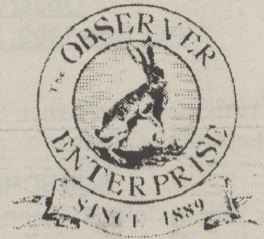


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## RL City Hall receives calls concerning scooters

The Robert Lee City Hall has received several calls concerning motorized scooters on City streets. Most callers are concerned about the safety as many riders do not observe normal traffic controls or safety measures as apply to cars and motorcycles. Some callers are concerned they will hit a young rider, or that a young rider will fall and not be protected by riding gear. Others report seeing operators riding across yards or grassy areas and tearing them up. A few have mentioned the noise.

Several cities have adopted ordinances to control scooters on city streets. Some ordinances restrict age, hours of use, specific locations, and/or require certificates of training to help control a potentially dangerous situation. Often common sense, parental guidance and a consideration for neighbors and other drivers are all the controls necessary in a situation which involves all citizens.

Citizens are asked to write down their concerns in memo form and leave it at City Hall to be considered for future action.

## Early voting ends Tuesday in local option election

On Saturday, February 5, 2005, Coke County will be voting on the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only.

Early voting began January 20, 2005, and will end Tuesday, February 1, 2005. You may vote early in the Clerk's office during office hours, Monday-Thursday from 8-5 and Friday from 8-1.

If you have any questions on the upcoming election, please feel free to call 453-2631.

On election day, the polls will be open from 7 am - 7 pm at the following locations:

- Precinct 1 - Senior Citizen Bldg. in Robert Lee
- Precinct 2 - Senior Citizen Bldg. in Bronte
- Precinct 3 - Courthouse

## Precinct 4 - City Hall in Bronte

Please remember when voting to bring your voter registration card. If you have misplaced your card, call the voter registration office at 453-2614 and they will be glad to issue you another card.

## CCJJC assists families in need

The need for help comes from more than one direction and the staff of the Coke County Juvenile Justice Center are always willing to help out, whatever the need.

This last Christmas, the staff found out that there were 32 children in Coke County that would not have any presents under the tree. The staff of Coke County Juvenile Justice Center, employees of CCJJC Bronte ISD and the employees of the medical services of CCJJC Texas Tech immediately began a facility wide fundraiser that brought in sufficient funds to ensure that every one of those children had a merry Christmas by raising over \$700. Funds were collected, gifts bought and wrapped and were delivered to each child's home before Christmas. This is the second annual Christmas Stars program that CCJJC has initiated for the children of Coke County.

## Gospel singing set for Sunday

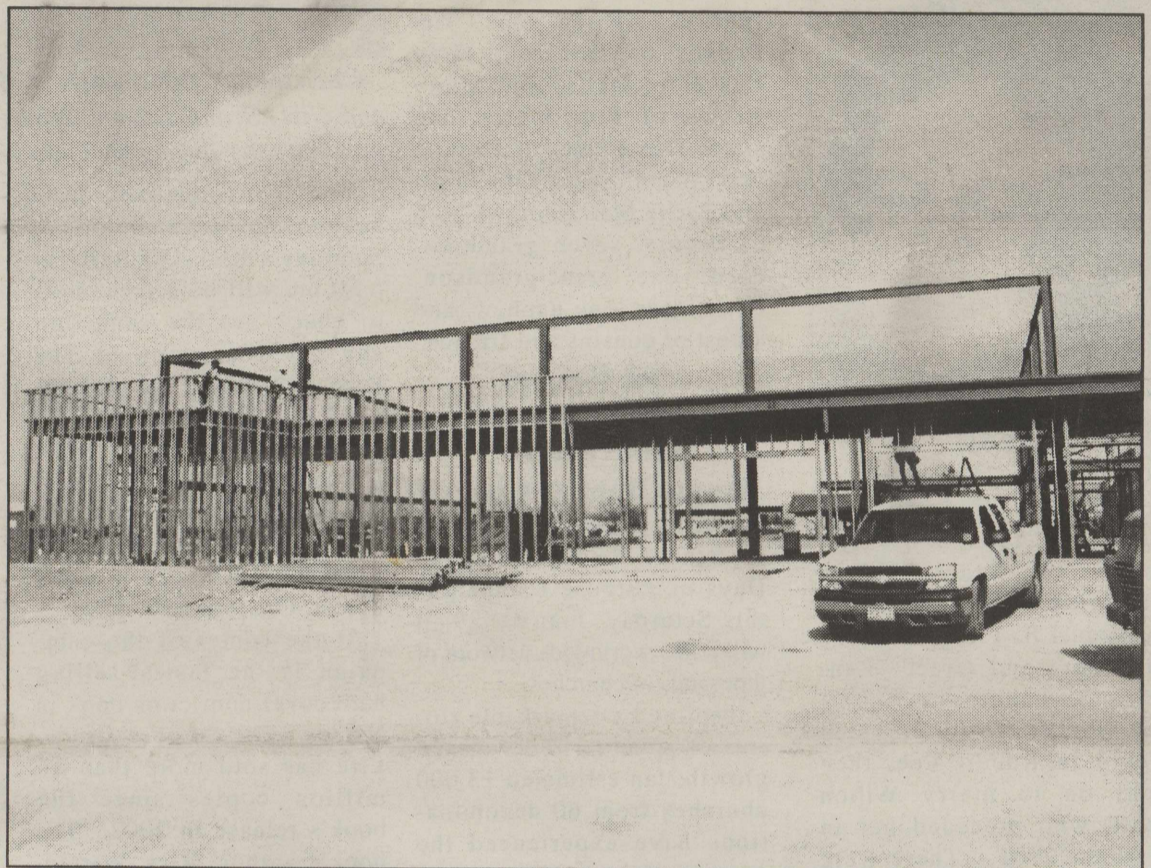
The regular monthly community gospel singing will be held Sunday, February 6, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this fellowship time together.

## Red Hat meeting slated

The Red Hat Mamas (Red Hat Society) will meet at 11:00 am on Tuesday, February 1, 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.

## Livestock permits need to be renewed

Residents of Bronte are reminded to contact the City Hall at 473-3501 to renew their Livestock Permits for



**Construction Continues!** Construction on the newest gymnasium at Bronte High School continues. August is the date set for the completion of this latest BISD construction project.

