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Large group lobbies for administrator

By Hal Spain

The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors met in a special called session on Thursday afternoon, August 19, 5 pm, in the cafeteria of the Robert Lee Care Center. The purpose of the meeting was first to discuss and to act on the termination of care center administrator Roger Alexander; and second, to discuss and to act on the termination of care center business office manager Della Alexander.

A crowd of nearly one hundred very interested and concerned taxpayers and residents was on hand to confront the board members present, which included board president Judy Williams, Gayland Hurst, Joan Cantrell, Rick Sanchez, and Doug Wilkes.

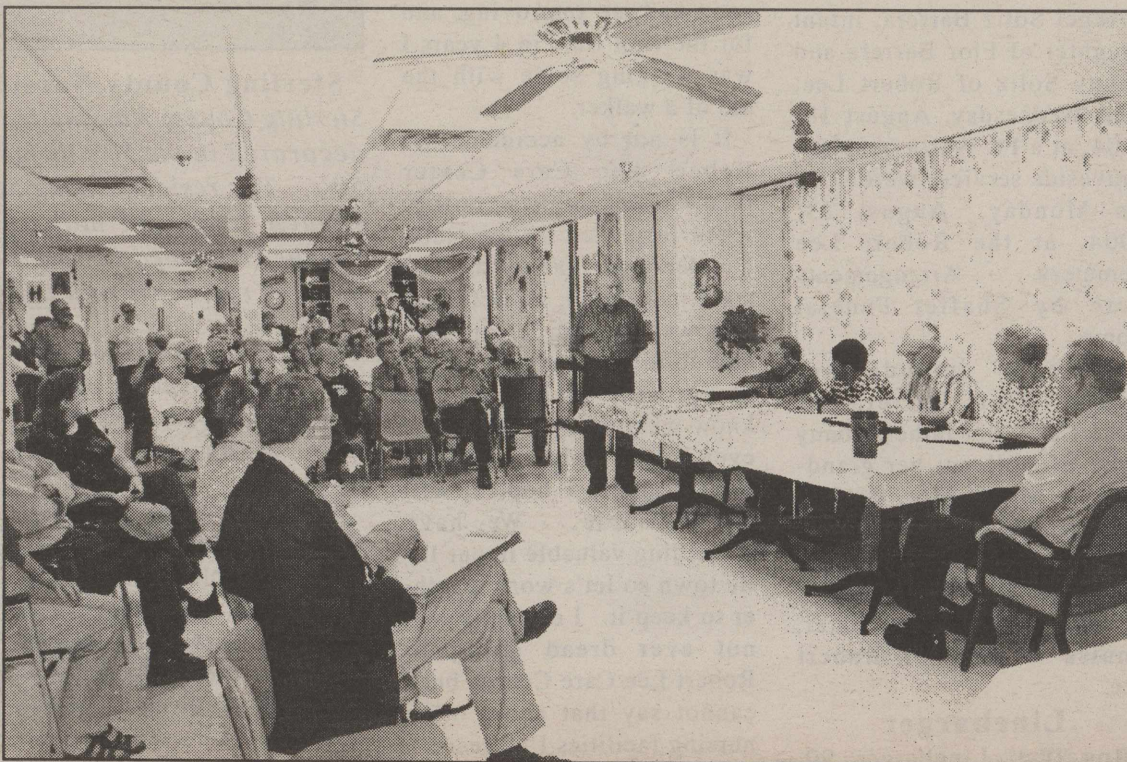
The board started the meeting by making the motion to terminate the services of Administrator Roger Alexander, and attempted to go into executive (closed) session to discuss this action. At this point, Mr. John Mark Hogue, legal representative of the Alexanders, requested that the board not go into executive session, due to provisions of the open meetings act. The board complied with his request, and opened

the meeting for discussion. At this time, Joan Cantrell submitted her resignation, which was accepted by the board.

Many from the audience spoke up during the discussion period, asking questions and demanding specific information concerning the reasons for the motion to terminate the administrator's services. The board offered no specific information or documentation concerning the termination motion. Others from the audience took the floor and lauded the Alexanders for their efforts on behalf of the nursing home and their community involvement.

Following the long (1 1/2 hour) discussion, board member Doug Wilkes made a motion with Rick Sanchez seconding to rescind the motion to terminate the employment of the administrator. Motion passed with Doug Wilkes and Rick Sanchez each voting for the motion, Gayland Hurst voting against, and Judy Williams abstaining. The board also tabled the motion to terminate the services of business office manager Della Alexander.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00 pm.



West Coke County Hospital District Board Meeting! Garland Davis (standing, top photo) addresses the WCCHD Board during the special meeting Thursday evening, August 19, 2004. Approximately 100 interested taxpayers attended the controversial meeting.

Coke, Sterling coaches discuss upcoming season

By Hal Spain

The Friday night lights are sure to be a little different this year, especially for Robert Lee. The Steers are set to begin their inaugural season of 6-man football with a new head coach and a new system. At least some of the Friday night lights are going to occur on Saturday, as the Steers have a couple of games scheduled for Saturday evenings.

Gone is the Coke County Championship between Bronte and Robert Lee. According to Coach Rocky Rawls at Bronte, it will be

missed. Coach Rawls expressed how much he was going to miss the good-natured rivalry between the two schools. He hopes to replace the old rivalry with a new one, maybe Sterling City, just to spice up an already competitive district.

Bronte and Sterling City will compete with perennial powers Roscoe and Roby, along with Winters, Forsan, and Hermleigh. Winters dropped a classification from 2-A to 1-A this year. Robert Lee will be in a new 6-man district which includes Garden City, Water Valley,

Veribest, Blackwell, and Paint Rock.

We talked with all three head coaches this week, first year head coach Mitch Lee of Robert Lee, Jack Gray of Sterling City, and Rocky Rawls of Bronte, to get their comments regarding the upcoming season.

Sterling City has scrimmaged Rankin and Rotan, and Coach Gray indicated that the Eagles made some improvements from the first scrimmage to the second, mainly in their passing game. Coach Rocky Rawls, whose Horns scrimmaged Irion

County and Miles, noted that the coaches were very pleased, and this year's group seems to be ahead of schedule, considering that they are replacing eight starters this year. Coach Lee noted that the Steers' first series in their scrimmage with May went fairly well, with good intensity, and not many mental mistakes, noting that their second series of plays against May was a little flat. In the scrimmage with Panther Creek, the Steers were "out-quickened" in every phase of the game, which was what he expected, with the Steers

learning a new system. He also indicated that the learning curve would be a gradual process this first year.

As to injuries, Coach Gray stated the Eagles had a couple of injured players, one minor and one expected to be back in a couple of weeks. Coach Rawls stated the Horns had lost a couple of kids, with nothing really serious so far. "Injuries are always a concern, especially when you only start out with 23 players, and your major depth is in the freshman class." Coach Lee indicated that the Steers were

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Death Notices

Barrera

Angel Soliz Barrera, infant daughter of Flor Barrera and Sonny Soliz of Robert Lee, died Wednesday, August 18, 2004, at a Ft. Worth hospital. Graveside services were at 10 am Monday, August 23, 2004, at the Robert Lee Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include her mother, Flor Barrera of Robert Lee; her father, Sonny Soliz of Abilene; her grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Delfino Navarro of Robert Lee and Yolanda Soliz of Abilene; her brother, Mike Guadarrama Jr. of Odessa; and her sister, Annisa Barrera of Robert Lee.

