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## Early Voting Begins Monday

First day of early voting in person begins October 23 and ends on November 3. The last day the Clerk's office can receive an application for a ballot by mail is October 31. When submitting an application for a ballot by mail, it must have your residence address on it. If the application does not have the residence address, we will have to reject it and you will have to start over.

Please remember that you need your voter registration card or ID to vote. For additional information regarding the election, please feel free to call the Clerk's office at 453-2631.

Early voting will be held in the Clerk's office Monday through Thursday, 8 am to 5 pm and on Friday from 8 am to 1 pm. This year we will hold branch polling at the First National Bank in Bronte on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 am to 1 pm, October 24, 25, 31, and November 1.

## Robert Lee FCCLA to host BBQ dinner

The Robert Lee FCCLA is hosting their annual Bar-B-Q dinner, October 20, before the Ira football game. Included in the meal will be brisket, beans, potato salad, and homemade desserts.

Money made from this dinner will help sponsor students on trips to regional and state meetings as well as any other activity the group does. Members hope you will join them in the Robert Lee High School cafeteria from 5 pm - 7 pm to enjoy good food and

fellowship with friends and neighbors, then join them in watching the first district Steer ballgame.

## Two-Person golf tourney in Bronte

A two-person, 27-hole select shot golf tournament will be held on Saturday, October 21, at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte. Tee-off time is set for 9 am. For more information, call 473-2156.

## BH&RC to host reception

The Bronte Health and Rehab Center Auxiliary will host a reception honoring Patrick Young and his family on Sunday, October 22 from 2 pm until 3:30 pm in the Living Room of BHRC. We hope that everyone in the community will come to meet Mr. Young and welcome him to Bronte Health and Rehab Center.

## Lamb and Goat Validation for 4-H and FFA

Saturday, October 28, will be the date for validating all lamb and goat projects for any 4-H and FFA member in Coke County. Lambs and goats that you plan to show at county show or any major show must be validated on this date. We will begin validating lambs from 8 am - 9 am and goats will be validated from 9 am - 11 am at the show barn in Robert Lee.

## Desserts needed for Bronte Barbecue

The annual Hunter's Wild Game Barbecue in Bronte will be held Saturday, November 4, from 11 am



**100th Anniversary!** The First National Bank in Bronte celebrated its 100th Anniversary on Saturday, October 14, with a barbecue lunch. Everyone was invited to eat some good food and visit underneath a large tent set up in the parking lot of the bank. For information on the winners of the prize drawings, see page 2 of this issue of the Observer/Enterprise.

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.

## ECC Ambulance service needs help

Would you like an ambulance to come to your house if you or your loved one is having a heart attack? How about if your child needs medical attention at a football game? What if an elderly family member or friend falls and breaks a hip?

We desperately need your help!

In order for us to make a

legal ambulance run, we must have two certified people on board. At this time, we have only eight people on our service that fill this requirement. It is easy to see that there are times when we have no one to respond to emergency calls.

The Bronte EMS will be offering an Emergency Care Attendant (ECA) class soon. This takes about 60 hours to complete. Every effort will be made to hold classes to accommodate your schedule. If you take the class and sign an agreement to be an active member for at least six months, our service will cover the fees.

All persons interested will need to have a High School Diploma or the equivalent and be a minimum of 18 years old at the time of testing.

Please call one of us if you are interested or if you have questions. Larry Dyess 325-473-4014 or Marilyn Bivins 325-473-6791.

## Workers' Comp Educational session offered

The San Angelo Field Office of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) will hold a brown bag educational session on Return to Work for injured workers, health care providers, employers, human

resource managers, claims adjusters, case managers and employee organizations on Wednesday, November 15, 2006.

This free session will be held from noon to 1 pm at State of Texas Service Center, 622 S. Oakes, Room 107 in San Angelo. After a presentation the session will be an open forum in which participants may ask questions.

For more information, contact the DWC Public Information Office or San Angelo Field Office Manager Irma Cardenas at 325-657-0404 extension 500; e-mail Irma.Cardenas@tdi.state.tx.us.

## Texas NRCS sets deadline for EQIP

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has set a Dec. 15, 2006, sign-up deadline for the 2007 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, all applications will be ranked. Producers with an approved application will work with an NRCS conservation planner to develop a contract and a plan and will begin implementing conservation practices next spring.

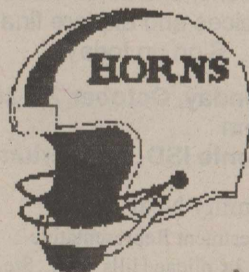
For more information, contact the local NRCS office or visit the Texas NRCS Web Site at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/).

## Coke County Football

BRONTE LONGHORNS

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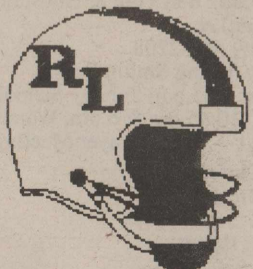
Ira County Hornets  
7:30 pm • Friday  
October 20 • Bronte



ROBERT LEE STEERS

vs.

Ira Bulldogs  
7:30 pm • Friday  
October 20 • Robert Lee

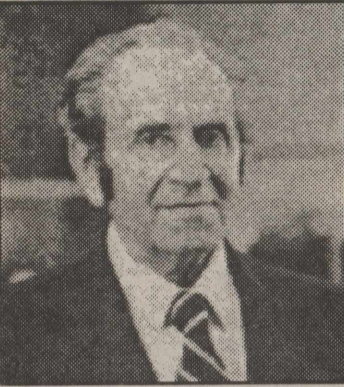


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**Obituaries**



**Freidmann**  
 Rafael Freidmann of Bronte passed away on October 14, 2006.

A gravesite service was held at 10 am Tuesday, October 17, 2006 in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte. The Reverend Kary Rawlings of the Ballinger Presbyterian Church officiated.

Survivors include his wife Gunvor Lilly Freidmann, daughter and son-in-law, Laila and Simpson "Bud" Johnson, and grandson, Eric Hendrickson, all of Bronte. Numerous nieces and nephews in Norway also survived him.

Mr. and Mrs. Freidmann moved to Bronte in 2004 from Houston to be near their daughter and her family.

Rafael Freidmann was born in Oslo, Norway October 20, 1914 to Sara Rebecca and Bernard Freidmann. He was the last of 11 siblings. Rafael served in the Royal Norwegian Air Force during the German occupation in WW II. He was responsible for numerous missions where he smuggled government documents from Norway to Sweden. During

his last mission he evaded the German Army by hiding on a train that took him through Siberia. He made his way to Toronto, Canada where he joined with his Air Force comrades to establish a base known as "Little Norge". From this base he set up a typesetting office that communicated news about the war from Canada to England. He was honored by King Olav V and awarded the Norwegian Heroes Medal.

After the war, his career with the Norwegian government led to a posting in Brooklyn, New York. At that time hundreds of Scandinavian ships were crossing the ocean from Norway to New York. Once the vessels arrived, neither their cargo nor the merchant marines that manned these vessels could enter the United States, without government representation. The City of New York provided an office for the Norwegian officials by incorporating them into their police department facilities. Rafael was given the title of "Lieutenant" for the New York police department and Sports Secretary for the Norwegian Consulate by the U. S. Coast Guard, thereby enabling him to assist the New York Port Authority in clearing the vessels, cargo and crew for entry into the U. S.

On June 4, 1949, he married the love of his life, Gunvor Lilly Halvorsen of Oslo, Norway at the Norwegian Seamen's Church in Brooklyn, N.Y. Together, the endeavor that became their maritime legacy was to engage the seafarers in

activities that would encourage them to utilize their time safely and constructively while in port. Having been a lightweight boxer in the service, Rafael established a relationship with the then heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey. Dempsey entertained many Scandinavian seafarers at his restaurant. Ralph's love for sports, led him to obtain his professional soccer referee license. This enabled him to organize sports tournaments between maritime vessels from all over the world.

In the early 1960's the maritime industry became increasingly active in ports worldwide. Rafael's desire to continue his service to the maritime industry led to his transfer and opening of the Norwegian Government Office in Houston.

