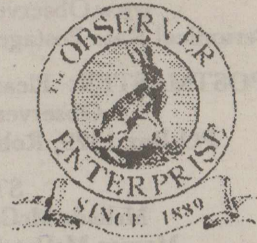


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Local Elections set for Saturday

The cities of Bronte and Robert Lee and the Bronte Independent School District will hold elections on Saturday, May 5, 2018. The Robert Lee Independent School District, along with both the East Coke County Hospital District and West Coke County Hospital District canceled their elections due to no opposed races.

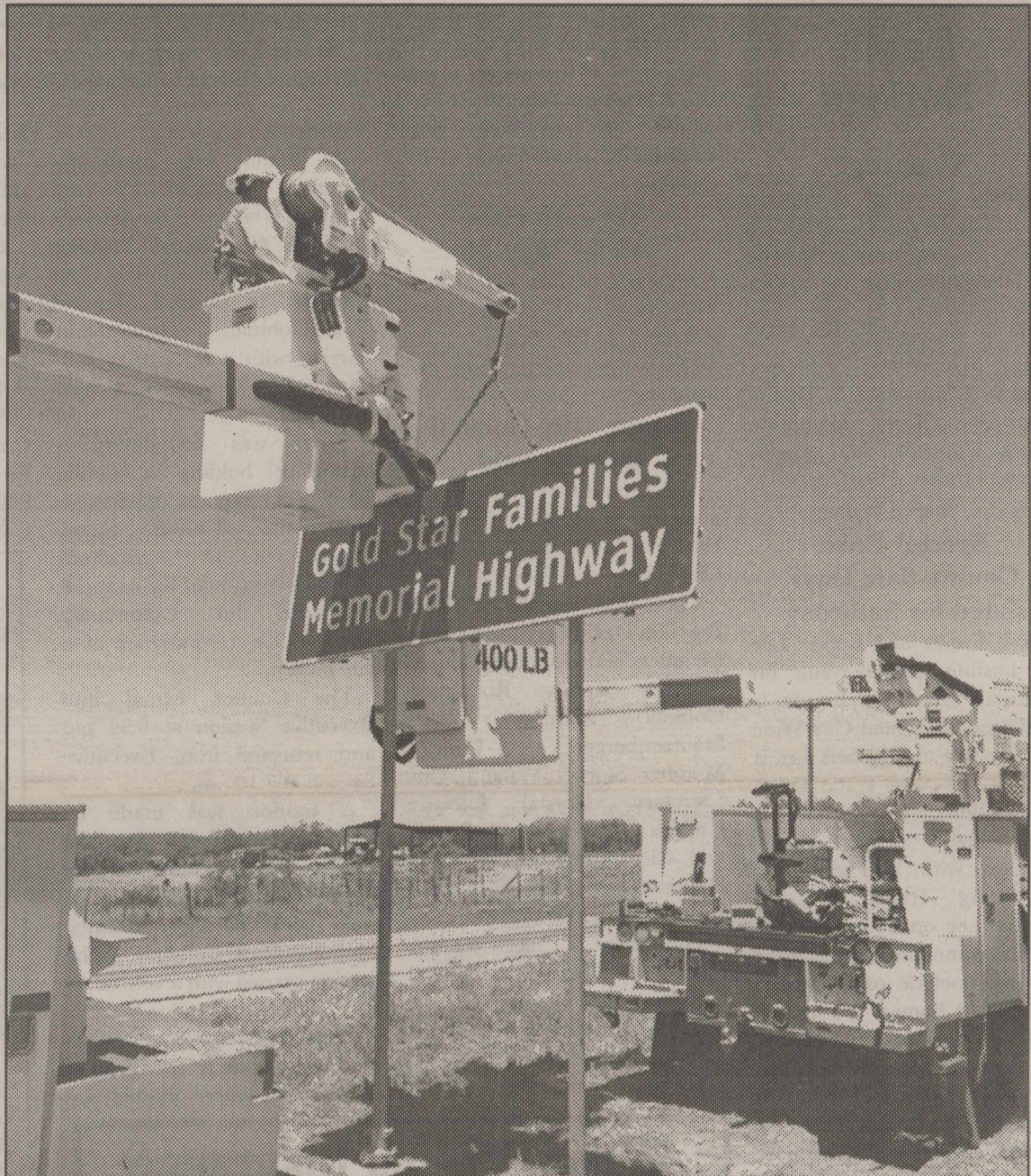
Polling locations for election day on Saturday include the Commissioners Courtroom in the Courthouse in Robert Lee for the City of Robert Lee and the Bronte Senior Citizen Building for both the City of Bronte and Bronte ISD elections. All locations will be open from 7 am until 7 pm on Election Day.

The City of Robert Lee will hold an election for the position

of mayor and for three council members. The offices are currently held by Mayor Leroy Casey and council member Shaunna Grantham. Also open are the council member positions formerly held by Toni Rainwater and Joe Longoria. Leroy Casey has filed for re-election as mayor and will be joined on the ballot by Allyson Crenshaw and Shell Williams. Billy Williams, Nora Broadbent, Brandi Brosh, Ricky Green, and Casey Scruggs have all filed for seats on the Council.

