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Ballots set in 2022 Primary Election

The filing period for the March 1, 2022, primary election ended Monday, December 13, 2021, at 6 pm.

Offices up for election include County Judge, currently held by Hal Spain; County Treasurer, currently held by Therese Emert; Justice of the Peace, currently held by Russell Johnson; County/District Clerk, currently held by Monica Reyes; Commissioner Precincts 2, currently held by Paul Williams; and Commissioner Precinct 4, currently held by Joe Sefcik.

The following incumbents have filed for re-election in the Republican Primary by turning in their forms and filing fee to Republican County Chair Deborah Bailey: County Judge Hal Spain, County Treasurer Therese Emert, Justice of the Peace Russell Johnson, and Precinct 4 Commissioner Joe

Sefcik. County/District Clerk Monica Reyes turned in her forms and a petition in lieu of the filing fee to Mrs. Bailey.

New candidates filing for the Republican Primary election include Ashley McCutchen Braswell for the office of County/District Clerk, Henry Chisholm for the office of Commissioner, Precinct 2 and George Ray Sparks for the office of Commissioner, Precinct 4. These three candidates turned in their forms and filing fees to Republican County Chair Deborah Bailey.

County Judge Hal Spain on Monday received Declarations of Intent to run as an Independent candidate in the November general election from Paul Williams, the current Precinct 2 Commissioner, and Jennifer Burdett for County/District Clerk.



Arrested! The Coke County Sheriff's Office wasn't going to let anyone steal the holiday cheer in Bronte on Saturday, December 11, 2021. The Grinch was picked up during the Christmas in Olde Bronte festivities.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, December 17

Early Release -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

High School Basketball -
Robert Lee Girls at Veribest, 5 pm
Roscoe Boys at Robert Lee, 5 pm
Abilene Christian Girls at Bronte, 6:15 pm
Bronte Boys at Hermleigh Tournament
Blackwell Girls at Colorado City, 5:30 pm
Blackwell Boys at Highland, 7:30 pm

Saturday, December 18

High School Basketball -
Bronte Boys at Hermleigh Tournament

Monday, December 20

Christmas Break -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

Tuesday, December 21

High School Basketball -
Veribest Girls at Robert Lee, 1 pm

Christmas Break -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

Wednesday, December 22

Christmas Break -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

Thursday, December 23

Christmas Break -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

Friday, December 24

Christmas Break -
Bronte ISD, Robert Lee ISD, Blackwell CISD

Free Christmas dinners to be served

Noel & Co. will be offering free dinners on Christmas day, December 25, beginning at 11 am until 1 pm (or until the run out). Reservations will not be taken and plates will be served on a first come, first served basis. The meal will include ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green bean casserole, and a roll. Noel & Co. is located at 11200 W. State Highway 158,

approximately 6 miles west of Robert Lee.

For further information, call (325) 453-2149 or (325) 763-8890.

Longhorn Classic Stock Show set for December 18

Bronte FFA is hosting their Longhorn Classic Stock Show on Saturday, December 18, at 10 am at the show barn in Robert Lee.

You won't want to miss the 'celebrity' showmanship event. Teachers, administrators, and community members have been nominated by students to show off their skills in the ring.

RLVFD to host fundraiser raffles

Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department is trying to raise funds to match two grants that they have been awarded from the Texas Forest Service for new gear and a new generator for their Jaws of Life.

They will be holding several upcoming fundraisers and are starting with a raffle for a beautiful Christmas wreath, made by Alberta Olguin.

For more information or to enter in the raffle, please contact Ross Torres, Melissa Fletcher, or Crystal Yungman.

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