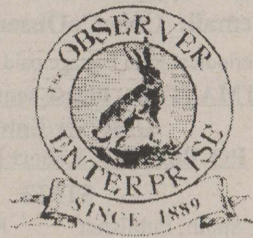


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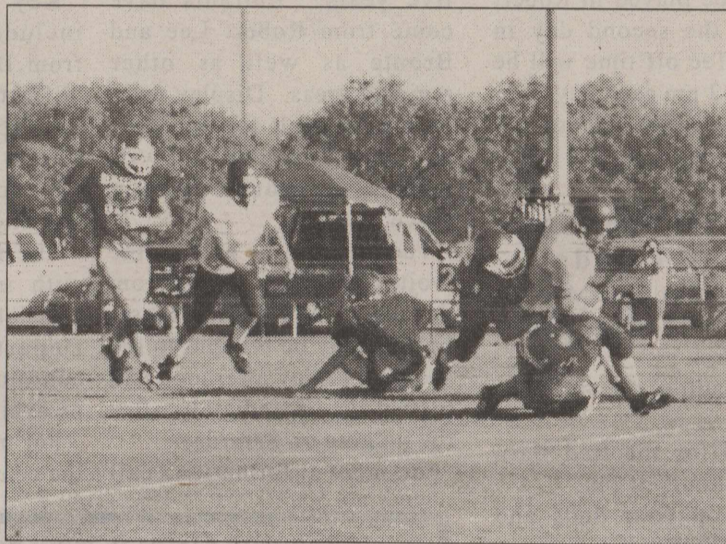
Coaches discuss upcoming season

by Hal Spain

Ready or not, Friday night football is here once again in Coke County and throughout the rest of the football world. And ready or not is a key phrase, because both Bronte and Robert Lee missed out on one of their scrimmages this year due to the effects of tropical storm Erin, which dumped up to ten inches of rainfall on its way through the area.

Each year prior to the first game, we try to interview both head coaches to get their thoughts on the upcoming season. Kevin Burns is in his first year as head coach at Bronte, but is no stranger to the game, as he came from a very successful head coaching position at Wall. Robert Lee native Kerry Gartman is now in his third year at the helm of a Robert Lee program which has advanced to the playoffs the past two years.

We always begin the interviews with each of the coach's thoughts on their scrimmages. Both teams only scrimmaged once this year, with Robert Lee doubling up against two teams during the same scrimmage. Concerning the scrimmages, Coach Gartman felt like they saw a lot of bright spots and saw some things they need to work on last Friday. Regarding the missed scrimmage, he stated that with 26 players out for football this year, his players had gotten quite a bit of experience during workouts against each other, and he



Coke County Scrimmages! Both Bronte and Robert Lee football teams held their first scrimmages last Friday evening. Robert Lee hosted a dual scrimmage with Panther Creek and San Angelo's Tree of Life football teams, while Bronte hosted Baird in their first scrimmage. Both teams will open the regular season at home tonight at 7:30 pm.

hopes that will make up somewhat for the lost scrimmage against Veribest. Coach Burns indicated that after three weeks, he thought the defense was a little ahead of schedule. He also felt like the offense had some mental mistakes learning the new offense, and that this can be corrected with some more practice.

As to injuries, Coach Burns stated that the Horns had four or five good bumps and bruises, which were to be expected, and one hyper-extended knee which was questionable for tonight. The Horns will suit up 17 on the varsity, and with just 14 on the junior varsity, injuries could force the cancellation of some of the junior varsity games. Coach Gartman indicated that the Steers were all healthy right now.

As to the strengths and weaknesses of this year's teams, Coach Gartman stated

that the senior class with eight seniors was the major strength of this year's team. He cited the lack of playoff experience as a weakness for the Steers, not having gone deep enough in the playoffs to get a feel for what it's like. Coach Burns thought the Horns' numbers in the offensive line was one of their main strengths, along with the linebacking corps and their defensive ends. He felt their major weaknesses were the new formations, terminology, and the actual number of players and their ability to play two schedules.

Coach Burns, when asked about major contenders, stated that Rotan and Winters were always usually tough due to their numbers, having dropped from 2A to 1A status. Concerning the district opponents, he felt like Forsan had to be the #1 pick in the district, followed by Irion County. Coach

Gartman stated that barring injury and the ball bouncing the wrong way, the Steers would be in contention for this year's district title. He also cited Water Valley, Ira, and Highland as having a good shot at this year's title.

As to the general outlook from each head coach for this year's season, Coach Gartman stated that this group of players, from the freshmen through the seniors, had a good, positive work ethic, and no negative attitude thus far, and that they have been a nice bunch of kids to work with. Coach Burns indicated that the Horns had only been at it three weeks, and they've just got another three weeks to get good at it; so they need to keep getting better each week and stay healthy to have a positive season.

Best of luck to the Horns and the Steers in the upcoming season. Both teams will start the year out at home this year, with Bronte hosting Cross Plains and Robert Lee hosting Rankin in their season openers.

Make plans to get out and support your county teams as they play their first games of the new season.

Bronte Centennial Celebration set for Saturday

The Bronte Chamber of Commerce has planned a day chock full of activities to celebrate the city's 100 year anniversary. All events will be held in downtown Bronte from 8 am until midnight. A

schedule of activities include: 7:30 am - Register for Fun Run at Bronte Depot parking lot (Adult & Child Divisions); 8:30 am - 1/2 mile run/walk begins; 8:45 am - 2 mile run/walk begins; 9 am - Vendors open; 10 am - Bronte Trivia; 1 pm - Washer Pitchin' (Cash prize for 1st Place team); 2 pm - Rib Judgin'; 3 pm - Brisket Judgin'; 4 pm - Horseshoe Tourney (Cash prize for 1st Place team); 6 pm - Vendors close; 8 pm until midnight - Dinner & dance featuring "Buckshot Bradley".

For more information or to sign up for any or all of these centennial activities, contact Tammy Hortenstine at (325) 473-7052 or Natalie Hunter at (325) 468-7705.

Labor Day Holiday Closings

There will be several county offices and businesses that will be closed Monday, September 3, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

The Coke County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, September 3. The facility will be open at 8 am on Tuesday.

The Robert Lee City Hall will be closed Monday, September 3. The City Landfill will be closed Saturday, September 1. Residents are reminded that in the event of a water emergency, on-call personnel may be reached by calling the answer service at City Hall.

The Bronte City Hall will also be closed Monday, September 3.

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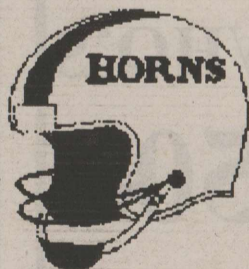
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Obituaries



Mixson

Rickie Dell Hester Mixson, 69, of Bronte passed away Wednesday, August 22, 2007, in Christus Santa Rosa Medical Center. Memorial service was held at 2 pm, Saturday, August 25, 2007, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home. Rickie was born November 28, 1937, in Bronte, Texas, to Rickman and Daisy Bennett Hester. She attended school and graduated from Bronte High School in 1956. Rickie worked at Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt and Ethicon in San Angelo.