2005. Persons in Bronte who have livestock and fowl are required by the City's Animal Ordinance to have a permit.

## Dance slated February 1

The monthly dance will be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2005, from 7-10 pm.

## Red Cross'

## Mash Bash slated

HEB urges area "Klinger" and "Hawkeye" fans to join them for an evening of entertainment at the second annual MASH BASH benefiting the Concho Valley Branch of the American Red Cross. The event will be Friday, January 28, from 7 to 11 pm at the San Angelo Convention Center.

Based on the popular Korean War television drama and movie, the MASH-themed event will feature music from the era provided by the West Texas Jazz Orchestra, dancing, dinner catered by Outback Steakhouse, a USO show, and a silent auction. Contests will also be held for the best MASH costume and best "Hot Lips".

All proceeds from the event will be used to aid

local families in times of disaster. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Concho Valley Branch office at (325) 658-4409.

## National Prayer Breakfast of San Angelo set

The National Prayer Breakfast for 2005 will be held on Thursday, February 3 at the San Angelo Convention Center. Breakfast will begin at 6 am. Program begins at 6:45 and is over at 7:45 am.

Tickets can be purchased from the Chamber Office at the new Visitors Center, 418 W. Ave. B, 655-4136, New Life Christian Bookstore, 3712 Sherwood Way, 944-8760 or Family Christian Bookstore, 4112 Sunset, 942-6525.

## USDA-NRCS seeks comments on environment

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is seeking comments from Texas landowners and organizations on its flagship conservation cost-share program, the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Dr. Larry D. Butler, State Conservationist for NRCS in

Texas, is launching a comment period to allow public input on EQUIP through March 15, 2005.

"NRCS periodically reviews and updates the EQUIP priorities, with input from the public, to ensure the program continues to address the most important resource needs as well as any emerging resource issues," says Dr. Butler. The program originated in the 1996 Farm Bill and was re-authorized in 2002. "Updating the national priorities will help us prepare for the 2006 program year and for the next Farm Bill reauthorization in 2007."

Public listening sessions will be held in each State in coordination with the State Technical Committee. NRCS is looking for a wide array of public and stakeholder input from these sessions. Feedback from agricultural organizations, environmental groups, commodity organizations, agencies, individuals and others is encouraged.

A listening session will be held on March 1, 2005, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Hilton Austin Airport

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**Obituaries**



**Scott**

Onita Scott, 76, formerly of Robert Lee died Tuesday, January 18, 2005, at her residence in Grass Valley, California. Onita was born on August 8, 1928, to Henry Varnadore and Grace (Landers) Varnadore in Robert Lee, Texas. Onita attended school in Robert Lee, then went on to marry Wilton Scott, who preceded her in death in 2001. There were many hobbies that Onita loved to do including making flower arrangements, playing bridge, painting, golf and she loved to travel.

Graveside services will be at 2 pm Saturday, January 29, in Robert Lee Cemetery. There will be a visitation and lunch at the Robert Lee Recreation Center from 10 am until service time. There will be no visitation at the funeral home. Arrangements are by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include four sons; Jerry Scott of Alvarado, Texas, Larry Scott of Grass Valley, California, Dale Scott of Granite Bay, California, and Clayton Scott of Tigard, Oregon. Onita is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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**Beaver**

Warren Beaver went home to be with the Lord on January 4, 2005. He passed away in a San Antonio hospital.

Services were held at 2 pm at the First Baptist Church in Ingram on Friday, January 7 and at Central Baptist Church in Bronte on Saturday, January 8, at 10 am. Burial followed in the Fairview Cemetery in Bronte under the direction of Kerrville Funeral Home. The Rev. Jimmy Allen and Rev.

Tim White had charge of the services.

He is survived by his wife Betty Beaver, a daughter Theresa Laughlin, both of Ingram. Three sons, Tim Beaver of Houston, Grey Beaver of Dallas and Marty Brown of Fort Worth, one sister Dean Pope of Bronte, two special aunts Ella Pruitt and Perlie Mae Andrews both of Bronte, seven grandchildren, one great-grandson, two nieces, one nephew, and a host of cousins and friends.

**"40 Days of Purpose Campaign" launched by Bronte Baptist Church**

When First Baptist Church in Bronte launches its "40 Days of Purpose Campaign" this Saturday, January 29, it will join a worldwide network of thousands of churches.

Inspired by remarkable stories of spiritual renewal and growth, an estimated 13,000 churches from 60 denominations have experienced the purpose-driven phenomena inspired by a California pastor's best-selling book.

First Baptist pastor Morris Johnson says, "I believe that this is a special opportunity for individuals to grow in their relationship with God and discover the answer to their heart's deepest questions. We are excited about participating in this campaign and are looking forward to the impact it will



**Christmas Celebrations at Bronte Health & Rehab Center!** The Blackwell Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts (above photo) sang Christmas carols for the residents of Bronte Health & Rehab Center during the Christmas holidays on December 14, 2004.

have on our community. It is not too late to get involved. Saturday's Kick-Off Rally at 6:30 pm will be a great time to check out the campaign and get your copy of The Purpose Driven Life. A light meal will be served at 5:30 pm prior to the rally. The rally will feature a broadcast message by Rick Warren and music by members of Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, California."

At the center of the campaign is the fastest-selling hard cover nonfiction book in history. The Purpose Driven Life has sold more than 16 million copies since the book's release in 2002. The book's author, Rick Warren, is senior pastor of one of America's largest churches, Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, California. Following its "40 Day of Purpose Campaign" two years ago, Saddleback Church baptized 671 new believers, added almost 1,200 new members, and increased average attendance by 2,000. Two years ago the first 1,500 churches to hold a "40 Days of Purpose Campaign" reported their worship atten-

dance increased an average of 22 percent.

