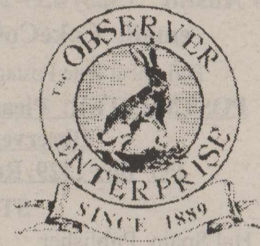


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Couples Golf Tourney slated

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 453-2317 or 473-2156.

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 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.

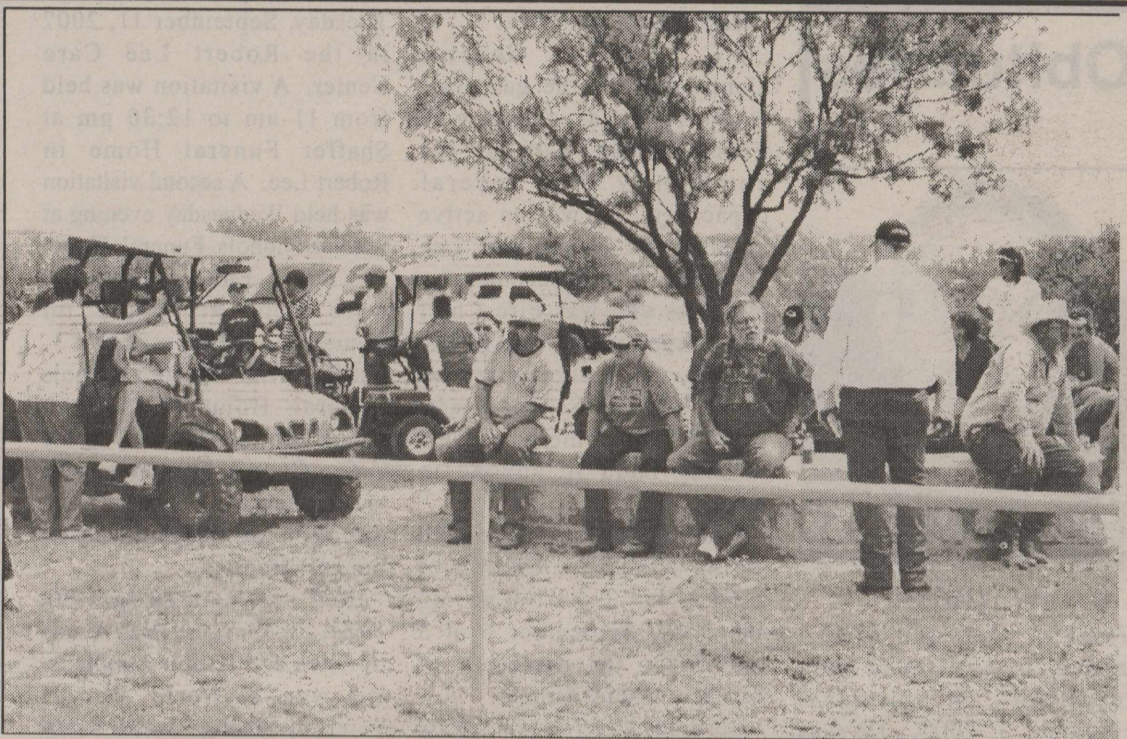
For tickets or further information please call the Fort Chadbourne Foundation 473-5311 or 325-743-2555.

CCRTA meeting set for Monday

On Monday, September 17, there will be a regular noon luncheon meeting of the Coke County Retired Teachers Association at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Swine Validation Tag Order Deadline

Any 4-H or FFA member who plans to exhibit their pigs at any of the major shows, Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo or Houston must have them officially validated with the Texas Swine Validation tag. The number of tags to order must be turned in by September 20. If you plan on showing at any major shows contact either the Coke County Extension office or your Vocational Agriculture teacher before Thursday, September 20.

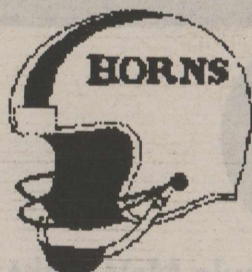


Volunteers take a break for lunch at Lake Spence! A large group conducted another search over the weekend at Lake Spence for Jon Paul Shadden. Over 85 members of the volunteer group Texas EquuSearch and other agencies joined in the effort to locate the Midland resident, who has been missing since June. This is the third large organized search at Lake Spence since his disappearance, all ending with a negative result.



Coke County Football

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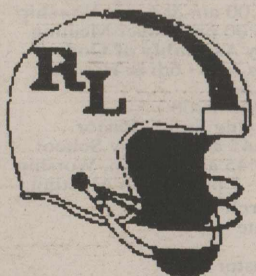
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BHRC Auxiliary to meet Sept. 27

Bronte Health and Rehab Center Auxiliary will meet in the BHRC living room at 1 pm on Thursday, September 27. Lunch will be provided for a nominal cost if you choose to eat. Please RSVP to Janet Wommack at 473-5388 by Wednesday, September 19, at noon if you would like a meal. This is the first meeting of the new year and they would like to invite and encourage everyone to attend to get more information. The auxiliary supports BHRC in

many different ways and new members are always welcome. Please call Janet Wommack at 473-5388 or Lanette Fletcher at 473-6791 for more information.

FBC-Bronte GA's to meet

The Girls in Action at First Baptist Church of Bronte will have their first meeting on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 6 pm. All girls in the first through sixth grades are invited. For more information, please call First Baptist Church at 473-2331 or Peggy Hembree at 473-2013.

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Stephens

James 'Red' Stephens, 86 of Robert Lee, and formerly of Crane, passed away on Tuesday, September 11, 2007 in the Robert Lee Care Center. A visitation was held from 11 am to 12:30 pm at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee. A second visitation was held Wednesday evening at Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home in Crane. Funeral Services were held at 1 pm on Thursday, September 13, 2007, at the Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home Chapel in Crane. Burial followed in the Crane County Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home.

'Red' was born on June 30, 1921, in Gainesville, Texas to Alice and Arthur Stephens. He was a World War II Veteran, serving in the Army Air Force from 1942 to 1946 in England, and in Germany; receiving a Bronze and Silver Star for his service.

On August 22, 1947, he married Dorothy Coker. She preceded him in death on February 5, 1994. 'Red' had worked for the Kewanee Oil Company, and he was the owner and operator of the Cosden / Fina service station in Crane from 1962 until 1966. Then, after 14 and a half years, he retired from J. Cleo Thompson petroleum.

He moved to Robert Lee where he met his loving companion, Nancy Allen. He enjoyed dancing, and he was a Mason. He was a member

of the Hayrick Masonic Lodge, # 696 in Robert Lee. He was past Patron of Robert Lee Chapter, 187; a member of the Bronte Eastern Star Chapter 1048; and a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a granddaughter, Dana Lynn Stephens; and 9 brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his son, Danny Stephens and his wife Mary of Odessa; his daughter, Jamie Gortney and her husband Lanny of Odessa; his grandchildren, Daniel Stephens of Odessa, Jeremy Gortney of Tyler, Marissa Tiner and her husband Kyle of Waco; great-grandchildren, Harlee and Haven Gortney, and Kade Tiner; a brother, Sonny Stephens of McCamey; two sisters, Stella Robertson of San Angelo and Nell Blackshear of Gorman, Texas.

pictures framed and ready to hang. All mediums will be accepted. Sculptures, tapistries, and other pieces are welcome. Photographs are accepted and will be judged separately. A \$5.00 entry fee for each piece will be accepted. A cash prize will be awarded for first and second places. The Robert Lee State Bank will provide the first place prize.

