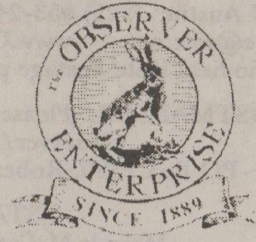


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Softball Tourney set for this weekend

The 3rd Annual "Sons of Pitches" Midnight Madness Co-ed Softball Tournament is scheduled for Friday, August 4, and Saturday, August 5 at the Softball Fields in Robert Lee. The first game will begin at 9 pm Friday and teams must be to the field and signed up by 7:30 pm. Age limit for team members is 13 years old and up.

For more information, contact Grace at (325) 262-1546 or

Gina at (325) 234-9926.

Farm Bureau annual convention/dinner slated for August 10

The Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau Member Appreciation Dinner and Annual County Convention will be held Thursday, August 10, at the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. The evening's activities will begin with a steak dinner at 6 pm.

Door Prizes will be awarded to some lucky members.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, August 4

Head Start Registration, 8 am - 3 pm, Robert Lee Head Start

High School Volleyball Scrimmage, Bronte at Bangs

"Sons of Pitches" Midnight Madness Co-Ed Softball Tournament,
Robert Lee Softball Fields

Saturday, August 5

High School Volleyball Scrimmage, 11 am, Bronte at Jim Ned

"Sons of Pitches" Midnight Madness Co-Ed Softball Tournament,
Robert Lee Softball Fields

Sunday, August 6

Bronte ISD School Supply Pick Up, 2 pm - 4 pm,
Cowboy Church at Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte

Monday, August 7

Head Start Registration, 8 am - 3 pm, Robert Lee Head Start

Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, 9 am - 11 am, RLHS Tennis Courts

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, 6 pm, First Baptist Church, Bronte

Tuesday, August 8

Commissioners Court, 9 am, County Courthouse, Robert Lee

Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, 9 am - 11 am, RLHS Tennis Courts

High School Volleyball - Bronte at Colorado City

Wednesday, August 9

Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, 9 am - 11 am, RLHS Tennis Courts

Head Start Registration, 8 am - 3 pm, Robert Lee Head Start

Thursday, August 10

Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, 9 am - 11 am, RLHS Tennis Courts

High School Volleyball, Bronte at Albany Varsity Tournament

Farm Bureau Annual Convention/Dinner, 6 pm,
Robert Lee Recreation Hall

Friday, August 11

Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp, 9 am - 11 am, RLHS Tennis Courts

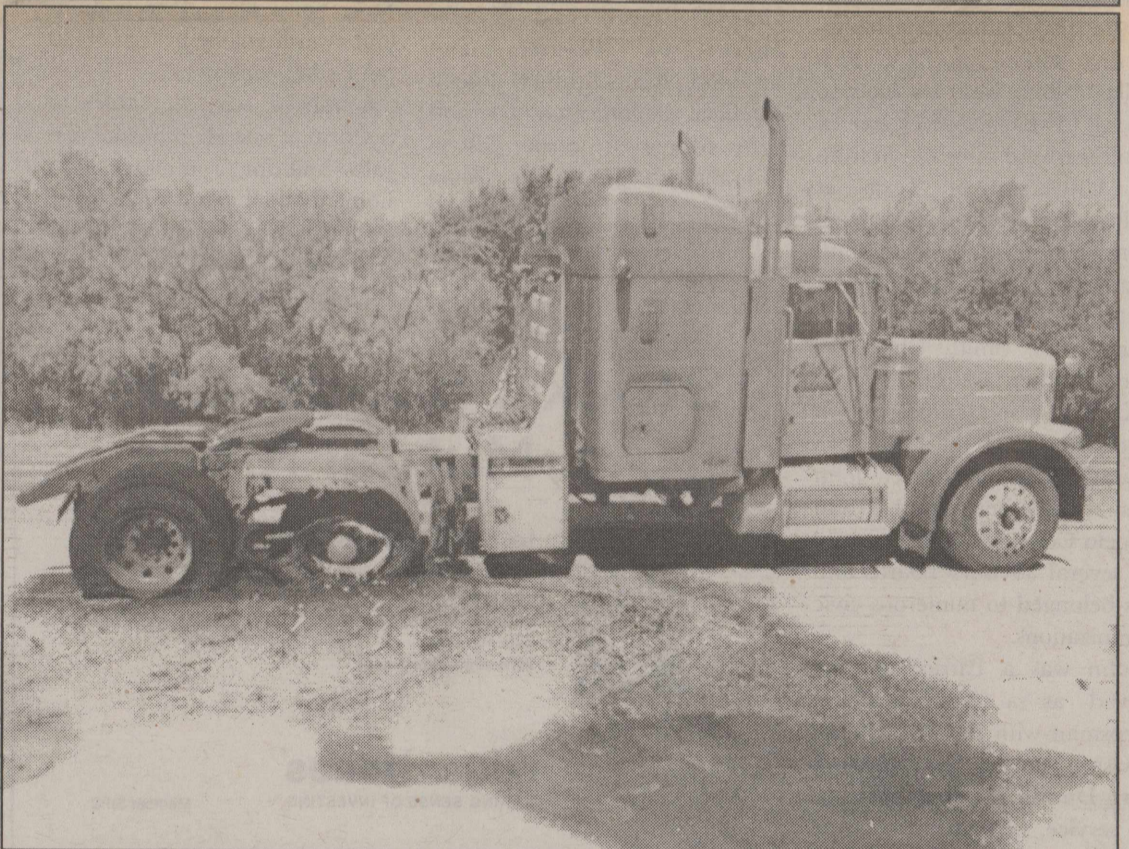
Head Start Registration, 8 am - 3 pm, Robert Lee Head Start

