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### Retirement Reception to honor Antilley

A reception to honor Kei Antilley will be held Friday, June 8, 2018, from 1 pm to 3 pm at Robert Lee State Bank. Kei is retiring after 35 years of service. Come by and let Kei know how much you appreciate her assistance through the years.

### BHS Class of '68 reunion slated

The 1968 Class of Bronte High School will celebrate their 50 year reunion on Saturday June 9, 2018.

The Class will gather at the Williams Building at 3 pm, following the Doug McCutchen Memorial Golf tournament that morning. Doug was a member of the Class of '68.

We invite friends and family to stop by the Williams Building held Sunday, June 10. The and visit and reminisce. For program with a devotional will more information regarding the begin at 10:30 am at the Sanco reunion, please contact Linda Tabernacle. Barbecue, beans, Cumbie Gladden at (325) 655- tea, and paper goods will be 6693 or (325) 340-5798 or Don provided. Bring a side dish,

Hageman at (325) 656-4265 or (325) 647-5207. The class looks forward to seeing one another plus all their friends.

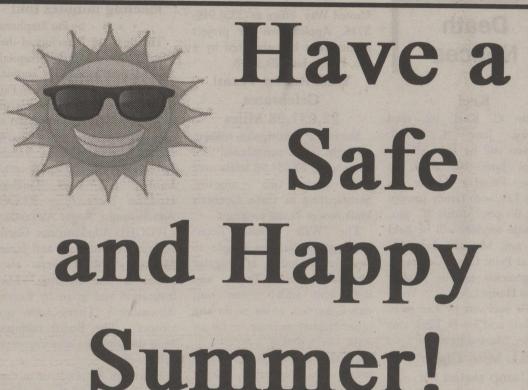
For information regarding the golf tournament, contact the Bronte Longhorn Golf Club at (325) 262-5227.

### Bronte Park Fun Day slated for June 9

The annual Bronte Park Fun Day is set for Saturday, June 9, beginning at 10 am. The event will include craft tent, bounce houses, a slip-n-slide, obstacle course, petting zoo, face painting, dunking booth, baby/ toddler area, and much more! Food will be available for sale at the event.

### Sanco Homecoming set for Sunday

Sanco Homecoming will be



salad, dessert or anything else you might want.

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### VP Open House slated for June 10

Vision with a Purpose will host the Open House for their newly remodeled office on Austin Street in Robert Lee. The event will be held on Sunday, June 10, from 2 pm until 4 pm, with food and drinks available. The new building is quite an addition to Robert Lee and can be used for meetings, parties, weddings, receptions, and any community event where people gather. Information will be available for rental costs at the open house event.

### RLBC summer lunch delivery available

Robert Lee Baptist Church will be delivering lunches to children ages 4 - 18 at home within the city limits of Robert Lee. The lunches are delivered every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday June 11 through August 10. There are no qualifications to be

Friday, 8 am - 5 pm.

For more information, contact the church at 453-2724 or Erin Oleksiuk at 656-9884.

### Summer Reading Program at Coke **County Library**

The Coke County Library will host storyteller, Bernadette Nelson, on Wednesday, June 13, at 2:30 pm for their Summer Reading Program. The library is located at 706 Austin in Robert Lee.

### **RL** Community Watch Meeting set for June 19

A Robert Lee Community Watch Meeting will be held United Methodist Church.

This meeting is open to anyone who wants to be part of the solution and is interested in becoming a member of the another organization

included, just forms for delivery. Judge Blair will be the guest The forms may be picked up at speaker and Sheriff McCutchen the church, Monday through will be there again to answer any questions you may have.

### Water Aerobics to be held

Ladies water aerobics will be each Monday Thursday at the Bronte Pool, beginning at 6:15 pm.

### 4th of July celebration set at BHRC

Bronte Health and Rehab Center will host their annual 4th of July celebration. The event will include a silent auction and the famous Ed Cumbie auction, along with hot dogs, watermelon, and other goodies. Funds raised go to support the BHRC Auxiliary.

However, with deep regret the Tuesday, June 19, at 6 pm, at the BHRC Auxiliary will not be Family Life Center at First hosting fireworks this year. The cost has gone up and the number of patrons at BHRC that can enjoy the fireworks has gone down. The Auxiliary hopes that Robert Lee Community Watch. consider taking on this project.

## WEEK AT A GLAN

Saturday, June 9

Bronte Park Fun Day, 10 am,

Bronte High School Class of '68 Reunion, 3 pm, Williams Building, Downtown Bronte

Sunday, June 10

Sanco Homecoming, 10:30 am, Sanco Tabernacle

Vision with a Purpose Open House, 2 pm - 4 pm, VP Headquarters, Austin Street, Robert Lee

Monday, June 11

Ladies Water Aerobics, 6:15 pm, Bronte Pool

Tuesday, June 12

Commissioners Court, 9 am, County Courthouse, Robert Lee

Wednesday, June 13

Coke County Library Summer Reading Program, 2:30 pm, 706 Austin, Robert Lee

Thursday, June 14

Ladies Water Aerobics, 6:15 pm, **Bronte Pool** 

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1 Long Continuous Ring - All Clear for Tornado

4 Rings - Alarm Test

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### Death **Notices**

### Keel

Vivian C. Keel, 92, died Monday, June 4, 2018. Visitation will be held all day Sunday, June 10, 2018, at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee, with family present from 6 pm until 8 pm. Graveside services will be held at 10 am, Monday, June 11, 2018, at Paint Creek Cemetery. Arrangements are by Shaffer Funeral Home.

