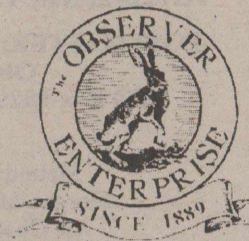


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Where do our tax dollars go?

Every fall, property owners receive a statement in the mail notifying them of the amount due for their property taxes for that year. To avoid penalties, they must make a check out for the total amount due to Josie Dean, Coke County Tax Assessor/Collector by January 31 of the following year. What is often not considered is that, although the check is made out to Coke County, Coke County is not the recipient of the entire amount. In fact, less than a quarter of the taxes paid in Coke County actually go into the county's budget. In fact, of the \$6,602,066 levied for tax year 2016, only \$1,260,656 went to Coke County's General Fund, with another \$380,650 earmarked for Road & Bridge. The remaining \$4,960,760 was distributed to the other taxing entities in the county.

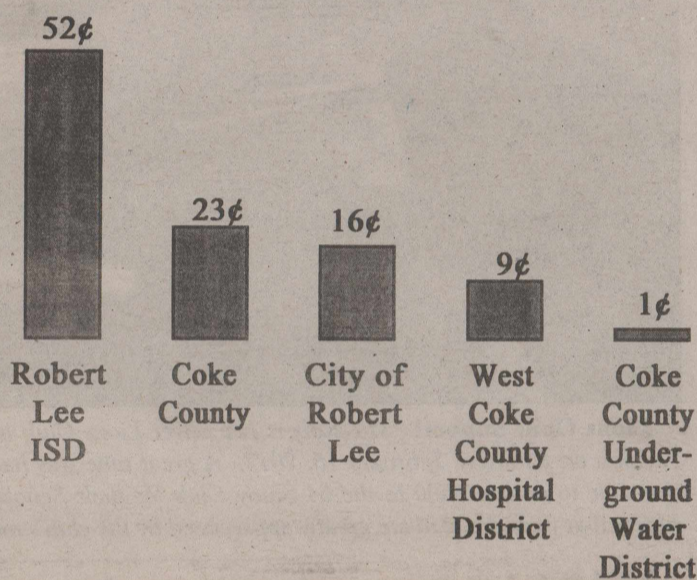
The county's school districts claim the largest percentage of each side's tax dollar—Robert Lee ISD at .52 or Bronte ISD at .40 of every property tax dollar paid in Coke County.

The cities of Bronte and Robert Lee each claim 16 cents of every property tax dollar paid by those owners of property within their city limits.

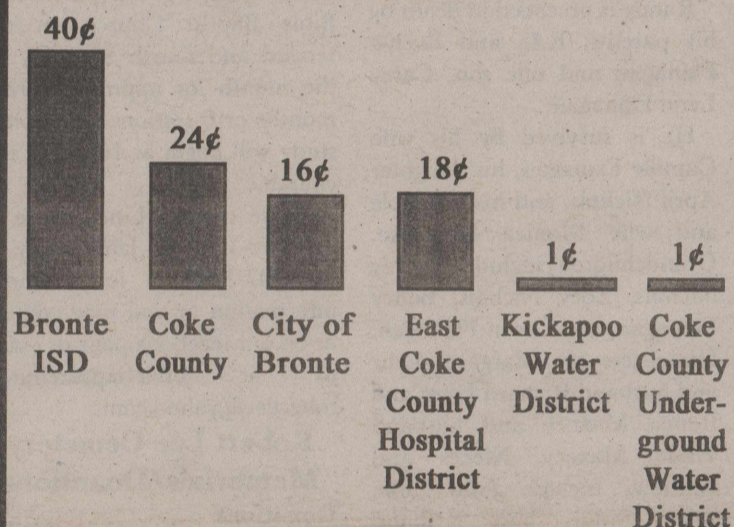
The Hospital Districts on each side vary in their tax rates. West Coke County Hospital District receives approximately 9 cents of every property tax dollar paid by a west side owner. East Coke County Hospital District receives approximately .18 of every dollar paid by an east owner. The table on page 3 of this issue containing the valuations within each taxing district will help explain the disparity in these rates. This chart looks at the total taxable values of each entity for the last four years. It shows the percentage increase or decrease each entity has experienced in the last four years. On this chart, Coke County is broken down by Coke County General and Coke County FMFC (Farm to Market, Flood Control—explained as commissioner's funds). Also Robert Lee ISD is broken down as RLISD Maintenance and Operations and RLISD Interest and Sinking Fund. The Interest and Sinking fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax

Breakdown of Property Tax Dollar

West Side



East Side



The West Side table is based upon a combined tax rate of 2.822555.

The East Side table is based upon a combined rate of 2.627804.

All figures were rounded to nearest decimal and based upon last year's tax rates.

Not every Coke County resident lives within a city and pays city taxes. Some residents who live in Coke County pay school taxes to Water Valley ISD or Blackwell CISD instead of Bronte ISD or Robert Lee ISD. Also, a few Coke County taxpayers live within the Blackwell city limits and pay taxes to the City of Blackwell.

Only property owners pay the taxes which support our schools, cities, county, nursing homes, and water districts. People who live in a rental property and do not own real property within the county do not directly contribute to the support of these local entities. In addition to property taxes, the cities receive a rebate from the state on sales tax collected within their borders and the schools receive additional state and federal funding.

rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of Robert Lee ISD.

Every property taxpayer in Coke County gives a portion of a penny to the Coke County Underground Water District. East side taxpayers also give a larger portion of a penny to the Kickapoo Water District.