As head of the Norwegian government office in Houston at that time, he was responsible for coordinating medical care, church activities, acting as a consulate official, embassy official, tour guide and sports facilitator.

His greatest achievement occurred when he convinced the Norwegian government, the city of Houston, Houston Port Commission, other seafaring and oil-related businesses and local churches to collaborate and build an International Seamen's Center.

The Freidmann's were members of the Norwegian Seamen's Church in Pasadena.

Condolences: www.Legacy.com or P. O. Box 147 Bronte, Texas 76933

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be sent to: Houston International Seafarers' Center, Executive Director, P.O. Box 9506, Houston, Texas 77261-9506.

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**Doctors?  
Astronauts?  
Teachers?  
Lawyers?**

**What do your children or grandchildren want to be when they grow up?**

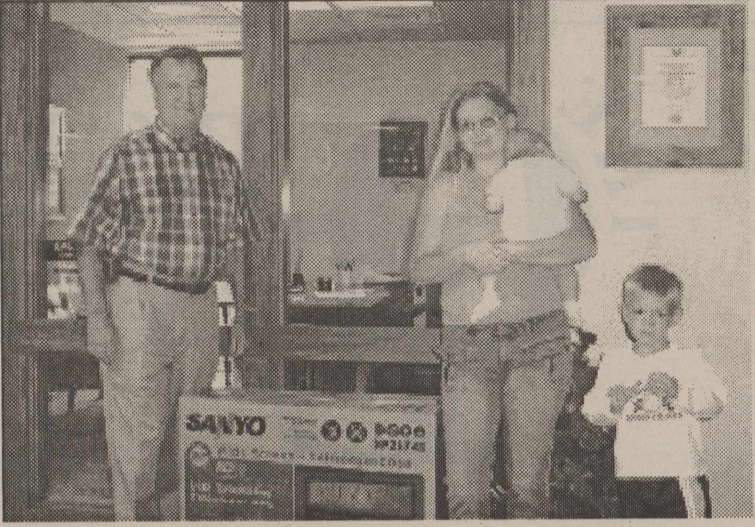
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**Winner!** Vickie Jones (right) is the new owner of a Sanyo High Definition television that she won at the First National Bank of Bronte 100th Anniversary Lunch, Saturday, October 14. She is pictured with the bank president, Frank Sanders. Chrystal Pena of San Angelo won the Compaq notebook computer while Tony Blackstock of Bronte was the winner of the digital camera.

**Help for the Holidays**

The holiday season is full of sights, sounds, and smells that surround us with emotion. But what if there has been a death in your family or you have lost a dear friend? How do you cope with your grief while everyone else is celebrating the season? Hospice of San Angelo is sponsoring a special seminar for any adult that is coping with a loss and fears the holiday will be unbearable.

The seminar will be on November 4 from 8:30 am until 11:30 am at the Shannon Women's and Children's Center. The center is located at the corner of Harris and Magdalen. The seminar is free but please call Jeanne Miller at 658-6524 to ensure your reservation. Remember that there is help for your holidays.

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- Central Baptist Church**  
 324 S. Franklin • Bronte  
 (325) 473-4811  
 Tim White, Pastor  
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
 11 am & 6 pm Worship  
 Wed. 6 pm
- Emmanuel Pentecostal**  
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy  
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 (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. Steve Rowe, Pastor  
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
 11 am Worship  
 Wed. 7 pm Choir
- Iglesia Bautista Bethel**  
 101 Houston • Robert Lee  
 (325) 453-5003 • 453-2296  
 Pastor: Basilio Esquivel  
 Sun. 9:45, 11:00, & 11:30 am  
 & 6 pm, Wednesday 7 pm
- 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 388 • 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  
 Rev. Richard Easterling, Pastor  
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School  
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
- Robert Lee Baptist Church**  
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th  
 (325) 453-2724  
 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  
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 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting
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**Farm Bureau to host meeting**

The Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau will host a meeting on Monday, November 6 at 5:30 pm. The Pasture, Range and Forage Insurance program will be discussed. There will also be a meal provided.

**18th Annual Hunters Barbecue tickets available**

Tickets are now available for the 18th Annual Hunters Barbecue, set for Saturday, November 4, 2006, 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.

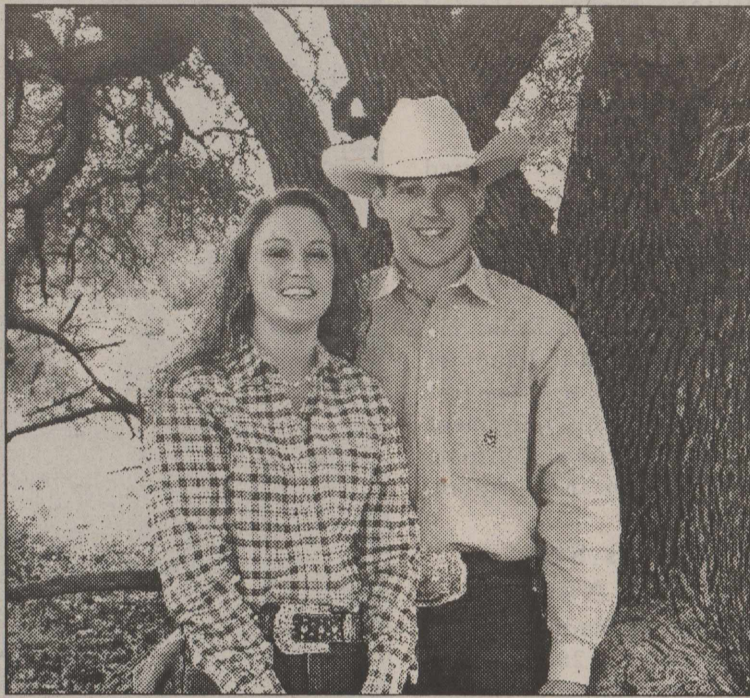
For more information contact Robert Wink, Chairman, at 453-2713 (ofc) and 453-2003 (home). According to Wink, "our deer hunters bring a lot of dollars into the local economy, and we would like to express our appreciation to them for their continued support."

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

**Coke County Food Pantry update**

The Coke County Food Pantry is a Ministerial Alliance and serves the residents of Coke County. It has been operational for 6 years. The number served in a 12-month period is 2988. All recipients live in Coke County. The Pantry is open each Wednesday from 2 pm to 4 pm.

The staff are all volunteers who are willing to give of their time to provide a service for the people of Coke County. Not only are they at the Coke County Food Pantry on Wednesday afternoon, they also go to Concho Valley Regional Food Bank in San Angelo each Tuesday to purchase food. This includes dairy products, eggs, bread, pastries, meat, fresh fruits, fresh vegetables, toiletries as well as canned goods. Each week there are from 800 to 1200 pounds of food transported back to Robert Lee where the volunteers are waiting to unload. The food is sorted, cleaned, packaged, refrigerated, shelved and made ready for the next day. A lot of service hours from 10 to 12 dedicated volunteers go into the success of the Food Pantry.



**McCutchen-Kresta engagement announced!** Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCutchen of Bronte are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Morgan Lee McCutchen, to Dustin Wayne Kresta, son of Mr. Timmy Kresta and Mrs. Becky Kresta of Ballinger.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Bronte High School and received a bachelor's degree in Animal Science in 2005 from Angelo State University. She is the editor of the Observer/Enterprise.

The groom is a 2004 graduate of Ballinger High School. He is currently employed by Minzenmayer Farms LLC.

The wedding ceremony will be held December 16, 2006, at First United Methodist Church of Ballinger.

The Holiday Season is almost here and this is a time that donations of canned food and monetary donations would be greatly appreciated. Donations and memorials are tax deductible. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, special items are purchased in the hope that families will have a memorable and happy "Holiday Season". Turkeys and hams are given, plus ingredients for making dressing, pumpkin pies, and other traditional foods.