High School Volleyball, Bronte at Albany JV Tournament

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Fire! This truck went up in flames Wednesday morning, July 26, 2017, at the driveway to Askins Propane just north of Bronte on Highway 277 due to a problem with the braking system. Fortunately, total disaster was averted by the quick response of Coke County's first responders.

VP meeting set for August 3

A Vision with a Purpose meeting will be held Thursday, August 3, at 6:30 pm at the Family Life Center of the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. A free meal will be

served and free babysitting will be available. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bronte Lions preparing annual program

The Bronte Evening Lions Club is gearing up for this year's Longhorn football season by

beginning preparations for the 2017 football program.

If you would like to be a part of this program, available at each home football game, please contact any member of the Lions Club or call Lions Club President Reese Braswell.

Public Profiles Inside!

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Obituaries



DiFrancesco

John Baptist DiFrancesco, Jr., went to be with the Lord July 28, 2017. He was born February 23, 1947, in Brookhaven, MS, to John Baptist, Sr., and Wadie Bell (Calcote) DiFrancesco. John graduated from Jesuit High School in 1966, and he was part of the first graduating class of nursing school at El Centro College. John went on later to receive his Bachelor's degree in Healthcare Administration from the University of Texas at Dallas. He worked in nursing home administration for over 40 years and was an integral part of the design operation of the Truman W. Smith Children's Care Center in Gladewater, TX. He also served as an administrator of the East Coke County Hospital District. John was a member of the San Angelo Cowboy Church, served on several advisory boards and has belonged to numerous civic organizations.

John was a Patriot and he served as a Navy hospital corpsman with the 3rd Marine Division during the Vietnam War. During the four years of his service, he was deployed all over Southeast Asia. John comes from a strong military heritage. His father, John DiFrancesco, Sr., was on the Battleship USS Massachusetts in WWII and was in most of the big battles in the Pacific, Iwo Jima and Coral Sea. His brother, Joseph DiFrancesco, III served in the United States Marine Corp. John's son, John DiFrancesco, III, served as a Navy Seabee. John was also elected to Commander of the 21st District of the American Legion in 2013. The 21st District is one of the largest in the nation, comprised of twenty-seven counties in Central Texas. John loved the ranch life. He owned DiFrancesco Cattle Company in Mount Pleasant, TX, and later Blackwell, TX.

The company provided agriculture livestock production, animal specialties products and service. There he oversaw the livestock, chicken houses and the exotic animals. John raised registered Brahman and Longhorns. John was a loving father and grandfather. He was an avid collector of many items. He enjoyed watching John Wayne movies, especially the "Shootist." John fought a good fight but is now pain free and living with his Mother and Father in the kingdom of Heaven.

John is survived by his daughter Tara DiFrancesco Day and husband Brandon; son John Baptist DiFrancesco III; grandchildren Jake Lee Day, Wade Scott Day, John Baptist DiFrancesco IV and Paisley Sue DiFrancesco; sisters Susan DiFrancesco and husband Henryk Borecki and Jennifer DiFrancesco Petersen and husband Ron; brother Joseph Michael DiFrancesco III and wife Margaret; uncle Joseph DiFrancesco Jr.; aunts Anna DiFrancesco, Nancy DiFrancesco, Josie DiFrancesco Centenaro and Gloria DiFrancesco Copley; nieces

Katherine Anne Petersen Lara Alexandra Petersen, Wadie Ann DiFrancesco and Margaret Ann DiFrancesco; and nephew Christopher Wade Petersen. He was preceded in death by his parents John Sr., and Wadie DiFrancesco; maternal grandparents Wade and Jennie Calcote; paternal grandparents Joseph and Bianca DiFrancesco; aunt Fannie DiFrancesco Merritt; and uncle Tom DiFrancesco.

Funeral services were held at 10 am, Tuesday, August 1, 2017, at Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Pastor Steve Bishop officiating. Interment followed in Sparkman Hillcrest Memorial Park, 7405 W. Northwest Hwy, Dallas, TX, 75225. The family received friends Tuesday morning at the funeral home from 9 am to 10 am.

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Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp set for next week

The Robert Lee Mini Cheer Camp will be held Monday through Friday, August 7-11, 2017. It will be held each day from 9 am to 11 am at the Robert Lee High School Tennis Courts.

The camp is for children going into Pre-K through 6th grade. The children will learn cheers, chants, sideline routines and dance from the Robert Lee High School cheerleaders.

Thursday has been designated as Crazy Day with Friday being Steer Spirit Day. Presentations and awards will be held at 10:30 am Friday, August 11.

Campers will be able to perform at one High School pep rally and for 5 minutes at a home football game. The game performance is tentatively set for September 1, 2017.

