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Destructive storms roll through Bronte last week

This year continues to be one of our wettest in recent memory. As much as we are thankful for the rain, the destruction that sometimes accompanies spring storms is not welcome. Bronte received heavy rain and hail on Thursday, May 26, 2016. Some residents saw what they believe to be a tornado in the air that appears to have touched down just north of town.

Janie Sanchez Tombs took the

photo at right just after the storm passed through at the intersection of US Highway 277 and State Highway 158 in downtown Bronte.

Bronte Volunteer Fire Department Chief Bill Torres came home to find his barn destroyed (bottom photo). Fortunately, the horses were unharmed and the family's home was barely damaged. The family lives just north of Bronte.

Mt. Creek slates tournament for June 4

Mountain Creek Golf Association has a 3 person, 27 hole Stompin' Steer Scramble slated for June 4, 2016, with a 9 am shotgun start planned.

For more information, please contact Mountain Creek at 325-453-2317 or 806-543-2118.

Shooting Match Planned for Saturday

The Coke County 4-H Rifle Team will be hosting the 2016 Coke County 4-H Invitational Shooting Match at the Red Canyon Gun Range on June 4, 2016. The shooting will begin around 8:45 am.

This match will consist of approximately 30 extremely talented kids competing in .22 Light Rifle and .22 Rifle Silhouettes.

There will be a lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, chips and a drink offered. Concessions will also be available.

The Coke County 4-H Rifle Team has worked really hard and had a very successful season. This will be their last match of the season. So, please come out and show your support for some of Coke County's very own!

Save the Park Fun Day set for June 11

Save the Park Fun Day will be Saturday, June 11, 2016, from 10 am until 2 pm in the heart of the park. It will be very similar to last year; dunking booth, bounce houses, petting zoo, tents with different activities. A few other events have been added to the day as well.

The 5k color run or walk will start at 9 am. Registration will be in the pool parking lot starting at 8:15. All ages are

invited.

A 50/50 raffle is also being held. The winner will receive half the monies collected and the remainder will go into the park fund.

Dance under the stars at the park pavilion beginning at 8 pm. C. R. Tijerina will be the DJ.

Longhorn Golf Club slates tournament in Bronte for June 11

Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is holding a 2 person, 27 hole scramble on June 11. Tee time is at 9 am.

Please register before 12 noon on Friday before the tournament. Please let us know if you need a cart and leave a call back number. Contact the club house at 325-473-2156 or Debbie at 325-262-6617.

Food Drive is tremendous success

Bronte and surrounding areas did a great job again. The local Post Office routes collected 1,022 pounds of groceries for The Salt Of The Earth Ministry. The Ministry was able to feed 30 families this last Saturday with the help of the community. For those who work to feed these families and for the families that receive this blessing each month, your support is greatly appreciated. God Bless each and every one of you.

High School Essay Contest slated

Attention High Schoolers: Here's your chance to win \$250 cash prize for entering an essay contest open to boys and girls—freshmen through senior high. All you need to do is write an essay of 300-500 words on "What does the 4th of July Mean?"

Two prizes of \$250 each will be awarded, to one boy and one girl. Deadline for entries is June 15.



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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

On June 30th, I will retire from a career in access of 25 years holding an EMS Certification, 20 of which has been as a Paramedic.

There have been a lot of good times and a few real bad days. I have worked for and with some amazing people. With that being said I have also worked with and for some real jerks.

I have watched life begin and with regret I have watched life end. I have held and tried to help babies and little children and with all the trying and using everything I knew, watched that precious little life leave. Then I think about the little ones that look in your eyes pleading for help and by the grace of God you bring them back from the edge. To later have them run up to you in a department store, hug you and thank you.

I have held the hand of an elderly patient as they have taken their last breath and have fought the "Grim Reaper" with every breath in me to bring back life, sometimes in triumph but most times in failure.

I have been supervisor in charge of 2 Ambulances and have been responsible for 7 Ambulances and crews. Dispatched 911. Listened to a mother crying for an Ambulance as she watched her son die of a drug overdose. Knowing the Ambulance is on the way but will it get there in time.

This may sound like the ramblings of an old man, well not really. I want to give the new people starting on the EMS journey a little in site of what you could expect.

Some of the people you come across will make an impression on you that will last a life time. Then some of them, you will think there needs to be more bleach added to that gene pool.

I taught EMS for a junior college in Waco, seeing the young faces eager to learn and seeing the disappointment when you tell them that they won't be a super hero every time they go to work. The students laugh and laugh when you tell them that EMS stands for Earn Money Sleeping. They will learn.

That being said, stand by your local EMS. Demand that they be the best that they can be. I have heard and read a few things that have been said locally that are not true. Be

Engagement Announced!
 Scot and Shelli Long of Sterling City, are proud to announce the engagement of their son, Mason Quade Long, to Ashley Nicole Doss, daughter of Rick and Cindy Doss of Grape Creek.

The future groom is a graduate of Angelo State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in AgriBusiness. He is currently employed at The First National Bank of Mertzön as a Credit Analyst.

The future bride is a graduate of Angelo State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She will be employed by SAISD teaching at Bowie Elementary.