Linebarger

Roy "Pat" Linebarger, 90, died Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, in Robert Lee Care Center. Services will be at a later date. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include son, Wayne Matthews of San Angelo; and daughter, Margie M. Webb of Austin.

"Thank You Lord for the Rain" prayer session scheduled

Everyone is urged to attend a special time of prayer Sunday evening, August 29, at 7 pm in the Bronte Park Pavilion.

Members of churches throughout the community met earlier this year to ask the Lord for rain and feel it is only appropriate to thank Him for the generous downpours we've recently received.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Having been a resident of Robert Lee Care Center from 6-8-04 to 7-8-04, I'm now aware how fortunate Robert Lee is to have the care center. When I was told I'd be going to skilled nursing facility from the hospital, that was not what I wanted to hear; however, my transfer from the hospital to Robert Lee Care Center, and my stay at

the care center lacked nothing. The total staff was well trained, polite and eager to assist. The nurses consulted with my other caregivers and soon had me improving, and for the first time in 4 years I was walking some with the aid of a walker.

It is not by accident that Robert Lee Care Center receives the highest ratings when inspected by the state. I understand that on the last state inspection, no deficiencies were found. It appears somebody in management along with the employees know what they are doing. If ever I need Robert Lee Care Center again, I hope it will be available. We have something valuable in our little town so let's work together to keep it. I certainly will not ever dread going to Robert Lee Care Center, but I cannot say that about other nursing facilities I've seen.

Thank you,

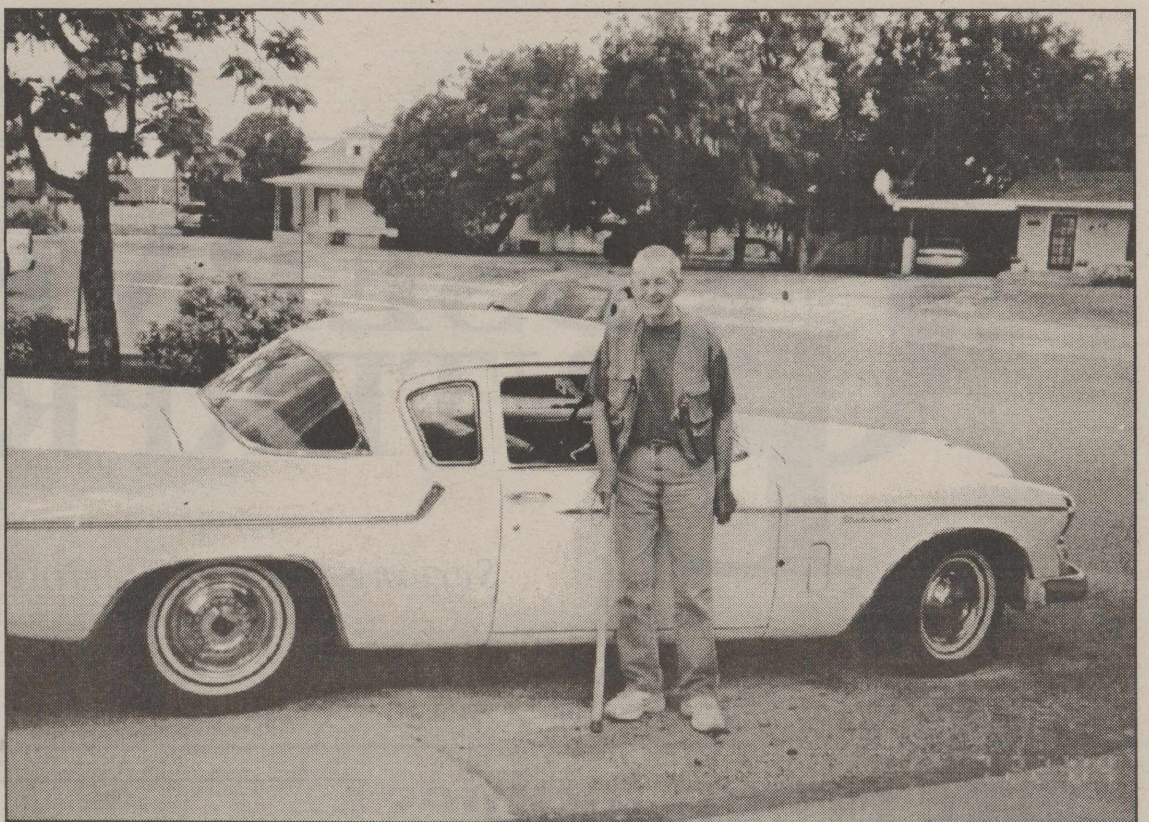
Melva Gartman Winkler

Red Hat Mamas news

The Red Hat Mamas (Red Hat Society) will meet at 11:00 am on Tuesday, September 7th at Nana's in Robert Lee. You are welcome to join this group where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life.

WCCEMS to sponsor Emergency Care Attendants class

The West Coke County EMS will sponsor an Emergency Care Attendants class. Classes will begin September 13th. Classes will be held on Monday and



Sterling County Nursing Home residents "Celebrate the Fifties"! The Sterling County Nursing Home celebrated 50's Day recently. The nursing home was decorated in the 50's theme and some residents and staff dressed like they did in the 50's. The residents sang 50's songs, listened to 50's music, enjoyed hamburgers, French fries and malts for lunch and watched the movie "Grease". Tommy Wright Jr. loaned his old Studebaker car, shown with Horace Tinsley, for the event. Several residents and staff had their pictures made standing next to the car.

Thursday nights from 6:30 until 9:30. Students participating in an ECA class do not have to do any clinical rotations.

The tuition for the class will be \$100.00. After completing the class and receiving certification, those who join the West Coke County EMS and fulfill the requirements of active membership will be reimbursed for their tuition. East Coke County EMS also has reimbursement plans. If tuition is a problem, please let them know and they will work with you concerning the tuition.

At this time, West Coke County EMS has only 6 certified people on the service. The State of Texas requires that two certified people be in the ambulance anytime it is used to transport a patient. It has become especially hard to fulfill these requirements during the day.

If you believe that having EMS service in our county is important, then please consider taking the class. For more information, call Mary Bessent, 453-2492, or Shell Williams, 453-2088, or any

member of the Bronte EMS.

BVFD runs for July 2004

7/6 - 18:00 - fire
7/15 - 13:30 - fire
7/11 - 15:00 - fire
7/25 - 8:00 - wreck

BVFD Memorials for July 2004 Memorial

Katherine Patterson
Peggy Jackson

San Antonio's Fall Art Festivals slated

September through November promises to be a prime season for the Alamo City with

the introduction of the Fall Art Festivals. Five "only in San Antonio" special events comprise the line-up: FotoSeptiembre and and Jazz'SALive (September); the New World Wine & Food Festival and International Accordion Festival (October) and Dia de los Muertos (October through November). Whether it's photography, calaveras, accordions, cuisine, or jazz that suits your getaway wishes, the Fall Art Festivals in San Antonio is the place to be. For more information, www.fallartfestivals.com.