She is survived by her sons, Sam Keel and Joe D. Keel, and daughter, Martha Relaford.

### **RL Mini Cheer** Camp slated for July 30 - August 3

The Robert Lee High School Cheerleaders will host their annual Mini Cheer Camp July 30 through August 3. The camp will be held from 9 am until 11 am each day at the school tennis courts. Snacks will be available for sale and students will need to bring a water bottle each day of camp. Also new Steer shirts will be for sale that week.

For more information, contact Maranda Hood by email at maranda.hood@rlisd.net.

### **Vacation Bible School** set for RLBC

Robert Lee Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School July 9 through July 13, from 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm. Children going in to Pre-K through 6th grade are invited to attend. A pool party will complete the week on July 13. For more information, contact Robert Lee Baptist Church at 453-2724.

### United Way to award Venture Grants

The United Way of the Concho Valley announced that venture grants will be awarded to fund qualifying projects in the 14 counties that comprise the Concho Valley, which includes Coke County.

A venture grant is a small, non-recurring grant designed to fund local projects of non-profit organizations that have a 501(c)(3) IRS tax status. Grant requests may not exceed \$5,000. To obtain a 2018 United Way of the Concho Valley Venture Grant application form or for more information, please contact Robyn Flores at the

United Way office at (325) 949-3716. Applications for project grants must be submitted by 4 pm, Friday, June 29, 2018.

### Walk Across Texas! Celebrates 22,031.98 Miles

Sixty-four participants making up eight teams contributed to a cumulative 22,031.98 miles over past two months, participating in Coke County's Walk Across Texas! program.

The Walk Across Texas! program encourages people to develop a habit of regular physical activity. Teams and individuals walk - or run, dance, garden, swim or do any other form of exercise — for an eight - week period.

Starting on March 29, sixtyparticipants began incorporating physical activity into their regular schedules and logged the activity on the program website. Each 20 minutes of activity counts as one mile. At 832 miles across Texas, participants could have traversed the state twenty-six times!

This was the second year the program was offered in Coke County and participation increased from the last year.

The results of the friendly competition are as follows:

1st Place Team) The Jokers, 2nd Place Team) The Ladies and a Gent,

3rd Place Team) Asphalt Warriors,

4th Place Team) Walk This Way!,

5th Place Team) Big Assets, 6th Place Team ) 7 Hotties and a Dude,

7th Place Team) RLCC Pace uncollectable debts.

8th Place Team) 8 Chicks.

The top walker on each team are as follows in no particular order: David - 973.50 miles, Lanette - 193.59 miles, Julian -670.68 miles, DeeAnna - 602.88 miles, Judy - 1,319.76 miles, Kyle - 352.98 miles, Samantha -859.29 miles, and Rosa - 424.11

Kandice Everitt, CEA-FCH Extension Agent for Coke County, appreciates all who participated this year for making it another successful program.

### **WCCHD** Board meeting minutes told

by Pat Stephens The Board of Directors of the West Coke County Hospital District met in regular session May 29, 2018. President Pat Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:35 am and declared a quorum was present. Board members present were Sarah Green, Pat Carwile, Beverly Burdett and Noel Tinkler. Houston McGuire - RLCC Administrator, Roger Alexander - WCCHD Administrator, Chris Martin - Consultant, and Janie Munoz - BOM were also present at the meeting. The invocation was given by Roger Alexander. There were no visitors. The Board minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

There are 33 residents in the Care Center as of the meeting date. The facility is currently taking applications for PRN CNAs. The CNA class began May 29th. There are 10 participants in the class.

Houston gave his Administrator's report. The Board voted to remain in the QIPP program and send the IGT payment due on May 31st. This program is proving to be very beneficial for the facility. The Board also voted to accept the bid from Total Fire Control & Safety to replace the call lights on the west wing.

Accounts receivable reviewed and discussed.

Roger Alexander gave the financial report, which was discussed and approved. Board voted to write off the recommended amount

The Board broke for lunch at 11:30 am and enjoyed the residents' choice meal of BBQ on a bun and trimmings.

The Board reconvened at 12:15 pm.

Future agenda items were discussed, and next Board meeting will be June 26, 2018. The public is invited to attend.