Every August, each entity has to review the valuations (value of the property to be taxed) and set a tax rate. This will determine how much money they will have for their budget year. They have the option to lower the rate, leave it the same, take the effective rate (the rate that would give them the same total taxes as the year before), or increase the rate. However if they set a rate too high, the taxpayers can start rollback procedures and force a lower

rate.

This year, like the last few years, most taxing entities are having to deal with substantial losses in their taxable evaluations. A portion of these losses can be attributed to the fluctuation of the oil industry.

Beginning now is a description of the responsibilities and/or the purpose for each entity. Below each description is the amount of the 2016 taxes levied.

Coke County Underground Water District and Kickapoo Water District

All groundwater conservation districts try to maintain a balance between rights of private landowners and the responsibility to protect the water resource. Most districts direct their efforts toward preventing waste, collecting

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

- Friday, March 3**
Eagle Relays High School Track Meet, Sterling City
- Sunday, March 5**
Robert Lee VFD Fish Fry, noon - 6 pm (or until they run out!), Robert Lee Rec Hall
- Monday, March 6**
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, 6 pm, First Baptist Church, Bronte

Bronte Evening Lions Club Meeting, 7 pm, First United Methodist Church, Bronte
- Tuesday, March 7**
Red Hat Society Meeting, 11 am - 1 pm, First Baptist Church, Ballinger

Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club Meeting, 6:30 am, Victory Assembly of God
- Thursday, March 9**
Rasco Memorial Ribbon Relays Junior High Track Meet, Robert Lee

Bronte City Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, Bronte City Hall
- Friday, March 10**
Kenneth Rasco Memorial High School Track Meet, Robert Lee

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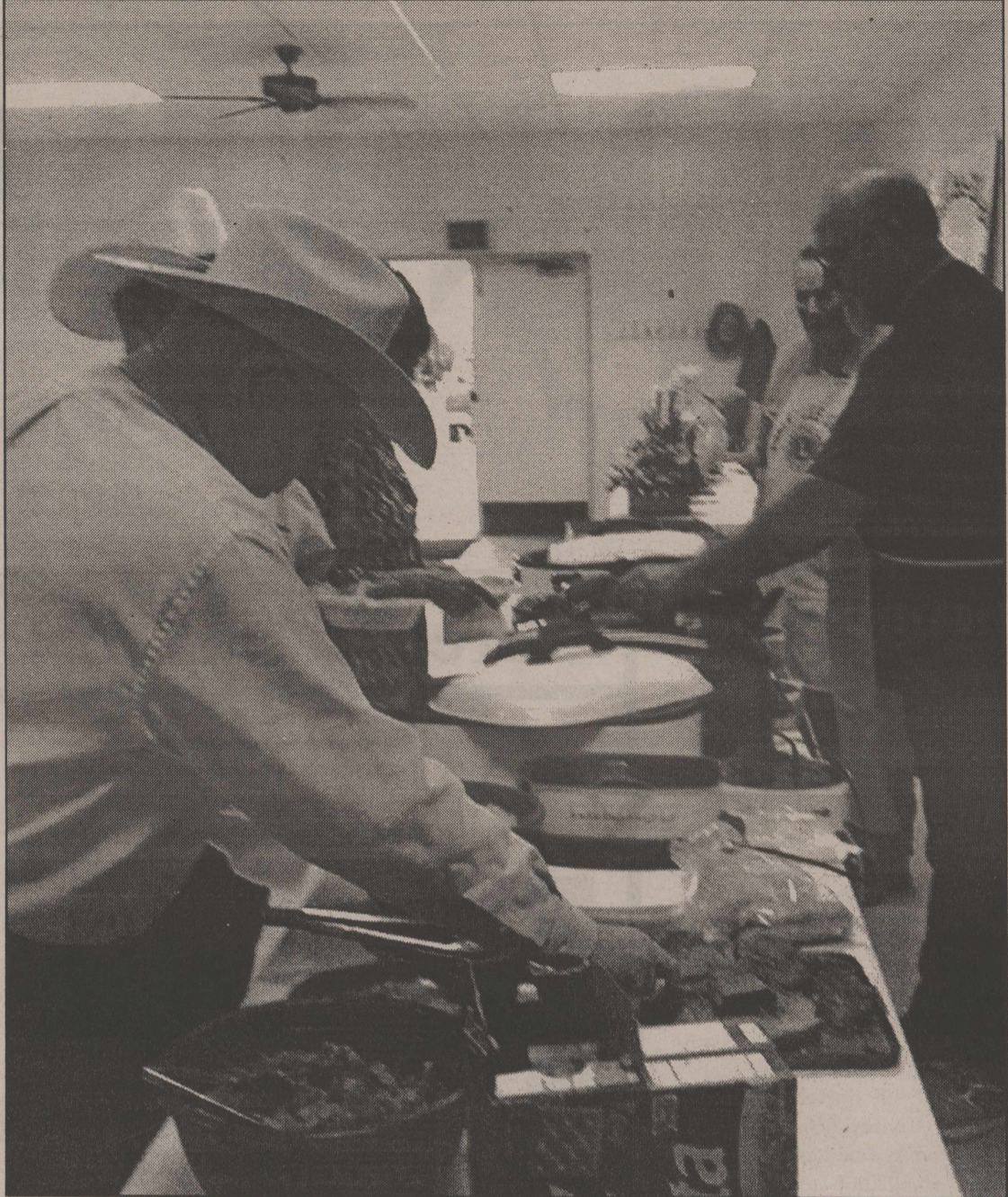
Flanagan
 Randall Lynn Flanagan died at home Tuesday, February 21, 2017.
 He was born May 18, 1954, in Comanche, Texas.
 Randy is preceded in death by his parents, R.L. and Evelyn Flanagan and one son, Casey Lynn Flanagan.
 He is survived by his wife Camille Flanagan, his daughter April Nichols, and his son Cole and wife Monica Flanagan. Grandchildren include Aubrey Nichols, Zoey Nichols, Bailey Flanagan, and Gavin Flanagan. His sisters are Margaret Lehr and husband Richard Lehr; and Renea Maxcey and husband Wade Maxcey. Nieces and nephews include John Lehr, Ellen Smith and husband Shawn, Kagan Maxcey and wife Danielle, and Weston Maxcey. In addition, he will be missed by a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.
 Randy loved to travel, but was just as happy at home. He loved people and loved to laugh. He was a friend to many and he spent a lot of his leisure time golfing with friends. He also loved to spend time at the family home in Ruidoso.
 Some of his favorite things include golf, driving his golf cart, slot machines at The Inn of The Mountain Gods, Bloody Marys, Miller Light, his grandkids, and family gatherings. He enjoyed sitting on the deck in Ruidoso and loved the outdoors. Randy enjoyed music - both playing and listening to it. He loved Rough Creek, and Krowhaven, the harmonica, and singing. Randy was passionate about his job at Ivey Motors and he was truly committed to his customers.
 In celebration of Randy's life, a memorial service was held at Mountain Creek Golf Course on Saturday, February 25, 2017, at 2 pm. Following the service, the celebration continued for those who wished to visit. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to:

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Mountain Creek Golf Club, PO Box 700, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

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Beth Moore Bible Study for Women slated
 Robert Lee's Bible Baptist Church will host a Beth Moore Bible study for women entitled "Entrusted" that will cover 2 Timothy. The group will meet at Bible Baptist Church on the second and fourth Saturday of the month for approximately 3 months or 6 sessions. The bible study will begin at 10 am at the church.
 Please contact Linda Fiore at 325-656-1301 or Jami Casey at 254-707-1247 for more information or you may contact us on our facebook page or email us at biblebaptistchurch@robertlee@yahoo.com.

- Robert Lee Cemetery Memorials/Doations**
- Donations**
 Cynthia & Randy Bessent
 Sue Cosgrove
 Mrs. Frances Denman
 Yvonne Devoll
 Mr. & Mrs. John Jacobs
 Gaylon & Kaye Pitcock
 Mike & Kathy Post
 Bill R. Roach
 Donald T. Scott
 Mrs. Ida B. Service
- Memorials**
 Stanley Adams
 Christie Adams
 Ben Bessent
 John & Dorene Bearfield
 Bill Blair
 John & Dorene Bearfield
 F.P. Brown
 Frances O'Reilly
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 Brandon, Jennifer, Hannah
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 May Linh Do
 Eva Haley
 Betty A. Varnadore
 A.V. & Daisy Hughes
 Betty A. Varnadore
 Kreg Lusby
 Carl & Dana St. Clair
 Edith McGinley



Lions Chili Supper! The Robert Lee Silver Lions Club held their annual Chili Supper and Cake Auction on Saturday, February 18, 2017. A great time was had by all who attended. The Lions Club was able to donate \$500 to the 64 Study Club for their Scholarship Fund. The generous bids for the sweets that were donated are greatly appreciated by the club's members.

- Polly Large
 Clarence & Annie B. Mitchell
 Elwood & Diane Hambright
 Stan Post
 Barbara Adkins
 Jo Adkins
 Bob Reese
 Linda Havins
 Jan Havins
 Tom Sawyer, Sr.
 John & Dorene Bearfield
 Gertrude M. & Winford T. Scott
 Donald T. Scott
 William L. Sparks
 Shirley Ann Sparks
- Family Fun Night set for Bible Baptist Church**
 Robert Lee's Bible Baptist Church held its second game night this past Saturday night at 6 pm. We had eleven people show up for sandwiches and lemonade before the real fun started with a game of Farkle. We all enjoyed the fun, laughs, and fellowship. Another game night is set for March 25 starting at 6 pm.

Area Churches
 Invite You to Worship

Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291
 Preacher David Lewis
 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 & 5 pm Worship

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

4C Cowboy Church
 Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte
 Pastor James Brunson
 Sunday, 10:30 am

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

Robert Lee
Bible Baptist Church
 PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin
 Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School,
 11 am & 6 pm Worship,
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
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

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Certified Values

<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>2013 Total Taxable Values</i>	<i>2014 Total Taxable Values</i>	<i>2015 Total Taxable Values</i>	<i>2016 Total Taxable Values</i>	<i>2016 Percentage of 2013 Values</i>
Coke County	\$395,479,990	\$377,848,061	\$323,841,780	\$256,767,609	64.9%
Coke County FMFC	\$392,713,130	\$375,093,621	\$321,083,320	\$254,001,389	64.6%
West Coke Co. Hospital District	\$416,373,800	\$388,716,880	\$339,818,260	\$263,474,630	63.2%
East Coke Co. Hospital District	\$130,254,720	\$130,342,630	\$119,411,820	\$107,248,369	82.3%
Coke Co. Underground Water	\$549,008,110	\$521,470,400	\$461,583,550	\$373,056,709	67.9%
Kickapoo Water District	\$ 58,911,110	\$ 64,566,460	\$ 58,832,330	\$ 51,483,740	87.3%
City of Robert Lee	\$ 26,405,660	\$ 27,464,870	\$ 29,038,850	\$ 29,136,260	110%
City of Bronte	\$ 25,519,450	\$ 26,317,180	\$ 27,740,070	\$ 28,393,580	111%
Bronte ISD	\$ 99,720,150	\$ 99,532,450	\$ 86,388,610	\$ 76,186,089	76.3%
Robert Lee ISD & M & O	\$265,833,320	\$245,435,500	\$205,251,090	\$149,958,000	56.3%
Robert Lee ISD I & S	\$393,917,250	\$362,989,180	\$310,450,500	\$103,694,400	26.3%