The ceremony will be held June 4, 2016 in San Angelo, Texas. The couple plans to reside in San Angelo following the wedding.

ready for the record to be set straight. I will step on toes now and in the future

Leroy Casey EMT-P Retired Free Online Program Helps Farmers and Ranchers with Conservation Efforts

As bad weather continues to hit large areas of Texas, the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) wants to remind farmers, ranchers and others about the ease and convenience of using the agency's online Conservation Client Gateway to work with NRCS personnel and local field offices.

"The Conservation Client Gateway web based tool came about because the Natural Resources Conservation Service saw an opportunity using web based technology to be able to expand its



client base and not only that, but to facilitate opportunities for our clients and non NRCS clients to have easier access to NRCS services and programs," says Salvador Salinas, Texas NRCS state conservationist.

For farmers and ranchers who do not live close to their local NRCS office, the Conservation Client Gateway offers numerous benefits. For instance, producers can go online and see all their NRCS contracts. They can also digitally sign their contracts online through the secure Conservation Client Gateway website. And, technical assistance from an NRCS employee is just a click away 24 hours a day, seven days a week online.

Rick Castello of Fayette County
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Area Churches
 Invite You to Worship

Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291
 Preacher John V. Driggers
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
Central Baptist Church
 324 S. Franklin • Bronte
 (325) 473-4811
 Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship
 Wed. 6 pm
First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship
 6 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
 Tuesday 6 pm Table Time
St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Pastor Tim Wood (325) 453-2360
 Sundays 2 pm, Thursdays 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
 Wed. 6 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508
 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
 (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
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 Hwy 277 • Tennyson
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 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

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FORGIVEN MINISTRIES
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 Russ Frasier, Preacher

Name that Plant!

By Erin Oleksiuk, District Technician, Coke County SWCD

The countryside is in full bloom! The recent rains and mild temperatures have made for a beautiful spring. New life has sprung up in pastures and roadways. Yellow, purple, and white flowers dotting the land are pleasing to the eye, but the plants also provide insight to the land and forage value for livestock and wildlife. Native plants will take root in a neighborhood or pasture, knowing the plants that grow around you is important.

Our native plants can provide excellent forage and habitat for livestock and wildlife. Some vegetation may not be edible by larger animals but provide seeds to birds. There are plants that are an excellent food source for deer, antelope, sheep, and goats but are ignored by cattle. Others are poisonous to livestock but palatable by deer at certain times of the year. Some plants seem so prickly and thorny that they must serve no purpose, but most vegetation will serve some animals in some way. For example, Tasajillo are spiny plants that no one wants to run across but birds will eat the small, red tunas and it can provide hiding cover for quail.

Knowing what is growing on your property is important for many reasons; aggressive vegetation will take over an area or poisonous plants being dangerous around pets and children. Maximilian sunflowers and whitebrush are both very aggressive. Even though the Maximilian boasts a pretty, yellow flower and the whitebrush is very fragrant, they can take over an area quickly. Locoweed, jimson weed, and floglove plants are poisonous to both humans and livestock and are readily found in our area.

Some natives prefer certain soil types, giving us clues to what else might be able to thrive in that area, aiding landowners in reseeding and planting.

Not only will plant identification give you greater insight to the plants around you but it is also a fun hobby to enjoy. Plant books are available for purchase at the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District located at 214 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee. Free Poisonous Plants: Guide to Prevention and Treatment pamphlets are also available in the office.

Robert Lee City Council minutes posted

City council of Robert Lee met in regular session at 7:00 pm at the city hall. Meeting called to order and invocation was given by Councilman Johnson. The meeting was opened to open forum and no comments were made.

A. Consent Agenda:

- Item 1: Approve bills to be paid.
- Item 2: Approve Minutes of the Regular Session held on April 11, 2016.
- Item 3: Approve monthly report



Beautiful Flowers! The Indian Blanket (right photo) has red petals that are tipped in yellow, a common wildflower providing beauty along the highways. The Texas Skeleton plant (left photo) is an unusual wildflower since it is mostly leafless but blooms a pretty, lavender flower.



Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Munoz, second by Councilwoman Rainwater. Motion passed.

B. Regular Agenda:

Item 4: Approve the Code Enforcement Officers Report. Motion to approve the report made by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilwoman Rainwater. Motion to approve passed.

Item 5: Approve Animal Control Officers Report. Motion to approve the report made by Councilwoman Munoz, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed.

Item 6: Consider/Approve nominee to fill vacancy on the Coke County Appraisal District Board. No action needed.

Item 7: Motion to approve ordinance #1261; Budget amendment line item increase TXWDB Debt Service. Increase due to Semiannual Paying Agent fee budget increase, \$813.10.

Motion made to approve Ordinance #1261, motion made

by Councilman Alexander, second by Councilwoman Munoz. Motion passed.

Item 8: Motion made to pay invoice for attorney fee, services rendered and amend the budget for legal service and increase budget by \$2,000. Motion made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilwoman Rainwater. Motion passed.

9: Consider/approve a budget review of the second quarter fiscal year 2015/2016 budget. Motion to approve by Councilwoman Munoz, seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed.

