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Country's results differ from Coke County, Texas

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Coke County and Texas voters turned out in huge numbers in support of conservatives in Tuesday's General Election. However, not much will be changing in Washington as President Obama has been re-elected and the United States Senate and House of Representatives retain basically the same configuration.

Over 62% (1,451 voters out of 2,322) of registered voters in Coke County voted in this election with 669 voters casting straight ticket votes. Of these straight ticket votes cast, 583 were Republican, 80 were Democrat, 4 were Libertarian and 2 were Green Party. Overall in Coke County, Romney received 1,216 votes with Obama receiving 179 votes. In Texas, over 57% voted for Romney.

In the race for Texas Senate, Republican Ted Cruz picked up over 56% of the vote statewide and won in Coke County over Paul Sadler 1,143 to 204.

The other statewide race voters in Coke County had been watching was the Justice, 3rd Court of Appeals District, Place 3 contest. This election pits conservative small counties against the more liberal stronghold of Austin and Travis County. Republican challenger Scott Field overwhelmingly defeated incumbent Democrat Diane Henson in Coke County, 1,079 to 236.

He also won statewide by a smaller margin of 51.70% to 48.29%.

Coke County only had one contested election – the race between incumbent Marty Boyd and write-in candidate Brandon Busby for Coke County Constable Precinct 2. Boyd was returned to office with 494 votes to the Busby's 80 votes.

This year's results reporting is a little different than in years past as under votes are going to be reported in District 51 and Coke County races. Under votes are voters that chose not to cast a vote for a candidate. Election totals are listed below.

District Judge, 51st Judicial District

Barbara Walther, 1,232 votes, 190 under votes;

District Attorney, 51st Judicial District

Allison Palmer, 1,192 votes, 222 under votes;

Coke County Attorney

Nancy Arthur, 660 votes, 746 under votes;

Coke County Sheriff

Wayne McCutchen, 1,258 votes, 167 under votes;

Coke County Tax Assessor-Collector

Josie Dean, 1,171 votes, 246 under votes;

Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 1

Gene Montgomery, 216 votes, 186 under votes;

Coke County Commissioner, Precinct 3

Gaylon Pitcock, 169 votes, 176 under votes;

Coke County Constable, Precinct 1



Trick or Treat! Robert Lee businesses and offices were visited on Halloween morning by little ghosts and goblins from all over the county. The excited children almost stayed still for a whole second for their picture to be taken in front of This 'n That.

Marshall Millican, 386 votes, 363 under votes;

Coke County Constable, Precinct 2

Marty Boyd, 494 votes, Brandon Busby, 80 votes, 85 under votes.

Holiday Closings noted

The Coke County Courthouse, and offices for the City of Bronte and the City of Robert Lee will be closed on November 12, 2012, in observance of the Veteran Day holiday. The Observer/Enterprise will also be closed on that day.

Golf Tourney slated for November 10 in Bronte

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 3 person 27 hole select shot golf tournament on Saturday, November 10. Tee time is 9 am. Carts are limited, so sign up early if one is needed.

For more information, contact Bronte Longhorn Golf Club at 325-473-2156 or after 4 pm weekdays call 432-661-3431.

Annual Blackwell Ranch Rodeo and Dance set for November 10

The annual Blackwell Ranch Rodeo is slated for Saturday, November 10, beginning at 5 pm at the arena in Blackwell.

The concession stand will be available all day and for the dance that evening.

Activities during the rodeo include a Boot Scramble and

Ribbon Race. The San Angelo Ambassadors will also be performing. Cash prize and buckles will be awarded for the 1st place team. Cash and prizes will also be awarded to the 2nd and 3rd place teams with buckles going to the Top Horse and Top Hand. The top team in each event will receive ropes.

The dance, featuring Brice Daniels and the No Regrets Band, will start later in the evening...around dark thirty. Attendees are urged to bring your own chairs.

Contact Debbie McGlothlin at (325) 450-5149 for more information.

Coke County Free Electronics Recycling slated

CVCOG, City of Bronte, and City of Robert Lee will be providing free electronics recycling in Coke County. The drop spot in Robert Lee will be on Coke St. at the Coke County Precinct between E. 6th and E. 7th on Friday, November 16th from 9 am-1 pm. Bronte's drop spot will be 116 W. Jones on Saturday, November 17th from 8 am-12 noon.

Electronic devices accepted are: computers, printers, computer accessories, computer monitors, televisions, fax machines, typewriters, telephones, cell phones & chargers, GPS units, pagers, PDA's, tablets, answering machines, MP3 players, scan-

ners, radios, boom boxes, CD players, external hard drives, solid state drives, SD cards, memory cards, card readers, speakers, microphones, DJ equipment, receivers, recording devices, headphones, video equipment, cameras, video cameras, web cams, recording devices, communications equipment, medical testing equipment, laboratory equipment, circuit boards, cables, wires, power cords, and power strips.

Bring your unwanted electronic devices and help us keep Coke County clean.

Meeting to inform citizens of leasing rights

Judon Fambrough will be in Bronte Tuesday evening, November 20, 2012, from 6 to 9 pm at the Bronte Community Center. He will be speaking to Coke County citizens about what they need to know if they're considering an oil lease. He will inform landowners about their property rights and tell them how to best protect and utilize them.

The meeting is being sponsored by Coke County A&M Agrilife Extension. There is a fee for this meeting. Please RSVP by Friday, November 16, 2012, to James R. Jackson (325) 453-2461 or JamesR.Jackson@ag.tamu.edu.

For more information on Judon Fambrough, visit <http://recenter.tamu.edu/staff/jfambrough/>.

Last Regular Season Football Games

BRONTE LONGHORNS

vs.

TLCA Eagles

7:30 • Friday, November 9 • San Angelo



ROBERT LEE STEERS

vs.

Lohn Eagles

7:30 • Friday, November 9 • Lohn

BLACKWELL HORNETS

vs.

Panther Creek Panthers

7:30 pm • Friday, November 9 • Panther Creek

