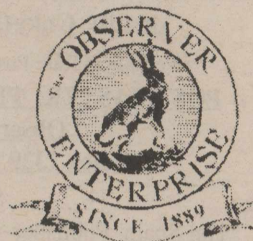


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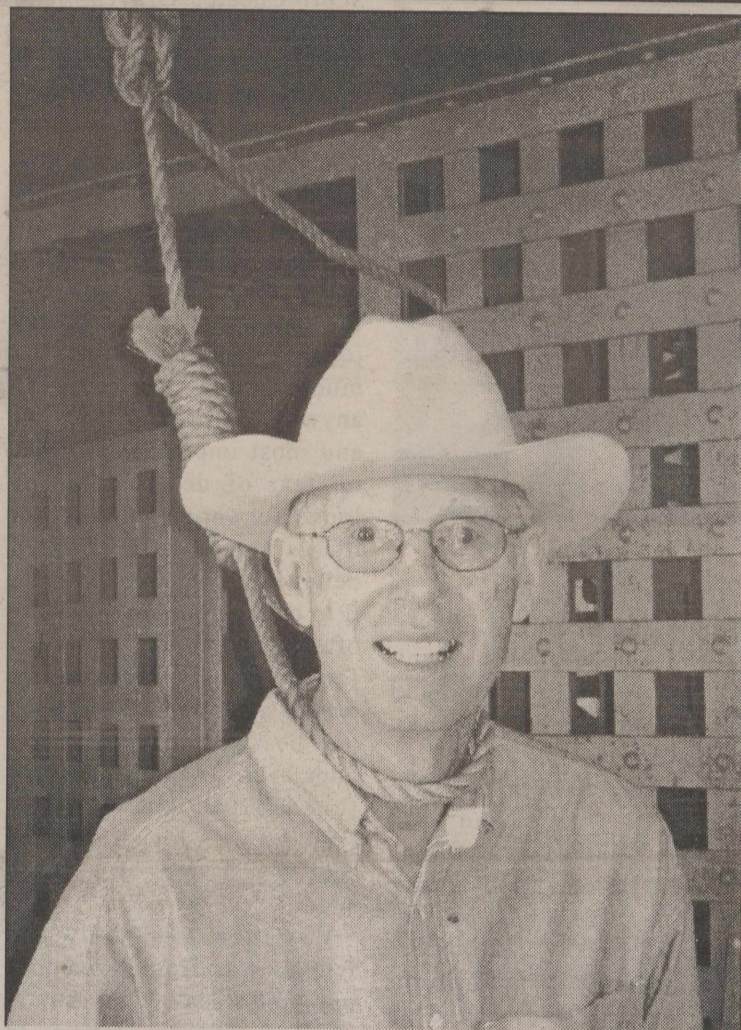
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Jail Hanging! Wilbern Millican (holding plaque) proudly displays the framed certificate which was "hung" in the Old Coke County Jail during the Street Affair celebration. The "hanging" of the plaque acknowledges the acceptance of our old jail into the National Register of Historic Places. Since some were disappointed that a real "hanging" didn't occur, David Hefner (right) volunteered to make the "hanging" a little more authentic.



RLBC to host "Chalk Talk"

Robert Lee Baptist Church invites everyone to hear "Chalk Talk" by Cory DeVivo, Friday Night 5th Quarter (7th - 12th grade youth only), October 26, at the Fellowship Hall of the church at 22 W. 11th Street, following the Robert Lee vs. Highland football game and Sunday Night, October 28, 7 pm, for the Church Wide evening service with a Gold Fish Challenge. If 60 or more 7th through 12th grade youth are in attendance on Sunday Night, Bro. Jason will swallow two live goldfish after the service. Fellowship to follow the evening service.

AON Chicken Spaghetti Supper slated for Friday

The AON Club will be hosting their annual Chicken Spaghetti Supper on October 26 from 5 pm until 7 pm at the Robert Lee ISD Cafeteria. Delivery will be available. The proceeds from the supper will benefit the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship Fund, which has given out \$31,650 since its inception in 1987. For more information or to purchase a ticket, contact Brenda at 453-4751 after 5 pm.

Angel Food Ministries update

The October orders for the Angel Food Ministries will

be October 27 at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. They will begin taking orders again October 29 - November 1 from 3 pm until 7 pm at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte. For more information call 473-6511.

Bronte Burger-To-Go Benefit set

Sunday, October 28, 2007 from 11:30am to 1:30pm there will be a Burgers-To-Go Benefit in the parking lot of Longbranch BBQ.

This benefit is in honor of Genny Casillas, a 26 year old Bronte resident with Hodgkin's disease.

The meal will be a drive thru and will consist of a burger, chips, and a homemade desert.

For more information on

this event, please contact Tiffany Lange at 234-3881.

Important dates for November 6 Election.

October 30 is the last day the clerk can receive an application for a ballot by mail. November 2 is the last day to vote early. Election day is November 6, from 7 am to 7 pm. You can call or come by the clerk's office to pick up an application for a ballot by mail.

4-H Pumpkin Contest slated

The annual 4-H Pumpkin Contest will be held Wednesday, October 31. You may carve, paint or decorate your pumpkin. Please bring to the Extension office in the Coke County Courthouse by Tuesday, October 30. Pumpkins will be judged on October 31. Please pick up your pumpkin by 4 pm that day.

Desserts needed for Bronte Barbecue

The annual Hunter's Wild Game Barbecue in Bronte will be held Saturday, November 3, from 11 am until 2 pm. Coordinator Kerry Hall would like to make an appeal to area cooks to provide a dessert for the benefit barbecue. If you

would like to donate a dessert, please call Kerry Hall at 473-2065.

Hunters Barbecue tickets available

Tickets are now available for the 19th Annual Hunters Barbecue, set for Saturday, November 3, 2007, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets for their hunters at the following locations in Robert Lee: C&H Auto and Hardware, Key Feed Store, Super H Grocery, or Wink Insurance. Donations may also be mailed to WCCCD, PO Box 226, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

For more information, contact Robert Wink, Chairman, at 453-4551 (ofc) and 453-2003 (home). According to Wink, "our deer hunters bring a lot of dollars into the local economy, and we would like to express our appreciation to them for their continued support.

In addition, there is always a place for local folks to help with the appreciation barbecue, whether you want to volunteer as a cook, server, ticket taker, the set-up or clean-up crews. Those wishing to volunteer may contact Robert Wink at the phone numbers listed above.

