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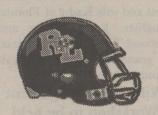
## Prospects for upcoming dove season termed "fair"

those amounts have been from migration. three to up to ten inches a As always, some of the best and Concho Valley.

by Hal Spain number of mourning, whitewing, The weather has once again and collared doves in the area. become the culprit with the The big question remains upcoming dove season. After a whether or not those numbers couple of extremely dry months are going to be large enough to this summer, we have finally be huntable, and whether we will welcomed some general rains get some northern birds in the throughout the county. Some of area during their southern

couple of weeks ago. The hunting opportunities will be at problem is that the rainfall came the very beginning of the season. too late to generate any grain or Once those birds get some weed crops locally, and hunting pressure, they'll be off to throughout the Rolling Plains a safe zone, where they don't get That shot at so much. If conditions becomes a big problem when get right to bring some northern dove don't have anything to eat. birds into our area, we'll have They move to other parts of the some better hunting possibilities. country where the living's a little Saturday morning, September 1, 2018, will mark the beginning of On the bright side, since the the new dove season in Coke rains we have seen an increasing County and throughout the

## TBALL FRIDAY NIGHTS!



Serving Coke County

Robert Lee Steers vs. Water Valley Wildcats Friday, August 31, 2018

7:30 pm Robert Lee

**Bronte Longhorns** vs. Rising Star Wildcats

Friday, August 31, 2018 7:30 pm Rising Star



ROMECOMING! Blackwell Hornets vs. Eden Bulldogs Saturday, September 1, 2018 7:30 pm

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, August 31

High School Football -Bronte at Rising Star, 7:30 pm Robert Lee vs Water Valley at Robert Lee, 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 1

Blackwell Homecoming Festivities -Visitation and Registration, 10 am Lunch, 11 am - 1 pm Parade, 3 pm Introduction of Players and Flag Ceremony, 7 pm Football Game vs Eden, 7:30 pm

> High School Volleyball -Bronte vs Bangs at Bronte, 11 am

Monday, September 3

School Holiday -Blackwell CISD, Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD

Tuesday, September 4

High School Volleyball Bronte vs Clyde at Bronte, 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 6

Vision with a Purpose Meeting, 6 pm, VP Headquarters, Austin Street, Robert Lee

Junior High/IV Football -Blackwell JV vs Highland at Blackwell, 7 pm

Friday, September 7

High School Football -Bronte vs Loraine at Bronte, 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 8

High School Volleyball -Bronte vs Veribest at Bronte, 12 pm

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Northern and Central zones of Texas. The Northern dove hunting zone is basically the area above Interstate 20, with the Central zone being bordered on the north by Interstate 20 and on the southern end by Interstate 10. The South zone is below Interstate 10, and their season does not open until September 14.

Due to the longer season introduced last year, the North Zone and the Central Zone (our area), will run from September 1 through November 4, 2018, with additional late season running from December 21, 2018 through January 14, 2019. The South Zone (if you are hunting south of I-10), is set for September 14 through October 30, 2018, with the late season December 14, 2018 through January 21, 2019. Daily bag limit is 15 mourning, whitewinged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 whitetips. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit. Don't forget that there is no limit on collared doves; however, you will want to leave plumage on these birds for identification purposes.

A new hunting license will be turkey). required to hunt this fall, along

Hunting and fishing licenses grow ever more challenging to find in Coke County with each passing year. To my knowledge, Live Oak Lodge at Oak Creek Lake near Blackwell is the only location that is selling licenses in Coke County. Please let us know if there are other the list and let folks know. Hunting and fishing licenses and endorsements are also available

Legal shooting hours are from online at tpwd.texas.gov/oa/ one-half hour before sunrise to BuyLicenses. Licenses may sunset. Don't forget to plug also be purchased by phone. those autoloaders and pump Call (800) 895-4248 between shotguns, as dove are considered 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday migratory birds, and plugs must through Friday. Many licenses be in place so that the firearm are available by phone or online can hold no more than three except those where tagging is required (such as for deer and

Blackwell

In addition, every hunter born with a \$7.00 migratory game on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must bird stamp if you will be hunting successfully complete a Hunter dove or waterfowl, plus another Education Course. Proof of \$7.00 stamp if you will be certification or deferral is hunting upland game birds, required to be on your person which include quail, turkey, and while hunting. Minimum age of pheasant. If you will be hunting certification is nine years old. waterfowl, you will also need to Call (800) 792-1112 or visit purchase a \$25 migratory game tpwd.texas.gov/oa/HunterEd bird stamp endorsement (duck for information about course options.