New this year is a student show. Students from grades 1 through 12 are welcomed to show their works. The entries will be judged separately. The winner will receive three art sessions from Charlotte McCabe Northcutt free of charge. There is no entry fee for students.

Area artist Tom Orsak, who was the first place winner last year, has donated a picture to the '64 Study Club to be the prize in the raffle which raises money for scholarships for Robert Lee students. The landscape in oil is entitled "Valley View, Coke County," and the area was the inspiration for Mr. Orsak who painted the area to make people "feel at home" and said that knowing his work is raising money for scholarships is exciting.

Area artists are especially invited to enter this year's Coke County Art Show. The show continues to grow and give a venue for area artists to exhibit.

Obituaries



Wallace

James Calvin (J.C.) Wallace, Jr. went to bed with the Lord on Monday, September 3, 2007. He was born November 21, 1927, at Robert Lee, Texas, to Calvin and Leona Wallace.

He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Jewell; children, Jacky Wallace and wife Pam of Abilene; Susan Millican and husband Troy of Sterling City; Buddy Wallace and wife Kristen of Gail; and son-in-law Jackie Smith of Lubbock.

'PaPa' is also survived by six special grandchildren; Jessica and Joel Smith; Lindsay (Wallace) McAuliffe and husband Brandon; Cayla Millican; and Tyler and Kate Wallace. One brother, Royce Wallace and wife Alice and one sister, Marie Allen and husband Travis. Step-sisters Sharon Lee and June Waddell and one step-brother, Max Gideon. Also left to cherish his memory are extended family members, Francis, Addie and Jana Jeffries, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two daughters; Marilyn Smith and Donna Morton; his infant granddaughter; his parents; two sisters, Mildred Reese and Edna Havins; and his stepmother, Mildred Gideon Wallace.

He married Jewell Bloodworth on December 21, 1948, and thus began a journey of love and family. He was a devoted husband, Daddy and PaPa. He was strong in his faith and was a Christian example to all who knew him. He was a lifelong member of the Northside Church of Christ in Robert Lee, where he helped to serve

and lead the congregation for most of his adult life.

J.C. was a General Contractor for the gas plant in Silver, Texas, for over 40 years. He served his community in several capacities. He was an active member of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire department for 40 years and was Fire Chief for a number of those years. He served twelve years on the Robert Lee School Board. He was always there to lend a helping hand to anyone in need.

Funeral services were held at the Northside Church of Christ in Robert Lee on Thursday, September 6 at 3 pm under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Services were conducted by ministers Doug Wilks, Clyde Dukes, B. Shelburne and Leo Copeland.

Pallbearers were Jacky Wallace, Buddy Wallace, Jackie Smith, Troy Millican, Art Morton, Joel Smith, Tyler Wallace and Brandon McAuliffe. Honorary pallbearers were Francis Jeffries and Billy King Wallace.

"Those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time."

Memorials may be made to the Robert Lee Fire Department, Northside Church of Christ, or your favorite charity.

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Coke County Art Show set

The Coke County Art Show will be held in connection with the Robert Lee Street Affair on Saturday, October 13, in the Wojtek Building on 7th Street.

Art works will be accepted at the Wojtek Building from 10 am to 6 pm on Friday, the day before the show, so that the displays can be set up. Artists are asked to have

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 11 am & 6 pm Worship
 Wed. 6 pm

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 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne
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 (325) 655-9784 or 453-2685
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 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

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 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting
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 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2208
 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Street Affair coming up

Plans are heating up for the Robert Lee Street Affair, Saturday, October 13, on Austin Street.

Booth space is being taken and arrangements can be made with Micky West at the barber shop on Austin Street or by calling 473-0345. Electricity is available in some areas with a \$5.00 extra charge. A first-come-first-served policy is in effect so anyone who wants to be in the same place should get a call in right away.

A children's area on the courthouse lawn is gaining activities. An Air Carnival, duck races, water gun course and possibly the dunking booth will be in action. Any non-profit with activities for kids can call Toni Rainwater at Designs by Toni at 453-4317. Kids love face painters, please apply.

There are some entries in the bed race, which is one of the must-see events of the day. Rules and regulations can be obtained from David Sheldon at 453-9173. This is no race for sissies. The rates take a lot of brawn and a lot of brain. Call now for an entry blank. A trophy is being designed for the winners.

Customized vehicle owners are invited to enter the show at the Wojtek Building. Anyone with a tricked vehicle is asked to share their hard work, time-consuming creation with the folks at the Street Affair. Call 453-2627.

The Canyon Creek Cloggers will perform around 5:30 p.m. and a blue-grass band or two will be on the karaoke stage in front of the Observer office. The microphone will be open all day for entertaining the crowds. Call David or Brandi Sheldon at 453-9173.

Two hundred dollars has been set aside for any group who signs on to do litter maintenance during the day and on Sunday morning after the dance. It is hoped that a non-profit will take

advantage of this opportunity. Keeping the trash cans empty and picking up stray trash will make the day more enjoyable for all. Call Kickin' Up Roses at 453-2036 to sign up.

The Old Jail will be open for tours. Several displays assembled by local historians will be shown from 9 am to 4 pm. Anyone interested in preservation is invited to come hear the plans for the preservation of the Old Jail.

Driftwood and Buckshot Bradley will create a boot scootin' night for all who attend. Good music and the great outdoors combine to make the Street Dance a very special event. Bring the chairs-although they might not be needed-and enjoy the evening from 7:30 on and on.

Immaculate Conception Church to host Annual Fall Festival

On Sunday, September 30, 2007, the Immaculate Conception Church in Knickerbocker, Texas, will be having their annual fall festival. They will be selling mesquite cooked brisket and sausage bar-b-que plates with all the trimmings. These plates will be served from 11 am to 3 pm. There will be games throughout the day including; washer pitching, a raffle, bingo, an auction; and lots more. There will also be music provided by The Old Hat Band.

County receives varying rainfall amounts

By Hal Spain, Publisher
We haven't had much time to get many responses on rainfall amounts that fell on Monday, September 10. The amounts were varied

depending on your location. This is the feedback we have received thus far:

The Robert Lee area seems to be the big winner on Monday, as rainfall totals ranged from 2 to 4 inches in and around the city. North of Robert Lee reported up to 1 1/2 inches, while Dessie Kendall reported an inch out at Edith. The Bayview area of Lake Spence reported anywhere from .2 to .4 inches, which was about the same as was reported in the area of Pecan Baptist Church.