Coke County Football

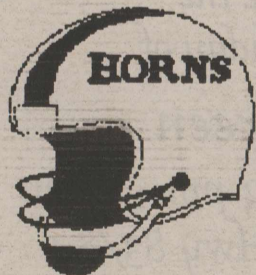
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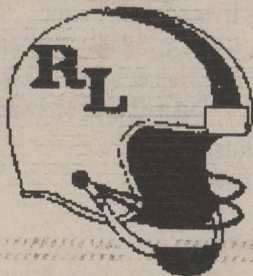
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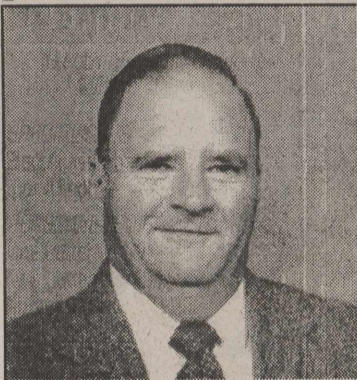
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Obituaries



Wilson

Chester L. Wilson, 77, of Bronte and Terlingua, passed from this world into the waiting arms of his Lord and family waiting on the other side Monday, Oct. 22, 2007.

Chester was born Dec. 10, 1929, to Curtis and Ora Maude Wilson in Jolly, Texas. He married Patsy Taylor July 10, 1954 in Rankin, Texas.

He worked in the natural gas industry and retired as plant manager at Bronte in 1988. This began as a temporary job until he gained employment with a different company. This 'temporary job' provided the livelihood for his family for 35 years as they moved to different locations in Texas, Louisiana, and Montana. During this time he was blessed with two daughters - Susan and Jeanne. He was a former Bronte city councilman, mayor, and schoolboard member, member of Bronte Chamber of Commerce, and a member of Bronte Lions' Club. Pat died after a battle with cancer just prior to his retirement in 1988.

Since his retirement he enjoyed his home in Terlingua and in Bronte. In Terlingua he loved feeding his 'kids' - the deer, dove, quail, and various other critters. He was always accompanied by his loving companion, Nita Brashear. He was a member of CASI, the Terlingua International Chili Cook-off. He was former board president of Terlingua Ranch Resort and on the fire department board.

Chester was preceded in death by his parents, his sisters, his wife, and a grandson, James Graves. He is survived by Nita Brashear, Susan and Jerry Graves, Jeanne and Damain Kenyon,

Scott Chester Graves, Jake Graves, Mandy Graves, Jessica Schneider, and a host of adopted family in every place he lived.

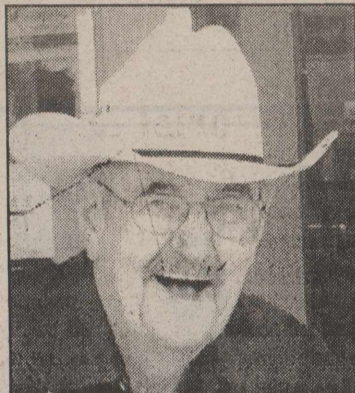
In Chester's writing, A Few Random Thoughts, he wrote something that summed him up well: "In my own life I am not willing to trade quality for quantity. If any of my journeys should prove too much then it is time to go anyway. I don't dread life and most importantly I have no fear of death. No one looks forward to death, but it's as natural as birth and I believe that most of us prefer it to being a burden." Chester often said growing old wasn't for sissies and although he leaves a hole in our lives and our hearts, we cling to the hope of Jesus and heaven and find comfort knowing he's reunited with loved ones and that we'll see him again soon.

Visitation for family and friends was from 6 pm to 8 pm Wednesday, Oct. 24, at Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte. Service was at 2 pm Thursday, Oct. 25, at First United Methodist Church in Bronte with pastor David Bailey officiating. Burial followed in Fairview

Cemetery where he'll be buried next to his wife and grandson. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Larry Spivey, Grady 'Booger' Coulter, Martin Lee, J.A. Tidwell, Gerald Sandusky, Don Bailey, Roger Graves, and Cotton Morgan. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Bronte Cemetery Association.

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Posey

James Albert "Al" Posey was born September 21, 1927 in Belcherville, Texas to M.L. and Flossie Lewis Posey. He went to be with his Heavenly Father on Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, Texas.

Al spent the majority of his life in the Stanton, Texas area. His fondest memories were ranching in the Salt Flat Texas area. He was drafted in the Army when he was 18 and served in Japan. He was discharged in 1946 and came home to Stanton to join his family in the farming business.

In July of 1950, Al married Sally O'Briant in Stanton, Texas. From this union were born three children, Albert Lee, Judy Diane and Jo Ann.

Al did seismographic work in the oil fields before starting his own water well

drilling company in 1970 and moving to the Fort Worth area.

In 1984, Al and Lillian Millican Blair were married. They lived in Justin, Texas and continued to operate the water well drilling company until their retirement in January 1997. After retirement they moved to Robert Lee. They spent many happy times traveling in their RV, fishing, playing 42 and Scrabble and loving and playing with their grandchildren.

Al became a Christian at an early age and he was a faithful member of Pecan Baptist Church in Robert Lee, Texas.

Al was preceded in death by his mother and daddy; his brothers, M.L., Alvin and Bobby Posey; and sisters Elsie and Elvie.

Survivors include his loving wife, Lillian; his children, Albert Lee and Lana Posey of Bridgeport, Judy and Rick Sutherland of Odessa, and Jo Ann Blumfield of Ft. Worth. He was "Papa" to Nona Gaye Hopkins of Midland, Becky

and Eddy Gassman of Corpus Christi and Duane and Sally Blair of San Angelo; grandchildren, Mark Posey, Jamie Henderson, Chaney, Matt and Kayla Sutherland, Jay Kelly and Ben Bloomfield, Sandy Hopkins, Bobby Hopkins, Valerie Gartman, Christal Ortega, Loretta Hardin, Lawana Blair, and Megan O'Neal; and great grandchildren, Cage Henderson, Heather Hopkins, Kaitlyn Hopkins, Hailey Arnold, Haiden, Noah, and Riley Little, and Coy Frizzile.

Funeral service was held at 2 pm, Friday, October 19, 2007 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church in Robert Lee, Texas. Brother Dale Patterson officiated. Burial followed in Paint Creek Cemetery. Visitation was held on Thursday, October 18, 2007 with the family present from 6 to 8 pm at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee, Texas.

My Darling, you fought a long hard battle to stay with us. God needed you more. You are at rest now and waiting for us on Jordan's other shore.

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Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

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 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church
 324 S. Franklin • Bronte
 (325) 473-4811

Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wed. 6 pm
Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Robert Lee

(325) 453-2360
 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331

Bro. Morris Johnson, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 6 pm Youth
 and Worship

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte

(325) 473-3281
 Rev. 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

Iglesia Bautista Bethel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee
 (325) 453-5003 • 453-2296

Pastor: Basilio Esquivel
 Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am
 & 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm

St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687

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

Southside Church of Christ
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 Robert Lee

(325) 453-2176
 Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508 • 9th & Chadbourne
 Robert Lee

(325) 655-9784 or 453-2685
 Portis Ribble, Minister
 Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
 Wed. 6 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
 (325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm

Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
 (325) 453-2004

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724

Jason Martin, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Tennyson Baptist Church
 Hwy 277 • Tennyson

Joe Hodges, Pastor
 (325) 473-2040
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting
Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638 • 6th & Houston
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Allen

Nancy Bailey Allen passed away Friday, October 19, 2007 at the Robert Lee Care Center at the age of 91.