The City of Bronte has terms expiring for mayor and two council positions. These are two year terms.

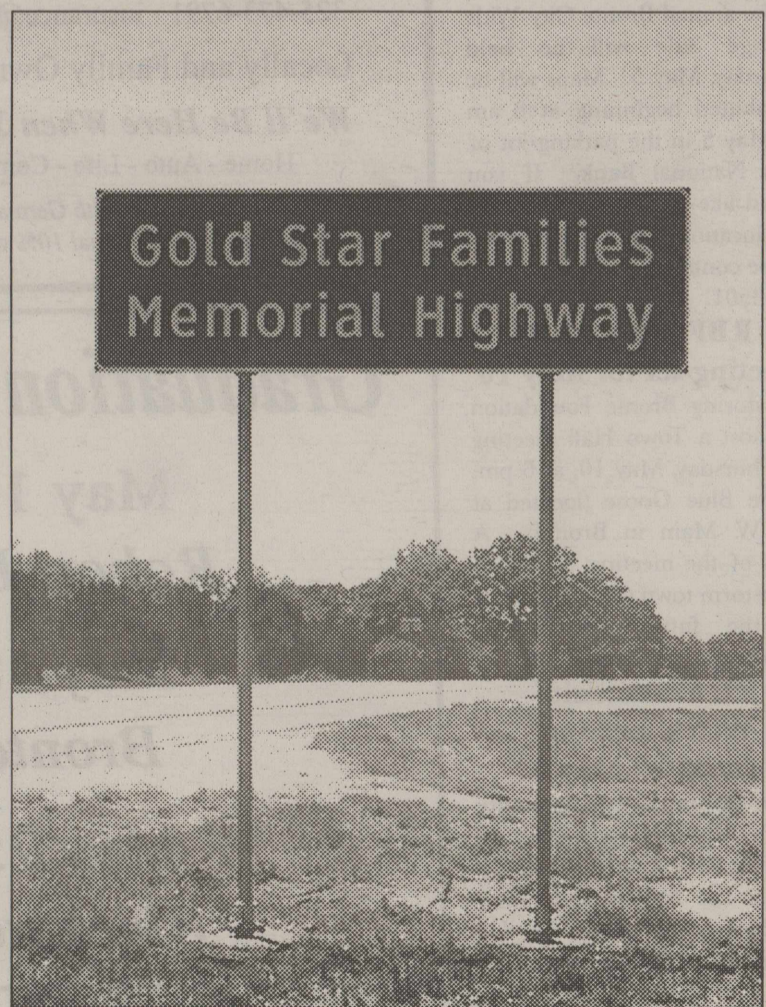
The offices are currently held by Mayor Gerald Sandusky and council members Wade Stautzenberger and Paul



New Highway Sign! On Monday, April 23, 2018, a 17 mile stretch of US Highway 277 north of Bronte was dedicated as the Gold Star Families Memorial Highway. The Fort Chadbourne Foundation, in accordance with the Texas Department of Transportation, had the sign erected to honor Gold Star Families. A Gold Star Families Memorial Monument was dedicated at Fort Chadbourne in November of 2017.

Gohman. Buzz Gohman has filed for the mayor's position, with Donna Hall, Lee Wommack, and Steve Hines filing for places on the council.

Bronte ISD will hold an election to elect three members to the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held by Ashley Braswell, David McWright, and Blake Braswell. Blake Braswell, David McWright, and Ashley Braswell have filed for re-election. Bill Torres, Chris Jernigan, TJ McCullough, and Walt Smith have also filed for a place on the board.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Saturday, May 5

Bronte City-Wide Garage Sale, 8 am,
Maps to be distributed from FNB-Bronte Parking Lot

VP Trade Days in Robert Lee,
Maps to be distributed from VP Headquarters, Austin Street

Sunday, May 6

Blackwell High School Baccalaureate Service, 11 am,
First United Methodist Church, Blackwell

Monday, May 7

Bronte ISD Band Banquet, 6 pm,
First Baptist Church, Bronte

Blackwell ISD FFA Banquet, 6 pm

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

Evening Lions Club Meeting, 7 pm,
First United Methodist Church, Bronte

Tuesday, May 8

Commissioners Court Meeting, 9 am,
County Courthouse, Robert Lee

Robert Lee Community Watch Meeting, 6 pm,
First United Methodist Church Family Life Center, Robert Lee

Thursday, May 10

Bronte ISD 8th Grade Promotion, 6 pm,
Bronte ISD Auditorium

Restoring Bronte Foundation Town Hall Meeting, 6 pm,
Blue Goose, Downtown Bronte

Friday, May 11

Bronte Elementary Kindergarten Graduation, 8:30 am,
Bronte ISD Auditorium

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Death Notices

Coppedge

Jimmy "Donnie" Coppedge, 78, died Thursday, April 19, 2018. No services will be held. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Coppedge; children, Jimmy Coppedge, Donna Coppedge, Terry Hampton, Bobby Coppedge and Angie James; brother, Fred Coppedge and sister, Sharon Watters.