Each camper is urged to bring

a water bottle or drink. Snacks will be for sale. Children must bring their money in a purse/sling-pack or baggie with their name on it.

New Steer Football t-shirts will be available in August. For more information on the shirts or camp, contact Maranda Hood at maranda.hood@rlisd.net.

4-H Mini-Camp set for August 14-15

Coke County 4-H Mini-Camp will be held Monday, August 14 and Tuesday, August 15, from 9 am until 3 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. There is a small fee to cover the cost of supplies and all participants are asked to bring a sack lunch. Parent volunteers are welcome and needed. Come ready to have a fun filled day full of hands on activities, team building, and leadership skills and learn more about what 4-H has to offer.

Contact the Extension Office at (325) 453-2461 if you have any questions.

Ag leases to be covered in workshops

By Kay Ledbetter

After such a positive response last year, four new Rancher Leasing Workshops covering grazing, hunting and livestock leases are scheduled across the state by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

The free programs are funded by the Southern Extension Risk Management Education Center, said Tiffany Dowell Lashmet, AgriLife Extension agricultural

law specialist in Amarillo.

"Last year, 100 percent of participants said they would recommend these programs to a friend, so we decided to offer them in more locations," Lashmet said.

The schedule will be:

- Aug. 22, noon-4 p.m., Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 1102 E. Farm-to-Market Road 1294, Lubbock.

- Sept. 1, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Hildebrand Equine Complex, 3240 F&B Road, College Station.

- Sept. 19, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., AgriLife Extension office for Frio County, 400 S. Pecan St., Pearsall.

- Oct. 19, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Tom Green 4-H Center, 3168 N. U.S. Highway 67, San Angelo.

Lashmet said lunch will be provided by two sponsors: Ag Workers Insurance for the Lubbock, College Station and San Angelo programs, and Security State Bank for the Pearsall program.

Participants will need to RSVP at least one week before the meeting they will attend to Kim Garcia, 806-677-5626 or kim.garcia@ag.tamu.edu.

Each workshop will address the legal risks associated with agricultural leases, Lashmet said. The goal is to educate landowners and producers on the importance of utilizing written leases as a risk management tool.

Joining Lashmet on the program will be AgriLife Extension economists from around the state.

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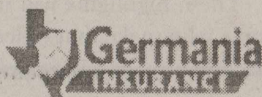
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(325) 473-4811

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

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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
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10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

Robert Lee

Bible Baptist Church
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Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School,
11 am 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
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11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Betel
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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

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

PUBLIC PROFILES

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Each week, *The Observer/Enterprise* will highlight one or more of these offices. These highlights will include the services performed at that office

and an introduction to the people who make that office work.

This week, we are highlighting a few of the offices of our county government. The table above shows the relationship between the voters and the officials.

County Commissioners

Donald Robertson, Precinct 1
Elected to Office in 2016

Paul Williams, Precinct 2
Elected to Office in 2014

Marshall Millican, Precinct 3
Elected to Office in 2016

Joe Sefcik, Precinct 4
Elected to Office in 2014

The job of the county commissioner calls for hands-on service delivery, as well as policy-making decisions about a variety of important matters.

Four commissioners, each elected from a quarter of the county's population, serve along with the county judge on the commissioners court. Many people know that the commissioners court is responsible for building and maintaining the roads and bridges of the county. In your county, your commissioner may have individual responsibility for

the roads in his precinct or county road maintenance may be centralized under a unit road system.

The commissioners court also has the responsibility to adopt the budget and tax rate that is sufficient to fund the personnel, equipment and infrastructure necessary to deliver the services provided by the county. Typically, the commissioners court is responsible for conducting business on behalf of the county, and only the commissioners court can enter into contracts on behalf of the county.



Commissioner Precinct 3 (L to R) Marshall Millican was in law enforcement for the majority of his adult career. He served in Coke County as a deputy, sheriff and constable. He also was the code enforcement officer for the city of Robert Lee. He and his wife Sheri have two children, Kannon Moore and Stewart Millican, and four grandchildren.

Commissioner Precinct 2 Paul Williams has a solid career in business. Earning his Masters of Business Administration, Williams is an energy trader, rancher, and investor in a livestock nutrition company. He also was an instructor in the Business school at Angelo State University. He entered politics upon his election to the Bronte ISD Board of Trustees, serving as the Board's President. He and his wife Susan have one daughter, Jael.

Commissioner Precinct 1 Donald Robertson is a Robert Lee native. He and his wife Ruth have one son, Scott Robertson, and two grandchildren. Retired for 11 years before election, Robertson spent 46 years in the oil and gas industry. He also served our country with 6 years active and reserve military duty.

Commissioner Precinct 4 Joe Sefcik has enjoyed a career in construction and ranching. Originally from Wall, he has three daughters, Cara, Joel and Traci.

The commissioners court does much more than maintain roads and adopt a budget and a tax rate. County government's operations are often tailored to meet the needs and resources of the community, so the programs overseen by the commissioners court may vary from county to county. In a typical county, the commissioners court also establishes precinct boundaries for commissioners and justices of the peace, determines the number and type of county employees and their compensation, acquires property for rights of way or other public uses, adopts and enforces subdivision regulations, provides rural ambulance services and subsidizes rural fire protection, and supervises and controls the county courthouse and other county buildings and facilities.