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Central Baptist Church
324 S. Franklin • Bronte
(325) 473-4811
Tim White, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm Worship
Wed. 7 pm
Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2360
Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
First Baptist Church
424 S. Washington • Bronte
(325) 473-2331
Bro. Morris Johnson, Pastor
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Youth
and Worship
Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
First United Methodist Church
Corner of Washington & Holmes
Bronte
(325) 473-3281
Rev. Carol Fiero
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
5:00 Youth
First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2417
Rev. Steve Rowe, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship
Wed. 7 pm Choir
Iglesia Bautista Bethel
101 Houston • Robert Lee
(325) 453-5003 • 453-2296
Pastor: Basilio Esquivel
Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am
& 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm

Northside Church of Christ
PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2619 or 453-2270
Tommy Williams, Minister
Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm;
Wed. 7 pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm
Pecan Baptist
PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of Robert Lee
on Sterling City Hwy
(325) 453-2004
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship
Robert Lee Baptist Church
PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
(325) 453-2724
Bro. Mike Poye, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Southside Church of Christ
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2176
Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Worship
Tennyson Baptist Church
Hwy 277 • Tennyson
Joe Hodges, Pastor
(325) 468-0014
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting
Victory Assembly of God
PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2208
Rev. Irene Ford, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting

All Friends are Invited to Attend a
95th Birthday Celebration

for

Zera Fields

Saturday, September 4, 2004,

2:00 to 4:00 pm

Robert Lee Baptist Church

Fellowship Hall

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Today is deadline to sign petition

Petitions have been circulated this week in Coke County to have the option of legalization of beer and wine sales (off-premise consumption only) added to the November ballot. The option would apply to all of Coke County.

You must be a registered voter in Coke County to sign the petition. Petitions are available today at C & H Hardware in Robert Lee.

RL Street Affair meeting set

Robert Lee Street Affair committees will meet Thursday, August 26, at 5 pm in the Coke County Library for a wrap-up of plans and publicity. With the emphasis on fun, this year's 3rd annual Street Affair hopes to attract much local and area interest. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

Holiday closings noted

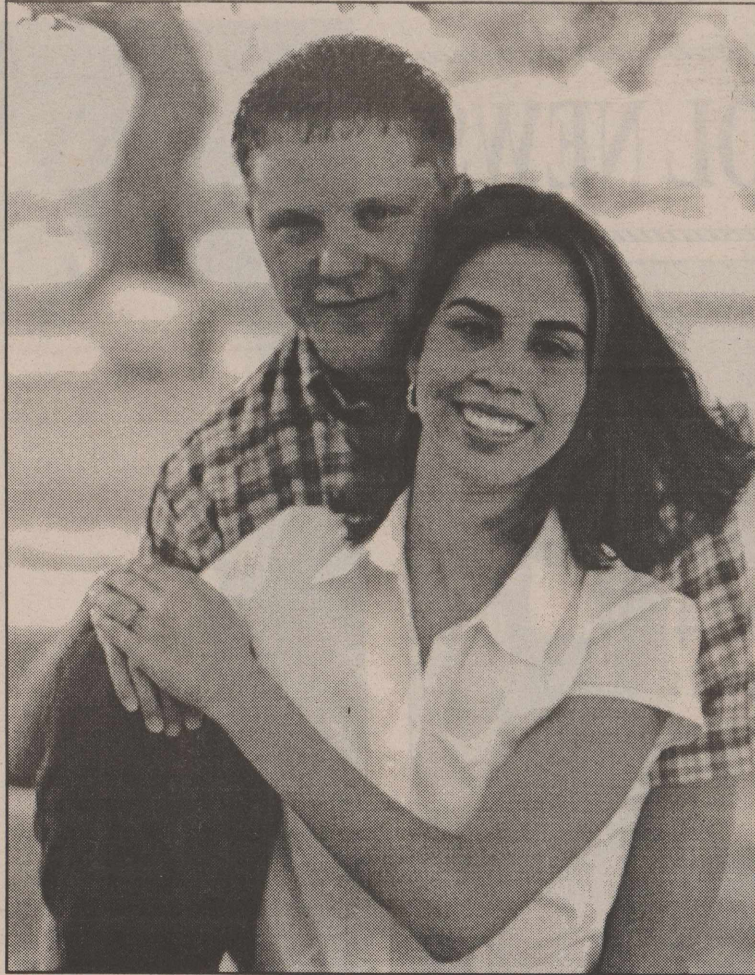
The City Halls in Bronte, Robert Lee and Sterling City will be closed on Monday, September 6, in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. Also closed will be the Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee and the Sterling County Courthouse in Sterling City.

The Landfill in Robert Lee will be closed on Saturday, September 4. Robert Lee residents are reminded that on weekends and holidays the on-call employee may be reached by calling 453-2831.

Dove Season set to open

By Joan Davis
Wednesday, Sept. 1, is the designated opener for dove hunting in the Central Zone, which included Coke, Sterling, and surrounding counties. The season will remain open through Oct. 31. Daily bag limit is 12 dove, made up of mourning, white-winged and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in aggregate, with not more than two whitetips. Although the less-familiar Eurasian (ring-necked) doves do not have a limit nor count in the daily bag, hunters need to leave plumage on them for identification, advised Coke County game warden Jim Allen and Sterling County warden Michael Jaramillo. Ring-necks could count against your daily bag if plucked and without identification. Hunters in this area need to purchase a white-wing dove stamp for \$7 since more of these dove are seen each year.

The officers issued reminders to those land managers who allow paid hunters to renew their license with any license vendor. Other important tips include the option to buy new hunting license now before the August 31 expiration to avoid long lines. Shotguns must be plugged to 3 shells for migratory birds, no hunting over baited areas; normal agricultural practices are all right but no shooting around deer feeders. Another good tip is to keep your birds separate from other hunters. If you pile them up with oth-



Engagement announced! Johnny & Kay Torres are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina Renea Torres, to Billy David Williams. Billy is the son of Sheldon and Brenda Williams of Robert Lee.

The couple will exchange vows on September 18, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee.

Gina and Billy are both graduates of Robert Lee High School. Billy is currently employed by Aim Materials and Gina is employed by the Robert Lee Independent School District.

ers in the party, there could be a problem with bag limit counts.

Shooting hours differ a little for migratory birds than other seasons; shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

When buying your license, be sure to ask for the Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification, answer a few simple harvest questions and you are good to go. Hunting info begins on page 61 of the Texas Parks & Wildlife 2004-2005 Outdoor Annual, free wherever sporting goods are sold.

Jim Allen predicts an outstanding dove season for Coke County. Weeds, hay grazer, and small grains look good, as well as plentiful water sources are all ideal. The area has seen more resident birds than in recent years and with a cooler trend north of us, we could get some early migrants too. Jaramillo says that although Sterling County may not be as well known for its doves as for other game such as deer and turkey, he expects a good result for many shot-gunner's favorite season.

Coke/Sterling FSA COC election underway

Each summer, it's time to nominate and vote for farmers to serve on the Farm

Service Agency County Committee. This year, the LAA up for election is #3 which is anyone living and/or farming east of State Hwy. 208 in Coke County.

The COC is democracy in action. Once elected by their peers to the committee, local producers make important decisions about how FSA programs will be carried out in the county. The local COC is a direct link between the farm community and the USDA. The COC also acts as a board of directors for the county office.

Farm owners, operators, tenants and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote if they are eligible to take part in any FSA program. In a community property state such as Texas, spouses may also be eligible to vote.

A nomination form signed by the nominee is needed to nominate a farmer-candidate. The form includes a statement that the candidate agrees to serve if elected.

Nomination forms must be received in our office by September 3, 2004. A nomination form may be picked up at our office or you may call one will be mailed to you.

For more information, contact the Coke-Sterling FSA office at (325) 453-2751.