Special Coke County Sale Days slated for Saturday

Both Bronte and Robert Lee are hosting special events on Saturday, May 5. Bronte is holding their annual City-Wide Garage Sale and Robert Lee is holding the first Trade Days. Information on both activities is listed below.

Vision with a Purpose is sponsoring Trade Days in Robert Lee on Saturday, May 5. This community wide garage sale will include organizations and private homes. Be sure to pick up your location map at the VP building on Austin Street on May 5. VP plans to make this an annual event so please come out and support the event.

The annual Bronte City-Wide Garage Sale will be held Saturday, May 5. Maps will be distributed beginning at 8 am on May 5 in the parking lot of First National Bank. If you would like to have your garage sale location listed on the map, please contact City Hall at (325) 473-3501.

RBF Town Hall meeting set for May 10
 Restoring Bronte Foundation will host a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, May 10, at 6 pm, at the Blue Goose (located at 117 W. Main in Bronte). A focus of the meeting will be to brainstorm town goals and ideas for the future of Bronte. Everyone is invited to attend.

RL Community Watch meeting slated for May 8
 The Robert Lee Community Watch meeting will be on Tuesday, May 8, at 6 pm at the Robert Lee Methodist Church Family Life Building. At this first meeting we will focus on

start up logistics, establishing parameters, and block leaders. It takes a lot of volunteers to pull off a program like this. If you would like to help your community, please come to this meeting.

Skywarn class set for May 14

A Skywarn class will be held Monday, May 14, at 7 pm at the Robert Lee Fire Station. The public is welcome to come take the class.

Bronte City Council meeting held

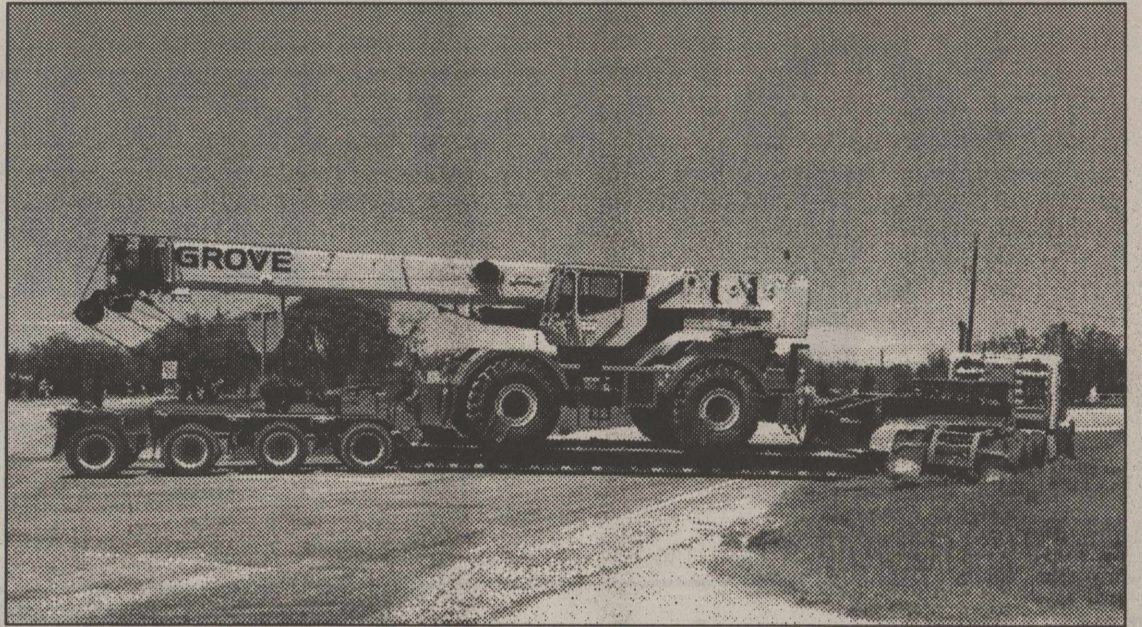
The Bronte City Council held a regular meeting on Thursday, February 5, 2018, at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Those present included Mayor Pro Tem David Bedford, Council Member Paul Gohman, Council Member Santiago Rodriguez, Council Member Wade Stautzenberger, Council Member Stormy Vaughn, City Secretary Crystal Blevins, Utilities Director Ricky Royall, and City Attorney, Eileen M. Hayman. Mayor Gerald Sandusky was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in Council Chambers.

Prayer was offered by Council Member Paul Gohman.

There were no citizen



Stuck! This truck hauling a crane missed their turn and ended up getting stuck in the mud when attempting to reach Highway 158 heading east from Bronte.

comments.
 A motion was made by Council Member Stormy Vaughn to approve the January 18, 2018, City Council Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0. Mayor Pro Tem David Bedford abstained.

There was no discussion regarding holding a public hearing to file an application with the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for financial assistance for Community Facilities for the purchase of a city pickup.

The Council exited into Executive Session at 6:32 pm and returned from Executive Session at 7:10 pm.

A motion was made by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez to approve of the monthly report. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

Council Member Santiago Rodriguez requests specification of location where utilities are

being used. City staff will include description of where utilities are being provided for future reference.