They always welcome donations. In the past some of the classes or organizations from Bronte and Robert Lee Schools have been instrumental in collecting canned foods for the Food Bank. They are

hopeful there will be several projects again this year so that they can supply needy families with plenty during the Holiday Season. Monetary donations for purchasing turkeys, hams, etc. would be very appreciated. They want all of the Coke County families to have a "Happy Holiday Season".

If anyone has an interest in organizing a "Food Drive" please let them know. When the drive is over, they will make arrangements to have the Food Pantry open so that the collected food can be delivered.

For information regarding the Coke County Food Pantry, please contact Joan Burns or Pat Carwile.

**JON HART DESIGN**



*Jon Hart has given us an extra week for A Trunk Show!*

**October 27 from 12 noon to 4 pm**

**MAIN STREET MARKET**  
Bronte, Texas

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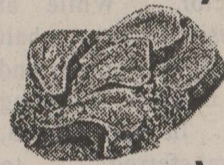


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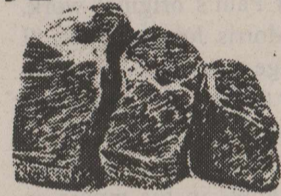


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**Budweiser Beer**



18 Pack Cans **\$12.29** Natural Light 24 Pack **\$12.69**

**Use caution in school zones**

TxDOT would like to remind motorists of the following schedule for school zone flashing signals:

Robert Lee 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.; 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; 3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Bronte 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.; 11:50 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.; 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

When signals are flashing, the speed limit is reduced and motorists are advised to use extra caution.

**Bronte FBC to host concert**

Bronte's First Baptist Church will be hosting Paul Reeves in a mini-concert during the morning worship service on Sunday, October 22. Paul is a young Christian musician and songwriter from Atlanta, Georgia. He will be leading in the music part of the worship service. The music will include some familiar songs as well as some of Paul's original work. Pastor Morris Johnson says, "I encourage everyone to come and hear this gifted young musician. Paul is unashamed of his commitment to Jesus Christ, and it shows in his music as well as his life." The service will begin at 10:55 a.m. A love offering for Paul Reeves' ministry will be taken. First Baptist Church is located at 424 S. Washington in Bronte. For more information, call 473-2331 or 473-5661.

**Daniel Frasier retires from US Navy**

(Daniel Frasier has recently retired from 20 years of service in the United States Navy.)

Equipment Operator First Class Petty Officer Frasier was born in Ft Worth, Texas on November 3, 1967. He attended Odessa High School. During his senior year he joined the Navy's delayed entry program. On December 7, 1986, he departed for boot camp in San Diego.

After completion of boot camp he was sent to Naval Construction Training Center in Port Hueneme, CA for EO "A" school. He arrived at his first duty station in April 1987, Amphibious Construction Battalion ONE (ACB-1), in Coronado, CA. He made a deployment to Honduras and Panama in 1987, shortly after arriving at this command. He was then deployed with BMU-2 on two EST-PAC's in January, 1988 and 1989. EO1 Frasier then transferred from ACB-1 to CBC Port Hueneme, CA in June 1989. Here he volunteered to deploy to the Persian Gulf in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

Upon completion of his tour with CBC in August 1992, he was transferred to NMCB-40. While attached to NMCB-40, he completed deployments to Somalia,

Spain, Guam, Yugoslavia, and Bosnia. In November 1996, Frasier transferred to the 31st Naval Construction Regiment where he became in instructor. In December 1997, EO1 Frasier was transferred to Public Works Dept. Atsugi Japan, where he was the License Examiner and Crane Test Director. Upon completing two years in Japan, Frasier was transferred back to California to NMCB-40. While assigned to NMCB-40, he went to Naval Construction Training Center for temporary duty as an instructor. While at NCTC, Frasier taught Asphalt Paving Operations, and Grader Laser Leveling Operations. In March 2003, he transferred to Construction Battalion Unit 420 (CBU-420), as the Alfa Company Commander (A-6). While assigned to CBU-420, he was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Frasier was then transferred to NMCB-7, due to the decommissioning of CBU-420. While assigned to NMCB-7, he completed a deployment to Guam. In December 2005, Frasier again transferred, this time to the 20th SRG, where he became an inspector at Construction Equipment Department.

His personal awards include the Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2 awards), Combat Action Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citation, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy Battle "E" (2 awards), Navy Good Conduct Medal (5 awards), National Defense Medal (2 awards) Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Korean Defense

Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, United Nations Medal, NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Navy Expert Rifleman, Navy Expert Pistol.

In May 2005, he married Victoria Joyner, who he is dedicated to. He is the proud father of his six children, Daniel Jr., Joshua, Brittany, Caitlin, Sarah, and Faith. He is the son of Marie Raney of Robert Lee. Marie has just returned from his retirement celebration held at Gulfport Naval Station in Gulfport, Mississippi.

**Sorosis Study Club News**

The Sorosis Study Club met on October 12, 2006, at the Main Street Market in Bronte for Kay Gothard to tell us how she got started in the retail business and something of the experience of going to market. The Main Street Market has grown tremendously since it was opened in 1994 and is certainly a credit to Bronte.

Those attending the meeting were: Marti Aguirri, Marilyn Bivins, Celia Bowden, Jane Cumbie, Jean Fancher, Peggy Hembree, Fredna Moore, Kari Richter, Joyce Snapp, Kay Styles, Janet Wommack and, President, Lanette Fletcher.

**WCC EMS Runs**

**July**  
7/7-medical; 7/7-DOS; 7/11-trauma; 7/12-trauma; 7/14-trauma-7/14-trauma; 7/14-trauma; 7/14-PRS; 7/14-PRS; 7/17-medical; 7/18-PRS; 7/29-medical; 7-31-trauma

**August**  
8/3-trauma; 8/7-PRS; 8/8-trauma; 8/9-medical; 8/10-trauma; 8/15-medical; 8/19-standby; 8/20-medical; 8/28-medical

**September**  
9/4-medical; 9/5-medical; 9/8-trauma; 9/11-medical; 9/14-standby; 9/16-trauma; 9/16-PRS; 9/17-standby; 9/17-medical; 9/21-medical; 9/28-standby; 9/29-



**First Class Petty Officer Daniel Frasier**

PRS; 9/30-medical

**Hayrick**

**Masonic Lodge No. 696 Memorials**

**Memorial Bill Roe**  
Bobby & Jeffie Roberts Memorials and Donations may be mailed to: Hayrick Masonic Lodge No. 696, PO Box 395, Robert Lee, Texas 76945

**RL Cemetery Memorials**

**Floyd Harmon**  
Olean Sticklin, R.E. & Teresa Morgan, Betsy Barton  
**J.D. Harmon**  
Donald & Ruth Robertson, Luther Sparks family  
**Frances Cole**  
Elmer & Barbara Adkins  
**Howard Sparks**  
Luther Sparks family  
**Mae Ashworth**  
Jessie Harmon, Lawana Perry, Dorene Mashburn, Bobby & Jeffie Roberts  
**Lonell (Landers) Tomes**


Jessie Harmon, Lawana Perry, Dorene Mashburn, Bobby & Jeffie Roberts, Jerry & Janie Harmon  
**Wanda Green**

Elmer & Barbara Adkins  
**Bill Roe**  
Elmer & Barbara Adkins Memorials and Donations may be mailed to: Jeffie Roberts, 130 Buffalo Creek Road, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

**'64 Study Club news**

The '64 Study Club met on October 10, 2006, with 29 members and 2 guests present. Hostesses for the evening were: Joan Cantrell, Beverly Sinclair, Glenda Taylor, Winnie Pitcock, Charlotte McKnight, Peggy Davis and Carolyn Long.

Terry Evans from Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) explained the many ways volunteers may serve our community and how important your time and talents can be. Members celebrating birthdays in October are: Winnie Pitcock, Patti Ivey, and Kay Lackey.