The Board adjourned into a short Executive Session to discuss personnel. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

According the temperatures, summer has arrived (a bit early) with a vengeance! The June calendar begins with a trip to the Hummer House in Christoval on June 1. The Methodist Church will be providing entertainment on Mondays in June (June 4, June 11, June 18, and June 25) at 3:30 pm. There will be a Father's Day party on June 15 at 3:30 pm, and Sunday, June 17, which is actually Father's Day, will be celebrated at the facility with popcorn and a movie. The monthly birthday party will be June 19 at 3:30

pm. Those celebrating birthdays this month are Bernie McCarty, Delores Seal and Irene Lozano. Happy birthday, ladies!! There will be a Sing-Along on June 22 at 3:30 pm and will be led by Roger Alexander. Everyone is invited to come and join the fun! Jim Gross will be entertaining at the facility on June 29 at 3:30 pm, and that pretty well wraps up the month of June. Happy Father's Day to all you dads out

### CCRTA meeting held

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association met on Monday, May 21, for their final noon meeting before the summer break at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. The next session of meetings will begin September 17, 2018. Calendars can be checked on the third Monday of the month, except December.

The Texas Retired Teacher Association Health Care Committee presented a certificate of recognition for performing an outstanding job in meeting the requirements on the Health Care Brenda Hines also received a certificate for regular updates on health care issues.

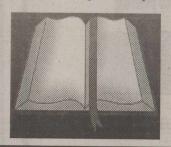
## Area Churches Invite You to Worship

**Bronte Bronte Church of Christ** PO Box 346 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte 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 • Pastor Lee Bevly Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible Study & Worship Wednesday 6 pm RA's & GA's, 6:30 pm Youth & Adults 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 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am **4C Cowboy Church** Texas Theater, Dowtown 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.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship



**Bible Baptist Church** PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School, 11 am Worship, Wed 5:30 pm Bible Study **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy Pastor Kevin Millstid 453-2360 Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 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 Recardo Reyes, Preacher Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ

Wed. 6 pm, Worship

PO Box 508

(325) 453-2724

Danny White, Pastor

9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee (325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or (325) 473-1053 Services: Sun. 10 am Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship 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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The importance of voting based on areas of concerns was discussed. A membership drive is underway as numbers are important in maintaining retired school personnel issues in health care and retirement dividend calculations of the Teacher Retirement System. Retired school personnel are urged to contact a retired teacher for information on becoming a member. Visit trta.org for all school retiree information.

Attending the meeting were Merle Kelso, Charlotte Jackson, Lee and Janet Wommack, Wanda Brewer, Brenda Hines, Leva Self, Margie Butler, Mary William Hood, Lawhon, Glenda Willis, Beth Prather, Merle Kelso, Ann Hamilton, Paul Gothard, Gerald Sandusky and Cristi Bagwell.

### Walls to Build

by James M. Decker My friend Lee Burton is a ranch manager in Albany. He's also one of the most thoughtful people that I know, in all facets of his life. He spends as much time thinking about the restoration and renewal of rural communities as I do. Recently, he proposed this analogy and I've not been able to shake it from my mind.

I have long been inspired by the character and leadership of Nehemiah in the If you aren't Testament. immediately familiar with the details, Nehemiah was a Jewish exile in Persia. While serving as cupbearer to the Persian king, Nehemiah heard from some travelers that Jerusalem was a The people who remained there were in trouble, The city wall was broken down, its gates burned by fire. Nehemiah was greatly troubled. After a lengthy period of mourning, fasting, and praying, he asked God for guidance on this situation. After a conversation with the king, Nehemiah departed with a mission to rebuild the wall of Jerusalem.

Next came a sequence of events that would make action heroes blush. Nehemiah, a man with no engineering, military, or organizational training, arrived at Jerusalem and organized a rebuilding project. Numerous foreign tribes opposed the effort and attempted to stop the rebuilding with intimidation and threats of violence. Not to be deterred from the mission for which he had been called, Nehemiah pressed on. He stationed defenders along the project and the remaining men did all of their work with a shovel in one hand and a sword in the other hand. Within 52 days, the wall was rebuilt. Thereafter, Nehemiah worked with Ezra to repopulate the city and renew the faithfulness of the Jewish people.

There is much that I can say about the inspiration of Nehemiah, but today, the wall building is my focus. In those days, a city's wall was something very important. A wall secured a city from invaders and other

threats. It provided its citizens with safety and an opportunity for prosperity. A city with a broken wall left its citizens exposed, their fates subject to the dangers and whims of the outside world. A city whose wall had been broken was a city in its last stages of life.

I've talked many times about the challenges that are faced by rural America in today's world, but Lee put this into amazing perspective. Like Jerusalem in the time of Nehemiah, rural America's wall is broken. He's right. Much like a city with a broken wall, rural America's fate has been left to the dangers and whims of the outside world, whose people may or may not care about rural America.

Lee challenged all those who heard this idea to take Nehemiah's lead and become rural America's wall builders. Rural America may not need a physical wall, but it needs what the wall represented to ancient cities - an opportunity for its people to prosper. Our challenge may be great, but Nehemiah wasn't exactly dealt a simple task. Despite lack of training, despite the threats and dangers he faced, Nehemiah rebuilt the wall of Jerusalem and helped restore its people.

Will you join us in rebuilding rural America's wall?

James Decker is a lawyer, farmer, and mayor in Stamford, and the creator of the forthcoming "West 98" podcast and website. He may be contacted through Facebook at facebook.com/james.decker.