During the "40 Days of Purpose Campaign" at Bronte's First Baptist Church, the truths about God's five purposes for people - worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and evangelism - will be communicated repeatedly in six ways:

1. An all-church Simulcast seminar on Saturday, January 29, at 6:30 pm.
2. A message by Pastor Morris Johnson each Sunday in the 10:55 worship service.
3. A personal or family daily devotional reading in The Purpose Driven Life.
4. A weekly Scripture memory verse that everyone memorizes.
5. A Sunday School lesson (classes for all ages) each Sunday starting at 9:45 am.
6. A weekly in-home study and discussion group in homes around the community featuring video teaching by Rick Warren and discussion by those attending. These

groups will meet at 6 pm each week (for the most part).

"People will hear about God's purposes for their lives in many different formats," Pastor Morris Johnson says. "This will allow for the truths to sink deeper into hearts, which is essential for any permanent life change. One of the major points I have learned personally is a quote that starts the book: It's not about you. I believe that people long for meaning, a higher purpose than personal peace and happiness. Jesus teaches that 'If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give it up to Me, you will find it.' I want to personally invite and encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity to 'find it' as we are involved in '40 Days of Purpose.'"

First Baptist Church is located at 424 S. Washington in Bronte. For more information contact the church at 473-2331 or Pastor Morris Johnson at 473-5661.

**Area Churches**

*Invite You to Worship*

**Bronte Church of Christ**  
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson  
Bronte  
(325) 473-3291  
Preacher John V. Driggers  
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

**Central Baptist Church**  
324 S. Franklin • Bronte  
(325) 473-4811  
Tim White, Pastor  
Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
11 am & 6 pm Worship  
Wed. 6 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. Larry Tianen  
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  
Rev. Richard Easterling, Pastor  
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  
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10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
Wed. 6 pm, Prayer Meeting

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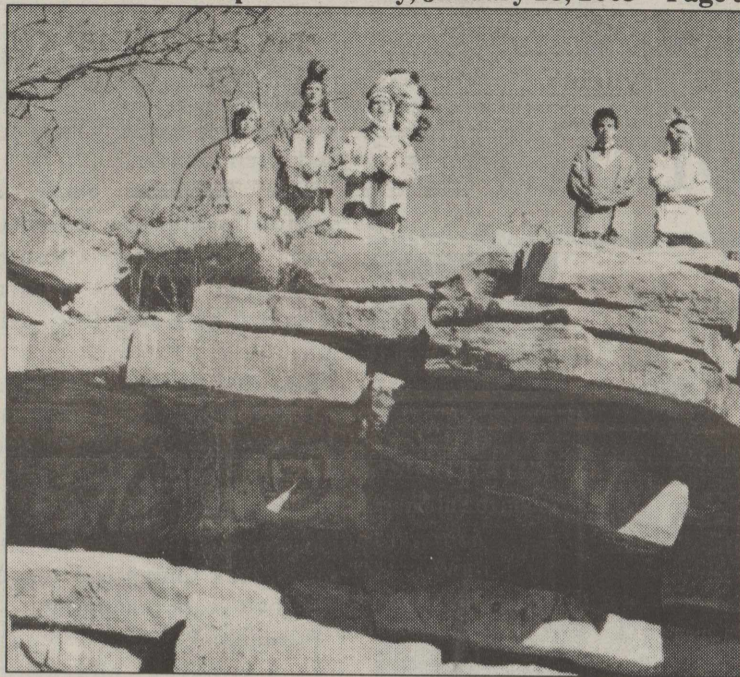
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Bessie Brice was honored with a 75th birthday party on Sunday January 23 given by her daughters Shirley Strakos of San Angelo, Judy Snowden of Odessa, Darlene Gower of Ballinger and Pam Gandy of San Angelo. Those attending were Vivian Keel, Sarah Gandy, Doris Gandy and Rena Dee and Garland Gaines all of San Angelo; Christa, Emily and Gracie McClellan of Midland; Shawn, Melissa, Shawn Jr, McKenzie and Heaven Warner of Cleveland; Bobby and Joyce Walker, Jessie and Willie Eads, Dorothy and Rex Putman, Alma Cantrell, Grace Todacheeny, David and Alene Key, Irene Ford, and Jimmy Sam and Olivia King all of Robert Lee. Bessie's youngest granddaughter, Sarah Gandy, was also born on her birthday and will be turning 14.



**Roberts couple tour Paint Rock Pictographs!** Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee were recent guests of Fred and Kay Campbell of Paint Rock and owners of the Indian Pictographs. They joined a group of approximately 100 people from Texas and other states to see the signs the Indians used to do their winter solstice rituals. At midday December 21, 2004, a sun dagger pointed to the center of a shield (painted by the Indians on the bluffs many years ago). There are many other paintings along with the shield. Several years ago, Fred Campbell was planting trees in the area and discovered a large rock, and with the help of his son, they uncovered the rock which they think is where the Indian Chief would stand during the rituals. This suggests that certain tribes gathered here to join in winter solstice rituals.

**The '64 Study Club meets prior to telethon**

Twenty Four members and one visitor of the '64 Study Club met at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, January 15, 2005, at Ivy Motor Company for a short business meeting before the ladies began working the phones for the West Texas Rehab Telethon. President, Della Alexander, called the meeting to order. Roll was taken and the secretary, Nita Duncan, read the minutes for the Sept., Oct., Nov., and Dec. meetings. Treasurer, Pat Carwile, gave the financial report and read Thank You notes from the Coke County Food Pantry, Hospice, and the Coke County Historical Project.

Hinnard, Dale Fields, Nita Duncan, Sarah Green, Fay Roe, and Kay Lackey. Della also thanked Nettie Autry, Pansy Bloodworth, and Beth Prather for their time and labor given in preparing for the telethon and thanked the membership for their participation.

Bloodworth, Pat Carwile, Yvonne Devoll, Dale Fields, Melba Gray, Sarah Green, Sue Millican, Billie Ross, and Jennie Lee Tinkler. The membership sang Happy Birthday to this special group of "New Year Babies".

The next meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 8, 2005, at the Catholic Church Fellowship Building. The February program will be "An Artist's Experience in the Southwest".

The meeting was adjourned and the ladies "got busy" on the phones for West Texas Rehab. The '64 Study Club appreciates Ivy Motor Company for the use of their building, phones, fax, and other facilities, and the husbands of the members that so graciously braved the cold to go out and collect the donations.