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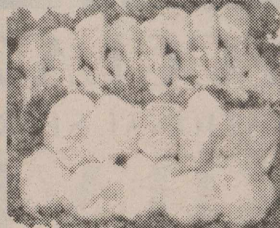
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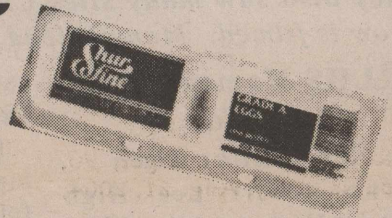
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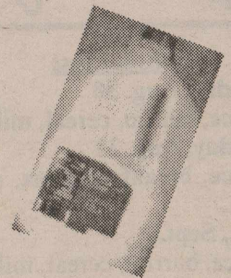
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jugs



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12 oz.
cans

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



Local students attend FCCLA meeting! Lindsey Roe, Kelsy Duncan, Sarah Phillely, Brettanie Reed, and Sheri Millican of Robert Lee recently attended the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's (FCCLA) 2004 National Leadership Meeting, held July 11-15, in Chicago, Illinois. Robert Lee's FCCLA Chapter Adviser is Sheri Millican. She also served on the Advisor to Advisor committee. Lindsey Roe attended the meeting by serving on the National Program Team as the Texas State Vice President of Programs. She also conducted one of the state meetings in which Texas chose who to vote for national officer. Kelsy Duncan, Sarah Phillely, and Brettanie Reed attended the conference by competing in Interpersonal Communications, Jr. Division. They received a silver medal in this STAR Event. At the conference they were able to attend helpful leadership sessions, general sessions, and training seminars. They also saw many sites Chicago offers such as Wrigley Field, the Hancock Tower, the Sears Tower, and where the Oprah Winfrey show is filmed. Many helped make it possible for them to attend the National Conference.



RLHS Homecoming set for

September 10th

The Robert Lee High School Homecoming will be held on September 10th. There will be a parade through downtown Robert Lee beginning at 2:00.

The community is invited to participate in the parade with floats or other entries. This year's theme will be

"Memories from the Past, Dreams for the Future".

The parade will end at the high school. A pep rally will follow at 2:50.

The football game against the Santa Anna Mountaineers will begin at 7:30 pm.

its town. Band is also more than a class. It offers lifelong skills and a team effort that is evident each time the band plays.

Band members and its director work hard to exhibit school spirit, practicing hours to provide the music that encourages our athletes and fans. Football games, pep rallies, city parades and events all benefit from this group of musicians. Imagine a school event without the fight song, school song, or National Anthem. Imagine a community celebration without band music. We, as involved citizens, must work to preserve our school, our band, and our town.

The time has come for our community to let the RLHS Steer Band know that they are appreciated and that what they do is important. We may be a small town, but we can still think big. There is a place for all Robert Lee students to participate and the band is Number One.

A Big Steer Band Fan,
Billy Wayne Roe

Lighting of the "RL"
The "RL" will be lit Wednesday night, September 8, at a mini-pep rally on the parking lot behind the school at 9:00 pm. Come be a part of the lighting of the letters and help continue a RLHS Homecoming tradition.

RLHS Homecoming Dance slated

There will be a Robert Lee Homecoming Dance after the game on Friday night, September 10, at the Rec Hall from 10:00 pm to 1:00 am. All students, exes and community members are invited. Soft drinks will be provided.

This will benefit Project Homecoming 2004 a home-Graduation 2005. Make coming to remember!

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School Menu



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Monday, Aug. 30

Juice, muffin, cereal, milk

Tuesday, Aug. 31

Juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk

Wed., Sept. 1

Juice, burrito, cereal, milk

Thurs., Sept. 2

Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk

Friday, Sept. 3

Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk

Lunch

Monday, Aug. 30

Chicken strips with gravy, mac & cheese, green beans, sliced bread, pineapple, milk

Tuesday, Aug. 31

Taco, cheese, salad, ranch beans, Spanish rice, fresh fruit, milk

Wed., Sept. 1

Rib-b-cue, corn, broccoli & cheese, roll, fruit cocktail, milk

Thurs., Sept. 2

Oven fried chicken, creamed potatoes, green peas, sliced bread, pears, milk

Friday, Sept. 3

Hot dog, chili cheese, tator tots, applesauce, ice cream, milk



Letters to the Editor

Rally round the Band!

The 2004-2005 school year is now in session with classes and Steer football underway. The RLHS Band is also in full swing with new director, Mr. Sherman, leading excited musicians numbering 30 plus. Band members attended band practice prior to school starting and are enthusiastic in support of the school and community. The Steer band is in a transition period due to a change of leadership and also due to football realignment to six-man.

New circumstances mean change, but what must never change is community support of the Robert Lee Steer Band. What the band contributes to the school and city is immeasurable. Parents of all students, encourage your child to join the band. Parents of band members, thanks for supporting your child's participation. Community folks, talk to students. Tell them that being in band is important. Band is a real class, a fine arts credit necessary for graduation, as well as a great asset to any school and

ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL

Friday,
August 27
7:30 pm
Midland



ROBERT
LEE
STEERS
VS.
Midland
Trinity

			RLHS
August 27	Midland Trinity	There	7:30
September 4	Fort Davis	There	5:30
** September 10	Santa Anna	Here	7:30
September 17	Strawn	Here	7:30
September 25	Trent	There	7:30
October 1	Open		
* October 8	Garden City	Here	7:30
* October 15	Paint Rock	There	7:30
* October 22	Blackwell	Here	7:30
*** October 29	Veribest	Here	7:30
* November 5	Water Valley	There	7:30

* District Games ** Homecoming ***Senior Night

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Robert Lee-Silver
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Brady Dickard

Etasauna

Cameron Hodge

Shelby Sailer

Dave Smissen

Cody Denton

Corbin Murrin

Ruben Torres

Cody McCall

Chase Roe

Hunter Sheridan

Josh Conner

Rhett Roney

Meta

Chris Torres

Jason Haase

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



AJRA winners! Ashley Denton (left) and Lillian McMullan are holding the World Championship saddles they won in the American Junior Rodeo Association (AJRA). Ashley won the 16-19 Girls Optional Roping saddle and Lillian won the 16-19 Goat Tying saddle. Also shown is Lillian's trailer that she won for winning the All-Around Cowgirl title at the National Finals Rodeo held in Sweetwater, Texas, July 26-31, 2004.

Each of the girls had a very busy and successful summer in their rodeoing endeavors. During the Memorial Day weekend, both girls competed at the Barry Burk Junior Roping Championship. Competing against 127 breakaway ropers, Lillian won the championship and Ashley

won 3rd. At the International Finals Youth Rodeo held in Shawnee, Oklahoma, known as the World's Richest Youth Rodeo, Ashley won the girls Goat Tying title! Each girl represented Coke County very well!

Ashley is the daughter of Kerwin and Rosie Denton. David and Mary McMullan are Lillian's parents. Lillian is a junior at Bronte High School and Ashley is a 2004 graduate of BHS.

BHS class of '55 plans 50th reunion

A 50th reunion is being planned for the Bronte High School Class of 1955. June 4, 2005, has been set to gather in San Angelo with more details to be finalized.

If anyone has an address or phone number for Alma Pearl Evett and Murlene Markham,

please contact R.J. Millican, 325/692-8306, C.B. (Buck) James, 325/653-6927, or Harold McCutchen, 325/473-5201. It is hoped that many can attend.

4-H Seeks Members

The Coke County Extension agents will be conducting 4-H meetings in Bronte and Robert Lee to kick off the 4-H year. Any youth who is either 9 years old or 8 years old and in the 3rd grade, and has not reached their 19th birthday by August 31, 2004, is eligible to become a 4-H member.

Meetings in Robert Lee will be held the first Wednesday of the month beginning September 1, 2004. The senior 4-H group, grades 7-12, will meet during the AR period (1:59-2:29 p.m.) in the library and the junior 4-H group, grades 3-6, will meet after school in the cafeteria.