Top 10 Taxpayers in Bronte ISD

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Electric Transmission of Texas	\$5,626,030	\$5,626,030
2. AEP Texas North	\$3,876,260	\$3,876,260
3. Memorial Production Op LLC	\$2,197,040	\$2,197,040
4. Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Pipeline	\$2,129,310	\$2,059,760
5. WTG Jameson LP PP	\$1,484,950	\$1,483,450
6. Poverty Canyon Whitetails LLC	\$4,211,480	\$1,362,380
7. Seminole Pipeline Co LLC	\$1,098,710	\$1,098,710
8. Sanco Materials	\$ 780,180	\$ 780,180
9. Beal, Carlton III	\$3,275,380	\$ 647,030
10. Lee, Carroll I	\$2,899,930	\$ 633,540

Top 10 Taxpayers in Robert Lee ISD

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Goat Mountain Wind Phase 2	\$40,886,000	\$40,886,000
2. Goat Mountain Wind Phase 1	\$32,814,310	\$32,814,310
3. Capricorn Ridge Wind 2 LLC	\$25,707,880	\$25,707,880
4. Sheridan Production Company	\$20,356,540	\$20,356,540
5. WTG Jameson LP	\$ 8,514,070	\$ 7,016,640
6. AEP Texas North	\$ 5,455,860	\$ 5,455,860
7. Seminole Pipeline Co. LLC	\$ 4,849,050	\$ 4,849,050
8. Capricorn Ridge Wind LLC	\$ 4,286,210	\$ 4,286,210
9. LCRA Transmission Svcs Corp	\$ 2,283,540	\$ 2,283,540
10. Sanco Materials	\$ 2,191,230	\$ 2,191,230

Top 5 Taxpayers in City of Bronte

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. AEP Texas North	\$1,141,170	\$1,141,170
2. WTG Jameson LP PP	\$1,111,920	\$1,111,920
3. Town & Country Food #114	\$ 573,960	\$ 573,960
4. Santa Fe Duplexes	\$ 483,560	\$ 483,560
5. Finklestein, Max	\$ 478,390	\$ 478,390

Top 5 Taxpayers in City of Robert Lee

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Maxcey Corporation	\$777,990	\$777,990
2. Cole FD Portfolio X LLC	\$763,300	\$763,300
3. Robert Lee State Bank	\$646,530	\$646,530
4. AEP Texas North	\$490,450	\$490,450
5. Veer Foods, Inc.	\$280,520	\$280,520

Top 15 Taxpayers in Coke County

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Sheridan Production	\$20,356,540	\$20,357,540
2. AEP Texas North	\$ 9,805,910	\$ 9,805,910
3. WTG Jameson LP	\$ 8,514,070	\$ 7,016,640
4. Electric Transmission of Texas	\$ 6,219,490	\$ 6,219,490
5. Seminole Pipeline	\$ 5,947,760	\$ 5,947,760
6. LCRA Transmission	\$ 4,961,800	\$ 4,961,800
7. Sanco Materials	\$ 2,971,410	\$ 2,971,410
8. Wind Energy Transmission	\$ 2,627,730	\$ 2,627,730
9. Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Pipeline	\$ 2,417,340	\$ 2,347,790
10. Memorial Production Op LLC	\$ 2,197,040	\$ 2,197,040
11. WTG Jameson LP (Pipe)	\$ 2,154,120	\$ 2,154,120
12. Clearly Petroleum LLC	\$ 2,139,260	\$ 2,139,260
13. WTG Jameson LP PP	\$ 2,467,790	\$ 1,986,420
14. Concho Valley Elec Co-op	\$ 1,526,350	\$ 1,526,350
15. Seminole Pipeline PP	\$ 1,412,810	\$ 1,412,810

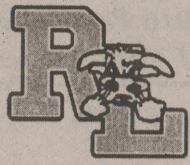
Top 10 Taxpayers in East Coke County Hospital District

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Electric Transmission of Texas	\$6,219,490	\$6,219,490
2. AEP Texas North	\$4,350,050	\$4,350,050
3. Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Pipeline	\$2,358,650	\$2,289,100
4. Memorial Production Op LLC	\$2,197,040	\$2,197,040
5. Seminole Pipeline Co LLC	\$1,931,770	\$1,931,770
6. WTG Jameson LP PP	\$1,484,950	\$1,483,450
7. Seminole Pipeline Co PP	\$1,412,810	\$1,412,810
8. Poverty Canyon Whitetails LLC	\$4,211,480	\$1,362,380
9. Beal, Carlton III	\$4,325,930	\$4,325,930
10. Sanco Materials	\$ 780,180	\$ 780,180

