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Robert Lee Christmas Open Houses set for today

The opening of the Christmas season in Robert Lee is today, Friday, December 2. 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 Motors will celebrate from 11 am to 2 pm.

Other businesses and offices participating with open house celebrations include Robert Lee City Hall, Coke County Hardware, DJ's Merle Norman and Especially For You, Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau, Bobbie Allen's Sale, This 'N That Shop and Vision with a Purpose.

Angel Tree in Robert Lee

The angel tree will have angels ready for adoption at DJ's Merle Norman, 7 E. 6th Street in Robert Lee, on Friday, December 2.

All children must be referred to the Angel tree committee by an outside source. No applications will be taken.

December 1st is the deadline for angel tree nominations.

Small Town Christmas set for December 3

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Heartworkers of Vision With A Purpose have been busy little elves decorating the town of Robert Lee with lights, candy canes and good cheer.

The festivities will begin Saturday, December 3, at 4 pm with the arrival of Santa Claus. Children through age 9 are invited to visit the jolly old man and tell them their wishes.

Lighting of Memorial Park will take place at dusk. Don't miss this spectacular display.

Food can be purchased at VP's Austin Street headquarters; stew, cornbread, chili, gingerbread men and all the fixins'.

Two wagons will be available for a ride around Robert Lee for a small fee.

Also, if you want to enter your home or business in the lighting contest, entry forms are available at Floyd Pettit Insurance and Coke County Hardware. A new award "Griswald Lights Up" for the most outlandish and gaudy home, will be a traveling award to be presented this year and



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each following year. Prizes are \$100, \$75, and \$50 for residential and roving trophies for businesses. Deadline for entries is December 10. Winners will be announced December 20.

Christmas Greetings deadline is 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 23rd issue.

Deadline for this year's greetings is Monday, December 12th at 12 noon. For more information or to place your greeting, contact the O/E office at 453-2433 or 473-8863.

The O/E office will be closed the week of December 26-30 and the annual Year in Review issue will be published Friday, December 30, 2016.

Santa Letter Deadline set for December 13

Deadline for the Letters to Santa Claus to be printed in this year's Christmas edition has been set for Tuesday, December 13th, at 12 noon. 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 23rd. We will forward these letters straight 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 in Olde Bronte set for December 17

The annual Christmas in Olde Bronte celebration is slated for Saturday, December 17, 2016, this year. The events begin at 4 pm and will all be held in downtown Bronte.

Kickapoo Creek Lodge will open at 4 pm for drinks and holiday cheer. The Bronte Longhorn Band will provide live music in the Lodge, beginning at 4 pm.

Story time with Mrs. Claus will begin at 4:30 pm in the lobby of First National Bank.

Santa will set up shop to hear Christmas wishes at 5 pm at Kickapoo Creek Lodge.

The evening will end with a pajama party at the old Texas Theater. The Polar Express will be shown at 7 pm. Larry's Automotive, Glenn-Bivins Insurance and the Coke County Cowboy Church are sponsoring the movie and admission is free. Concessions will be available with all proceeds supporting the Bronte Park Restoration. Bundle up in your coziest pajamas and settle in to watch a great movie with your family

and friends.

Red Hats to meet December 1

The Red Hat Society will meet Thursday, December 1, at 11 am at Addona's in Bronte.

It has been asked when the ladies have their business meetings. At the January meeting, they decide for the entire year were they want to go each month.

The group wears purple and a red hat and have loads of fun and laughter. Go have lunch with them.

Private pesticide applicator license training to be offered

Submitted by Morgan Runyon, Texas AgriLife Agent

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has scheduled a Texas Department of Agriculture private pesticide applicator training for December 15, 2016, at 9 am. The meeting will be at the AgriLife Extension office in Runnels County 608 Sealy Avenue, Suite A, in Ballinger.

"This is not a continuing education unit training," Wiegat said. "This training is specifically for persons seeking a Texas Department of Agriculture private pesticide applicator license."

Wiegat said the license is required in order to purchase and apply restricted-use herbicides and pesticides.

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