Bronte 4-H meetings will be held the 2nd Wednesday of the month, beginning September 8, 2004. Grades 7-12 will meet during the tutorial period (11:15-11:45 a.m.) in Coach Rawls' classroom, grades 3-6 will meet after school in the library.

4-H is open to any youth regardless of sex, religion, race, socio-economic level, color, disability, or national origin, who meet the age requirement listed above.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in these meetings, are encouraged to contact the Coke County Extension office at (325) 453-2461 to determine how

reasonable accommodations can be made.

Being a member of 4-H offers vast opportunities to gain valuable experience in leadership, learning responsibility, inter-action with others and knowledge in several project areas. Many people have the misconception that 4-H members only learn to cook, sew or have livestock projects, but 4-H is "more than just cooking and cows." Youth can participate in project areas including: gardening, horticulture, electricity, shooting sports, archery, government, wildlife, dog care and training, poultry and numerous other learning experiences. Through project work, being on judging teams, public speaking, method demonstrations and other 4-H areas, youth can learn valuable lessons in responsibility, being able to think for themselves, be able to speak in front of groups and other beneficial lessons to help them in their lives later on. Also, 4-H is not

just for youth * adults and parents are encouraged to become involved as volunteer leaders to assist in club meetings and various project groups.

Additional information can be obtained from the Coke County Cooperative Extension office in the county courthouse, or by calling (325) 453-2461.

Area high school football web site ready

GoFridayNight.com, the refurbished high school football Web site that chronicles teams in the Big Country, is now live on the Web.

The online staff is currently finishing up several areas of the site, and they will be working on it through next week in preparation for the first full night of games on Aug. 27.

"We're still under construction on some pages, but we wanted our users to see the site early for any feedback before the first games," said Danny Reagan, online director for the Abilene Reporter-News.

The site includes home pages for every high school varsity football team in the Big Country.

Before the season opens, those pages will be populated with season schedules, fast facts, maps to stadiums, stories about those teams, plus history and other related content and links, Reagan said.

Season preview stories from the annual "Kickoff 2004" special football section of the Abilene Reporter-News will also appear on the site.

The statistical pages are all active, Reagan said. Rosters and schedules are available online, and once the games are played, district standings will be automatically updated, as will statistical leaderboards based on game stats provided by the coaches.

"Input from the coaches will be critical," Reagan said. "The Reporter-News will receive phone calls each Friday night from correspondents and coaches as usual, but the early part of the following week we want to update the site with even more detailed statistics. We'll rely on coaches to email or FAX those to us."

The results will be a database of statistics that high

school football fans will love, Reagan said.

KTXS-TV will provide video for a dozen different games or more each week as well as a "Game Night Weather" page. Slideshows of game photographs, blogs (web logs), play-by-play of selected games, plus other content will be available throughout the week and on game night.

"We're looking for someone in each Big Country community to be a 'blogger' for us," Reagan said. Information on how to become a "blogger" can be found at www.GoFridayNight.com.

Abilene broadcast personality George Levesque will also have a weekly audio Sports Talk, host a "Pick 'Em Challenge" and will host the live 30-minute webcast each Friday night from the newsroom of the Abilene Reporter-News.

"I'll also be looking forward to hearing from coaches every school day," Reagan said. "We've encouraged coaches to email us with any tidbits of news about their team. We'll run such information on the Web site every weekday...from Abilene to Zephyr and everyone in between, no matter how big or how small."

A unique feature of GoFridayNight.com is "The Red Zone," an animated "Jumbotron"-like element on the home page that will preview and promote site features throughout the week and become a vehicle for providing up-to-the-minute information on game night.

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Breakfast

- Monday, Aug. 30**
Cereal, applesauce, toast, milk, jelly
- Tuesday, Aug. 31**
Pancake & sausage on a stick, assorted juice, milk
- Wed., Sept. 1**
Sausage, peaches, biscuit, milk
- Thurs., Sept. 2**
French toast sticks, juice, milk
- Friday, Sept. 3**
Donut, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

Lunch

- Monday, Aug. 30**
Chicken strips with gravy, creamed potatoes, peas, pears, hot rolls, milk
- Tuesday, Aug. 31**
Bean & beef burrito, tossed salad, sweet corn, mixed fruit, milk
- Wed., Sept. 1**
Corndogs, macaroni & cheese, tator tots, red grapes, milk
- Thurs., Sept. 2**
Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, corn on cob, baby carrots, bread sticks, milk
- Friday, Sept. 3**
Sub sandwich, ham & cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickles, orange half, buns, brownies, milk

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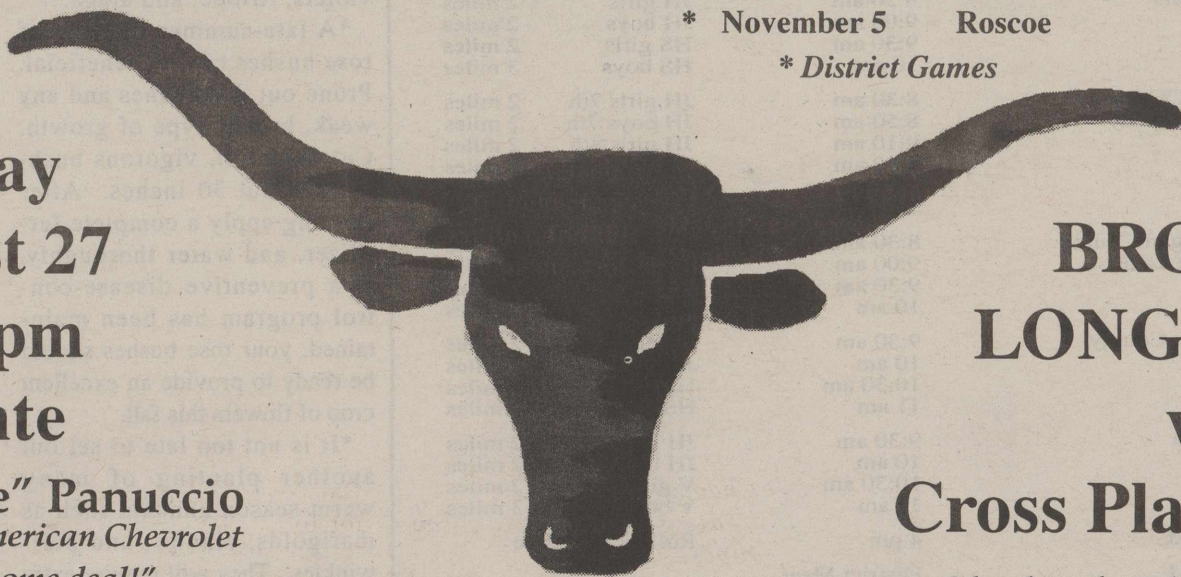
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September 10	Rotan	There	7:30
September 17	Rankin	There	7:30
* September 24	Hermleigh	There	7:30
* October 1	Roby	Here	7:30
* October 8	Forsan	There	7:30
* October 15	Winters	Here	7:30
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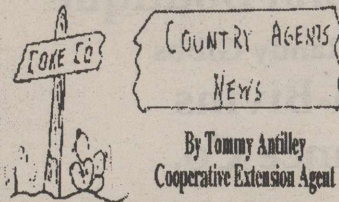
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zack Bennett #78
Kyle Lee #12
Lady Wallace #68