Top 10 Taxpayers in West Coke County Hospital District

Name	Market Value	Taxable Value
1. Goat Mountain Wind Phase 2	\$40,886,000	\$40,886,000
2. Goat Mountain Wind Phase 1	\$32,814,310	\$32,814,310
3. Capricorn Ridge Wind 2 LLC	\$25,707,880	\$25,707,880
4. Sheridan Production Company	\$20,356,540	\$20,356,540
5. WTG Jameson LP	\$ 8,514,070	\$ 7,016,640
6. AEP Texas North	\$ 5,455,860	\$ 5,455,860
7. LCRA Transmission Svcs Corp	\$ 4,961,800	\$ 4,961,800
8. Capricorn Ridge Wind LLC	\$ 4,286,210	\$ 4,286,210
9. Seminole Pipeline Co LLC	\$ 4,015,990	\$ 4,015,990
10. Wind Energy Transmission Texas	\$ 2,627,730	\$ 2,627,730

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SCHOOL PAGE



Longhorns Basketball! The Bronte Longhorns finished their playoff run in Coleman last week. The Horns won the Bi-District Championship with a 63-40 win over Lueders Avoca, but fell in the Area round to Eula, 12-49. The Longhorns had several named to the All District team. Shawn Puentez was named All District Offensive Most Valuable Player. Ryan Jones, Diego Perez and Tanner Bedford were named to the First Team All District and Carson Kelso was named to the Second Team All District. Jaxon Chantrill and Zach Jackson received All District Honorable Mention.

Scoring for the Horns against Lueders Avoca were Jaxon Chantrill 17, Diego Perez 11, Shawn Puentez 11, Carson Kelso 10, Ryan Jones 4, Tanner Bedford 3, Samuel Dominguez 3, Zach Jackson 2, and Justin Reed 2.

Scoring for the Horns in the area game against Eula were Ryan Jones 6, Aaron Cerveka 3, Carson Kelso 2, and Jaxon Chantrill 1.

The Varsity Longhorns ended the season with a 21-9 record and the JV Horns posted a 16-7 season record.

Robert Lee Elementary School 4th Six Weeks Awards
A Honor Roll

1st Grade

Jaedyn Ayers, Autumn Camarillo, Sebastian Jackson, Fallon Raney, Justin Rodriguez, Taylor Rose, Malachi Wauqua, Mandie Wheeler

2nd Grade

McKayla Bachmann, Maddison Cogger, Lorissa Gonzales, Addison Grantham, Brody Wilson

3rd Grade

Dalton Abalos, Carter Fluhmann, Alec Henson, Kallie Kohutek, Maci Lee, Karmen Radloff, Nathaniel Samaniego, Brenner Sherwood

4th Grade

Zachary Avants, Tiffany Axt, Hannah McCoppin, Denver O'Dell, Emma Peters, Rhett Rangel

5th Grade

Abigail Arthur, Caitlyn Cerritos, Quentin Immel, Judah Smith

6th Grade

Cambreigh Fluhmann, Ryan Mendoza, Alex Munoz, Roxy Rangel, Myrka Sosa

A/B Honor Roll

1st Grade

Violet Castaneda, Cali Ingram, Eva McMurtrey, Kambri Prieto, Avary Roe

2nd Grade

Zachary Cerritos, Jayla Corley, Eduardo Ureno
Joshua Garcez, Sarah Garcez, 3rd Grade
Charlee Hefner, Alyssa Brittany Axt, Dennis Bagby,
Landeros, Chris Lofton, Micah Wyatt Bosworth, Eli Bradshaw,
Smith, Makayla Tetherow, Kaden Chandler, Max Garcia,

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Gregston, Brennen Hood, Elsi Moreno, Tylie Murphey, Presley
Munoz, Kylan Pitcock, Hanna Oleksiuk, Cierra Pogue, Jocilyn
Riley Saxton, Brooke Smith

4th Grade

Monica Brazil, Brewer Hood, Khadie Kohutek, Carlos Olguin, Chasity Parker, Jesse Reese, Braxton Wright

5th Grade

Jaclyn Broadbent, Kailey Freeman, Rhiannon Freeze, Mackenzie Galicia, Jimma Richardson, Brayden Sherwood

6th Grade

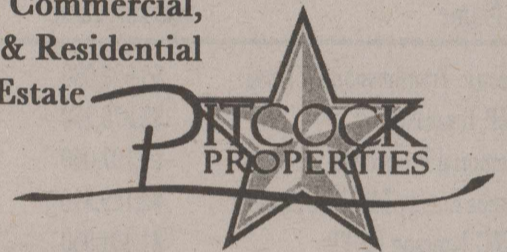
Perfect Attendance

Kindergarten

Alexandria Balderas, Bailey Flanagan, Jacob Garcez, William Higgins, Angel Jasso-Burgess, Wyatt Jowers, Fernanda Landeros, Camille Lewis, Mylee Longoria, Isaac McCoppin, Bracken Robertson, Brooklyn Roe, Jaxson South

1st Grade

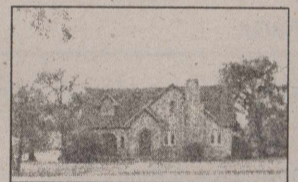
Farm-Ranch, Commercial, Recreational & Residential Real Estate



PRICED TO SELL! Beautiful brick home on approximately 2 acres! Gorgeous front porch with a swing perfect for enjoying the views and a screened-in patio for entertaining! Lovely, updated interior with over-sized living room complete with vaulted

ceiling and bay windows in the dining and master bedroom! Two stall barn with enclosed tack or storage room! Bring the animals and move right on in!

W O N D E R F U L 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!



QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD! Brick home in quiet Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Open Floor Plan! Storage Building! Workshop! Fireplace! Wood Floors! Carport! Fenced Back Yard! Large Trees! Perfect home for family!

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 trees and reasonable price make an excellent option for first-time home-buyers or rental property investment! Many extras including a storm shelter!



GORGEOUS FAMILY HOME! Beautiful updated 4 bedroom home on corner lot in established neighborhood with gorgeous large windows throughout. Privacy fence, lots of storage and extras! Large trees highlight landscaped yard and covered patio is perfect for entertaining! Near park and golf course!

Please call us if you are considering selling your home, land or business!

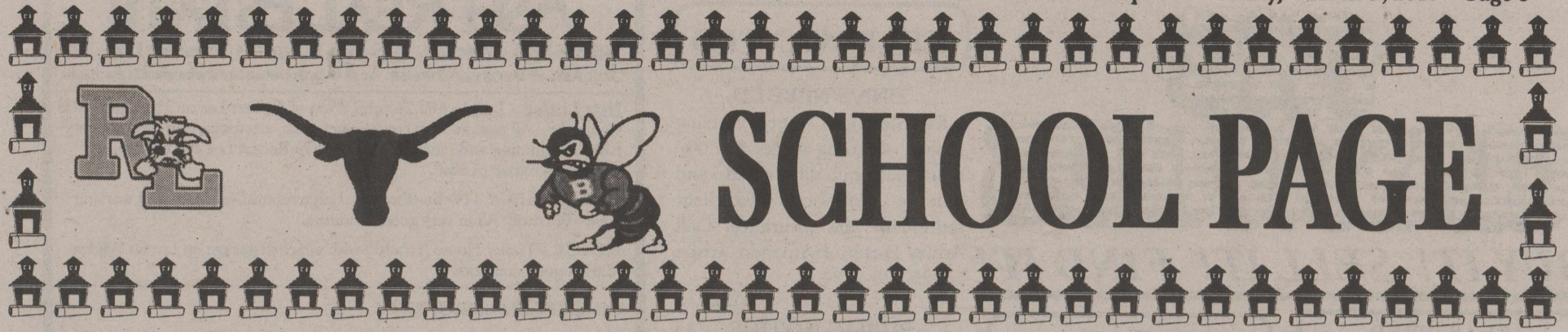
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SCHOOL PAGE

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2nd Grade

Zachary Cerritos, Maddison Coger, Kaleb Fitchett, Joshua Garcez, Sarah Garcez, Alyssa Landeros, Chris Lofton

3rd Grade

Dalton Abalos, Brittany Axt, Wyatt Bosworth, Eli Bradshaw, Kaden Chandler, Max Garcia, Noah Gonzales, Brennen Hood, Kallie Kohutek, Elsi Munoz, Kylan Pitcock, Ava Pogue

4th Grade

Tiffany Axt, Christian Higgins, Brewer Hood, Khadie Kohutek, Lucas Martinez, Hannah McCoppin, Carlos Olguin, Rhett Rangel, Jaidyn Saxton, Rylee Sharp, Braxton Wright

5th Grade

Jaclyn Broadbent, Aden Burns, Kailey Freeman, Rhiannon Freeze, Mackenzie Galicia, Quentin Immel, Canyon Moran, Zoey Nichols, Brody Pitcock, Judah Smith

6th Grade

Kailey Bradshaw, Skyler Horne, Ryan Mendoza, Kristen Moreno, Alex Munoz, Cierra Pogue, Roxy Rangel, Jocilyn Saxton

Blackwell Menu

Breakfast

Monday, March 6

Biscuit-n-sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, March 7

Waffles-n-sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, March 8

Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, March 9

Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, March 10

Cheese toast, hash browns, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 6

Hornet Chicken Bowl (popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, gravy, cheese), hot roll, fruit, milk

Tuesday, March 7

Chicken sandwich, fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit, milk

Wednesday, March 8

Corn Dogs, mac 'n cheese, baked beans, fruit, milk

Thursday, March 9

Chicken fried steak, scalloped potatoes, black-eyed peas, hot roll, gravy, fruit, milk

Friday, March 10

Spaghetti, corn on cob, salad, garlic toast, fruit, milk

Bronte Menu

Breakfast

Monday, March 6

Chicken-n-biscuit or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice,

milk

Tuesday, March 7

Breakfast pizza or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, March 8

Stuffed Bagel & sausage or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, March 9

PBJ sandwich or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, March 10

Sausage & biscuit or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 6

Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, garden salad, Tuscan vegetables, peaches, rolls, gravy, milk

Tuesday, March 7

Asian chicken, eggroll, rice, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, pineapple, milk, sugar cookie

Wednesday, March 8

Tex-Mex stack, Spanish rice, refried beans, salsa, tomato cup, cinnamon apple, milk

Thursday, March 9

Chicken parmesan, green beans, garden salad, apple slices, breadstick, milk

Friday, March 10

Hamburger, oven tots, fresh vegetable cup, orange smiles, milk

Robert Lee Menu

Breakfast

Monday, March 6

Pancakes & sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, March 7

Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, March 8

Biscuit, eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, March 9

Sausage Kolache & yogurt, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, March 10

Egg & cheese sandwich, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, March 6