She is preceded in death by her father, Rickman Hester; her stepfather, R. W. Sims; a sister, Jean Sowell, her husband, J. R. Mixson; and a son, David Mixson. Survivors include her daughters, Elonda Kirkland and husband, Steve, Cindy Smothermon and husband, Terry, and Rhonda Mixson; a son, Terry Mixson and wife, Lisa; eight grandchildren; a brother, D. W. Sims; and two sisters, Mickie Gann and Johnnie Luttrell.

The family request that memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box T, Bronte, Texas, 76933 or Christus Santa Rosa Medical Center 2827, Babcock Road, San Antonio, Texas 78229.

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...Holiday Closings
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The Coke County USDA Service Center, NRCS and FSA Offices will be closed Monday, September 3, for Labor Day. The service center will re-open for

business as usual on Tuesday, September 4. Producers may come by the FSA office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

Robert Lee Baptist Church would also like to remind everyone that there will be no evening services on Sunday, September 2 and the offices will be closed on Monday.

Street Affair meeting set

The next-to-the-last Robert Lee Street Affair Planning Meeting will be held Thursday, August 30, at 5 pm in the Coke County Library. Only 42 short days away, Saturday, October 13, is the date of the Street Affair and many plans are underway.

Booth space is filling up. Call Mickey West at 473-0345 to reserve a space on Austin Street. Get your racing beds ready to roll. Call David Sheldon at 453-9173 to enter one of the best shows of the year. Custom up those cars for the vehicle show at the Wojtek building. Call Tommy Roach at Kickin' Up Roses, 453-2036, for general information and volunteering.

The folks mentioned above volunteered to keep the

Street Affair going after many expressed a hope that it would continue. A strong volunteer base will sustain the event. Anyone who raises money, sells products, spends a fun day with the family, or scoots a boot has an investment in the Street Affair. Come help.

Meet with the group at the Coke County Library on Thursday, at 5 pm, August 30.

Couples Golf Tourney slated

The Coke County Couples Golf Tournament will be September 15-16. The first day will be played in Robert Lee and the second day in Bronte. Tee off time will be 9 am and 2 pm each day. For more information, please call (325) 453-2317 or (325) 473-2156.

Red Hat Meeting set for Tuesday

The next Red Hat Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 4.

Okay Ladies, the time has come, to head for the Red Barn for a few hours of fun.

Throw on your duds and add a Red Hat, No way can it be more simple than that.

Arrive by eleven to place your order, and then add a drink of coffee, tea or water.

The meeting is in Bronte, the time is 11:00, Go to the Red Barn for a real taste of Heaven.

All ladies over 50 are welcome. The Coke County Red Hat Society has no rules, no dues and no officers. Newcomers are always welcome. Each member is responsible for the cost of her meal and for making arrangements for

transportation. Some carpool, some come alone. To date, no one has come on horseback or in a covered wagon, but that would be acceptable if it is your chosen mode of transportation.

Art Show set for Street Affair

The Art Show committee met to discuss the upcoming art show in connection with the Robert Lee Street Affair which will be held Saturday, October 12.

Area artists are invited to show their pieces in the show, which has attracted much attention over the last five years. Entrants have come from Robert Lee and Bronte as well as other regional areas. Display units have been built for the show so that each entry will receive maximum viewing space.

The art show is held in the Wojtek Building across from the Coke County Courthouse. Entries may be brought to the show on Friday afternoon and picked up immediately after the judging on Saturday.

For more information, call

the Coke County Library at 453-2495 or Charlotte McCabe Northcutt at 450-8433.

34th Annual Sheep and Goat Field Day set for Sept. 6

The impact bio-energy is having on the sheep and goat industry will be the focus of this year's 34th annual Sheep and Goat Field Day at the Texas A&M University System Research and Extension Center in San Angelo.

The event will start with registration at 8 am, September 6 at the center, which is located just north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87.

Key topics to be covered include "By-product Feeds from Bio-energy Production", "Effect of Higher Feed Prices on Optimal Body Size of Sheep and Goats", and "Economic Outlook for Feed and Sheep and Goat Prices".

The field day will conclude with industry updates and a legislative update. One Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education unit will be available.

For more information contact the center at 325-653-4576.

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 Wed. 6 pm

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 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
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 10:55 am Worship,
 6 pm Youth and Worship
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting

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 Rev. David Bailey, Pastor
 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. George Bradley, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 Wed. 7 pm Choir

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 (325) 453-5003 • 453-2296
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 Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am
 & 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm

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 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

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 Wed. 7 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ
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 Portis Ribble, Minister
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 Wed. 6 pm

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 Sat. 6 pm

Pecan Baptist
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 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
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 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
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 Jason Martin, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Tennyson Baptist Church
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Union Texas Petroleum Reunion! The 7th Annual Union Texas Petroleum Reunion was held Saturday, August 18, at the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee. There were 18 retirees present.

Lamb and Goat Validation Tags

Any 4-H or FFA members who plan to exhibit either a lamb or meat goat at any of the major stock shows this coming year must have them validated and tagged with the State Validation ID tag. We will be ordering these by September 1. To order your tags contact either your County Extension Agent or Ag Science Teacher and give them the number of each, either lambs or goats. Exhibitors who show only at the county stock show are not required to have them state validated.

7th Annual Union Texas Petroleum Reunion held

The 7th Annual Union Texas Petroleum former employees and retiree's reunion was held in the Recreation Hall in the Coke County Park in Robert Lee, Saturday, August 18, 2007. Bobby Roberts led the prayer and blessed the food. A delicious meal was catered by the Cracker Barrel Restaurant to a group of 34. The room and tables were decorated with sunflowers, yellow roses, greenery and potted plants of Ivy. Everyone registered for the door prize. Billie McDowell, guest of Bertie Wanker of Fairview, Oklahoma, was the lucky winner.

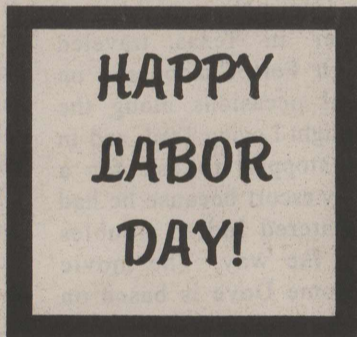
A short business meeting was conducted by Winton Milliff, Jeffie Roberts, Brenda Hines, and Stella Webb. Several had written or called that they were unable to attend because of health problems and other situations. They were Pauline Donley, Joann Meadows, Nell Hines, Emmitt Banks, Bill Culwell, and L.O. and Betty Hargrove. A list of Deceased was distributed with 48 names from the UTP Perkins Plant and 30 names from other UTP Plants. The Union Texas Petroleum Perkins Plant located about 5 miles West of Silver was built about 1955 and sold out about 1998. Winton asked each of the 18 retirees to introduce themselves and tell

what they were doing since their retirement. The 3 widows (Winnie Pitcock, Bertie Wanker, and Ettie Hubbard) were considered a special group and were welcomed by everyone.

The group voted to have the 2008 reunion in San Angelo at Zentners or Zentner's Daughters restaurant sometime in August. Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee, Brenda Hines of Bronte and Stella Webb of Ballinger agreed to continue to organize the reunion.