STERLING CITY SCHOOL NEWS

Sterling City High School Cross Country Schedule

Date	Place	Time	Teams	Distance
August 28	Garden City	8:30 am	JH girls	2 miles
		9:00 am	JH boys	2 miles
		9:30 am	JV girls	2 miles
		10 am	JV boys	3 miles
		10:30 am	V girls	2 miles
		11 am	V boys	3 miles
September 3	Ozona	8:30 am	JH girls	2 miles
		9:00 am	JH boys	2 miles
		9:30 am	HS girls	2 miles
		10 am	HS boys	3 miles
September 11	CVCC Classic (Carlsbad)	8:30 am	JH girls 7th	2 miles
		8:50 am	JH boys 7th	2 miles
		9:10 am	JH girls 8th	2 miles
		9:30 am	JH boys 8th	2 miles
		10 am	1A girls	2 miles
		10:30 am	1A boys	3 miles
September 18	Reagan County (Big Lake)	8:30 am	JH girls	2 miles
		9:00 am	JH boys	2 miles
		9:30 am	HS girls	2 miles
		10 am	HS boys	3 miles
September 25	Irion County	9:30 am	JH girls	2 miles
		10 am	JH boys	2 miles
		10:30 am	HS girls	2 miles
		11 am	HS boys	3 miles
October 2	Iraan	9:30 am	JH girls	2 miles
		10 am	JH boys	2 miles
		10:30 am	V girls	2 miles
		11 am	V boys	3 miles
October 18	Baird	4 pm	Rolling Schedule	
October 25	Baird		District Meet	



By Tommy Antilley
Cooperative Extension Agent

Preparation for small grain production

Usually, moisture is the most limiting factor for small grain production, but with the recent rains we have had, prospects for a good small grain year are starting out pretty good. There are several other factors that must be considered before we sow our grain fields.

First, we need to decide if we are going to try to raise a grain crop or as most producers in this area do, raise strictly a forage crop. If grain production is the major goal, there are several of the newer varieties that are great grain producers and the need to sow your grain can be delayed until late fall. For grazing or forage production, other varieties afford more opportunity for forage production. Most of the beardless varieties of wheat are more suited for forage production than grain, and they can be grazed out due to the lack of beards or awns on the seed heads. Livestock can utilize the plant longer. Another consideration for forage production is the use of other small grains such as oats or triticale that produce tremendous amounts of grazing.

Fertility is probably the most limiting factor besides moisture. The best source of information for fertility is a soil test to see what is actually available in the soil for the crop. If a soil test has not been taken, there are a few rules of thumb to assist in determining fertility requirements. For forage production, small grains will use about 60-70 pounds of nitro-

gen per ton of forage produced, 20-40 pounds of phosphorous and 20-40 pounds of potassium. Another way of figuring fertility used is for every 100 pounds of beef produced per acre, small grain will use 30-40 pounds of nitrogen. For grain production, small grains will require 2 pounds of nitrogen for each bushel of grain. If the grain is to be grazed, apply two-thirds of the nitrogen needs at or near planting. If the field is for grain only, apply 30-40% at planting and the rest in the spring if moisture conditions are right.

Even though we have good moisture now, traditionally fall is one of our dryer periods during the year. Through numerous trials where grain was sown at different times of Mid-August, early October and mid-November, results show the August planted grain used most of the available moisture before spring, resulting in lower forage production in the spring. In contrast, the November sown grain couldn't use the moisture and produced most of its forage in the spring. If you need early grazing plant early, if you need spring grazing plant later in the fall or use a combination of some fields sown early and some sown in October-November.

Field preparation is also extremely important. Small grains need to be sown in a weed free, firm seed bed. This firm seed bed is very important for emergence of all small grains.

One of the worst practices is to sow grain behind a tandem in loose soil. Unless you have depth bands on your drill, some if not most of the seed will be planted too deep. Every grain produces a coleoptile or first emerged leaf. The length of these first true leaves are pre-

determined genetically. If the coleoptile is usually one and a half to two inches long, that is all it will grow to. If the seed is planted too deep, the coleoptile will not break the soil surface even if the moisture is adequate and die, resulting in poor stands.

For more information on varieties or small grain production contact the Coke County Extension office at 453-2461.

August Garden Checklist

*Don't allow plants with green fruit or berries to suff-

er from lack of moisture. Hollies will frequently drop their fruit under drought conditions.

*Prune out dead or diseased wood from trees and shrubs. Hold off on major pruning from now until midwinter. Severe pruning now will only stimulate tender new growth prior to frost.

*Time to divide spring-flowering perennials such as iris, Shasta or ox-eye daisy, gaillardia, cannas, day lilies, violets, liriopse, and ajuga.

*A late-summer pruning of rose bushes can be beneficial. Prune out dead canes and any weak, brushy type of growth. Cut back tall, vigorous bushes to about 30 inches. After pruning apply a complete fertilizer, and water thoroughly. If a preventive disease-control program has been maintained, your rose bushes should be ready to provide an excellent crop of flowers this fall.

*It is not too late to set out another planting of many warm-season annuals such as marigolds, zinnias, and periwinkles. They will require extra attention for the first few weeks, but should reward you with color during late September, October and November.

*Continue pruning fall blooming perennials through August. Chrysanthemums, Mexican Bush Sage, Copper Canyon daisies, autumn asters and cigar plant cuphea (*Cuphea macropetala*) all benefit from light pruning (remove top growth of 4-6") at a time.

*Keep pecans adequately watered. This is a critical time when trees are trying to fill out the kernels. Stress due to lack of water now will

cause kernels to be partially filled and low in quality.

*Raise your lawn mower and stop fertilizing your lawns. Mowing a little higher will develop stronger deeper roots and will prepare your grass against winter damage.

*This is a good time to take a stroll through your garden and landscape and make notes on what looks out of place or not doing well so the same mistake won't be made next year.

School Menu



Breakfast

- Monday, Aug. 30**
Pancakes, cereal, juice
- Tuesday, Aug. 31**
Sausage, biscuits, cereal, pineapple
- Wed., Sept. 1**
Cereal, toast, peaches
- Thurs., Sept. 2**
Waffles, cereal, mixed fruit
- Friday, Sept. 3**
Doughnuts, cereal, pears
- Lunch**
- Monday, Aug. 30**
Corn dogs, ranch beans, carrot sticks, applesauce
- Tuesday, Aug. 31**
Sub sandwich on bun, lettuce/tomato, pickle spears, strawberries, chips
- Wed., Sept. 1**
Beef fajitas, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, mixed fresh fruit
- Thurs., Sept. 2**
Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, peaches
- Friday, Sept. 3**
BBQ on bun, pickle chips, carrot sticks/dip, tator tots, pears

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OUR FAMILY

would like to say thank you for all the calls, visits, prayers, flowers, prayer-grams and food. We want to thank the ladies and everyone for the wonderful meal served. A special thanks to Bro. Mike Poye and Mike Burson, Chaplain of VistaCare for the beautiful service for Robert.

Thanks to our daughter Tammy for her special song for her father, the ushers & pianist. A special thanks to VistaCare and the RLCC employees that worked so well together to make Robert's last days more comfortable.

Thanks to the RLCC employees that gave such good care to Robert for nearly 2 years and to Roger & Della Alexander and the EMS. So much support from such a small community. Thanks to Della and Gary Shaffer, Jason and Virginia for their care. Thanks to the pallbearers whose names I misspelled and to some I had to call on later, Mike Nixon, Jonathan Ruff, Danny Ruff, Sam Taft, Jason Bower and Charlie Fowler II.