Don't forget to pick up a copy of Texas Parks & Wildlife's Outdoor Annual, which is the bible concerning hunting and fishing regulations for the new year. This year's edition should be available wherever you can buy your hunting licenses.

Best of luck in your upcoming locations, and we'll add them to hunting endeavors. Don't forget to make safety your primary concern as you take to the fields

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## **Obituaries**



### Frederickson

Wyanna Jones Patricia Watson Fredrickson passed from this life on August 24, 2018, at her home in Robert Lee, Texas. Visitation was held all day Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at the funeral home with family present from 6 pm until 8 pm. Graveside services were held at 10 am, Wednesday, August 29, 2018, in Robert Lee Cemetery. seven nieces and nephews; and Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Pat was born May 24, 1934, at Paint Creek Community, Robert Lee, Texas, to J.T. (Bud) Jones and Yvonne Kerley Jones.

She graduated from Robert Lee High in 1952 and left Robert Lee in September of 1952. Pat belonged to the Church of Christ. She lived in Irving, Texas, for forty-nine years and raised her children. Pat returned to Robert Lee in May of 2001 with husband, Nelson Fredrickson, where she loved every minute of it.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Loyd Watson; parents, Bud and Yvonne Jones; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Kerley.

Pat is survived by her children, son Kelly Watson, daughter Sherry Jarvies and husband James, daughter Terry Everitt and husband James, son Kenneth Watson, daughter Machelle Watson, son Jim Ban Watson; husband and best friend, Nelson Fredrickson; six grandchildren, Donny Wood and wife Staci, Carl Watson, Kerry Wood and wife Sarah, Kevin McClung, Kellsy Elmore and husband Jason, Ciara Watson-Cordell and husband and Michael, step granddaughter, Jamie Everitt Arroyo and husband, Eleayer; seven great-grandchildren; and six step great-grandchildren;

special cousins, Bobbie Kerley Taylor, Nellie Jones Ross and several other cousins; brother, Jann Kyle Jones and wife La Don and special lifelong friends, Johnnie and Sid Eubanks.

Online condolences may be made at www.shafferpioneer.com.

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## Death **Notices**

Lynch

Jon Cecil Lynch, 83, passed away Sunday, August 19, 2018.

He is survived by his wife Gayla Lynch of Benbrook; daughters, Lisa Lynch of Benbrook, and Teresa Busby of Benbrook; grandchildren, Brandon Busby of Bronte and Shasta Mills of Fort Worth; four beloved sisters, Saundra Lee, Vera Cox, and Sarah White, all of Lubbock, and sister, Pam Hillin and husband, Billy of Austin; five great-grandchildren;

many close friends.

### Minjarez

Alice Minjarez, 83, died Tuesday, August 21, 2018. Graveside services were held at 3 pm, on Friday, August 24, 2018, in Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Homes Bronte.

She is survived by her son, Louis Minjarez, Jr.; daughters, Ofelia Torres, Lydia Soto, and Elvia Casares, all from Bronte; brothers, Richard Reyes of Bronte and Benjamin Reyes of San Angelo.

### West

Harry Lee West, age 79 of Bronte and formerly of El Paso, passed away Sunday, August 19, 2018 in the Bronte Nursing and Rehab Center.

He is survived by his wife Barbara West of Bronte; two sons, Joseph West and wife Heather of Bronte and James West and wife Kathy of Florida; daughter, Jeanice Riley and husband Tony of West Virginia; 13 grandchildren and 6 greatgrandchildren.