Council Member Stormy Vaughn discussed a list of CDs and was wondering where interest is located on the Revenues and Expenditures Report.

A motion was made by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez to approve of the bills paid and was seconded by Council Member Stormy

Vaughn. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez to approve of the February Revenues and Expenditures Report minus the January Revenues and Expenditure Report. The January Revenues and Expenditures Report will be provided. The motion, seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman, carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

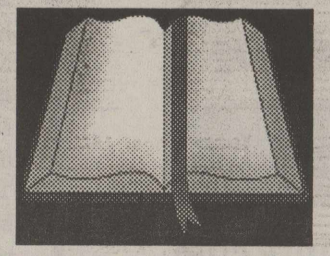
The Code Enforcement Report

Area Churches

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 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 Bevil
 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
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
 Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am
4C Cowboy Church
 Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte
 Pastor James Brunson
 Sunday, 10:30 am

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 Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor
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 11 am Worship,
Emmanuel Pentecostal
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 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor
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 11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice
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 11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm
Southside Church of Christ
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 Recardo Reyes, Preacher
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 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. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor
 Saturday Vigil Mass 5 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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Graduation Issues!

**May 11
 Robert Lee**

**May 18
 Bronte**

**May 25
 Blackwell**

is as follows:

- 6 - Service Calls (included calls from City of Bronte, Sheriff's Office, and calls to individual officers);
- 2 - Verbal Warnings Issued;
- 0 - Written Warnings Issued;
- 1 - Citation Issued;
- 1 - Yard Complaint;
- 1 - Vehicle Complaint.

Fire Chief Martin DeLaGarza presented the Fire Department Report. Volunteers have installed the roof on the new fire department building. Susan Williams is writing a grant. The fire department received an \$8,000 grant from the Forest Service for training purposes. Funds are needed for the installation of spray foam for the interior of the new building. Training for cadets will be provided in San Angelo, Texas, in the rescuing of citizens from vehicles.

Fire Chief Martin DeLaGarza requests certificate of title for a 1992 GMC Fire Truck "Booster" to be transferred to the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department. The certificate is currently under the City of Bronte. A motion was made by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger to approve of transferring the certificate of title of the 1992 GMC Fire Truck to the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Gohman and carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

Fire Chief Martin DeLaGarza requests the City of Bronte to help with repair expenses on a 1992 GMC Fire Truck. The clutch needs to be readjusted and the estimate for expenses amounts to \$1,600 for repairs and labor.

The City has future expenses that need to be funded, backhoe, mowers, shredder, etc. Funds were allocated to the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department at the beginning of the fiscal year in the amount of \$6,000 from the City. The Council requests that the Fire Department use the funds previously transferred.

Funds have currently been used to fix the following: 1) the pump went out; 2) equipment; 3) hoses.

A motion was made by Council Member Paul Gohman to table the request for fund repairs on the 1992 GMC Fire Truck near the end of the fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger and carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

City Secretary Crystal Blevins presented the Animal Report is as follows:

- 3 - Dogs;
- 18 - Cats;
- 2 - Opposums;
- 3 - Skunks.

There was discussion only and no action was taken.

There was discussion of Livestock Permits regarding the following:

- Howard Baker - 324 Briarwood - coats, horses, mules, fowl;
- Lynn and Kaci Follis - 315 W. George - longhorn and goats;

Bethany Pritchard - 708 Meadow Lane - miniature donkey.

Livestock Permits are a continuation from the previous calendar year.

The City Secretary failed to list the agenda item as an action item, no action was taken. Livestock Permits will be included on the March 15, 2018, agenda as a discussion and action item.

Utilities Director Ricky Royall had visited with three companies to discuss the blading of the streets. None of them are interested in submitting a bid for the project. The cost to blade the streets would be expensive but there wouldn't be a lot of dirt removed. Estimate to blade the streets would be \$300 per hour. The County can charge FEMA rates instead of charging per hour. They are willing to trade service for other services. Priority locations include South Washington Street, across from the football field, and West Jackson Avenue.

The creek north of Bronte affects the flow of water south of town. A suggestion was made to use a terrace to provide a ditch on County property. Water flows down Oliver Street toward the creek but was blocked when the laundromat was changed in to a house. The ditch is not a right-of-way. A suggestion was made to talk to the property owner to reopen the ditch.

A suggestion was made to continue to find someone to provide the service. Request was made to contact Reece Albert for a quote.

County Commissioner offered to allow the City of Bronte to use their grader. The City is unable to find someone to operate the County maintainer. The County previously requested a current or former County employee to operate the machinery. Matt Moore has agreed to perform the task per hour. Utilities Director will discuss with Matt requesting quote to repair priority locations.

Utilities Director requests permission from City Council to handle the streets issue as he sees fit. A motion was made by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez to give Utilities Director Ricky Royall permission to perform whatever task is necessary up to the amount of \$8,000 for the maintenance of the streets. The motion was seconded by



Something's Missing! A storm rolled through Bronte Tuesday evening, April 24, 2018, that included some high wind gusts. The winds with this storm resulted in the loss of the top portion of the Stripes sign in Bronte.