Nancy was born May 14, 1916 in Fort Worth, Texas. She and her family moved to Moody, Texas where she grew up. Her sister Willa Mae Nance was twelve years older than her. Willa Mae was killed in a car accident at a very young age.

During World War II Nancy worked for the military at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio Texas and in Seattle Washington as a civilian secretary. After the war she married E. R. Bailey in San Antonio. "Bailey" or "Pig Bailey" was a former resident of Moody, Texas.

Two sons were born, Ben Nance Bailey and Richard Allen Bailey.

E. R. Bailey was a Mason and Nancy belonged to the Eastern Star. "Bailey" died in 1975.

Nancy became Worthy Grand Matron of Texas in 1967. Besides her tremendous love for her family, she also loved the Eastern Star. She traveled throughout the state of Texas making lifelong friends. Her greatest gift was the love she gave to all she met.

Nancy met and married Gerald Allen and moved to Robert Lee, Texas where she lived the rest of her life.

Nancy is survived by her son, Ben Bailey of Tucson, AZ., Her granddaughter Leyna Puzzuole and her husband P. J., two great grandchildren, Ashlyn and Maddox Puzzuole all of Arlington, Texas.

Extended family includes Bill and Bobbie Allen, Stephen and Sterling Myers, Clay, Robin and Foster Allen all of Robert Lee.

Funeral services were at 2 pm, Monday, October 22, 2007 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Curtis Blair, Bill Creech, Add Davis, Buddy Eldred, Bobby Roberts, and Horace Scott.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the Robert Lee Care Center, VistaCare Hospice of San Angelo, and all of Nancy's special friends for the undivided care she was given.

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White

Juanita Virginia "Ginger" White, 66, went home to be with the Lord after a lengthy illness on Tuesday, October

16, 2007. Funeral services were held at 2 pm on Friday, October 19, 2007, at Blessing Funeral Home. The burial was at DFW National Cemetery and visitation was from 6 -8 pm on Thursday, October 18 at Blessing Funeral Home.

Ginger was born in Bronte, Texas, on January 11, 1941, the daughter of Arthur and Leotha Wrinkle. She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin Ray White; brother, Bill Wrinkle; and parents, Arthur Wrinkle and Leotha Best Wrinkle.

Ginger was survived by her children, Joel White of Watauga; Virginia Eakin of Mansfield; Mitchell White of North Richland Hills; and Kevin White of Albuquerque, NM; thirteen grandchildren; one great-grandson.

Those attending the memorial service from the area were first cousins, Lora Belle Brown of Tennyson, Loretta Knight of Abilene, and Jimmy and Sherry Best of Arlington.

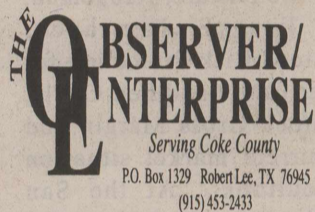
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Domestic Violence Awareness ceremony slated

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

and the NewBridge Family Shelter will be holding a candlelight vigil in memory of the 120 victims who have died due to domestic violence in Texas during 2006. The ceremony will be held on the steps of the Tom Green County Courthouse on October 29, 2007, from 6:30 pm until 8 pm. Volunteers for the ceremony are also needed. For more information or to volunteer, contact Carol Salazar at 325-658-8631.

Editorial & Advertising Deadline is 2 pm on Tuesday preceding publication.



Robert Lee Baptist Church invites you to see **Chalk Talk by Cory DeVivo** Sunday, October 28, 2007 7 pm

With a Gold Fish Challenge Families bring your teenagers!

If 60 7th-12th graders are in attendance on this Sunday night, Bro. Jason will swallow **2 LIVE GOLD FISH** during the service!

Fellowship to follow the service

Robert Lee Baptist Church 22 W. 11th St. PO Box 493 Robert Lee, TX 76945

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Donation! John Driggers (right), president of RVOS Farm Mutual Insurance, Lodge 157, presents a donation to representatives of the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department. Blake Braswell (second from right) and Jeff Lee (center) accepted the donation for the fire department.

Support A Soldier effort still going strong in Coke Co.

(Editor's Note: The following is a thank you card that was sent by a soldier serving overseas thanking Coke County for their donations. Also, if any local residents would like to send special Christmas care packages to the troops overseas, the packages must go out by November 17. The packages can be taken to any Support A Soldier drop off point or you can call Pat Gunnells and she will come by and pick them up.)

Dear Community Members,
I want to thank you for your kindness in putting together the care packages for our female airmen. Please know how much it means to have you all behind us! Thank you very much!

Blessings,
Maj. Roa-Navarette

Livestock Risk Management Workshops slated

Texas cattle and forage producers have faced many

frustrating conditions over the past ten years. Drought, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) incidents, volatile markets, and rising input costs such as fuel and fertilizer have combined to increase risk levels in the cattle industry. Now, with the cost of corn and feedstuffs, producers are yet again faced with unparalleled input costs. Although cattle prices have stayed relatively high, never has the importance for risk management been higher in the cattle industry.

To assist cattlemen with their risk management skills, the Texas Cooperative Extension is partnering with the Risk Management Agency of the USDA and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to offer two one-day Livestock Risk Management Workshops. The objective of these workshops is to provide cattlemen an overview of the risk management tools approved by the Risk Management Agency and that are available through local crop insurance agents as well as other risk management programs of

Texas Cooperative Extension. The speakers for the workshops include specialists from both agencies and will cover the Pasture, Rangeland, and Forage Insurance, Livestock Risk Protection for Feeder Cattle and Fed Cattle, Livestock Gross Margin and the current market situation and outlook. At the San Angelo program, there will be segments on the new Livestock Risk Protection-Lamb policies for lamb producers and an update on the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance coverage. Anyone involved in the livestock industry would benefit by attending this workshop.

The San Angelo workshop will be held on November 7, beginning at 8:30 am at the Management Instruction and Research Center of Angelo State University.

These workshops are provided through a partnership of the Texas Cooperative Extension, the Risk Management Agency of the USDA, and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. While there is no registration



Poppies! This painting of poppies was done by Olene Strickland and was awarded second place at the art show held during the Robert Lee Street Affair recently.

fee for these workshops, it is important to reserve a seat. Early registration will ensure you have a seat for this important workshop. Registration forms can be obtained in the Coke County Extension office, located in the county courthouse.

First Annual Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic

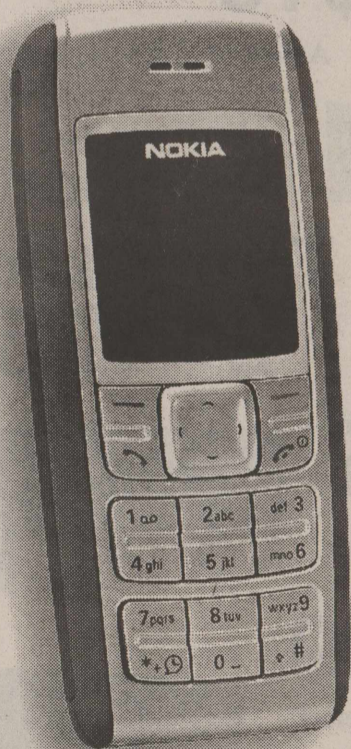
West Texas Rehabilitation Center's First Annual Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic will be held on Saturday, November 10 at the San Angelo Claybird Association.