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*Although I am unopposed in the November 7 General Election, your votes of encouragement and confidence mean a great deal to me. Please mark my name on the Pcts. 1 and 3 ballot for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1.*

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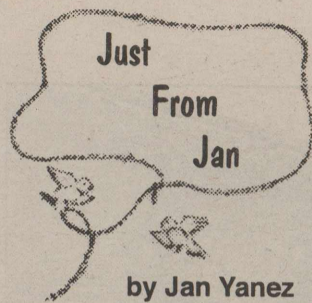
*For the past four years, I have served the citizens of Coke County to the best of my ability. I would appreciate your support in the general election.*

*If anyone has any questions concerning actions or matters of my office, I will be glad to address those if you come by or call.*

*Again, I would appreciate your vote for re-election for County Judge.*

**Roy Blair**

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Judy Blair, Treasurer, PO Box 245, Robert Lee, TX 76945



by Jan Yanez  
Cooperative  
Extension Agent

**National  
Breast Cancer  
Awareness Month**

With the fall season now upon us, it is important to remember that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Today, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the United States and the second leading cause of cancer death among North American women, according to Yanez, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent in Coke and Sterling County. Unfortunately, many women with breast cancer do not even know that they have cancer until it is in its advanced stages. It is estimated that 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, and 1 in 30 women will die of the disease, Yanez, says.

So what can we do to decrease our risk of dying of breast cancer? Early detection via health screenings, such as mammography, is an important step. Screening examinations can detect breast cancers early, before symptoms occur, which may make it easier to treat the disease. Screening involves getting mammograms, clinical breast exams, and self-breast exams, which are optional. There are many factors in predicting the chances of survival of a woman who is diagnosed with breast cancer, but finding the cancer as early as possible greatly improves the likelihood that treatment will be effective.

When should women starting screening for breast cancer? If you are over 40 years old, you need a mammogram every year, according to Courtney Schoessow, Health Program Specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension. A mammogram is an x-ray of the breast that usually involves two views, or pictures, of each breast. Mammograms help find lumps or growths that are too small for you or your health care provider to feel when conducting an exam. Additionally, women who are younger than 40 and have had breast cancer or breast problems or have a family history of breast cancer need a mammogram once a year.

A clinical breast examination is an examination of your breasts by a health professional, such as a doctor, nurse practitioner, nurse, or doctor's assistant. This exam is also known as a CBE. Clinical breast exams should be part of a periodic health exam, at least every three years for women in their 20s and 30s, and every year for women 40 and over. During your CBE, your health

care provider may tell you how to perform a breast self-exam, or BSE. By regularly performing BSEs, you will learn how your breasts normally feel, and you will be able to report any changes in your breasts to your health professional as soon as you find them. Finding a breast change does not mean that there is a cancer. You may choose not to do BSEs, or you can just do them occasionally.

Remember: The most important screening tools we have are mammograms and clinical breast exams. To reduce your risks of dying from breast cancer, you need to follow the guidelines on when to get them. Taking charge of your health now can lead to a healthier tomorrow. Start by getting screened this month in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Source: Courtney Schoessow, Extension Program Specialist – Health, Texas Cooperative Extension

**BISD board meets in regular session**

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on October 12, 2006, at 8 pm in the boardroom. Those in attendance were Wayne Coalson, Jeff Schoenfield, Terry Charles, Scott Frasier, Bob Frazee, and Alan Richey, Superintendent. Also present were Michael Bohensky, Terry Marrs, David Bedford, Donna Poehls, and several guests. Kendall Gibbs was absent.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Scott Frasier.

Rob Sulivant with Direct Energy introduced their company to the board and Susan

**Blackard-McCabe engagement!** Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCabe of Robert Lee would like to announce the engagement of their son, Trenton McCabe, to Shana Blackard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Blackard of Snyder.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tolbert, Mrs. Doris Blackard and the late Rodger Blackard, all of Snyder.

The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Rae Seal of Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Weeks of San Angelo and the late Fred "Twister" McCabe Jr. He is the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Rogers and the late Fred and Leora McCabe.

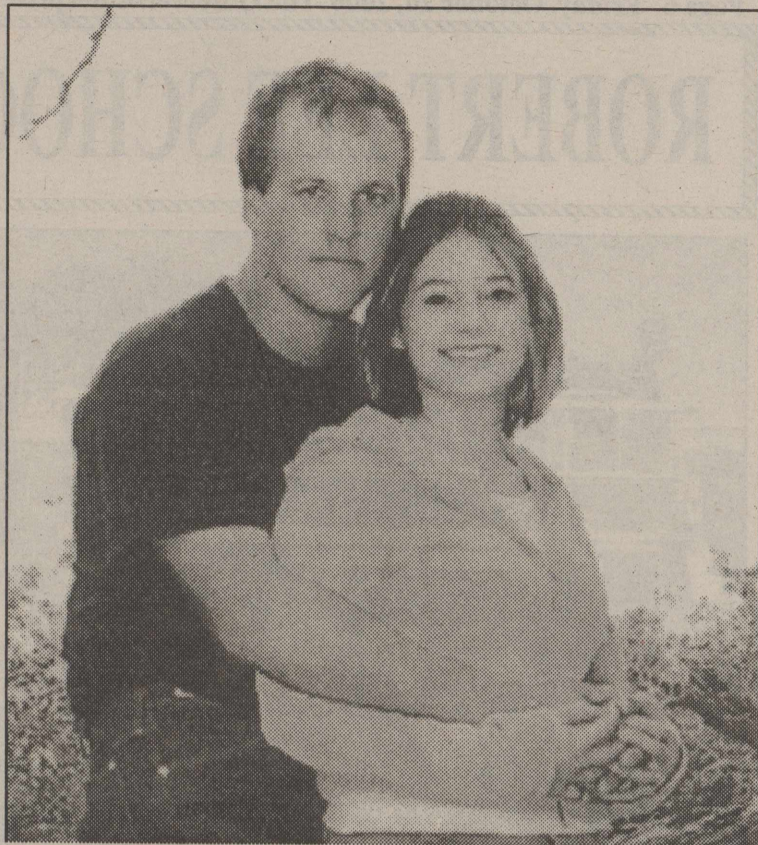
Shana is a 2004 graduate of Snyder High School.

Trenton is a 2002 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is currently employed by CDM.

Williams discussed academics. David Bedford, CCJC Principal, Michael Bohensky, Assistant Secondary Principal, and Donna Poehls, Assistant Elementary Principal, gave reports.

The board approved the Raydon paving proposal and the basic floor plan for the new Agriculture building. Local policies FNAA, FNAB, GKD, and GKDA were approved. The board approved December 19, 2006, as an early release day.

Alan Richey, Superintendent, informed the board the appeal was granted and the CCJC campus no longer has an unacceptable rating. The Curriculum audit will be in



early November. Mr. Richey Feil-Duncan to fill the vacant discussed emergency response board member position.

The meeting was adjourned by The board approved Quinda the President at 9:45 pm.

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Although I am running unopposed for Constable in Precincts 1 and 3, I would appreciate your vote of confidence. Please exercise your right to vote in the General Election. Our Men and Women in the military are giving their lives for us to keep this privilege.

Thank You,  
**Marshall Millican**

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Marshall Millican, PO Box 358, Robert Lee, TX 76945

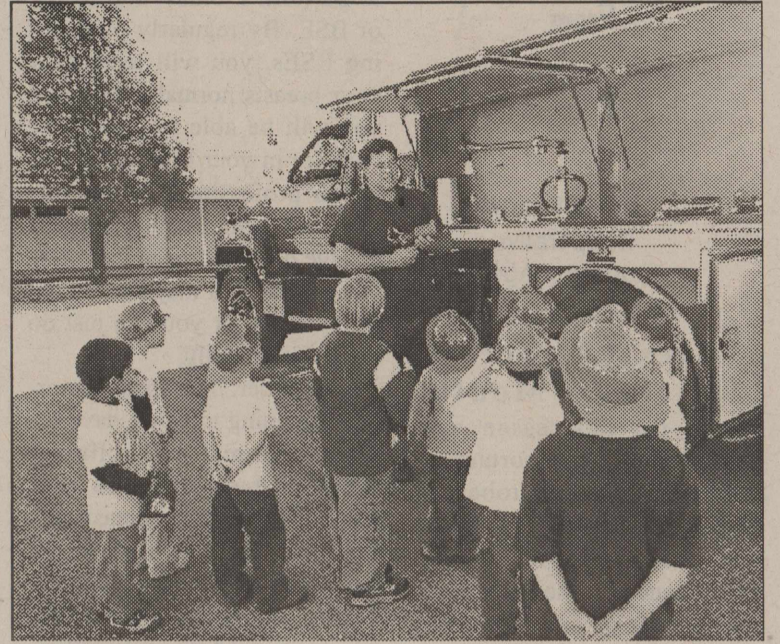
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**Hal Spain**  
**Candidate for Coke County Judge**

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Hal Spain, PO Box 1329, Robert Lee, TX 76945

# ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS



**Fire Prevention!** The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department brought two of their trucks to Robert Lee Elementary recently as an aid for Fire Prevention Week. Brian Hamrick (above photo) explained the equipment and its uses to the students. Assisting Hamrick were Mark Sides and Bud Thompson.