Council Member Paul Gohman. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Paul Gohman to approve of applying for a HOME Reseration, seconded by Council Member Wade Stautzenberger. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

First National Bank in Bronte, Texas, has received the City of Bronte's authorized signer list, but it listed only the General, Water, Sewer and Sanitation Fund. City Secretary requests the Council to approve of any and all funds, CDs, safety deposit box, etc. to be updated.

The City Secretary requests the Deputy City Secretary Marian Gohman, Mayor Pro Tem Misti Bedford, and Council Member George Tomes be removed as signers from all of the City of Bronte's bank accounts, CDs, deposit box, etc., and add Mayor Gerald Sandusky, Mayor Pro Tem David Bedford, Council

Member Stormy Vaughn, and City Secretary Crystal Blevins. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

Council Member Stormy Vaughn has a schedule conflict for the April 19, 2018, Council Meeting and would like to see if other members would consider changing the meeting date in April. A motion was made by Council Member Paul Gohman rejecting the request and asked that we keep the date as scheduled for April 19 for the City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez and carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Stormy Vaughn to

adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm and was seconded by Council Member Santiago Rodriguez. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

County Commissioners meeting minutes told

The Coke County Commissioners Court met in regular session on April 10, 2018, at 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, Commissioner Precinct 4 Joe Sefcik, and County/District Clerk Mary Grim.

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

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 ★ Saturday, May 5! ★
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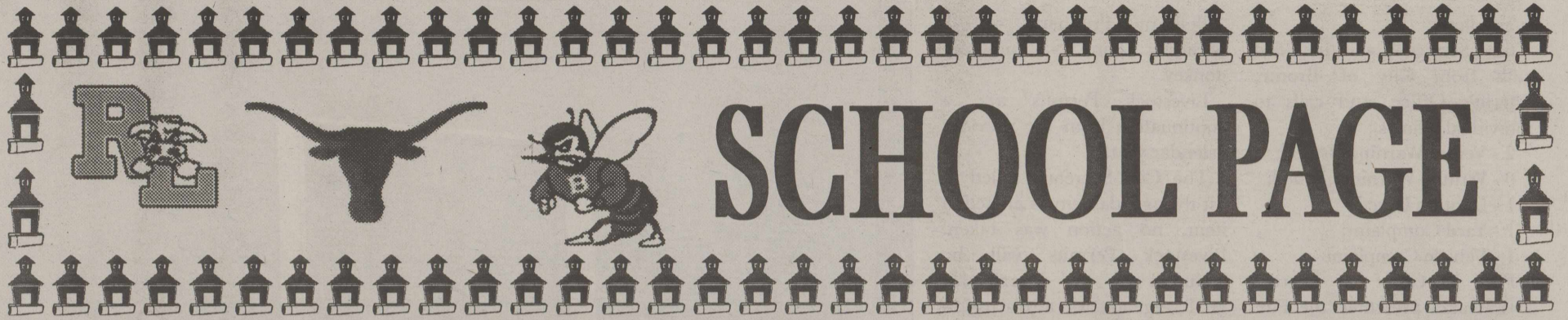
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SCHOOL PAGE



Speech Team! The Blackwell High School Speech Team won the Regional Speech Team Championship held at Angelo State University on Saturday, April 14. Emilee Sanderson placed 3rd in LD Debate and 3rd in Persuasive Speaking. Shelby Panzer placed 2nd in LD Debate and 4th in Persuasive Speaking. Haylee Cason placed 2nd in Poetry Interpretation. The girls advanced to the state contest to be held May 20 - 22 at the University of Texas in Austin.



Tennis! Bronte High School had four athletes compete at the Regional Tennis Tournament held at Bentwood Country Club in San Angelo on April 18 - 19, 2018. Shawn Puentez and Zach Jackson competed in Boys Doubles and Bryton Pearcy and Jayden Speary competed in Girls Doubles. Bryton and Jayden took first place and advanced to the state tournament held in College Station on May 17 - 18.

4-H meeting slated for May 7

The last 4-H meeting of the 2017-2018 school year will be held Monday, May 7 at 6 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. All 4-H members are encouraged to attend as officer elections will be held for the 2018-2019 school year. The offices up for election include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Reporter, Community Service Chair, and Information Officer. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to run for an office, please let a fellow member know so they can nominate you for that office. Also, if you are elected as an officer, there will be a mandatory officer training that you will need to attend.

If you have any questions, contact the Extension Office at (325) 453-2461.

BCISD Yearbook Order deadline set for May 10

Bronte ISD yearbooks are available for order through May 10, 2018. Online ordering is available and parents can choose from different package options, customize the order, and pay online. The website to order from is ybpay.lifetouch.com and enter the yearbook ID code 13115118.

BCISD announces cheerleaders for 2018-2019

Blackwell CISD recently announced the cheerleader, twirler, and mascot for the 2018-2019 school year.

The varsity squad includes Jadyne Feitshans, Jordan Jones, Darrian Kenney, Caitlin Lange, Allison Panzer, and Emilee

Sanderson. Madeline Bell will be the twirler and Haylee Cason will be the mascot.

