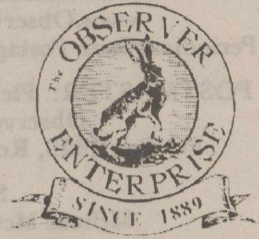


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Homecoming festivities slated for both Coke County schools

Bronte ISD Homecoming will be held Friday, September 29, kicking off with the pep rally at 3:10 pm in the middle gym, followed by a tailgate dinner in the old gym at 6 pm. The Bronte Longhorns will then face the Irion County Hornets at 7:30 pm. Saturday's events will start with volleyball at 12 noon as the Lady Longhorns take on Veribest. The parade will then be held at 6 pm, with a free band concert performed by the Longhorn Band following at the Train Depot. A dinner hosted by Project Graduation will also be held at 6:30 that evening.

Robert Lee ISD will host their homecoming Friday, September 29, 2017, facing off against the Highland Hornets at 7:30 pm.

The theme for this year is "Send the Hornets Home". The school will have the following dress up days for the week of homecoming: Monday, September 25 - Home Run (Sports Attire), Tuesday, September 26 - Home Grown (Farmer Attire), Wednesday, September 27 - Homies Day (Match with Yo Friend), Thursday, September 28 - Home Away from Home (Tourist Attire), Friday, September 29 - Home Sweet Home (Steer Shirts).

The schedule of homecoming festivities for the week includes the Lighting of the Letters on Wednesday, September 27, at 8 pm. The event will be held in the back parking lot of the high

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, September 29

Robert Lee Homecoming Parade, 2 pm

Robert Lee Homecoming Fajita Dinner, 5 pm - 7 pm, RLISD Cafetorium

Bronte Homecoming Tailgate Dinner, 6 pm, BISS Old Gym

Junior High Football - Blackwell at Moran, 5:30 pm

High School Football -
Bronte vs Irion County, 7:30 pm, *Homecoming*
Robert Lee vs Highland, 7:30 pm, *Homecoming*
Blackwell at Moran, 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 30

Robert Lee Street Affair - Car Show, Cook Off, Street Dance

High School Volleyball - Bronte vs Veribest, 12 noon, JV and Varsity

Bronte Homecoming Parade, 6 pm

Bronte ISD Project Graduation Dinner, 6:30 pm

Monday, October 2

Junior High Volleyball - Bronte at Sterling City, 5:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, 6 pm, First Baptist Church, Bronte

Bronte Evening Lions Club Meeting, 7 pm, First United Methodist Church, Bronte

Tuesday, October 3

Robert Lee - Silver Lions Club Meeting, 6:30 am, Old Jail Annex, Robert Lee

High School Volleyball - Bronte at Water Valley, 5:30 pm, JV and Varsity

Thursday, October 5

Red Hat Society Meeting, 11 am, Friendship Bakery and Cafe, Robert Lee

Junior High Football -
Robert Lee at Rankin, 5:30 pm
Blackwell at Veribest, 5:30 pm

Vision with a Purpose Meeting, 6 pm, Family Life Center, FUMC, Robert Lee

JV Football - Robert Lee at Rankin, 7 pm

Friday, October 6

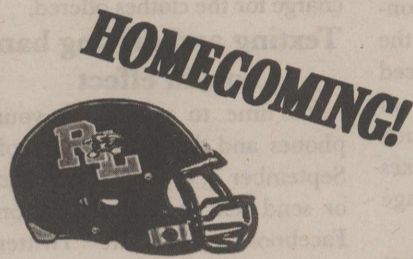
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Robert Lee Steers
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Friday, September 29, 2017

7:30 pm

Bronte



Blackwell Hornets
vs. Moran Bulldogs

Friday, September 29, 2017

7:30 pm

Moran

school. The junior high and JV football teams will play in Highland at 5:30 pm and 7 pm respectively. The rest of the homecoming activities will take place on Friday, September 29, beginning with the parade at 2 pm, starting at the courthouse and ending at the high school. The community is invited to participate in the parade with floats or other entries. There will be prizes for 1st - 4th place and will be judged by members of the community. This will be followed by the pep rally at 2:40 pm in the old gym, with the "Exes Tea" hosted by the Beta Club immediately after. The FCCLA Fajita Dinner is set for 5 pm - 7 pm and tickets can be purchased from any FCCLA member or at the door. The football pre-game event will take place at 7 pm, with the homecoming ceremony to be held during halftime of the football game.