## RL Black-Out Pep Rally set

The RLHS cheerleaders will be leading the crowd with cheers at the Black-Out Pep Rally scheduled for Thursday night, Oct. 26 at 8:30 pm.

Glow necklaces and bracelets will be on sale before the pep rally.

## RL Fifth Quarter

On Oct. 20 the Robert Lee Fifth Quarter will be held at the Catholic Church Parish Hall. It will be sponsored by the Pecan Baptist & Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. There will be pizza and lots of goodies.

## RLISD complimentary passes offered

District residents, 65 years of age or older will receive complimentary passes to all

## School Menu

### Breakfast

**Monday, Oct. 23**  
Juice, breakfast pizza, cereal, milk

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**  
Juice, muffin, cereal, milk

**Wednesday, Oct. 25**  
Juice, pigs in blanket, cereal, milk

**Thursday, Oct. 26**  
Juice, donut, cereal, milk

**Friday, Oct. 27**  
Juice, pop tart, cereal, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, Oct. 23**  
Rib-B-Que, scalloped potatoes, corn, roll, sliced apples, milk

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**  
Chicken O's, mac & cheese, green beans, sliced bread, peaches, milk

**Wednesday, Oct. 25**  
Sausage wrap, tator tots, ranch beans, banana, milk

**Thursday, Oct. 26**  
Ravioli, salad, carrots, roll, pears, milk

**Friday, Oct. 27**  
Hot dog, chili & cheese, pork & beans, fruit cocktail, milk

Robert Lee ISD sporting activities. You may pick your pass up in the Superintendent's office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## RL FCCLA to gather food items

If you should see some spooks out this coming Monday night, don't be too concerned. It is just the Robert Lee FCCLA chapter trick-or-treating for food items for our local food pantry. This is an annual food drive to help our fellow citizens, and members look for-

ward to it every year. They will start out at the Robert Lee Care Center by hosting the monthly birthday party dressed in their Halloween costumes. Then they will gather at the school, divide in their groups and begin their competition to see who can collect the most items. Be ready this Monday, October 23--they may just knock on your door!

## Public education is for every child

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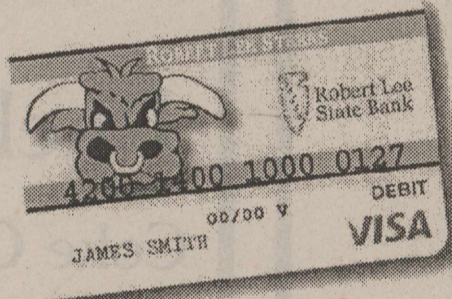
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Here are a few suggestions:

- **Raise your deductible.** Deductibles are the amount of money you have to pay toward a loss. When you raise your deductible, you lower your premium.
- **Buy your home and auto policies from the same insurer.** Some companies offer companion policy discounts if you have several policies with them.
- **Improve your home security and safety.** Many companies offer a discount if you install a monitored burglar alarm system that rings the police station or other monitoring facility. Before you purchase or install a monitored alarm system, find out what kind your insurer recommends, how much the device would cost and how much you'd save on your home insurance premium.
- **Ask your agent to provide you with a list of other available discounts the company offers.** Then check your policy to make sure you are receiving all of the discounts you are eligible to receive.

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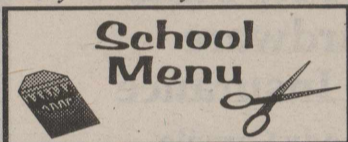
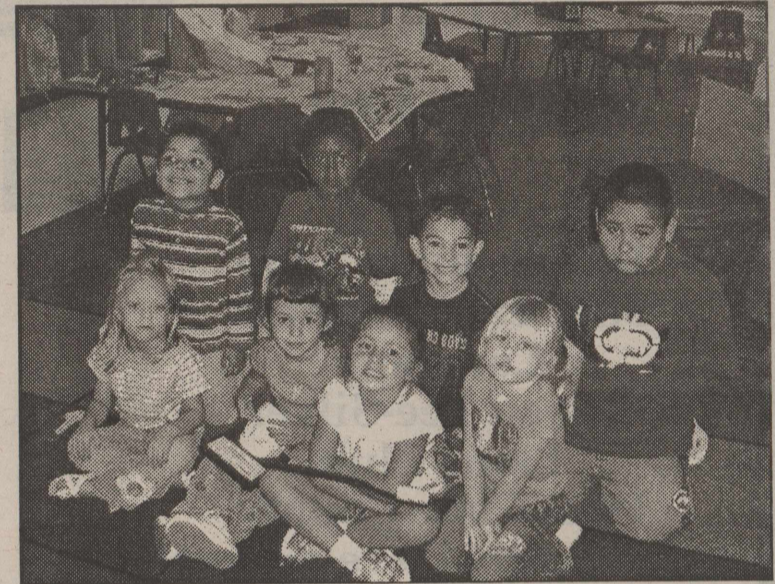
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# BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

**Dental Nutrition!** The Bronte ISD Day Care students and Mrs. Boyd's Pre-Kindergarten students enjoyed a Nutrition and Dental Program given by Jan Yanez, Cooperative Extension Agent-FCS. They were instructed on proper brushing methods and the importance of calcium in the diet to ensure strong and healthy bones and teeth. They also enjoyed brushing "Mr. Big Mouth" with the giant toothbrush.

Students in the Pre-K class included Caitlin Lange, Rafael Cassillas, Hannah Mertz, Christyan Jones, Hunter Hortenstine, Whitney Moran, Quay Lloyd, Elexia Davis, Ricardo Zamora, Kyalyn Seales, Karissa Cervenka, Mia Minjarez, Darion Watson, Damian Albolaez, Anthony Demory. Day care included Mrs. Joy Malone, Ashlyn Richards, Zoey Hortenstine, Keeley Queen, Emmy Speary and Katelyn Bohensky.



## School Menu

### Breakfast

**Monday, October 23**

Cereal, peaches, toast, jelly, milk

**Tuesday, October 24**

Grilled cheese sandwich, assorted juice, milk

**Wednesday, October 25**

Scrambled eggs, assorted juice, toast, jelly, milk

**Thursday, October 26**

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

**Friday, October 27**

Pop tart, assorted juice, biscuit, jelly, milk

### Lunch

**Monday, October 23**

Chicken strips, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, roll, milk

**Tuesday, October 24**

Hot dogs, chili & cheese, tator tots, macaroni & cheese, pork & beans, bun, orange pineapple jello, milk

**Wednesday, October 25**

Carne Guisada, refried beans, tossed salad, flour tortilla, rosie applesauce, milk

**Thursday, October 26**

Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, corn on the cob, assorted fruit, bread sticks, milk

**Friday, October 27**

Chopped Bar-B-Q on bun, pickle spears, baked beans, bun, peach cobbler, milk

## Longhorns defeat Yellowjackets 25-20

The Longhorns traveled to Menard Friday night and defeated the Yellowjackets 25-20. The win improves Bronte to 2-1 in District play. Bronte opened the scoring on a Logan Rawls 5 yard TD run to go up 6-0. Menard then answered to tie the score 6-6. Bronte recovered the lead on a Philip Rawlings 2-yard run and an Ernesto Casillas PAT 13-6. Menard answered again to tie the score 13-13 at half.

