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Friday, November 18, 2016

City of Bronte to host Town Hall meeting

The City of Bronte will host a Town Hall Meeting Thursday, November 17, at 6:30 pm in the Bronte ISD Auditorium.

Numerous local groups and taxing entities will be there to discuss their organizations, upcoming events, challenges and accomplishments.

The organizations included are Coke County, City of Bronte, Bronte Independent School District, Fort Chadbourne, Coke County Sheriff's Office, Bronte Volunteer Fire Department, East Coke County Ambulance Service, Restoring Bronte Foundation, Bronte Health and Rehab Center, Bronte Economic Development Corporation, Bronte Evening Lions Club, and the Sorosis Club.

Retired Teachers to meet Monday

The Coke County Retired Teachers will meet Monday, November 21, 2016, for the final meeting of 2016. The noon pot luck luncheon will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

All retired school personnel are encouraged to meet with CCRTA. New folks need not bring food or money to meeting. CCRTA tries to maintain a high percentage of attendance by retired personnel in Coke County. A new legislative year

begins January, 2017, and our voices should be collective and heard.

CCRTA does not meet in December so Monday, November 21, 2016, will be a good way to begin to bring a new year.

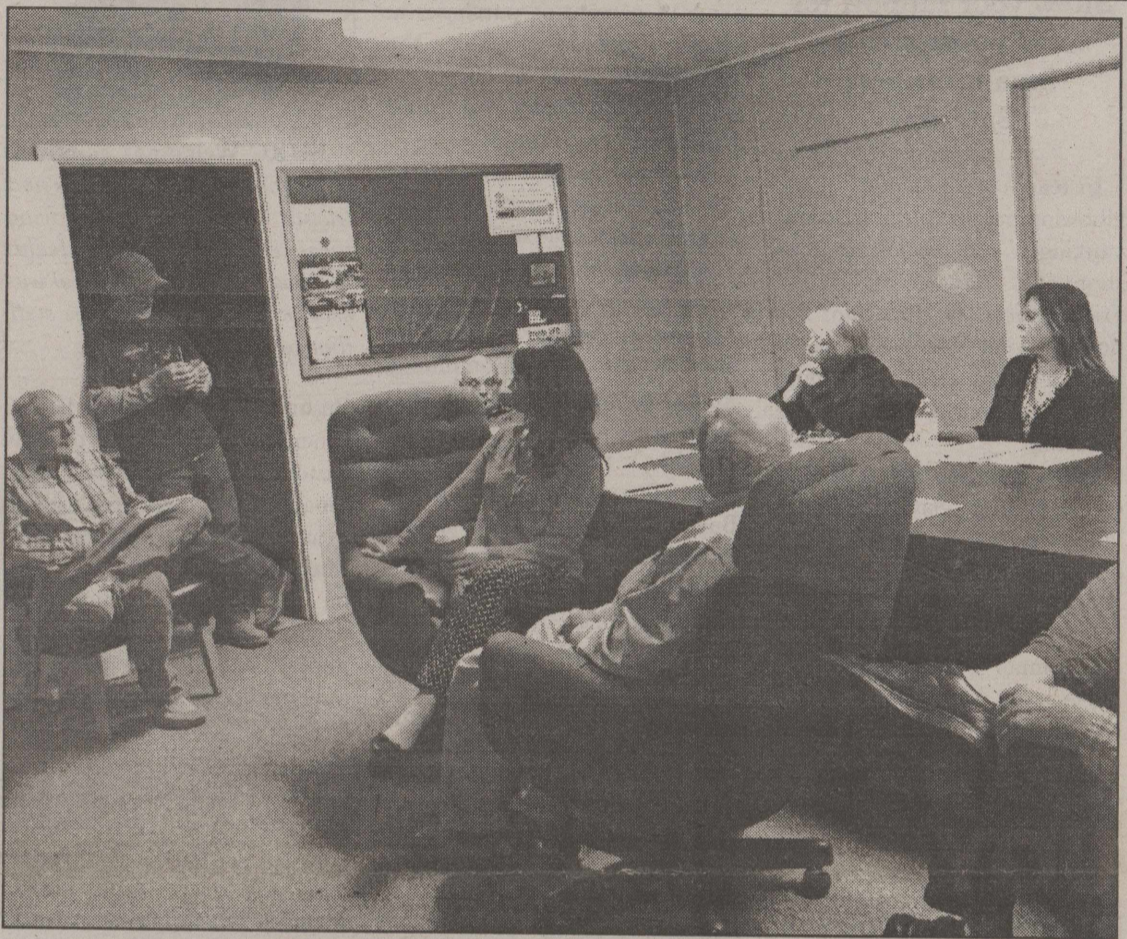
Bake Sale set for Wednesday

The annual AON pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale will be held from 9 am to 12 noon, Wednesday morning, November 23, 2016, at Robert Lee State Bank. All proceeds from this sale will go toward the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship benefiting 2017 Robert Lee High School seniors.

CPR/First Aid class slated

Coke County 4-H will be hosting a CPR/First Aid class on Saturday, November 19, 2016, at 1 pm in the Robert Lee ISD Cafetorium. The class will be approximately 3 1/2 hours long. This class is for anyone, not just 4-H members. Joyce Gray from CPR Sav-A-Life Skills Training Center will be teaching the class.

It is strongly recommended for EVERYONE to know CPR/First Aid in rural areas like ours. If one of your family members, best friend or a neighbor needed CPR or First Aid, would you



Controversial Council! Paul Knight, owner of Bronte Body Shop, was just one of several Bronte citizens who addressed the Bronte City Council at their meeting Thursday evening, November 10, 2016. Most of the citizens were concerned with an action the council had taken this past April to lease approximately 18 acres owned by the city near Oak Creek Reservoir to Ronnie Loyd of Blackwell, Texas, for \$1.00 per year for 99 years. At the end of 99 years, the lease would renew automatically. The council did not address these comments due to public meeting laws. Bronte City Secretary Crystal Blevins excused the public immediately following the comments and the Council went into Executive Session. No action was taken on this matter upon resuming the meeting much later that evening. The lease agreement is available for review at ObserverEnterprise.com.

know what to do?

Please call the Extension Office at (325) 453-2461 to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Holiday Closings noted

The Coke County Courthouse, along with the City Halls in Bronte and Robert Lee, will be closed next Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Small Town Christmas set for December 3

Vision With A Purpose held a Small Town Christmas Committee meeting November 1 at 6:30 pm at Victory Assembly of God. Members present were Renee Smith, Nora Broadbent, Leta Caston, Debbie Childers, and Dianne Hefner.

Small Town Christmas is scheduled for Saturday, December 3, at Memorial Park in downtown Robert Lee. Santa will arrive around 5 pm to hear children through age 9 tell their Christmas wishes. Lighting of the Park will be at dusk. Refreshments will be available for purchase at VP

headquarters. Hayrides will be routed through Robert Lee in order to view the lights for a small fee. This is a special time of year for Robert Lee and we hope all Robert Lee residents come out and participate.

Be sure to pick up your application for the Christmas Home and Business decorating contest. A special award will be presented this year for the most outlandish decorations-The Griswald Christmas Award. It will be a "roving" award, passed

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Cowboy Church to host Thanksgiving dinner

The Coke County Cowboy Church is hosting a traditional Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, from 11 am to 2 pm at the Texas Theater in downtown Bronte. There is no charge for this meal and all members of the community are invited to attend.

They are requesting, but not requiring, those planning to attend to RSVP to Colin Pope at (254) 855-4559 so they will have an idea of how many are coming to enjoy this holiday meal.



Headed to State! The Bronte Lady Longhorns defeated the Water Valley Lady Wildcats when it counted - in the Regional Finals and are now headed to the State Tournament in Garland. The Lady Horns included (from left, front row) Cassidy McWright, Jayden Speary, Brittany Bedford, Emily Davidson, Kacelyn Follis, Whitney Boyd, (back row, from left) Coach Misty Davis, Kristen Stillely, Alyssa Sallee, Coach Carol Moore, Karen Davis, Morgan Sallee, Sadie Delacerda, Emily Whitehurst, Berkley Percy, Bryton Percy, and Coach Kaitlyn Braswell.

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**Show your support for
 local businesses on
 Small Business
 Saturday**

From U.S. News
 Instead of pitching tents, elbowing people in the face and yanking a toy out of another shopper's hands on Black Friday, those on the hunt for holiday gifts this week might have a more serene shopping experience on Small Business Saturday.

Small Business Saturday falls on the first Saturday after Thanksgiving – or as some know it – the recovery day after Black Friday. But as Black Friday has crept into Turkey Day, Small Business Saturday offers more mindful shoppers a way to enjoy Thanksgiving and then support the local community two days later.

History of Small Business Saturday

American Express launched Small Business Saturday in November 2010 to help bring attention to smaller stores in communities and encourage shoppers to support local business instead of just megastores on Black Friday and Cyber Monday.

By the next year, the day had become nationally supported and endorsed by local governments and the White House. In 2014, an estimated \$14.3 billion was spent on Small Business Saturday, according to American Express.

Why Focus on Small Business Saturday?

Small Business Saturday is nestled in between the major shopping days of Black Friday and Cyber Monday – so it makes sense people (and their wallets) may want to take a break. Plus, it's hard to believe local businesses can compete with deals from mega-sellers like Wal-Mart, Macy's and Amazon. So why should a person embrace the shop small mentality?

The shop small movement is less about getting the best possible deal and more about supporting the local community. It helps keep cute cafes and mom-and-pop delis from turning into Starbucks and Quiznos. It also keeps money in the community.

In fact, according to the American Independent Business Alliance, 48 percent of the money spent on purchases at a local independent businesses is re-circulated locally, but less

than 14 percent of purchases at chain stores stay within the community.

How to Find Deals and Small Businesses to Support

American Express has created an interactive map to help shoppers locate small businesses. The nationwide map can be used to search by business name or ZIP code. Shoppers can also filter the search based on dining, shopping, entertainment, travel or services.

Unlike the Black Friday advertising madness, Small Business Saturday deals aren't necessarily widely distributed ahead of time. Some deals may get shared on social media, through circulars in the mailbox, on websites or just by signage when you shop in stores. Some small businesses will also advertise via online ads or by using marketing materials for #ShopSmall sponsored by American Express.

Just keep in mind Small



BHRC Welcomes Families!
 Residents and their families and friends enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal recently at Bronte Health & Rehab Center. The meal was service by members of the staff (bottom right photo).



Business Saturday focuses less on generating massive buzz to draw customers like on Black Friday. Small shop owners aren't going to release store maps, like Wal-Mart, or open doors at 6 p.m. on Thursday – thus motivating people to skip Thanksgiving dinner entirely in hopes of nabbing a 32-inch Smart TV for \$125.

Shopping Small Online

Those who don't live near local businesses or don't want to leave the comfort of their homes can still shop small online. Plenty of small business owners

have online stores and ship their products around the country.

Deals are also already being shared on the Shop SmallFacebook page. Shoppers can use the Facebook page to find a variety of wares from coffee beans and skin care to jewelry and clothing.

Don't Be Afraid to Ask

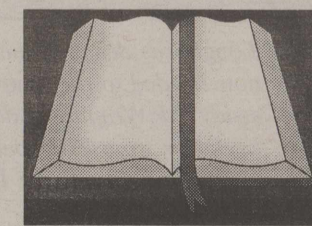
Those who already have favorite local businesses should check out store websites and social media pages to look for sales. Or just go the old-school route and call to inquire about any Small Business Saturday deals.

**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 & 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



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Bible Baptist Church
 PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin
 Robert Lee, Joe Hodges, 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
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 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

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I want to thank the people that took the time to visit with me as I campaigned. I enjoyed meeting some of you for the first time, and I liked getting to visit with others that I already knew.

A special thank you to those folks who voted for me. I sincerely appreciate your vote and your confidence.

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County voters turn out for election

In the Tuesday, November 8, 2016, general election, 1,457 of the 2,319 or 62.83% of eligible Coke County voters participated. Early voting aided in this number with just over half of all voters casting their vote in the weeks leading up to November 8.

Straight ticket was the choice for 851 people with the Republican ticket receiving 779 votes, the Democrat ticket receiving 69 votes, the Libertarian ticket receiving 2 votes and even 1 vote cast for the Green Party ticket.

In the Presidential election, Donald Trump received 1,267 votes, with Hillary Clinton receiving 140 votes, Gary Johnson receiving 16 votes and Jill Stein receiving 2 votes. There were 30 under votes in this race. Under votes are determined by votes not cast in an individual race by eligible voters who did vote in the election and could have cast a vote in that race.

US District 11 Representative Mike Conaway received 1,272 votes to Libertarian Nicholas Landholt's 74 votes. There were 94 under votes in this match up.

Republican Wayne Christian received 1,171 votes in the race for Texas Railroad Commissioner. Democrat Grady Yarbrough received 144 votes, with Libertarian Mark Miller getting 42 votes and Green Party candidate Martina Salinas receiving 14 votes. There were 79 under votes.

Republican Debra Lehrmann had 1,187 votes in her race for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3. Democrat Mike Westergren had 131 votes, Libertarian Kathie Glass had 41 votes and Rodolfo Rivera Munoz of the Green Party had 17 votes. There were 72 under votes.

In the race for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5, Republican Paul Green has 1,205 votes to Democrat Dori Contreras Garza's 122 votes, Libertarian Tom Oxford's 32 votes and Green Party candidate Charles e. Waterbury's 9 votes. There were 80 under votes.

Republican Eva Guzman received 1,177 votes in the election for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9. Democrat Savannah Robinson had 135 votes. Libertarian Don Fulton had 35, with Jim Chisholm, Green Party, having 14. There were 83 under votes.

In the election for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2, Republican Mary Lou Keel had 1,188 votes. Democrat Lawrence "Larry" Meyers had 135 votes. Libertarian Mark Ash had 32 votes and Green Party candidate Adam King Blackwell Reposa had 12 votes. There were 76 under votes.

In the election for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5, Republican Scott Walker had 1,212 votes. Democrat Betsy Johnson had 124 votes. Libertarian William Bryan Strange, III, had 23 votes and Judith Sanders-Castro, Green Party, had 12. There were 73 under votes.

In the election for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6, Republican Michael E. Keasler had 1,182 votes. Democrat Robert Burns had 145 votes and Libertarian Mark W. Bennett had 34 votes. There were 82 under votes.

Republican Marty Rowley had 1,238 votes in the election for District 15 State Board of Education Member. There were 185 under votes.

District 28 Texas State Senator Charles Perry, Republican, had 1,237 votes. There were 187 under votes.

District 72 Texas State Representative Drew Darby, Republican, had 1,278 votes. There were 145 under votes.

Republican Cindy Olson Bourland had 1,227 votes in the election for Place 2, 3rd Court of Appeals Justice. There were 192 under votes.

Republican Melissa Goodwin had 1,226 votes in the election for Place 4, 3rd Court of Appeals Justice. There were 194 under votes.

51st District Judge Barbara Walther, Republican, had 1,230 votes. There were 185 under votes.

51st District Attorney Allison Palmer, Republican, had 1,219 votes. There were 198 under votes.

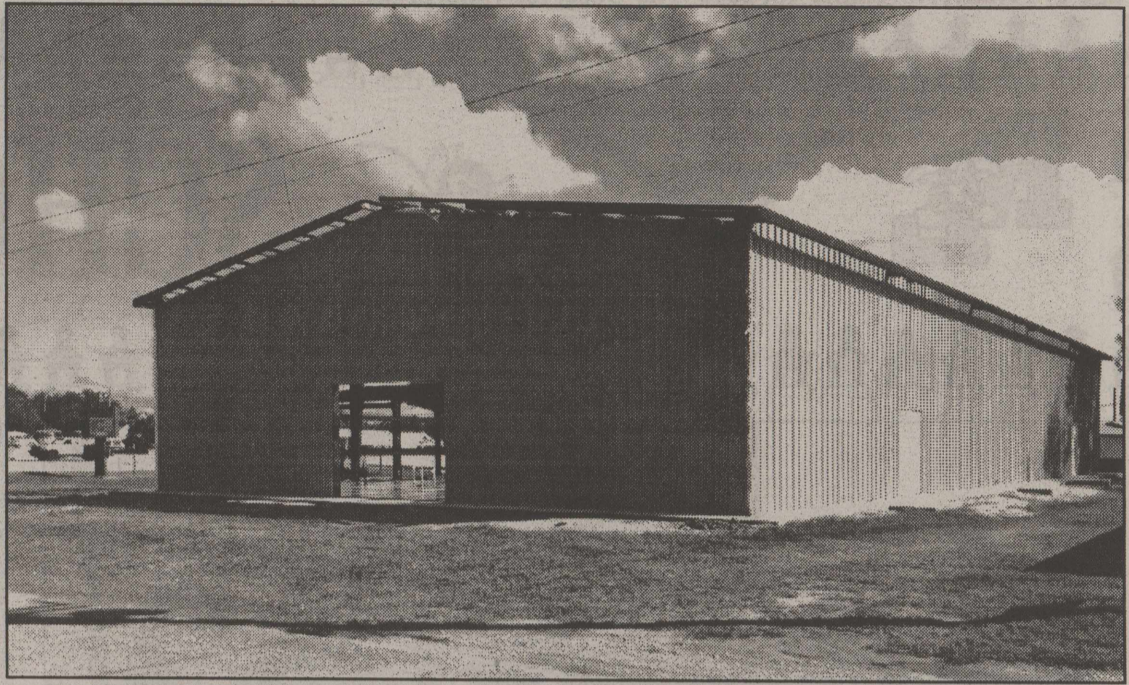
Republican candidate for Coke County Attorney Nicholas E. Arrott II received 1,279 votes. There were 141 under votes.

Coke County Sheriff Wayne McCutchen, Republican, had 1,297 votes. There were 122 under votes.

Coke County Tax Assessor-Collector Josie Dean, Republican, received 1,274 votes. There were 147 under votes.

Republican Donald S. Robertson had 338 votes cast to be Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 1. There were 33 under votes.

In the election for Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 3, Republican Marshall Millican had 236 votes. Democrat candidate Charles Yorke had 66 votes and write-in candidate Bill Burns had 65 votes. There were



Coming Right Along! The new building for Robert Lee's First United Methodist Church is beginning to take shape. The church is constructing the building to be used by the congregation, and also by the community of Robert Lee.

11 under votes.

Coke County Constable, Precinct 2, Marty Boyd had 609 votes. There were 67 under votes.

Commissioners Court minutes posted

The Coke County Commissioners Court met in special session October 25, 2016 at the courthouse in Robert Lee. Members of the court present included County Judge, Roy Blair, Commissioner, Pct. #1, Troy Montgomery, Commissioner, Pct #2, Paul Williams, Commissioner, Pct #3, Gaylon Pitcock and Commissioner, Pct. #4, Joe Sefcik. Clerk Mary Grim was also in attendance.

The meeting opened with prayer given Commissioner Williams and pledge to the flag was recited.

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

A public hearing was held on the possible consolidation of the presently existing two Justice of the Peace Precincts into a single county-wide Justice of the Peace Precinct and the elimination of the office of Justice of the Peace in one of the existing precincts. As a consequence, there will also be a reduction in the number of

Constables from two to a single, county-wide Constable's office. There will be no other changes in the existing boundaries of Commissioners Court precincts or the election precincts. This consolidation is intended to reduce the cost of public offices to the tax payer.

Comments were heard from Bob Bass with Allison, Bass & Associates, LLP.

Public hearing closed at 9:30 a.m. No action was taken.

Comm. Montgomery made a motion to approve the minutes for October 11, 2016. The motion was seconded by Comm. Sefcik. Motion carried.

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve the Order of Consolidation for Justice of the Peace/Constable Precincts combining Justice of the Peace/Constable Precinct 1 (Composed of Election Precincts 1 and 3)

and Precinct 2 (Composed of Election Precincts 2 and 4) into a single Justice of the Peace/Constable Precinct, having county-wide jurisdiction. The motion was seconded by Comm. Pitcock. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Comm. Montgomery made a motion to approve Coke County paying for the meat, paper goods and plaques for the County Employee Appreciation Dinner and setting \$500.00 as an amount to spend on plaques. The motion was seconded by Comm. Pitcock. Motion carried.

Comm. Montgomery made a motion to approve the bond for Monica Reyes, Deputy Clerk in the County/District Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Comm. Sefcik. (Continued on Page 8)

AON BAKE SALE

**Wednesday,
November 23rd, 2016**

Robert Lee State Bank

9:00 am - Noon

All proceeds will go toward the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship benefitting the RLHS 2017 Seniors.



HOLIDAY

CLOSING NOTICE

Holiday Hours:

All facilities of this bank will close at 1:00 pm Wednesday, November 23. All facilities of this bank will also be closed Thursday, November 24.

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**Thanksgiving
Day**

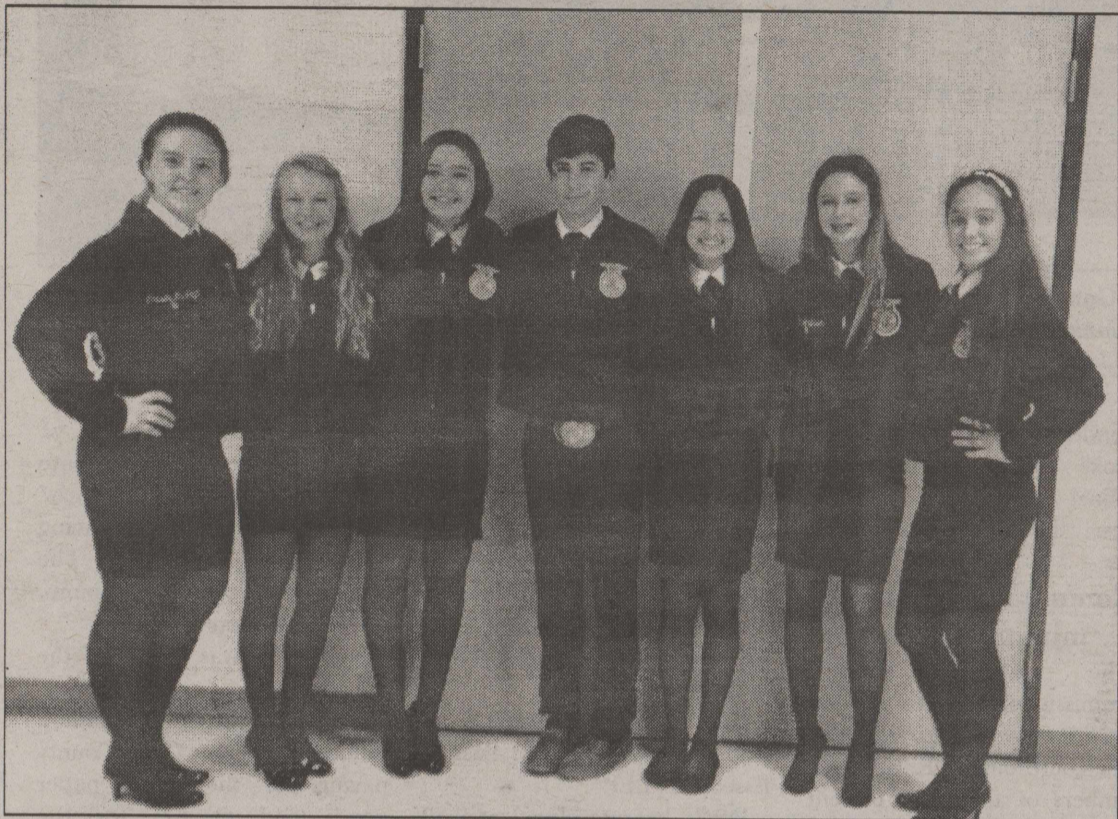
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Bronte FFA Competes! Members of the Bronte FFA program competed at the Concho District FFA LDE Contest Wednesday evening, November 9, 2016. Karissa Cervenka placed first and advanced to the Area 2 LDE Contest in Greenhand Creed Speaking. The Public Relations team of Elexis Sanchez, Cassidy McWright and Kaci Queen placed 2nd and also advanced to the area contest. Elexis Sanchez also placed 8th in Senior Creed Speaking and the Radio Broadcasting team of Elexia Davis, India Chumney and Hunter Hortenstine placed 11th. The Area 2 LDE contest is set for Saturday, November 19, at Howard College in Big Spring.

Lady Horns headed to State Tourney

By Coach Moore
By the time you read this article, the Bronte Lady Longhorns volleyball team will have made their eleventh state playoff appearance. The first since 2009 and in that year the Lady Longhorns finished as state runner-up. The Lady Longhorns finished with a 32-10 overall record, runners-up in district 7-1A, a silver medal in their own tournament, 6th place in the GOLD bracket of the Nita Vannoy tournament, and a Regional Championship in Region 1-1A after defeating the Water Valley Lady Wildcats in a hard-fought clash to determine the state qualifier. In that match, the Lady Longhorns dropped the first set 16-25 but rallied to finish the match in the next three sets, 28-26; 25-22; 25-17 in a loud, packed, standing room only San Angelo Central High gym. Anyone who was there can attest to the fact that both teams fought hard and the match was intense and exciting!! Whitney Boyd led the team with 12 kills; Karen Davis had 11; Alyssa Sallee and Emily Whitehurst each had six; and Bryton Percy added 5. Emily Whitehurst defended the net with 3 solo blocks while Brittany Bedford defended the back row with 24 digs; as did Kacelyn Follis with 21. Cassidy McWright had 17 digs; Emily Davidson had 10; and Berkley Percy had 9. Brittany Bedford set up our hitters with 22 assists, and Cassidy McWright had 13.

The night was a total team effort all around, with some very determined, unselfish play.

Each young lady has expressed their feelings of what this opportunity means to them.

#1 Kacelyn Follis Senior-“State is unreal....this is something we’ve been dreaming of and working for since we could hold a ball. We are so thankful to have a Mighty God that works all things for His glory!”

#2 Karen Davis Senior-“This state bound opportunity means a lot to me because it gives me a chance to show people what God can do and how amazing He is. This is our chance to prove and show people what we are capable of accomplishing together as a team.” Psalm 46:10 “Be still and know that I am God”. Matthew 19:26 “...with man this is impossible but with God all things are possible.”

#3 Berkley Percy Senior-“To me, being state-bound is an opportunity full of endless

blessings that I get to share with an amazing community here in Bronte, Texas.”

#4 Morgan Sallee Senior-“Getting this opportunity to advance to state with my team, gives us the opportunity to share our faith with SO many more people, and I think that this is really what it’s all about. Playing for the Lord.”

#5 Bryton Percy Sophomore-“ There’s so much emotion going through this journey. We’ve all worked really hard and we’ve really earned this. Having so much support from our community, family, and friends is something that will stick with me forever. And having a God loving coach and group of girls that motivate you to do better every day makes it all worth it. The good Lord has blessed us and I couldn’t be more thankful for it all.”

#6 Emily Davidson Senior-“This experience has shown me that through hard work, dedication, and faith in God, all

things are possible.”

#7 Jayden Speary Sophomore- “It’s been such an honor to work along-side these girls. I don’t know any team more deserving than the Lady Longhorns. The privilege to be a part of this whole experience is something that I will cherish for a lifetime. It’s a true blessing.”

#8 Whitney Boyd Senior-“As I watched my sister be a part of multiple successful volleyball teams, I grew up dreaming of going to state in volleyball myself and to believe that it is coming true is unreal. I enjoy being a part of a compassionate, crazy, God seeking team who I could easily call my best friends. We have a certain chemistry meaning no one is able to “tear our playhouse down” and we know that Christ is what holds us together. I am honored to take part in the opportunity to represent Bronte and the past state legends from our community while my childhood dreams turn into reality.”

#9 Alyssa Sallee Junior- “After coming back from an ACL injury last year, I couldn’t be more thankful to be playing this year, and going all the way to state? Wow! It’s like a dream come true. I love my team and I am so proud of us for getting this far. We have worked hard for this opportunity.”

#10 Cassidy McWright Sophomore-“ This opportunity means so much to us. We worked so hard to get here.”

#11 Brittany Bedford Senior-“We have been working for this ever since we were little girls in

P.E. class. This opportunity is a dream come true for me. I am so honored to be a part of the Lady Longhorn volleyball tradition. I am even more honored to be a part of a team who glorifies God with every success. I could not have imagined a better way for my senior season to go.”

#12 Emily Whitehurst Senior-“This opportunity means so much to me because it has shown me what can happen when you “be still” and pray and trust God. I am so excited to be going to state with the girls and coaches that I love, playing a sport that we all love, and I am truly blessed with this opportunity.”

#13 Sadie Delacerda Junior-“Getting to take part in this journey is an unbelievable feeling and I can’t thank God enough.”

#16 Kristen Stillely Sophomore-“No one is tired on the day of victory.”

Coach Moore-“The miles together, the memories, and the millions of smiles far outweigh the wins and losses and trophies. It’s a time in these precious lives that they will never forget. I am privileged beyond measure to be a tiny part.”

RLISD to host Thanksgiving Meal

Robert Lee ISD will host their annual Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday, November 22, from 11 am until 12:30. The public is invited to attend. Please RSVP to Rosa Long at 325-453-4555 by Wednesday, November 16, if you are planning to attend.



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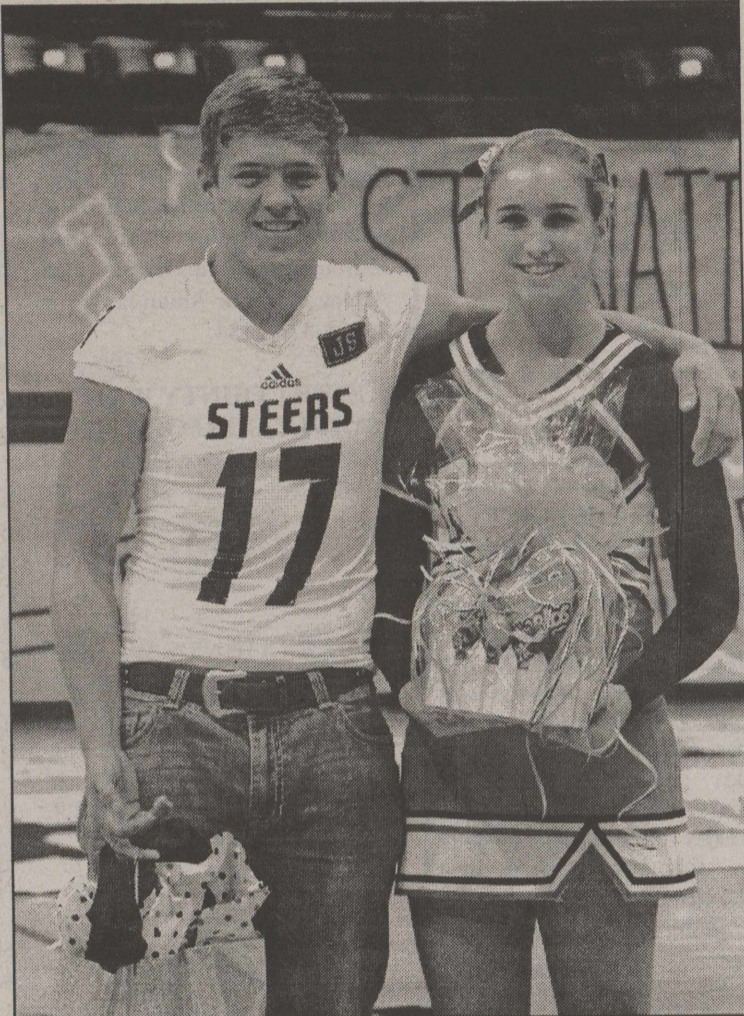
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SCHOOL PAGE



Football Champs! These youngsters in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades are the 7 on 7 Football Champions. The team is coached by Aaron Hood and Adam Morgan.



Royalty! Football Sweetheart and Cheerleader Hero at Robert Lee High School this year are (right photo) Kelby Clawson (right) and Cole Raynor.

Robert Lee Elementary School
2nd Six Weeks Awards
A Honor Roll
1st Grade
 Jaedyn Ayers, Autumn Camarillo, Fallon Raney, Avary Roe, Taylor Rose, Malachi Wauqua
3rd Grade
 Dalton Abalos, Brittany Axt, Eli Bradshaw, Carter Fluhmann, Dinah Gonzales, Alec Henson, Brennen Hood, Chase Jones, Kallie Kohutek, Maci Lee, Elsi Munoz, Dylan Perry, Nathaniel Samaniego, Brenner Sherwood
4th Grade
 Zachary Avants, Tiffany Axt, Hannah McCoppin, Denver O'Dell, Rhett Rangel
5th Grade
 Abigail Arthur, Caitlyn Cerritos, Quentin Immel, Jimma Richardson, Brayden Sherwood, Judah Smith
6th Grade
 Cambreigh Fluhmann, Ryan Mendoza, Alex Munoz
A/B Honor Roll

1st Grade
 Violet Castaneda, Cali Ingram, Sebastian Jackson, Pyrce Munoz, Jessica Navarro, Kambri Prieto, Justin Rodriguez, Mandie Wheeler, Ella Wilson
2nd Grade
 McKayla Bachmann, Zachary Cerritos, Maddison Coger, Lorissa Gonzales, Addison Grantham, Micah Smith
3rd Grade
 Dennis Bagby, Timothy Bosworth, Kaden Chandler, Max Garcia, Olivia Gregston, Kylan Pitcock, Karmen Radloff, Savannah Reyes, Hanna Riiley, Edward Samaniego
4th Grade
 Monica Brazil, Christian Higgins, Brewer Hood, Carlos Olguin, Braxton Wright
5th Grade
 Jaclyn Broadbent, Kailey Freeman, Rhiannon Freeze, Canyon Moran, Brody Pitcock, Reegyn Wall
6th Grade
 Presley Oleksiuk, Cierra
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THANK YOU!

I would like to thank those of you who voted for me last week to represent you as your Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 3.

I am proud to represent you and serve as your voice in county affairs.

Please let me know of your county concerns so I can better serve you.

Thank you again!
Marshall Millican

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... Small Town Christmas

on from year to year. December 10 is the deadline for applications.

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City Council changes meeting times

The City of Robert Lee has changed the time of council meetings. Council meetings will now be held at 6 pm at Robert Lee City Hall on the 2nd Monday of each month and are open to the public. This month's meeting will be held November 14.

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... RL Elementary Awards

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Pogue, Roxy Rangel, Brooke Smith

Perfect Attendance

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Alexandria Balderas, Allisyn Bohannon, Avery Bosworth, Steven Cason, Bailey Flanagan, Jacob Garcez, Yuritz Guzman, Wyatt Jowers, Camille Lewis, Mylee Longoria, Isaac McCoppin, Grayson Raynor, Brooklyn Roe, Kaleb Samaniego, Jaxson South, Ronald Waggonner

1st Grade
Jaedyn Ayers, Autumn Camarillo, Sebastian Jackson, Bryden Mulkey, Pyrcce Munoz, Jessica Navarro, Kambri Prieto, Justin Rodriguez, Avary Roe, Taylor Rose, Malachi Wauqua, Mandie Wheeler, Ella Wilson

2nd Grade
McKayla Bachmann, Maddison Coger, Joshua Garcez, Sarah Garcez, Lorissa Gonzales, Addison Grantham, Alyssa Landeros, Chris Lofton, Scott Smith, Makayla Tetherow

3rd Grade
Dalton Abalos, Brittany Axt, Timothy Bosworth, Eli Bradshaw, Max Garcia, Dinah Gonzales, Noah Gonzales, Olivia Gregston, Brennen Hood, Chase Jones, Kallie Kohutek, Maci Lee, Elsi Munoz, Mya Olguin, Ava Pogue, Brenner Sherwood

4th Grade
Zachary Avants, Tiffany Axt, Brewer Hood, Khadie Kohutek, Anthony Landeros, Lucas Martinez, Hannah McCoppin, Carlos Olguin, Rhett Rangel, Clayton Raynor, Rylee Sharp, Braxton Wright

5th Grade
Jaclyn Broadbent, Aden Burns, Caitlyn Cerritos, Kailey Freeman, Mackenzie Galicia, Tristan Grantham, Heaven Jasso-Burgess, Jason Jowers, Canyon Moran, Zoey Nichols, Brody Pitcock, Brayden Sherwood, Trenton Smith, Fernando Sosa

6th Grade
Kailey Bradshaw, Cambreigh Fluhmann, Skyler Horne, Ryan Mendoza, Kristen Moreno, Alex

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New Listing: 3 BR/2 BA Home (2000 sq. ft. +/-) located close to school. 3 lots (100x140) being the entire N/2 of Blk 27. 2 living areas, central heat & air, carpeted except kitchen, privacy metal fence with covered patio. House in good repair. Located at 1521 Bishop Street.
3 BR/2BA Home close to school, 1800 sq. ft. +/-, living area, large bedrooms, large backyard with concrete patio, shingle siding with composition roof, hardwood floors, large living area, pier & beam construction, garage attached. House needs some repairs.
2 BR/1BA House in Bronte. House needs repairs, but could be a starter home. Fenced backyard. Close to school. Located at 224 W. Riley Avenue.
Large House, 380.801 ac. **SOLD** Robert Lee, with Great Hunting 1,120 acres - 1/4 of minerals sold with property, good hunting \$1,350/acre
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Price Reduced! Robert Lee - 2 BR/2 BA - updated inside & out, many amenities

Munoz, Presley Oleksiuk, Ethan Perry, Cierra Pogue, Roxy Rangel

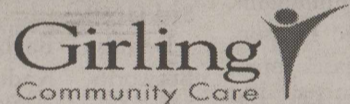
Blackwell Menu
Blackwell is out of school for Thanksgiving Holiday
November 22 - 25, 2016

Bronte Menu
Breakfast
Monday, November 21
Chicken-n-biscuit or choice of

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Robert Lee
453-9200

cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday, November 22
Breakfast pizza or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

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PRICE REDUCED 300 Acres -North of San Angelo, on FM 2662 new water well, paved frontage, Surface pond stocked with fish. Great hunting property \$1,125/acre. Partial Minerals
PRICE REDUCED 324 Acres -East of San Angelo on FM 765 near Eola, rural water, barns and pens, all new fences, some acreage was previously in farmland. \$1,850/Acre
NEW LISTING -Glasscock 2000 acres south of Stanton, 200 acres in farmland, remaining in pasture **SOLD** Lodges with a total of 12 rooms 12 bath rooms. Good water. \$2.95 million.
• **REDUCED!** 314 **UNDER CONTRACT** two water wells, house and barn, 36x
• **PRICE REDUCED!** 190 **SOLD** county, Texas Near Silver. One water wells, good hunting, electric 250/acre.

Animal Care! Dr. Travis Arledge of Pioneer Vet Clinic in Winters discusses animal care with students who attended the Conservation Field Day at Fort Chadbourne on September 21, 2016. The event, hosted by the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District, was attended by 5th and 6th graders from both Bronte and Robert Lee.

Wednesday, November 23

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

Thursday, November 24

Egg & Cheese sandwich or choice of cereal, toast/jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, November 25

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

Lunch

Monday, November 21

Corn Dog & tots, western beans, broccoli, apple-pineapple, milk

Tuesday, November 22

Chicken sandwich, oven fries, vegetable cup, mandarin oranges, milk

Wednesday, November 23

No School

Thursday, November 24

No School

Friday, November 25

No School

Robert Lee Menu

Breakfast

Monday, November 21

Pancakes, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, November 22

Breakfast strudel, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, November 23

Holiday

Thursday, November 24

Holiday

Friday, November 25

Holiday

Lunch

Monday, November 21

Chicken sandwich, garnish, oven fries, veggie cup, mandarin oranges, milk

Tuesday, November 22

Thanksgiving meal

Wednesday, November 23

Holiday

Thursday, November 24

Holiday

Friday, November 25

Holiday



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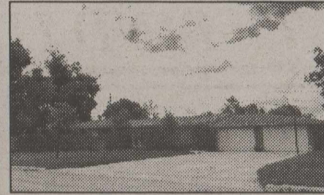
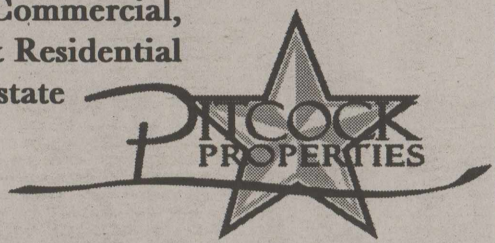
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W O N D E R F U L CRAFTSMANSHIP! Beautiful older home with lots of extras - built-ins, hardwood floors, cedar closet, decorative ceilings, stained glass inserts, antique chandeliers and more! Lovely porches and trees! New tile in kitchen! Updated with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



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.

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!



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!

More residential and land listings available!

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Santa Elena Canyon - Big Bend National Park

Visit Big Bend and Just Ahead launch guided travel app to Big Bend Region

Visit Big Bend announces the launch of a phone app in partnership with Just Ahead, a travel guide company specializing in national parks. The app provides an entertaining, educational and interactive guide to all of Brewster County including, Big Bend National Park, as well as the local communities of Alpine, Terlingua, Study Butte, Lajitas and Marathon. With more than 200 stories, the app gives visitors a level of appreciation and history about the region that was previously only accessible by reading multiple travel books.