Those present for the 2007 Reunion were Winton and Virginia Milliff, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, Winnie Pitcock, D.J. Walker, and Bob Bagwell all of Robert Lee; Steve and Brenda Hines and Ettie Hubbard all of Bronte; Charlie and Donna Stephens of Novice; Larry and Judy Robinson, David Fernandez and Donald Walker all of San Angelo; Joe Tarter of Abilene; Bill and Georgia Barnes of Colorado City; Bill and Louise Richey of Goldsboro;

Charles and Stella Webb of Ballinger; Martha Snell of Kingsland; and Tommy and Joyce Latham, and Ronnie Walker all of Rankin; Frank Jackson of Winters; Joe and Faye Wilson of Early; James and Wanda Goble of Cross Plains; Bertie Wanker and Billie McDowell of Fairview, Oklahoma. Four others (Jerry Wilkes, Buddy and Gayna Eldred and Feilso Abalos) sent their reservations in but did not come. It may have been due to the abundance of rain we were receiving at the time. Robert Lee received from 7 to 10 inches of rain, temperature low was 72 degrees and the high was 89 degrees.



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**Winters Dove Fest
September 1**

Exciting plans are underway for Winters Dove Fest 2007 on Saturday, September 1. One of the largest events in Winters, the Dove Fest features many activities in several areas of the community and attracts hundreds of hunters, shoppers, visitors and guests.

A Hunter Appreciation Barbeque Lunch, musical entertainment, wildlife displays, auction, a raffle for six guns and chances for door prizes will be at the Community Center and Park located at 300 FM 1770, from 11 am to 2 pm.

Guns to be raffled are a Browning Citori O/U White Lightning 20 g. shotgun, Marlin 1895 XLR 45-70 cal Stainless Lever Action rifle, Browning Gold Fusion Automatic 12 ga shotgun, Ruger M77 Hawkeye 204 cal Bolt-Action rifle, Tikka T3 Hunter 25-06 cal Bolt-Action rifle, and a Remington 700CDL Stainless 7 mag Bolt-Action rifle. Ticket may be purchased at several locations including the Chamber of Commerce, Stitchin' Post, Bahlman Chevrolet, Bedford-Norman Insurance, and the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation.

"Dove Hunts" on locations near Winters will be available for bird hunters needing a place to hunt, benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Weekend hunts will also be available.

A Clay Pigeon Fun Shoot with various competition shoots will take place from 8 a.m to 11 am at the Rodeo Arena Road, off Highway 83, south of town.

Added this year will be an Arts and Crafts Show in the Milton's Auto building downtown in conjunction with the Gun & Knife Show in the Spill building. Both shows will be from 9 am to 6 pm. Exhibit tables for the Gun & Knife Show are available by calling Alan Cooper 325-365-0226 or 325-767-2055. Tables and booth spaces for the Arts and Crafts Show are available through the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 325-754-5210. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, August 29.

"Dove Hunts" benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center will be available for bird hunters needing a place to hunt. Contact Archie Jobe at 325-793-3507 or 660-8334.

For information and available hunting leases, go to website www.winters-texas.us/hunting.htm. To list an available lease, call 325-754-5210 or 754-4542 or e-mail wacc@wtxs.net. There is no charge for this listing service. RV hookups are available downtown and at the Winters Lake, Elm Creek

Reservoir.

Everyone is invited to join the fun in Winters on September 1. For additional information on Winters Dove Fest, access the website www.winters-texas.us/events.htm, or call the Winters Chamber of Commerce 325-754-5210.

**Miles Cotton
Festival on tap
for Sept. 8th**

The 30th Annual Miles Cotton Festival will be fun in the sun on Saturday, September 8, in downtown Miles.

The day begins at 6 am with a pancake breakfast. At 10 am the Annual Parade winds its way through Miles. No entries needed, just come and line up on 3rd Street around 9:30 am.

A Brisket-Pork Rib-Chicken cook-off is also on tap. Call 325-468-3501 for more info. Arts & Crafts booths will be set up in the park all day. For more info on this call 325-468-3611.

A noon meal will be held at the Historic Miles Opera House, and barbecue sandwiches will be served all day in the park by the Miles Volunteer Fire Department.

Loads of live entertainment will be performing all afternoon in the City Park along with the Miles Cotton Queen Contest at 7 pm.

The day ends with a street dance featuring Country Music recording artist Aaron Watson from 8 pm until 1 am.

For more information visit our website at www.milestexas.com.

**Barry Corbin to
appear at Fort
Chadbourne**

This year's 8th Annual Fort Chadbourne Fundraiser to be held on September 15, 2007, will feature Mr. Barry Corbin as Charlie Goodnight. Barry is probably best known as Roscoe Brown in Lonesome Dove, and the astronaut, Maurice Minnifield in Northern Exposure. He has starred in hundreds of movies and TV programs. Presently, he co-stars on the weekly series One Tree Hill as Coach



Farm Bureau Officers! The Coke-Sterling Counties Farm Bureau officers and dignitaries who attended the annual county convention were (left to right): John Stephens, Vice-President; Gary McGehee, State Director District 6; Regan Beck, Associate Legislative Director; Bobby Roberts, County President; Kenneth Dierschke, Texas Farm Bureau President; Jeff Eubanks, Director; Russell Davis, Agent; John Jacobs and Roger Graves, Directors; and Sutton Page, TFB Fieldman.

Whitey. "Charlie Goodnight's Last Night" is a one-man play, written by Lubbock native Andy Wilkinson. Andy's award winning play on the life of plainsman Goodnight is a monologue rendered by noted Corbin. The play takes place late into the night of December 11, 1929, the eve of Goodnight's death at the age of 93. As the weathered visionary reflects over his long and difficult life on the frontier, he offers glimpses into a soul tempered by both joy and regret, and a look at what work he will do in the morning at saddle up time.

Mr. Goodnight, a well known pioneer in Texas, traveled through Fort Chadbourne on several occasions along the Goodnight-Loving Trail, and in 1867 stopped to ask for a military escort because he had encountered Indian troubles along the way. The movie Lonesome Dove is based on his life.

This will be a very special event you don't want to miss. The evening begins with a steak dinner cooked on the parade ground at 5:30 pm, followed by a live auction. "Charlie Goodnight's Last Night" starring Barry Corbin begins at 7:30 pm, with a reception following the show with Mr. Corbin.

For tickets or further

information please call the Fort Chadbourne Foundation 473-5311 or 325-743-2555.

**Round-Up for
Rehab set**

"Wow" days are different for everyone. A "wow" day for West Texas ranchers may be the day a gentle rain falls or a newborn calf is born. For Rehab Center pediatric patient Breanna, they are days where she reaches a new stage of development and triumphs over cerebral palsy. Her most recent "wow" day was when she graduated from a rolling walker to tri-canes which has increased her mobility - and that's important to this active five-year-old who enters kindergarten this fall.


Local Round-Up for Rehab chairmen, Ed Cumbie and Clifton Reed, have an important message to Coke County area ranchers which is simple but sincere: Let's

roll up our sleeves and help Rehab help Breanna and 21,000 other Rehab children and adults have more "wow" days this year.

Fall sales of particular interest to area ranchers are the cattle sale September 27 at Producers Livestock Auction in San Angelo and the sheep/goat sale October 29 at Junction Stockyards.

WTRC President Woody Gilliland extends a special invitation to everyone in the ag industry to attend one of the sales, donate cash or animals to the project, or notify Rehab of an intent to have an auction house cut a check to WTRC for animals sold later in the year. "For Breanna and the hundreds of other children and adults we serve regardless of financial status, I thank everyone for supporting this critical fundraising program," said Gilliland.