### Wild Pig Management Workshop to be held September 12

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the Concho Valley Wild Pig Management Workshop on Wednesday, September 12 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at San

The center is located north of town on U.S. Highway 87. The free multi-county workshop opens at 8:30 am with registration, followed by the program from 9 am until 2:30



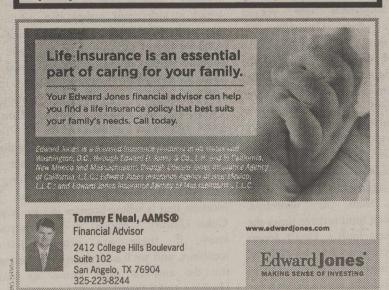
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The AgriLife Extension counties involved with the event are Tom Green, Irion, Sterling, Coke, Runnels, Concho and Schleicher.

This event is provided through a Clean Water Act Section 319(h) nonpoint source grant from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Lunch will be provided courtesy of the Coke County Wildlife Livestock and Protection Association and the Sterling Wildlife Conservation Association.

RSVP before September 7 to any of the participating AgriLife offices. Extension More information is available there or by contacting Josh Blanek, AgriLife Extension agent in Tom Green County, at 325-659-6523, j-blanek@tamu.edu.

Texas Four general Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered.

"The old axiom about two kinds of landowners — those with feral hogs and those who are about to — sure rings true in our area," Blanek said. "We've seen a huge influx of the pests here in recent years, which is the reason we are having this workshop and involving so many

"Our goal is to bring landowners, managers and really, anyone facing the influx, abreast of the situation and what can be done to manage it."

Topics and speakers will include:

-Wild Pig Biology, Impacts and Control, Josh Helcel, AgriLife Extension associate with Texas Natural Resources A&M Institute, Burnet. Helcel will discuss the biology and impact feral hogs have on the environment and discuss control options including trapping and exclusion fencing.

-Wild Pig Safety and Disease Concerns, Dr. Pete Fincher, veterinarian, Texas Animal Health Commission, Region 6 director, Lampasas. Fincher will discuss health concerns for humans, livestock and wildlife, to include the hunting, handling and processing of feral swine.

-Development of an Oral Toxicant for Wild Pigs, Dr. John Tomecek, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist, Tomecek will speak on new developments and projected uses of oral agents for wild pig control once they become available, including their proper use and rules and regulations.

-Wild Pig Trapping and Snaring Demonstration, Doug Steen, Texas Wildlife Services district supervisor, San Angelo. Steen, along with Helcel and Tomecek, will talk about and show different methods to control wild pigs through the proper use of baits, traps and

## Area Churches Invite You to Worship

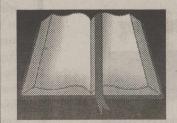
**Bronte**Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte Preacher David Lewis Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm **Central Baptist Church** 324 S. Franklin • Bronte (325) 473-4811 Dale Patterson, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am & 5 pm Worship
First Baptist Church 424 S. Washington • Bronte (325) 473-2331 • Pastor Lee Bevly Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible Study & Worship Wednesday 6 pm RA's & GA's, 6:30 pm Youth & Adults First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes

(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, Dowtown Bronte Pastor James Brunson Sunday, 10:30 am

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



Robert Lee Bible Baptist Church PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin Robert Lee, Brandon Broadbent, Pastor Sun. 10 am Sunday School, 11 am Worship, Wed 5:30 pm Bible Study **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy Pastor Kevin Millstid 453-2360 Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm First United Methodist Church PO Box 144 •9th & Chadbourne Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice Iglesia Bautista Betel 101 Houston • Robert Lee Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School 11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm Southside Church of Christ PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2176 Recardo Reyes, Preacher

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

Wed. 6 pm, Worship Northside Church of Christ PO Box 508 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee 3, (800) 343-2118 OF (325) 473-1053 Services: Sun. 10 am Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee

11 am & 6 pm, Worship

(325) 365-2687 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Chris Walls, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Victory Assembly of God

Victory Assembly of God (325) 453-2208, PO Box 638 6th & Houston, Robert Lee Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study Tennyson Tennyson Baptist Church Hwy 277 • Tennyson (325) 473-2040