Red Hat Society to meet October 5

The Red Hat Society will meet Thursday, October 5, at 11 am. This month's meeting will be held at Friendship Bakery and Cafe, 403 W. 10th, Robert Lee.

Grab your red hat (you really do not have to wear one) and

join us for some fun fellowship!

Street Affair set for September 30

The Robert Lee Street Affair will host a BBQ Cook Off, Car Show, and Street Dance on Saturday, September 30, in downtown Robert Lee.

Silver Homecoming slated for October 7

The Silver Homecoming will be held Saturday, October 7. The event will begin around 10:30 am at the Family Life Center at First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee.

Barbecue, beans, bread, and drinks will be provided. However, all who can are requested to bring a side dish or dessert.

For more information, contact Jim Clendennen at (325) 453-4748, Dolores Roe at (325) 453-2164, Beverly Bell at (325) 453-2744 or Dwain Walker at (325) 227-6264.

Evans Scholarship to be awarded

The Bronte United Methodist Women announce that applications for the Sid and Bernice Evans Scholarship are now being accepted. The Evans' were longtime members of the First United Methodist

Church of Bronte. The scholarship foundation was established by their family.

The scholarship is for students 20 years of age or older. Applications are available from Lanette Fletcher at Glenn-Bivins Insurance, located at 123 W. Main Street in Bronte.

Applications must be returned to Lanette by October 13, 2017. The scholarship recipient will be announced on October 17, 2017.

VP to raffle guns and UTV

A new Honda UTV (Utility Terrain Vehicle), as well as two guns, are being raffled off by Vision with a Purpose for their Hunters BBQ this year. This event is set for Saturday, November 4, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. The price for admission is \$12 per person. Tickets for the ATV raffle are \$50 each and the gun raffle is \$5 per ticket or 5 for \$20. Watch for sales at the feed store in Robert Lee on Saturdays and at home football games. Also check with any VP member for more information or tickets. Don't miss the chance to win this extraordinary prize. Proceeds from the raffle and the BBQ will be used for Robert Lee's community park improvements.

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PSAT Test for Juniors at Blackwell HS

The PSAT/NMSOT will be administered on Wednesday, October 11, 2017, at Blackwell High School. This testing session is available to all Blackwell juniors, including home-schooled students eligible to attend school in the Blackwell CISD.

Junior students currently enrolled at Blackwell CISD will automatically be registered. The students will be given a PSAT study guide prior to the test.

Home-school students will need to register for the test at <http://www.which.af36.dbch.af31505.loch.f36.nationalmerit.org/>

Coke County Ranchers Workshop set for October 5

The Coke County AgriLife Extension Office will be hosting a Ranchers Workshop on Thursday, October 5, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Registration will be held from 8:30 am until 9 am, with the workshop from 9 am until 4 pm. A meal will be provided and CEU's will be available. The cost for the workshop is \$15.

Topics and speakers include: Fencing Law in Coke County with Nicholas Arrott, Coke County Attorney, Bronte;

How to Begin Prescribed Burning on Your Ranch with Dr. Morgan Russell, AgriLife Extension range specialist, San Angelo;

Incorporating Rainfall Insurance into your Ranch Management Plan with Bill Thompson, Economist Texas A&M AgriLife Extension;

IPT and Ground Broadcast Sprayer Equipment and Calibration with Dr. Morgan Russell, AgriLife Extension range specialist, San Angelo;

Protecting Your Heard with Dr. Chris Womack, DVM, Los Caballos Vet Clinic, San Angelo;

Range Plants - Good vs. Bad with Dr. Cody Scott, Rangeland Professor, Angelo State University.

The Coke County Ranchers Workshop will be beneficial to those leasing land, landowners, producers, and land managers. The program topics will help to answer various questions about ranching in Coke County or surrounding counties.

To pre-register, contact the Coke County AgriLife Extension Office by phone at

(325) 453-2461 or email at morgan.runyan@ag.tamu.edu.

Predatory animal hunts to be held

The Major League Wildlife Unlimited Association, a non-profit organization based in the West Texas area, announced today it is devising a plan to control predatory animals such as feral hogs, coyotes and foxes and other animals that damage our ecosystem.

Through competitive contest hunts (with numerous prizes) spokesman Lee Browning hopes to preserve natural wildlife habitats while shrinking the population of predatory and nuisance animals. Feral hogs, coyotes and fox cause millions of dollars worth of damage to crops, cause water loss quality due to erosion, destruction of landscape and spread diseases to domestic animals, livestock and deer. The predators prey on

nesting birds, small livestock and reptiles, which impact the ecosystem of our area.

Join us today to be eligible for numerous prizes, raffle drawings and lottery drawings. Visit www.wildlifemembership.org or contact Lee Browning 806-729-7894 or Bruce Williams 806-239-0006.

Linens of Love Clothes Closet

updates open hours

The Linens of Love Clothes Closet, inside the First Baptist Church in Bronte has updated their hours.

They will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8 am until 11 am and 1 pm - 2 pm. They are also open the second Saturday of each month from 9 am - 12 noon. There is no charge for the clothes offered.

Texting and driving ban now in effect

It's time to put down your phones and drive, Texas. As of September 1, it is illegal to read or send text messages, post on Facebook or update Twitter while behind the wheel of a moving vehicle.

"This law was put in place to save lives," John Ross Copeland, Coke County Farm Bureau president, said. "A study from Texas A&M University shows 90 lives a year could be saved by this law."

Drivers caught texting while a vehicle is in motion are subject to fines of up to \$100.

"Sometimes drivers forget we're operating thousand-pound

machines that have the ability to hurt not only us, but others," John Ross Copeland said. "It's our responsibility as drivers to ensure we follow this law for the safety of everyone."

The bill, dubbed the Alex Brown Memorial Act, was signed into law by Texas Gov. Greg Abbott June 6.

The bill was named for a 17-year-old high school student who died in a car wreck while texting.

Under the new law, drivers are not allowed to read, write or send electronic messages while operating a moving vehicle. Texting, posting to social media and using applications like WhatsApp are prohibited through the law.

Drivers are still allowed to make and receive calls unless prohibited by a municipality. Use of Bluetooth or other hands-free devices is allowed and encouraged.

Use of a phone's navigation system and music application are allowed. Reporting accidents and other obstructions through the Waze app is permitted through the law.

Ag leases to be covered in workshops

By Kay Ledbetter

After such a positive response last year, new Rancher Leasing Workshops covering grazing, hunting and livestock leases are

scheduled across the state by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

The free programs are funded by the Southern Extension Risk Management Education Center, said Tiffany Dowell Lashmet, AgriLife Extension agricultural law specialist in Amarillo.

"Last year, 100 percent of participants said they would recommend these programs to a friend, so we decided to offer them in more locations," Lashmet said.

The schedule will be:


- Oct. 19, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Tom Green 4-H Center, 3168 N. U.S. Highway 67, San Angelo.

Lashmet said lunch will be provided by two sponsors: Ag Workers Insurance for the Lubbock, College Station and San Angelo programs, and Security State Bank for the Pearsall program.

Participants will need to RSVP at least one week before the meeting they will attend to Kim Garcia, 806-677-5626 or kim.garcia@ag.tamu.edu.

Each workshop will address the legal risks associated with agricultural leases, Lashmet said. The goal is to educate landowners and producers on the importance of utilizing written leases as a risk management tool.

Joining Lashmet on the program will be AgriLife Extension economists from around the state.



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"We will discuss the potential legal implications of failing to have a sufficient written lease and the potential legal issues and litigation that the development of written leases can help avoid," she said. "The workshops will also familiarize participants with key terms and provisions that should be considered in lease negotiations."

Participants will receive a leasing handbook that covers legal issues, designing lease payment structures and calculating payments, landowner liability, as well as checklists and sample lease forms for negotiating lease agreements.

Commissioners Court meeting minutes

The Coke County Commissioners met in special session on August 31, 2017, at 9 am in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included County Judge Roy Blair, Commissioner Precinct #1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct #3 Marshall Millican, Commissioner Precinct #4 Joe Sefcik and Deputy Clerk Martha Ratliff.

The meeting was opened with prayer given by Judge Roy Blair and pledge to the flag was recited.

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

No changes were made to the 2017-2018 budget.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adopt the general tax rate of .525150 for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to adopt the road and bridge tax rate of .160259 for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Robertson made a motion to adopt the general budget for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Sefcik made a motion to adopt the road and bridge budget for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Judge Blair made a motion to increase the property tax rate of .044572 for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve interlocal agreement with Lubbock County for the regional public defender for capital cases. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to let Restoring Bronte Foundation Brontetoberfest be held at the Bronte Park on October 20-22, 2017. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to waive the rental fee for the RV spots in Bronte for the Brontetoberfest on October 20-22, 2017. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Sefcik made a motion to convene on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 9 am for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. Commissioner Williams opposed. The motion carried.

Judge Blair received a bid from Cole Bosworth to do masonry repair on the outside of the courthouse. Commissioner Williams made a motion to let Mr. Bosworth repair the outside of the courthouse. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the line item transfers as presented. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. The motion carried.

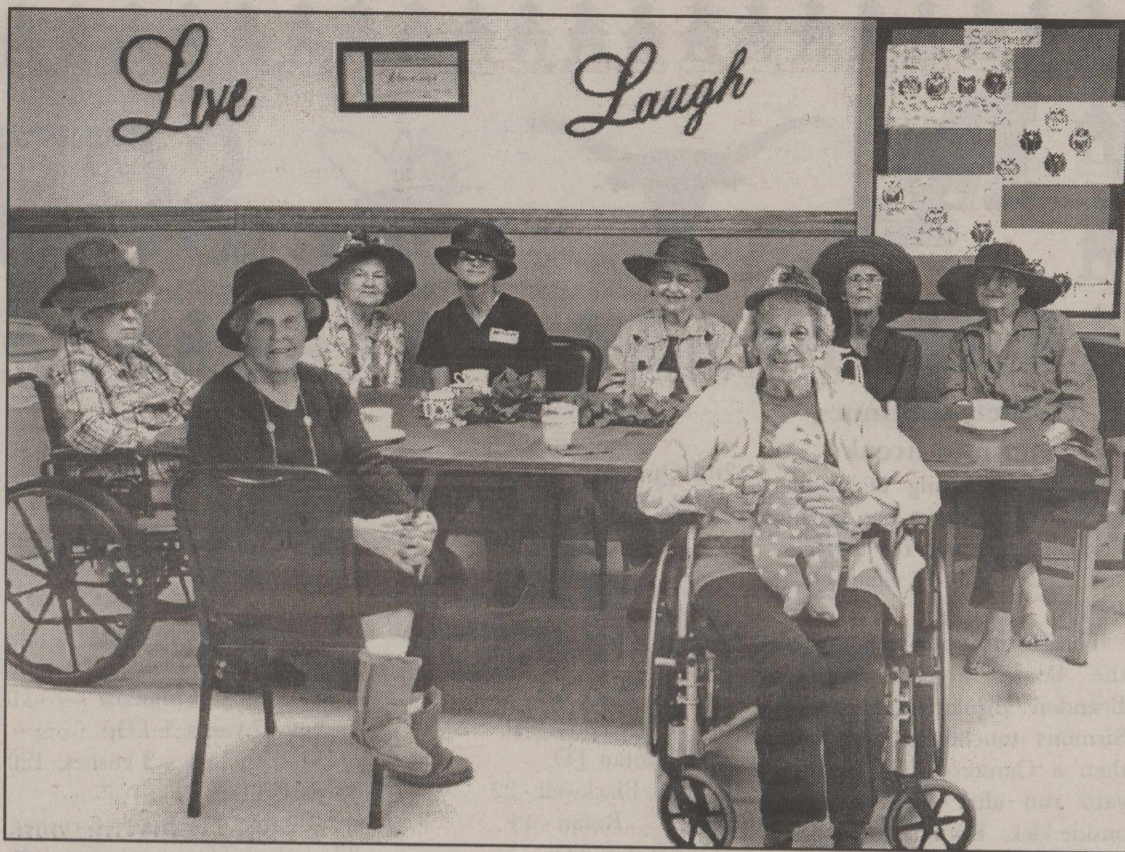
Commissioner Millican made a motion to approve the SB-12 Rifle Resistant Body Armor Grant. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Commissioner Williams attended a conference in Austin that was very informative. Judge Blair talked about getting repairs done inside the courthouse.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.



Tea Time! Residents of the Bronte Health and Rehab Center recently enjoyed tea and cookies while visiting with members of the Red Hat Society.

RLISD Board of Trustees meeting minutes

On Tuesday, September 19, 2017, a regular meeting of the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees was held in the Robert Lee ISD Conference Room 119 at 5 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Washam.

Members present included Wes Washam, Beverly Sinclair, George Grim, Tom Sawyer, Irma Torres, Jeffie Roberts, and Erin Oleksiuk

At 5 pm the meeting was called to order by President Washam and a quorum of members present was established.

Invocation and pledge was led by George Grim.

The words "thank you" seem too simple and too small to convey just how overwhelming and how big your love shone as we mourned the death of our mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, Joyce "Mimi" Dodson.

For all of the hugs, calls, kind words, food, flowers, cards, and prayers, we are very grateful. In the midst of our loss, we felt so comforted and so cared for by this loving community. Surely God used you to let us know that we were held in the hollow of His hand. Blessed to have had Mother for many years, we are also blessed to know that you loved her too.

We are confident that we will see her again. For now, we rejoice in her life and legacy.

Sincerely,

**The Family of Joyce Dodson -
Marsha and Robert Wink, Mary Beth Dodson,
Vic and Bonnie Dodson**

Hymn of Promise
by Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bring hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the minutes of August 30, 2017, and was seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All were for.

Erin Oleksiuk made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented by Robin Allen, and to approve the bills. This was seconded by Beverly Sinclair. All were for.

David O'Dell gave the high school report; enrollment for grades 7-12 was 105 and attendance rate was 98% for the month of August. Lee McCown gave the elementary principals

report; elementary enrollment for August was 163 students and 98.5% attendance rate.

Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended naming 4-H as extracurricular status. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Irma Torres. All were for.

Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended naming Morgan Runyan and Kandice Everitt as Adjunct Faculty. Erin Oleksiuk made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Tom Sawyer. All were for.

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SCHOOL PAGE

Hornets continues winning streak

Blackwell's string of ending games at half-time was broken Friday night, but the Hornets still secured a 50-26 victory over Rotan.

The Hornets put 16 points on the board quickly with a Brandon Brinkman to Orrin Sirmons touchdown pass and then a Cameron Coldiron 12 yard run after recovering an onside kick. Rotan kept in close with scores in the second quarter but Hunter Clark ran it in from 43 yards out with 6 seconds left for a 28-20 Hornet half-time lead. In the third after another Hunter Clark touchdown run, Rotan was able to close the gap but Blackwell scored the win with a Brinkman touchdown run of 11 yards and a Coldiron run of 23 yards.

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

8:22 - Brandon Brinkman to Orrin Sirmons 7 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, good.

Blackwell - 8

Rotan - 0

6:58 - Cameron Coldiron 12 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, good.

Blackwell - 16
Rotan - 0

2nd Quarter

5:43 - Rotan TD.

Blackwell - 16

Rotan - 6

3:21 - Nathaniel Shipman 6 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, no good.

Blackwell - 22

Rotan - 6

:42 - Rotan TD.

Blackwell - 22

Rotan - 14

:21 - Rotan TD.

Blackwell - 22

Rotan - 20

:06 - Hunter Clark 43 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, no good.

Blackwell - 28

Rotan - 20

3rd Quarter

6:06 - Hunter Clark 38 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, good.

Blackwell - 36

Rotan - 20

4:49 - Rotan TD

Blackwell - 36

Rotan - 26

3:37 - Brandon Brinkman 11 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, no good.

Blackwell - 42

Rotan - 26

4th Quarter

9:05 - Cameron Coldiron 23 yard TD, PAT Junior Guia, good.

Final Score

Blackwell - 50

Rotan - 26

Offensive Stats

Rushing

Brandon Brinkman - 10 rushes, 97 yards, 1 TD;

Hunter Clark - 3 rushes, 120 yards, 2 TDs;

Nathaniel Shipman - 6 rushes, 37 yards, 1 TD;

Cameron Coldiron - 13 rushes, 72 yards, 2 TDs.

Passing

Michael Lowry 1 of 3, 4 yards;

Brandon Brinkman - 4 of 9, 67 yards, 1 TD.

Receiving

Hunter Clark - 1 reception, 9 yards;

Cameron Coldiron - 2 receptions, 31 yards;

Orrin Sirmons - 2 receptions, 31 yards, 1 TD.

PATs

Junior Guia - 4 of 7.

Defensive Stats

Brandon Brinkman - 2 tackles;

Michael Lowry - 9 tackles;

Hunter Clark - 10 tackles;

Devin Clower - 9 tackles, 1 fumble recovery;

Nathaniel Shipman - 4 tackles;

Junior Guia - 13 tackles;

Cameron Coldiron - 9 tackles, 1 interception;

Kyler Walls - 4 tackles.

Steers fall to Bulldogs

by Tom Sawyer

The Steers traveled to Ira on Friday night and couldn't quite pull out a victory.

The game went all four quarters with the Steers pulling within six points in the second quarter. There were several bright moments in the game and should make this young team have some high hopes for future games.

Please tell everyone you know to come out this Friday as the Steers will host Highland for our Homecoming.