Between Bronte and Robert Lee ranged from .6 to .7 inches, while the City of Bronte received .3 inch. Wayne McCutchen reported .45 north of Bronte, and James Hood reported an inch on the river east of Bronte. Turner Lee had .5 inch at Maverick on Monday morning.

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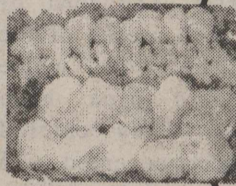


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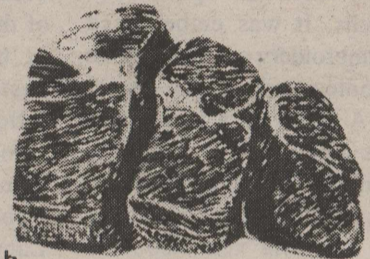
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Calder-Pitcock united in marriage

Robyn LeAnn Calder and Korey Lynn Pitcock, both of Plano, were united in marriage on Saturday, July 7, 2007, at 4 pm in the afternoon at Victory Life Church in Brownwood, Texas. Dr. David Schum of Brownwood, officiated the double ring ceremony. Robyn is the daughter of Ronald and Nita Calder of Mullin, Texas. She is the granddaughter of HB and Barbara Collins, Ila Mae Calder and the late Glynn Calder, all of Mullin. Korey is the son of Gaylon and Kaye Pitcock of Robert Lee. He is the grandson of Winnie Pitcock and the late Teddy Pitcock, Reba Tabor and the late Jim Tabor and the late Artell Roberts, all of Robert Lee.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, Robyn wore a beautiful white satin strapless A-line gown with a split-front overskirt. It was embellished with embroidery and beading on the bodice and on the chapel train. A silver tiara with scroll leaves and crystals, a white cathedral veil with scattered pearls and pencil edge, and a white fingertip veil also with pearls and crystals scattered on it was chosen to compliment the gown. Robyn wore a pearl necklace and matching earrings and Fat Baby boots in her chosen color of pink. In keeping with tradition Robyn's dress was the something new, she borrowed a wedding ring, which she wore on her little finger from her mother that had belonged to her great-grandmother and her grandmother as something old and something borrowed, and her garter was something blue. She carried a cascade style bouquet consisting of stargazer lilies, pink gerbera daisies, wax flowers, pink Oceana roses, white Eskimo roses, pink spray roses, larkspur, heather and pink misty.

Serving as matrons of honor were Sandi Thedford of Gustine, Texas, sister of the bride and Tiffany Williams of Redding, California, friend of the bride. The maid of honor was Sharon Grady of Killeen, friend of the bride. The bridesmaids were Shawna Bond

of Palestine, Texas, friend of the bride; Lori Calder of Mullin, sister-in-law of the bride; Kelli Gossmann, of Kerrville, friend of the bride; Allison Hogue of Lubbock, friend of the bride; and Sarah Liebel of Frisco, friend of the bride. The attendants wore brown satin skirts and pink satin strapless tops with brown trim. They carried one long stemmed pink rose, a stargazer lily, and a pink gerber daisy tied with brown ribbons.

Serving as flower girls were Abby Calder of Mullin and Harlie Thedford of Gustine, both nieces of the bride. They wore white dresses and pink halo hairpieces. They carried silver baskets accented with pink hearts and lined with pink satin and filled with rose petals.

Serving as ring bearers were Dylan Thedford of Gustine, nephew of the bride and Payte Treadaway of Glen Rose, friend of the groom. They were attired in brown tuxedos with pink vests and ties. They carried pillows, made by the bride's grandmother, of white satin trimmed in brown and pink ribbons. Candle-lighters were Lane Calder of Mullin, and Hunter Thedford of Gustine, both nephews of the bride. They also work brown tuxedos with pink vests and ties.

Jayson Treadaway of Glen Rose, friend of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen included Kyle Gibbs of Robert Lee, friend of the groom; Aaron Hood of Robert Lee, cousin of the groom; Eric Hood of Keller, cousin of the groom; Blake Pitcock of Robert Lee, brother of the groom; Jerrod Pitcock of San Angelo, cousin of the groom; Judd Pitcock of San Angelo, cousin of the groom; and Ray Walls of Blackwell, friend of the groom. The groom was attired in a brown tuxedo with a pink vest and tie, which was adorned with a boutonniere of pink spray roses, white Eskimo rose, with salal leaves. The groomsmen were attired in brown tuxedos with turquoise vests and ties that were adorned with pink rose boutonnieres. Ushers were Shawn Calder of Mullin, brother of the bride; Matthew Pitcock of Yukon, Oklahoma, Travis Pitcock of

San Angelo, and Stewart Millican of Aledo, Texas, cousins of the groom. They were attired in brown tuxedos with brown vests and ties that were adorned with pink rose boutonnieres.

The church was decorated with white lattice lined with brown fabric and white tulle draped along the top. This was on each side of the center arches of the church. There were four arrangements of pink, white and brown silk flowers accented with pink and brown ribbons sitting on top of four white columns in front of the lattice. At the side of the center arch a table held the unity candle, the mother's candles and four memorial candles that the two candle-lighters lit in memory of Robyn's and Korey's grandfathers who are no longer with us.

Music was provided by Jeffery and Kelli Gossmann of Kerrville, friends of the bride and Tiffany Williams of Redding, California, friend of the bride.

After the ceremony the reception was held at the Depot in Brownwood. The Depot was decorated with silk ficus trees strung with twinkle lights, the tables were covered with floor length cloths and had centerpieces of glass globes filled with alternate layers of coffee beans, pink candy, turquoise glass beads and pink candles to carry out the bride's chosen colors. The bride's table was covered with a pink satin tablecloth and draped with pink tulle. The bride's bouquet served as the centerpiece and pictures of the bride as a young girl



Mr. & Mrs. Korey Pitcock

also were displayed. The wedding cake had four tiers with each tier a different color. The bottom tier was pink with a brown and a turquoise stripe around the bottom. The next layer was brown with mint green polka dots and a pink strip around the center, the next layer was turquoise with brown and pink diagonal stripes on it, the top layer was pink with brown polka dots and had the letter P surrounded with Pink roses as the decoration.

The groom's table was covered with an ecru lace tablecloth with a brown underlay. The centerpiece was made of fresh pink roses with turquoise stones in the center, stargazer lilies, ferns and little white flowers. There were pictures of the groom as a young boy also displayed on the table. The groom's cake was a three layer chocolate fudge with fresh strawberries dressed in

tuxedos. Parties included bridal showers in Robert Lee and Mullin. A lingerie shower was given by Lori Calder, Sandi Thedford, Sharon Grady, and Shawna Bond and was held in Mullin at the home of Lori Calder.

A kitchen and lingerie shower was held in Plano, hosted by Tiffany Williams, Sarah Liebel, Julianna Heflin, and Melissa Miles.

The rehearsal dinner, hosted by Gaylon and Kaye Pitcock, was held in the cafeteria of the Victory Life Church in Brownwood. Everyone enjoyed barbeque and all the trimmings.