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

### Red Hat Ladies to meet September 6

Yee haw!!! The rollicking Red Hat Ladies will be having an adventure in September! They will be meeting up at Fort Chadbourne on Thursday, September 6, at 11 am. Please bring a sack lunch and drink with you and prepare to enjoy this historic location. Don't forget your red hat and purple

### Sid and Bernice **Evans Scholarship** to be awarded

The Bronte United Methodist Women announce applications for the Sid and Bernice Evans Scholarship are now being accepted. Evans were longtime members of the Bronte First United Methodist Church and the Scholarship Foundation was established by their family.

The scholarship is for Bronte students who are in at least their second year of college or trade school. Applications are available from Lanette Fletcher at Glenn-Bivins Insurance, 123 W Main St., in Bronte and must be returned to Lanette by Thursday, September 13, 2018. The scholarship recipient will be announced after the September meeting.

### Fort Chadbourne fundraiser slated for September 15

Fort Chadbourne will be presenting "The Lion of Texas, An Evening with Sam Houston, on Saturday, September 15, at the fort. The annual fundraiser will begin with a dinner and silent auction starting at 6 pm, followed by the show at 7:30 pm. This highly acclaimed one-man show gives the audience an intimate look at the icon who became the hero of San Jacinto and the first president of the Republic of Texas. The show is written and performed by a Texan who is actually name Sam Houston.

information reservations, please contact Fort Chadbourne at (325) 743-2555.

## Town Hall Meeting set for September 26

The Restoring Bronte Foundation will host a town hall meeting and board meeting on Wednesday, September 26. The meeting will be held from 6 pm until 9 pm at the Blue Goose in downtown Bronte. All are invited to attend.

## Car Show scheduled for September 29

A car show will be held in Robert Lee on Saturday, September 29, from 10 am until 2 pm, at the Municipal Park.

Categories include 1900 -1940 Class, 1940 - 1960 Class, 1960 - 1980 Class, 1980 - 2000 Class, 2000 - Current Class, 4x4 and Offroad, Unfinished, and Motorcycles.

Door prizes and cash prizes will be given away, along with trophies to be awarded.

For more information, contact Chris Smith at (325) 656-3455 or DeShira Smith at (325) 656-3481.

### National Night Out set for October 2

Tuesday, October throughout neighborhoods Robert Lee are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "35th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and cosponsored locally by the Robert Lee Community Watch, will involve over 16,500 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world. In all, over 38.5 million people are expected to participate in 'America's Night Out Against Crime'. NNO 2018 corporate sponsors are Dietz & Watson, Ring, Associa, and Package

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness: Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime Strengthen (3) neighborhood spirit and policecommunity partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 7 pm until 9 pm on Tuesday, October 2, residents in neighborhoods throughout Robert Lee and across the nation, are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods will be hosting a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities, and anticrime rallies.

National Project Coordinator Matt Peskin said, "This is a night for America to stand together to promote awareness, safety and



Convention! On Tuesday, August 7, 2018, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau held their annual convention for all of their members. There were 125 members and guests that were treated to a ribeye steak dinner with all of the sides to go with it. This year's guest speaker was local cowboy and rancher, E.P. "Apache" Adams. Everyone enjoyed listening to Apache tell stories about his past. Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau also had Renea Maxcey, owner of Ivey Motors, there to speak about the discount between Ford and Texas Farm Bureau members. Ivey Moors also brought several new vehicles to the convention for members to look at as well. After the business session of the convention, the Board of Directors drew names of members present for door prizes.

neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of policecommunity partnerships and citizen involvement in our fight to build a safer nation. On NNO, we encourage everyone to join in Giving Crime & Drugs a Going Away Party.

The Robert Lee Community Watch invites you to come have a "Picnic in the Park" on their first National Night Out in Robert Lee. They will be cooking hotdogs for you. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, have a hotdog, visit with your neighbors, and get to know your sheriff, deputies, DPS trooper, game warden, Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department and The RL4Restoration Foundation will also be serving ice cream or hot chocolate, depending on the weather.

