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City of Bronte to host Town Hall meeting

The City of Bronte will host a Town Hall Meeting Thursday, November 17, at 6:30 pm in the Bronte ISD Auditorium.

Numerous local groups and taxing entities will be there to discuss their organizations, upcoming events, challenges and accomplishments. The organizations included are Coke County, City of Bronte, Bronte

Independent School District, Fort Chadbourne, Coke County Sheriff's Office, Bronte Volunteer Fire Department, East Coke County Ambulance Service, Restoring Bronte Foundation, Bronte Health and Rehab Center, Bronte Economic Development Corporation, Bronte Evening Lions Club, and the Sorosis Club.

Retired Teachers to meet Monday

The Coke County Retired Teachers will meet Monday, November 21, 2016, for the final meeting of 2016. The noon pot luck luncheon will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

All retired school personnel are encouraged to meet with CCRTA. New folks need not bring food or money to meeting. CCRTA tries to maintain a high percentage of attendance by retired personnel in Coke County. A new legislative year

begins January, 2017, and our voices should be collective and heard.

CCRTA does not meet in December so Monday, November 21, 2016, will be a good way to begin to bring a new year.

Bake Sale set for Wednesday

The annual AON Thanksgiving Bake Sale will be held from 9 am to 12 noon, Wednesday morning, November 23, 2016, at Robert Lee State Bank. All proceeds from this sale will go toward the Kirk Bagwell Memorial Scholarship benefitting 2017 Robert Lee High School seniors.

CPR/First Aid class slated

Coke County 4-H will be hosting a CPR/First Aid class on Saturday, November 19, 2016, at 1 pm in the Robert Lee ISD Cafetorium. The class will be approximately 3 1/2 hours long. This class is for anyone, not just 4-H members. Joyce Gray from CPR Sav-A-Life Skills Training Center will be teaching the class.

It is strongly recommended for EVERYONE to know CPR/ First Aid in rural areas like ours. If one of your family members, best friend or a neighbor needed CPR or First Aid, would you

Friday, November 18, 2016

Controversial Council! Paul Knight, owner of Bronte Body Shop, was just one of several Bronte citizens who addressed the Bronte City Council at their meeting Thursday evening, November 10, 2016. Most of the citizens were concerned with an action the council had taken this past April to lease approximately 18 acres owned by the city near Oak Creek Reservoir to Ronnie Loyd of Blackwell, Texas, for \$1.00 per year for 99 years. At the end of 99 years, the lease would renew automatically. The council did not address these comments due to public meeting laws. Bronte City Secretary Crystal Blevins excused the public immediately following the comments and the Council went into Executive Session. No action was taken on this matter upon resuming the meeting much later that evening. The lease agreement is available for review at ObserverEnterprise.com.

know what to do?



Headed to State! The Bronte Lady Longhorns defeated the Water Valley Lady Wildcats when it counted – in the Regional Finals and are now headed to the State Tournament in Garland. The Lady Horns included (from left, front row)Cassidy McWright, Jayden Speary, Brittany Bedford, Emily Davidson, Kacelyn Follis, Whitney Boyd, (back row, from left) Coach Misty Davis, Kristen Stilley, Alyssa Sallee, Coach Carol Moore, Karen Davis, Morgan Sallee, Sadie Delacerda, Emily Whitehurst, Berkley Pearcy, Bryton Pearcy, and Coach Kaitlyn Braswell.

RSVP or if you have any questions.

Holiday Closings noted

Coke County Courthouse, along with the City Halls in Bronte and Robert Lee, will be closed next Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Small Town Christmas set for December 3

Vision With A Purpose held Small Town Christmas Committee meeting November 1 at 6:30 pm at Victory Assembly of God. Members present were Renee Smith, Nora Broadbent, Leta Caston, Debbie Childers, and Dianne Hefner.

Small Town Christmas is scheduled for Saturday, December 3, at Memorial Park in downtown Robert Lee. Santa will arrive around 5 pm to hear children through age 9 tell their Christmas wishes. Lighting of the Park will be at dusk. Refreshments will be available for purchase at VP

Please call the Extension headquarters. Hayrides will be Office at (325) 453-2461 to routed through Robert Lee in order to view the lights for a small fee. This is a special time of year for Robert Lee and we hope all Robert Lee residents

come out and participate. Be sure to pick up your application for the Christmas Home and Business decorating contest. A special award will be presented this year for the most outlandish decorations-The Griswald Christmas Award. It will be a "roving" award, passed (Continued on page 6)

Cowboy Church to host Thanksgiving dinner

The Coke County Cowboy Church is hosting a traditional Thanksgiving meal Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, from 11 am to 2 pm at the Texas Theater in downtown Bronte. There is no charge for this meal and all members of the community are invited to attend.

They are requesting, but not requiring, those planning to attend to RSVP to Colin Pope at (254) 855-4559 so they will have an idea of how many are coming to enjoy this holiday meal.