A bridesmaid brunch was given by Pat and Pam Clifton and Kelli Gossmann at the Turtle Restaurant in Brownwood.

After a wedding trip to St. Lucia Islands, the couple are at home in Plano. The bride is employed by Plano ISD as a special-ed teacher at Jackson Elementary and the groom is employed at A.T.'s Electric.

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Health and Prosperity • III John 2
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Good News to All • Luke 4:18
The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.

Set Free • John 8:36
If the son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

Love, Not Condemnation • John 3:16, 17
For God so loved you that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

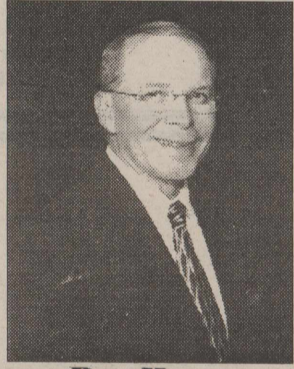
For God sent not his son into the world to condemn you, but that you through Him might be saved.

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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"

Farm Safety & Health Week

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau joins the Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies and the National Safety Council in promoting accident prevention during Farm Safety and Health Week, September 16-23, 2006. Agriculture is the second most dangerous industry in the United States, with 710 deaths and 110,000 disabling injuries reported in 2004.

The theme for this year's national event is "Keep Kids Away from Tractors, It's Easier to Bury a Tradition than a Child". The focus is on the importance of protecting the lives and livelihood of farmers and ranchers.

The National Safety Council reminds parents on farms and ranches of the following:

- **Extra Rider Incidents Still a Problem!** Parents and guardians should voluntarily prohibit children from being an extra rider on farm tractors. Children riding along on a tractor can be severely injured or killed if they fall off the tractor. Say "NO" to extra riders and "YES" to a safe future.

- **Remind Kids: The Farm is not a Playground!** Kids may love to explore the farm from pillar to post, but climbing can be a dangerous activity, especially around equipment and buildings. Remind children not to play around equipment... a curious child may find equipment left in gear with the keys in the ignition. Also, warn your adventurers about the risks of climbing on a grain bin. Kids can play safely in designated areas on the farm without climbing into trouble.

- **Chemicals and Kids Don't Mix!** Chemicals and kids are a deadly combination. Keep pesticides and other toxins secured

and away from youngsters. Remind them that chemical storage areas are "off limits", and not play areas. And, after using toxic chemicals, immediately clean and dispose of the containers. Remember: a poisoning can occur in a few seconds.

- **Is Your Child Ready to Work on the Farm?** Just because your child is interested in farm work does not mean that they should be allowed to participate in farm tasks. It is important for your child to have both the physical and cognitive skills necessary to safely complete a farm task. Make sure the tasks that you assign your child are age and developmentally appropriate. Children should always receive training before they are allowed to do a task. Even with training, adult supervision should be present at all times.

Children and youth are at increased risk for injury and death for many other reasons. Most of these reasons stem from copying what they see adults do on the farm or ranch. This is a reminder to parents to set a good example and help to keep kids safe.

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau promotes public awareness of Farm/Ranch Safety and Health, and encourages everyone to work to reduce the hazards that impact the safety and health of youth in agricultural settings. For more information visit www.fs4jk.org.

RLBC to host Revival

Robert Lee Baptist Church will be blessed with the presence of an awesome preacher and a great music ministry family during the revival. Don Harms will be bringing the message, while the Anderson Family will be leading the music ministry for the revival.

Don Harms, a native of

Keys Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary!

David Key and Alene Gaines were married September 6, 1947, in San Angelo, Texas. They recently celebrated their 60th anniversary with a family dinner at their residence.

The couple has lived in the Edith community and Robert Lee since their wedding. He is a United States Air Force World War II veteran. He owned and operated Key Feed Store in Robert Lee and was a rancher for over 40 years. She is a homemaker and previously worked as a beauty operator. They are members of Robert Lee Baptist Church.

They have two children, Joe David Key and wife, Teri, and DeeAnna Harmon and her husband, Joe; two grandchildren, Jason Key and wife, Jennifer and Jessica Kolasa and husband, Doren; and two great-grandchildren, Harrison Hayes and Jaren Kolasa.



Seymour, Illinois, graduated from Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, with a degree in Bible and Religion and continued his education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Ft. Worth, and graduated from

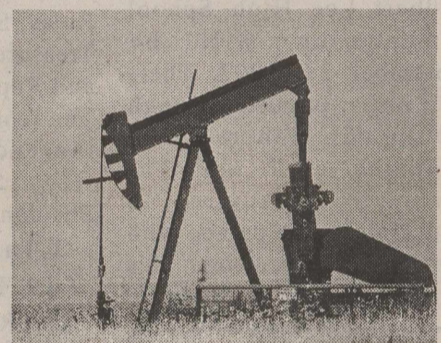
Luther Rice Seminary at Lithonia (Atlanta), Georgia with a Master of Arts in Ministry Degree and from Slidell Baptist Seminary at Slidell, Louisiana with a Doctor of Theology Degree. He has served as pastor of

churches in Texas and New Mexico. Don has preached in more than 250 revivals and area crusades in 20 states and in Canada, and is the pastor for the First Baptist Church in Porter, Texas.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Robert Lee Steers game cancelled due to weather

By Tom Sawyer

The Robert Lee Steers versus the Borden County Coyotes football game was canceled due to inclement weather. Many Steer fans made the trip and were treated to a fantastic lightning and rain display only to wait two hours and turn around and come home.

RL 5th Quarter set

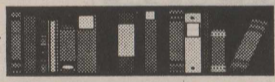
Pecan Baptist Church, Northside Church of Christ and Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church will host the Robert Lee 5th quarter on Friday, September 14, 2007. All students from 7-12 grades are invited to attend. The Fifth quarter will follow the football game on Friday night at the Catholic hall. Pizza and lots of goodies will be served.

Robert Lee High School

Homecoming set

Robert Lee High School Homecoming will be September 28, 2007. There will be a parade through downtown Robert Lee, beginning at 2 pm. The community is invited to participate in the parade with floats or other entries. This year's theme will be "Gag the

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, Sept. 17
Biscuit & sausage, cereal, juice, milk

Tuesday, Sept. 18
Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 19
Pizza, cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, Sept. 20
Pigs in blanket, cereal, juice, milk

Friday, Sept. 21
Pop tart, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 17
Grilled cheese, veg. Beef soup, fresh broccoli with ranch, crackers, fruit cup, milk

Tuesday, Sept. 18
Taco with cheese, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad, fresh fruit, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 19
Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, pineapple, milk

Thursday, Sept. 20
Spaghetti, garlic bread, corn, salad, apricots, milk

Friday, Sept. 21
Chicken patty on bun, pork & beans, tator tots, pickles, apple, milk

Gorillas-Fear Factor Style." The parade will end at the high school where a pep rally will be held at 2:50 pm. The football game will be against the Trent Gorillas at 7:30 pm.

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.

RLHS Class of '57 to meet

The RLHS Class of 1957 will celebrate their 50th Reunion on September 28-29. For more information call 325-453-2848.