For more information, contact

895-1723

## **BVFD** to host Fun Run October 6

The Bronte Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a Fun Run on Saturday, October 6, with the registration beginning at 7 am and the race to commence at 8 am.

registration Early encouraged, as everyone who registers by September 22 will receive a free t-shirt.

For more information, contact the City of Bronte at (325) 473-3501.

### Red Canyon Gun Club to be closed through November 30

The Red Canyon Gun Club from be closed will through approximately approximately November 30,

Shaunna Grantham, Robert Lee 2018, for AEP construction. This Community Watch, at (325) closure is for the members and the construction crews safety. The club apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your cooperation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Shaunna Grantham at (325) 895-1723.

## Beautification and Restoration meeting held

Vision with a Purpose held a Beautification and Restoration committee meeting, Friday, August 24 at their Austin St. headquarters in Robert Lee. Those attending were Kelly Baker, Beverly Hawkins, Nancy Wilson, Kay Hurst, Leta Caston and Dianne Hefner. Nancy Wilson, chairman, opened with

Plans are being made to include lights for the flags in Memorial Park. (Continued on page 8)

## **HOLIDAY CLOSING NOTICE**

All facilities of this bank will be closed

Monday, September 3rd



Please plan your banking requirements during regular banking hours to avoid any inconvenience.

## Robert Lee State Bank

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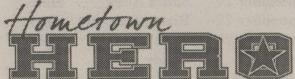
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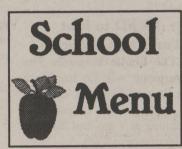
## **RL** Homecoming festivities set for October 26

Robert Lee ISD will celebrate homecoming October 26, 2018, kicking off with a parade downtown at 2 pm. Following the parade, a pep rally will be held at 2:40 pm in the new gym at Robert Lee High School. FCCLA will sponsor a pre-game dinner in the Cafetorium from 5 pm until 7 pm, followed by pregame activities at the stadium starting at 7:10. Beginning at 7:30 pm, the Coke County Rivalry will take place once again as the Steers face off against the Bronte Longhorns.

## Blackwell Homecoming to be held September 1

Blackwell CISD will host their 2018 Homecoming on Saturday, September 1, beginning at 10 am with visitation, refreshments, and registration in the school cafeteria. Lunch will be held from 11 am until 1 pm, followed by the parade at 1:30 pm and the pep rally at 3 pm. The introduction of the football players and the flag ceremony will begin at 7 pm at the football field, followed by kick off of the football game at 7:30 pm. The Blackwell Hornets will take on the Eden Bulldogs, with all reunion classes being recognized during half-time of the game. The Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department will host a dance that will conclude the festivities after the football game.

Nominees for Distinguished Alumni (with name and reasons for nomination), may be sent to Heather Sanderson c/o Blackwell Ex-Students Association, PO Box 505, Blackwell, Texas 79506.



**Bronte ISD Breakfast** Monday, September 3 School Holiday

Tuesday, September 4 Donuts or choice of cereal

and toast, juice, milk Wednesday, September 5

PB&J or choice of cereal and toast juice, milk

Thursday, September 6 Tornado or choice of cereal

and toast, juice, milk Friday, September 7

Biscuit and sausage or choice of cereal and toast, juice, milk

Lunch Monday, September 3 School Holiday

Tuesday, September 4 Breaded drumstick, roll, carrots, green beans, orange smiles, milk

Wednesday, September 5 Crispy taco, veggie cup, refried beans, salsa, grapes, milk

Thursday, September 6 Chicken Parmesan, garden salad. corn, breadstick, pineapple, milk

Friday, September 7 Hamburger, smiley fries, carrots, snowball salad, milk

**Blackwell CISD** Breakfast Monday, September 3

School Holiday Tuesday, September 4

Waffles-n-sausage, fruit, juice,

Wednesday, September 5 Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, September 6 Assorted bagels, cream cheese,

fruit, juice, milk Friday, September 7

Yogurt and fruit parfait, granola fruit, juice, milk Lunch

Monday, September 3 School Holiday

Tuesday, September 4 Boneless wing chunks, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, fruit, milk

