Retired Teachers to meet Monday

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will hold its regular noon lunch meeting at First Baptist Church in Bronte on Monday, February 15, 2016. All retired school personnel in the area are most welcome to attend.

The meetings are brief and the food and friendship are enjoyable. First time visitors need not bring a dish. Volunteer hours, books, spring meetings, and recent legislative information will be discussed. Public school personnel, active and retired, are impacted by legislation.

Sheriff issues appeal to citizens in fight against crime

Responding to the increased number of citizens wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Wayne McCutchen today announced that Coke County Citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go out in the mail over the next several weeks. Associate Member funding allows the Sheriffs' Association of Texas to provide training, critical technical resources, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues to law enforcement officers across the state.

Inaddition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement officers.

Contributions to the Sheriffs' Association of Texas are taxdeductible.

"The Associate Membership Drive helps provide the funding which is vital to our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play," said Sheriff McCutchen.

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local Sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"During these economic times, the need for building stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships continues to escalate, and programs such as this continue to grow in importance," said Sheriff McCutchen. "I encourage every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our future." Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriffs' Association of Texas at: 1601 S. Interstate 35, Austin, Texas 78741, www.txsheriffs.org Founded in 1874, the Sheriffs' Association of Texas is a 501

(c)(3) non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Mr. Steve M. Westbrook serves as the Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin, Texas. The Sheriffs' Association of Texas does not make solicitations by telephone. If you receive a phone call from someone who uses the Sheriffs' Association of Texas name, please report it to your local Sheriff or County/District Attorney.

... Commissioners Court

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Grady Coulter presented the J.P. 2 report.

No D.R. report was presented No Trappers report was presented.

No action was taken on the burn ban

Comm. Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Comm. Williams, to approve bond for Nancy Arthur. Motion carried.

Judge Blair made a motion, seconded by Comm. Sefcik, to approve resolution prohibiting licensed members of the public from carrying concealed or openly carrying weapons into the Coke County courthouse and the Coke County Annex in Bronte. Comm. Williams opposed. Motion carried.

Comm. Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Comm. Sefcik, to accept donation of crushed rock from Carty Beal to be moved to Ross Road. Motion carried.

Judge Blair reported a grant has been submitted by Karen Rasco, librarian, to update the library's automation system.

No request for private road work and no action taken.

Comm. Williams made a motion, seconded by Comm. Sefcik, to pay bills. Motion carried.

Judge Blair recessed the meeting at 9:48 am.

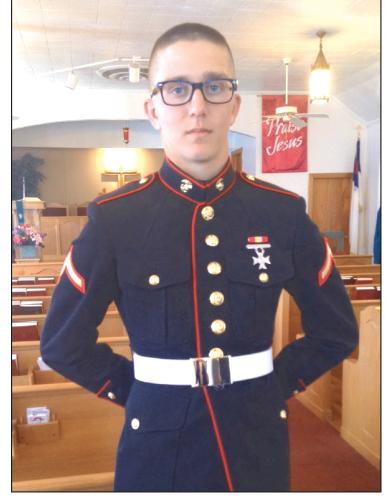
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New officers for 2016 were elected and include President-Marshall Millican, Vice President- Jan Petitt, Secretary-Sabina Nunez, Treasurer-Crystal Standford, Parliamentarian- Jeffie Roberts, and Sergeant of Arms- Larry Broughton. Debbie Childers presented a gavel to President Marshall Millican

A ribbon cutting was held at Mrs. T's Flower Shop Saturday.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, March 3, at Victory Assembly of God since the Austin Street building will be under renovation.



Bronte FUMC Visitor! First United Methodist Church in Bronte was proud to have, PFC Lonnie Griffith in attendance recently. Lonnie is the church's former Youth Director. He has just finished Basic Training in San Diego, California, in the Marine Corp and will be heading to Camp Pendleton, California. Lonnie is a member of Sierra Vista UMC in San Angelo and a graduate of Central High School.



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