RLHS Spanish Club Officers announced

The 2007-2008 Robert Lee High School Spanish Club officers are President, Chase Roe; Vice President, Anna Rojas; Secretary, Olga Perez; Treasurer, Briana Longoria and Reporter; Prescilla Lara. The representatives are Jacob Moreno, Andrea Pineda, Gaby Saucedo, and Jodi Sheldon.

Class of '48 and '49 Reunions held

The Robert Lee graduating classes of 1948 and 1949 held a joint reunion Saturday, September 8th at the Park Recreational Hall. On the preceding Friday evening, the class of 1948 was treated to a fish fry by Paul Burns assisted by Sid Burns and Suzann Johnson.

Those attending the events were: 1948 - Paul Burns, Joan Burns, Sid Burns, Suzann and Richard Johnson, Ida Belle (Eaton) and JW Service, Jr., Charles Fowler, Frances (Parker) and Bill Arnold, Joy (Millican) and Charles Blake, Billie (Roberts) and Eddie Paul Good, Preston and Norma Ross, Floyd and Billie Sheppard, Jean (Varnadore)

and Mac Mathis, Maudie (Watson) Conley, Juanell Brown and Peggy Davis. 1949 - Esther (Allen) Jones, Janet (Dean) Gregory, Roy and Jennie Lee Tinkler, Eula Faye (Smith) and Bill Blair, Bonita (Chldress) and Allan Cartrite, Nelia (Boykin) and DJ Walker, Jr., Janie (Higgins) and John L. Bruton.

Visiting, reminiscing, and good food were greatly enjoyed by all and another reunion next year is being planned which will be the 60th and 59th year since graduation from RLHS for these classes.

Check Out Coke County Library

The Coke County Library invites everyone who doesn't have a library card to come in during "Get a Library Card" month. Library cards are free and enable patrons access to the collection at the Coke County Library which includes popular fiction, westerns, large print, romance and mysteries, paperbacks, hardbacks, audio books, inspirational reading, biographies, regional history, true crime, Texas history, US history, and many children's and young adult's books.

Also, any patron of the Coke County Library who is in good standing is eligible for a Tex Share card, which enables them to check out books at most major libraries in Texas. The Coke County Library also provides Inter Library Loan through WorldCat, which can access libraries worldwide. Internet access is also available.

Reference questions are accepted anytime by calling 453-2495. Information on health, recipes, sports, celebrities and many other subjects will be researched.

Story Time is provided for the students at Head Start on Wednesdays at 10 am. A Story Hour for children from three to five years old, who are not involved in a public school program, will be

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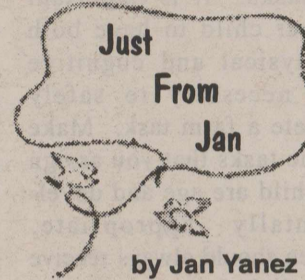
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arranged. Parents and caregivers can contact the Library to set up a convenient time for a planning session. Story Hour consists of a story, a project, a treat, and a video if time allows.

Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12. Books may be returned in Bronte to the Main Street Market or to the 24/7 library book drop on the porch at 706 Austin when the Library is not open.



by Jan Yanez
Cooperative
Extension Agent

Extension Helps in Disaster Preparedness

Disasters kill hundreds of people, and injure thousands more, each year in the United States. A few steps to be prepared can help to keep you and your family safe. Coke County Extension Service provides information to help you be better prepared for disasters. September is National Preparedness Month, and the Cooperative Extension Service is a partner in this fourth annual campaign to reach out to communities in every state and help all families be better prepared. Sponsoring the effort, the U.S. Department of

Homeland Security states that, in order for a community to be prepared for a disaster, every person in that community needs to take the steps to become disaster-ready.

Known for its educators/agents in counties throughout the country, the Extension Service is a valuable resource concerning disaster education. Through a nationwide network known as the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN), Coke County Extension office is readily connected to expert materials in disaster preparedness, recovery and response from Land Grant universities nationwide.

Being disaster prepared is more than just knowing what to do in case of a tornado or a fire. It's also about preparing a 72-hour disaster supplies kit for your home, office and car; developing and practicing an emergency plan for your family; understanding your community's warning systems and evacuation routes; knowing who to contact in your community for more information, and how you can get involved.

Disasters are like pop quizzes - most often they are unpredictable. If you are not prepared, they can be devastating. The more you prepare, the better you will know exactly what to do and where to go. No matter how much you have prepared, it is important to have a resource you can rely on for disaster education. Coke County Extension office can be that resource.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Coach of the Year! Carol Moore (left), a volleyball coach at Bronte ISD, was named the 1A-2A-3A Sub-Varsity Volleyball Coach of the Year by the Texas Girls Coaches Association recently.

Bronte Longhorns defeated by the Rotan Yellowhammers 35-12

By Coach Kevin Burns

This past Friday night the Bronte Longhorns were defeated by the Rotan Yellowhammers 35-12. Breakdown in special teams for the Longhorns led to 21

Yellowhammers points. The first came after a block of Bronte's first punt. Josh Reece ran the option around the right side for a 27 yard touchdown to put Rotan up 7-0. Rotan scored on more time early - the second quarter on a sweep to Dexter Daniel to give the Yellowhammers an early 14-0 lead. The Longhorns struggled offensively the entire first half, mustering only one first down and very few yards before intermission. QB Reece broke a long run just before halftime of sixty-five yards before being forced out of bounds on the Longhorn 10 yard line. On the ensuing play the handoff was fumbled by Rotan and Bronte's Lahn Burns recovered the fumble.

Bronte took the 2nd half kickoff and returned it to the 35 yard line and on the first play from scrimmage, Brett Wills ran 65 yards for the touchdown and Bronte was right back in the game. The PAT was no good and Rotan led 14-6. On the ensuing kickoff all momentum went right back to the Yellowhammers and Daniel returned the kick 60 yards for a