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FSA Office CED Makes Announcement

I have been the CED for Coke and Sterling Counties for nearly 20 years, but I feel it is the right time for a change. So, with some sadness, I am announcing that I am leaving to take another CED position in South Texas. I have truly enjoyed my stay and have made friends that I will carry with me for the rest of my life. To the farmers, ranchers and all the good folks who have touched my life, I wish only the very best for you.

And remember, if ever our paths should cross, the coffee is on me.

For awhile Melinda will be in the office by herself. Be patient with her as she manages the office alone.

Thanks for the many memories and I'll be seeing you.

Producers may come by the FSA office or call (325) 453-2751 for additional information.

Dwayne Vincent

The Responsibility of the Christian

"Preach the Good News" • Mark 16:15,16
And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

"Jesus, the Only Way to God" • John 14:6
Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the father except through me.

"Not All Ways Lead to God" • Proverbs 16:25
There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end is the way of death.

"God Must Be First" • Hebrews 12:14
Pursue peace with all men, and holiness, (separation to God) without which no one will see the Lord.

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Corporate underwriters for this year's Round-Up for Rehab include Area Farm Credit Associations, Group IV Member-Owned Electric Cooperatives, Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc., Strongpoint/Pied Piper Pet & Wildlife, Town & Country Food Stores and Wrangler. Sponsor for the Rehab chuck wagon is Heartland Alliance of America/Farm & Ranch Healthcare. Providing additional support are A-B Distributing, Airtricity, First Ag Credit, Lone Star Beef, Mueller Metals, and Walco International. Honorary Round-Up chairman for the third consecutive year is legendary cowboy singer/poet Red Steagall and the four general chairmen are Jody Frey of San Angelo, Bob Helmers of Christoval and Mike Alexander and Randy Carson, both of Abilene.

Information about the Rehab Center, Round-Up sale dates and arrangements for hauling donated animals is available through local chairmen or WTRC-San Angelo at 325-223-6300.

Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau annual Convention held

Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau Annual Convention was held Thursday, August 16, 2007, at the Robert Lee Recreation Center in the park. Approximately 68 members present were treated to a barbecue dinner catered by Cindy's Restaurant in Robert Lee. The prayer was led by John Stephens and dinner was served at 6 pm.

The appreciation dinner was hosted by six of the eight directors and three of their wives just prior to the annual business meeting. Those directors and wives present

were President Bobby Roberts and wife Jeffie, Vice-President John Stephens and wife Pat, John Jacobs and wife Jeanette, Jeff Eubanks, Roger Graves and Joe Sefcik. Directors unable to attend were Alonzo Robbins and Gaylon Pitcock.

Jeffie Roberts and Pat Stephens decorated the tables and room with sunflowers, yellow roses, greenery and ivy potted plants as Bobby Roberts and John Jacobs set up tables and chairs. Jeanette Jacobs, Pat Stephens and Jeffie Roberts welcomed and registered members and guests.

The business meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by President Bobby Roberts who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States. Roberts gave a brief "Thank You" to the members and those who helped prepare for the convention.

President Roberts introduced special member guests: Texas Farm Bureau President Kenneth Dierschke and wife Binnie of San Angelo; District 6 State Director Gary McGehee and wife Carolyn of Mertzon; Texas Farm Bureau Associate State Legislative Director Regan Beck of Austin; Fieldman Sutton Page of San Angelo and Insurance Agent Russell Davis and wife Kim of Sterling City.

President Roberts asked members present to review the minutes in hand of the last annual meeting held August 5, 2006. The minutes were approved. Jeff Eubanks asked members to review the annual Financial Statement. The report was approved.

Director Jeff Eubanks gave a report on Membership, stating that 478 memberships were sent to State through July 31, 2007, with a Goal of 584 for 2007. There have been 434 renewals and 45 new members. This



County Convention! President Bobby Roberts addresses the crowd in attendance at the annual Coke-Sterling Counties Farm Bureau annual convention, held at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee on August 16, 2007.

shows a seven member gain so far and the goal should be achieved.

John Stephens gave the Annual Activity Report. The report reflected that members of Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau were very active in many activities.

There were no Resolutions to be considered. John Jacobs presided over the election of directors. There were no nominations from the floor, therefore, the odd year directors were re-elected. These directors are Jeff Eubanks, Bobby Roberts, Gaylon Pitcock, and Roger Graves.

John Jacobs asked for nominations for voting delegates to the State Convention to be held December 1-3 in Waco, Texas.

Bobby and Jeffie Roberts, and John and Pat Stephens were elected as voting delegates to attend the Convention.

President Bobby Roberts introduced the speaker for the evening, Regan E. Beck. Mr. Beck grew up on a ranch and worked as a full time rancher raising cattle, sheep, and goats from 1986-2002. He served on the Concho County Farm Bureau Board as secretary-treasurer for four years and as president for five years. He served on numerous TFB state committees. He continues to own his ranch in Concho County. He has received three college degrees, B.S. in Electrical Engineering from UT, MBA from Angelo State University and Doctor of

Jurisprudence from UT.

Mr. Beck gave an update on the last legislative session such as water, lakes, taxes, feral hogs, animal I.D. is still voluntary, Trans Texas Corridor has several concerns and Farm Bureau still oppose the Corridor. He spoke of concerns about Urban, Texas such as pushing/abusing rural Texas over water, land and easements. Governor Perry vetoed the Eminent Domain Bill. TFB worked tireless hours to get this bill passed.

Door prize drawings were held with many members receiving gifts donated by Robert Lee State Bank, First National Bank in Bronte, Kenneth Dierschke, Gary McGehee, Russell Davis, Richard Atkins, and Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau.

Bronte Centennial Celebration
September 1
Downtown Bronte
8 am - Midnight

7:30 am - Fun Run Registration
 8:30 am - 1/2 mile run/walk begins
 8:45 am - 2 mile run/walk begins
 9 am - Vendors Open
 10 am - Bronte Trivia
 1 pm - Washer Pitchin' (\$10/team)
 2 pm - Rib Judgin'
 3 pm - Brisket Judgin'
 4 pm - Horseshoe Tourney (\$10/team)
 6 pm - Vendors Close
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 Noon: Church-Wide Luncheon
 7 pm "Revival Service"

Monday Noon: Service in the Fellowship Hall
 7 pm "Pack the Pew"

Tuesday Noon: Service in the Fellowship hall
 7 pm "Revival Service & Ice Cream Fellowship"

Wednesday Noon: Service in the Fellowship Hall
 6:15 pm "Encouraging Youth Pizza Supper"
 7 pm "Encouraging Our Youth"

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Bronte High School Volleyball Schedule

Date	Junior Varsity	Varsity	Site	Time
September 9	Cornerstone/GC	Cornerstone/GC	Cornerstone	TBA
September 12	Open	Junction/Utopia	Junction	5:00
September 16	Rotan	Rotan	Rotan	10:00
* September 19	Miles	Miles	Miles	5:30
September 23	Bronte JV Tourney	Open	Bronte	TBA
* September 26	Water Valley	Water Valley	Bronte	5:30
* September 30	Santa Anna	Santa Anna	Bronte	12:00
* October 3	Veribest	Veribest	Veribest	5:30
* October 7	Sterling City (JVA,JVB)	Sterling City	Sterling City	11:00
* October 10	Miles	Miles	Bronte	5:30
* October 14	Water Valley	Water Valley	Water Valley	12:00
* October 17	Santa Anna	Santa Anna	Santa Anna	5:30
* October 21	Veribest	Veribest	Bronte	5:00
* October 24	Sterling City (JVA,JVB)	Sterling City	Bronte	4:30
October 28		District Certification		

* denotes District 4-1A matches

November 3-4 Bi-District

November 6-7 Area

November 10-11 Regional Tournament

November 16-18 State Tournament

Coach Amy Bohensky

Coach Pam Hilliard

Coach Carol Moore

Lady Longhorns protect home court

Bronte Lady Longhorns stomped two opponents to defend their home court Tuesday night in the Longhorn gymnasium. First, the Lady Horns pounced on Albany 25-22, 25-20, 25-21. They finished the night with a revenge win of 25-17, 25-13, 25-17. The Horns are now 8-1 as they head into the Graham tourney Friday and Saturday. On Tuesday, August 28, the Lady Horns head to Snyder, Texas to take on Snyder and Swallowater.