There is an entry fee, which is less if you pay it by October 26. The entry fee

will include:

- 100 targets per shooter
- A random drawing for Beretta 391 shotgun, \$600 gift certificate from the Outdoorsman in San Angelo, and \$500 cash.
- Lunch catered by Kenny Blaneck
- A plaque for the top scorer
- A gift from West Texas Rehab Center

There will be two rotations – 8:30 am and 12 pm. The event will also feature shooting games and both a live and silent auction. Entry forms can be secured at West Texas Rehab Center, 3001 S. Jackson, at the Claybird Association office – or by going to the events website: www.rehabclayshoot.com.



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Trick or Treat walk slated for Halloween

The annual Trick or Treat walk about the town for Head Start and all other three to five year old children will be held Tuesday, October 30, at 9:30 am.

Children will gather at the Library to visit business and government offices in the downtown area of Robert Lee.

Children should bring Trick or Treat bags and wear a costume. Parents and caregivers are welcome, too. Princesses, ghosts, tigers and lions, and Spider Men and other creative creatures will be on the street and simple treats will keep away any trickers.

The children enjoy seeing where everyone works, the adults enjoy seeing the kids in costume.

Veterans Day Program

Robert Lee ISD is planning a program to salute some of our nation's most elite citizens: Veterans of the US Armed Forces! We invite the public to attend this event, which is scheduled for November 12 at 10 am in the school auditorium with the BETA club hosting a reception for local veterans immediately following the ceremony. We invite local veterans to attend and, in order for us to prepare for your presence, please RSVP by calling Rosa or Pam at 453-4555.

RLHS Spanish Club raising funds

The Robert Lee High School Spanish Club is selling poinsettias to help fund the Spanish club scholarship fund. Orders for the poinsettias from the Magic Farm Greenhouses will be taken through Wednesday, October 31, 2007. If you would like to place an order you may call Elena Sanchez at 453-4555 or you may place your order from any Spanish club member.

The RLHS Spanish Club will also sell chances to win one of two Steer Bowl baskets. The baskets will be filled with lots of goodies. The baskets will be given away at the last home football game on Friday, November 9, 2007.

Area Agency on Aging seminar set

The Area Agency on Aging and Shannon invite everyone to come to the Caregiver Seminar on Thursday, November 8, at the Houston Harte Center at Angelo State University from 9:45 am to 2:30 pm, lunch included.

Dr. Sid O'Bryant, Assistant Professor of Neuropsychiatry at the

Texas Tech Health Science Center, will be speaking on: "Maintaining Memory & Thinking Abilities as We Age."

There will also be workshops on financials, communication, Medicare Part D, practical Caregiving, and memory games. There is no charge and everyone is invited.

Contact the Area Agency on Aging or the Continuing Studies office at ASU to reserve a place.

CEU and CNE credits are available.

Respite is available for caregivers through the AAA.

Flu shots will be available at no charge for those with Medicare Part B or for \$20 for anyone else.

Street Affair

Art Show winners

Results for the annual Street Affair Art Show are as follows.

First place went to Shirley Timmons with her painting titled "Mountain Man", while second place went to Olene Strickland with her painting "Poppies". Two Honorable mentions were given in this category, and they included Judith Cantrell with "Sadie" and Tom Orsak with "Feeding Time".

Jorden Ray took first and second place in the Pen and Ink category with "Jared" and "Chess Set".

Winners in the children's drawings category included Shaylee Bell's first place drawing titled "Drama", and Corbin Drennan's second place drawing "Wreckers".

The photo titled "Bear" won the photo contest, second place went to "Amaryllis", and an Honorable Mention was



Fire Prevention! Robert Lee Volunteer Firefighters Rick Drennan (right) and Mark Sides gave the Robert Lee Head Start class a tour of the department's E-1 pumper as part of the annual fire prevention education program at Robert Lee schools.

given to "Boy With Duck". The winners in the children's photo contest were Meagan Ross' "Puppy Love" and "Turtles".

Red Canyon Gun Club results

Seventeen shooters showed up to test their skills in rifle and pistol competitions. In match one, veteran shooter and former state champion in small-bore open sight silhouette pistol, Howard Droll of San Angelo, won bragging rights, shooting 29 out of 40 steel silhouettes. Second place went to hot shooting Pat Collins of Big Spring with 25, and third place went to Richard Johnson of Robert Lee with a 17. AA class winners were as follows. First place went to Steve Hinds of Coleman with 18 and second place went to Clyde Howard of Odessa with 13. A class winners were as follows. First place went to Ernest Burns of Odessa with 20 and second

place went to Cris Clay of Odessa with a score of 14.

Match two was the big bore silhouette pistol. Richard Johnson hammered 32 targets to take high overall. Second place went to Pat Collins with a 30, and third place went to Howard Droll with a 27. AA class winners were as follows. First place went to Steve Hinds with 26. A class first place winner was Ernest Burns with a 23.

Match three was the small-bore Cowboy rifle. High overall went to Dan Warren of Valera with 30. AA class winners are as follows. First place went to Cris Clay of Odessa with 28, second place went to Deryk Pocock of Valera with 21 and third place went to Jan Horn of Carlsbad with 19. A class winners are as follows. First place went to David Davidson of Abilene with a score of 28 and second place went to Les Turner of Carlsbad

with a score of 18. Junior shooters results are as follows. John Warren of Valera won first place with a score of 26; Benton Warren of Valera came in a close second with 24, and Aaron Valera was in third with a score of 19.

Match four was big bore Cowboy rifles. The match winner was Dan Warren with a score of 34, second place went to Deryk Pocock with a score of 28, and third place went to David Davidson with a score of 24.

Match five was small-bore scoped rifle. First place went to Marshall Bevan of Carlsbad with a score of 32, second place winner was Jim Horn with a score of 27 and third place went to Les Turner with a score of 23.

Winners of ten in a row pins were as follows. Cris Clay - 10 on pigs - small-bore rifle; Dan Warren - 10 on pigs - small-bore and big bore rifle; Pat Collins - 10 on pigs - small-bore pistol; and Deryk Pocock - 10 on pigs - big bore rifle.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Project Graduation meeting set

Bronte High School Project Graduation will be meeting on Monday, October 29, at 7 pm in the high school library. All parents of seniors are asked to attend.

Discover ASU Days Announced

Angelo State University has announced their Discover ASU Days for the 2007-2008 school year. ASU invites students and parents to attend one of these free informative sessions to learn more about Angelo State University. Different academic departments will have booths set up, campus tours will be provided, and other information regarding the application process, housing, and financial aid will be discussed. A free hamburger lunch will be provided to all those who attend. The dates announced are November 3, February 16, and March 29. You may register online at www.angelo.edu, or call 942-2041 to register.