10: Discuss the current water supply and research for future water resources. The Texas Groundwater Surveyors crew was on the divide this morning to start the survey for water. Unfortunately, after getting moved in and set up their equipment malfunctioned. They will be sending their equipment off for repairs and will try again later. Engaged in a conversation with T.C.E.Q. Dam Safety office in Austin. They assured me that would not

come in and condemn the Mountain Creek Lake Dam, nor will they come in levying fines. As long as we continue with the yearly engineering inspection reports and continue the maintenance and up keep of the lake, they will have no problems with the city. The dam is rated in fair condition. This item is for information only, no action needed.

11: Consider/approve Intergovernmental Contract between City of Robert Lee and


Coke County. Motion made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilwoman Rainwater. After discussion and changes the motion was made to table this item till the next council meeting. Motion made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilwoman Rainwater. Motion to table passed.

12: Consider/approve increasing cash drawer for start

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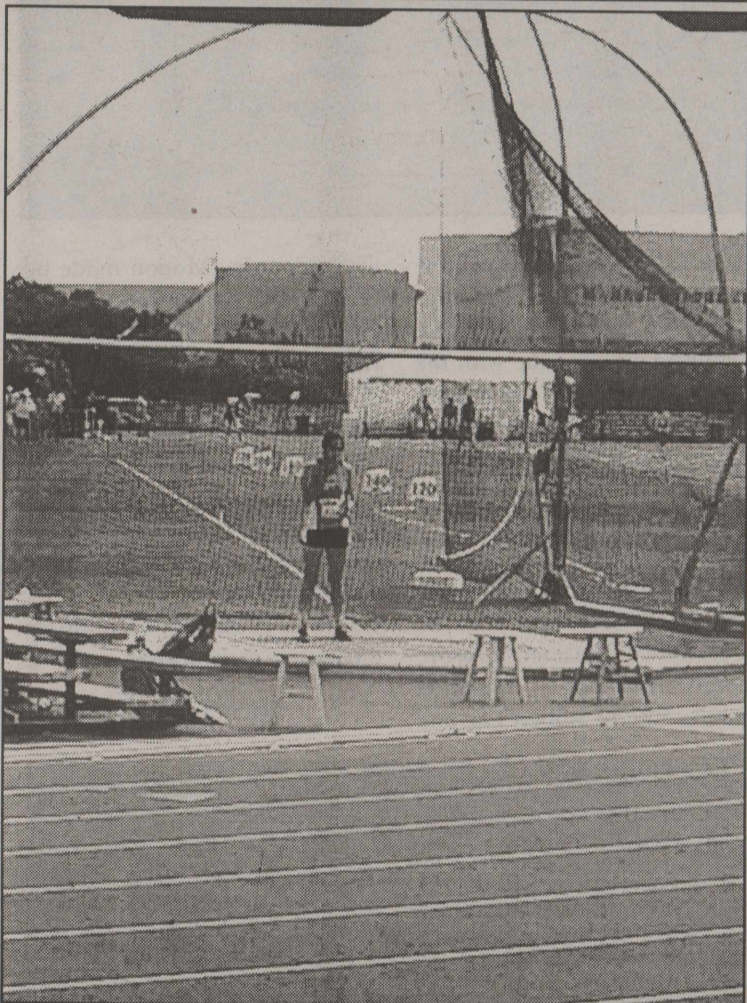
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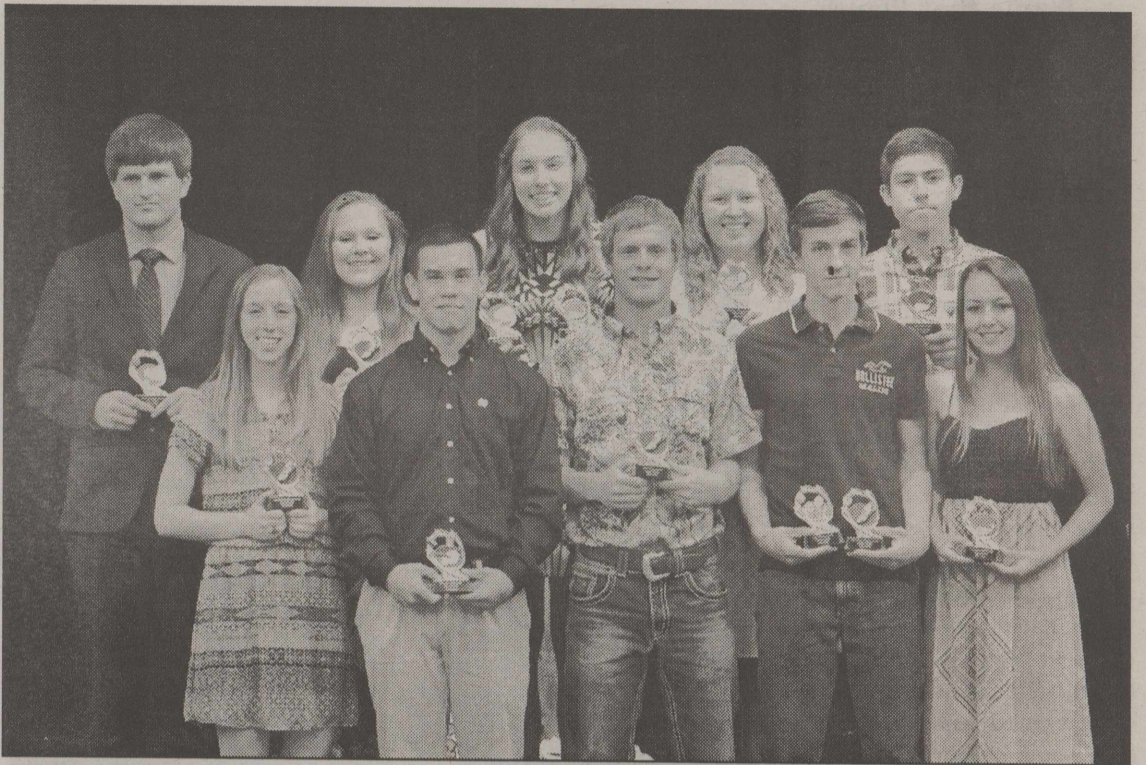
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State Track Placings! Kiara Burns (top photo) competed at the State track and field meet. She placed 5th in the Shot Put. Margo Mendoza placed 6th in the Discus at the State track and field meet.