Menard scored the only touchdown in the 3rd quarter to go ahead 20-13. The Longhorns answered with 2 touchdowns in the 4th quarter on a Rawls 5 yard pass to Matt Allen and on a Rawls 1 yard TD run to make the final 25-20.

On offense, the Longhorns rolled up 388 total yards. Logan Rawls rushed for 132 yards and 2 touchdowns and threw for 153 yards and 1 touchdown. Philip Rawlings had 76 yards rushing and 1 touchdown. Johnathan Ehl had 40 yards receiving.

On defense, the Longhorns were led by Logan Rawls 13 tackles, Reece Springer 7 tackles, and Matt Allen 5 tackles.

## Shorthorns exterminate the Jackets

The Shorthorns hosted the Menard Jr. Jackets in a dominating fashion last Thursday. The

final score was 41-6. Creed Coalson started the scoring with a 60 yard scamper. Terron Charles then found the end zone via a 40 yard pass thrown by Dakota Rawls. Dakota Rawls then used his legs on the next two scores, a 40 yard run to end the scoring in the first half and a 10 yard run to start the second half scoring. Heath Richey then caught a 20-yard scoring strike from Dakota Rawls. Dakota Rawls finished the scoring with yet another 40-yard run.

In addition, Dakota Rawls kicked three extra points and Kerwin Rawls ran in another two-point conversion. With the offensive explosion, a special shout-out is needed for the entire offensive line: Brandon Fountain, Chase Harris, Arlis McMullan, Beau Grigg, and Jake Cotter. Hope to see you this week as the Shorthorns travel to Irion County. Kick-off is scheduled for 5:30.

## Marching Band Contest broadcast

On October 21, 24 high school marching bands will converge on the Brady High School stadium for the annual UIL Region VII Band Marching Competition. The Bronte High

School Band will take the field at 10:30 a.m.

The entire Band Marching competition will be broadcast live on KNEL radio in Brady at 95.3 FM, and the broadcast will be live on the internet at KNEL's website at [www.knelradio.com](http://www.knelradio.com).

To listen live via the internet, go to the KNEL web site, click

on listen now for KNEL-FM.

The Bronte High School band is one of 11 Class A school bands participating in the October 21st competition. The day's competition will also include 10 Class AA, two Class AAA and one Class AAAA high school bands. The schedule for band competition is also available at [www.knelradio.com](http://www.knelradio.com) under "Local Events."

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Sunday, October 22

First Baptist Church, Bronte

10:55 a.m.

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# BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL

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September 8	Rotan	Here	7:30	7	12
September 15	Open				
** September 22	Winters	Here	7:30	25	6
* September 29	Sterling City	There	7:30	12	41
* October 6	Eldorado	Here	7:30	6	0
* October 13	Menard	There	7:30	25	20
* October 20	Irion County	Here	7:30		
* October 27	Forsan	There	7:30		
* November 3	Miles	Here	7:30		
* November 10	Christoval	There	7:30		

\* District Games • \*\* Homecoming

**Friday  
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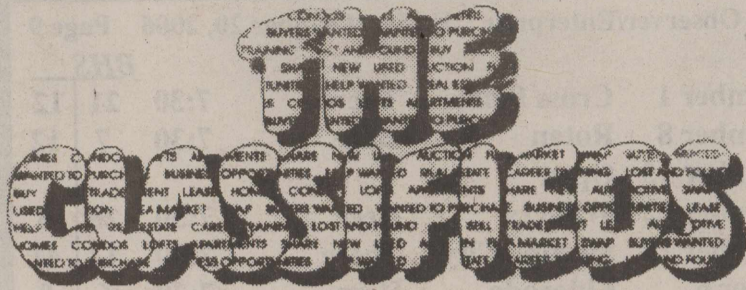
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 Nathan #28, Bronte #1, Patti #20, #33, Granddaddy James #52, Adam Halber #45  
 Larry #70, Kyle #69, Lois Perez #79, Ernesto Casillas #72  
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**JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 1**  
D. Joan Davis  
**COKE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR**  
Josie Dean  
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<http://jobs.texastech.edu>  
TTUHSC is an EEO/AA Employer

**ASH-MILlicAN-CARSON REAL ESTATE**  
453-5144 OFFICE • 5 E 6TH STREET • ROBERT LEE, TX  
JOE ASH • 473-0164 MARSHALL MILlicAN • 473-0437  
For information & photos, visit our web site at [www.amcwesttexasranches.com](http://www.amcwesttexasranches.com)  
**Coke County ~ Ranch & Hunting Properties**  
954 +/- ac., all pasture **SOLD** well, seasonal creek.  
654 +/- ac., all pasture land, **SOLD** wells, seasonal creek.  
650 +/- ac., all pasture land, 3 surface tanks, near Colorado River.  
314 +/- ac., all pasture land, 2 water wells, barn & pens.  
300 +/- ac., all pasture **SOLD** well, additional 40+ ac. under fence.  
164 +/- ac., 25 ac. cultivation, rural water, 1 water well, seasonal creek, nice home, 40x80 barn, mountainous views.  
160 +/- ac., All pasture land, rural water, hilltop view of Lake Spence.  
93 +/- ac. All Pasture land **SOLD** well, electricity, 16x32 Morgan building.  
**We have Buyers, We need Land Listings.**  
**Lake Front Property**, 3 BR, 2 Bath home, 1550 sq. ft., vaulted ceiling in living area, 2 car carport, on apprx. 4.5 ac. with magnificent views, additional guest house.

**COMMUNITY CALENDARS**  
**RL BAND BOOSTERS**  
Deadline to order, October 25th. Call Lorrie Martin 453-2641 or 453-4500. 13-2tc

**PAINTING**  
Interior & exterior. Over 20 years experience. Some drywall & texturing done. Also other home repairs. Call 453-4647. 14-4tp

**GIFTS-GIFTS**  
New items arrived & more to come for all kinds of occasional events. Amazing Hair Salon & Gift 401 W. 10th, Robert Lee, Tx 453-2125. Come by & see us. 14-1tp

### HELP WANTED

**TRES AMIGOS CONVENIENCE STORES**  
Water Valley location  
Cashiers/Food Service Workers  
Apply in person 13-2tc

**COKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**  
is currently accepting applications for Teclose certified Deputy. Apply in person at 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee, Monday-Friday, 8-5. Experience preferred. 13-2tc

**NURSERY WORKER**  
Church needing nursery worker. 6 hours/week guaranteed. Call 453-2724 for application. 13-2tc

### GARAGE SALES

**4 FAMILY GARAGE SALE**  
Sat., 21st, 8-3. No early sales. 209 Briarwood Drive, Bronte. Furniture, baby items, children's items, household items, & lots of misc. 14-1twp

### CARD OF THANKS

**JUST SAYING THANK YOU**  
cannot do justice to the heartfelt gratitude and love we have for everyone who had and is still helping us through Royce's illness and this change in our lives. The love and support everyone has shown is so overwhelming. All the hugs, phone calls, visits and especially for the many prayers lifted up on our behalf, certainly did not go unnoticed. Please forgive us for not getting to thank each of you personally; we would certainly not want to forget anyone. Just know, it has all been recorded in our hearts and we are ever so grateful!  
Royce & Frankie Hood 14-1tp

### NOTICES

**CITY OF ROBERT LEE PUBLIC NUISANCE ORDINANCE #1110 VIOLATION-NOTICE TO ABATE**  
TO: Larry Bell  
PROPERTY: 122 Zero Street, Blk 61, Lot 6, O.T., Robert Lee, TX  
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: Removal of rubbish, trash, and discarded items and items that hold water for mosquitoes to breed. Mow weeds and grasses over entire property.  
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 26, Robert Lee, TX, 76945  
IF NO ACTION IS TAKEN TO ABATE THE NUISANCE VIOLATIONS, THE CITY SHALL ABATE SUCH NUISANCES AND ASSESS THE COST AGAINST SUCH PERSON.