Sorosis Study Club to host Potato Bake

Everyone is invited to enjoy a baked potato with all the trimmings, as well as salad and dessert, served

from the fellowship hall at the First Baptist Church in Bronte, on November 6. Tickets can be purchased from Sorosis Study Club members as well as at the door. All proceeds will benefit the scholarships given to graduating seniors at Bronte ISD.

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HEB Food Stores Job Fair

On Friday, November 9, 2007, beginning at 9 am in the Bronte HS Auditorium there will be a job fair.

The HEB job fair is open to all interested individuals in the community or area wanting to apply for positions or learn more about employment opportunities.

Rawls named Built Ford Tough Player of the Week

Dakota Rawls, a freshman at Bronte High School, was one of six great young Texas high school football stars who have been recognized as the Built Ford Tough/Dallas Cowboys Texas High School Football Players of the Week for Week 6.

The Built Ford Tough/Dallas Cowboys Texas High School Football Player of the Week program honors one student-athlete in six of the state's athletic classifications every week during the high school football regular season for his accomplishments on and off the field. The award was launched for the 2006 season to celebrate the strong ties between Texans and high school football, as well as Ford's recognition as the "Truck Line of Texas" for an unprecedented seventh consecutive year. This year, the program was expanded to include America's Team: The Dallas Cowboys.

Dakota Rawls completed 23 of 37 passes for a whopping 419 yards and five touchdowns, including the

game-winning 84-yard TD with six seconds left in a 35-28 win over Menard. Off the gridiron, Dakota carries an A average, plays basketball, tennis, and runs track. He's also a member of the FCA and his church's youth group. "Dakota is a very quiet, unassuming person who, as a Freshman, is just trying to fit in on our team," said Coach Kevin Burns. "He's competitive, and will do whatever it takes to help his team win. With Dakota as our Quarterback, the other guys have been playing with a lot of confidence."

Students recognized by Ford and Scholastic Coach & Athletic Director magazine as the Built Ford Tough/Dallas Cowboys Texas High School Football Player of the Week have excelled in three categories:

- Individual performance on the field, including significant game statistics
- Contribution to the team's success through individual leadership abilities
- Performance off the field, including academic success and good community citizenship

Texas high school football coaches, athletic directors and fans are invited to nominate players each week. To nominate student-athletes for this award or for additional information on the nomination process, visit TexasFord.com or coachad.com.

Financial Aid Night successful

There was a great turnout last Monday night at the Financial Aid Workshop at Bronte High School. Financial aid information was provided to parents and students. Financial aid representatives talked about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and other types of loans and grants available, as well as

answered parents' questions. Twenty-seven parents and senior students were in attendance. Emily Austin and Chris Guzman won door prizes and two \$200 scholarships were awarded. One scholarship went to Savannah Martinez and one to Gus Saunders.

Seniors and their parents can register for their FAFSA pin numbers now at www.pin.ed.gov. Please remember to keep this pin number confidential. The pin number they use year after year when financial aid is applied for through the FAFSA program. The online 2008 FAFSA will be available in January at (www.fafsa.ed.gov) for parents to begin working on.

Bronte ISD Board of Trustees holds special meeting

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a special meeting on October 18, 2007 at 7 pm in the Board Room. Those in attendance were Wayne Coalson - President, Bob Frazee, Jeff Schoenfield, Terry Charles, Kendall Gibbs, Quinda Feil-Duncan, Scott Frasier, and Alan Richey - Superintendent. Also present were: Terry Marrs, Donna Poehls, Michael Bohensky, and David Bedford. David Bedford opened the meeting with prayer. The Board accepted a revised settlement agreement for Terry Marrs and a revised voluntary incentive agreement for certified CCJJC teachers.

Alan Richey, Superintendent, gave updates on CCJJC and administrative assignments. Mr. Richey and David Bedford discussed attending the Committee on Corrections hearing in Austin on October 17, 2007. They both testified on behalf of Bronte ISD.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 8 pm.

Young Hunters Get First Shot during Special Weekend

Passing the hunting heritage, as well as a rifle or shotgun, on to the next generation of hunters are what the upcoming special youth-only seasons are all

about, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

TPWD has set aside this weekend, Oct. 27-28, as special youth-only seasons for white-tailed deer, Rio Grande turkey and waterfowl in the North and South Duck Zones, to encourage adults to share the hunting experience with the next generation of hunters.

"This special weekend is an opportunity for families to devote some time afield with the kids and pass on Texas' hunting heritage to the next generation," said TPWD wildlife division director Mike Berger. "We're seeing an abundance of wildlife across the state this year and there's never been a better time to get a youngster involved in hunting."

During the statewide special youth-only hunting weekend, licensed youth 16 years of age or younger will be allowed to harvest white-tailed deer and Rio Grande turkey.

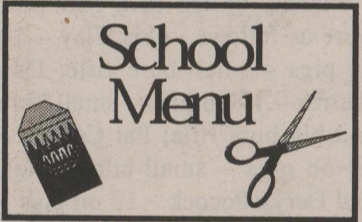
A Special Youth Hunting License (\$6) is required and may be purchased wherever hunting licenses are sold, as well as online and by phone at 1-800-TX-LIC-4U for an additional convenience fee. General season bag limits for the county hunted apply during the youth-only weekend.

Hunting for geese, ducks, mergansers and coots during the youth-only season will be limited to youngsters 15 years of age or younger. Bag limits under the Hunter's Choice experimental program apply.

"With the cooler weather, we're anticipating near record numbers of ducks migrating through Texas this fall and habitat conditions are prime," said Berger.

Berger noted that TPWD has made an extra effort to open as much public hunting land as possible to youth hunting on department-managed lands. Youth who are hunting on TPWD lands must be accompanied by a supervising adult 18 years of age or older who possesses the required Annual Public Hunting permit, a valid hunting license and any required stamps and permits.