Steer Awards! The Robert Lee High School Sports Banquet was held May 17, 2016. Steer & Lady Steer Awards presented included: Football - Bruce Buddin, Cross Country- Karlee Roach, Cross Country- Matthew Curry, Basketball- Brady Clawson, Basketball- Jake Jackson, Golf- Brady Clawson & Sandra Flores, Golf- Nathan Scates, Track- Kiara Burns, Track- Austin Fowler, Tennis- Pammy Meeks and Tennis- Matthew Curry.

Casey Eubanks Memorial Scholarship

Myrka Rangel \$500, Julia Madrid \$500

West Central Wireless Scholarship

Bruce Buddin \$500

Clay Antilley Golf Scholarship

Wade Allen \$1,000, Kodi Drennan \$1,000, Julia Madrid \$1,500, Blaine Yanez \$1,750, Sandra Flores \$2,000, Brady Clawson \$2,500

Spanish Club Scholarship

Brady Clawson \$300, Myrka Rangel \$500, Yulissa Peraza \$500, Julia Madrid \$700

Vision with a Purpose

Pammy Meeks \$500, Myrka Rangel \$500

Jack & Nina Brewer Scholarship

Pammy Meeks \$2,000, Karlee Roach \$750, Justice Saucedo \$750, Brady Clawson \$750, Kodi Drennan \$750, Blaine Yanez \$750

AON Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship

Pammy Meeks \$300, Justice Saucedo \$300, Kodi Drennan \$400, Karlee Roach \$500, Myrka Rangel \$500, Brady Clawson \$500

Coke County Foundation

Brady Clawson \$1,000, Kodi Drennan \$1,000

Robert Lee Sports Boosters

Bruce Buddin \$250, Brady Clawson \$250

Jostens, Joe Cook

Pammy Meeks \$250

'64 Study Club

Kodi Drennan \$1,000, Myrka Rangel \$1,000

CARR Academic

Kodi Drennan \$7,500/year (4 years), Jake Jackson \$2,500/year (4 years),

A&M Terry Foundation

Karlee Roach \$15,100/yr (4 years)

SAAF A&M Mother's Club

Karlee Roach \$6,000

State of Texas Top Scholar

Karlee Roach \$5,000/semester (1 year)

ASU Honors College

Kodi Drennan \$3,000/yr (4 yrs)

SACC Women's Golf Assn.

Brady Clawson \$500

ACU Merit

Julia Madrid \$6,000/yr (4 years)

Cumbie Ivey Jr. Scholarship ASU

Kodi Drennan \$1,000

Coke County Quilter's

Brady Clawson \$500

The following High School Subject Awards were presented.

Seniors

Wade Allen

Welding

Brady Clawson

Child Development, Government 2305

Rani Coppedge

Algebra II

Kodi Drennan

Business II, British Literature 2322, Art III

Jake Jackson

Government, English IV

Julia Madrid

Yearbook, Principles of Hospitality & Tourism

Pammy Meeks

Economy, Problems,

Myrka Rangel

English 1301

Karlee Roach

PreCalculus, Economy 2302

Paulina Vizcaino

Equine Science

Blaine Yanez

Dollars & Sense

Juniors

Matthew Curry

Algebra II

Kyla O'Dell

Interpersonal Studies

Cole Raynor

Ag Mechanics

Serena Reese

Physics, U.S. History 1301,

Awards presented at RLHS End of Year Assembly

Student Council Officers

President- Wade Allen, Vice-President-Kyla O'Dell, Secretary-Brady Clawson, Treasurer-Myrka Rangel, Reporter-Pammy Meeks

Beta Club Seniors

Wade Allen, Brady Clawson, Kodi Drennan, Julia Madrid, Pammy Meeks, Myrka Rangel, Karlee Roach, Justice Saucedo

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Certificate

Julia Madrid

Daughter of the American Revolution Excellence in History Award

Brady Clawson

Approximately \$182,000 money was awarded in scholarships. Scholarships

received by RLHS students include the following.