### **USDA Partners** with Texas A&M to help Veterans

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue recently announced a partnership between the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Texas A&M's AgriLife Extension Service to help military veterans obtain loans and pursue careers as farmers and ranchers. Secretary Perdue joined local dignitaries, members of the Armed Forces, veterans, and community leaders at the Dallas Farmers Market to unveil the new pilot program.

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is collaborating with AgriLife Extension Service on the pilot, which is part of the Texas A&M Battleground to Breaking Ground project. The program makes it easier for to meet federal



Impromptu Class Reunion! Several members of the Bronte High School Class of 1980 met Saturday evening, June 2, 2018, at Zentner's Daughter in San Angelo. Attending the gathering from the Class of 1980 were Russell Johnson, Mark Ball, Miles Brown, Don Hamilton, Kathy Ensor Griffin, Donnie Jackson, Bruce Snow, and Melinda Barrett McCutchen (not pictured). Joey Luckett from the Class of 1981 was also in attendance. The group enjoyed the evening and looks forward to their 40th reunion in early summer of 2020.

requirements to get FSA direct farm ownership loans, which can help provide access to land and capital.

"Veterans retiring from active duty face many challenges, and this effort provides them with hands-on training and financial planning to help them succeed as new farmers and ranchers," said Secretary Perdue, who is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. "Through this pilot, veterans will learn how to build an agricultural business and how USDA can help them at every step of the way. We are committed to supporting veterans, whether they are starting or growing their farming or ranching operations. This is an important step in our efforts to strengthen the American economy and support our American heroes."

The pilot program, which will include 15 to 18 veterans, will roll out in three phases: an introductory workshop, a business planning curriculum, and a production curriculum over a period of 12 to 18 months.

Typically, loan applicants must participate in the business operations of a farm for at least three years during a 10-year period. However, as part of this pilot program, participants can combine the certificate they receive with their military leadership or management experience to satisfy this requirement. According to the from rural America.

Pilot program applications will central standard time. Apply http:// txagrability.tamu.edu/farm- OAeLqXHUU3w.

U.S. Department of Labor, ranch. For more information approximately 45 percent of about USDA programs, visit armed service members are newfarmers.usda.gov/veterans or https://www.farmers.gov.

To learn about other ways USDA be accepted from interested is supporting veterans, visit https:/ veterans between June 15 and /www.usda.gov/our-agency/ July 20, 2018, until 11 pm, initiatives/veterans, and watch the video at www.youtube.com/watch?v=



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DAR Awards! Payton McKee (left) and Shelby Panzer recently received awards from the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. McKee was awarded the Excellence in History Award for maintaining the highest grade point average in social studies throughout her high school career. Panzer was chosen for the DAR Good Citizen Award for demonstrating qualities of 2nd Grade dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism while attending Blackwell High School.

### **BCISD 6th Six** Weeks Awards A Honor Roll

1st Grade

Lawson Hambright, Johannah Luz, Weston May

2nd Grade

Bella Clark, Slade Wilkinson 3rd Grade

Brayden Claborn, Ellie Scott, Brynlea Wojtek

4th Grade

Cummings, Jaxon Kreed Shipman

5th Grade

Kinley Cummings, Brionna Sommerfeld

6th Grade

Karter Cummings

7th Grade

Matthew Shipman 8th Grade

Cadi Powers

9th Grade

Kiley Cummings, Nathaniel Shipman

10th Grade

Haylee Cason, Grant Gott, Jordan Jones, Emily Rasco, Katelyn Robertson, Emilee Sanderson

11th Grade

Vickie Davis, Tori Scott

12th Grade

Payton McKee, Shelby Panzer, Carola Savino

A/B Honor Roll

1st Grade

Drake Glenn, Maria Lopez, Kaelison O'Shields

2nd Grade

Hegan Burton, Isabello Pico, Dameon Rivera

3rd Grade

Ashlynn McKinney, Lilee

Sanderson, Emmie Scott

4th Grade

Hondo Burton, Kassie Flowers, Avery Glenn, Morgan Rasco, Traci Sefcik, Landen Willingham

5th Grade

Cooper Claborn, Morgan Dove, Elijah Drake, Marlene Sanchez, Emma Williams

6th Grade

Jesus Gonzalez, Zachary Pierce

7th Grade

Luz Cano, Autumn Clark, Blane Crosson, Dylan Taylor 8th Grade

Gloria Gonzalez, Chloe McKinney, Samuel Ottaberry, Stockton Solis

9th Grade

Samuel Brinkman, Devan 9th Grade Clower, Cameron Coldiron, Jadyn Feitshans, Myrka Ibarra, Clower, Cameron Coldiron, Kiley Darrian Kenney, Caitlin Lange, Allison Panzer

