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Holiday Choir

Practice times noted

For those wishing to participate in the Robert Lee Community Choir who will be singing Christmas carols at A Small Town Christmas, practice days will be Monday, December 2, and Tuesday, December 3. They will be held at 5:30 pm each day at Robert Lee Baptist Church. If you can't attend one practice, please make plans to attend the other.

The Choir will be performing at the gazebo on December 6's Robert Lee Christmas celebration "A Small Town Christmas".

Robert Lee's Small Town Christmas set for December 6

A Small Town Christmas celebration will be held in Robert Lee on Friday, December 6, starting at 6 pm. The lights will be turned on in the Coke County Memorial Garden and Santa will be at the Wilson Bryan Mini-Park.

Vision with a Purpose will be selling stew and cornbread as well as hot chocolate and coffee. There will be carolers and businesses are encouraged to stay open late. Mountain Creek Cinema is planning on showing a Christmas movie downtown so plan on bringing blankets and lawn chairs. More information on that will be coming.

VP will also be raffling a 55 inch TV donated by Floyd C. Pettit Insurance. Raffle tickets can be purchased at Floyd C. Pettit Insurance, B's Blossoms and Blooms, Adams Abstract, at the Small Town Christmas celebration or from a VP member. The drawing will be held on December 16th.

RL Open House celebrations slated for December 6

The opening of the Christmas season in Robert Lee is Friday, December 7. A number of local offices and businesses hold open house to serve refreshments and celebrate the season with their valued customers and friends.

The Coke County Courthouse will have an open house from 8 am to 1 pm. Robert Lee State Bank is having their open house from 9 am to 3 pm and Ivey Motor Company, Inc., will celebrate from 11 am to 2 pm.

Other businesses and offices participating with open house celebrations include Robert Lee City Hall, Floyd C. Pettit Insurance, Coke County Hardware, B's Blossoms and Blooms, DJ's Merle Norman and Especially For You, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau, Rock Solid Communications, and This 'N That Shop.

The Coke County Library will also participate in the Open House day. Visitors are welcome to stop by from 8 am to 12 noon.

Christmas in Bronte slated

Christmas in Bronte has been set for December 7. There is limited space for booths this year and all vendors will need to have a sales tax number starting this year. Christmas in Bronte applications will be ready soon at www.brontetexas.org.

Christmas Greetings deadline set for December 12

It is time once again for Christmas greetings! The Observer/Enterprise would like to remind businesses and individuals wishing to place a Christmas greeting in the newspaper to call or stop by and choose your greeting for the December 20 issue.

Deadline for this year's greetings is Thursday, December 12, at 12 noon. For more information or to place your greeting, contact the O/E office at 453-2433.

Santa Letter deadline set for December 12

Deadline for Letters to Santa Claus to be printed in this year's Christmas edition has been set for Monday, December 12. As in the past, we will go by the schools and pick up their Letters for Santa for inclusion in the Christmas paper on December 20. We will forward these letters



Ice Is Not Nice! *Ice blanketed just about every surface this past weekend in Coke County. Beginning Friday morning, several vehicle accidents were worked by the Coke County Sheriff's Office. Although it was cold and wet, Coke County escaped to a large extent forecasters' predictions of the temperature extremes and ice and snowfall accumulations.*

strait to Santa after we get through typing them up for the paper. This is why we have to have them early.

As in the case of Letters to Santa which are delivered to the post office, we will pick them up, type them for the paper, and mail them on to Santa as fast as we can.

Christmas Decorating contest announced

Vision with a Purpose is announcing a 2013 Small Town Christmas Decorating Contest. There will be three divisions: Homes, Business and Organizations.

Cash prizes of \$100 - \$75 - \$50 will be given in the form of Robert Lee Bucks to the first 3 places in the home division. There will also be cash prizes awarded in the organization division and traveling plaques will be awarded in the business division. Organizations will be given



an area in downtown Robert Lee to decorate. Entry forms can be picked up at the City Hall in Robert Lee, Floyd C. Pettit Insurance, B's Blossoms and Blooms and at the Small Town Christmas celebration on December 6.

Entry forms must be dropped off at these same businesses by December 13th to be judged. Judging will be done on December 15th by outside judges. For more information contact Cookie Burns at (325) 763-7263.

'64 Study Club fundraisers listed

Between now and the downtown Christmas event on December 6th, the '64 Study Club will be selling tickets on three items to raise scholarship money.

An original Pat Stevens painting of a covered bridge in a winter setting



has been donated by the artist to be awarded to some lucky ticket purchaser. The painting is on view at the Coke County Library until the drawing.

Also, a Christmas wreath that will amaze friends and family, is on display at the Library. The wreath will become a permanent Christmas decoration for any one lucky entrant.

A \$50 gift certificate to Sam's or Walmart will be part of the drawing as well.