held Sunday, October 26, in Robert Lee.



Samuel Rawlings (left) took this big buck during youth season, October 25 and 26, 2003. The deer was brought down on the Rawlings Ranch at Broome, Texas, and scored 154 Boone and Crockett and had a 21 inch spread. Shown with Sam is his brother Phillip Rawlings (right) and Cody Moore (center).

background and other information.

To learn more about the ACT Assessment, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school counselor or go to the ACT website (www.act.org), which also offers helpful information including test-prep advice, sample tests and a free financial aid needs calculator.

Bronte Community Web Site

Bronte High School's 4th period Multimedia class has recently been working on updating Bronte's community website. Ariel Marrs, Andrea Sanchez, and Diane Womack have undertaken this task for their Tech Prep Project.

The website contains infor-

mation about Bronte - from shopping locations to services offered to restaurants and members of community organizations.

Not sure when the bank closes? Check the bank page. Need to know what you want from Hidalgo's to dial in your order? Check the Hidalgo's page. Not aware of what special events are coming up in the community? Check the special events page. There is even a link to Bronte ISD's school website.

If you are in doubt about any aspect of the community, look to www.brontetxs.com for answers to your questions. If you have any information regarding the website, please contact Lisa Gibbs at Bronte High School, (325) 473-6018.