BY: CITY OF ROBERT LEE 14-1tc

**THE OBSERVER/ENTERPRISE**  
Serving Coke County  
P.O. Box 1329 Robert Lee, TX 76945  
(915) 453-2433  
**drop box is located at HOMETOWN HARDWARE in Bronte.**

...More Classifieds

**NOTICES**

**CITY OF ROBERT LEE  
PUBLIC NUISANCE  
ORDINANCE #1110  
VIOLATION-NOTICE  
TO ABATE**

TO: Lori Sevier  
PROPERTY: 1213 Childress,  
75' of Block F, ANL, Robert  
Lee, 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:  
Removal of rubbish, trash,  
and discarded items and  
items that hold water for  
mosquitoes to breed. Mow  
weeds and grasses over  
entire property.

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 26, Robert Lee, TX  
76945.

IF NO ACTION IS TAKEN  
TO ABATE THE  
NUISANCE VIOLATIONS,  
THE CITY SHALL ABATE  
SUCH NUISANCES AND  
ASSESS THE COST  
AGAINST SUCH PERSON.

BY:  
CITY OF ROBERT LEE  
14-1tc  
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS  
OF PROPOSED TEXAS  
DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)  
CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed  
below will be received by TxDOT  
until the date(s) shown below, and  
then publicly read.  
CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANC  
E/BUILDING FACILITIES  
CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: San Angelo  
Contract 6151-43-001 for TREE  
AND BRUSH REMOVAL in COKE  
County will be received on  
November 09, 2006 until 1:00 pm  
and opened on November 09, 2006  
at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an  
estimate of \$40,986.00.

Plans and specifications are available  
for inspection, along with bidding  
proposals, and applications for the  
TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at  
the applicable State and/or Dist/Div  
Offices listed below. If applicable,  
bidders must submit prequalification  
information to TxDOT at least 10  
days prior to the bid date to be  
eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification  
materials may be  
requested from the State Office  
listed below. Plans for the above  
contract(s) are available from  
TxDOT's website at  
www.dot.state.tx.us and from  
reproduction companies at the  
expense of the contractor.  
NPO: 21667

State Office  
Constr./Maint. Division  
200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540  
Dist/Div Office(s)  
San Angelo District  
District Engineer  
4502 Knickerbocker Rd  
San Angelo, Texas 76904  
Phone: 325-944-1501

Minimum wage rates are set out in  
bidding documents and the rates will  
be part of the contract. TxDOT  
ensures that bidders will not be  
discriminated against on the grounds  
of race, color, sex, or national  
origin.

13-2tc

**ADVERTISEMENT AND  
INVITATION FOR BIDS**

The City of Robert Lee (hereinafter  
called the OWNER) will receive Bids  
for WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
IMPROVEMENTS, Contract No.  
726531, until **3:00 PM, local time,**

**Wednesday, November 1, 2006,** in  
person at City Hall (6 East 7th Street),  
City of Robert Lee or by mail to Kay  
Torres, City Secretary, City of Robert  
Lee, P.O. Box 26, Robert Lee, Texas  
76945-0026. All Bids will be publicly  
opened and read aloud at: **3:00 PM,  
local time, Wednesday, November 1,  
2006.**

Consideration for award of the Bid  
will be made at **7:00 PM, local time,  
Monday, November 13, 2006,** at the  
City Council Meeting, City Hall, City  
of Robert Lee.

Bids are invited upon the several items  
and quantities of work as follows:

**Base Bid-Construction**

Construction of Water Treatment  
Plant Improvements including furnish  
and install four (4) turbidity meters  
including peristaltic pumps, remote  
pump controls, tubing, and two (2)  
manholes w/lids; replace the four (4)  
10-inch backwash waste DeZurik  
butterfly valves w/operators and  
extensions; filter control panel  
modifications and repair of automatic  
controls including new level control;  
repair of the filter distributor box;  
replace the four (4) 6-inch filter inlet  
DeZurik butterfly valves including  
operators; construct 15-inch SDR-26  
PVC filter backwash waste line and  
12-inch C-900 connection to clarifier  
drain including sump, sump pump, and  
electrical facilities; furnish and install  
checks valves on the solids handling  
pond inlet lines; furnish and install  
two (2) pumps in the return flow pump  
station including repair of a discharge  
line and adding a discharge line and  
valves to the solids handling ponds;  
and protective coating of the filter  
center well and distributor box.

**Alternate Bid-Construction**

Add the construction of a sludge  
drying bed including 2-foot clay liner,  
6-inch drain line and sand media. Add  
furnish and replace the media in each  
filter. Delete protective coating of the  
filter center well and distributor box.  
Contract Documents, including  
Drawings and Technical  
Specifications, are on file at the office  
of **GSWW, Inc. 1030 Andrews  
Highway, Suite 211, Midland, Texas  
79701 and the City of Menard.**  
Copies of the Contract Documents  
may be purchased for **\$100.00** from  
GSWW, Inc. for each set of  
documents obtained. No refunds will  
be made.

A certified check or bank draft,  
payable to the order of the OWNER,  
negotiable U.S. Government bond (at  
par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond  
executed by the Bidder and an  
acceptable Surety in an amount equal  
to five percent (5%) of the total Bid  
shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not  
less than the federally determined  
prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate,  
as issued by the Texas Office of Rural  
Community Affairs, and as set forth in  
the Contract Documents, must be paid  
on the project, and the Contractor  
must ensure that employees and  
applicants for employment are not  
discriminated against because of their  
race, color, religion, sex, or national

origin on the entire project.  
The **City of Robert Lee** reserves the  
right to reject any or all bids or to  
waive any informalities in the  
bidding.  
All contractors/subcontractors which  
are debarred, suspended or otherwise  
excluded from or ineligible for  
participation on federal assistance

programs may not undertake any  
activity in part or in full under this  
project.  
If the Bid is not awarded at the  
previously mentioned meeting of the  
Robert Lee City Council on **November  
13, 2006,** then the Bids may be held by  
the OWNER for a period not to exceed

ninety (90) days from the date of the  
opening for the purpose of reviewing the  
Bids and investigating the qualifications  
of Bidders.  
Date October 9, 2006.

By: Mayor,  
City of Robert Lee  
13-2tc

**ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION  
(ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)**

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 7, 2006, in Coke  
(date)  
County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI,

Section 65 of the Texas Constitution.

(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el dia 7 de Noviembre  
20 06, en el Condado de Coke, Texas, con el proposito de elegir los siguientes oficiales del  
condado y del precinno como requerido por el Artículo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitución de Texas.)

(List Offices) (Eliamere los puestos oficiales)

- County Judge (Juez del Condado)
- District/County Clerk (Secretario del Distrito y Condado)
- County Tax Assessor-Collector-unexpired term (Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del  
Condado, Duracion)
- County Treasurer (Tesorero del Condado)
- County Commissioner, Prec. 2 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Num. 2)
- County Commissioner, Prec. 4 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Num. 4)
- Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1 (Juez de Paz, Precinto Num. 1)
- Justice of the Peace, Prec. 2 (Juez de Paz, Precinto Num. 2)
- Constable, Prec. 1 - unexpired term (Condestable, Precinto Num. 1, Duracion)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:  
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en )

County Clerk's Office 13 E. 7th St. Robert Lee  
(location) (sitio)

Recommended but not required

between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on October 23, 2006  
Clerks Office - Monday thru Thursday - 8:00 till 5:00, Friday - 8:00 till 1:00 p.m.  
(entre las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 23 de Octubre )  
(fecha)  
and ending on November 3 (y terminando el) 3 de Noviembre  
(date) (fecha)

Mary Grim  
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)  
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación Adelantada)

P.O. Box 150  
(Address) (Dirección)

Robert Lee, Texas 76945  
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el )

October 31  
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 28 day of August, 2006.