The girls stats for the Albany match are as follows: Huskerson: 6 kills, 7 assists, 4 blocks, 3 aces, 1 dig; McMorris: 9 kills, 2 blocks, 5 aces, 1 dig; Cook: 4 kills, 2 blocks, 1 ace, 1 dig; Austin: 1 kill, 13 assists; Meek: 1 kill, 5 assists, 2 aces, 1 dig; Martinez: 2 kills, 4 aces, 4 digs; Coalson: 1 kill, 1 assist, 1 block, 1 ace; England: 1 dig; Flores: 6 digs; Harris: 2 kills, 1 dig; Deller: 1 kill, 1 ace, 1 dig.

The girls stats for the Grape Creek game were as follows: Coalson: 7 kills, 4 assists, 6 aces, 3 digs; Huskerson: 9 kills, 6 assists, 1 ace, 1 dig; Cook: 7 kills, 2 aces, 2 digs; Austin: 4 assists, 3 digs; Meek: 1 kill, 7 assists, 2 aces, 4 digs; McMorris: 2 kills, 1 assist, 3 aces; Martinez: 1 kill, 2 digs; England: 1 ace, 3 digs; Flores: 5 digs; Harris: 1 assist, 1 dig; Deller: 1 kill, 2 assist, 1 assist, 2 digs.

Lady Longhorns strong at 10-4

The Lady Longhorn Volleyball team was defeated by Shallowater 25-22, 20-25, 15-25, 25-23, 12-15 at Snyder High School Tuesday, August 28. However, the Lady Horn Varsity rebounded to take down Snyder in 4 (25-20, 25-27, 25-8, 25-14).

Savannah Martinez served an awesome night with 57 attempted serves and nine aces. Chelsea Cook pounded the competition with 23 kills in one night.



Look Who's New!

Hayden Reed Epperson

Hannah and Holden Epperson are proud to announce the birth of their baby brother, Hayden Reed Epperson. Loving parents are Stephen and Jill Epperson of Caddo Mills, Texas. Hayden was born on May 31, 2007, at 1:47 pm at Lake Point Medical Center in Rowlett, Texas. Hayden weighed 7 lbs, 5 oz and was 19 1/2 inches long.

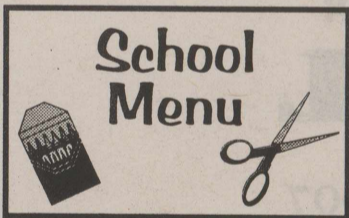
Grandparents are Roy and Margaret Epperson of Josephine, Texas, and Bobby and Sandra Sweezy, Dayton, Texas. Hayden's great-grandmother is Florence Barrett, Hardin, Texas.

Casey Eubanks Memorial tourney results

The Casey Eubanks Memorial Tournament was held this past weekend at Mountain Creek Golf Club.

Proceeds from this tournament help to fund a scholarship to a student from Robert Lee High School.

The results are as follows: Championship Flight
1st) Ross, Allen, Allen; 84;
2nd) Bautista, Bautista, Bautista, 85; 3rd) Wink, Ledbetter, Ledbetter; 88.
1st Flight



School Menu

Breakfast

- Monday, Sept. 3**
Labor Day - No School
- Tuesday, Sept. 4**
Biscuit, jelly, cereal, applesauce, milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 5**
Scrambled eggs, mixed fruit, toast, jelly, milk
- Thursday, Sept. 6**
Pancake & sausage on a stick, juice, milk
- Friday, Sept. 7**
Pop tart, biscuit, jelly, juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, Sept. 3**
Labor Day - No School
- Tuesday, Sept. 4**
Pizza, tossed salad, corn, sliced peaches, milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 5**
Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, roll, fancy jello, milk
- Thursday, Sept. 6**
Nacho Grande, lettuce, tomatoes, orange smilies, milk
- Friday, Sept. 7**
Corn dogs, French fries, fresh broccoli with ranch, apple, rice krispy bar, milk

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1st) Soloman, B.J., Brisbin; 93; 2nd) Heslar, Hinejosa; 93; 3rd) Philley, Philley, Williams; 94.
2nd Flight
1st) Eaton, Eaton, Rogers; 94; 2nd Torres, Torres, Torres; 95; 3rd) Smith, Hanks, Heath; 101.

CCJJC to hold Job Fair

The Coke County Juvenile Justice Center, located in Bronte, which is operated by The GEO Group, Inc. recently awarded the correctional officers a \$2.00 per hour across the board increase. The recent pay increase raises the starting pay at the Center for newly hired officers to the rate of \$12.00 per hour. The Coke County Juvenile Justice Center has a scheduled job fair to be held at the facility on August 30 - September 1. The facility hopes the increase will enhance the ability to hire as many officers as possible within Coke County.

Dove season opens Saturday

By Hal Spain, Publisher

Last year at this time we were moaning about the dry weather and the slim prospects for the then upcoming dove season. And, we were right. Last year's dove harvest in Coke County was limited to a very few dove near water sources and not many elsewhere.

This year should be a complete turnaround. The dry conditions we endured last year have been replaced with one of the wettest years in the history of the county. Locals have seen above average dove numbers so far, and feeding locations are abundant. In fact, that may be part of the problem dove hunting this year. Feeding locations are so abundant that dove may not congregate in only one or two feeding areas, especially if they get much hunting pressure. Some of us, at least, feel that is a good problem to have as opposed to last year's situation.

I can't think of any new hunting regulations which have been implemented since last year concerning dove hunting, but a little review is always a good thought. In addition to purchasing your hunting license, you will need to add a migratory game bird stamp, which costs an extra \$7.00, and is required to hunt any migratory game bird, including mourning doves.

While you're at it, you'll probably want to purchase an upland game bird endorsement for another \$7.00, which is required to hunt turkey, pheasant, and quail. If you plan on hunting turkey or deer with a bow, you will need an archery stamp endorsement (\$7.00), and a duck stamp (\$17.00) if you plan on doing any duck or goose hunting.

All migratory game bird hunters will need to be certified in the HIP Program, which is available at the time you purchase your new license. Just indicate to the clerk where you buy your new license that you will be hunting migratory birds, and you can answer a few questions and receive your certification.

Dove season will open in our area (the Central Zone, basically the area between Interstates 10 & 20), on Saturday, September 1 and run through October 30. The late dove season will be from December 26, 2007 through January 4, 2008. Daily bag limit in the Central Zone is 12 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than two white-tips. Daily bag limit in the North Zone (above Interstate 20) is 15 per day, which is a little confusing as close as we are to Colorado City, Sweetwater, and Abilene. All areas north of those cities are in the North Zone, and the limit is 15. However, areas south of those cities and north of Interstate 10 are in the Central Zone, and our limit is 12 per day. As in the past, possession limit is twice the daily bag limit, or 24 in the Central Zone.

Legal shooting hours for dove are from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. Don't forget to plug those auto loaders and pumps; so that they are incapable of holding more than three shells for migratory bird hunting. Hunting over baited areas such as deer feeders is prohibited, as is hunting from a vehicle.

Local businesses which are handling licenses this year are C&H Auto and Hardware and Cindy's in Robert Lee, and Hometown Hardware and Town & Country Convenience Store in Bronte.

Good luck, and as always, be safe this hunting season. Don't forget to pick up a free copy of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual when you purchase your new license. Any further questions may be directed to local game warden Jim Allen.

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September 21	Winters	There	7:30
* September 28	Sterling City	Here	7:30
* October 5	Eldorado	There	7:30
** October 12	Menard	Here	7:30
* October 19	Irion County	There	7:30
* October 26	Forsan	Here	7:30
* November 2	Miles	There	7:30
* November 9	Christoval	Here	7:30

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Scott #28 *John R. Bonds #78* *Coach Miller*
Ardis #12 *Kevin #55* *Coach Moore*

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



Crazy Day! Campers at the Robert Lee Cheerleader Mini-Camp participate in Crazy Day.

Robert Lee ISD to host Open house

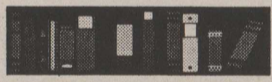
The Robert Lee Independent School District proudly invites you to the annual Fall Open House. Open House will be from 6 pm - 7:30 pm on Tuesday, September 4, 2007. The Elementary school will have a parents meeting in the school cafeteria at 6 pm. At 7 pm, there will be a meeting in the High School Computer Lab with technology assistance in accessing Grade Speed from your home.

Your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

Robert Lee All Sport Booster Club

The Booster club was very excited to see such great support from the community at the scrimmage held on

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Sept. 3

Labor Day - No School

Tuesday, Sept. 4

Breakfast pizza, cereal, juice, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, Sept. 6

French toast sticks, cereal, juice, milk

Friday, Sept. 7

Pop tart, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 3

Labor Day - No School

Tuesday, Sept. 4

Pepperoni pizza, salad, corn, fresh fruit cup, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Nacho Grande, salad, apple cornbread, milk

Thursday, Sept. 6

Chicken strips, mac & cheese, green beans, roll, pears, milk

Friday, Sept. 7

Baked potato, bread sticks, peaches, fresh broccoli with ranch, milk

Friday, August 24, 2007. Please be sure and come out to the first game between the Robert Lee Steers and the Rankin Devils on August 31 at 7:30pm. Come out and show your support for the Steers.

The next booster club meeting will be held on September 4, at 7:30pm at the High School Library.

RLHS Class of 1987 Reunion slated

The RLHS Class of 1987 will be having their 20th reunion on September 28-29. For more information please contact Rick Drennan at 453-2343.

Steer Band Booster meeting set

The Robert Lee Stompin' Steer Band Boosters will be holding a meeting on Tuesday, September 4 at 5:30 pm in the Band Hall. Items of discussion will include the Community Band Calendar, travelling sponsors for out of town ballgames, and spirit buttons. If you are interested in supporting the students in band, please make an effort to be there! For more information, contact Becky Ross, Angie Davis, or Brandi Sheldon.

CCJJC announces results of semi-annual meeting

The Coke County Juvenile Facility Financing Corporation held their semi-annual meeting Tuesday, August 21, 2007, at the facility in Bronte. Those present were directors: President, Jeffie Roberts; Vice-President, Phillip Ratliff; and Secretary, Gerald Sandusky. Others present were Coke County Judge, Roy Blair; Facility's Warden, Brett Bement; Facility's Business Manager, Misti Bedford; and Coke County Citizen, Bobby Roberts.

Mr. Bement and Mrs. Bedford included in their reports the following: There were 192 boys up to the age of 21 years in the facility in February 2007. The Texas Legislature passed a bill

that changed the juvenile offender law to include only those over 19 years of age. The facility released 75 residents, which left between 125 - 130 residents at the facility. As of August 21, 2007, there are 201 residents (boys ages 15 - 19) in the Coke County Juvenile Facility.

Judge Blair reported the Escrow Account is up to date and \$45,000.00 is received each year. He also reported the payments on the facility are being made timely and correct. The payoff date of the Coke County Juvenile Facility is July 1, 2010.

Centennial Celebration at Northside Church of Christ

If you were unable to attend any of the services for the 100th year celebration at the Northside Church of Christ, corner of 9th and Chadbourne streets in Robert Lee the weekend of August 17-19, 2007, you missed a very heart-warming get-together. Everyone termed the meeting a huge success. Comments of "This is so great", "It is so good to see and visit with everyone", "Didn't that singing sound good?", and other similar comments were heard throughout the weekend.

Near capacity crowds (as far as seating in the main building) attended Friday evening and Sunday morning services, and Saturday night was almost "Standing Room Only". We enjoyed a wonderful congregational singing Friday night, followed by a very inspiring talk by Doug Wilks of Corpus Christi. Saturday night's singing consisted of some congregational singing, and the So Be It Quartet kept the crowd's attention with their singing for a good portion of the time. The quartet members are Portis' Ribble singing lead, Cheryl Mathis singing alto, and Alvis Fisher singing tenor. These members live in San Angelo. The bass singer is Rolland McLean of Breckenridge. Several of the songs the quartet



Mini-Cheer Camp! The Robert Lee Junior High and High School Cheerleaders put on a Mini-Cheer Camp recently. The high school cheerleaders will also be selling new Steer T-shirts at the home games.

sang were from their recently released CD "Songs and Hymns". Following the song service, Leo Copeland of Seminole presented the lesson for the evening, and totally held everyone's attention.

Following the Friday and Saturday evening services, refreshments were served in the fellowship hall while everyone visited, and both evenings it seemed that everyone was reluctant to leave. So much news to catch up on, renewing of old acquaintances, and so many memories to share. Saturday morning began with a brunch at the fellowship hall, and since it was raining so hard, everyone decided to remain throughout the morning and early afternoon. About mid-afternoon, some of the returning ministers chose to visit other local friends who were unable to attend, or drive around to see the changes that have occurred in Robert Lee since they lived here.

Sunday morning worship service began at 10 am, with Gene Shelburne of Amarillo bringing the lesson from the morning. Another hour of wonderful worship and sharing of memories. Gene did a superb job. As soon as everyone could gather following the morning service, lunch was shared in the fellowship hall. What a feast we shared - and not just in the food! At 1 pm, we spent another 30 minutes in song service, then the afternoon lesson was delivered by Clyde Dukes of Sonora. He did not disappoint anyone in delivering another

very fine speech, and sharing more stirring memories. All of the song services were under the very capable direction of Tom Williams of Granbury, and each song service was an inspirational experience, a true worship service it itself.

Following the Sunday afternoon service, there was a "picture taking" session, and with all of the flashes from cameras, someone said it looked like the Fourth of July fireworks. Many remained at the buildings to visit "just a little longer", and share one last story. Lots of laughter, and many tears - some of sadness, some of gladness - filled the time that we shared throughout the whole weekend.

One of the many highlights of the weekend was the fact that almost all of those who were our "young people" in the 1960's were at one or more of the services at some time during the meeting time, with a large number of them being there Friday night.

At one or more of the services during the weekend, guests attended from San Angelo, Corpus Christi, Sonora, Midland, Veribest, Gail, Granbury, Arlington, Winters, Dallas, Amarillo, Lubbock, Houston, Snyder, Breckenridge, Ballinger, Abilene, Lorraine, Seminole, Bronte, Nacogdoches, Big Spring, Big Lake, and Sterling City, as well as from Robert Lee. Many of our guests were able to be at every service. To each of you who attended and/or helped we offer our heartfelt thanks for helping to make our weekend one that we will cherish for many years to come.

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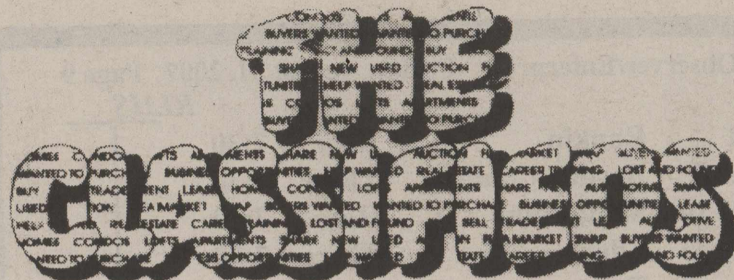


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Whether you expressed your hopes that our meeting would go well, offered a prayer, invited a friend, brought a friend, attended a service, or brought food, we thank you for helping to make our 100 year celebration meeting to be successful. Indeed it was a success, with good attendance each night, inspiring song services, and very uplifting worship services. A special thanks to the local merchants who graciously let us display advertisement posters in your places of business, and to the O/E for the news item they ran prior to the meeting. Our thanks to each of you. Such a wonderful community we live in!

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THANK YOU
We appreciate the cards, calls, and flowers during Joe's recent stay in the hospital.
Thanks,
Joe & Nellie Ross
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NOTICES

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF INDIGENT HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE
West Coke County Hospital District of Robert Lee, TX, will provide from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008 Indigent Health Care services to all eligible persons who meet the Hospital District eligibility requirements. Any resident of WCCHD is eligible to apply for these services. Eligibility criteria includes household composition, income and other available resources. Supporting documentation is required for all components of eligibility. Eligibility for Indigent Health Care services will be limited to persons who can prove residency in the WCCHD and whose family income meets the criteria of the current poverty income guidelines established by the Texas Department of Health as shown to be effective May 2003. Application for this program can be made at the business office of the Robert Lee Care Center. This notice is made in compliance with the plan administration for annual public notification of service availability.
06-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Robert Lee will hold a public hearing on the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2008. The hearing will be held at the Robert Lee City Hall at 6 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas, on Monday, September 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm.

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE
The KICKAPOO WATER DISTRICT will hold a meeting at 4:00 pm on September 12, 2007 at BRONTE CITY HALL, 114 S. WASHINGTON, BRONTE, TEXAS to consider adoption a proposed tax rate for tax year 2007. The proposed tax rate is 0.005939 per \$100 of value.
07-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held Wednesday the 26th day of September 2007 at 9:00 am in the District Courtroom, Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, for the purpose of hearing comments on the amount of annual compensation of the County Auditor and Assistant Auditor.
07-1tnc

SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE
The City of Bronte will hold a meeting on September 13, 2007, at the Bronte City Hall, 114 South Washington, Bronte, Texas, at 6:30 pm, to consider a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2007. The proposed tax rate is 0.384808 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Bronte by 0%.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF BRONTE
PUBLIC NUISANCE
ORDINANCE #349
VIOLATION
NOTICE TO ABATE**
TO: Dennis Howard
PROPERTY: S.E. Railroad,
Bronte, Texas
Lot 6, Block 73, Bronte,
Texas, 76933
TO: Mustang Mobile Homes
PROPERTY: 324 North
Jefferson, Bronte
All of Lots 10 thru 12, Block
16, OT
VIOLATIONS: Failure to
keep weeds and grasses at a
height of less than twelve
(12) inches over all the
property. Allowing an
accumulation of rubbish,
trash, discarded items and
items that hold water for
mosquitoes to breed.
ACTIONS REQUIRED TO
ABATE NUISANCE: Mow
weeds and grasses over
entire property. Removal of
rubbish, trash, discarded
items and items that hold
water for mosquitoes to
breed.

REQUEST FOR HEARING:
Request must be made in
writing in 10 days from date
of publication and addressed
to Municipal Court Judge,
P.O. Box K, Bronte, TX
76933.
IF NO ACTION IS TAKEN
TO ABATE THE
NUISANCE VIOLATIONS,
THE CITY SHALL ABATE
SUCH NUISANCES AND
ASSESS THE COST
AGAINST SUCH PERSON
OR ESTATE.

BY: CITY OF BRONTE
07-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a
budget hearing will be held
at 6:15 pm on September 13,
2007, in the City Hall, 114
South Washington, Bronte,
Texas.
The budget for the City of
Bronte for the fiscal year
October 1, 2007 to
September 30, 2008, will be
adopted.

The public is invited to
attend and participate in
these proceedings.

Pat Martindale,
City Secretary
07-1tc

**Local "Support A
Soldier" program
still underway**

The community has been
very supportive in donating
items listed below for the
Southside Church of Christ
project. If you would like to
help, the types of items they
are mailing to our military
men and women are listed
below, along with the
cooperating businesses, who
have the boxes in which
donated items may be
placed.

In addition to the items
listed below, our military
men and women are giving
candy and soccer balls to the
Iraqi children, if you would

like to assist in this effort.
The soccer balls can be
purchased deflated with a
little pump; so more of them
can be packed in the boxes.

Women

Tampons/Pads,
Moisturizing Cream (small
bottles), Hydrating
shampoo/conditioner (small
bottles), Razors, Baby wipes
(easily carried type),
Toothpaste, Toothbrushes,
Small bar soap, Hair
clips/bobby pins,
Underwear Tube socks,
Hard candy, Gum, Visine,
Books, cards, board
games, Movie DVD's
(cheerful themes),
Flashlights (easily carried
types), Batteries for
flashlights, Cup of Soups,
Canned Meats, Jerky,
Baggies to carry these things
in, they put them in these
pockets.

Men

T-shirts Light Brown, Tube
Socks, Flashlights/batteries,
Snacks, Visine, Chapstick,
Gum, Jerky, Cup of Soups,
Underwear, Baby wipes
(easily carried type), Movies
DVD's (cheerful themes),

Small bar soap, Toothpaste,
Toothbrushes, Shampoo
(small bottles), Razors,
Games (card games,
horseshoes, board games,
hand held games), Hard
Candy, Baggies.