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TO ALL WHO VOTED FOR ME IN THE COKE COUNTY PRECINCT 1 PRIMARY RUN OFF ELECTION ON MAY 24, 2016. I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS AND WILL WORK HARD FOR THIS COUNTY.

DONALD ROBERTSON

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Donald Robertson

English 1302, U.S. History 1302,
Art 1

Casey Scruggs

Ag Power Systems, U.S.
History

Kandace Skipworth

Earth and Space, Math
Models

Erin Smith

Forensic

James Wyatt

English III

Sophomores

Kiara Burns

Geometry, Biology

Josh Gregston

English II

Tavo Rangel

Mobile Apps

Kourtney Roach

World History

Jasmine Rojas

Spanish II

Freshmen

Kelby Clawson

Algebra I

Autumn Ramon

Robotics

Chelsea Wyatt

English I

Aimee Zimmermann

World Geography, Livestock
Production, Spanish I, IPC

Junior High Awards

8th Grade

Dianne Austin

Science 8, Art 1

Kaleb Gregston

English 8

Devon Moore

American History 8

Kari O'Dell

Math 8, Reading 8, Food &
Natural Resources, Business I

7th Grade

Rachelle Arthur

Tech Apps

Mason Fowler

Careers

Hemma Rangel

Skills for Life

Harlee Richardson

English 7

Adison Thomas

Math 7, Reading 7

Zoe Tijerina

Texas History 7

Jullisa Ureno

Science 7

UIL Awards

Julia Madrid

3rd in Current Issues, 4th in
Persuasive Speaking

Serena Reese

1st in Headline Writing, 5th
Spelling & Vocabulary

James Wyatt

5th Science

FFA

Seniors

Pammy Meeks

4 yr. member, leadership
contest Radio, Chapter office
Secretary

Wade Allen

4 yr. member, Leadership
contest Radio, Market Swine
SAEP, Chapter office Reporter

Juniors

Nicole Jones

Farmer Degree, Leadership
contest Radio, chapter office
Treasurer

Erin Smith

Greenhand degree, market
goat SAEP, Leadership Contest
Radio

Kyla O'Dell

3 year member, Market swine
SAEP, leadership contest radio,
Chapter office President

Sophomores

Meghan Bohannon

Chapter Farmer, Leadership
contest Radio

Kiara Burns

Chapter Farmer degree,
Leadership contest Radio,
Market Steer SAEP, Chapter
Office Vice-President

Freshmen

Hunter Jowers

Greenhand degree

Chelsea Wyatt

Greenhand degree,
Leadership contest FFA creed

Autumn Ramon

Greenhand degree,
Leadership contest FFA creed,
2nd dist., 6th area, Chapter
office Sentinel

8th Grade

Kari O'Dell

JR. FFA member, SAEP
market swine

Kole Leal

Jr. Member, SAEP market
rabbits

ADVANCED HIGH

on STAAR

Kari O'Dell

Reading & Math

Kaleb Gregston

Reading

Most Athletic RLHS Boy

Austin Fowler

Most Athletic RLHS Girl

Brady Clawson

Teacher's Choice Citizenship

Award

Junior High Girl

Kari O'Dell

Junior High Boy

Mason Fowler

High School Girl

Kiara Burns



John Ben Shepperd Leadership Forum! Abby Gott (left) and Krista Clower recently attended the John Ben Shepperd Leadership Forum at Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater. The leadership forum is designed for junior and senior students; students are divided up into small groups with students from other Nolan County school districts and participate in activities requiring teamwork that increase leadership abilities. These activities help build skills such as communication, strategic thinking, and problem solving.

High School Boy

Tavo Rangel

Perfect Attendance

All Year

9th Grade

Chelsea Wyatt

10th Grade

Kiara Burns

11th Grade

Anna Huapilla

12th Grade

Karlee Roach

"A" Honor Roll All Year

8th Grade

Kari O'Dell, Kole Leal

9th Grade

Kelby Clawson, Chelsea

Wyatt, Aimee Zimmermann

10th Grade

Kiara Burns

11th Grade

Matthew Curry, Kyla O'Dell,

Serena Reese, Erin Smith

12th Grade

Brady Clawson, Kodi

Drennan, Myrka Rangel, Karlee

Roach, Justice Saucedo

Presidential Award

Yulissa Peraza

Valedictorian

Karlee Roach, GPA: 99.51

Salutatorian

Kodi Drennan, GPA: 98.53

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Hello Coke County! I would like to thank each and every one of you that voted, and supported me through this election. It has been a joy to meet so many great people through all of this. Overall, it was a wonderful experience.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Donald Robertson and wish him the best of luck. I hope he finds solutions for the numerous problems that Coke County faces and gets great things accomplished.

As for me, no worries! I'm not going anywhere. I will continue to accomplish what I set out to accomplish, stay informed and help out where I'm needed.

I would urge you to go to city and county meetings and stay informed. Knowledge is power! Here is a list of the monthly meetings that go on in Robert Lee:

Coke County Commissioners Court meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month @ 9:00am at the Court House.