The Junior Varsity/Junior High squad includes Luz Cano, Autumn Clark, Gloria Gonzalez, Sydney Hayes, Cadi Powers, and Shelby Rasco. Chloe McKinney will be mascot.



Bronte ISD Breakfast

Monday, May 7
Breakfast Pizza or Cereal w/ Toast and Jelly, Assorted Juice, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
Donut Holes or Cereal w/ Toast and Jelly, Assorted Juice, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
PB & J or Cereal w/ Toast and Jelly, Assorted Juice, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, May 10
BK Tornadoos or Cereal w/ Toast and Jelly, Assorted Juice, Fruit, Milk

Friday, May 11
Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal w/ Toast and Jelly, Assorted Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch
Monday, May 7
Country Fried Steak with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Breaded Okra, Roll, Fruit Cup, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
Chicken Tenders, Texas Toast, Gravy, Sweet Potato Fries or Tots, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
Hamburger, Ranch Beans, Carrot Coins, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Milk

Thursday, May 10
Chicken Spaghetti, Breadsticks, Garden Salad, Vegetable Medley, Fruit, Milk

Friday, May 11
BBQ on a Bun, Pinto Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit, Milk

Monday, May 7
Sausage Biscuit, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
PBJ, Cheesestick, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
Breakfast Parfait, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, May 10
Stuffed Croissant, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Friday, May 11
Bad Weather Day

Lunch
Monday, May 7
Hamburger, Garnish, Oven Fries, Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
Chicken Fajitas, Salsa, Charro Beans, Tomato Cup, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
Chicken Alfredo, Breadstick, Tuscan Veggies, Salad, Peaches, Cookie, Milk

Thursday, May 10
Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Multigrain Chips, Veggie Cup, Snowball Salad, Milk

Friday, May 11
Bad Weather Day

Assorted Bagels, Cream Cheese, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
Yogurt and Fruit Parfait, Granola, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Thursday, May 10
Pancakes, Bacon, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Friday, May 11
Cereal, Sausage, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Lunch
Monday, May 7
Taco (Bowl, Crunchy, Flour), Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, May 8
Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, May 9
Chicken Spaghetti, Corn, Salad, Bread Sticks, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, May 10
Baked BBQ Chicken, Mac-n-Cheese, Corn on the Cob, Bread, Fruit, Milk

Friday, May 11
Beef Tips and Rice or Beef Tips with Noodles, Carrots, Green Peas, Fruit, Milk

Youth conference applications deadline set for May 4

To help the next generation become leaders and a foundation of the community, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau invites local high school students to apply for the annual Texas Farm Bureau Youth Leadership Conference (YLC).

YLC is a unique opportunity for young people to engage in patriotism, free enterprise, and leadership opportunities.

"We encourage our youth to take advantage of these opportunities to learn how our American constitution works and engage with other students across Texas," John Ross Copeland, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau president said. "It's a great chance to develop strong leadership skills."

YLC is set for June 11-15 at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

Students entering their junior or senior year of high school as of August 2018 are eligible to attend.

Students will participate in breakout sessions on professionalism, public speaking, goal-setting advice, and money management.



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Regionals! Nathan Scates, a student at Robert Lee High School, qualified for the Regional Golf Tournament recently. He only missed qualifying for the state tournament as a medalist by a few strokes.



State Bound! Both Robert Lee High School and Bronte High School Girls golf teams enjoyed a successful regional golf tournament. The Robert Lee girls (top photo) were named Regional Champions, with the Bronte girls following as the Runner Up team. Robert Lee team members include (from left to right) Kelby Clawson* (3rd place individual medalist), Megan Grantham, Jaycee Crisp, Aimee Zimmermann, Autumn Ramon, and Coach Gartman. Bronte team members include Darby Duncan, Baily Torres, Kaily Torres, Payton Arrott, India Chumney, and Coach Rawls (not pictured). Both teams will compete at the state golf tournament to be held in Austin on May 21 - 22. Good luck ladies!

They will also hear from career professionals regarding the basics of the free enterprise system and government.

"At YLC our youth will establish lifelong friendships with other high school students across Texas," John Ross Copeland said. "Each year Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau sponsors students to attend YLC, because we believe in the future of our community and our state. We believe in helping our students better themselves with activities that help build character, confidence, and more.

If selected, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau will cover the expenses and registration. A student does not have to be a Farm Bureau member to attend. Students who are Farm Bureau members and participate in YLC are eligible to apply for a college scholarship and able to participate in the Free Enterprise Speech contest the following fall.

Additional details and registration forms can be found online at <http://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/youth-opportunities>.

Applications will be accepted through May 4, 2018.

Farm Bureau shares learning opportunity with local teachers

Coke County and Sterling County teachers who are looking to get their hands dirty, have, and earn professional development credit this summer are urged to apply today for Texas Farm Bureau's Summer Agriculture Institute (SAI).

"The Summer Agriculture

Institute isn't like other continuing education courses," John Ross Copeland, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau president said. "It's an excellent opportunity for teachers to see firsthand what agriculture means to everyone, so they can share that information with their students."

Teachers who attend SAI will receive new curriculum-aligned lesson plans on water, plants, careers, and Texas regions. They'll also receive engaging handouts on beef, corn, cotton, dairy, and other products grown or raised by Texas farmers and ranchers.