Chicken quesadillas, salsa, Mexicali corn, charro beans,



CCSWCD Essay Contest! Robert Lee ISD 5th graders participated in the Coke County SWCD Essay Contest. The topic was "We all need trees". Students listened to a presentation on trees, gathered research, and wrote their essays. Mrs. Burns was very pleased with the efforts of all her students. First place was awarded to Caitlyn Cerritos. Abigail Arthur received second and third place was given to an unnamed student. Mackenzie Galicia won 4th place.

cinnamon applesauce, milk

Tuesday, March 7

Steak fingers, gravy, roll, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, strawberry & bananas, milk

Wednesday, March 8

Spaghetti bowl, breadstick, salad, veggie blend, peaches, pudding, milk

Thursday, March 9

Texas chili, cornbread, broccoli bites, tomato cup, orange smiles, milk

Friday, March 10

Popcorn chicken, roll, fries, cucumber dippers, fruit, cookie, milk

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NOTICES

ROBERT LEE ISD

Has cancelled their school board trustee election to be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017, due to unopposed candidates. There were 2 three-year terms available. Jeffie Roberts and Irma Torres filed for re-election.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, ECI Storage located at Corner of 6th Street and Highway 158, Robert Lee, TX 76945 and Corner of Highway 208 and Bishop, Robert Lee, TX 76945, and Corner of 8th and Chadbourne, Robert Lee, TX 76945, will hold a public auction of the property generally described below to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will begin at 10 A.M. on Saturday, March 18, 2017, at

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regular school board meeting, Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

Winners will be notified by phone, so it is necessary to include a phone number with your bid.

District must receive full payment by 3 PM, Thursday, March 30, 2017, or next highest bidder will be awarded at 9 AM, Friday, March 31, 2017.

Payment must be in cash, money order, or cashier's check. No personal checks will be accepted.

District has set a minimum bid amount of \$1,000. Any bid below \$1,000 will not be considered.

The District is selling a 2003 Suburban with 201,570 miles. The vehicle is being sold with no warranties or guarantees. Interested individuals should inspect the vehicle prior to purchase.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Bronte Volunteer Fire Department is accepting bids for a 50' x 160' concrete foundation and also a bid for construction of the building. Sealed bids will be accepted until Friday, March 3, 2017, at 5 pm. For bid specifications or for more information, contact Fire Chief Bill Torres at 325-812-6654.

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... Taxing Entities

(Continued from page 1) data, educating people about water conservation and preventing irreparable harm to the aquifer. Bottom line, our water districts maintain local control of our underground water.

2016 Taxes Levied
Kickapoo-\$21,000.92
CCUWD-\$44,001.56
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Coke County

Major responsibilities of county government include building and maintaining roads, recreational facilities, county airports; operating the judicial system; maintaining public records (real estate and mineral deeds, birth certificates, death certificates, marriage certificates, etc.); collecting property taxes; issuing vehicle registrations and transfers; registering voters; providing law enforcement, and conduction elections.

2016 Taxes Levied
Coke County-\$1,260,656.77
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Bronte and Robert Lee

Cities maintain the infrastructure (water, sewer, trash collection, city streets, etc.) necessary for communities to exist. The city councils also pass laws, in the form of ordinances, to protect health, welfare and safety of their citizens. The

cities each receive rebates of a portion of the sales taxes collected from the businesses within their city limits. They also receive revenue from the water, sewer and trash collection.

2016 Taxes Levied
City of Bronte-\$119,283.87
City of Robert Lee-\$134,026.87

School Districts

Their purpose is the most obvious-to provide access to education for every child in their district. Several years ago, Bronte dropped the additional 20% discount given to homeowners. The state mandates a \$15,000 homestead exemption which applies to taxpayers in each school's district. However, Robert Lee also gives the additional 20% discount. Both schools have a freeze for those receiving the Over 65 exemption. For this group, their school taxes were frozen either at or below the dollar amount they paid when they were first eligible for the

Over 65 exemption. Cities and counties may also offer this freeze to their senior citizens. The cities of Bronte and Robert Lee and Coke County do not offer this option.

2016 Taxes Levied
RLISD -\$2,084,318.16
RLISD I&S-\$435,516.48
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Hospital Districts

Originally established to fund and maintain hospitals in Robert Lee and Bronte. Since these hospitals were closed, the funding has gone to the nursing homes in each city. Taxpayers on the west side receive a small discount (approximately \$3/day) if they must be admitted to the nursing home. Taxpayers on the east side are treated no differently than a resident of another county if they must be admitted to the nursing home.