Robert Lee City Council meets every 2nd Monday of the month @ 7:00pm at City Hall.

Soil & Conservation District meets every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00pm at the Ash-Carson Realty office.

Robert Lee ISD Board meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at the school. The times vary depending on school activities and functions, but are posted at the school and in the newspaper 72 hours in advance.

West Coke County Hospital District (Nursing Home) Board meets the last Tuesday of the month @ 9:30am at the Nursing Home.

West Coke County EMS Board meets every 3rd Monday of the month @ 5:30pm at the EMS Barn. The EMT's have a monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month @ 5:30pm at the EMS Barn.

Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Dept. meets every 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month @ 7:00pm at the Fire Dept.

Sincerely,
Shaunna Grantham

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Shaunna Grantham

...More Classifieds

NOTICES

District must receive full payment by 3PM, Wednesday, June 22, 2016 or next highest bidder will be awarded at 9 AM, Thursday, June 23, 2016.

District has set a minimum bid amount of \$12,000. Any bid below \$12,000 will not be considered.

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... Online Program

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was one of the first NRCS producers to adopt the Conservation Client Gateway technology.

"The ability to use this website and to go online and find the forms and make things happen that way allows me to save in many cases 280 miles, which is a lot of time and with the gas prices the way they were, a lot of money, so there is a significant savings monetarily and timewise from it," says Castello. "The other part is it allows me to get things done quicker and frankly more accurately because it's on paper and we know what we are trying to go do."

Castello farms in Fayette County, but lives near Houston and travels for work. He has found that using Conservation Client Gateway not only saves him time and money, but when he travels it allows him to sign paperwork on the go, to access his conservation plans and financial contracts and track payments easily. He can also message the local office if he has questions or needs to set up an appointment during times that he will be at the farm.

For more information about Conservation Client Gateway, visit your NRCS office at your local USDA Service Center or visit <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/cgate>.

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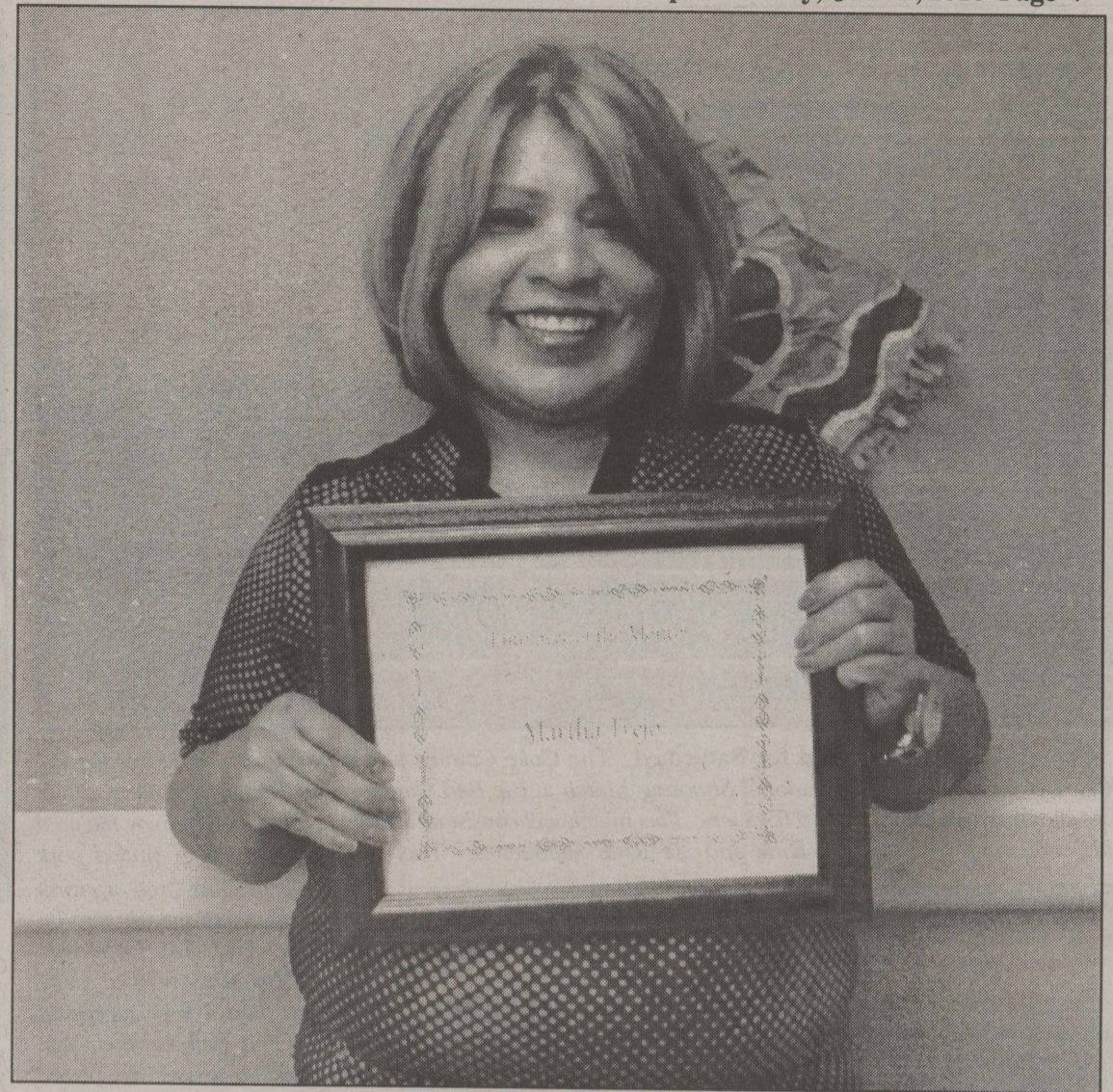
of the day in utilities. Motion made by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilwoman Munoz. Motion passed.