The president thanked the hostesses: Thelma Jo

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**Kick-Off Rally/Simulcast Seminar**  
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# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**RLHS JV are Tourney Champs!** The Robert Lee High School Junior Varsity Steers won their third tournament this year at the Bronte Junior Varsity Basketball Tournament. RLHS JV Steers include (from left) Johnathan Pagan, Luke Thurman, Brody Dillard, Chris Torres, Taylor Percifull, Chase Roe, Cody Martin, Cameron Hodge and Branden Phillips.

## RL boys basketball results

On Jan. 18th, the Steers varsity basketball team lost a close game to Water Valley by a score of 45-48. Scoring for Robert Lee: Andy Mulkey 8; Omar Saucedo 8; Kevin Honse 6; Jake McCabe 3; Ruben Torres 3; Josh Conner 6; and Lance Millican 11.

On the 21st, the boys varsity team won against Paint Rock 56-16. Scoring for Robert Lee: Andy Mulkey 12; Omar Saucedo 4; Kevin Honse 13; Jake McCabe 4; Ruben Torres 5; Josh Conner 2; Lance Millican 8; Chase Roe 2; and Brody Dillard 6.

The RLJV team won against Water Valley by a

score of 46-37. Scoring for Robert Lee: Taylor Percifull 11; Cody Martin 5; Cameron Hodge 8; Brody Dillard 4; Johnathan Pagan 8; Chase Roe 9; and Luke Thurman 1.

On the 24th at Veribest, the RLJV boys "A" team won by a score of 46-18. Scoring for Robert Lee: Blake Millican 2; Aaron James 14; Michael Rodriguez 4; Cody Brosh 3; Mason Ross 2; Jeremy Martinez 13; Stetson Nesbitt 4; and Dustin Moreno 4.

The Dogies end their season with the Garden City Tournament this Saturday, Jan. 29), with the "B" team playing Garden City at 10:15 am and the "A" team playing at 12:45 pm in the first round. They will then travel to Miles on Monday (Jan. 31) for their finale.

## RL baseball sign-up slated

All kids who are interested in playing t-ball, baseball or softball need to register on Feb. 7th at the Robert Lee Elementary school from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Look for registration forms from school in your child's backpack.

Registration form and fee per player must be turned in before your child will be

placed on a team. If you are unable to attend on Feb. 7th, please get your form and money to Scotty Jackson or Frankie Gartman before Feb. 7th.

## RL school board news

Board Appreciation Meal at 6:15 pm. Certificates were presented to each board member.

Be it remembered that on Thursday the 20th day of January 2005, 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: Pres. Riley, Roe, Washam, Hill, Sawyer, and Supt. Wallace. Members absent: Ms. McCabe

Tod Reed was sworn in as appointed board member.

Wes Washam made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2004 board meeting as read seconded by Ron Hill. All for.

Kevin Roe made a motion to approve the bills as listed seconded by Tom Sawyer. All for. Supt. Wallace gave RLISD financial report.

Supt. Wallace discussed Update 74.

Kevin Roe made a motion to surplus athletic equipment for nominal fee seconded by Tod Reed. All for.

Wes Washam made a motion to approve nomination for Coke County Appraisal District Board seconded by Kevin Roe. All for.

Ron Hill made a motion to approve Order of Election for School Board Trustees to be held Saturday, May 7, 2005. One place is for a three year term and two places are for three year unexpired terms with two years remaining.

President Riley gave report on continuing education hours for school board members. Tom Sawyer 11 hours; Ron Hill 63.75 hours; Wes Washam 125.75 hours; Fredda McCabe 78.25 hours; Mark Riley 37 hours; Kevin Roe 11 hours.

The principals gave their respective reports.

Supt. Wallace gave his report on activities, office and district report.

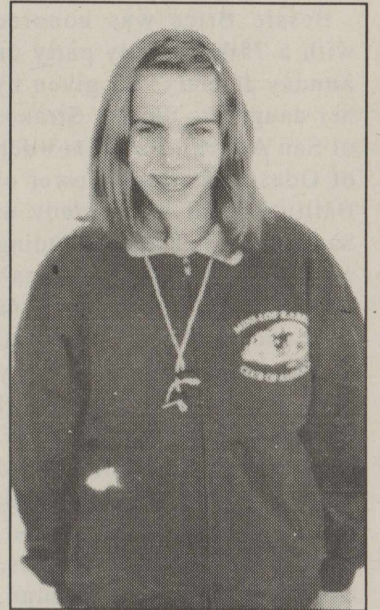
The board adjourned into closed session at 8:13 pm. Entered back into open session at 10:40 pm. Wes Washam motioned to extend superintendent contract forward two years seconded by Ron Hill. All for. Supt. Wallace informed the board that Jerry Horn offered letter of resignation/retirement to be effective at the end of the school year and had accepted the letter.

Next regular school board meeting will be held February 17, 2005 at 7:00 pm. Motion to adjourn by Ron Hill seconded by Tom Sawyer. All for. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 pm.

## Sawyer named District Breeder of the year

Ashley Sawyer has been awarded Youth District 4 Mini Lop Breeder of the year for 2003-2004 by the Mini Lop Rabbit Club of America, the National organization for Mini Lop Breeders. District 4 is comprised of Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, and Oklahoma.

This contest is awarded based on a point system for Best in Shows, Reserve in



**Ashley Sawyer**

Show, Best of Breed, and Best Opposite of Breed. Ashley accumulated over 32 points while going to over 17 show. She will receive a jacket with 2003/2004 District Breeder of the Year on the back. She also came in 5th place for the Herdsman of the year overall nationally. This contest indicates how many different Mini Lops a breeder has won with for the sweepstakes year.

## TFB scholarships available

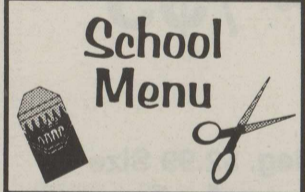
Farm Bureau is offering three scholarships for high school students who have not yet graduated.

The Young Farmer & Rancher scholarships are for enrolled college students who are pursuing degrees in agriculture and who have completed a minimum of 45 hours of college credit. Each of these scholarships must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2005. Every attempt will be made to announce the recipients by May 2, 2005.

Applications for each of these scholarships can be found on the TFB website at <http://www.txfb.org> by clicking on Youth Activities. Also available on our website are links to other scholarship and financial assistance opportunities.

