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County Stock Show set for this weekend in Robert Lee

The 78th edition of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show will be held Friday and Saturday, January 20-21, 2017, at the Sterling Lindsey Memorial Exhibition Building in Robert Lee.

This year's show will feature animals in the Market Rabbit, Market Lamb, Market Goat, Market Swine and Market Steer shows, but more importantly, many young exhibitors from around the county.

The Pee-Wee Show will be held immediately following the Rabbit, Sheep and Goat Shows on tonight, Friday, January 20, and following the pig show tomorrow, Saturday, January 21, and is open to all children 8 and under who are not 4-H members. Clover bud members are eligible to participate. Participants will need to find an animal to borrow for the show and sign up at the concession stand during the Sheep and Goat Shows.

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 county and other areas. The total amounts of monies generated by these exhibitors amounts to over \$150,000 per year that is circulated in the

The show will begin Friday, January 20, at 5:30 pm with the Market Rabbit show, followed by the Market Lamb and Market Goat shows. Saturday, January 21, the Market Swine show gets underway at 8:30 am, followed by the Market Steer show at 11 am.

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.

Persons 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 which include Shane Kelton, Douglas Roberts, Tom Sawyer, Austin, Michael Cervenka, Riley Coalson, Corby Kelso, Curtis Knight, Steve Oleksiuk III, Terry Queen, T. J. McCullough, Ricky Ross, Ricky Royall, Bill Torres, Bob Sheets, Noel Tinkler, Mark Wright, Emmit Crisp, Jack Yanez and Orlando DeLaGarza.

The directors of the Coke County Junior Livestock Show urge everyone to come and participate in this year's County Livestock Show and support the youth of our county for their hard work and dedication

Meet and Greet the New Pastor at Bible Baptist Church

Bible Baptist Church in downtown Robert Lee would like to welcome John Fiore and his wife Linda to our community and our church.

John and Linda come to Robert Lee from Christoval. They will be making their home part time here in Robert Lee.

Bible Baptist Church would like to invite the community to a "Meet and Greet" for John and Linda at the church on Saturday, January 21, from 2 pm to 4 pm. There will be light refreshments served. The church is located at 824 Austin Street in downtown Robert Lee.

Please join us in welcoming John and Linda Fiore to Robert Lee and Bible Baptist Church.

RBF to host Town Hall meeting Thursday

The Restoring Bronte Foundation will host a Town Hall and Board of Trustees meeting Thursday, January 26, 2017, at 6 pm. The meeting will be held at the Blue Goose (Williams Building) in downtown Bronte. All citizens are urged to attend.

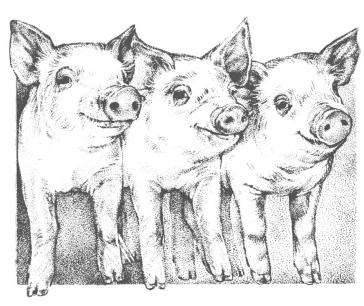
8th annual Daddy-Daughter Date Night set for February 4

The 8th annual Daddy-Daughter Date Night, "Perfectly Paris", will be held Saturday, February 4, 2017, from 5 to 8 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall.

This event offers dads, stepdads, granddads, big brothers,

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Friday, January 20, 2017



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uncles, cousins, or that special friendthe opportunity to let their little girl know how special they are. This evening is for girls in Pre-K through 6th grade. There will be light appetizers, music and a complimentary 5x7 photo of the couple. Girls and their dates are encouraged to bring their own cameras to take a group photo at 6:15 as well as take pictures throughout the evening.

Tickets go on sale Wednesday, January 18 and may be purchased in advance until Wednesday, February 1. Tickets will be available at DJ's Merle Norman in Robert Lee and in Bronte at Hometown Hardware. Tickets purchased at the door will cost more.

For more information, call or text Katie Drennan (473-0112) or Erin Oleksiuk (656-9884)

Valentine Dinner Dance slated

Why drive to the "big city" to have a romantic Valentine's evening? Restoring Bronte Foundation is hosting a night of dining and dancing on Saturday evening, February 11, 2017. The event will be held from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm at the Blue Goose (Williams building) in downtown Bronte and will also include a silent auction and photo booth.

Tickets are available in advance at Bronte Hardware. Tickets will not be sold at the door. All proceeds go to the Restoring Bronte Foundation.

Filing period begins for Local Entity May elections

The filing period for the May 6, 2017, local government entity elections began Wednesday, January 18, 2017, and will continue through February 17, 2017.

The City of Robert Lee will hold a combined election this year. A special election for a one year unexpired term currently held by Shaunna Grantham and a regular election to elect three council members. These are two years terms. The offices are currently held by council members Toni Rainwater, Roger Alexander and Janie Munoz.

The City of Bronte has terms expiring for three council positions. These are two year terms. The offices are currently held by council members Martin Lee, George Tomes and Misti Bedford.

Bronte ISD will hold an election for two members of the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held by John Seales and Jodie Arrott.

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the Board of Trustees .These are three year terms currently held by Jeffie Roberts and Irma

West Coke County Hospital District has two 2-year terms expiring for their Board of Trustees. The terms of Noel Tinkler and Patsy Cason are expiring

East Coke County Hospital District Board of Trustees has two 2-year terms expiring. These offices are currently held by Gina McCutchen and Jerita Taylor. Taylor was appointed in 2016 to the ECCHD Board when Lee Wommack resigned.

Entries taken through this afternoon for annual Fair

The Coke County Livestock Show and Fair is not just a showcase for youngster's animal projects. There are divisions for photography, art, ag mechanics, re-purposed projects (trash to treasure), and a pie contest.

Age divisions include: Kindergarten - 2nd grade; 3rd -5th grades; 6th - 8th grades; 9th - 12th grades; and adults.

Entries for all divisions, including the pie contest, will be accepted today, Friday, January 20, from 1 pm until 3 pm at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Entry forms will be available at the Rec Hall.

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