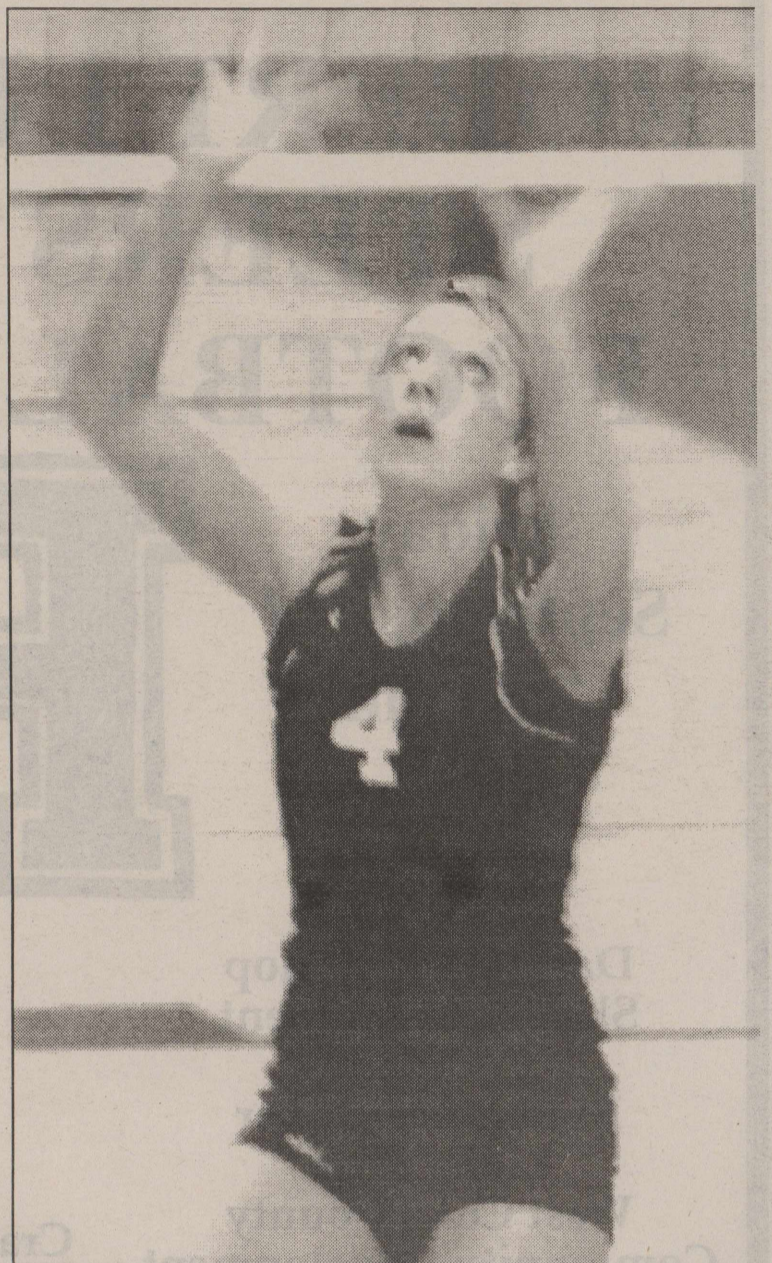
touchdown. The extra point attempt was fumbled, but Reece was able to pick it up and run it in for a 2 pt. conversion. On the kick off, Rotan got the ball back as the Longhorns were unable to field the kick, and three plays later Reece was in the end zone again. After this exchange of events the Longhorns were never able to recover. The Longhorns scored once again midway through the 4th quarter as Gus Saunders ran the ball in from one yard out. The conversion failed.

The game was called with 4 minutes left in the contest, and the Longhorns were defeated by the 35-12 score.

This week the Longhorns are open and will work on those things that really hampered this past Friday night. Bronte will be back in action next week when they travel to Winters for their final tune-up before district play begins.

McCutchen named Setter of the Week

Britney McCutchen, a senior at the University of Texas at the Permian Basin, was named the NCAA Division II, Heartland Conference setter of the week on August 28. Britney has been a UTPB Falcon setter since she was a freshman, earning honors such as MVP, Conference 1st Team, and Region 2nd team. McCutchen averaged 11.7 assists per game over the weekend during the tournament in Alamosa, Colorado. She had an astounding 65 assists against #22 national ranked Rouckhurst University (Missouri). McCutchen was a huge reason UTPB got off to a 3-1 start when she showed her skills by having at least 40 or more assists in each match played over the weekend. The Lady Falcons stole the match against Rouckhurst with a 3-2 win



Britney McCutchen

"A" Showdown held in Bronte

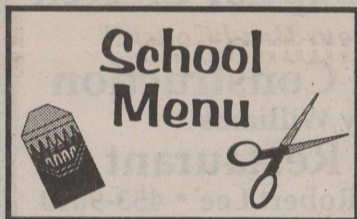
17-30, 30-21, 30-26, 20-30, and 19-17. The Lady Falcons lost to Western New Mexico in a 3-1 match 30-20, 30-32, 30-21, 30-11. They defeated Dixie State University (Utah) with a 3-2 win 30-26, 30-32, 23-30, 30-21, 15-7 and Grand Canyon University 3-1 30-26, 26-30, 30-26, 30-21. Coach Steve Aicinena has been her coach all four years and is also the athletic director at UTPB.

Britney is a 2004 graduate of Bronte High School and played volleyball under Coach Amy Bohensky. She is the daughter of Keith and Vicky McCutchen of Bronte and granddaughter of Bill and Hazel Magness of Blackwell, J.B. and Lawanda Deans of San Angelo, and the late Luther and Eula McCutchen of Bronte.

The "A" Showdown has become an important tournament for Class A volleyball teams seeking to play the very best teams in the state early in the season. The sixth annual tournament was recently held in Bronte and lived up to its reputation as the premier early season volleyball event for Class A teams in the state of Texas.

The tournament began six years ago when athletic director Keith McCutchen, suggested the tournament to volleyball coach Amy Bohensky. McCutchen's idea was to entice high quality play to Bronte on the premise that perennial state-bound volleyball teams had no other way to meet each other on the court apart from the state tournament itself.

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School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Sept. 17

Toast, jelly, mixed fruit, cereal, milk

Tuesday, Sept. 18

French toast sticks, syrup, juice, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 19

Sausage rolls, pineapple tidbits, milk

Thursday, Sept. 20

Donut, toast, jelly, juice, milk

Friday, Sept. 21

Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Sept. 17

Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, carrot coins, fresh apple, hot roll, milk

Tuesday, Sept. 18

Crispy taco with cheese, lettuce, tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, taco shells, banana pudding, milk

Wednesday, Sept. 19

Chicken noodle soup, grill cheese sandwich, fresh broccoli with ranch, strawberries & bananas, crackers, milk

Thursday, Sept. 20

Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, tossed salad, peaches, bread sticks, milk