Wednesday, September 5

Nacho Supreme, red beans, Spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, fruit, milk

Thursday, September 6 Baked BBQ chicken, mac-ncheese, baked beans, bread,

fruit, milk Friday, September 7

Fancy burrito (burrito, chili, cheese, lettuce, tomato), tator tots, fruit, milk

Robert Lee ISD **Breakfast** 

Monday, September 3 School Holiday

Tuesday, September 4 Breakfast taquito, fruit, juice,

Wednesday, September 5 Waffles, sausage, fruit, juice,

Thursday, September 6 Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice,

Friday, September 7

Donuts, sausage, fruit, juice,

Lunch Monday, September 3 School Holiday

Tuesday, September 4 Breaded drumstick, carrots, corn, grapes, biscuits, cookie, milk Wednesday, September 5

Raviolis, garden salad, Tuscan vegetables, pears, roll, milk Thursday, September 6

Hamburger, fries, carrot sticks, garnish, snowball salad, milk

Friday, September 7 Pork sliders, chips, coleslaw, green beans, pineapple slices,

# ROBERT LEE STEERS FOOTBALL



# STEERS

vs. Water Valley Wildcats

Friday, August 31 7:30 pm Robert Lee



RLHS

August 31	Water Valley	Here
September 7	Sidney	There
September 14	Santa Anna	Here
September 22	Rising Star	There
September 28	Highland	There
October 5	Grady	There
October 12	Veribest *	There
October 19	OPEN	
October 26	Bronte **	Here
November 2	Paint Rock *	There
November 9	Eden *	Here

\* District Games \*\* Homecoming Game All games begin at 7:30 pm.

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# BRONTE LONGHORNS FOOTBALL



vs. Rising Star Wildcats

Friday, August 31 7:30 pm Rising Star



			BHS
August 31	Rising Star	There	7:30
September 7	Loraine	Here	7:30
September 14	Highland	There	7:30
September 20	Santa Anna	There	7:30
September 28	Sterling City	Here	7:30
October 5	Hermleigh	Here	7:30
October 12	Eden *	There	7:30
October 19	Veribest **	Here	7:30
October 26	Robert Lee *	There	7:30
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November 9	Paint Rock *	Here	7:30
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# We Support the Longhorns!

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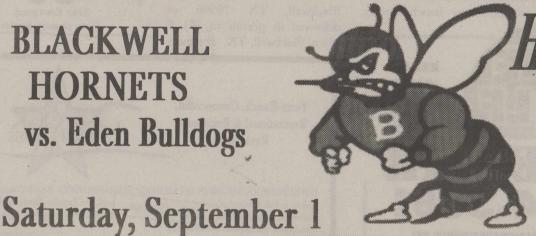
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# BLACKWELL HORNETS FOOTBALL

BLACKWELL **HORNETS** vs. Eden Bulldogs



MECOMING 2018!

We Support the Hornets!



7:30 pm Blackwell



September 1 Eden \*\* Here September 7 Highland There September 14 Newcastle Here September 21 Lueders-Avoca Here September 28 Hermleigh There October 5 Veribest Here October 12 Santa Anna Here October 19 **OPEN** October 26 Moran \* There November 2 Trent \* There November 8 Loraine \* Here

\* District Games \*\* Homecoming Game All games begin at 7:30 pm

BHS

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#### SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

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#### 08-1tc TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The City of Blackwell will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall, 121 E. Main, Blackwell, TX on September 4, 2018 at 12:30 P.M. to consider adopting the proposed Tax Rate for tax year 2018. The proposed tax rate is .175962 per \$100 of value.

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### **PUBLIC HEARING** 2018-2019 BUDGET

The City of Blackwell will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall, 121 E. Main, Blackwell, Texas on September 4, 2018 at 12:30 P.M. to present the proposed Budget for the 2018-2019 tax year.