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Breakfast

- Monday, Oct. 29**
Cereal, apple sauce, biscuit, jelly, milk
- Tuesday, Oct. 30**
French toast sticks, juice, milk
- Wednesday, Oct. 31**
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
- Thursday, Nov. 1**
Pancake & sausage on a stick, juice, milk
- Friday, Nov. 2**
Sausage roll, juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, Oct. 29**
Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, fruit cup, roll, milk
- Tuesday, Oct. 30**
Tacos with cheese, pinto beans, Spanish rice, lettuce, tomatoes, apple crisp, milk
- Wednesday, Oct. 31**
Grilled cheese sandwich, beef and vegetable soup, carrot sticks, corn bread, pink panther cake, milk
- Thursday, Nov. 1**
Spaghetti, tossed salad, corn, strawberries and bananas, breadstick, milk
- Friday, Nov. 2**
Hamburgers on bun, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles, sugar cookies, milk

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September 14	Open					
September 21	Winters	There	7:30	7	21	
* September 28	Sterling City	Here	7:30	26	0	
* October 5	Eldorado	There	7:30	7	27	
** October 12	Menard	Here	7:30	35	28	
* October 19	Irion County	There	7:30	0	21	
* October 26	Forsan	Here	7:30			
* November 2	Miles	There	7:30			
* November 9	Christoval	Here	7:30			

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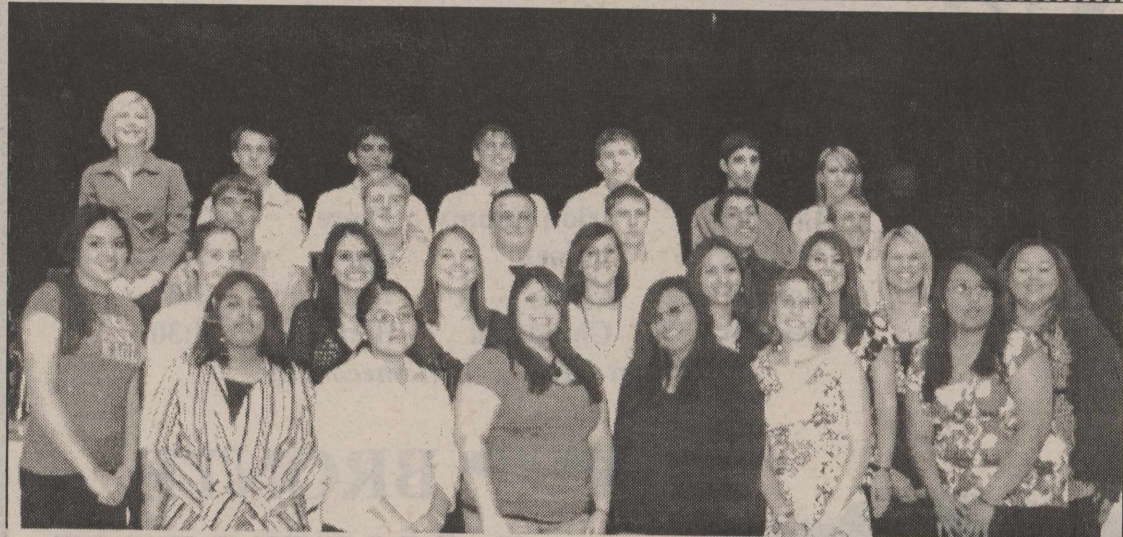
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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



Beta Club! The Robert Lee High School Beta Club held their induction ceremony recently. Members include seniors Chase Roe, Molly Burns, Anna Rojas, Kasie Skinner, Cody Denton, Brody Dillard, Briana Longoria, Taylor Percifull, Megan Percifull, Andrea Pineda, juniors Holly Austin, Garrett Blair, Prescilla Lara, Jeremy Martinez, Mira Myrice, Michael Rodriguez, Norma Rojas, Mason Ross, Gaby Saucedo, Jodi Sheldon, Cori Torres, sophomores Emily Arellano, Devin Batten, Cayetano Carrera, Sarah Jones, Piedad Juarez, Stetson Nesbit and Emilee Yanez.

Robert Lee Steers put a leash on Ira Bulldogs

By Tom Sawyer

Hello Steer fans, the dance has begun. First district game, first win, three more wins for the District Championship.

If you weren't there then you missed a great game. The more they play the better they get and what a game to start out district play. I don't think there are any more questions on who the real orange and black team is and this week we can take

another step towards the Steers goal by putting a little sting on the Hornets.

Go Steers! Steer Pride!

Go Rompin'

Stompin' Steer Band!

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

Robert Lee - Gallegos 57 yard run with 7:33 left, PAT kick Gallegos;

Ira - 35 yard run with 6:39 left, PAT good;

Robert Lee - Gallegos 15 yard pass from Dillard with 4:06 left, PAT kick Gallegos;

Robert Lee - Gallegos 30 yard run with 1:30 left, PAT kick Gallegos.

Robert Lee - 24

Ira - 8

2nd Quarter

Robert Lee - Gallegos 25 yard run with 7:40 left, PAT kick Gallegos;

Ira - 10 yard run with 4:29 left, PAT kick good;

Robert Lee - Hodge 43 yard run with 2:57 left, PAT kick Gallegos.

Robert Lee - 40

Ira - 16

3rd Quarter

Robert Lee - Percifull 7 yard run with 6:06 left, PAT kick Gallegos;

Robert Lee - Martin 3 yard run with 5:35 left, PAT kick Gallegos;

Ira - 5 yard pass with 2:49 left, PAT kick good;

Robert Lee - Martinez 37 yard pass from Gallegos with :21 left, PAT failed.

Robert Lee - 62

Ira - 24

4th Quarter

Robert Lee - Martin 1 yard run with 7:44 left, PAT pass from Dillard to Martinez

Robert Lee - 69

Ira - 24

Steer Statistics

Percifull - 2 carries for 20 yards and 1 TD, 2 receptions for 28 yards, 6 tackles and 1 fumble recovery;

Martinez - 2 receptions for 43 yards and 1 TD and 3 tackles;

Dillard - 3 for 3 passing for 43

School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, Oct. 29
French toast, sausage, juice, milk

Tuesday, Oct. 30
Biscuit, cereal, juice, milk

Wednesday, Oct. 31
Cinnamon toast, cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, Nov. 1
Pancake & sausage on a stick, juice, milk

Friday, Nov. 2
Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, Oct. 29
Salisbury steak, mac & cheese, green peas, sliced bread, apricots, milk

Tuesday, Oct. 30
Grilled cheese, vegetable beef soup, carrot sticks, crackers, fruit cocktail, milk

Wednesday, Oct. 31
Chicken fried steak, au gratin potatoes, mixed veggies, roll, pineapple, milk

Thursday, Nov. 1
Spaghetti, salad, green beans, orange, breadstick, milk

Friday, Nov. 2
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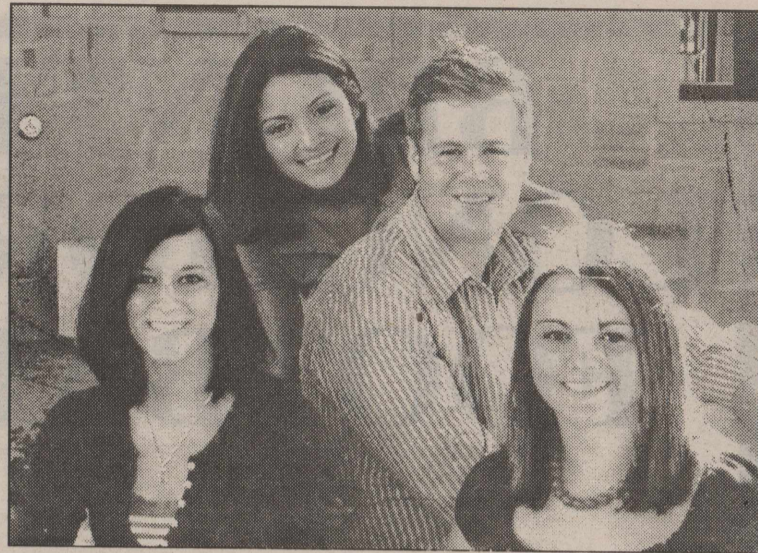
WAY TO GO STEERS!!