Friday, Sept. 21

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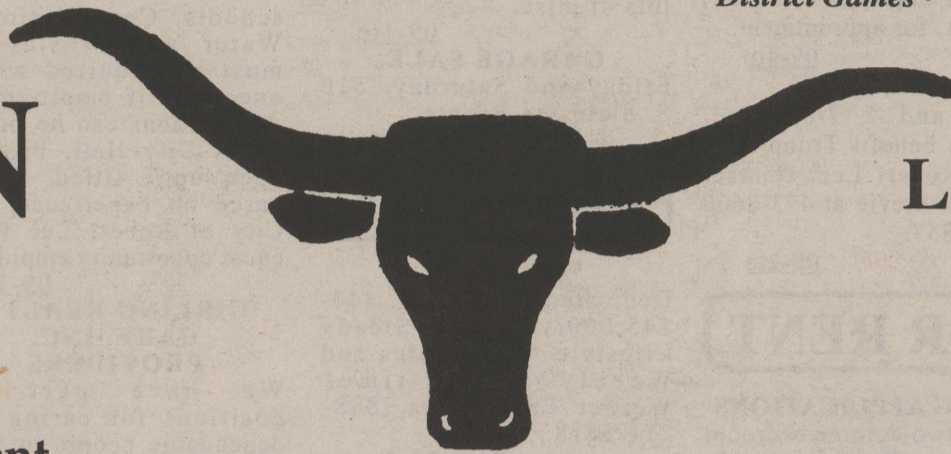
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** October 12	Menard	Here	7:30		
* October 19	Irion County	There	7:30		
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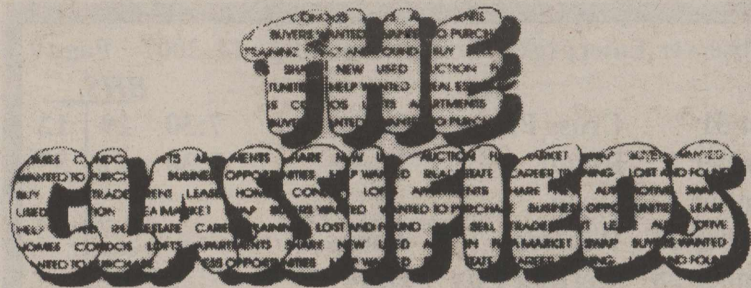
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TO OUR WONDERFUL ROBERT LEE FAMILY
 How could a family be loved any more than we have been this past week? The outpouring of love and support for our family has been humbling. We feel your prayers lifting us up when we become so heavy hearted we can hardly breathe. We know it was hard for you to attend Wade's funeral and hear our sadness. We thank you for your courage. It meant so much to us. Your sweet messages of hope and faith have filled our mailbox each day. Your generous outpouring of food, flowers, hugs and memorials is overwhelming. We are blessed.
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May God see your good deeds and bless you abundantly,
 The Tinkler Family
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NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
 CITY OF BRONTE
 PUBLIC NUISANCE
 ORDINANCE #349
 VIOLATION
 NOTICE TO ABATE
 TO: Robert Galloway
 PROPERTY: 224 East Main, Bronte, Texas
 Lot 1, Block 49, OT, Bronte, Texas
 TO: James Vivian
 PROPERTY: 624 West Trammell, Bronte, Texas
 All of Lots 7 & 8, Block 13, OT, Bronte, Texas
 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
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PUBLIC HEARING

Bronte ISD will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 10, 2007 at 6:00 pm in the Boardroom. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Bronte Independent School District's First rating on the State's financial accountability system in which Bronte ISD received "Superior Achievement."
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NOTICES

ROBERT LEE ISD will hold a public hearing to present the 2007 School FIRST Rating at 6:45 pm on September 17, 2007, in the High School Library.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County is now taking applications for a full time Road hand with insurance and retirement in Prec. #3. If you have any questions, you can contact Coke County Commissioner, Gaylon Pitcock. Applications can be picked up in the County Judge's Office at the Courthouse. Applications will be received until 9:00 am on September 24, 2007. Coke County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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... "A" Showdown

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If these teams were to come to Bronte in early September, they would be better able to anticipate what they faced at the state tournament in mid-November.

An additional incentive to attending this tournament was that McCutchen and Bohensky created ways for teams to cut expenses while traveling across the state to remote Bronte. They found ways to achieve economical accommodations and food, so that it became very hard for teams to turn down a chance to attend the tournament.

Teams attending this year's tournament included: Abilene Christian, Albany, Blum, Bracket, Bronte, Center Point, Fort Davis, Kopperl, North Zulch, Petrolia, Plains, Round Top-Carmine, Water Valley, Windthorst, Wink, and Woodsboro.

Walking off with top honors this year were Windthorst and Round Top-Carmine.

Volleyball fans should watch sports headlines to see these teams progress through the season. Volleyball fans across West Texas will want to put this annual tournament on their calendar for next year.

...RLBC Revival

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His wife, Kay, is very active in the life of First Baptist Church Porter, serving as a Precept Bible Study Teacher, Sunday School Teacher, and as an active member of the music ministry. Mrs. Harms leads a ladies Bible study ministry and is director of the drama ministry for the church.

The Harms have two married children, Dr. James Harms, a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Ft. Worth, and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary at New Orleans,

Louisiana and presently the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sierra Vista, Arizona; and Daphne Ford, a CPA and honors graduate of Angelo State University at San Angelo, currently residing with her family in Flower Mound.

The Anderson Family surrendered to full-time evangelistic service in January 1997. Based in Brownwood, the Andersons have traveled extensively throughout Texas as well as parts of the northern and central United States.

When they are not traveling, they are active in their home church, Faith Baptist Church in Brownwood, where they currently serve as Staff Evangelists.

Mike has been involved in church music ministry since 1984 and has served on staff in several churches in central and west Texas.

Karen has been an active part of church music ministry most of her life both as a singer and pianist. Her gifts in music have earned her bachelor and master degrees

in vocal music and education from Howard Payne University (Brownwood, TX) and Tarleton State University (Stephenville, TX), respectively.

Austin has experienced life on the evangelistic trail with his mom and dad since he was two months old. He likes to travel, see different parts of the country, and make new friends wherever he goes.

Now that you know a little more about the fabulous people that are coming to Robert Lee Baptist Church

September 15-18, 2007, for the "Believe and Belong" Revival; they hope to see you all there! Everyone is invited and welcome!

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Since AEP Texas and its 1,700 employees are directly connected to the many communities we live in and serve, we'd like to share some information on how you can help manage your electric bills through active retail choice and where you can go for additional help if need be.

One of the best ways to lower higher electric bills is to shop around for a less expensive retail electric provider (REP). Finding different offers can be done quickly and efficiently.

- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at www.powertochoose.org. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

Need some help?

Customers having trouble paying their electric bills and wishing to avoid disconnection should discuss their concerns with their current retail electric provider. All REPs are required to offer deferred payment plans to eligible customers who express an inability to pay. REPs also offer balanced billing plans, which allow eligible customers to pay an average amount each month year-round.

Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

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Coke County Food Pantry

The Coke County Food Pantry is located in Robert Lee on Washington between 6th and 7th Street. It was organized about 8 years ago as a Ministerial Alliance and for a short time was operated out of the basement of the First United Methodist Church. The present location is space offered for use by the West Coke County Hospital District. The Pantry has been at the present location for approximately 5 years.

The Food Pantry is funded totally by donations. The schools and other entities have food drives which help tremendously, memorials are given in the name of a loved one, private citizens bring food just because they know of the need of their fellow man. Many times a one time recipient of food from the pantry will come back with a donation saying, "You helped me when I needed help. Now I can help some-

one else."

We are coming to a time of year when traditionally our needs are greater. School will be in session and children need clothes and school supplies. The money that would be spent for food at home has to be used for other needs. We are asking that the citizens of Coke County keep the Food Pantry in mind in the months to come with your donations of canned or boxed food, memorials, or a charitable donation.

Contact Joan Burns at 453-2144 or Pat Carwile at 453-9343.