> 08-1tc PROPOSAL NOTICE

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Robert Lee reserves the right to accept or reject any and all

> 08-2tc REQUEST FOR **AUDIT PROPOSALS**

The City of Blackwell is seeking proposals for an auditing services for the fiscal year ending September 20, 2018. This contract may be renewable for an additional four fiscal years. The selected firm must be licensed to practice in the State of Texas. Proposals are due to the City office by 1:00 PM on Thursday, August 30, 2018. Proposals may be mailed to City of Blackwell, PO Box 477, Blackwell, TX 79506 or delivered in person to 121 E Main, Blackwell, TX. For more

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING** CITY OF ROBERT LEE PROPOSED FY 2018-19 BUDGET

The City of Robert Lee will hold public hearings on the Proposed FY 2018-19 Budget on Monday August 27th, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. and Monday September 10th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall, 6 East 7th Street Robert Lee, Texas

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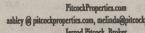
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on the 10th day of September 2018 at 9:00 am in the District Courtroom, Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, for the purpose of hearing comments on the amount of compensation for the County Auditor and Assistant County Auditor.

08-2tc **PUBLIC HEARING** CITY OF ROBERT LEE NOTICE OF 2019 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.460000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of the City of Robert Lee. State law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of the City of Robert Lee proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate for the purpose of meeting the Fiscal Year 2018

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.460000 per \$100 PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE \$0.460000 per \$100 EFFECTIVE TAX RATE \$0.456096 per \$100 ROLLBACK TAX RATE \$0.492583 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the City of Robert Lee from the same properties in both the 2017 tax year and the 2018 tax year. The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Robert Lee may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

For assistance or detailed information about calculations, please contact:

City of Robert Lee 6 East 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 (325) 453-2831

robertleetexas@wcc.net You are urged to attend and

express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First public hearing will be August 27th, 2018 at 6:00 PM and the second public hearing will be September 10th, 2018 at 6:00 PM at City Hall, 6 East 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas

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## **Rural Summits** and Regionalism

by James M. Decker On August 22, Stamford city councilman Paul Wright and I attended the firstWest Texas Rural Summit in Lubbock. Hosted by U.S. Congressman Jodey Arrington, this summit brought together over 50 mayors, county judges, city councilmen, school superintendents, sheriffs, and economic developers from the 29 counties that make up Arrington's 19th District.

Discussions focused on three main agenda items: epidemics, rural healthcare, and economic development. Through day's worth of panel discussions, Q&A, and informal conversation, something abundantly clear: throughout West Texas, we share the same problems. Each local place has its variations, but the big picture problems are the same, whether in Stamford, Haskell, Plainview, Post, or Muleshoe. Rather than fight battles alone and do things the hard way, local leaders are starting to work together. This was the first summit, but it's the start of something big for the

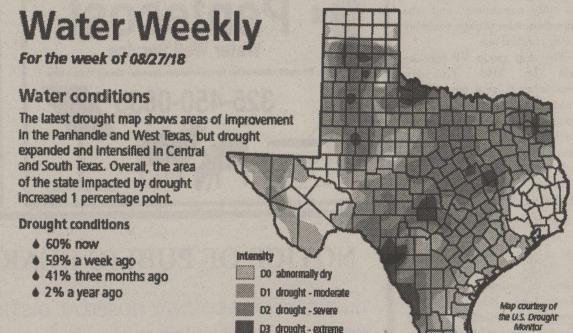
My friend Jay Leeson hosts a talk radio show and podcast out of Lubbock and is one of West Texas' foremost advocates. He calls Lubbock the "Rural Metropolis," rightly observing that, though Lubbock is a bigger city, its fate is intertwined with the rural communities around it. The problems of the rural economy don't stop at the Lubbock city limits. The same goes for Abilene, Amarillo, San Angelo, Midland, Odessa, and Wichita Falls. These cities are rural metropolitan areas. They

may have an independent economy, but their fates are intertwined with the small towns around them. If rural communities around an Abilene die off, there are fewer people to shop, visit, and spend money in those metro areas. If those cities struggle and stumble, it affects the quality of life in the rural communities of their region.