The boxes are being put
in the following
businesses: Super H

Foods, C & H Hardware,
This and That Shop 1 & 2,
Ivy Motor Co., Key Feed
Store, Coke County
Library, Southside Church
of Christ, Victory
Assembly of God, Wild Cat
Taxidermy, Robert Lee
State Bank, June Dang
Sandwich Shop, Especially

for you Shop, and The
United Methodist Church. If
you need a box, or want to
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**Coke County Juvenile Correctional Officers
Receive Significant Pay Increase**

The Coke County Juvenile Justice Center located in Bronte,
which is operated by The GEO Group, Inc. recently awarded the
correctional officers a \$2.00 per hour across the board increase.
The recent pay increase raises the starting pay at the Center for
newly hired officers to the rate of \$12.00 per hour. The Coke
County Juvenile Justice Center has a scheduled job fair to be
held at the facility on August 30th – September 1st. The facility
hopes the increase will enhance the ability to hire as many
officers as possible within Coke County.

The facility encourages all Coke County citizens interested to
join our team of correctional professionals today. Earn a
minimum of \$25,000.00 annually, no experience required. The
facility will provide paid on-site training for all officers hired.
Thirty Positions to be hired immediately, excellent pay, excellent
benefits, and career opportunities.

The Coke County Juvenile Justice Center is located in Bronte,
Texas approximately 35 miles north of San Angelo on Hwy 277.

Minimum Requirements for Employment:

- Must be 19 years old
- Must be a high school graduate or have a GED
- Must be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
- Must be able to pass background investigation and drug screen

For further information contact the facility at 325-473-5700.

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Rangel's Restaurant completes renovation

It's official. The Rangels have completed the renovation of their restaurant in Robert Lee, both inside and outside, and have opened for business again as of August 28, 2007. Some may not know that this is the third restaurant that the Rangel family has opened. Another interesting fact is that the Saltillo tile the Rangels used to redo the floors, salad bar, and cashier's stand in the renovation were manufactured and installed by Juan's brother Richard, dad Juan Sr., and Rangel's employees.

The story, at least the United States part of the story, starts in 1980 when Juan, Sr. and Maria Rangel moved to Norton, Texas from Ciudad Acuna, and before that, Guanajuato, Mexico. In March of 1999, the Rangel family got its first start in their journey in the restaurant business when Richard Rangel opened the "Burger Hut" in Winters, Texas. In April of 2006 they changed the name of the establishment to "Rangel's Family Restaurant", and relocated to a bigger and better location in Winters.

In 2002, Gino Rangel and the rest of the family started the second Rangel restaurant in Ballinger, Texas, and it was called "Burger Hut #2". They later moved the location across the street and changed the name to "Adelita's".

In October, 2006, Juan Rangel, Jr. and wife Patricia opened the third Rangel restaurant in Robert Lee. It is this restaurant on which the

renovation, both inside and outside, has just been completed.

The beautiful Saltillo tile, which now covers the floors of the entire restaurant, is manufactured in San Felipe, Guanajuato, Mexico, by brother Richard Rangel. It is this tile that Richard brought to the United States and installed in the Robert Lee location, with the help of the entire Rangel family.

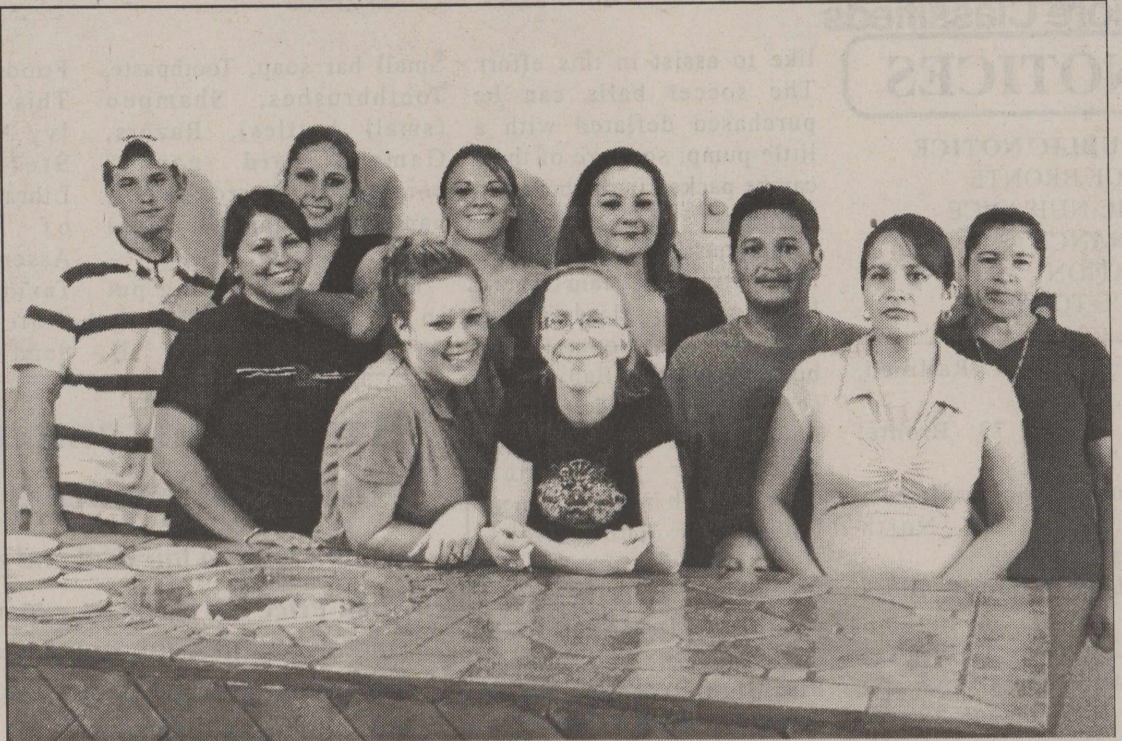
The Rangel family would like to invite you to stop in and dine in the newly renovated location and see all the new changes. They would also like to say a special "thank you" for your support of their restaurants in Winters, Ballinger, and Robert Lee.

How To Beat The Heat When Working Outdoors

The hottest days of the year are here, but that doesn't mean those of us who work outside get a break. Similarly, many outdoor household and garden chores won't wait until the weather cools.

Every summer, thousands of Americans are hospitalized for heat-related illnesses. That's why the experts at the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration are offering some helpful tips for working in hot weather:

- * Drink small amounts of water frequently.
- * Wear light-colored, loose-fitting, breathable clothing. Cotton is good.
- * Take frequent short



Rangel's Restaurant reopens! The renovations, both inside and outside at Rangel's Restaurant, have been completed, and the business is back open to the public. Rangel's employees, who include (left to right): Randall Rainwater, Mandi Bretz, Michelle Bretz, Casey Nesbit, Molly Burns, Josie Salazar, Staci Ellsworth, Juan and Patty Rangel, and Maria Esquivel, would like to invite you to stop by and dine with them, and see the new look of the restaurant.

breaks in cool shade.

* Eat smaller meals before work activity.

* Avoid caffeine and alcohol or large amounts of sugar.

* Work in the shade.

* Find out from your health care provider if your medications and heat don't mix.

* Know that equipment such as respirators or work suits can increase heat stress.

The two most serious forms of heat related illnesses are heat exhaustion (primarily from dehydration) and the more severe heat stroke, which could be fatal. Symptoms include headaches, weakness, nausea and dizziness. Recognizing those warning signs and taking

quick action can help prevent a fatality.

For more information on workplace safety, visit www.osha.gov.

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