"We want to make agriculture fun for students in our community," John Ross said. "We help teachers find ways to incorporate information about our crops and livestock into their lesson plans in a way that really engages students."

The four-day professional development seminar is scheduled for June 4-7 at the Texas Farm Bureau Conference and Training Center in Waco.

The event will showcase Central Texas agriculture and will include hands-on activities, field trips and tours, presentations by experts in their fields and lesson plans correlated to TEKS and STAAR.

Teachers will be eligible for up to 36 continuing professional education hours upon completion of SAI.

Interested teachers are encouraged to contact Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau at (325) 453-4505. Applications are also available online at [https://](https://txfb.us/SAI-18)

txfb.us/SAI-18.

Scholarships for lodging, meals, curriculum, resources, field trips, and other associated costs are available.

Applications are due May 10, 2018.

Additional information about SAI can be found online at <http://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/ag-in-the-classroom>.

...Commissioners Court Minutes

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Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

Commissioner Millican moved to approve the minutes for March 27, 2018, as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Hal Spain. Commissioner Sefcik moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, carried.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robertson and carried.

Commissioner Sefcik moved to approve Accounts Payable for Payroll. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Millican, carried.

Agent Kandice Everitt presented her report. Agent Morgan Runyon was headed to Waco.

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.

Judge Blair presented Constable Precinct 1 Marty Boyd's report.

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

The DR Report was not available. Judge Blair reported that three (3) applications had been picked up.

The Trapper's Report for October 2017 through January 2018 was presented.

Commissioner Robertson moved to reinstate the burn ban. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Millican, carried.

Steven Dewolf gave the Court a Status Report on the Grape Creek Wind Energy Project.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik and opposed by Commissioner Millican. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the rental agreement of Coke County RV spaces.

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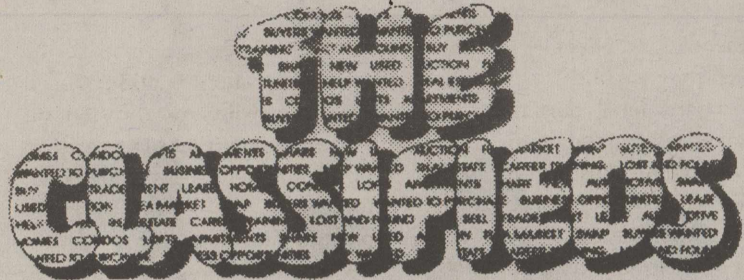
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Political Calendar

The Observer/Enterprise had been authorized to make the following announcements for the political offices in Coke County. Each candidate or the campaign treasurer has paid for his or her announcement.

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County Judge
Hal Spain

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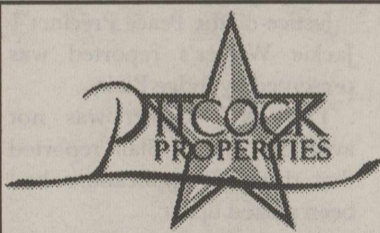
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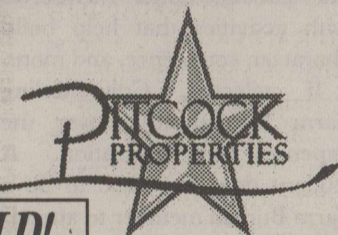
Clearly Petroleum, LLC, 5825 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West #550, Houston, TX 77086 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Minielle Sand formation, N.E., I.A.B. Lease well #3303. The proposed disposal well is located 9 miles Northwest from Robert Lee in the I. A. B., NE.

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NOTICES

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the registered voters of the City of Bronte, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Saturday May 5th, 2018, for voting in a general election to elect one (1) mayor and two (2) council members at:

Bronte Senior Citizens Center
613 East Oliver Avenue
Bronte, Texas 76933

EARLY VOTING by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:

Bronte City Hall
114 South Washington Street
Bronte, Texas 76933

Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on April 23rd, 25th, 27th, 30th and May 1st; between 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on April 24th and 26th.

APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL shall be mailed to:

District and County Clerk
Mary Grim
13 East 7th Street
Robert Lee, Texas 76945

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on:

April 24, 2018

Issued this the 5th day of April, 2018.

AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

A los votantes registrados de la Ciudad de Bronte, Texas:

Por la presente se da aviso de que los centros de votación listados a continuación estarán abiertos de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m., el sábado 5 de mayo de 2018, para votar en una elección general para elegir a un (1) alcalde y dos (2) concejales miembros en:

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Bronte, Texas 76933

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Mary Grim
13 East 7th Street
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April 24, 2018

Publicado esto el 5 de abril de 2018.

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...Commissioners Court Minutes

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The Court discussed charging Patricia Gray a clean-up fee for damages done at the Robert

Lee Recreation Hall on March 24, 2018.

Commissioner Millican moved to use charging a clean-up fee for more severe damages. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion and Commissioner Robertson opposed. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams reported on the Community Center in Bronte, a walking path in the Bronte Park, and the dam in the park.

Auditor Vallery Johnson reported that budge requests need to be back to her or Judge Blair by May 9.