Lady Shorthorns continue to roll

The Bronte Lady Shorthorns continue to be on the winning end of their volleyball schedule with decisive victories in Water Valley and Santa Anna. The 7th Grade team has been led by Jael Williams serving 14 aces in two matches. Also leading the Shorthorns attack are Brooke Bedford and Kaitlyn Braswell combining their set-

ting skills for four assists in two matches. Other team members with positive stats include: Erika Puentez with 1 kill and 1 ace; Brayde Knight with 2 aces; Michelle Rhodes with 3 aces; Paige Royall with 2 kills; and Cindy Davila with 5 aces and a kill.

The 8th grade "B" team won against Water Valley in two games but lost to Santa Anna also in two games. Kassie Fillman has set the tone for her team as she has served 3 aces, had 3 kills, and 1 assist. Brenda Perez and Stephanie Barba have combined their stats and added 3 kills and 2 aces.

The 8th grade "A" team has had to fight back from behind in both of their last two matches but in both matches, were able to maintain their composure and come out on top. After losing game one to Water Valley, combined stats for the 8th grade girls are: Leah Jones-5 kills; Katie Austin-3 kills and 3 digs; Jill Scott-6 kills, 11 assists, and 6 aces; Mackenzie Gibbs-4 kills and 2 aces; Harley

Wallace-4 kills, 4 aces, and 4 assists; Kimber Lee-4 aces, 1 kill, and 4 digs; and Lauren Burns-1 dig.

All three Junior High teams will be competing in tournaments on Saturday. The 7th grade and 8th grade "A" girls will be in Colorado City while the 8th grade "B" girls will be at San Angelo Lee.

Bronte ISD Update

By Michael Bohensky

Bronte ISD secondary students should have taken home consent forms last Thursday for drug-testing. Any student, grades 6-12, who participates in any extracurricular activity must have the consent form signed and returned before September 14. The purpose of the drug testing program is to educate students about the harmful effects of drugs and alcohol. The Bronte ISD drug policy can be found on the district's website.

The Longhorns played Rotan last week in a game that was called in the fourth quarter due to lightning. The Longhorns had some high-

lights and were able to narrow the gap in the third quarter to a mere touchdown. The Longhorns lost to Rotan 35-12.

The volleyball teams traveled to Sweetwater to play a dual match. Sweetwater beat the Lady Longhorns, but Bronte beat Abilene Christian in five. The junior varsity teams fell to Abilene and Sweetwater. Friday (September 14th) is an open date for the Longhorn football team while the high school volleyball teams travel to Albany and our junior high teams both play in tournaments on Saturday.

This week marks the third week of school. All secondary students will receive progress reports on Friday, September 14th. Grades are posted on grade-speed for parents who have filled out the paperwork.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2007

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 103)

HJR 103 would update the constitutional reference to Angelo State University to conform with the statutory transfer of that institution from membership in the Texas State University System to membership in the Texas Tech University System.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in the governance of the university."

PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 57)

SJR 57 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to college and university students, and to enter into bond enhancement agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students and authorizing bond enhancement agreements with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 40)

HJR 40 would authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for property tax purposes in a tax year to the lesser of the most recent appraisal valuation, or 110 percent, or a greater percentage as determined by the legislature, of the appraised value in the preceding tax year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation is limited to the lesser of the most recent market value of the residence homestead as determined by the appraisal entity or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the residence homestead for the preceding tax year."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 65)

SJR 65 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$1 billion in general obligation

bonds, the proceeds of which would be dedicated to maintenance, construction, repairs, and equipment purchases, as authorized by the legislature for the following state agencies: the Texas Building and Procurement Commission; the Parks and Wildlife Department; the Department of the Adjutant General; the Department of State Health Services; the Department of Aging and Disability Services; the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired; the Texas Youth Commission; the Texas Historical Commission; the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; the Texas School for the Deaf; and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair, and construction projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 44)

SJR 44 would authorize the legislature to permit cities with a population of less than 10,000 to hold an election to allow the city to enter into an agreement with a property owner to temporarily freeze taxes on property either in or adjacent to an area approved for funding under the Downtown Revitalization Program or the Main Streets Improvements Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the voters of a municipality having a population of less than 10,000 to authorize the governing body of the municipality to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture under which the parties agree that all ad valorem taxes imposed on the owner's property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is entered into."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem tax one motor vehicle owned by an individual that is used by the individual for both business and personal use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional

amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle owned by an individual and used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and also for personal activities of the owner."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 30)

HJR 30 would allow a governmental entity to sell property acquired through eminent domain to its immediately previous owner at the original purchase price, if the public use of the property has been canceled, if no progress is made toward that public use by a prescribed deadline, or if the property is unnecessary to accomplish that public use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 72)

HJR 72 would clarify home equity loan procedures and protections and make conforming changes to the written disclosure provided to the borrower at the loan closing. The amendment would establish that the status of whether property is an agricultural homestead for the purpose of receiving homestead protection, would be determined by whether it was designated for agricultural use on the date of the loan closing. The amendment would provide that a declared state of emergency (e.g., following a natural disaster) would justify execution of a second home equity loan on the same property less than one year after the first home equity loan. It would provide that non-substantive omissions on a loan application would not affect the agreement. It would require a borrower to receive a copy of all executed loan documents, and a disclosure list of fees and costs at closing. It would prohibit the use of preprinted checks for the use of unsolicited loan advances to obtain a home equity line of credit.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to clarify certain provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and use of home equity loan proceeds."

PROPOSITION 9 (SJR 29)

SJR 29 would authorize the legislature to exempt all or part of the market value of the residence homesteads of veterans certified as having a service-connected 100 percent

disability rating. SJR 29 would also clarify the progression of property tax exemptions available to veterans who are less than 100 percent disabled.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation and authorizing a change in the manner of determining the amount of the existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is entitled."

PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 69)

HJR 69 would remove constitutional references to the former office of inspector of hides and animals.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to abolish the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 19)

HJR 19 would require a vote taken in either house of the legislature to be recorded by record vote, if the vote was on final passage of a bill, other than local bills, a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment, or any other resolution that is not purely ceremonial. The record vote must be archived and available for public viewing on the Internet for at least two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to require that a record vote be taken by a house of the legislature on final passage of any bill, other than certain local bills, of a resolution proposing or ratifying a constitutional amendment, or of any other nonceremonial resolution, and to provide for public access on the Internet to those record votes."

PROPOSITION 12 (SJR 64)

SJR 64 would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for projects, costs, and payments owed under related credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects."

PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates conditions of release

in a family violence case and permit the legislature to authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders in a family violence case.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 36)

HJR 36 would limit a state justice or judge's service to December 31st of the fourth year of the term if he/she is elected to all or part of a six year term, and reaches mandatory retirement age during the first four years of said term.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term."

PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 90)

HJR 90 would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would provide for its management, duties, and powers. It would authorize the issuance of up to \$3 billion in general obligation bonds to be used for operations and grants for the purpose of scientific research of all forms of human cancer.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the creation of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the issuance of up to \$3 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer."

PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 20)

SJR 20 would authorize the issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$250 million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas."