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Citizens instructed to call Sheriff's office, not 911

immediately, received citizens of Coke County are Commission is scheduled to being told to call the Coke County Sheriff's Office at (325) 453-2717 instead of dialing 911 in the event of an emergency. This Sheriff's office number is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by certified dispatchers for the Sheriff's Office. Calls made to 911 from within Coke County will be answered by Concho County for the time However, Concho County dispatchers will have to take the 911 call and then call the Coke County Sheriff's Office number so that local services can be paged out.

This is the latest change in a process which began after a new Texas law went into effect on January 1, 2014. This law requires anyone answering an emergency number to be trained and certified. With Coke County's 911 being answered at Robert Lee Care Center, Coke County could not comply with this unfunded mandate.

Coke County Judge Roy Blair, also Coke County's Emergency Management Coordinator, began working with Coke Sheriff Wayne McCutchen to find a way to comply with this new law. Runnels County was first approached to answer Coke County's 911 calls, but after several weeks of negotiation, plans were changed to Tom Green County.

Green County to answer Coke Concho County has graciously County's 911 calls late this spring. However, the process to make this change is multifaceted and cannot be done quickly. In addition to equipment changes, approval must be granted by the Texas 911 Commission which meets quarterly. Currently, only part of the equipment has been

look at this request at their October meeting. According to Neil Brown, Concho Valley Council of Government 911 GIS Manager, the switch to Tom Green County can be activated as soon as the equipment is in place on a "temporary" basis pending approval by the Commission.

The urgency to remove the

current 911 system from the Robert Lee Care Center was the sole item on the agenda of a Special Commissioners Court meeting Tuesday morning, July 22, 2014. West Coke County Hospital District Board members were unaware of the extensive time needed to find, equip and gain approval for another source to answer the 911 calls. The current 911 system is located in a part of the care center scheduled for complete renovation. The first step in this renovation is asbestos removal which could begin as early as Monday, July 28, 2014. The 911 equipment must be dismantled and removed by contractors supplied by Concho Valley Council of Governments before the renovation process begins.

Concho County has been and continues to be Coke County's "emergency switch" for the 911 calls. The last time this was activated was during the fires when the Robert Lee Care A deal was struck with Tom Center was ordered to evacuate. agreed to provide this service to Coke County 'as an emergency solution until the equipment needed to make the permanent transfer to Tom Green County is in place.

Until Tom Green County takes over, Coke County Sheriff Wayne McCutchen urges county residents to use (325) 453-2717



Special Meeting! Robert Lee Care Center Administrator Monica Toney (above photo, left) and West Coke County Hospital District Board President Mary Bessent were on hand to address the Commissioners and Judge Blair at the Special Meeting of the Coke County Commissioners Court Tuesday morning. Also addressing the Court were Jeff Lopez (right photo, left) and Neil Brown, Concho Valley Council of Governments 911 GIS Managers.

for all emergencies. number, answered by Sheriff's office personnel, is operational at all times.

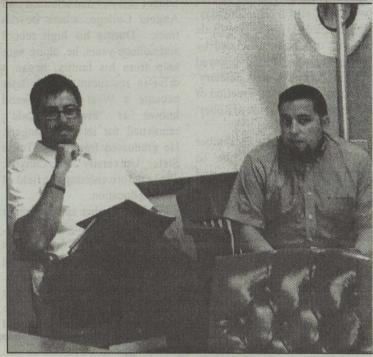
Bronte Golf Tourney set

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 3 person 27 hole golf tournament on Saturday, July 26. Tee time is 9 am.

When signing up you must let them know if a cart is needed and leave a call back number. For more information, contact Bronte Longhorn Golf Club at 325-473-2156, 325-473-3231 or 325-262-6617. After 5 pm call 432-661-3431 or 325-864-3312 or 325-236-0089.

Bells to signal call to prayer

Listen for the church bells or set your alarm and join with over 800,000 believers and say the Lord's Prayer at noon everyday. Teach it to your children so they will have a prayer to say during the moment of silence at school. Praise be to God. Matthew 6:9-13



Bronte Physicals set for August 2

Bronte High School Physicals will be Saturday, August 2, 2014, in San Angelo at Shannon Sports Medicine. All student athletes need to meet in front of the High School at 7 am. The bus will be leaving at 7:15 am. The physical will be of no cost to the student athlete if taken at this time.

Red Hat Society meeting slated

The Red Hat Society will be meeting Thursday, August 7, at the Windmill City Grill in Bronte. The time will be 11 am.

You are welcome to join this group where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life. There are no dues, no rules, no business, no nothing really but lots of good fun and fellowship. Come join

Community Band Practice set for July 24

Robert Lee Community band practice will be held Thursday, July 24 at 6 pm in the RLHS Band Hall. Plans are in the works for practices to be held every Tuesday in August. All are welcome and encouraged to

Bronte Band to begin practice August 4

The Bronte High School Band will begin rehearsals on August 4 from 5-9 pm. Practice will be Monday-Friday with Wednesday off for 2 weeks in August.

Regular Meeting **Commissioners Court** Monday, July 28 9 am Commissioners Courtroom

Coke County Courthouse

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Obituaries



Kinsey

Geraldine "Dean" Nettie Kinsey, 90, of Robert Lee passed away on July 14, 2014, at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Visitation was all day Wednesday, July 16, 2014, at the funeral home in Robert Lee with the family present from 5 pm to 7:30 pm. Funeral service was held at 11 am Thursday, July 17, 2014, at the Northside Church of Christ, officiated by Portis Ripple. Burial followed in the Robert Lee Cemetery. Services were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Robert

Dean was born on December 2, 1923, in Robert Lee to Grandville Ellis Davis and Martha Ellen Lewis Davis. She lived most of her life in Robert Lee, attended and graduated from Robert Lee High School and served as their first drum major. She was the last of ten children.

She met John Wesley Kinsey and they married on June 6, 1940, in Fort Stockton, they were married for 62 years after knowing each other for only two weeks. She worked at the Robert Lee Care Center as an LVN for 21 years.

Dean loved her family and loved playing games with family and friends and she usually won! Her latest interest for the past two years was playing Bingo at Royal Estates. Dean loved the Texas Rangers, she never missed a game and could quote stats at a moments notice.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved husband, John Wesley Kinsey and a daughter, Sonia Joydell "JoJo" Kinsey Dean.

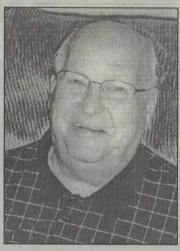
Dean is survived by her son, John Kinsey of Las Cruces,

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New Mexico; two daughters, Martha Selzer of San Angelo and Terri Blair of Robert Lee; twelve grandchildren; twenty-three great grandchildren and six great great grandchildren.

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Davis

Garland Davis was born on September 25, 1935, in Robert Lee to Emory C. "DooDad" and Corena "Tena" Davis. He graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1953 and attended San Angelo College, where he ran track. During his high school and college years, he, along with help from his family, began a drive-in restaurant, which later became a West Texas legend known as "Froggy's Café", renowned for its steak fingers. He graduated from West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas before entering the field of public education.

While a teacher in the Robert Lee ISD, he taught English, speech, debate and directed the one-act play, while also coaching football, basketball and track. later became administrator, serving as the elementary school principal and

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the high school principal.

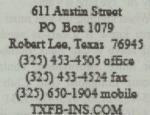
In 1972, he was named the Superintendent of Schools of the Medina Independent School District, where he remained until 1981. He was instrumental in creating the Texas Association of Community Schools in Austin and spent many hours actively involved in developing legislation for the betterment of Texas public education. In 1981, he was appointed by Commissioner of Education, Dr. Raymond Bynum as one of two assistant Commissioners with the Texas Education Agency in Austin. Following, he became the Superintendent of Schools for Crockett County Consolidated Common School District in Ozona. He served in that capacity until 1991, when he returned to Austin as the Executive Director of the Texas Association of Community Schools. When he retired from that position and from Texas public education, he moved to Lovington, New Mexico where he was the principal of Lea Elementary, which housed only first grade students. He claimed that it was the best job of his career, as he got to be "grandpa" all day long.

Mr. Davis was also the mayor of Robert Lee for many years as well as a board member for the Region 15 Educational Service Center in San Angelo and a member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature. In addition, he was a member of the Hayrick Masonic Lodge, the Lions Club, The Rotary Club and served in several capacities within the First United Methodist Churches within the communities in which he lived.

He was preceded in death by his parents, all of his aunts/ uncles; his brother Vaughn Stanley "Sti" Davis; his devoted wife of 54 years, Rose Marie "Rosie" Davis; and an infant grand-daughter, Heather Michelle Davis.

He is survived by his brothers, Edwin Gene "Butch" Davis of Angelo, Waymond Copeland "Copie" Davis of Dime Box; his sons, Glenn and wife Colleen Davis of McQueeney, Gary and wife Carmela of Oklahoma City and Copie and Alicia Davis of

Russell Davis Agent



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Pflugerville; his grandchildren, Lindy in February of 1956 in many cherished friends.

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Butler

Elroy Butler, age 81, of Rotan, passed away Saturday, July 19, 2014, at Nolan Nursing and Rehab Center in Sweetwater.

Funeral services were held at 1 pm Tuesday, July 22, 2014, at the Bronte Church of Christ in Bronte, Texas, with John Driggers officiating. Interment followed at the Fairview Cemetery under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home in Sweetwater. Visitation was from 5 pm until 7 pm Monday, July 21, 2014, at the funeral home.

He was born September 5, 1932, in Junction, Texas. Elroy graduated from high school and joined the United States Air Force, serving in the Korean Conflict. He married Margie

Courtney Davis of Lubbock, Haughton, Louisiana. He lived Curtis Davis of Oklahoma City, in the area since 1956, including Davis of Lake Sterling City and Bronte, McQueeney, Marlow, Sawyer, recently moving from College and Emery Davis of Denver Station. He was a consignee for City. He is also survived by Gulf Oil Company, operating numerous nieces, nephews and Butler Oil Company from 1961 until 1991. He is a member of the Church of Christ and past member of the Elk's Lodge, Lions Club and Jaycees.

> He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Margie Butler of Rotan; son, Donald Butler and Fran of Bronte; daughters, Lindy Robinson and husband Robbie of Rotan, and Donna Bredemeyer and husband Rodrick of Winters, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He is also survived by sisters-in-law, Maxine Butler of Conroe, Sue Butler of Cleburne, Mary Weaver of Haughton, Louisiana and a brother-in-law Freddy Lindy and wife Barbara of Glenwood, Arkansas.

> He is preceded in death by his parents, Jim and Bertha (Hibdon) Butler, twin brother LeRoy Butler, brothers Norman, Delmon and Jim Butler, JR and a sister Ella Mae Gamble.

> Pallbearers were his grandsons Brandon Roach, Lorne Roach, Jon Roach, Lyndon Butler, Mitchell Butler, Jantzen Robinson and Jaxson Robinson. Honorary pallbearers were his granddaughters Lindsey Kemper and husband Kelby and Valene Powell and husband Daniel and Kristi Butler.

> Online condolences may be expressed at www.mccoyfh.com.

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Area Churches Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bionte (325) 473-3291 Preacher John V. Driggers Sun, 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm Central Baptist Church 324 S. Franklin * Bronte (325) 473-4811 Dale Patterson, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wed. 6 pm First Baptist Church 424 S. Washington • Bronke (325) 473-2331 Bro, Corey Cornutt, Pastor Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship, 5 pm Worship pm Youth Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes Bronte (325) 473-3281 Rev. Everette Boyce, Pastor

Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Forgiven Ministries 117 W. Main, Bronte Russ Frasier, Pastor Sun. 10 am St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sun. 5 pm

Coke County **Pecan Baptist** PO Box 542 *12 miles West of Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy (325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Minister www.pecanbaptist.org Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm. Worship

Robert Lee Bible Baptist Church PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin (325)453-2621 Robert Lee, Dennis Clark, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School, 11 am

Emmanuel Pentecostal PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy Robert Lee (325) 453-2360 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm. Wed. 7 pm First United Methodist Church PO Box 144 9th & Chadbourne Robert Lee * (325) 453-2417 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice Iglesia Bautista Betel 101 Houston • Robert Lee Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School
11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm
Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2176 Jordan Arnold, Preacher Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ

9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee

Wed. 6 pm, Worship

PO Box 508

(325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or (325) 473-1053 Services: Sun. 10 am Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sat. 6 pm Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th

(325) 453-2724 Danny White. Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm. Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God (325) 453-2208, PO Box 638 6th & Houston, Robert Lee Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study Tennyson **Tennyson Baptist Church** Hwy 277 • Tennyson (325) 473-2040

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting-

Entomology Update

By Wizzie Brown
Submitted by Morgan Runyan
Texas AgriLife Agent
Aphids

Aphids feed on a wide variety of plants in Texas. They have high reproductive capabilities so their populations can grow to large numbers quickly.

Aphids are small, soft-bodied insects that come in a variety of colors. Some have wings while others may not, but all have cornicles, or "tailpipes" that come off the tip of the abdomen. Aphids have piercing-sucking mouthparts which they use to pierce plant tissue and suck out the juices. Damage often appears as yellowing or curling of foliage. Aphids also secrete a sweet, sticky substance called honeydew.

Honeydew often appears on the plant as a shiny spots or sometimes the honeydew may have sooty mold growing on it. Sooty mold is a black fungus that can block sunlight from reaching the plant leading to a decrease of photosynthesis.

Some ideas for managing aphids are as follows:

• Encourage natural enemies such as ladybugs, lacewing larvae & syrphid fly larvae; know what these creatures look like so you don't kill them

• Use high pressure water sprays to dislodge aphids from the plant

• Less toxic pesticides include active ingredients such as insecticidal soap, azadirachtin (neem), horticultural oils or dlimonene

• Other pesticides 1 anage aphids may include active ingredients such as permethrin and other pyrethroids, acephate, carbaryl or imidacloprid

For more information go to the Urban IPM Blog at http://urban-impblogspot.com.



Grilling Expert Tips for "Grade A" Grilling

Summer may be the traditional grilling season, but more than half of Americans fire up the barbecue all year-round! Whether you're a Weekend-only Griller or an Every Day Grill Gourmet, beef up your food safety with these helpful, hot-off-the-grill tips.

Let Leftovers Go

While food safety experts say grilled foods have a refrigerator life of only three to four days, many grillers keep leftovers for up to a week or longer. But keeping grilled foods for too long can affect both taste and quality. Make sure your grilled leftovers are as safe as they are delicious by refrigerating foods in shallow containers (no more than 3 inches deep) and writing the date on top to help you keep track. Also be sure to reheat

foods to an internal temperature of 165° F before serving a second time around use a food thermometer to check.

Clean Your Machine

According to a recent survey1, gas grills are America's favorite grill of choice, with 67 percent of the vote. Charcoal grills follow second (46 percent) and a small percentage prefer smokers (10 percent) or outdoor electric grills (4 percent). Before you fuel the fire or rake the coals, make sure your grill is clean by scrubbing it with hot, soapy water before each and every use, or follow manufactures instruction for cleaning gas grills

Develop a Taste for Safety

According to a recent survey conducted by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics , 31 percent of people say the most common thing that causes food poisoning is undercooking or not cooking to proper temperatures, but only 23 percent of Americans use a food thermometer to check doneness of the hamburgers, chicken breasts and other grilled favorites! Cooking to proper internal temperatures not only helps ensure the taste of your grilled dishes, it also helps ensure their safety. Next time grill, grab a food you thermometer to make sure your culinary creations are delicious, nutritious and done.

Cut Condiment Bacteria

Data shows that mayonnaise is America's top selling condiment, followed by salsa, ketchup and mustard. Whatever condiment strikes your fancy, follow these food safety tips: Always marinate meat in the refrigerator (never on the counter or outside by the grill), and bring leftover sauces to a boil before reusing them on cooked meats to prevent cross-contamination. Remember condiments should not be left sitting out for more than two hours (one hour in weather above 90°F). It is a smart idea to bring a cooler or keep condiments in a



2014 Multi-County 4-H Camp! Last week, five Coke County 4-H members attended camp at Buffalo Gap, Texas. The Coke County 4-H campers joined with 4-H campers from Sterling, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford and Nolan counties, giving the camp an attendance of around 100 4-H members from the area. While at Camp, the youth participated in leadership and teambuilding activities while also having time for recreation consisting of swimming and a fun-filled night of dancing. On the final day of camp, the 4-H members were given the opportunity to learn about quail and Texas Brigades. The annual July County 4-H camp is open to youth who have completed the 3rd through 8th grade. For more information, contact the Coke County Extension Office.

bucket of ice.

Keep the Upper Hand

The survey conducted by the Academy found that while 77 percent of Americans use different cutting boards for raw meats and ready-to-eat foods, only 9 percent always or usually wash utensils before using them for cooked foods. These grilling shortcuts may save time, but they also can leave you with a case of foodborne illness! Take

precautions by washing cutting boardsand utensils in hot, soapy water between uses, or use color-coded sets to keep raw meats, seafood and poultry and ready-to-eat foods separate. And

always, always wash your hands!

Watch the Clock

The Academy survey indicated 21 percent of people believe picnic foods can sit out in (Continued on Page 7)

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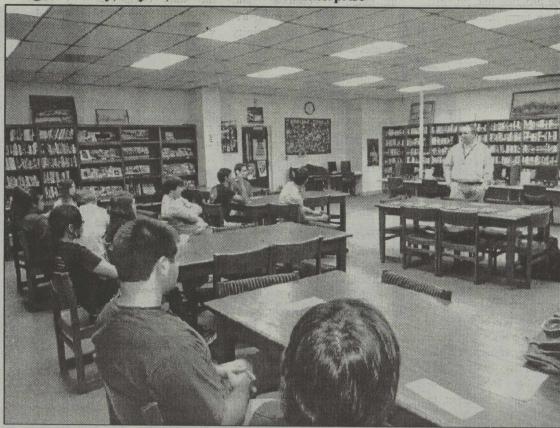
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TSTC Presentation! Cory Gropp from Texas State Technical College spoke in May to a group of Bronte High School students about the educational programs and opportunities TSTC offers on several of their campuses throughout the state. Some of the programs include diesel technology, automotive technology, culinary arts, welding, down hole tool technology, auto collision and paint, vocational nursing, robotics, computer technology, wind turbine technology, refrigeration and heating technology and computer aided drafting and design technology (CAD). Many of the programs offer associates degrees or certificates. Mr. Gropp stated that "Texas State Technical Colleges are a quick route to a great career, high quality education and high salaries, excellent faculty and small classes, hands-on real world training and job opportunities." For more information on TSTC, please visit www.tstc.edu.



Bronte Elementary School Supply List 2014-2015

Preschool program for children with disabilities &

Pre-K

- *1-Blunt 5" Fiskar Scissors
- 3 1.25 oz. Elmer's Glue 3 boxes Kleenex Facial Tissue
- 1 bottle Purell hand sanitizer
- 1 box "Ziplock" Bags, Quart
- 1 box Crayola Crayons (8 count only - NO Jumbo)
- 1 set Dry Erase Markers (set of 4)
 - 5 Glue Sticks
- *1 Spiral Notebook (100 count wide rule)
- *1 Large Zippered Top Backpack
- *1 Set of extra clothing Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-
- *Indicates items to be labeled with child's name. All other
- items will be shared in the classroom as community property. For example, each student's glue will be placed in the class' glue box.
- *Please consider clothing that will allow your child to dress and go to the bathroom independently.

Kindergarten

- 6 boxes Crayola Crayons-Primary colors (8 count only -NO Jumbo-NO glitter)
- 3 boxes Facial Tissues (100
 - 12 No. 2 Pencils
- 1 box Crayola Thick Markers (10 count)
- 3 4.0 oz. Elmer's Glue (No Rose Art)
- 1 set Dry Erase Markers (set
- 10 Folders with only Bottom Pockets (NO plastic)
- 1 Sharp 5" Fiskar Scissors
- I Canister of pull-up Clorox Disinfectant wipes
- 2 Pink Bevel Eraser
- 1 Small Plastic School Box (no zipper bags please)
- 1 School Bag or Backpack (large enough to hold folders)
- 1 roll 1/2" Transparent Tape Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-
- *Please label everything your child brings to school.

1st Grade

- 2 boxes Crayola Crayons (16
- *2 boxes Facial Tissues (100
- *10 No. 2 Pencils
- *1 Elmer's 4 oz. Glue
- 6 Assorted Folders (Pockets

only)

- 1 Sharp 5" Fiskar Scissors
- 2 Glue Sticks
- 1 Plastic School Box
- 1 School Bag or Backpack
- *1 box "Ziplock" Bags, Quart
- Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-
- *Community Property You do not need to have your child's name on them.

2nd Grade

- 1 box Crayons (24 count)
- 1 box Kleenex 20 No. 2 Pencils
- 1 Elmer's 4 oz. Glue
- 1 Scissors
- 4 Pink Erasers
- 1 School Box
- 1 School Bag or Backpack 6 Folders with Pockets
- 1 Ruler
- 1 1" 3-ring binder
- 6 Glue Sticks
- 1 Large Cloth book cover
- 4 Dry Erase Markers (Black) Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-\$10.00

3rd Grade

- 1 box Facial Tissues 4 Glue Sticks
- 1 Elmer's Glue
- 2 Permanent Markers
- 3 Notebook paper (wide rulenot college)

- 2 Pencil sharpener & Eraser
- box Multiplication flashcards
- 3 Red pens
- 1 Supply box/bag
- 1 box Crayons or Markers
- Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-\$10.00

4th Grade

- 2 boxes Facial Tissues (100
- count)
- 24 No. 2 Pencils 1 School Bag or Backpack
- 3 Pocket folders 4 Cloth Book Covers
- 2 packages Notebook Paper (Wide Rule)
- 1 1" 3-ring binder
- 2 Glue Sticks
- 2 Highlighters
- 1 Composition notebook
- Adopt-A-Longhorn \$10.00

5th Grade

- 3 boxes Facial Tissues
- 3 Pocket Folders
- 4 Jumbo Book Covers
- 1 package Index Cards (3x5)
- 2 Pencil Sharpeners (hand held)
 - 24 No. 2 Pencils
- 2 Highlighters Yellow
- package Wide Ruled Notebook paper
- I box Quart Size "Ziplock" bags
 - 2 Glue Sticks
 - 1 1" 3-Ring Binder
- Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-\$10.00

- 6th Grade 12 No. 2 Pencils (wood)
- 2 packages Notebook Paper (200 wide rule)
- 2 boxes Facial Tissues
- 4 Cloth book covers (Jumbo
- 3 Pocket Folders
- 1 1" 3-Ring Binder
- I Hand-held pencil sharpener
- 4 Glue Sticks 1 package 3x5 ruled index cards
- I box Color Pencils (12 ct.-
- crayola brand) I box Gallon size "Ziplock"
- 1 Composition Notebook
- 2 Highlighters-yellow Adopt-A-Longhorn t-shirt-

\$10.00

Robert Lee Elementary 2014-2015 School Supply List

Pre-K

- 2 boxes 8 or 16 count Crayola Brand crayons (no 24 count)
- 1 pair Scissors
- 2 packages Glue Sticks
- package Assorted Construction Paper
- 1 box Quart Size Ziploe Bags
- 4 boxes Kleenex
- 1 set Water Colors
- 1 package of 3x5 Index Cards
- 2 large Disinfectant Wipes
- 1 set of extra clothes
- 1 old large shirt that can be used for painting
 - Kindergarten boxes Crayola Brand
- crayons (no more than 24) 8 Glue Sticks
- 6 regular Yellow #2 Pencils
- 2 Composition Notebook
- 1 Small Plastic School Box
- 3 large boxes Kleenex
- 2 sturdy, slick plastic Pocket
- folders (no brads) 2 large Pink Erasers
- 3 packages 3x5 Index Cards
- 1 larger Hand Sanitizer 1 box Quart Size Ziploc Bags
- Towel for rest time (no vinyl
- Backpack
- 1 set of extra clothes
- *Initial each eraser and cravon and leave crayons in the original
- *Do not initial pencils or glue sticks

1st Grade

- 2 packages of pencil top erasers
- 2 Red Plastic Folders with brads and pockets
- 1 Orange folder with brads
- 2 Black Marble Composition Notebooks (100 sheets-Wide
- Ruled) 1 large Zipper Pencil Pouch
- (no boxes)
- 3 boxes Kleenex 2 boxes Crayola Crayons at
- least 24 count 1 package <u>Ticonderoga</u> yellow
- pencils 24 count
- 2 Glue Sticks 2-1 1/4 oz. bottle Elmer's

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- 1 box Ziploc bags (Girls-Gallon size)(Boys-Quart size)
- 1 Clipboard
- 1 Backpack-NO WHEELS
- * PLEASE DO NOT LABEL THE SUPPLIES!

2nd Grade

- 2 packages (24 count) #2 yellow pencils
- 2 Composition Notebooks (100 sheets-Wide Ruled)
- 2 Red Plastic Folders with Pockets and Brads
- 1 box of Crayons (doesn't school starts* matter how many)
- 1 box of Map Colors
- 1-4 oz. bottle of Glue or 3 glue sticks
- 1 large Zipper Pencil Pouch (no boxes)
- 2 Pink Erasers
- 2 boxes of Pencil Top Erasers
- 1 Backpack (NO WHEELS)
- 1 Clipboard
- 2 boxes Kleenex
- Girls-1 box of Gallon size Ziploc Bags
- Boys-1 box of Quart size and Snack size Ziploc Bags

3rd Grade

- 1 package (24 count) #2 Yellow Pencils
- 2 Pink Erasers
- 6 Red Grading Pens
- 1 large Zipper Pencil Bag or
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- 2 boxes 12 count Map Pencils
- 1 box 24 count Crayons
- 1 bottle of glue
- packages Wide Ruled Notebook Paper
- 1 container of Disinfectant
- 1 Backpack (NO WHEELS) Girls-1 box Gallon Size Ziploc Bags
- Boys-1 box Quart Size Ziploc
- *PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES!

4th 5th and 6th Grade

- 2 Pink Erasers
- 4 Red Pens
- 2 Black sharpies
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 box or zippered bag for supplies
- 1 hand held pencil sharpener
- 24 count crayons
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- containers Disinfectant
- 2 packages of notebook paper 3 packages 4x6 index cards
- 24 pencils
- Map pencils
- 1 package markers
- 6 glue sticks
- 2 highlighters
- 4 dry erase markers



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- 2-3 subject spiral notebooks (math)
- 2 composition notebooks (science)
- 1-1"ring notebook (language
- 2 composition notebooks
- 2 folders with pockets Boys-sandwich bags
- Girls-Colored paper (any
- Backpack (NO WHEELS) *Supplies may be added after

New Farm Bill requires farmers/ranchers to comply

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack reminded producers this week that changes mandated through the 2014 Farm Bill require them to have on file a Highly Erodible Land Conservation and Wetland Conservation Certification (AD-1026). The Farm Bill relinked highly erodible land and wetland conservation conservation compliance with eligibility for premium support paid under the federal crop insurance program.

"It's important that farmers and ranchers taking the right steps to conserve valuable farm and natural resources have completed AD-1026 forms on file at their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office," said Vilsack. "This will ensure they remain eligible for crop insurance support."

For farmers to be eligible for premium support on their federal crop insurance, completed and signed AD-1026 form must be on file with the FSA. Since many FSA and Natural Resource Conservation (NRCS) programs have this requirement, most producers should already have an AD-1026 on file. If producers have not filed, they must do so by June 1, 2015.

When a farmer completes the AD-1026, FSA and NRCS staff will outline any additional actions that may be required for compliance with the provisions. The Risk Management Agency, through the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), manages the federal crop

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INSURANCE

insurance program that provides the modern farm safety net for American farmers and ranchers. Since enactment of the 1985 Farm Bill, eligibility for most commodity, disaster, and conservation programs has been linked to compliance with the highly erodible conservation and wetland conservation provisions. The 2014 Farm Bill continues the requirement that producers adhere to conservation compliance guidelines to be eligible for most programs administered by FSA and NRCS. This includes the new price and revenue protection programs, the Conservation Reserve Program, the Livestock Disaster Assistance programs and Marketing Assistance Loans implemented by FSA. It also includes the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, the Conservation Stewardship Program, and other conservation programs.

FSA recently released a revised form AD-1026, which is available at USDA Service Centers and online at: http:// www.fsa.usda.gov/ . USDA will publish a rule later this year that will provide details outlining the connection of conservation compliance with crop insurance premium support. Producers can also contact their local USDA Service Center for information. A listing of service center locations is available at http:// www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/ nrcs/main/national/contact/local.

This announcement was made possible by the 2014 Farm Bill. The Farm Bill builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for taxpayers. Since enactment, USDA has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for

products; rural-made and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit: http:// www.usda.gov/farmbill.

US Court of Appeals hands down ruling

Americans for Limited Government President Nathan Mehrens issued the following statement this week praising the decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia in Halbigv. Burwell, finding that Obamcare exchange subsidies cannot be given in states that decided to not set up their own exchanges under an IRS regulation:

"Now, the wisdom of 36 states that have refused to implement state exchanges comes into full view with the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals' decision to strike down any Obamacare subsidies given through the federally run exchanges. The law only ever authorized that the subsidies to private insurers—some \$800 billion a year—be paid through

the state exchanges. By not setting up state exchanges, and with the court's ruling, the basic premise of Obamacare has been

"Not only are the subsidies illegal per the court's ruling, because those subsidies would not be distributed under the decision, the enforceability of both the individual and employer mandates' tax penalties-which depend on those subsidies—has been kneecapped. Meaning, should the ruling stand, the IRS will have no way of penalizing employers and millions of Americans for failing to purchase health insurance in the

"Should this ruling withstand scrutiny all the way through the Supreme Court, it will be the end of Obamacare in those 36 states. It will be such a mess that perhaps the only solution will be for Congress to repeal the law. The 36 state legislatures and governors that refused to implement the exchanges are to be praised—as they may have enabled the nation to dodge the Obamacare bullet."



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Justice of the Peace

Precinct 1

Jackie Walker (Rep.)

Justice of the Peace

Precinct 2

Grady Coulter (Dem.)

Commissioner

Precinct 2

Paul Williams (Rep.)

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CARD OF THANKS

THANKS TO ALL THE **GREAT PEOPLE OF** COKE COUNTY

for the prayers and concern for us the last few months. Thanks to the Bronte and Robert Lee EMS, Sheriff McCutchen and Ross Torres for responding so quickly when I fell; to the wonderful staff at Robert Lee Care Center for being so kind and caring while we've been there and to therapists Kim and Curtis for helping me get back on my feet. We love and appreciate you all!

> Alene & David Key 03-1tc



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine & Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Veer Foods, Inc. d.b.a. Super H, located at 501 Commerce St., Robert Lee, Coke County, TX 76945. Officers of the said entity: Nilay A. Gandhi - President & Prakash G. Patel - Secretary. 02-2tc

PUBLIC NOTICE Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine & Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Bronte Grocery, Inc. d.b.a. Super Save Foods, located at 120 West Main Street, Bronte, Coke County, TX 76933. Officer of the said entity:

02-2tc NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PETITION

Syed W. Mehdi-President.

As required by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) and the Texas Secretary of State, this notice provides that Bronte Texas resident Jennifer M. Addona and ten qualified Justice

Tonys Wrench

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Precincts 2 and 4 Coke County Texas voters will be submitting to the Coke County Clerks office, an Application for Petition, in order to gather signatures for a Local Option Liquor Election to legalize the sale of beer and wine (for on-site consumption). The petition will be circulated in Coke County Precincts 2 and 4, and will be filed with Mary Grim, Coke County Clerk.

03-1tc

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF INDIGENT HEALTH CARE **ASSISTANCE**

West Coke County Hospital District of Robert Lee, Texas will provide from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 Indigent Health Care service to all eligible persons who meet the Hospital District eligibility requirements. Any resident of West Coke County Hospital District is eligible to apply for these services. Eligibility criteria include household composition, income and other available resources. Supporting documentation is required for all components of eligibility. Eligibility for Indigent Health Care services will be limited to persons who can prove residency in the West Coke County Hospital District and whose family income meets the criteria of the current poverty income guidelines established by the Texas Department of Health and shown to be effective May 2003. Application for this program can be made at the business office of the Robert Lee Care Center. This notice is made in compliance with the plan administration for annual public notification of service availability.

02-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE West Coke County Hospital District dba

Robert Lee Care Center **Non-Discrimination Policy**

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Americans Disability Act of 1975, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, provides that no person in the United States, on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, age, sex, or handicap, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any of our programs, activities, financial assistance programs, admission policies, training programs, or employment practices. It is the policy of this facility that recruitment, admission, employment, and all administrative practices be conducted in compliance with Grievance Acts. these procedures for all personnel have been implemented for resolving complaints that provide for immediate levels of discussion, fact finding, hearing and appeal to the administrator, if necessary, without fear of reprisal of any form. Any person who feels he or she has not received treatment in accordance

person or agencies listed below: State Department of Health

with our policies and practices

may submit a complaint to the

Office for Civil Rights Telephone Number: 800/868-1019 ****

Facility Administrator Telephone Number: 325/453-2511

Area Ombudsman Telephone Number: 325/944-9666

Our non-discrimination policies are provided to our employees and residents upon employment/admission. A copy is posted on our resident and employee bulletin boards.

Contact the administrator or his/her designee for a copy of

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information relative to how this policy is disseminated to persons with disabilities (sight/ hearing impaired, language barriers/translation, etc.)

Initial employment orientation and annual in-service training programs are provided to our staff relative to our established non-discrimination policies and procedures.

03-1tc WEST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT ROBERT LEE, TEXAS REQUEST FOR **QUALIFICATIONS** CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK **SERVICES**

West Coke County Hospital District (DBA Robert Lee Care Center) is currently seeking renovation construction services to renovate the existing East Wing Resident Unit and associated nursing support functions. The District will be using a construction manager at risk process that incorporates a guaranteed maximum price for the work. The project is estimated to include approximately 5,347 gross square feet in the existing nursing home.

The District intends to select a limited number of submitted companies for personal interview. Those firms who successfully advance to the second step of the selection process will be advised by August 25,2014 and asked for further detailed information. Companies with experience in

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the cost-effective construction of nursing homes and related elder care facilities are encouraged to

The Request for Qualification statement will be available as of July 22,2014. Statements of Qualification shall be received by 5:00 PM, Monday, August 18, 2014 at the Robert Lee Care Center to be eligible for consideration. All qualified submittals must be delivered by hand, courier or mail. Electronic and fax submittals will not be accepted. West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to accept any or all proposals, and to waive all technicalities.

Request for Qualification is available by contacting Walter Curry via email at or by phone at (325) 721-2794.

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... Just From Jan Grilling

(Continued from page 3) summer heat for more than two hours without refrigeration. Not true! In temperatures of 90°F or more, the "two hour rule" becomes the "one hour rule." Next time you dine outdoors, keep guests safe by setting out perishable fooditems in onehour shifts. After each shift, place uneaten food back in a refrigerator set below 40° F. Or, keep perishable foods on ice to make sure they stay properly chilled.

Follow the Experts' advice and have a safe grilling summer.

Thunderbird Van information posted

The Concho Valley Transit District Thunderbird van is available for all residents of Coke County. The van can take you anywhere in Robert Lee or San Angelo that you need to go like Doctor appointments, grocery stores, Pharmacy's or any other place. The local driver can also pick up your medicine from the pharmacies. The van is wheelchair accessible.

Please call the night before to make your arrangements and to be put on the schedule. The numbers to call are: Robert Lee call Tammy at 325-234-0290, and Bronte call Linda at 325-234-0251. The van is available Monday through Friday, 8 am-6 pm.

Fire Department Donations needed

Both the Bronte and Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Departments are in need of Gatorade and bottled water donations. With the continued lack of moisture and hot temperatures, the possibility of wildfires is a clear and present danger to our county.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, checks may be mailed to PO Box 26, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 for the Robert Lee VFD and to PO Box 370, Bronte, Texas 76933 for the Bronte VFD.

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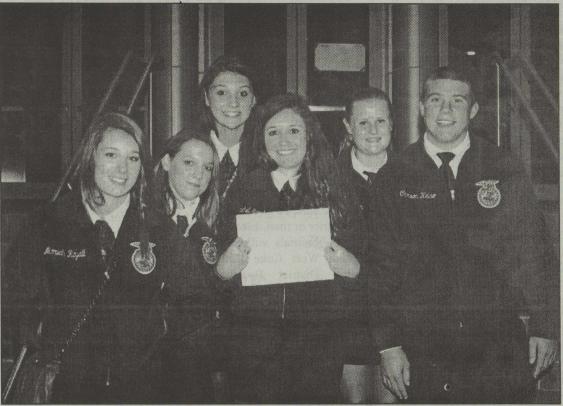
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FFA Conference! Attending the 86th Annual Texas FFA State Convention were Bronte FFA members (from left) Moriah Royall, Kourtney Kelton, Emmery McCullough, Rachel Everheart, Katlyn Reeves, and Carson Kelso.

Bronte FFA attends the 86th Annual Texas FFA State Convention

The Bronte FFA had the honor to attend the 86th annual Texas FFA State Convention held July 14-18, 2014 in Fort Worth, Texas with the new Agriculture Science Teacher, Mr. Rowdy Akins. More than 11,000 Texas FFA members and guest were in attendance. The Bronte FFA Members of the agricultural youth leadership organization spent the week attending leadership workshops, participating in events and activities, being recognized for their achievements, serving as the legislative body for the Texas FFA Association and saw some of the attractions of Fort Worth/Arlington, Texas such as the Ridgmar Mall and Six Flags Over Texas.

The Texas FFA has evolved from an organization focusing primarily on production agriculture, to a broader-based encompassing organization that addresses the needs and interests of students in urban and suburban schools in addition to

the rural communities from which FFA rose in 1929. The organization is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

The Texas FFA is the nation's largest state FFA association with a membership of more than 100,000 members and 1,000 local FFA chapters. FFA gives students the opportunity to apply practical classroom knowledge to real world experiences through local, state and national competitions. Only 1 percent of Texas FFA members receive the Lone Star FFA Degree every year. The Lone Star FFA Degree is the highest degree bestowed by the Texas FFA. The Lone Star FFA Degree recognizes FFA members who have received the Chapter degree, been active FFA members for at least two years, complete at least four semesters of agricultural science at or above the ninth grade level, maintain a supervised involvement at the chapter level and above. Congratulations Rachel Everheart for being 1 of more than 2,000 FFA members receiving this esteemed degree. **Proposed "Waters of**

Proposed "Waters of the U.S." Rule

The Clean Water Act (CWA) gives the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the authority to regulate discharges of pollutants into the waters of the United States and regulates the quality standards for surface waters.

The proposed "Waters of the U.S." rule defines the scope of waters protected under the Clean Water Act. It basically broadens the scope of the waters subject to regulation under the CWA and expands the types of waters and lands subject to federal permit requirements.

There's concern that the proposed changes would give EPA jurisdiction over smaller, more remote waters that currently fall under state and local governments. Normal farm and ranch activities could be interpreted by EPA to be point source discharges of

agricultural experience (SAE)

program, demonstrate their

leadership skills and show a

commitment to the FFA through

pollutants and subject agricultural producers to federal permitting, regulations, and fines.

The proposed rule can be found at the following site http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-04-21/pdf/2014-07142.pdf.

Comments can be submitted on or before Oct. 20, 2014. Comments should be identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW 2011-0880 and submitted by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Email: ow-docket@epa.gov. Include EPA-HQ-OW-2011-0880 in the subject line of the message.

• Mail: Send the original and three copies of your comments to: Water Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 2822T, 1200; Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460, Attention: Docket ID No. EPAHQ-OW-2011-0880.





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