WE BLEED ORANGE - STEER PRIDE

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

Bulldogs - 12 yard pass with 8:11 left, PAT kick good;

Bulldogs - 3 yard run with 5:18 left, PAT kick blocked by Jowers;

Bulldogs - 16 yard run with 4:35 left, PAT kick good;

Steers - 1 yard run by Smith with 2:20 left, PAT kick failed;

Bulldogs - 44 yard pass with 2:13 left, PAT kick good;

Steers - 59 yard run by Smith with :55 left, PAT kick by J. Skipworth.

Steers - 14

Bulldogs - 30

2nd Quarter

Bulldogs - 13 yard pass with 9:02 left, PAT failed;

Steers - 18 yard run by Smith with 7:52 left, PAT kick by J. Skipworth;

Steers - 31 yard run by Smith with 4:49 left, PAT kick by J. Skipworth;

Bulldogs - 26 yard pass with 2:09 left, PAT kick good.

Steers - 30

Bulldogs - 44

3rd Quarter

Steers - 3 yard run by Smith with 7:53 left, PAT kick by J. Skipworth;

Bulldogs - 22 yard pass with 6:01 left, PAT kick good;

Bulldogs - 8 yard run with 3:09 left, PAT kick good.

Steers - 38

Bulldogs - 60

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BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL



BRONTE *HOMECOMING* 2017!

LONGHORNS

vs. Irion County Hornets

We Support the Longhorns!

Friday, September 29

7:30 pm

Bronte



				BHS	
September 1	Roby	Here	7:30	7	20
September 8	TLCA	There	7:30	6	42
September 15	Munday	Here	7:00	0	48
September 22	McCamey	There	7:30	0	54
September 29	Irion County**	Here	7:30		
October 6	OPEN				
October 13	Miles *	There	7:30		
October 20	Cross Plains *	There	7:30		
October 27	Winters *	Here	7:30		
November 3	Baird *	There	7:30		
November 10	Albany *	Here	7:30		

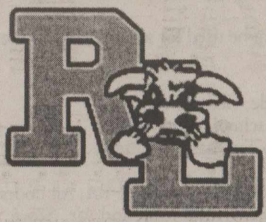
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** Homecoming Game

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ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL



ROBERT LEE STEERS

HOMECOMING 2017!

vs. Highland Hornets

We Support the Steers!

Friday, September 29

7:30 pm

Robert Lee



			RLHS	
September 1	Panther Creek	Here	73	79
September 8	Grady	There	50	34
September 15	Santa Anna	There	52	6
September 22	Ira	There	38	68
September 29	Highland**	Here		
October 6	Rankin	Here		
October 13	OPEN			
October 20	Eden	There		
October 27	Sterling City *	Here		
November 3	Westbrook *	There		
November 9	Garden City *	Here		

* District Games ** Homecoming Game
All games begin at 7:30 pm.

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BLACKWELL HORNETS

vs. Moran Bulldogs



We Support the

Hornets!

Friday, September 29

7:30 pm

Moran



			BHS	
September 1	Paint Rock	There	58	0
September 9	Brookesmith**	Here	54	0
September 15	Woodson	Here	66	6
September 22	Rotan	Here	50	26
September 29	Moran	There		
October 6	Veribest	Here		
October 13	Santa Anna	There		
October 20	OPEN			
October 27	Lorraine *	Here		
November 3	Trent *	Here		
November 9	Highland *	There		

* District Games ** Homecoming Game
All games begin at 7:30 pm.

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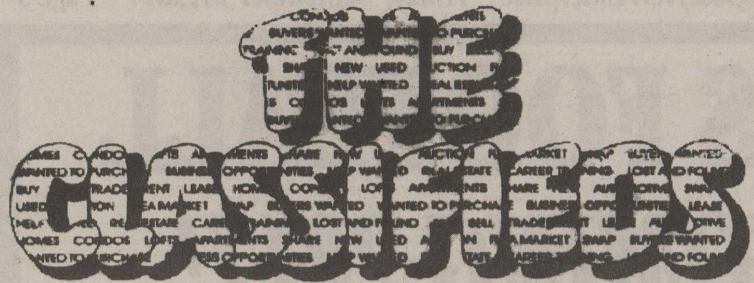
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Bronte ISD
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Monday, October 2
Breakfast pizza or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday, October 3

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Thursday, October 5
Breakfast taquito or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk
Friday, October 6
Sausage and biscuit or cereal with toast and jelly, fruit, juice, milk


Lunch
Monday, October 2
Taquitos and queso, charro beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk
Tuesday, October 3
Meatball sub sandwich, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fruit, milk
Wednesday, October 4
Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, green beans, garden salad, apple slices, milk
Thursday, October 5
Frito pie, Mexicali corn, baby carrots with ranch, salsa, peaches, milk
Friday, October 6
Hamburger, sweet potato fries or tots, coleslaw, orange smiles, milk