(Emitada este día 28 de Agosto, 2006)

Signature of County Judge (Firma del Juez del Condado)

**IVEY MOTOR COMPANY, INC.**

- 2005 Ford F-150 SuperCrew 4x4** \$27,495  
King Ranch Edition • Dark Copper • Rear DVD • 14K Miles!
- 2004 Ford F-150 Reg. Cab Flareside** \$11,995  
Bright Red • V-6 • XLT • Auto • 42,000 Miles! #4879A
- 2003 Lincoln Town Car Signature** #7031A \$15,995  
White • Tan Heated Leather Seats • Light hail
- 2005 Ford Focus ZX5** #F114A \$11,995  
Silver • Gray Cloth • 4 Cyl. • Auto • Great fuel economy!
- 2002 Toyota Celica GT** #7013A \$12,995  
Satin Silver • Automatic • Very Sporty! • 29K Miles
- 2005 Ford Mustang** #7035 \$17,750  
Vibrant White • Charcoal Interior • 21,000 Miles • Very Sporty!
- 1998 Ford Expedition XLT** #4838A \$9,995  
Toreador Red • Tan Cloth • Great Buy!
- 2006 Ford Taurus SE** #7046 \$12,995  
Windveil Blue • 21K Miles • CD
- 2005 Lincoln Towncar Signature** #7037 \$23,995  
French Silk • Beige Leather • Light hail
- 2006 Mercury Grand Marquis LS** #7053 \$18,995  
Arizona Beige • Tan Leather • 16,000 Miles!
- 2006 Ford Escape XLT** #7049 \$17,995  
White • 4 Cyl. Automatic • 17,000 Miles! • Amazing Fuel Economy!

- 2005 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4** #4872A \$14,995  
Mineral Gray • Tan Interior • Grill Guard • Really nice!
- 2002 Ford Explorer XLT 4x2** #F246A \$10,995  
White • Gray Cloth Interior • Low miles!
- 2002 Ford Explorer XLS** #4874A \$8,995  
Mineral Gray • Tan Cloth Interior • Great Condition!
- 2004 Ford Taurus SES** #7054A \$8,995  
Black • Charcoal Interior • 57K Miles! • Sharp!

**Ask about our Year End  
Close Out Sale!**

**453-4561**

Ask For:

**Randy Flanagan • Marsha Wink  
Billy Wayne Roe**

**CC Retired Teachers Assn. news**

Twenty-four members and six guests attended the noon luncheon meeting of the Coke County Retired Teachers Association. The meeting was held at the First United Methodist Church in Bronte.

President William Hood presided at the business session. He announced the District XV Fall Convention to be held in Brownwood on October 25. President Hood, Rhonda Hood, and Janet Wommack plan to attend.

Hood, as well as Paul Gothard, legislative chairman, urged members to contact legislators about current educational issues. Members were reminded of upcoming elections and to study positions of candidates on TRS trust fund, pension increases for education retirees, as well as other related issues.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 20, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Members attending were: C.B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Jamie Boren, Nina Brewer, Glenda Draper, Jean Fancher, Harrell Foshee, Janice Foshee, Judy Gibbs, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, June Gulley, Rhonda Hood, William Hood, Sug Lawhon, Pat Lee, Bette McCutchen, Jerry McCutchen, Mary Patterson, Beth Prather, Kenneth Rasco, Gerald Sandusky, Janet Wommack, and Lee Wommack.

Guests present were: Michael Bohensky, Aaron Hood, Terry Marrs, Donna

Poehls, Wayne Simpson, and Caitlin Lange.

**Check Out Coke County Library**

The Halloween trek around town for all three to five year old children in the county, as well as their siblings and parents, is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31 which is actually Halloween.

Children are invited to get out the costumes, bring trick or treat sacks, and visit offices and businesses in the downtown Robert Lee area.

The children gather at the Library around 10 am, and begin their trick or treat trip with City Hall and the Courthouse and then on around to the Austin Street businesses. The businesses in the downtown area generously treat the kids and the kids get to see how nice people in the businesses and offices are.

There is usually a picture taking session so that everyone can see how scary, beautiful, creative, and funny Halloween costumes are.

Small witches, princesses, cowboys, Spiderman, firemen and all three to five year olds and siblings are invited to meet at the Library at 10 am on Tuesday, October 31 to trick or treat on Austin Street.

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Maturity is reached the day we don't need to be lied to about anything.

Frank Yerby

The official state dog of Massachusetts is the Boston Terrier.

In baseball, of the 10 all-time batting leaders, eight hit left-handed.

There are about 180,000,000 licensed drivers in the U.S.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF GAS RATE INCREASE REQUEST**

On May 31, 2006, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos" or "the Company"), filed a Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") and each city within Atmos' service territory, to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders applicable to all customers in the Mid-Tex Division. The proposed revisions to the rates and riders will impact all classes of service, and each of Atmos' approximately 1,500,000 customers (1,371,625 residential, 121,643 commercial, 235 industrial, and 715 transportation customers).

The Company has requested a systemwide increase of its revenues to \$1,758.7 million, resulting in an increase in annual revenues of approximately \$60.9 million or 3.6%, including gas costs, or 14.1% excluding gas cost. In addition, the Company has requested that it recover its rate case expenses and any rate case expenses for cities that are ordered by the Commission. The proposed change in revenues constitutes a "major" change as that term is defined by state law.

The monthly bills of typical customers would be affected by the proposed changes as follows:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill	Difference	Percentage Increase With Gas Cost	Percentage Increase Without Gas Cost
Residential Customer (R)	\$75.00*	\$79.02*	\$4.02	5.36%	21.48%
Commercial Customer (C)	\$326.64*	\$344.80*	\$18.16	5.56%	40.53%
Industrial Customer (I)	\$3,360.85*	\$3,367.95*	\$7.10	0.21%	5.26%
Transportation Customer (T)	\$569.54	\$576.64	\$7.10	1.25%	5.26%

\*Includes gas cost of \$8.6452 per Mcf (2005 average cost)

\*\*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.

The Company is also requesting approval of its revised depreciation rates, a weather normalization adjustment rider based on 10-year normal weather, a revenue stabilization adjustment rider, the recovery of uncollectible gas cost as well as the cost of required odorant for natural gas through Rider GCR instead of through base rates, and updated upstream pipeline cost allocation factors. The Company is further requesting rate design changes to Rates R, C, I and T. In addition, the Company is seeking a determination that its interim rate adjustments for 2003, 2004, and 2005 are just and reasonable in accordance with Texas Utilities Code § 104.301; the impact of these interim rate adjustments is reflected in the table above.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-800-460-3030. Affected persons may view a copy of the Statement of Intent at Atmos' offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1800, Dallas, Texas 75240, or at the Commission's offices located at 1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78711. At any time within 30 days following the date on which Atmos' proposed rate changes would become effective, affected persons may file written comments or protests with the Commission at the following address:

Docket Services Section  
Office of General Counsel (Re: Gas Utilities Docket No. 9670)  
Railroad Commission of Texas  
P. O. Box 12967  
Austin, TX 78711-2967

Pursuant to an order entered by the Commission on May 16, 2006, the proceeding initiated by Atmos at the Commission is being consolidated with all appeals from all other municipal rate proceedings, including those initiated by the filing of the Statement of Intent. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is October 1, 2006. Rates in unincorporated areas will become effective when rates become effective within the nearest incorporated municipality. The Commission hearing on the merits of Atmos' request will begin on or after October 31, 2006.

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 sistema de Mid-Tex. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-800-460-3030.

**PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

Coke County has recently received a Texas Community Development Block Grant contract award from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) to carry out water system improvements. Accordingly, the County is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm (registered to practice in the State of Texas) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications to: Mr. Roy Blair, County Judge, PO Box 52, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

The County must receive proposals no later than 5:00 PM on October 31, 2006 to be considered. Coke County reserves the right to negotiate with any and all persons or firms submitting proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

Coke County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

**PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

Coke County has recently received a contract award from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for a Texas Community Development Block Grant to carry out water system improvements. Accordingly, the County is seeking to contract with a qualified management consultant to administer the contract and to carry out several aspects of overall program management for the locality.

Please submit your proposal of services, a statement of qualifications, and a proposed cost schedule for each area of the scope of work to: Mr. Roy Blair, County Judge, PO Box 52, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. The County must receive proposals no later than 5:00 PM on October 31, 2006 to be considered. Coke County reserves the right to negotiate with any and all persons or firms submitting proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

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