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County Livestock Show slated for this weekend

The 73rd edition of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show will be held this weekend at the Sterling Lindsey Memorial Exhibition Building in Robert Lee. This year's show will feature animals in the Market Lamb, Market Goat, Market Swine and Market Steer shows, but more importantly 47 youth exhibitors from around the county.

The show will begin Friday, January 20, at 6:30 pm with the Market Lamb show, followed by the Market Goat show. These will be judged by Ross Benson, Texas AgriLife Extension Agent from Mertzon. Saturday, January 21, the Market Swine show gets underway at 8:30 am, followed by the Market Steer show at 11 am, judged by John Osburne, Vocational Ag teacher in Menard. Showmanship judge is Jett Mason, Vocational Ag teacher in Stamford.

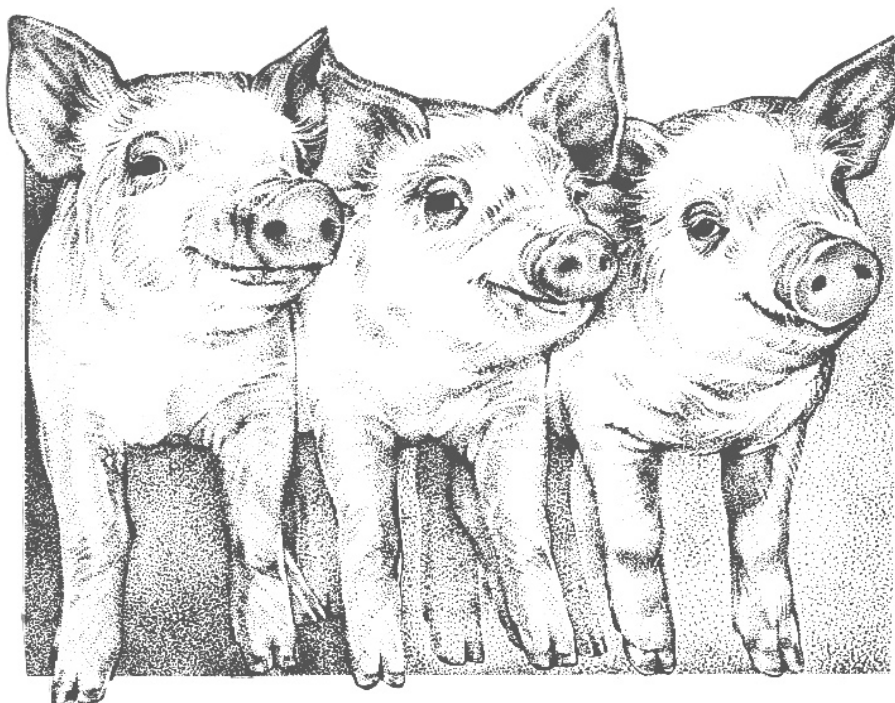
The Buyer's appreciation barbecue will be served at 12 noon. Following the barbecue, the premium sale will be held at 2 pm to honor the prize winning animals and exhibitors. Those wishing to donate to the Coke County Livestock Show can contact either the County Extension

office in the courthouse or one of the Livestock Association directors: Joel Percifull, Bob Sheets, Michael Cervenka, Wayne Coalson, Mark Wright, Corby Kelso, Shane Kelton, Terry Queen, Douglas Roberts, Ricky Ross, Ricky Royall, Rick Sanchez, Tom Sawyer, Brenda Skinner, Noel Tinkler, Jack Yanez, David McWright and Curtis Knight.

The county stock show offers the youth of Coke County an opportunity to exhibit their livestock projects which they have worked with for more than 11 months, in many cases. Besides being a worthwhile educational activity for our youth in teaching them responsibility, working with others and numerous life skills, it is an important economic endeavor when you consider the animals purchased from county producers, feed purchased locally and the premium sale monies that come in from Coke County and other areas. The total monies generated by these exhibitors amounts to over \$1,500,000 per year circulated in the county.

The directors of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show would like to encourage everyone to come to this

Coke County Junior Livestock Show



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year's County Livestock Show and support the youth of our county for their hard work and dedication.

RL Groundbreaking slated for today

Construction of the new emergency water transmission line to the City of Bronte has begun.

There will be a Groundbreaking Ceremony (today) Friday, January 20, at

1:30. The Ceremony will be held at the intersection of Highway 158 and Water Plant Road. Everyone is encouraged to attend this event. If you need directions, please stop by City Hall.

Volunteers are installing approximately five miles of the water transmission line along Highway 158. If you would like to volunteer to help lay the pipe, cover the pipe, provide food and drinks, etc. please contact Robert Lee City Hall at 325-453-2831

Construction contracts have been awarded to two contractors to complete Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the project. Anticipated completion date for the entire emergency pipeline project is March 31st.

4-H holds raffle for trailer

All the Coke County 4-H members and FFA kids from Robert Lee and Bronte are selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a 2011 S & H 5' x 14' x 6' 6" Rawhide Stock Trailer.

The drawing will be held at the conclusion of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show on January 21, 2012. You do not need to be present to win.

Rehab telethon set

Coke residents have an opportunity between now and midnight January 21 to help West Texas Rehabilitation Center by making a gift to Rehab 2012, the Center's 42nd Telethon.

Volunteer Ava Lou Davis is spearheading the local solicitation effort and are conducting an advanced mail campaign as well as working the phones asking businesses and individuals to make donations to the Rehab Center. The Robert Lee 64 Study Club will be at Ivey Motor Company, Inc. manning the phone bank and taking walk-in donations beginning at 4 pm Saturday, January 21. The number to call with a donation on that evening is 453-4561.

"We hope our families and friends will ring the phones during the Telethon," said Davis, "because Rehab makes a difference in the lives of many area residents and this is a way we can all do our part."

The telethon will be carried by 10 state-wide television stations, including KLST in San Angelo and

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It's Begun! The trench for the water pipeline is under construction. Digging began Tuesday, with the machine and its operator being donated by Vermeer.