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Monday, October 2
Kolache, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday, October 3
Funnel cake, fruit, juice, milk
Wednesday, October 4
Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk
Thursday, October 5
French toast, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Friday, October 6
Biscuits, gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch
Monday, October 2
Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, fruit, milk
Tuesday, October 3
Lasagna, corn on the cob, garlic bread, salad, fruit, milk

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Wednesday, October 4

Chopped BBQ sandwich, pickle spears, coleslaw, chips, fruit, milk

Thursday, October 4

Grilled chicken breast, chicken flavored rice, broccoli normandy, cheddar biscuit, fruit, milk

Friday, October 5

Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad, fruit, milk

Robert Lee ISD

Breakfast

Monday, October 2

Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, October 3

Chicken-n-biscuit, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, October 4

Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, October 5

Biscuit, gravy, eggs, bacon, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, October 6

Biscuit and sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, October 2

Pizza, corn, red bell pepper strips, tomato cup, fruity gelatin, milk

Head Start - pizza, seasoned corn, fruity gelatin, milk

Tuesday, October 3

Chili cheese combo, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk

Head Start - chili cheese combo, sliced fresh veggies, mixed fruit, milk

Wednesday, October 4

Taquito and queso, salsa, charro beans, seasoned corn, seasonal fruit, fruit crisp, milk

Head Start - taquito and queso, charro beans, seasoned corn, sliced seasonal fruit, milk

Thursday, October 5

Asian stir-fry, flatbread, salad, apple slices, milk

Head Start - Asian stir-fry, flatbread, apple slices, milk

Friday, October 6

Hamburger, garnish, cucumber slices, baby carrots, cinnamon applesauce, milk

Head Start - hamburger, garnish, cucumber slices, cinnamon applesauce, milk

...RLISD Board Minutes

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Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended purchasing a 29 Passenger Micro Bird school bus through TASB Buyboard, with the cost being \$60,915. George Grim made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Irma Torres. All were for.

Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended accepting a proposal from Solar One. Jeffie Roberts made a motion to allow Superintendent Aaron Hood to enter into negotiations with Solar One and the motion was seconded by Tom Sawyer. All were for.

Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended paying off the loan at Robert Lee State Bank as soon as funds are received from TEA. George Grim made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Beverly Sinclair. All were for.

Superintendent Aaron Hood gave his report on ACT District Comparison, 2017

Accountability, the annual audit and the cafeteria audit.

The next regular board meeting will be Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at 5 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

....RLHS Football

(Continued from page 4)

4th Quarter

Bulldogs - 5 yard run with 3:32 left, PAT kick good.

Final Score

Steers - 38

Bulldogs - 68

Player Statistics

Lane Fowler - 3 carries, 10 of 17 passing for 61 yards and 4 tackles;

Hunter Jowers - 1 reception for 7 yds. and 8 tackles;

Daniel Mendoza - 9 carries for 30 yds., 4 receptions for 11 yds. and 10 tackles;

Nathan Scates - 2 receptions for 17 yards and 3 tackles;

Bubba Bohannon - 1

reception for 12 yds. and 2 tackles;

Isaiah Smith - 17 carries for 244 yds. and 5 TD's, 2 receptions for 14 yds., and 9 tackles;

Casey Skipworth - 1 tackle;

Johnny Skipworth - 4 PAT kicks.

GO STEERS - STEER PRIDE

Robert Lee's Homecoming game is this week at 7:30 pm against Highland.

Badgers shut out Longhorns

The Bronte Longhorns travelled to McCamey this last Friday to take on the Badgers. The Longhorns fell to the Badgers 54-0.

Defensively, the Longhorns suffered from poor tackling. On offense, the Longhorns moved the ball but could not finish drives in the end zone.

The Longhorns are back at home this week for homecoming

against the Irion County Hornets on Friday at 7:30.

Dogies fall to Ira

The Robert Lee Junior High Dogies were pinned deep on their first possession, could not move the ball and turned it over on downs at the 16. Ira took it in from 16 out to go up 7-0. The Dogies then fumbled on the 13 on their next possession and Ira scored from the 13 yard line to make it 14-0.

In the second quarter, Ira scored two more times to go in up 28-0 at the half. It didn't get any better for the Dogies in the second half as Ira scored once in the third and twice in fourth quarter to make the final score 46-0.