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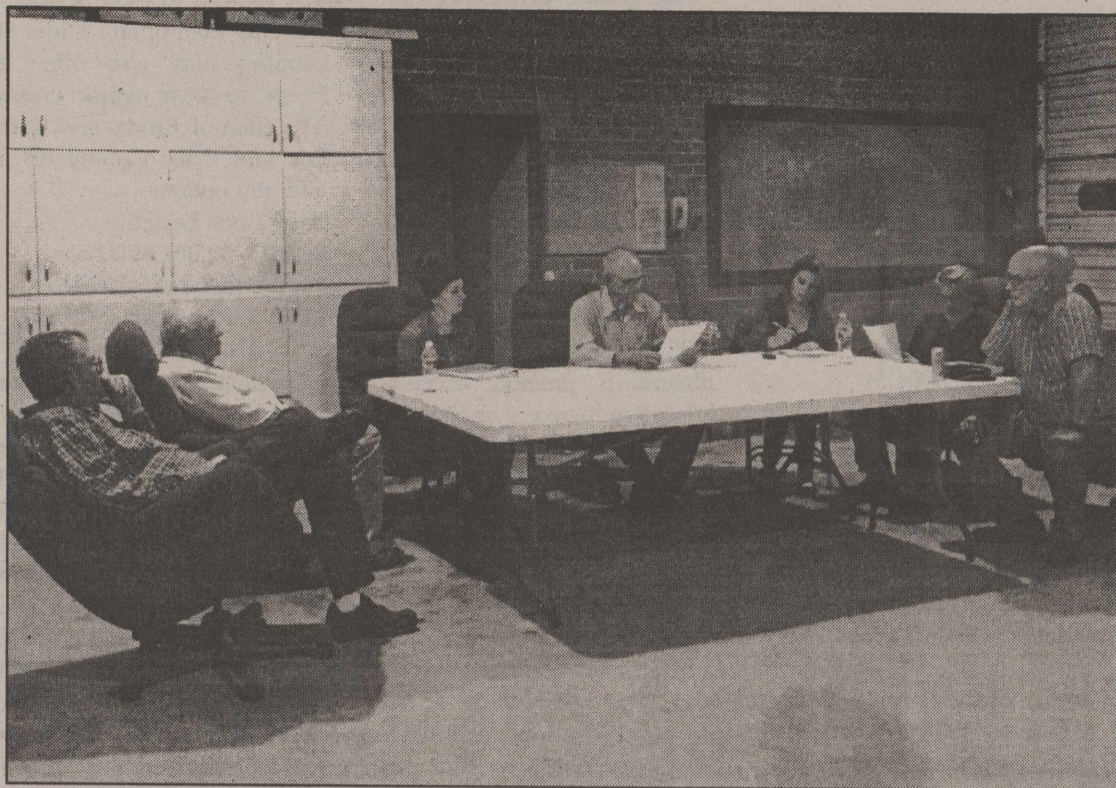
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Council Votes to Pay Loyd! The Bronte City Council met in special session Thursday evening, February 23, 2017, with only one item on the agenda - the Oak Creek Lease to Ronny Loyd. At 6:30, Mayor Gerald Sandusky led council members and those in attendance in the pledge, immediately

followed by Council Member Paul Gohman with the prayer. Mayor Sandusky proceeded to read the statement on the laws governing executive sessions and the council went into executive session for almost an hour and a half. As soon as they returned, Council Member George Tomes read the following motion, "I make the motion to pay Ronny Loyd the settlement of \$30,000.00 in full settlement of all issues regarding the lease in exchange for a release of all claims against the city and to authorize the city secretary to begin the process of putting the two tracts of land up for bid separately." A vote ensued with Council Member Wade Stautzenberger, Council Member Martin Lee, Council Member Gohman, and Council Member Tomes voting for the motion. Council Member Misti Bedford abstained. Mayor Sandusky asked who had seconded the motion and Council Member Stautzenberger said he would second the motion. At that time, Mayor Sandusky adjourned the meeting and the council left the room. Citizens in attendance were quite disturbed at no public comments or questions being allowed at the meeting.

Tomes withdraws application

Although the filing period for the May 6, 2017, local government entity elections ended February 17, 2017, Council member George Tomes has withdrawn his name from the ballot.

The City of Bronte has terms expiring for three council positions. These are two year terms. The offices are currently held by council members Martin Lee, George Tomes and Misti Bedford. George Tomes was the only incumbent to file to retain his seat on the council. However, he has rescinded his application. On the ballot for these positions will be Stormy Vaughn, David Bedford, Jim Rodriguez, Paul Knight, and Orlando DeLaGarza.

Red Hat Society to meet

The Red Hat Society will Tuesday, March 7, 2017, in Ballinger. The Ladies Club in Ballinger is sponsoring a potato bake and salad luncheon at the Family Life Center next to the First Baptist Church at 400 N 8th Street. Serving is from 11 am to 1 pm. This is their annual scholarship fundraiser. Hope to see you there.

Utility Assistance offered

The Concho Valley Community Action Agency will be in Coke County on April 5, 2017, to help with Utility Assistance. They will also be taking applications for the Weatherization Program.

The location and time is at the Coke County Courthouse, 13 E. 7th Street in Robert Lee, from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

RLVFD Fish Fry set for March 5

A Fish Fry to benefit the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department will be held Sunday, March 5, 2017 from noon until 6 pm (or until they run out!) at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee.

For more information, contact any member of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department.

Bible Baptist Church to host Movie Night

Robert Lee's Bible Baptist Church will be hosting a movie night on March 11 beginning at 6 pm at the church. "God's Not Dead 2" will be shown and the evening includes popcorn and drinks. There will be a movie night on the second Saturday each month beginning at 6 pm with a different movie each month. Anyone is welcome to attend.

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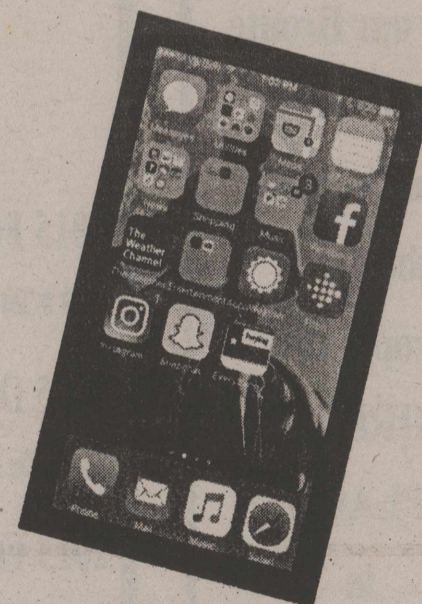
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