10th Grade

Sydney Hayes, Jared Julian, Brendan Scott, Madison Solis

11th Grade Elizabeth Mery, Hunter Perry,

Carli Powers 12th Grade

Jimmie Lewis, Devin Rasco, Dillon Solis, Mercedes Williams

Perfect Attedance

Pre-K

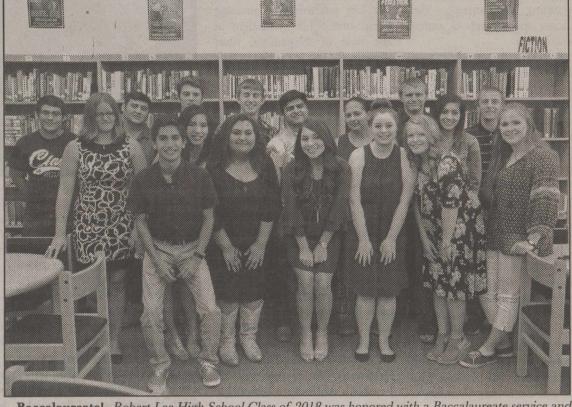
Glenn, Kyler Henley Matthews, Levi McVey, Jack Pierik, Jaydin Stanley

Kindergarten

Tilden Bryan, Paisliee Gunn, Taygen McVey

1st Grade

Maria Lopez, Johannah Luz,



Baccalaureate! Robert Lee High School Class of 2018 was honored with a Baccalaureate service and reception on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at the Family Life Center at First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee.

Weston May

Hegan Burton, Sydnie Pate, Dameon Rivera

3rd Grade

Xavier Rios, Lilee Sanderson, Brynlea Wojtek

4th Grade

Ryder Antilley, Kassie Flowers, Avery Glenn, Paige McVey, Stokely Pierce, Morgan Rasco, Jaxon Shipman

5th Grade

Morgan Dove, Elijah Drake, Makinlee Killough, Marlene Sanchez, Emma Williams

6th Grade

Zachary Pierce, Shelby Rasco 7th Grade

Luz Cano, Autumn Clark, Blane Crosson, Christopher Gieck, Matthew Shipman, Dylan Taylor, Maverick Whitlow 8th Grade

Donovan Perry, Cadi Powers, Stockton Solis

Samuel Cummings, Cody Golding, Myrka Ibarra, Darrian Kenney, Allison Panzer, Zachary Panzer, Carson Sorrells, Jaydon Taylor 10th Grade

Haylee Cason, Grant Gott, Emily Rasco, Emilee Sanderson, **Madison Solis** 

11th Grade

Christian Vickie Davis, McElroy, Hunter Perry, Carli Powers

Texas Wildlife Asoc. scholarships available

The Texas Wildlife Association Foundation (TWAF) and the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. (SALE) have joined forces to offer San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. Scholarships. Scholarships in the amount of

\$10,000 will be awarded to leadership skills universities and colleges.

The scholarship application is available on the Texas Wildlife Association website, http:// www.texas-wildlife.org. Applications must be Winners will be announced by

August 15th. "As our population has grown, the strain on our natural has resources grown proportionately," said TWAF Trustee Charles Davidson. "Our future depends on our ability to manage our natural resources wisely, balancing the needs of man and nature. It just makes sense to identify our future leaders and support them while they are getting their educations. We all will benefit from their expertise in the years to come."

This is the twelfth year that - Must take a minimum of 12 natural resource stewards. To date, \$500,000 has been through awarded this scholarship program.

Selection Criteria:

- Participation in activities, internships, and experience related to the field of natural resource conservation in high school and/or college.

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incoming freshmen at all Texas - Degree plan option and academic achievements

- Answers to four essay questions

- Recommendations

Students receiving a San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Scholarship through the Texas postmarked by July 31st. Wildlife Association Foundation, Inc. must comply with the following guidelines:

- Must be a citizen of the United States and provide proof of

citizenship.

- Must be a Texas high school graduate enrolling in a Texas college within 1 year of high school graduation.

- Must attend an accredited Texas college or university; no online degree programs.

- Must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 per semester on a 4.0 scale each semester (not cumulative) of each academic year to remain eligible.

TWAF and SALE have teamed hours per semester. Only one (1) up to offer scholarships to future online 3 - 4 hour course, taken at the college or university in which recipient is enrolled full time, will be funded per semester. online course must be a curriculum Any additional requirement. online courses will not count towards the minimum 12 hours per semester and will not be funded.

For more information contact Kassi Scheffer at kscheffer@texas-



### USDA resumes continuous CRP enrollment

As part of a 33-year effort to protect sensitive lands and improve water quality and wildlife habitat on private lands, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will resume accepting applications for the voluntary Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

Eligible farmers, ranchers and private landowners can sign up at their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office between June 4 and August 17.

"The Conservation Reserve Program is an important component of the suite of voluntary conservation programs USDA makes available to agricultural producers, benefiting both the land and wildlife. On the road, I often hear firsthand how popular CRP is for our recreational sector—hunters, fishermen, conservationists and bird watchers," U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue said. "CRP also is a powerful tool to encourage agricultural producers to set aside unproductive, marginal lands that should not befarmed to reduce soil erosion, improve water quality, provide habitat for wildlife and boost soil health."

FSA stopped accepting applications last fall for the CRP continuous signup, excluding applications Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and CRP grasslands.

This pause allowed USDA to review available acres and avoid exceeding the 24 million-acre CRP cap set by the 2014 Farm Bill. New limited practice availability and short sign up period helps ensure that landowners with the most sensitive acreage will enroll in the program and avoid unintended competition with new and beginning farmers seeking leases.

CRP enrollment currently is about 22.7 million acres. 2018 CRP signup

priority practices are available for continuous enrollment. They include grassed waterways, filter strips, riparian buffers, wetland restoration and others. Visit https://www.fsa.usda.gov/ programs-and-services/ conservation-programs/ conservation-reserve-program/ crp-continuous-enrollment/ index.

FSA will use updated soil rental rates to make annual rental payments, reflecting current values. It will not offer incentive payments as part of the new signup.

USDA will not open a general signup this year, but a one-year extension will be offered to existing CRP participants with expiring CRP contracts of 14 years or less. Farmers and ranchers eligible for an extension will receive a letter with more information.

CRP grasslands

FSA established new ranking criteria for CRP grasslands. To guarantee all CRP grasslands offers are treated equally, applicants who previously applied will be asked to reapply using the new ranking criteria. Farmers and ranchers with pending applications will receive a letter providing the options. About CRP

In return for enrolling land in CRP, USDA, through FSA on behalf of the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), provides participants with annual rental payments and cost-share assistance.

Landowners enter into contracts that last between 10 and 15 years. CRP pays farmers and ranchers who remove sensitive lands from production and plant certain grasses, shrubs and trees that improve water quality, prevent soil erosion and increase wildlife habitat.

Signed into law by President Reagan in 1985, CRP is one of largest private-lands conservation programs in the United States. Thanks to voluntary participation by farmers, ranchers and private landowners, CRP has improved

For this year's signup, limited water quality, reduced soil erosion and increased habitat for endangered and threatened species.

> The new changes to CRP do not impact the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, a related program offered by CCC and state partners.

Farmers, ranchers landowners wanting to apply for the CRP continuous signup or CRP grasslands should contact their USDA service center.

To locate your local FSA office, visit https:// www.farmers.gov. information on CRP can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov/crp.

### Skip the Trip to DL Offices During Busy **Summer Months**

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding residents that many customers can skip the trip to a driver license (DL) office altogether, which is especially convenient during the busy summer months. Most residents who are eligible to skip the trip are not taking advantage of the option to quickly renew their Texas DL or identification (ID) card online (or by phone). Address changes can also be taken care of online (or by mail) in many instances.

COKE COUNTY

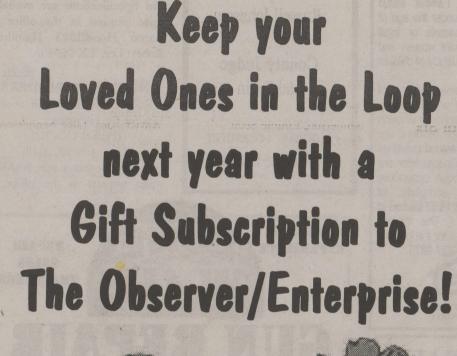
Rifle Team! On Saturday, June 2, 2018, the Coke County 4-H Rifle Team competed in the Callahan County Fun Shoot in Baird. Julian De La Garza (left) won third in the Junior Air Rifle Silhouettes and Juan Orlando De La Garza won second in the Intermediate Air Rifle Silhouettes.

renew online by visiting Texas.gov.

"Summer is one of the busiest times at Texas driver license offices, but taking advantage of

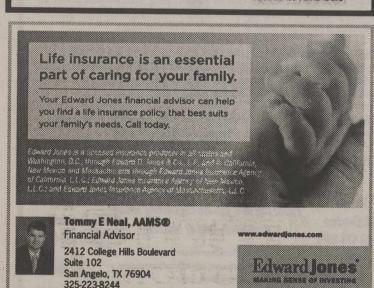
Find out if you are eligible to technology options can save you time," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "If you qualify for online renewal, you can skip the trip to an office altogether.

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## SELL IT!

**Political** 

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### **GARAGE SALES**

GARAGE SALE! **JUNE 16!** 

St. James Mission Catholic Church in Bronte. In the back of the church, opening at 7:00 am. 302 N.Washington Bronte, TX 76933 at W. Trammell. Y'all come!

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## **NOTICES**

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Robert Lee ISD will receive bids for the following: MILK

Until July 19, 2018. Bid Specifications are available upon request in the office of Aaron Hood, 1323 Hamilton, Robert Lee, TX 76945.

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Robert Lee, TX 76945.

48-2tc PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the East Coke County Hospital District will meet for a public hearing on Monday, June 18, 2018, at 5 pm in the business office of the Bronte Health and Rehab Center, 900 South State Street, Bronte, Texas. Public comments concerning the proposed budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 will be received at this hearing. The proposed budget will be adopted at a

Aaron Hood, 1323 Hamilton, regular meeting immediately following this public hearing. The public is invited to attend and participated in these proceedings.

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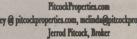
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# ... More Classifieds

**BRONTE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER VACANCY** 

The City Council has requested citizens residing in East Coke County or in the city limits, that would like to be a candidate for appointment to the Bronte Housing Authority Board, to come by or call City Hall to add their name to the appointment list. If you are interested in making a difference and serving the community, this is your chance. The Board will have a meeting four times a year. Appointment to the Board will follow restrictions related to the Nepotism law.

The Bronte Housing Authority oversees both public housing and voucher programs, if available.

The housing authority owns and manages one facility which totals thirty units across the city. Public housing agencies, including the public housing agency in Bronte, are required to submit and receive approval from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Texas State Office every five years. They detail the housing authority's strategy, outreach programs, operations, and policies. The facility complies with the Fair Housing Act and related Equal Housing laws along with our Board of Directors.

If you would like to submit your name for consideration as a Board Member, please contact City Hall before June 15th at (325) 473-3501.

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE 51st JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CITATION BY **PUBLICATION** CJ1800343

To: UNKNOWN FATHER NOTICE DEFENDANT: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. YOU MAY EMPLOY AN ATTORNEY. IF YOU OR OR YOUR ATTORNEY DO NOT FILE WRITTEN ANSWER WITH THE CLERK WHO ISSUED THIS CITATION BY 10:00 AM ON MONDAY NEXT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OF TWENTY DAYS AFTER YOU WERE SERVED THIS CITATION PETITION, DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the petition of plaintiff at or before 10 o'clock am of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of service of this citation before the Honorable 51st JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, COKE COUNTY, TEXAS, at the courthouse in the city of ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

Llamas! Bronte Health and Rehab Center residents were recently treated to a visit from llamas, Dunkin and Olivia.

Said petition was filed in said court, on the 22nd day of May, 2018, in cause number CJ1800343 on the docket of said court and styled:

IN THE INTEREST OF LL. D.J., L.B, CHILDREN

UNKNOWN FATHER

The nature of this cause is IN THE INTEREST OF.

The officer executing this citation shall promptly served the same according requirements of law, and mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at ROBERT LEE, COKE COUNTY, TEXAS; this the 30th day of May, 2018.

MARY GRIM, CLERK 13 E. 7TH ST ROBERT LEE, TX 76945 By: Monica Reyes, Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: AMY LUHRS 622 S. OAKES, STE B SAN ANGELO, X 76903

...Driver License Offices

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However, if you must go to an office in person; we encourage residents to visit a high-capacity Mega Center or to 'get in line' remotely before heading to the DL office, if those options are available."

High-capacity DL Mega Centers are primarily available in major metropolitan areas. In addition, many offices across the state also leverage a queuing system that offers customers the convenient option of reserving a spot in line through the DPS website, by mobile phone or a landline before going to the office. For a list of the highcapacity Mega Centers, as well as the offices that offer the "Get in Line, Online" feature, visit the DPS website www.dps.texas.gov.

Another underutilized option available to customers who are required to make an office visit is renewing their DL or ID card early, which allows customers to choose a convenient time that best fits their schedule, and potentially avoid the busiest times at DL offices. Did you know you can renew up to two

expiration date on your current card if you go into an office, or up to one year in advance if you are renewing online? The new expiration date will remain the same - even if you renew early. Visit the DPS website to make sure you have the proper paperwork (including documents needed for residency requirements) before making a trip to the office.

To be eligible to renew online,

years in advance of the the cardholder must be a U.S. citizen and the expiration date on the card must be within one year. Additionally, in order to renew online, the card cannot have been expired for more than two years. Requirements for renewing online are available at Texas.gov, the official website of the State of Texas. Customers can also renew by phone at 1-866-DL-RENEW (1-866-357-

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The eligibility requirements for phone and online renewal are the same. The fee is the same for online, in-person and telephone renewals. Licenses must be renewed in person every 12 years, so a new photo can be taken and eyesight can be tested. additional information about renewing your driver license or ID card, visit the DPS website.

Customers may obtain a replacement DL or ID card online, if they are able to provide the 20-character code on the front of their current license or card.

Additional information about online services can be found on the DPS website.

### Boaters urged to stay safe on Texas waters

As part of National Safe Boating Week, which was held May 19-25, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department boater education and law enforcement are reminding Texans to be safe this summer by following the law and taking basic safety precautions while on the water.

In 2017, 45 boating fatalities occurred on Texas waters, an increase of more than 28 percent from 2016. On top of that, marine enforcement officers logged 172 boating accidents and 83 boating related injuries. While boating fatalities and accidents can be caused by a variety of circumstances, surviving an accident on the water boils down to one important precaution - wearing a life jacket or personal flotation device (PFD).

"Wearing a life jacket is the most important strategy boaters can take to stay safe on the water,"said Tim Spice, TPWD Boater Education Manager. "The overwhelming majority of boating fatalities are caused by drowning and most of those drowning victims are recovered without a life jacket."

"It's not enough to just have a life jacket on board -people need to wear it," Spice added. "Accidents on the water can happen too fast to reach and put on a stowed life jacket."