Interested students can contact their school counselor at Bronte, Robert Lee, or Sterling City for help; or contact Brenda at Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau at 453-4505 for any additional information.

## School Menu



### Breakfast

#### Monday, Jan. 31

Juice, pancake & sausage on stick, cereal, milk

#### Tuesday, Feb. 1

Juice, cinnamon roll, cereal, milk

#### Wed., Feb. 2

Juice, muffin, cereal, milk

#### Thurs., Feb. 3

Juice, pigs in blanket, cereal, milk

#### Friday, Feb. 4

Juice, burrito, cereal, milk

### Lunch

#### Monday, Jan. 31

Chicken A La King, rice, egg roll, pineapple, milk

#### Tuesday, Feb. 1

Burrito, salad, corn, fruit salad, milk

#### Wed., Feb. 2

Chicken spaghetti, carrots, roll, peanut butter, supreme, pineapple, milk

#### Thurs., Feb. 3

Fish nuggets, tartar sauce, mac & cheese, applesauce, sliced bread, milk

#### Friday, Feb. 4

Hamburger, salad, pickles, tator tots, pears, milk

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**Bronte boys basketball results**

The Bronte boys varsity basketball team were defeated by Panther Creek 61-30. Stats for Bronte: Sherman Griffin 6 pts.; Zach White 2 pts.; Logan Rawls 10 pts., 8 rebounds; and Eric Hendrickson 12 pts., 5 rebounds.

The varsity boys were defeated by Water Valley by a score of 42-50. Stats for Bronte: Sherman Griffin 17 pts.; Riley Coalson 4 pts.; Logan Rawls 8 pts., 6 rebounds, 4 assists; Eric Hendrickson 4 pts., 6 rebounds; and Jonathan Marrs 9 pts.

On Jan. 18th, the Bronte JV boys team defeated Panther Creek by a score of 32-26. Scoring for Bronte: Jonathan Ehl 4; Gus Saunders 3; Brett Wills 8; Adam Halfacre 15; and CJ McClure 2.

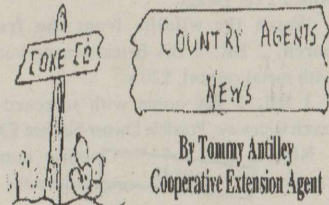
On Jan. 21st, the JV team defeated Water Valley 55-28. Scoring for Bronte: Jonathan Ehl 10; Gus Saunders 2; Zack Bennett 5; Brett Wills 8; Paul McConnell 6; Cody Wallace

8; Adam Halfacre 10; and Kyler Lee 6.

**BJH boys basketball results**

On the 20th, the Bronte Jr. High "A" team lost to Menard by a score of 23-46. Scoring for Bronte: Sam Rawlings 5; Reece Springer 5; Matt Allen 7; Eddie May 4; and Israel Cecilio 2.

On the 24th, they "A" team won a close game against Sterling City 30-28. Scoring for Bronte: Jacob Scott 6; Sam Rawlings 6; Reece Springer 5; Matt Allen 7; Louie Martinez 2; and Rob Rosson 4.



By Tommy Antilley  
Cooperative Extension Agent

**Texas Brigades Youth Camps seek new recruits**

Texas Cooperative Extension's Texas Brigades is sounding the call for cadets to participate in this year's summer camps. "Our core curriculum for all the camps stresses leadership development and conservation of our natural resources," said Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist and originator of the camps. "We fashion these skills into fun and interesting activities that focus on a particular game species at each camp. The game animals form the nucleus for the camps which typically involve 30 youth ages 13-17 years old."

This year's camps are: The "Bass Brigade," June 5-9 at McKinney Roughs near Bastrop; "South Texas Buckskin Brigade," June 12-16 at La Bandera Ranch near Carrizo Springs; "Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade," June 18-22 at Krooked River Ranch near Lueders; "South Texas Bobwhite Brigade," June 26-30 at 74 Ranch at Pleasanton; "North Texas Buckskin Brigade," July 17-21 at Stasney's Cook Ranch near Albany; and "Feathered Forces Brigade," July 24-28 at Pinewoods Conservation Center, Lufkin.

"This marks our 13th year of the Brigade camps, and the level of enthusiasm and commitment among our various camp committees continues to impress me," said Rollins.



**First Baptist Church's Children's Time!** These are a few of the children who participate in the "Children's Time" each Sunday during the morning worship service. Leaders use object lessons and humorous stories to share spiritual truths and insights with the children.

"There's a lot of kids out there today contemplating a career in wildlife management. These camps offer such youth a great introduction to what is involved in such a career. The camps also introduce them to a network of wildlife professionals who can be helpful to them on down the road."

"While we involve hands-on activities that include hunting and fishing skills, our core message is one of getting today's youth to appreciate or judge with heightened awareness our state's natural resources," Rollins said.

"One of the inspirational quotations we recite at the camps is the idea that 'one generation plants the tree, and another enjoys the

shade.' We like to think we're planting trees."

Five other states currently field similar camps patterned directly from Texas' award-winning camps, Rollins said.

The camps are also sponsored by: the Texas Wildlife Association, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, Quail Unlimited, the National Wild Turkey Federation, the Texas Deer Association, local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, private businesses, and landowners.

Tuition is \$300 per cadet per camp, but Rollins said cost shouldn't deter applicants. "We don't want financial hardships to stop any potential cadet from participating in any of these camps," he said. "We have sponsors ready and willing to provide financial aid whenever they are needed."

Applications are available at [www.texasbrigades.org](http://www.texasbrigades.org) and are due by April 15. Mail applications to: Helen Holdsworth, Texas Brigades executive director, 4001 Isom Road, Suite 237, San Antonio, TX 78216.