What a great win against Ira. We know you can do it again this week against Highland.

Fans, come on out and show your support by attending the Steer Pep Rally at 3 pm on Friday in the High School Gym and then going to the game at home on Friday night at 7:30 pm.

You're sure to see a great game and hear the Stompin' Steer Band.

Steer Pride!



Officers! Robert Lee High School Beta Club Officers include (from left to right) Kasie Skinner - Treasurer, Anna Rojas - Secretary, Chase Roe - President and Molly Burns - Vice President.

yards and 1 TD and 10 tackles;

Gallegos - 13 carries for 195 yards and 3 TD's, 3 of 4 passing for 2 TD's, 1 reception for 15 yards and a TD, and 5 tackles;

Philly - 1 tackle;

Rodriguez - 1 reception for 8 yards;

Hewitt - 2 tackles;

Hodge - 8 carries for 62 yards and 1 TD, 5 tackles, 1 fumble recovery;

Roe - 5 tackles;

Martin - 4 carries for 7 yards and 2 TD's, and 4 tackles.

Everyone get off the couch and get to the stadium this Friday for another thriller.

GO STEERS!

STEER PRIDE!

Hallelujah Harvest Party slated

Robert Lee Baptist Church will host the Hallelujah Harvest Party, a Halloween alternative, on Wednesday, October 31 from 6 pm to 8 pm for Pre-K through 6th grade students. Come and join the fun for a family Hot Dog supper and fellowship, games, prizes, coloring and costume contest, and photo sessions. There is a suggested

donation for the photo, but the rest is free. Bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Coke County Food Pantry and earn a chance to win a grand prize. For more information, contact Brandi Sheldon at 453-2724.

RLHS Project Grad '08 fundraiser

The Robert Lee Class of 2008 Project Graduation will be selling Robert Lee Steer backpacks and lanyards. For more information contact Cynthia Dillard at 453-4555.

RL-FUMC "Trunk or Treat" set

Robert Lee First United Methodist Church will host a "Trunk or Treat" in the parking lot on Halloween, October 31, from 6 pm - 8 pm. In "Trunk or Treat" a safe venue for children of the community is offered to show off their costumes and receive candy out of the trunks of vehicles of adults that they park in the parking lot. Adults who volunteer are welcome to dress up in Halloween costumes. For more information, please call Audrey Bradley at 453-2659.

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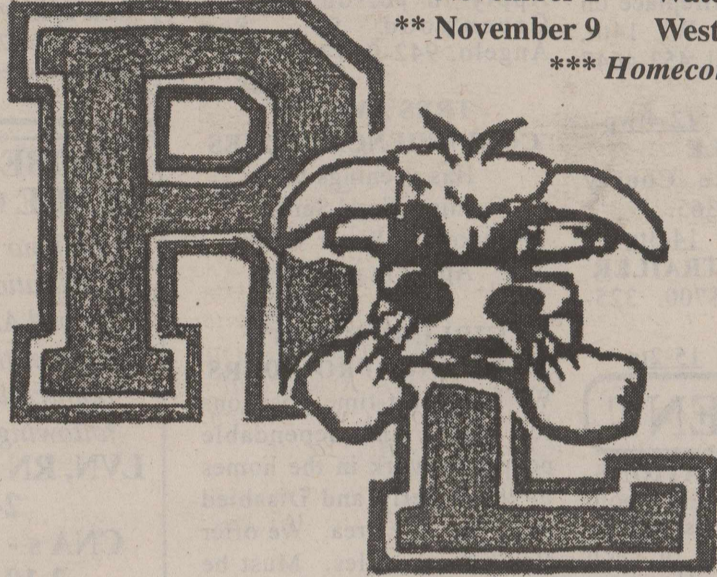
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August 31	Rankin	Here	7:30	22	68
September 7	Borden County	There	7:30	-	-
September 14	Santa Anna	Here	7:30	42	36
September 21	Eden	There	7:30	34	38
***September 28	Trent	Here	7:30	53	8
October 5	Rochelle	There	7:30	34	14
October 12	OPEN				
* October 19	Ira	There	7:30	69	24
* October 26	Highland	Here	7:30		
* November 2	Water Valley	There	7:30		
** November 9	Westbrook	Here	7:30		

*** Homecoming **Parents Night *District

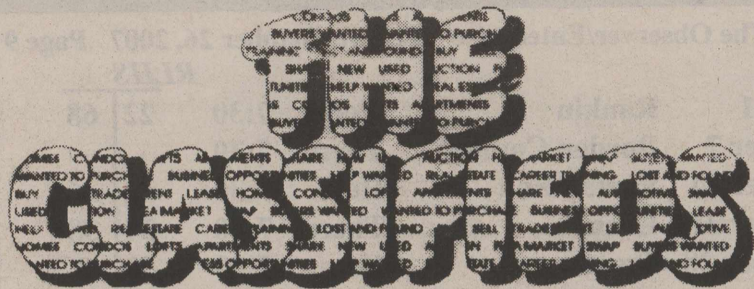
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...Youth Hunt

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Youth hunts for either sex white-tailed deer are scheduled during the special weekend season on 21 public hunting units covering about 325,000 acres, mostly in East Texas. Youth waterfowl hunts are available on many public hunting units.

The Annual Public Hunting Permit is a \$48 permit, valid from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31 of the following year. The permit allows an adult access to designated public hunting lands in the TPWD public hunting lands program. Hunting is allowed for small game, turkey, white-tailed deer, exotics, predators, furbearers, and fishing without having to pay daily permit fees and in most instances, without having to be selected in a drawing.

Along with the appropriate Texas hunting licenses and stamps, permit holders may take youth under age 17 hunting free of charge on these public hunting lands.

RLVFD Continues Hydrant Testing Program

By Mark Sides, Chief

Members of the Robert Lee VFD will check access and servicibility on hydrants protecting downtown Robert Lee on Monday October 29 from 7 pm to 9 pm. These hydrants are located from 4th and Austin to 10th and Austin, 7th and Commerce, and 5th and Houston. Any other hydrants located in this area that are not marked on the survey maps will be flushed also.

Operation of these hydrants may dislodge mineral deposits, rust, and sand from the lines. We recommend opening your cold water tap to check if this has occurred. If so, open one or two faucets in or around your house until the water clears up. Do not run items requiring hot water or your washing machine until the water has cleared up.

We plan to continue this program until all hydrants in Robert Lee are checked. Results will be reported to both the City of Robert Lee and the water department. This program will help protect both you and the firefighters and also hopefully lower insurance rates. The fire department thanks you for your patience.