13: Report by Superintendent Roberts of change of involvement in professional organizations and other responsibilities. In the absence of Superintendent Roberts, the Mayor read his letter to the council. "Due to some of the recent events and some health issues I have stepped down from almost all of my responsibilities outside of my job here in Robert Lee. Including Mertzon. I have informed T.C.E.Q. that the only city that I would even consider helping would be the City of Bronte". No action required.

A. Mayors Report: 1 The City Council was updated on the land surveyor for Mountain Creek Lake, and approximate date of completion. 2. The Mayor and Councilman Alexander will be attending a Lawmakers Luncheon, May 19th in Coleman. 3. The Mayor and Superintendent Roberts will be attending the CRMWD/UCRA Colorado River below E.V. Spence water quality implementation update meeting in San Angelo on May 25, 2016.

B. City Secretary Report: 1. Election report of May 7, 2016. Canvass the May 7, 2016 City General Election held on May 11, 2016 at 1:30 P.M.

C. Water Superintendent Report: 1. Install 2 water taps, 3 waste water taps. 2. Linda attended Abilene Water School to upgrade waste water certification. 4. Started mowing. 5. Made repairs to the internet system at Bronte Pump Station, has been working since. 6. Unit #3 has been repaired and is being utilized. 7. New manhole cover set on Washington Street.



Employee of the Month!

Robert Lee Care Center is proud to recognize Maria Olguin as our March Employee of the Month. Maria has served RLCC residents as a Certified Nurses Aide for 17 years. Her work ethics are outstanding. She is a very dedicated employee and always making sure the residents get the best of care. Maria is married to Juan Garzes and is a proud mother to 6 children and 17 grandchildren. Maria's favorite past time is spending time with all her children.

8. Fogging of mosquitoes will start as soon as possible. 9. Finished tire cleanup. 10. Working on leaks and meters.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

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NEW LOCATION
for the Bronte
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drop box!

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On State Street in Downtown Bronte

IVEY MOTORS

2015 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado #6788A \$32,495

Super Crew! Silver w/Charcoal Interior! Super Nice Ride!!!

2008 Ford F-350 Dually Lariat Crew \$21,995

Oxford White w/Adobe Interior! Power Stroke Diesel, #6760A

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2015 Ford Fusion SE Sedan #7162 \$19,995

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2011 Ford Expedition #35667 \$19,995

White w/Adobe Accent! Adobe Leather w/2nd Row Bucket Seats!

100K Miles! Really Nice Rig!

2006 Nissan Frontier SE Crew Cab \$ 9,495

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126,500 Miles

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2013 Ford Explorer Limited #6818A \$27,495

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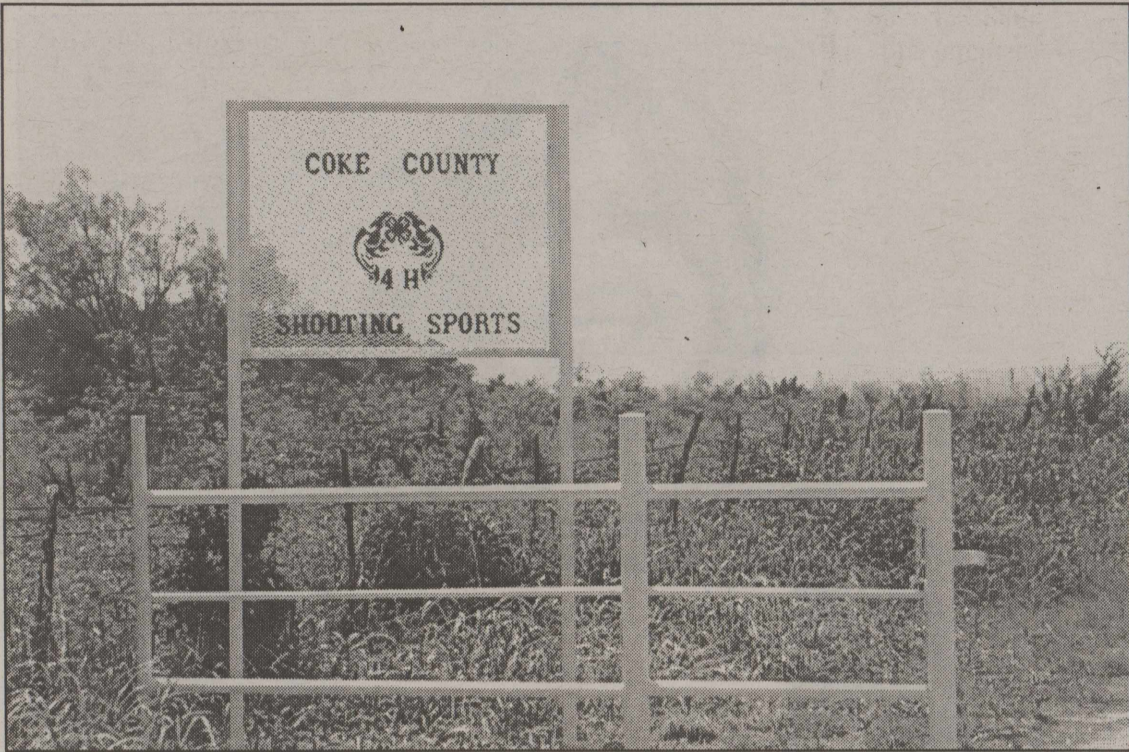
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Shooting Match Planned for Saturday! The Coke County 4-H Rifle Team will be hosting the 2016 Coke County 4-H Invitational Shooting Match at the Red Canyon Gun Range on June 4, 2016. The shooting will begin around 8:45 am. This match will consist of approximately 30 extremely talented kids competing in .22 Light Rifle and .22 Rifle Silhouettes. There will be a lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, chips and a drink offered. Concessions will also be available. The Coke County 4-H Rifle Team has worked really hard and had a very successful season. This will be their last match of the season. So, please come out and show your support for some of Coke County's very own!