**School Menu**



**Breakfast**

**Monday, Jan. 31**

Cereal, pineapple tidbits, toast, jelly, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 1**

Pancake and sausage on a stick, assorted juice, syrup, milk

**Wed., Feb. 2**

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 3**

French toast sticks, assorted juice, syrup, milk

**Friday, Feb. 4**

Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, assorted juice, milk

**Lunch**

**Monday, Jan. 31**

Pizza, tossed salad, corn, mixed fruit, milk

**Tuesday, Feb. 1**

Steak fingers with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, apple sauce, milk

**Wed., Feb. 2**

Grilled cheese sandwich, beef & vegetable soup, carrot sticks, corn bread, pink panther cake, milk

**Thurs., Feb. 3**

Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, corn on the cob, sliced peaches, bread sticks, milk

**Friday, Feb. 4**

Cheese burgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, French fries, bun, brownies, milk

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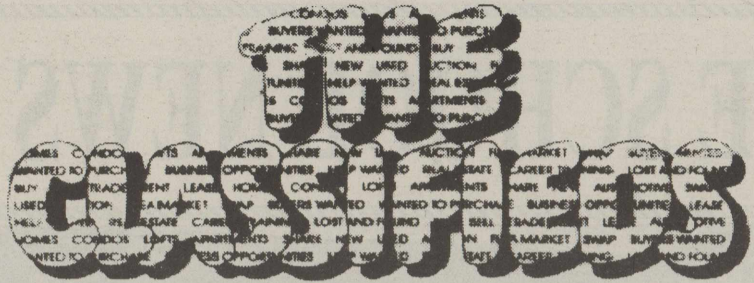
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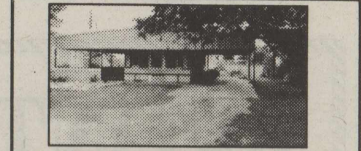
**FOR RENT**  
 Bronte Mini Storage has storage buildings for rent. Call 473-2221.  
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 \$100 reward. Lost either near C&W or Robert Lee Post Office. 453-9241, ask for Alford or leave message.  
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**SUPER BOWL PARTY**  
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 27-1tp

Robert Lee ISD school building in the front parking lot.  
 25-3tc

**GARAGE SALE**  
 Sat. 29th, 8-2. Storage building, unit 29, Hwy. 277 North, Bronte.  
 27-1tc

**ROBERT LEE ISD NOTICE**  
 Candidate applications will be available for 3 places on the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees. One place is for a three year term and two places are for three year unexpired terms with two years remaining. Applications can be picked up at the Robert Lee ISD Administration Office beginning Monday, February 7, 2005. The deadline for filing a candidate application is Monday, March 7, 2005 at 5:00 pm. Election day will be Saturday, May 7, 2005. Requirements for filing are that you must live in the Robert Lee ISD school district and you must be a registered voter.  
 27-1tc

**CARD OF THANKS**  
**THANK YOU**  
 for all the prayers offered in my behalf for the past one and one half years. Especially the churches for all the beautiful cards of encouragement. A special thank you to my neighbors, Patsy and Harold Dunn, Terry, Rocky, Logan, Kerwin and Dakota Rawls, and Dwayne Walker for all their help. I am better, thank you God.  
 God bless you all,  
 Mary Lou Sublett  
 27-1tc

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
 of Routine Facilities Contract Work for the

**NOTICES**

**BRONTE ISD**  
 will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 6:00 pm in the board room. The purpose of the meeting is to give community members an opportunity to express their opinion regarding applying for a waiver from TEA to start school on August 16, 2005. If a waiver is not applied for and approved, Bronte ISD would not be allowed to start school until the week of August 22, 2005.  
 26-2tc

**Texas Department of Transportation**  
 Sealed proposals for:  
**Construction of Truck Wash Pad(s) and Evaporation Pit(s) at Maintenance Site(s) in Reagan, Etc. Countie(s).**  
 Project No. TWP-2004-2005 will be received by the San Angelo District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation located at:  
 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904  
 until 2:00 PM Tuesday, February 22, 2005  
 then publicly opened and read.  
**There will be no pre-bid conference for this project.**  
 Bidding documents, including proposal/agreement form and specifications, **will not be available** until February 1, 2005, the documents may be obtained from:  
 Dennis Wilde, P.E.  
 Texas Department of Transportation  
 4502 Knickerbocker Road  
 San Angelo, Texas 76904  
 (325) 947-9312  
 (325) 947-9292 Fax  
 26-2tc

**RLISD IS ACCEPTING**  
 sealed Bids on a 1989 Chevy Van. Bids will be accepted until February 4th at 3:00 pm. Please see George Grim or call 453-4555. Send sealed bids to the Robert Lee ISD Superintendent's office at 1323 Hamilton, in Robert Lee, Texas 76945. The Van may be seen adjacent to the

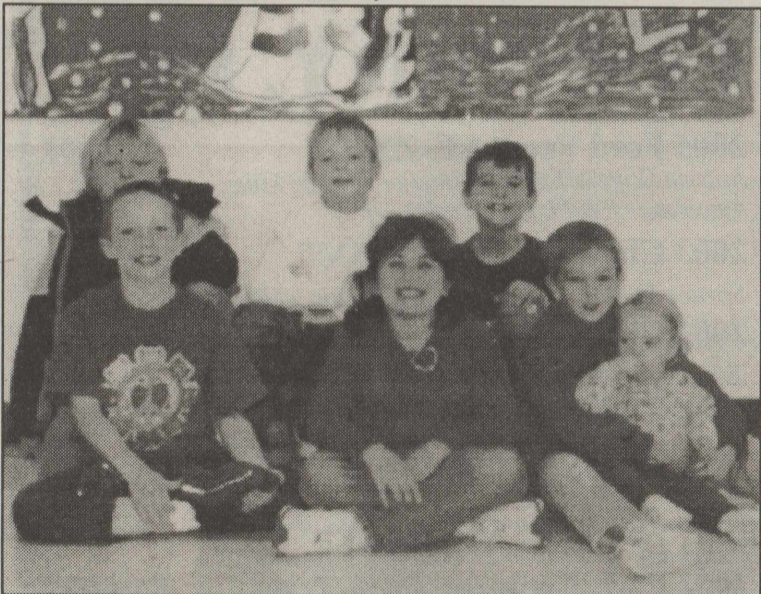




**Line Dancers at RLCC!** The San Angelo Angel Line Dancers performed during the Christmas holidays at Robert Lee Care Center.