TMRC hosts Spook Fun Day

"If I really believed in witches I would have been scared," stated one little girl who was dressed as a cheerleader and her horse was her mascot with streamers flying from everywhere. Then there was the little cowgirl dressed in pink from head to toe, an Indian Maiden on her Indian Paint horse, the pirate boys with their pirate dog all aboard their ship (horse), the

Twins Baby Huey (horse and bottle) and Baby Suzie, the Wicked Witch and her horse (She Devil), the man dressed as the "Lady in Blue" on the white Shetland pony and so on and so on.

The Twin Mountain Riding Club Spook Fun day was just that fun with lots of laughter. Parents and children from as far as Midland came to participate in the 1st Annual Spook Fun Day. A total of 38 riders competed in the Witches Brew Race, Apple Race, Candy Barrel Race and Balloon Race with numerous cake walks and boot scrambles.

Winners of the costume and horse categories in the Super Pee Wee through Junior were first place Emily Herrera (Indian Maiden and Paint Horse) and second place was Logan and Porter Guerrin with their dog on their ship horse. Winner of the costume only event was McKenna Brock.

Winners of the costume and horse categories in the Intermediate through Classics were first place Stephani Foltz (the witch) and second place was Monty Keeney (the Lady in Blue). Winners of the costume only event were Misty Keeney (Anna Nicole Smith) and Christy.

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is a time of great fun for children, but it can be a little scary for parents and drivers. Children are often out after dark, crossing busy streets and



Costumed Riders! The Twin Mountain Riding Club held a Halloween Spook Fun Day at the Coke County Roping Arena in Bronte on Saturday, October 13. There were everything from clowns to indians to pirates.

perhaps going to unfamiliar homes.

"This year Halloween falls on a school day. With excited kids frantically going from neighbor to neighbor, drivers need to be particularly cautious," said Ray Palermo, director of public information for Teachers' Insurance Plan. "However, by following some simple advice, parents, children, drivers and homeowners can all have a safe, enjoyable time."

• If children are out at night, drivers need to be particularly careful at dusk and when driving either over a hill or around a curve, where visibility is limited. Use high beams to see and be seen.

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...Halloween Tips

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- Trick-or-treaters should always be accompanied by an adult or travel in a group. Children should be told not to eat any unwrapped candy or treats until they return home where their parents can see them. Making sure kids have already eaten before heading out may help.
- Parents may want to limit kids to local events run by police stations, firehouses, senior citizen centers or local businesses, or organize their own through their school.
- Parents should incorporate reflective tape in costumes or add bright colors to increase visibility. Make-up rather than masks should be worn to help ensure that children have an unobstructed view of their surroundings.
- Trick-or-treaters may be caught up in the excitement of the day and not be as careful as they should. They should always cross at corners and look both ways before crossing. Drivers need to keep a careful eye on the road and on the sidewalk, in case anyone darts out from between parked cars.
- Children should stay on the sidewalk or if none is available, walk facing the lane of traffic, and they should carry a flashlight.
- Homeowners should clear their yards of anything that can be tripped over and be sure to have a front door or walkway light on, and refrain from decorations that use an open flame that could ignite a child's costume.

More Halloween safety information is available at www.teachers.com/safety.

Save Money And The Environment

We've all heard the admonishments to help save the environment. What many don't know is that by taking some small, simple steps they can actually save

money while helping to save the environment.

By reducing paper use, cutting energy consumption and supporting recycling you can help fatten your wallet while making a difference to your environmental footprint.

For example, according to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates, it takes 10 times more energy to create a sheet of paper than to run it through an office product. So, by saving paper you not only save some cash, you cut down on wasted energy in the process.

Here are some simple steps from Xerox Corporation that can help you make your workspace more energy efficient:

- * Set your printer to the duplex mode as a default. That means it will automatically print on both sides of the sheet of paper.
- * Preview printouts to eliminate unnecessary waste -- format and condense text to save paper.
- * Save a tree: Use e-mail and scan-to-file options instead of relying on the printed word.
- * Recycle the paper you use and use recycled paper.
- * Choose appliances and equipment that meet the newest ENERGY STAR certification criteria. On April 1, the EPA introduced new ENERGY STAR certification criteria increasing the efficiency of certified products by at least 30 percent over its prior certifications.
- * Make sure to use power saver features built into systems. Office equipment is generally turned on 24 hours a day making power management features critical to saving energy. This simple step also reduces air pollution.
- * Replace old and less efficient equipment and individual machines with a single system that prints, copies, scans, emails and faxes. A single system that performs multiple functions uses half as much energy as using several single-function

devices.

- * Support recycling and remanufacturing by selecting

equipment and supplies designed for remanufacturing and recycling and by returning

supplies like print and copy cartridges for recycling.

- * Recycle used equipment

PUBLIC NOTICE

On September 20, 2007, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos" or "the Company"), filed a Statement of Intent with each city within Atmos' service territory to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is October 25, 2007. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,428,700 residential, 122,600 commercial, and 960 industrial & transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$ \$50,946,000 or 3.5%, including gas costs, or 13.49% excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code. In addition, the Company seeks to recover all of its rate case expenses and all city rate case expenses as allowed by law. The exact amount will not be known until the case is completed.

Based on the proposed rate design, the system-wide average monthly bill for each customer class within the incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percent shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$70.85*	\$72.42*	\$1.57	2.22%	8.27%
Commercial	\$296.15*	\$305.36*	\$9.21	3.11%	22.72%
Industrial	\$2,975*	\$3,143*	\$167.89	5.64%	38.95%
Transportation	519.88	\$687.77	\$167.89	32.29%	38.95%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

*Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$7.55 per Mcf.

**The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial, and 300 Mcf for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, other proposed tariff changes include changes to Rider GCR, Rider WNA and proposed Riders for a rate review mechanism and conservation & energy efficiency program. The Company proposes to revise its weather normalization adjustment ("WNA") mechanism to exclude non-weather sensitive commercial customers and to modify the WNA mechanism to calculate the WNA adjustment based on weather stations at a regional level rather than under the current practice of associating all towns with a single weather location for purposes of determining the WNA adjustment. The Company proposes a change to its Rider GCR to allow the recovery of the gas cost component of uncollectible expense through the Rider GCR instead of through base rates and to update the Upstream Allocation (Factor D) to reflect the factors as proposed in the Company's Class Cost of Service Study. In addition, the Company proposes a new Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM"), Rate Schedule RRM, to provide for an annual review by the cities of the Company's expenses, revenues and rate base investment and a corresponding adjustment to the Company's rates to reflect annual changes (increases or decreases) in these categories. The Company proposes a gas conservation & energy efficiency program and tariff to authorize the program. Finally, the Company is asking for authority to make future filings with the regulatory authority on an electronic basis, rather than by paper copy.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Statement of Intent, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos' offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Éste es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex División de Atmos Energy Corporation, (la "Compañía"), que la Compañía está solicitando un aumento en la tarifa del gas. Este aumento afecta a todos los clientes de la Compañía en el ciudad de Mid-Tex. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.

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