Known for its wide open spaces, the Big Bend Region is a

place of welcoming communities and excellent roads. Just Ahead for Big Bend National Park guides you through the sprawling county, from its gateway towns to its rural highways and on to the 800,000-acre national park, the app provides insight into the region's geology, wildlife, and Native American history.

Just Ahead for Big Bend National Park follows major roads through the county communities and public parks and provides little known, colorful facts about all of the jaw-dropping vistas, geological wonders, historic enclaves, and superb hiking trails. The guide

covers the park's fabled sights, such as Chisos Basin, Ross Maxwell Scenic Drive, Santa Elena Canyon, Boquillas Canyon, and Rio Grande Village, as well as the unique riverside spa, the Hot Springs Historic District.

Big Bend is a diverse region

with endless possibilities for adventure and discovery. For more information about the region and how to plan your next adventure, visit VisitBigBend.com.

The travel guide is available now for free download in the Apple App Store and in Google Play.

Craft Fair set for November 19 in Blackwell

The 4th annual Blackwell Craft and Vendor Fair will be held Saturday, November 19, from 11 am to 4 pm. The event will be located at Blue Agave Cattle Company in downtown Blackwell.

There will be a variety of vendors and the Blue Agave will be serving chili dogs and Frito pie. Admission is free.

For more information, call Marilyn at (325) 450-0603.

... Commissioners Court

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Motion carried.

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve the Order on timely payment of claims against Coke County on reoccurring items. The motion was seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment for CETRZ Grant line item. The motion was

seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.

Comm. Pitcock made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment for Tocker Library Grant. The motion was seconded by Comm. Sefcik. Motion carried.

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve all work for the CETRZ Grant found to be complete and in accordance with the project plans and specifications. The motion was seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.

Comm. reported on the Bronte fest and RV park. County Clerk Mary Grim reported on voting.

There being no private road work requests, no action was taken.

Comm. Williams made a motion to pay bills. The motion was seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.


Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:53 A.M.

Blackwell Methodist

Youth slates Food Drive

The Blackwell United Methodist Youth are having a food drive to distribute the week of Thanksgiving. Due to already collected items, items needed include canned soup and stew, mac & cheese boxed dinners, ramen noodles, canned pasta and sauces, canned chicken or tuna and Hamburger Helper.

Items need to be left at the church by November 21.



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*Thank you all and have a
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holiday with your families!*

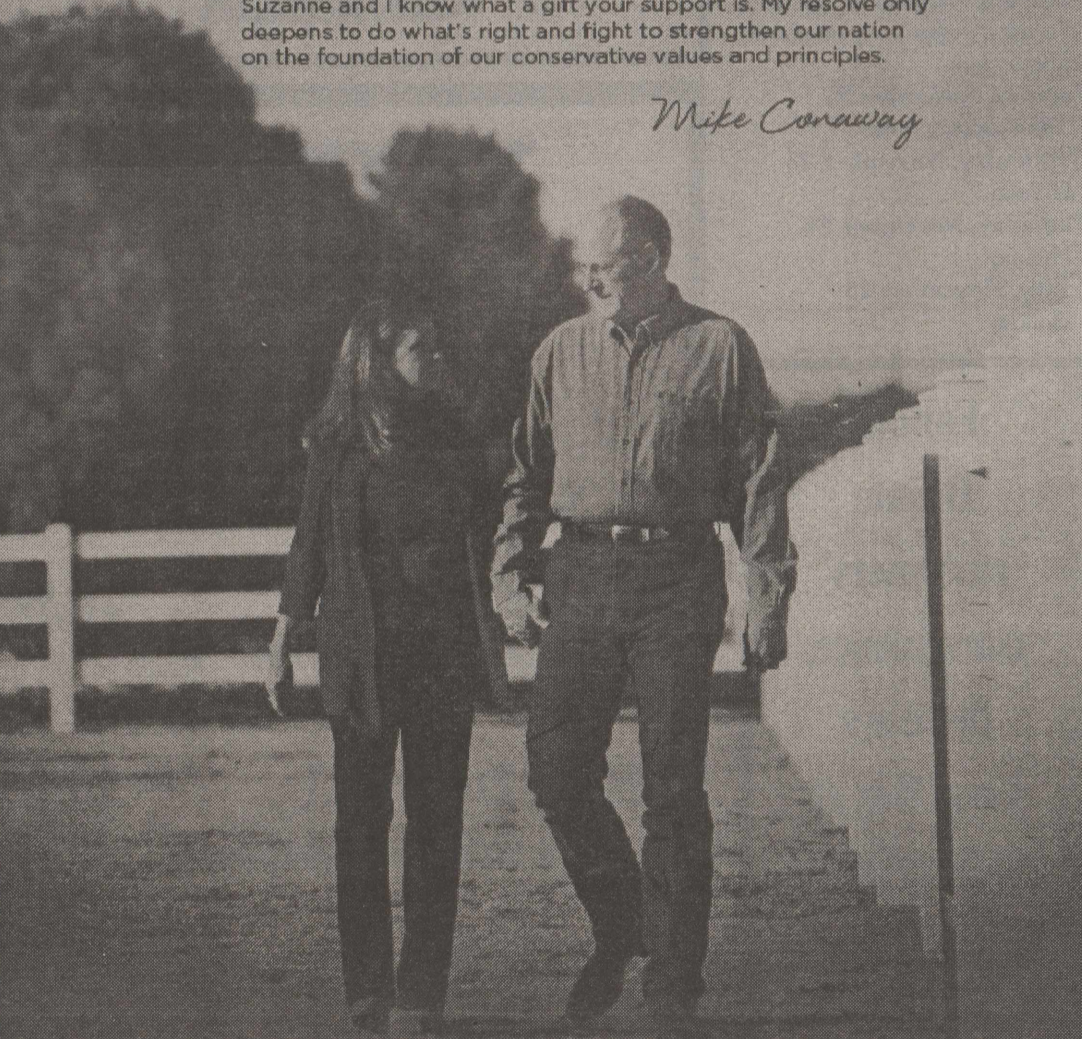
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