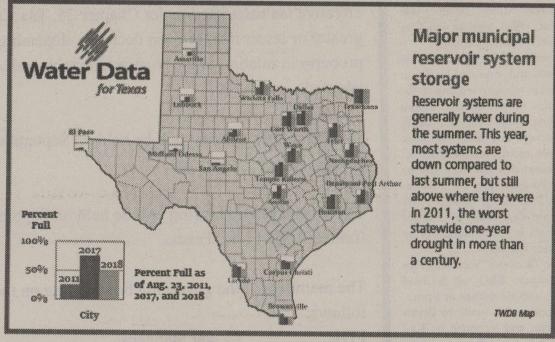
That extends to a smaller level Ken Becker, executive too. director of Sweetwater Economic Development, stated that Sweetwater's labor force and spending comes from a 60-mile radius. Sweetwater has taken the will affect Sweetwater in a great, right? positive way, and they're right.

Each of our communities should think similarly. We all want ALL the jobs and ALL the spending in our city limits, but that's not practical. As someone pointed out, what if you could force all your residents to do all their approach that positive economic spending in your town? Keeping development within that radius all your dollars at home sounds

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## ...Beautification Meeting

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Also ideas for directional signs for the city of Robert Lee are planned so outsiders and residents will be able to find locations in the town. Beverly Hawkins and Nancy Wilson are gathering information to present to the committee and the members. Also storage boxes are being checked out.

The next group VP meeting will be held Thursday, September 6, at 6 pm at their headquarters at 701 Austin St. A meal will be served. Anyone interested in improving and beautifying Robert Lee is welcome. Come see what VP is all about.

### **Blackwell City Council** meeting minutes told

The Blackwell City Council met in special session on June 25, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 1 pm by Mayor Laura Rozzlle. Those present included Council Members James Ottaberry, Kay Kovach, Lana Goodman, and Bryan Shipman. Council Member Miller Walker was absent. Also present was City Secretary Shirley Lemley.

A motion was made by Kay Kovach and seconded by Bryan Shipman to waive reading of the minutes of the special session meeting, held May 29, 2018, and accept as written. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A hospitality luncheon will be held Tuesday, July 10, 2018, at noon at City Hall. representative from the Pioneer Museum in Sweetwater will be the guest speaker.

The Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department BBQ will be held July 7, with the parade at 5 pm.

A motion was made by Bryan Shipman and seconded by Kay Kovach to pay bills as listed for the month of May 2018. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Lana Goodman and seconded by Bryan Shipman to post city owned lawn mower and equipment for bids. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The Mayor gave an update on the progress of paving some streets in the city limits.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kay Kovach and seconded by James Ottaberry. The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 pm.

### ...Rural Summits

(Continued from previous page) But what if the other towns could do it too? So, you could get all the spending from your town, but not a dime from residents of neighboring towns? That would turn into a pretty poor trade. New residents and jobs might go to a neighboring community, but if those folks live and work down the road but shop and eat in your town (particularly if you have a unique retail or restaurant establishment), the economic development benefits you as

I'll talk about other aspects of

this Rural Summit in coming weeks, but this regional mindset should be very important to each of us. It is in Abilene's best interest for Stamford to thrive and vice versa. But it's also in Stamford's best interest for Haskell, Munday, and the

like to thrive, and vice versa. Like it or not, our fates are

intertwined with the region and cities large and small. It is entirely up to us whether we. want to work together to make that fate a positive one for all.

James Decker is a lawyer,



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

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The WEST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 8.00 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on September 10, 2018, at 9:30 am at Robert Lee Care Center, Robert Lee, Texas.

The second public hearing will be held on September 13, 2018, at 9:30 am at Robert Lee Care Center, Robert Lee, Texas.

The members of the governing body voting on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR:

Pat Stephens **Beverly Burdett** Noel Tinkler

Sarah Green Pat Carwile

### **AGAINST:**

**PRESENT** and not voting:

## ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in WEST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT last year was \$58,985. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.249923 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$147.42.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in WEST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT this year is \$59,273. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.209701 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$124.30.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.226475 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$134.24.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.