As with all elected county officials, the commissioner who serves as an ex officio road commissioner has ultimate authority over the operations of the office, including the authority to hire and fire personnel and direct their daily activities. The county commissioner also has authority to determine how to use all other resources allocated to the office during the budget process.



Judge Roy Blair, a Robert Lee native and rancher, retired from serving as a state trooper with the Department of Public Safety before being elected as county judge. He and his wife Judy have two children, Joe Blair and Tracie Corley. The couple also have eight grandchildren.

County Judge

Roy Blair

Elected to Office in 2002

The Texas Constitution vests broad judicial and administrative powers in the position of county judge, who presides over a five-member commissioners court, which has budgetary and administrative authority over county government operations.

The county judge handles such widely varying matters as hearings for beer and wine license applications, hearing on admittance to state hospitals for the mentally ill and mentally retarded, juvenile work permits and temporary guardianships for special purposes. The judge is also responsible for calling elections, posting election notices and for receiving and canvassing

the election returns. The county judge may perform marriages.

A county judge in Texas may have judicial responsibility for certain criminal, civil and probate matters - responsibility for these functions varies from county to county. In those counties in which the judge has judicial responsibilities, the judge has appellate jurisdiction over matters arising from the justice courts. The county judge is also head of civil defense and disaster relief, county welfare and in counties under 225,000 population, the judge prepares the county budget along with the county auditor or county clerk.

...Ag Workshops

"We will discuss the potential legal implications of failing to have a sufficient written lease and the potential legal issues and litigation that the development of written leases can help avoid," she said. "The workshops will also familiarize participants with key terms and

provisions that should be considered in lease negotiations."

Participants will receive a leasing handbook that covers legal issues, designing lease payment structures and calculating payments, landowner liability, as well as checklists and sample lease forms for negotiating lease agreements.

VP to raffle Honda ATV

A new Honda ATV is being raffled off by Vision with a Purpose for their Hunters BBQ this year. The event is being held Saturday, November 4, at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Tickets for the raffle will be \$50 each and entry to the BBQ is \$12 each. Proceeds from the raffle and the BBQ will be used for Robert Lee's community park improvements.

Lady Longhorns take top spot in pre-season poll

The Bronte Lady Longhorns earned a spot in the Texas Girls Coaches Association 2017 Preseason Poll for Class 2A recently, coming in at number 7. Classes 1A and 2A compete together until the playoffs.

The Top 10 in Class 2A are 1. Iola; 2. Archer City; 3. Tioga; 4. Weimar; 5. Windthorst; 6. Thrall; 7. Bronte; 8. Evadale; 9. Round Top-Carmine; and 10. Windthorst.

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Cheer Camp! The Blackwell Junior High (left photo) and High School spirit squads attended camp at Angelo State University on July 24-27. The Junior High spirit squad won a trophy in the junior high division of the Game Day Championship. They competed against squads of all sizes. Shown are 8th grade mascot Chloe McKinney, 6th grader Shelby Rasco, 8th grader Gloria Gonzalez (All American), 7th grader Luz Cano, 8th grader Kiley Gregg, 8th grader Cadi Powers, and 7th grader Autumn Clark.

The High School spirit squad won trophies in the small varsity division for Extreme Routine Dance, Game Day Champs, and Superior Mascot. Shown are (right photo, from left) senior mascot Cambrey Coulter (All American), freshman Caitlin Lange, sophomore Jordan Jones (All American), senior Shelby Panzer (All American), freshman Allison Panzer, sophomore Emilee Sanderson (All American), freshman Darrian Kenney, and freshman manager Kiley Cummings.

Commissioners Court meeting minutes

The Coke County Commissioners met on June 27, 2017, at 9 am in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included Commissioner Precinct #1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct #3 Marshall Millican, Commissioner Precinct #4 Joe Sefcik and Clerk Mary Grim.

The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag and prayer was offered by Commissioner Williams.

Judge Pro-Tem Williams announced the presence of a quorum. Judge Blair was absent.

Commissioner Sefcik moved to accept the minutes for May 23, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Billy Craddock with Texas Department of Health Services addressed the Court on swimming pool regulations and operations.

Commissioner Sefcik moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson. The motion carried.

Judge Pro-Tem Williams presented the Trapper's Report for October 2016 through April 2017.

Judge Pro-Tem Williams reported that they had two (2) fires and that anytime county assets are sent out that the Judge needs to be informed.

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

Commissioner Millican made a motion to pay bills (3 registers). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

A budget workshop was held.

Judge Pro-Tem Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:29 am.

The Coke County Commissioners met on July 11, 2017, at 9 am in the courthouse

in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included Judge Roy Blair, Commissioner Precinct #1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct #3 Marshall Millican, Commissioner Precinct #4 Joe Sefcik and Clerk Mary Grim.

The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag and prayer was offered by Judge Blair.

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

Commissioner Williams moved to accept the minutes for June 27, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Millican. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Hal Spain.

Commissioner Robertson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion

was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

Extension Agent Kandice Everitt presented her report.

Sheriff Wayne McCutchen presented his report.

The Tax Collector's Report was presented by Tax A/C Josie Dean.

County/District Clerk Mary Grim presented her report.

Constable Precinct #1 Marty Boyd presented his report.

Justice of the Peace, Precinct #1, Jackie Walker's report was presented by Judge Blair.

The DR Report was presented by Judge Blair. There was no activity.

The Trapper's Report was not available.

Commissioner Williams moved to reinstate the burn ban.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson. The

motion carried. Commissioner Sefcik opposed.

Judge Blair reported he had received a call and letter stating that the fee will increase \$500 a year for county trapper services beginning January 1, 2018.

Commissioner Sefcik moved to approve to pay \$250 a month beginning January 1, 2018.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Millican. The

motion carried. Commissioner Williams opposed.

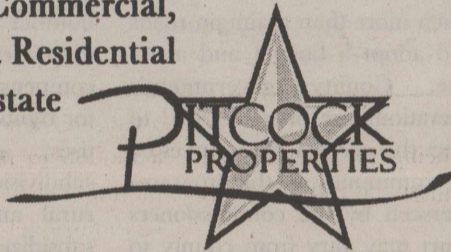
Commissioner Williams moved to accept membership dues for COG.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the dues for Corporation for Texas Regionalism.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

Farm-Ranch, Commercial, Recreational & Residential Real Estate

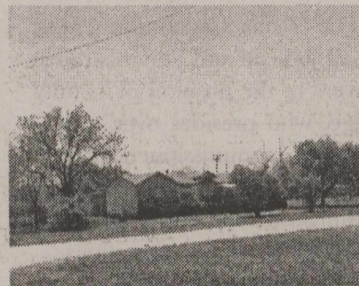


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Commissioner Millican moved to re-appoint County Judge Roy Blair as the Concho Valley Transit District Board Representative. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried.

Commissioner Sefcik moved to renew the Lease Agreement with Western Towers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams moved to take out health assessment with online nurse. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson. The motion carried.

Judge Blair reported a problem with bees at communication tower and that a budget workshop will be held next week.

Commissioner Williams reported on fire behind Doug Tounget's house and detention center.

Commissioner Millican reported on WTL Summit.

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

Commissioner Millican made a motion to pay bills (3 registers). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:37 am.

Spirit Camp! *The Robert Lee Cheerleaders and Stomper had a great week at camp. They had three All Americans.*

The Coke County Commissioners met in special session on July 18, 2017, at 9 am in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included County Judge Roy Blair, Commissioner Precinct #1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct #3 Marshall Millican, and Commissioner Precinct #4 Joe Sefcik.

Commissioner Williams opened with prayer and the pledge to the flag.

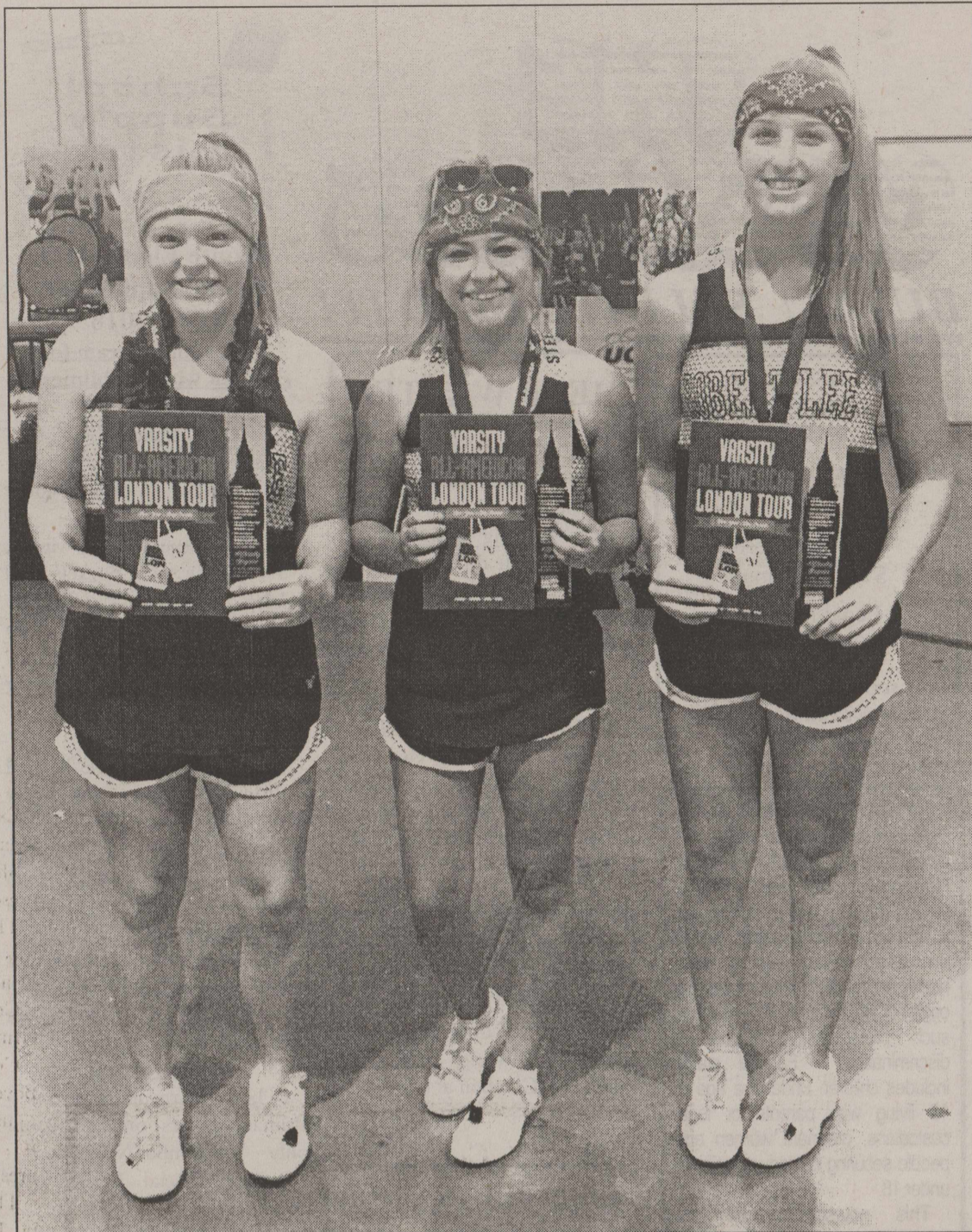
Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

Commissioner Williams moved to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Commissioner Millican moved to renew the contract for Juvenile Probation with Tom Green County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams reported on the tax appraisal



board meeting.

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

Commissioner Williams made

a motion to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefick. The

motion carried.

A budget workshop was held. Judge Blair adjourned the meeting.

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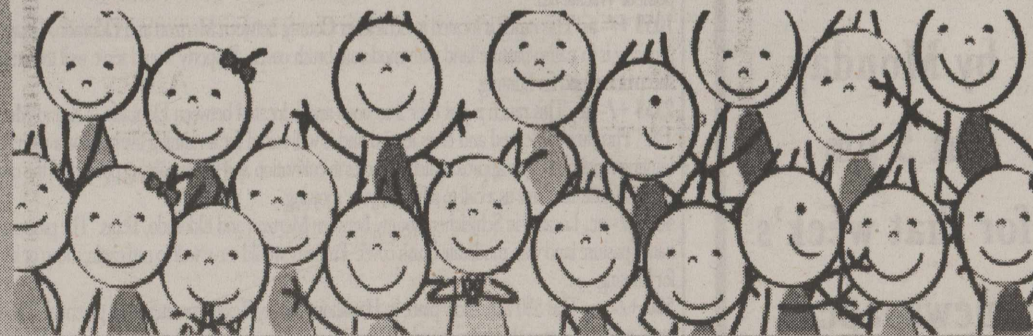
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- ⇒ Proof of Age (original Birth Certificate or passport)
- ⇒ Child's Immunization Record(s)
- ⇒ SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) (if applicable)
- ⇒ Child's Insurance Card (Medicaid, CHIPS, private insurance)
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- ⇒ Registro de Vacunas/Inmunizaciones
- ⇒ SNAP (Programa de Asistencia de Nutricion Suplemental) (Si acaso recibe esta ayuda)
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School Supply Lists!

Bronte Elementary School Supply List 2017-2018

Preschool program for children with disabilities & Pre-K

- 3 - 1.25 oz. Elmer's Glue
3 boxes Kleenex Facial Tissue
*1 Spiral Notebook (100 count wide rule)
1 Clorox wipes or baby wipes
3 - Folder with pockets and brads
*1 Large Zippered Top Backpack
*1 Set of extra clothing (weather appropriate)
*Blanket and pillow
*Indicates items to be labeled with child's name. All other items will be shared in the classroom as community property. For example, each student's glue will be placed in the class' glue box.
*Please consider clothing that will allow your child to dress and go to the bathroom independently.
- Kindergarten**
- 6 boxes Crayola Crayons - Primary colors only (8 count only - NO Jumbo/NO Glitter)
3 boxes Facial Tissues (100 count)
12 - No. 2 Pencils
1 box Crayola Thick Markers (10 count)
2 - 4.0 oz. Elmer's Glue (No Rose Art)
1 set Dry Erase Markers (set of 4)
10 - Folders with Bottom Pockets only (NO plastic, get

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- various colors)
- 1 - Sharp 5 Fiskar Scissors
1 Canister of pull-up Clorox Disinfectant wipes
2 - Pink Bevel Eraser
1 - Small Plastic School Box (no zipper bags please)
1 - School Bag or Backpack (large enough to hold folders)
1 roll 1/2 Transparent Ta
1 box Ziploc slider bags (Boys - Gallon Size, Girls - Quart Size, no stand and fill bags)
*Please label everything your child brings to school.
- 1st Grade**
- 2 boxes Crayola Crayons (16 count)
2 boxes Facial Tissues (100 count)
10 - No. 2 Pencils
5 - Assorted Folders (Pockets only)
1 - Sharp 5 Fiskar Scissors
4 - Glue Sticks
1 - Disinfectant Wipes
2 - Small Pink Erasers
1 box Ziploc slider bags (Boys - Pint Size, Girls - Snack Size)
2 packages Dry Erase Markers
- 1 - Plastic School Box
1 - School Bag or Backpack
2nd Grade
1 box Crayons (24 count)
2 boxes Kleenex
12 - No. 2 Pencils
1 - Elmer's Glue (small size)
1 - Scissors
2 - Pink Erasers
1 - School Box
1 - School Bag or Backpack
8 - Folders with Pockets
1 - Ruler
2 - Dry Erase Markers
4 - Glue Sticks
1 - Large Cloth book cover
3rd Grade
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- 1 - Elmer's Glue
- 2 - Permanent Markers
- 8 - Folders with pockets (no brads)
- 24 - #2 pencils
- 2 - Highlighters
- 1 - Notebook paper (wide rule-not college)
- 2 Pencil sharpener & Eraser
- 2 - Red pens
- 1 - Supply box/bag
- 1 Box Crayons

4th Grade

- 2 boxes Facial Tissues (100 count)
- 24 - No. 2 Pencils
- 1 - School Bag or Backpack
- 4 - Pocket folders (2 paper/2 plastic)
- 2 - Jumbo Cloth Book Covers
- 2 packages Notebook Paper (Wide Rule)

- 1 - 1 inch three ring binder

- 4 - Glue Sticks

- 2 - Highlighters

5th Grade

- 3 boxes Facial Tissues
- 3 - Pocket Folders (various colors/designs)
- 2 - Jumbo Book Covers
- 1 - Plastic pocket folder
- 1 package Index Cards (4x6)
- 2 - Pencil Sharpeners (hand held)
- 24 - No. 2 Pencils
- 2 - Highlighters (Yellow)
- 1 package Wide Ruled Notebook paper
- 1 box Quart Size Ziplock bags
- 2 - Glue Sticks
- 1 - 1 inch three ring Binder

6th Grade

- 12 - No. 2 Pencils (wood)
- 1 package Notebook Paper (200 wide rule)
- 2 boxes Facial Tissues
- 2 - Cloth book covers (Jumbo size)
- 3 - Pocket Folders (Plastic)
- 1 - 1 inch three ring binder
- 2 - Hand-held pencil sharpener
- 1 box Color Pencils (12 ct.-Crayola brand)
- 1 box Gallon size Ziplock bags
- 2 - Highlighters (Yellow)
- 2 - Pocket Folders (Paper)
- 4 - Glue Sticks

Bronte ISD Jr. High and High School

Math

- 100 page Composition book
- Notebook paper
- Folder or 3 ring binder to keep math papers in
- Pencil(s)
- Pencil top erasers
- Colored pen for grading (can be any color except black)
- 3 glue sticks
- Box of Kleenex (optional but greatly appreciated)

Mrs. Middleton

- 1 - three ring binder
- 2- 100 page composition book
- Notebook paper (NO spiral notebooks)
- Pencils/lead instruments
- Highlighters
- 6 - Glue Sticks
- Map Colors (optional)
- 1 box of Kleenex (optional)
- Red pen (optional)

Science (Taylor)

- Notebook paper
- Highlighters (yellow)
- 4 - Glue Sticks
- Zippered pencil/pen bag for 3 ring binder
- 1 - 1 inch three ring binder
- 1 set of dividers (5 count)

- Map Colors
- Box of Kleenex
- 2 - 100 page composition book
- Black or blue pens (no fluorescent or metallic colors)

Robert Lee Elementary School Supply List

Pre-K

- 2 boxes 8 count crayons
- 2 packages glue sticks
- 1 package assorted construction paper
- 4 pencils
- 1 box Ziploc bags (quart size)
- 4 boxes Kleenex
- 1 set watercolors
- 1 package of index cards
- 3 large Disinfectant Wipes
- 1 set of extra clothes
- 1 old large shirt to use for painting

Kindergarten

- 3 boxes 24 count Crayola Brand crayons
- 6 glue sticks
- 6 regular Yellow #2 pencils
- 1 composition notebook
- 1 package construction paper
- 1 small plastic school box
- 3 large boxes Kleenex
- 1 white binder
- 2 sturdy, slick plastic pocket folders (no brads)
- 2 large pink erasers
- 1 package 3x5 index cards
- Towel for rest time (no vinyl mats)
- Backpack
- Set of extra clothes

- *Initial each eraser and crayon
- *Leave crayons in the original box
- *Do not initial pencils or glue sticks

1st Grade

- 2 packages pencil top erasers
- 2 red plastic folders with brads and pockets
- 1 orange folder with brads
- 2 black marble composition notebooks (wide ruled, not spiral)
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons (at least 24 count)
- 1 package of Ticonderoga yellow pencils (24 count)
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 1 1/4 oz little Elmer's G
- 1 box Ziploc bags (Quart size)
- 1 clipboard
- 1 package construction paper
- 1 small plastic school box
- 1 disinfectant wipes
- 1 backpack (no wheels)
- *Please DO NOT label the supplies

2nd Grade

- 1 package yellow #2 pencils (24 count)
- 2 composition notebooks (100 sheets, wide ruled)
- 3 plastic folders with pockets and brads
- 2 boxes Crayola brand crayons (24 count)
- Markers
- 3 glue sticks