**AHC at RLCC!** AHC from San Angelo performed during the Christmas holidays at Robert Lee Care Center.



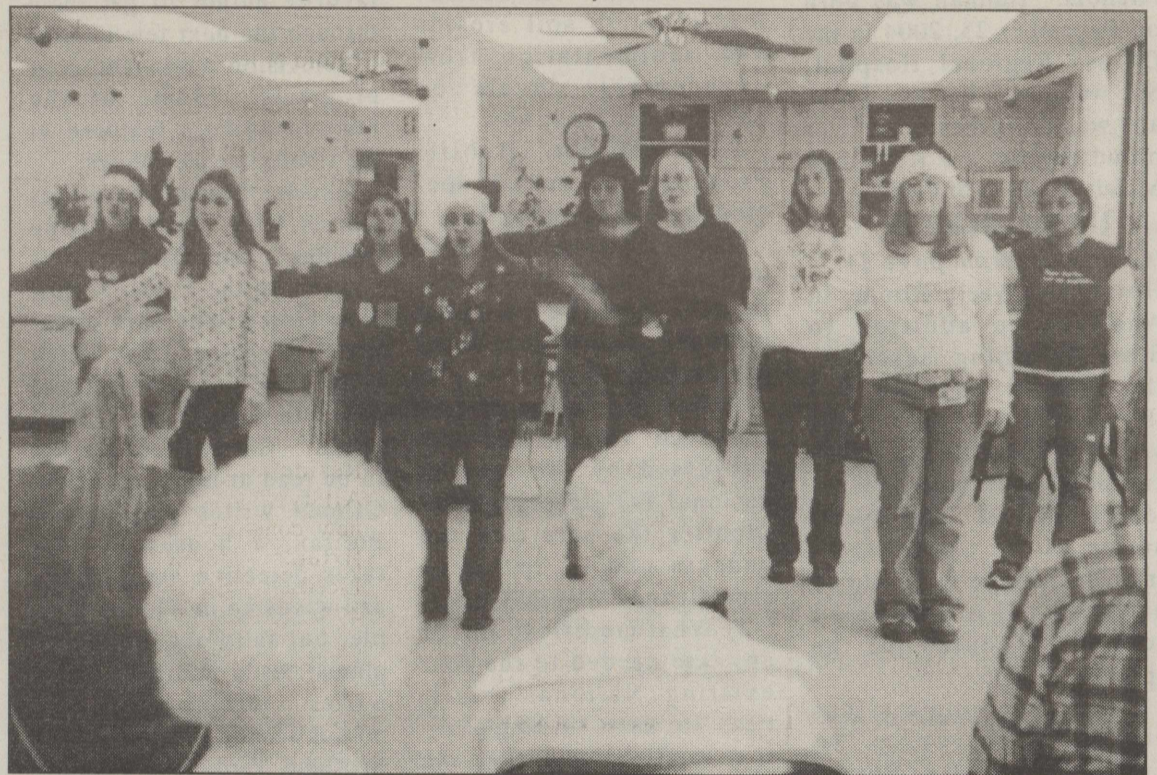
**RL 2nd graders at RLCC!** Linda Burns' Robert Lee Elementary 2nd grade class performed a Christmas play at Robert Lee Care Center. The students were (front row, from left) James Roberts, Daria Tinkler, Bridger Netting and sister, Tori, (back row, from left) Erik Wells, Jaden Aldridge, and Tristen Hildebrand



**Santa visits RLCC!** Santa Claus (Ben LaRue) talked with Robert Lee Care Center residents Mary May Wylie and Estelle Askins during the Center's Christmas party.



**Team Kids at RLCC!** Robert Lee Baptist Church's Team Kids performed at Robert Lee Care Center during the Christmas holidays.



**Grape Creek choir at RLCC!** Sterling Myers choir from Grape Creek High School performed for Robert Lee Care Center residents during the Christmas holidays.

### Forest Service offers windbreak trees

Seedlings for conservation windbreaks are now available for order through the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD). Landowners in Coke County are encouraged to purchase the one-year-old seedlings before preferred stock is sold out.

Available species for Coke County include afghan pine, redcedar, italian stone pine, arborvitae, aromatic (skunkbush) sumac, black cherry, catalpa, desert willow, four-winged saltbush, green ash, hackberry, honeylocust, lacebark elm, nanking cherry, osage orange, redbud, russian olive, sandcherry, sand plum, sawtooth oak, shumard oak, and smooth sumac. The hardwoods are sold in multiples of 50 seedlings per species. They are very inexpensive and can be divided among your neighbors.

Wildlife packets for habitat establishment also are available. Each of the four wildlife packets contain 100 bare-root trees and shrubs which cater specifically to the habitat needs of quail and pheasant, deer, turkey or squirrel.

Orders will be taken through January 31, 2005, and will be delivered on February 10, 2005.

To order windbreak trees, contact the Coke County SWCD at 214 East 7th Street in Robert Lee or call 325-453-2623, ext. 3.

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We are privileged to say that you were of the third generation of our family to become involved in a Ford organization and to become shareholder and/or partner.

In 1978 when you joined the Bass organization, little did we know that we were also joining a family. We are some of the few who have been so privileged to have had such great people in our lives.

Each ending makes for a new beginning. Tomorrow (the 29th) is simply that start of a new part of life filled with shining new dreams and new chances to follow your heart.

*To all the days here and after  
May they be filled with fond memories,  
happiness and laughter.*

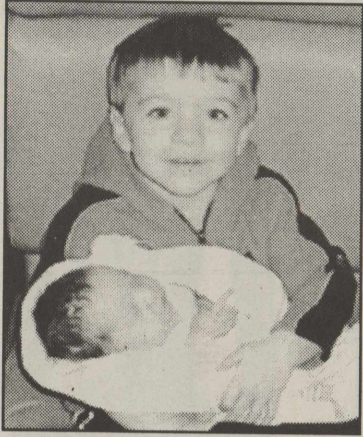
Welcome to a new beginning, called retirement.

Fran, Lisa, David, Jessica, Clay & Parker  
Dad, Mother & Mary May





**Look Who's New!**



**Hannah Renee Nichols**

Jordan Nichols is pleased to announce the arrival of his little sister, Hannah Renee Nichols. Hannah was born on December 23, 2004 in the Odessa Regional Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. and 4 ozs. and was 21 inches long. Her proud parents are Kelly and Mendy Nichols of Crane.