Judge Blair reported on a visit with Chief Appraiser Gayle Sisemore.

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

Commissioner Millican moved to pay the bills. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Sefcick, carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 10 am.

FSA makes administrative change to Livestock Indemnity Program

Farmers and ranchers who have lost livestock to disease, resulting from a weather disaster, have an additional way to become eligible for a key U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) disaster assistance program. USDA Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation Bill Northey announced an administrative clarification to the Livestock Indemnity Program, which allows farmers and ranchers who have lost livestock to disease resulting from a weather disaster an additional way to become eligible for the key USDA disaster assistance program.

In the event of disease, this change by USDA's Farm Service Agency authorizes local FSA county committees to accept veterinarian certifications that

livestock deaths were directly related to adverse weather and unpreventable through good animal husbandry and management. The committees may then use this certification to allow eligibility for producers on a case-by-case basis for LIP.

"This change is part of USDA's broader effort to better serve America's farmers, ranchers and foresters through

flexible and effective programs," Northey said. "America's farmers feed our nation and much of the world, and throughout history they have known good years and bad years. But when disaster strikes, USDA is ready to step in and help."

LIP provides benefits to farmers and ranchers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by

adverse weather, disease or by attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government. Eligible weather events include earthquakes, hail, tornadoes, hurricanes, storms, blizzard and flooding.

Farmers and ranchers interested in LIP or other USDA disaster assistance programs should contact their USDA service center.

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Regional Track Meet! Several Robert Lee High School athletes competed at the Regional Track Meet recently. The students included (above photo) Kaylee Puentez, Adison Thomas, Jullisa Ureno, and Margo Mendoza, who make up the 400 Meter Relay team; Lane Fowler (middle right photo) in the 300 Meter Hurdles; and Kiara Burns (bottom right photo) in the Shot Put. Margo Mendoza (left in top right photo) was named the Regional Runner Up in the Discus and Jullisa Ureno (top right photo) earned the title of Regional Champion in the 300 Meter Hurdles. Jullisa, a freshman at RLHS, broke the school record for her event, previously held by Janet Pentecost. Both Margo and Jullisa will compete at the State Track Meet to be held in Austin on May 11 - 12.



Volunteers needed for Memorial Day ceremonies

Land Commissioner and Veterans Land Board Commissioner George P. Bush is encouraging Texans across the state to commemorate Memorial Day 2018 at one of the four Texas State Veterans Cemeteries statewide. Volunteers are also needed to lay flags at the each of the headstones prior to the services.

"Memorial Day is a time to remember those men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Service with honor and distinction," said Commissioner Bush. "Texas State Veterans Cemeteries are hallowed grounds that express our respect for those who served, but also provide solace and serenity for the family members and friends that are still living. We would also like to encourage members of the community to assist with placing flags on each grave at all cemeteries in preparation for Memorial Day."

- Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene**
(7457 West Lake Road, Abilene TX 79601)
Flag Laying - Friday, May 25, at 5 pm
Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 28, at 11 am
- Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery**
(9974 IH 37 Access Road, Corpus Christi TX 78410)
Flag Laying - Friday, May 25, at 5:30 pm

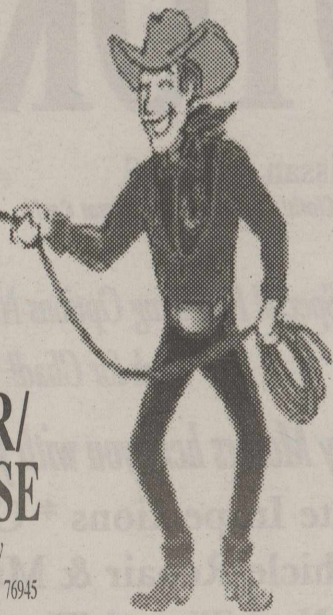
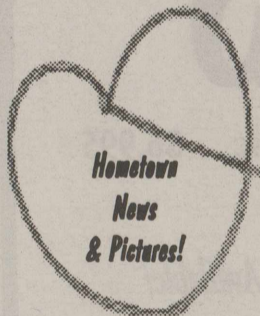
- Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 28, at 12 pm
Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery
(11463 Highway 195, Killeen TX 76542)
Flag Laying - Saturday, May 26, at 8 am

- Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 28, at 10 am
Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery
(2520 South Inspiration Road, Mission, TX 78572)
Flag Laying - Saturday, May 26, at 10 am

- Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 28, at 8:30 am

We would like to thank all the volunteers and community members who attend these ceremonies and work to honor our Veterans every day. For more information about VLB Texas State Veterans Cemeteries please call 1-800-252-VETS (8387) or visit TexasVeterans.com. You can also follow the VLB on Facebook at [Facebook.com/TXVLB](https://www.facebook.com/TXVLB), or Twitter [Twitter.com/TexasVLB](https://twitter.com/TexasVLB), or YouTube [YouTube.com/TexasVLB](https://www.youtube.com/TexasVLB), or Instagram [Instagram.com/TexasVeterans](https://www.instagram.com/TexasVeterans), or the Texas Veterans Blog at TexasVeteransBlog.com/.

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