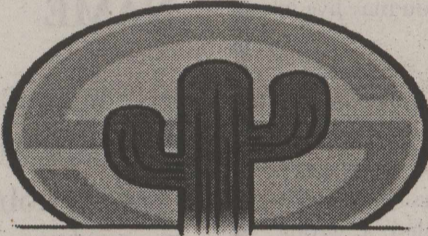
- Scissors
- 1 plastic school box
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 backpack (no wheels)
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- 1 box Ziploc bags (girls - gallon, boys - quart)
- 1 package construction paper
- Disinfecting wipes
- Hand sanitizer

3rd Grade

- 1 three ring binder with pockets
- Pocket folders - 1 red, 1 blue, 1 yellow, 1 any color/design
- Yellow #2 pencils (at least 24 ct)
- Pink eraser (at least 3)

- Crayons
- Markers
- Scissors
- 2 highlighters
- Supply box
- Backpack
- Hand sanitizer (12 oz bottle)
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- Disinfecting wipes
- 4th Grade**
- 1 school box (no bags)
- 1 package Expo Markers for white board
- 1 box Crayons (24 count)
- 1 box map pencils
- Markers or Sharpies

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If 'Vacation' means going anywhere south of Dallas for the weekend, you may live in Texas.

If you measure distance in hours, you may live in Texas.

If you know several people who have hit a deer more than once, you may live in Texas.

If you install security lights on your house and garage, but leave both unlocked, you may live in Texas.

If you carry jumper cables in your car and your wife knows how to use them, you may live in Texas.

If the speed limit on the highway is 55 mph --you're going 80 and everybody's passing you, you may live in Texas.

If you find 60 degrees 'a little chilly,' you may live in Texas.

If you actually understand these joke, and share them with all your Texas friends, you definitely live in Texas.

RL Cemetery needs assistance

There are several curbed lots at the Robert Lee Cemetery whose owners are unknown. These lots are in Sections 2, 3, 7 and 10. The lot in Section 2 includes the name "Spencer" in the curbing.

Anyone who has information on the ownership of these plots is urged to call George Grim at (325) 453-9902. The ownership of the plots will revert to the cemetery association if not identified by September 1, 2017.

...RLISD School Supply List

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- 1 pair scissors
 - 1 small package colored copy paper
 - Liquid glue
 - 4 packages 3x5 white index cards
 - 24 pencils
 - 3 composition notebooks
 - 2 packages wide ruled notebook paper
 - 1 plastic folder with brads and pockets (any color)
 - 2 folders with 3 holes and pockets (any color, no brads)
 - 2 1" three ring binder
 - 2 large tubs disinfectant wipes

- 3 boxes tissue
- 1 package Ziploc bags
- 2 red pens
- 5th Grade**
- 1 school box or bag
- 2 packages wide ruled notebook paper
- 3 composition notebooks
- 1 2" three ring binder
- 1 plastic folder with brads and pockets
- 3 folds with 3 holes and pockets (no brads)
- 24 pencils
- 2 red pens
- 1 package dividers
- Scissors
- Crayons (24 count)
- Map pencils
- Markers
- Liquid glue
- 2 black Sharpies
- 1 package Expo Markers
- 4 packages 3x5 white index cards
- 1 small package colored copy paper
- 2 tubs disinfectant wipes
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- 1 small zippered Ziploc bags
- 6th Grade**
- Pencils
- Pens
- Map pencils
- Markers
- Sharpies
- Highlighters
- Scissors
- 2 bottles liquid glue
- 2 packages notebook paper
- 2 tubs disinfectant wipes
- 3 boxes Kleenex
- School supply box
- 1 package Expo Markers
- 2 composition notebooks
- 2 2" three ring binders
- 2 packages 3x5 white index cards
- 1 package dividers
- Small Ziploc bags
- Folder with 3 holes and pockets
- Deck of cards
- 2 boxes pencil top erasers

SALARIES FOR COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS SET BY COURT
(beginning October 1, 2017, new fiscal year - includes Longevity)

NAME	2016-17 SALARY	PROPOSED 2017-18 SALARY
Roy Blair, County Judge	\$29,474.00	\$30,968.70
Roy Blair, State Supplement	\$25,200.00	\$25,200.00
Donald Robertson, Commissioner, Precinct 1	\$29,333.00	\$30,799.69
Paul Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 2	\$29,333.00	\$30,979.69
Marshall Millican, Commissioner, Precinct 3	\$29,933.00	\$31,479.69
Joe Sefcik, Commissioner, Precinct 4	\$29,333.00	\$30,979.69
Nick Arrott, County Attorney	\$28,769.00	\$29,262.45
Nick Arrott, State Supplement	\$23,333.00	\$23,333.00
Josie Dean, Tax Assessor/Collector	\$28,644.00	\$30,097.45
Wayne McCutchen, Sheriff	\$36,821.00	\$38,617.09
Mary Grim, County & District Clerk	\$28,769.00	\$30,162.45
Hal Spain, County Treasurer	\$28,229.00	\$29,682.45
JPs and CONSTABLES		
Jackie Walker, JP Precinct 1	\$27,352.00	\$28,761.60
Marty Boyd, Constable, Precinct 2	\$15,780.00	\$16,656.00

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