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UPCOMINGS!

Friends of the RLCC to meet November 28

The November meeting of the Friends of the Robert Lee Care Center will beheld on Monday, November 28 at 10 am in the WCCHD board room, located at 722 S. Washington.

The main topic for the meeting will be the Christmas decoration project. Anyone interested in finding out more about this organization and it's purpose is encouraged to attend. There will be no meeting in the month of December.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

County Kickapoo Control Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 10, 2023, for the purpose of electing two directors.

Directors Alonzo Robbins and Mark Duncan have filed for re-election.

The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

further information concerning the election, contact Fran Sonnenberg-Oleksiuk by 5 pm on Friday, November 25, 2022.

Angel Tree to be set up December 2

The annual Angel Tree will be set up at Austin Street Coffee House on Friday, December 2. Those interested in stopping by to pick up an angel are welcome to between 10 am and 12 noon. Children from infants to teens will be available for selection.

Prevent the spread of invasive pests and diseases by not moving firewood Texas A&M Forest Service

urges all Texans, and especially outdoor enthusiasts, to help reduce the spread of oak wilt and invasive insects by taking preventive measures and being knowledgeable when collecting and purchasing firewood.

As Texans travel for hunting or camping trips, they may unknowingly bringing be deadly, invasive pests and diseases along through firewood.

"Many devastating, treekilling pests present in Texas forests live and breed inside firewood," said Demian Gomez, Texas A&M Forest Service Regional Forest Health Coordinator. "Some wood borers, such as the invasive emerald ash borer and redbay ambrosia beetle, have already caused devastating impacts, practically wiping out entire tree species from some regions

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The emerald ash borer,

ambrosia beetle continues to spread west, killing redbay and sassafras trees along the way. Similarly, native pathogens such as oak wilt, have killed oak trees in Central Texas in epidemic proportions. Each of these forest pests

present in North Texas, has

killed millions of ash trees across

the eastern U.S. The redbay

cause severe ecological and economic impacts over time. While they can spread on their own, accidental transport by humans is one of the main ways they can move greater distances, sometimes quickly jumping state and county lines. Firewood is one of the main ways many of these pests are moved, regardless of how seasoned or old the firewood is. Even wood that looks clean and healthy may still have insect eggs or fungal spores that can start new infestations.

"We can limit the spread of invasive tree pests," said Gomez. "The best rule of thumb is to burn the firewood close to where it's bought or picked up. Moving firewood can easily introduce insects and diseases to new particularly areas. during hunting and camping seasons."

For diseases like oak wilt, this is critical. Transporting and storing infected wood from red oaks can spread oak wilt fungal spores to previously uninfected neighborhoods and properties. Because live oaks tend to grow in large, dense groups, oak wilt spreads quickly, and one infected tree can lead to large patches of dead and dying trees.

While firewood is important commodity in the fall and winter, Texans can help prevent the spread of these pests and diseases by purchasing, collecting and burning firewood

For more information, visit www.dontmovefirewood.org.

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Bronte City Council meetings minutes told

August 18, 2022

The Bronte City Council met in regular session on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at the Bronte Housing Authority Community

Mayor Paul Gohman called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and a quorum was established. Those in attendance included Mayor Gohman; Mayor Pro Tem Gwen Dyess; Council Members RA Morris, Clabe F. Webb, Zach Davidson, and Mike Bailey; and staff members Teresa Ballard and Ricky

Mayor Gohman led the pledge and Mike Bailey offered

public There were no comments.

There was no fire department

There was no Sheriff's Enforcement report. Teresa Ballard reported that City Hall received a written citizen complaint on Mike's Tire Shop. The Code Enforcement Official investigated the complain and reported no issues and closed the complaint. The City notified the citizen of the finding.

Zach Davidson asked Teresa when the last time a code enforcement official had turned in a report. She responded with April. City Staff have sent code enforcement officials complains or possible violations with no

written reports by enforcement officials. Davidson asked if we would discuss the interlocal agreement. Mayor Gohman reported that it is being worked on and the issues will be discussed on next month's

The Animal Control Report for July has been emailed to the

Teresa Ballard reported that there were no citations issued in the month of July.

Susan Williams reported that EDC is included with this report and that there is a possibility that if 1/3 of the deport building was used for City Hall, which would be the front part of the building, the back portion EDC can help with restoring any grant monies. She asked who would be able to use the back part of the building. To re-coop some of the repair monies, a couple of offices can be rented out and the other part can be used for committee meetings. The committee also discussed the possibility to put in restrooms which could be for the park area and any city events that would be held throughout the year. Brenda Hines met with a roofer and he took an existing tile. He will get a quote on these tiles with the repair of the roof. The next step with the depot is to get a sub-committee together and maybe start a 501c3 under RBF or start the paperwork to get a

Area Churches Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346

118 S. Jefferson • Bronte 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 firstbronte@gmail.com Pastor George Cooper Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship Wednesday 6 pm - 8 pm Children and Youth First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes Bronte • (325) 650-4836 Sun. 11:00 am Worship St. James Catholic Church 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Timothy Hayter, Pastor Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am

4C Cowboy Church Drawer R • Bronte • (325) 895-4080 Robert Lemmond, Pastor Sunday, 10:30 am - Texas Theater Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm -4C Feedlot Youth Building

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 Sunday 10 am Sunday School, 11 am and 5 pm Worship, Wed 5 pm Bible Study **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 794 • 1004 Hillcrest Pastor Brantly Robertson (972) 841-2009 Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm First United Methodist Church Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417 Cvndi Weidner, Pastor

PO Box 144 •9th & Chadbourne 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 Študy 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 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Worship Northside Church of Christ PO Box 508 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee (325) 453-2685, (325) 763-2118 or (325) 473-1053 Services: Sun. 10 am **Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic** Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687

Rev. Timothy Hayter, Pastor Saturday Vigil Mass 6 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** (325) 453-2208, PO Box 638

202 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee Rev. Rocky Youngblood, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study