**... USDA-NRCS**

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Hotel, Del Valle Room, in Austin. In addition to State listening sessions, the Federal Register and the NRCS national website, [www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov), can be used to submit written comments. The culmination of the State listening sessions will be a national public listening session scheduled for the spring of 2005.

"These listening sessions are not exclusive to EQUIP," adds Dr. Butler. "We also invite comments on our other programs, such as the Farm and Ranchlands Protection Program, Grassland Reserve Program, Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program, Wetlands Reserve Program, and Conservation Technical Assistance Program." NRCS will be providing updates on all Farm Bill program activities in Texas as a part of the listening session.

All comments received will be recorded and forwarded for national review and consideration in developing the 2006 EQUIP and beyond.

EQUIP's national priorities, which NRCS uses to guide which producers will

be selected for program funding, are:

1. **Water Quality:** Reductions of nonpoint source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, or excess salinity in impaired watersheds consistent with TMDLs where available, as well as the reduction of groundwater contamination and the conservation of ground and surface water resources;

2. **Air Quality:** Reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards;

3. **Soil Erosion:** Reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land; and

4. **Wildlife Habitat:** Promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation.

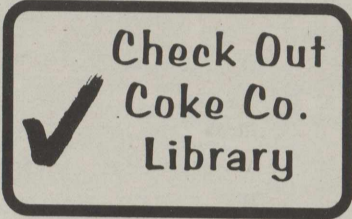
The following questions will be used to guide comments on the EQUIP national priority portion of the session:

1) What emerging natural resource issues are not addressed by the current national EQUIP priorities? Identify the nature of the concern and its extent or significance within Texas.

2) What modifications, if any, are needed to the four existing National priorities? Do these existing priorities continue to reflect the critical national resource needs and concerns?

A compilation of inputs from the States will be presented at the National Listening Session tentatively scheduled for this spring. Further details on the National Listening Session will be forthcoming.

Comments can be faxed to 254-742-9819, emailed to [norman.bade@tx.usda.gov](mailto:norman.bade@tx.usda.gov) or sent by U.S. mail to Norman P. Bade, Assistant State Conservationist for Programs, USDA-NRCS, 101 S. Main, Temple, TX 76501.



The Coke County Library invites readers to find a favorite author to get them through the next few months of television reruns and poor programs. Some of the favored authors featured at the library are as follows:

Jennifer Cruise who writes stories with "quirky, happy endings"; Janet Dailey who is continuing the Calder series; Ken Follett who said about his own writing, "I've failed if you have to read a sentence twice to figure out what I mean." His thrillers are not to be read at night. Dorothy Gilman writes about Mrs. Polifax, a housewife who takes detective assignments and winds up in a lot of trouble, but falls out of trouble almost easily; Martha Grimes writes about Richard Jury who is second in command at Scotland Yard; Jack Higgins writes political and WWII thrillers; and then there is

Tony Hillerman who writes of New Mexico and the Navajo Police who must contend with mysterious happenings, the FBI, and the state and local police as well as murderers and ghost walkers.

The library has received a large collection of Christian novels from Hastings which were part of an excess supply.

**CCRT Assn. news**

A total of 26 members and six guests convened Monday, January 17, 2005 for the meeting of the Coke County Retired Teachers Association. The noon luncheon was held at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Beth Prather, president, presided at the meeting. She told of the book project and asked members to bring new or used books or a donation of two or three dollars to the next meeting. The books will be presented to the Robert Lee and Bronte schools.

Kay Gothard announced that "The Free Remember" bracelets are available at Main Street Market in Bronte. These bracelets were created by Kay as a way of showing support and appreciation to our service men and women.

The next meeting will be Monday, February 21, 2005. A program on "Relay for Life" will be presented by Julie Springer. A "Relay for Life" will be held in Bronte

in June.

Members attending were: C.B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Emma Lee Bickley, Jimmy Bickley, Nina Brewer, Glenda Draper, Jean Fancher, Harrell Foshee, Janice Foshee, Judy Gibbs, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, June Gulley, William Hood, Mimzi Horn, Pat Lee, Ida Lou Oliphant, Mary Patterson, Beth Prather, Ken Rasco, Gerald Sandusky, Charlotte Tounget, Brenda Wilke, Janet Wommack, and Lee Wommack. Guests present were: John Driggers, Judy Driggers, Terry Marrs, Alan Richey, Leah Rosson, and Mickey Stevens.

**RLVFD**

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**Wanda Ledbetter**

Mike & Fran Lomas  
David & Lisa Lewis & family

**Donations**

The "64" Study Club

**A Frank Discussion of Current Issues**

*Fact versus Fiction*

-What is alcohol? It is a carbohydrate that has been fermented and/or distilled to increase the alcohol content. Throughout history most areas of the civilized world have viewed beer and wine as a food (especially in places with bad or unsafe water).

Christ once fed a multitude of his followers by amongst other things, converting water into wine. He culminated his Last Supper by dividing bread and serving wine to his disciples, saying, "this is my body and my blood." I would call that a sacred food. The Bible calls it a sacrament. How can anything so lovely, so simple, and so Holy be turned into a shameful sin? I find nothing in the Bible that supports prohibition. To the contrary, the Bible encourages eating, drinking, and the enjoyment of life in moderation.

**Health Benefits**

According to the Wall Street Journal and many different medical studies, moderate use of alcohol can help prevent a variety of illnesses including heart attacks, stroke, dementia, and even the onset of diabetes.

**Right and Wrong**

I respect the decisions of others not to drink, and I think they should respect my decision to celebrate the enjoyment of life as long as I do not harm others.

**BANNING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL BECAUSE THERE ARE ALCOHOLICS AND OTHER ABUSES MAKES AS MUCH SENSE AS BANNING THE SALE OF CARS AND AIRPLANES BECAUSE THERE ARE CRASHES!**

*I hope you will join me in voting FOR the sale of beer and wine in Coke County on*

*February 5th.*

**Stanley E. Adams, Jr.**

Pd. Pol. Adv. By S.E. Adams, Jr., PO Box 420, Blackwell, TX 79506

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