

**Amendment Election set for Tuesday**

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2013, Coke County Precincts 1 and 3 will be consolidated and held at the Courthouse. Precincts 2 and 4 will also be consolidated and held at the Bronte Senior Citizens Building on election day.

The proposed Texas Constitutional amendments will appear on the ballot in the following order:

Proposition 1 (HJR 62) Authorizes and exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action.

Proposition 2 (HJR 79) Eliminates an obsolete Constitutional requirement for a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither are operational.

Proposition 3 (HJR 133) Authorizes a political subdivision of this state to extend the number of days that aircraft parts that are exempt from ad valorem taxation due to their location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for purposes of qualifying for the tax exemptions.

Proposition 4 (HJR 24) Authorizes an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization.

Proposition 5 (SJR 18) Authorizes the making of a reverse mortgage loan for the purchase of homestead property and to amend lender disclosures and other requirements in connection with a reverse mortgage loan.

Proposition 6 (SJR 1) Provides for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan to ensure the availability of adequate water resources.

-Works in conjunction with House Bill 4 which restructured the Texas Water Development Board to modernize and prioritize funding for water projects and House Bill 1025 which transfers \$2 billion from oil & gas severance taxes to effort.

-The state population is expected to nearly double by 2060. Meeting that need (estimated to be \$53 billion) requires state participation to keep costs lower for local investment in new water resources, delivery systems, and conservation efforts.

Proposition 7 (HJR 87) Authorizes a home-rule

municipality to provide in its charter the procedure to fill a vacancy on its governing body for which the unexpired term is 12 months or less.

Proposition 8 (HJR 147 and SJR 54) Repeals Section 7, Article IX, Texas Constitution, which relates to the creation of a hospital district in Hidalgo County.

Proposition 9 (SJR 42) Expands the type of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge or justice following a formal proceeding instituted by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the clerk's office at (325) 453-2631.

**Red Hat Meeting slated**

The Red Hat Mamas will meet at 11 am on Tuesday, November 5 at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. The menu consists of a baked potato, butter, sour cream, cheese and a selection of lots of delicious salads and deserts, all for a reasonable cost.

Money raised from the luncheon will go to the Sorosis Club's high school scholarship fund. Come for some good fun and fellowship.

**Benefit Style Show is success**

A Style Show, held Sunday, October 13, to benefit the Bronte Food Ministries, was a huge success and raised over \$1,000 for this worthy cause. Gloria Soto's Glorious Styles donated the fashions worn by the models and Shear Heaven Salon donated the styles for the teen models. Attendees had a chance to win door prizes, donated by Bronte businesses.

Modeling for the event were Jerita Taylor, Monica Allen, Cheryl Cornutt, Cassidy McWright, Sue

Spiller, Betty McCutchen, Nancy Cooper, Lisa Gibbs, Susan DeLaGarza, Mariah Royall, Kaci Follis, Kacelyn Follis, Misti Bedford, Emily Davidson, Sarah Allen, JoEllen Baker, Jordayn Berryhill, Crystal Bilbrey, Ashley Burton, Marley Braswell, Donna Hall and grandchildren Kennedi, Brynlee and Brody Graves.

Winning door prizes were Zach McWright, Becky Puentez, Becky Boyce, Jennifer Addona, June Osborn, Jerita Taylor, Ann Pate, Orita Smith, Denis Galloway, Cherly Cornutt, Monica Allen, Wanda Stevens, Valerie Braswell, Kacelyn Follis, Clydelle Selby, Carolyn Robbins, Cassidy McWright, Sue Spiller, Bobbie Arrott, Marlene Vaugh, Mary Perciful, and Paula McWright.

Another benefit style show is being planned for the spring. Organizers are very appreciative of all who helped this show be successful.

**Coke County**

**Quilters highlighted**

The Coke County Quilters began meeting in August of 2012. In September 2012, they began meeting at the scout hut in the Robert Lee park and continue to do so at this time. The goal of the quilters is to help Coke County with projects that allow use of their skills. This past year, 45 lap quilts have been given to the Bronte and Robert Lee care centers. The group held a garage sale and \$100 was given to the Bronte and Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Departments and \$100 was given to the Robert Lee Food Bank.

A quilt was quilted for a lady in Bronte, as well as

one for a lady in Robert Lee. A wall hanging was given to the senior recreation hall.

There have been classes given during the past year for the public in crochet, applique, and oil painting. At the present time, the ladies from Bronte and Robert Lee are busy making quilts and blankets for the Coke County children's welfare. After the first of the year, a Mother's Day quilt will be used to raise money for projects in 2014.

**Robert Lee FUMC holding Living Bible Series**

The Living Bible Series will continue on Sunday, November 10, at 11 am at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. The lesson will be on Noah and the Ark and will feature biblical narration, actors, special music and interaction with the children and entire congregation.

Please come and join with us for this hour of bringing the scriptures to life.

**Sorosis Study Club Report**

By Lanette Fletcher  
The Sorosis Study Club had their October meeting in the home of Jane Wheat. Pat Lee introduced Mr. Dannheime. Mr. Dannheime gave a superb program on the "Smart Music" program. He demonstrated how the program worked and

explained how much it can help the band students. Everyone was thoroughly impressed with the computer program and Mr. Dannheime.

The club voted to give Mr. Dannheime \$500 toward purchasing "smart music" programs for the band students. Cynthia Robinson would present Mr. Dannheime a check the next day.

The club discussed the Annual Potato Bake that will be on November 5th (election day) at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Tickets will remain the same price as last year and can be purchased from club members, Glenn-Bivins Insurance, or bought at the door. All profits raised from luncheon will benefit the Sorosis Study Club scholarship fund. For many people, this has become a tradition and the club is excited to do it again this year.

**CodeRED**

**Emergency system to be used**

Coke County has contracted with Emergency Communications Network to license its CodeRED high-speed notification solution. The CodeRED system provides Coke County and the Cities of Bronte and Robert Lee officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire County.

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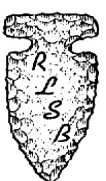


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