4-H Shooters! On May 21, 2016, the Coke County 4-H Rifle team competed in the 20th Annual Callahan Rifle Club Fun Shoot in Baird, Texas. They all participated in the Light Rifle, 3P and Silhouettes competitions. Juan Orlando De La Garza placed 4th in the Jr Silhouettes. Great job, guys!

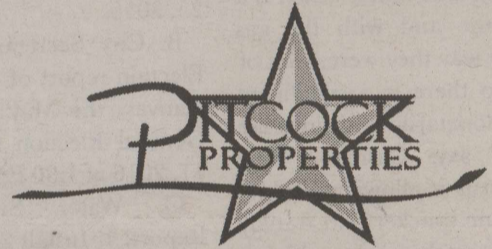


4-H Meeting! On May 15, 2016, the Coke County 4-H had their monthly meeting at the Bronte Park. They had a scavenger hunt, made homemade play dough and ended the meeting with watermelon.



4-H Rifle Team Work Day! On May 22, 2016, the Coke County 4-H Rifle Team and Parents had a work day at the Red Canyon Gun Range. They are getting the range cleaned up and making improvements for the shoot that the team will be hosting on June 4, 2016. They cleaned up the range, gave the gate off of Scott Lane a face lift, built a new entryway for the range and hung a new gate, painted the Stat Building and a new firing line and hung the flag pole. Brenda De La Garza made a delicious lunch for everyone. It was a day full of hard work, but they got many things accomplished.

**Farm-Ranch, Commercial,
Recreational & Residential
Real Estate**



WONDERFUL CRAFTSMANSHIP! Beautiful older home with lots of extras - built-ins, hardwood floors, cedar closet, decorative ceilings, stained glass inserts, antique chandeliers and more! Lovely porches and trees! New tile in kitchen! Updated with modern convenience while keeping old world charm!



EDGE OF TOWN! Large remodeled manufactured home sitting on almost 1/2 acre in Bronte! Due to wood remodel, home is now permanent to property. Quiet neighborhood on outskirts of rural community.



PRICE REDUCED! Cute home on two lots in rural community with many updates and metal roof only a couple of blocks from the school! A large fenced-in backyard with pecan trees and reasonable price make this an excellent option for first-time home-buyers or rental property investment! Many extras including a storm shelter!



MANY UPDATES! Large older home is just perfect for family. Hardwood floors in living room, dining room, and two bedrooms. Numerous built-ins throughout home, huge closets, woodburning stove in den, 2 car attached carport. Potential efficiency apartment or guest house on property includes full basement and 2 car attached carport. Loads of character in this home on 1.91 acres.



BEAUTIFUL LOCATION ABOVE ELM CREEK IN BALLINGER! Lovely home in excellent neighborhood with tons of character! Move-in ready with new roof put on in 2015 and new paint throughout! Large lot on hill above city park! Beautiful views from backyard patio!



NEW TO MARKET! Home in established Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Perfect home for family! Reasonably priced!
SOLD Property! Priced to Sell!



QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD! Brick home in quiet Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Perfect home for family! Reasonably priced!



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY! Wonderful investment opportunity in rural community. Easy access is a plus with this twenty unit storage facility in bustling oilfield town of Sterling City!



PRICE REDUCED! Beautiful views just add to this great ranch. Perfect for hunting, livestock, or just getting away! Electricity, well and rural water onsite. Rolling terrain with good interior roads for easy access to all areas of ranch. Good cover for wildlife with cleared areas for that perfect shot! 713.1 Acres +/-; \$1,150/acre.

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