Thank you all so much,
Pat Taft and family
06-1tc

NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLAN

October 11, 2004 at 5:30 pm
Bronte Housing Authority
The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Housing Authority of the City of Bronte to prepare a Five Year Plan and an Annual Plan covering operations of the Public Housing. On October 11, 2004, at 5:30 pm, the Board of Commissioners for the Bronte Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five-year plan and Annual Plan. The meeting will take place at 116 Northeast Railroad in the office of the Bronte Housing Authority. The draft Plans and all supporting documentation are available to the public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 116 Northeast Railroad, Monday, Wednesday, Friday during the hours of 9:00 am until 11:00 am.
05-2tc

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The CITY OF BRONTE will hold a meeting at 7:00 pm on September 9, 2004 at Bronte City Hall, 114 S. Washington St., Bronte, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2004. The proposed tax rate is 0.37265 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in CITY OF BRONTE by 2.76% percent.
06-1tc

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The KICKAPOO WATER DIST will hold a meeting at 4:00 pm

on September 8, 2004 at Bronte City Hall, 114 S. Washington, Bronte, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2004. The proposed tax rate is 0.004763 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in KICKAPOO WATER DIST by 2.98% percent.

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STERLING COUNTY BUDGET NOTICE YEAR A.D. 2004-2005

In accordance with Article 111.007, Local Government Code of the State of Texas, and with an Order passed by the Commissioners' Court of Sterling County, Texas, in regular session on the 9th day of August A.D. 2004, NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be had on the Budget of Sterling County, Texas, as prepared for the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 beginning October 1, 2004, at 9:00 A.M. on the 13th day of September 2004, at the Courthouse in Sterling City, Texas, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at which time any taxpayer in Sterling County, Texas, shall have the right to be present and participate in such hearing.

To CERTIFY WITNESS my hand and seal of office in the City of Sterling City, Sterling County, Texas, this the 9th day of August A.D. 2004.

Diane A. Browne
County & District Clerk
Sterling County, Texas
06-1tc

STERLING COUNTY

will use the following rules and procedures to comply with its responsibility under the INDIGENT HEALTH CARE TREATMENT ACT.

Effective September 1, 2004:

An Application Form can be obtained from the Sterling County Judge's Office located in the Sterling County Courthouse at 609 4th Street. Assistance completing the application will be provided if needed. Sterling County will use rules and procedures found in the County Indigent Health Care Handbook published by the Texas Department of Human Services. In Summary, these are the rules:

1. Application forms must be completely filled out.
2. Verification of income, termination of income, residence, household composition, and resources are required.
3. Net income is figured on a gross monthly screening table found in the County Indigent Health Care Program Manual.
4. Liquid resources assets cannot exceed \$2,000 or \$3,000 if the house contains a relative who is aged or disabled. The value of a car cannot be greater than \$4,650. Personal property and homesteads are exempt assets.
5. Eligible persons must be residents of Sterling County and must intend to stay.
6. Applicants must provide all requested information and documentation requested, or applications will be denied.
7. Applicants have the right to appeal adverse decisions.

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RLHS board meets in regular session

Be it remembered that on Thursday the 19th day of August 2004, a regular meeting was held in the Robert Lee High School library of the public school building at 7:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Riley.

Members present: Messrs: Gray, Ms. McCabe, Washam, Hill, Sawyer, and Supt. Wallace. Members absent: Mr. Roe.

The meeting was called to order by President Riley.

Comments from the public: Terri Blair addressed the board regarding band travel.

Wes Washam made a motion to approve the minutes as read of the July 22 and August 5, 204 board meetings seconded by Fredda McCabe. All for.

Jim Gray made a motion to approve the bills as listed seconded by Tom Sawyer. All for.

Supt. Wallace gave financial report on end of year projection.

Motion by Ron Hill to accept 2004-2005 Senior Project Graduation agreement as read seconded by Jim Gray. All for.

Motion by Wes Washam to Approve Shared Service Arrangement with Fairview Alternative Education Coop seconded by Fredda McCabe. All for.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to enter into an Option 4 Contract seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

Local Policy changes were addressed. Wes Washam made a motion to approve seconded by Jim Gray. All for.

Fredda McCabe made a motion to approve the Adjunct Faculty Agreement for 2004-2005 with Tommy Antilley and Jan Yanez seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

The board held a budget workshop for the 2004-2005 budget.

Janet Wallace, Elementary Principal gave her elementary report. Starting the year with 130 (118 ADA) students. Jill Lankford, High School Principal gave her high school report. Starting the year with 140 students grades 7-12 with one student at Fairview and two students at Wall.

Supt. Wallace read resigna-

tion letter from Aurora (Lori) Sevier. He gave his reports on Superintendent's activities, office and district reports.

A special board meeting will be held on August 26, 2004 at 7:00 pm to approve the 2004-2005 budget and adopt the tax rate for the 2004-2005 school year. The next regular board meeting will be held September 14, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Wes Washam seconded by Ron Hill. All for. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

RLHS class of 1941 reunion set for October 2, 2004

The second class reunion for the RLHS class of 1941 will be held October 2, 2004, starting at 3 pm for pow-wow with dinner served at 5 pm in the small rec hall in Robert Lee. Finis and Sue have made arrangements for the rec-hall and the dinner.

Dale Fields provided the information list on all the graduates and their families. Please send any changes that you would like to make.

Anyone interested in an invitation, cost for attendance, or anyone connected with Robert Lee's school, board members, teachers, ex-teachers, librarians, janitors, bus drivers, etc., contact Finis and Sue Millican, 14641 West State Hwy. 158, Robert Lee; Dale Fields of Robert Lee; or Garlan Green, PO Box 8133, Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657 (830) 598-2135.

Six Man Football Rules

Compiled by Jim Rawlings

1. Field is 40 x 80 vs. 50 x 100
2. 15 yards for a first down
3. All players are eligible receivers
4. There must be a clean exchange of the football. The quarterback must hand off, pitch or throw the football before it can cross the line of scrimmage.
5. Field Goal is worth 4 pts. Kicked P.A.T. is 2 pts. and a Run/Pass is 1 pt.
6. If at any point after halftime a team leads by 45 points or more, the game is over.

Personal

Nelan and Celesta Bahlman of Winters were in Robert Lee on Sunday, Aug. 22. The

Bahlmans, longtime residents here, visited old friends, including J. C. and Jewell Wallace. Nelan held both morning and evening worship services at Northside Church of Christ.



Look Who's New!

Emma Jolene Service

Emma Jolene Service was born on July 16, 2004. She weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz. and was 19 1/2" long.

Emma is the daughter of Nicklas & Shawna Service and little sister to Jay Henry Service. Her grandparents are Jay Lyn & Celeste Service of Robert Lee, Henry & Angie McWilliams of San Angelo, and Cindy & Wylie Norton of Christoval. Her great grandparents are JW & Ida Belle Service of Robert Lee, Selva Cowart of Robert Lee, Bobbie McWilliams of San Angelo, and Paul & Barbra Graham of Trenton, Missouri, a very proud Aunt Linda, and great-great grandmother Leona Roe of Barnhart.

Volunteer Training Academy slated

Just a reminder about Assault Victim Service's Spring 2004 Volunteer Training. Training for new volunteer advocates will begin on September 21, 2004.

Training is open to men and women, 18 and up, who are interested in becoming an advocate for victims of sexual assault and other violent crime in the Concho Valley. Trainees will complete a 40-hour curriculum covering topics as the medical and legal aspects of sexual assault/abuse and crisis intervention techniques.