State law requires that a life jacket must be available for each occupant of the boat and children under 13 years of age are mandated to wear one while the boat or paddle craft is underway or drifting. Despite these laws, in Texas last year the number of citations issued for children not wearing a life jacket increased by nearly 12 percent.

"Texas Game Wardens regularly perform vessel safety checks to ensure boat operators and passengers are following the law," said Cody Jones, TPWD Assistant Commander for Marine Enforcement. "Everyone who will be operating a boat, personal water craft or paddle craft this summer should make sure they are in compliance with all vessel safety requirements before hitting the water."

Law enforcement will also be on alert for those violating

boating under the influence laws. Operating a boat with a blood alcohol concentration above 0.08 percent is an offense that can lead to fines, the loss of a driver's license and an increased risk of accidents or fatalities on the water. In 2017, game wardens issued 152 boating under the influence or boating while intoxicated citations across the state.

"Alcohol use is the leading contributing factor recreational boater deaths," Jones said. "Not only does it endanger the lives of boat operators and passengers, it endangers the lives of everyone who is outside enjoying Texas lakes and rivers."

Other boating safety tips to keep in mind this summer include:

Take a boating safety course: Paddlers can find a free online safety course on the TPWD

website. For larger vessels, anyone born on or after Sept. 1, 1993, must complete a boater education course to operatea personal watercraft or a boat with a 15-horsepower rating or more. Boater education courses are regularly offered in many locations around the state, or boaters can find a selection of online boater courses that can be taken anytime online.

Learn to swim: The American Red Cross offers swimming lessons by certified instructors across the state.

Use an ignition safety switch: Most boat and personal water crafts come equipped by the manufacturer emergency engine switch. This safety device can shut off the engine if the operator falls off the personal water craft or out of the powerboat, or is otherwise thrown from the

operating position.

For more information about requirements, visit TPWD's boating laws website at https:// tpwd.texas.gov/fishboat/boat/

### New TDI website sheds light on medical costs

Need rotator cuff surgery and have a new tool to help them surgeon, and anesthesia. find out.

common medical procedures, information. including many tests, surgeries, and the average insurance "That's the goal of this website."

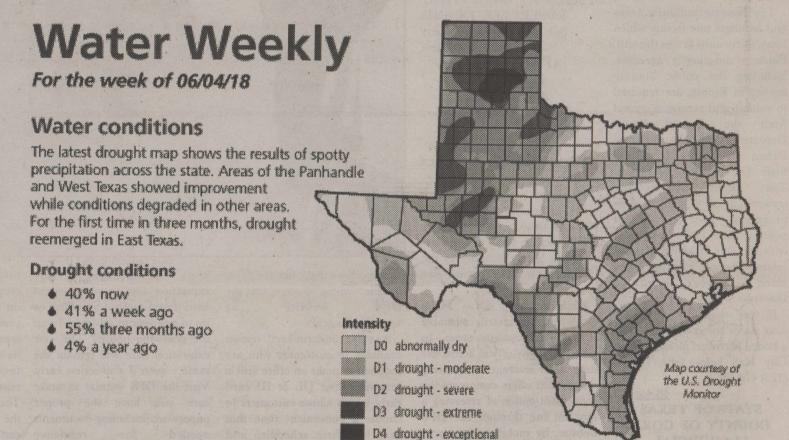
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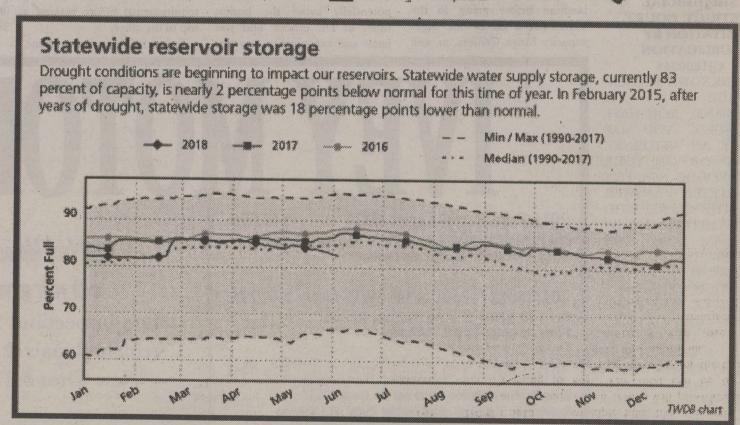
"It is incredibly difficult to get boating safety, laws and information on what a procedure will cost before you get the bill,"said Insurance Commissioner Kent Sullivan. "This website is going to help with that problem."

Consumers can use the site to search for a procedure by ZIP code. For procedures that involve multiple bills, like a surgery, the search results will provide a total wondering what it's going to cost. The total can be broken cost you? Texas consumers now down by the costs for the facility,

Consumers can use the The Texas Department of information as a comparison tool Insurance has a new website - when asking doctors and facilities TexasHealthcareCosts.org - that about their charges for a provides cost information on procedure. The site includes inmore than 200 of the most network and out-of-network cost

"Consumers should be able to and office visits. The site know the cost of a procedure up provides both the average front, compare prices, and budget amount billed for the service for medical care," Sullivan said.





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