Play Statistics

Rushing

Michael Munoz - carried the

ball 14 times for 14 yards;

Wayne Riley - carried the ball 3 times for 16 yards;

Judah Smith - carried the ball 2 times for 2 yards;

Zane Avants - one carry for 4 yards;

Dylan Thomas - one carry for 8 yards.

Passing

Zane Avants - 1 for 1 for 3 yards;

Michael Munoz - 0 for 3, no yards.

Receiving

Caleb Smith - 1 catch for 3 yards.

Tackles

Reid Crisp - 5;

Dylan Thomas - 1;


Zane Avants - 1;

Michael Munoz - 2;

Wayne Riley - 2, with one for loss;

Fernando Sosa - 1.

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Consider the following:

- Age at retirement – Not surprisingly, your retirement date likely will be heavily influenced by your financial situation – so, if you have to keep working, that's what you'll do. But if you have a choice in the matter, your decision could have a big impact on your investment strategy. For example, if you want to retire early, you may need to save and invest more aggressively than you would if you plan to work well past typical retirement age. Also, your retirement date may well affect when you start accepting Social Security payments; if you retire early, you might have to start taking your benefits at age 62, even though your monthly checks will be considerably smaller than if you waited until your full retirement age, which is likely to be 66 or 67.

- Retirement lifestyle – Some people want to spend their retirement years traveling from Athens to Zanzibar, while others simply want to stay close to home and family, pursuing quiet, inexpensive hobbies. Clearly, the lifestyle you choose will affect how much you need to accumulate before you retire and how much you will need to withdraw from your various investment accounts once you do.

- Second career – Some people retire from one career only to begin another. If you think you'd like to have a second act in your working life, you might need some additional training, or you might just put your existing expertise to work as a consultant. If you do launch a new career, it could clearly affect your financial picture. For one thing, if you add a new source of earned income, you might be able to withdraw less from your retirement accounts each year. (Keep in mind, though, that once you reach 70 1/2, you will have to take at least some withdrawals from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.) On the other

hand, if you keep earning income, you can continue putting money into a traditional IRA (until you're 70 1/2) or Roth IRA (indefinitely) and possibly contribute to a retirement plan for the self-employed, such as a SEP-IRA or an owner-only 401(k).

- Philanthropy – During your working years, you may have consistently donated money to charitable organizations. And once you retire, you may want to do even more. For one thing, of course, you can volunteer more of your time. But you also might want to set up some more permanent method of financial support. Consequently, you might want to work with your legal advisor and financial professional to incorporate elements of your investment portfolio into your estate plans to provide more support for charitable groups.

As you can see, your retirement goals can affect your investment strategy – and vice versa. So, think carefully about what you want to accomplish, plan ahead and get the help you need. It takes time and effort to achieve a successful retirement, but it's worth it.

Local farmers call for repeal of WOTUS rule

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Army Corps of Engineers issued a proposal to repeal the controversial Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule earlier this summer. The agency would then

work to develop a WOTUS definition that protects water quality without asserting federal regulatory power over areas that only sometimes hold water. Environmental activist groups, however, are working to preserve the rule.

WOTUS is expansive and overbearing. It's not about protecting the environment, John Ross Copeland, Coke County Farm Bureau president, said. We need to voice our concerns with the rule to help prevent the land grab that would essentially happen under WOTUS.

The American Farm Bureau Federation issued an action alert, calling for comments to help voice agriculture's concerns. Comments may be submitted online at fb.org/wotus-comments.

WOTUS, which is part of the Clean Water Act, expanded the federal government's jurisdiction, allowing them to exert heavy fines and control how land is used.

By withdrawing the rule, farmers and ranchers won't have unnecessary burdens placed on them, nor will we face unreasonable fines for normal agricultural practices, said. The quality of water won't be sacrificed either. We take care of our land and water.

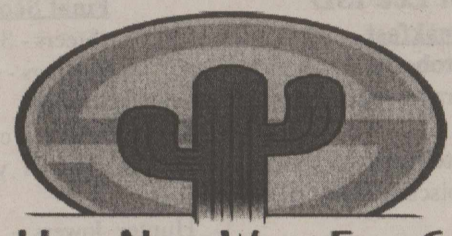
WOTUS was finalized Aug. 28, 2015, but the rule was never implemented. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

issued a nationwide stay in October 2015.

Many states, organizations and entities, including Texas Farm Bureau, Matagorda County Farm Bureau and American Farm Bureau, have filed suit against the WOTUS rule in courts across the nation.

We need to ditch this rule for good, said.

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