Space is still available in this class! No experience is required. Upon completion of training, volunteer advocates will be qualified to staff the hotline and provide advocacy and accompaniment services to victims of crime and their significant others.

Prospective volunteers must schedule an interview and fill out an application prior to entrance into the training program. For more information, or to schedule an interview, please call Kyra Swindall, Volunteer Coordinator, at 325-944-8728.

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... Area football seasons to begin

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in good shape regarding injuries; with only the normal amount of bumps and bruises. He also indicated that he hoped the Steers would remain healthy, because injuries in the six-man game to one or two key players would have a big impact on their success.

When questioned about the strengths and weaknesses of this year's teams, Coach Gray stated that the Eagles' main strength was in their skill positions, with their offensive line improving. The big weakness for the Eagles is their depth, even though their numbers were good. Coach Rawls mirrored the comments of Coach Gray, with the strength of the Horns being in the offensive line, and the Horns' major weakness in their depth. Rocky also cited lack of numbers as a concern for this year's Longhorns. Coach Lee stated that the Steers' major strength should be their quickness, once they learn what they're doing. The Steers' major weakness is that they have no experience to draw upon in six-man ball, and they were hoping to get over that faster than some of their competition.

When asked about the major contenders for the district title, Coach Gray indicated that Roscoe was the #1 gun, and Roby because they went so far in the playoffs last year. He also indicated that Winters and Bronte could also be added to the list. Coach Rawls, when asked the same question, cited Roscoe, Roby, and Sterling City as major contenders. Coach Lee stated that from a talent standpoint, Garden City and Water Valley would be on the list in the Steers' district, with the other schools limited by their numbers.

The interview was concluded with a question concerning each coach's outlook for the upcoming season. Coach Gray stated that the Eagles must improve their passing game and eliminate mistakes and turnovers, and the defense has to step up to have a good opportunity this year. Coach Rawls commented, "If the Horns can stay healthy and our young skill people keep developing, we have a chance to be really competitive this year." He also noted that the Horns were young, and it would take time to develop them in their positions. Coach Lee answered the question by stating that they try to plan everything they do around the playoffs. "We feel like we have a shot this year. It will depend on the learning curve and normal progression overall. We have a good feeling about the way the kids are working."

Sterling City will start the new season at Eden on Friday night at 8 pm. The Longhorns will host Cross Plains Friday night at 7:30

pm, while the Steers will travel to Midland Trinity on Friday night for a 7:30 start.

Today is deadline to sign petition

Petitions have been circulated this week in Coke County to have the option of legalization of beer and wine sales (off-premise consumption only) added to the November ballot. The option would apply to all of Coke County.

You must be a registered voter in Coke County to sign the petition. Petitions are available today at C & H Hardware in Robert Lee.

Will you help?

Have you noticed the ambulance parked at the football games? If you will look, you will see that the ambulance is staffed by volunteers that are willing to give of their time so that our kids will be able to have care if needed. If there are no volunteers to staff the ambulances, they will have to sit in the ambulance bays no matter how badly they may be needed. Will you help? West Coke County EMS is sponsoring a class to certify Emergency Care Attendants.

The class will be for a total of 66 hours and will meet on Monday and Thursday nights at the Robert Lee EMS building. The date of the classes has been changed to Sept. 13th. The classes will begin at 6:30 and end at 9:30. The charge for the class will be 100.00. This charge includes books and class fees. West Coke County EMS and East Coke County EMS will work with anyone needing help on tuition. Please consider helping our communities by becoming a member of the EMS. For more information you may call Mary Bessent at 453-2492, Shell Williams 453-2088 or any member of the Bronte EMS.

Round-Up for Rehab

It is time once again for the annual kick-off of West Texas Rehab Center's Round-Up for Rehab. Local ranchers, ag-related and community businesses and Rehab friends come together to ensure the success of this important fund-raising program that is critical to the Rehab Center's ability to provide care annually to 21,000 children and adults.

Nine special livestock sales (some featuring baked goods, hand-made & other specialty items) will be held, beginning in September, in local west Texas communities to benefit patients like two-year-old Breanna, who, thanks to Rehab therapists, is learning to walk and be an active, outgoing little girl, despite having cerebral palsy. These sales include September 23 at Producer's Auction in San Angelo and October 25 in Junction.

Red Steagall is once again teaming with Rehab as Honorary Chairman, because as the legendary cowboy says of Rehab, it's a place where "neighbor-helping-neighbor" is more than just a slo-

Trio takes trip to Disney World! (by Dolores Roe)
On June 22, 2004, Dolores Roe, Chase Roe, and Taylor Percifull left Robert Lee at 4:30 am to catch a plane from San Angelo to Dallas, change planes and head to Orlando, Florida for a week of fun at Disney World.

We settled in at the Wilderness Lodge on the Disney Complex, and from there we took in all the parks from Tuesday the 22nd to Tuesday the 29th. We traveled by boat to the Magic Kingdom where we enjoyed the SpectroMagic Parade, the Hall of Presidents, Splash Mountain, and the Fireworks presented every night. We went to Animal Kingdom, EpCot, MGM Studios, Blizzard Beach, Typhoon Lagoon, and Downtown Disney. We traveled by bus, furnished by Disney, to most of the parks except EpCot. We traveled by boat to the Monorail station, then by Monorail to EpCot. You might say we traveled by all the services offered by Disney.

The boys enjoyed the rides and exhibits at EpCot, we took in the "Festival of the Lion King", "It's Tough to be a Bug", and the Kilimanjaro Safaris at Animal Kingdom. We enjoyed the Indiana Jones Epic Stunt Spectacular, "Honey I Shrunk the Kids movie set adventure", "Beauty and the Beast", Aerosmith's Rock'n Roller Coaster, Tower of Terror, MGM Studio's Backlot Tour and "Fantasmic" at MGM Studios.

We played, ate (a lot), and shopped before the time came to load up and head back to Robert Lee. We were delayed in Orlando by, would you believe it, RAIN in Dallas! Then when we finally made it to DFW, we were delayed another two hours because our pilots didn't show up. We made it home after midnight tired but ready to talk about the trip to family we drug out of bed to

gan...it's a way of living and doing business.

Heading up the Coke County program are Ed Cumbie and Clifton Reed and Troy and Susan Millican are in charge of the Sterling County Round-Up program. Others with key roles in the 2004 program are general chairmen Mike Alexander and Randy Carson of Abilene, Jody Frey of San Angelo and Bob Helmers of Christoval. They join with other volunteers to ask the people of West Texas to help Rehab meet the outpatient rehabilitation needs of all who turn to the Center for assistance in overcoming the disabling effects of illness or injury. Ways ranchers and supporters can help include:

- *Donating animals to one of our fall sales
- *Attend one of the sales and join in the bidding
- *Make a cash gift to Rehab
- *Notify Rehab or a local chairman now of an intent to have an auction house cut a check to Rehab for animals sold later in the year.

Corporate friends of Rehab that have once again stepped forward as Round-Up sponsors are Federal Land Bank Association, Patterson-UTI Energy and Strongpoint/Pied Piper Per & Wildlife. Heartland Alliance of America/Farm & Ranch Healthcare is this year's Chuck Wagon sponsor. "The commitment of our local chairmen and ranchers, the involvement of Red Steagall and the continuing support of our corporate sponsors helps make sure the services of the Rehab are available to all who need them regardless of their ability to pay," said



WTRC President, Woody Gilliland.

For more information or to make arrangements for hauling donated animals, call a local chairman or WTRC-Abilene at 325-793-3507, WTRC-Ozona at 325-392-9872 or WTRC-San Angelo at 325-223-6300.

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