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**Robert Lee VFD
 Quilt Raffle winner
 announced**

Nancy Arthur was the lucky winner of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department Quilt Raffle. Her name was drawn February 10, 2012.

The original quilt donated by Wanda Caulder and the quilting club from Abilene was withdrawn following Mrs. Caulder's death December 31, 2011, and given to her granddaughter. The club was generous enough to donate a replacement quilt for the raffle. A total of \$549 was collected during this fundraiser.

**Retired Teachers
 meeting held**

Mary Etta Kvapil was guest speaker when the Coke County Retired Teachers Association met on Monday, February 20, 2012. The noon luncheon meeting was held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte.

Kvapil is from Ballinger and holds the office of second vice president of District 15. She also represents the district on the State Legislative Committee. She pointed out the importance for RTA members to visit Austin to know more about the legislative process and to communicate with legislators on RTA issues. She reminded unit members that as members of TRTA, we are the voice for public education and school retirees.

Beth Prather, unit president, presided at the meeting. She announced that our state legislator, Drew Darby, will speak at the May meeting. Nancy Byler, president of District 15, will be our guest at the April meeting.

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The next meeting will be March 19, 2012.

Attending the meeting were: Cristie Bagwell, Jamie Boren, Judy Gibbs, Paul Gothard, June Gulley, Ann Hamilton, Brenda Hines, Mary Lawhon, Pat Lee, Beth Prather, Kenneth Rasco, Gerald Sandusky, Gary Smith, Charlotte Tounget, Janet Wommack, Lee Wommack, and one guest, Mary Etta Kvapil.

**... Republican
 Primary Ballot
 Propositions
 announced**

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 spending to the combined increase of population and inflation without voter approval.

Yes or No.

Redistricting:

The Texas Legislature should redraw the court-imposed lines for Congress and State legislative districts in its upcoming session in

order to remedy inequities. Yes or No

**Sheriff reminds
 citizens of 24 hour
 phone number**

Sheriff Wayne McCutchen wishes to remind all Coke County citizens that the Sheriff's Department phone is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The number is (325) 453-2717.

**FSA accepting Loan
 applications**

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is now accepting applications for Emergency Farm Loans resulting from damages and losses caused by wildfires occurring from August 30, 2011, and continuing.

Nolan County has been named as primary a county where eligible farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Fisher, Scurry, Coke, Mitchell & Taylor Counties have been named as contiguous counties where eligible farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Farm Loan Manager, Justin B. Holland, asks farmers who want to apply for emergency loans to submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadline for applications is July 3, 2012, but if farmers wait too long, a backlog will develop and cause delays.

Generally, farmers who have lost 30 percent of their production due to designated disaster are eligible for emergency loans. The FSA office is located at 103 W. Florida Avenue in Sweetwater, Texas.

**IRS offers
 farmers and
 ranchers extension**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently announced an extension of replacement period for livestock producers who have been forced to sell animals due to the drought.

"The livestock industry has suffered \$2.06 billion in losses, as ranchers have sold off cattle due to lack of forage and escalating supplemental feed expenses," said Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau President John Ross Copeland. "This tax extension will help ranchers rebuild their herds."

If livestock (other than

poultry) held for any length of time for draft, breeding or dairy purposes is sold because of weather-related conditions, the capital gain on the sale does not have to be recognized if the proceeds are used to purchase replacement livestock.

"This year's drought has forced a lot of cattle out of Texas," John Ross Copeland said. "Every little bit will help when it rains again and ranchers begin to restock."

Please consult a tax specialist for more information or full details can be found at the IRS website, http://www.irs.gov/irb/2010-41_IRB/ar08.html.

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 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church
 324 S. Franklin • Bronte
 (325) 473-4811
 Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship
 Wed. 6 pm

First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331
 Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship
 6 pm Youth
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting

First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte
 (325) 473-3281
 Rev. Matt Pennington, Pastor
 Sun. 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship

Forgiven Ministries
 117 W. Main, Bronte
 Russ Frasier, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am

St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

Coke County
Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
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 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

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 (325) 453-2360
 Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

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 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
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 Steve Peyton, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 5:00 pm Choir Practice

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 Sun. 10 am • Worship
 11 am & 6 pm • Service
 Wed. 7 pm

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 (325) 453-2176
 Jordan Arnold, Preacher
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 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508
 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
 (325) 655-9784 or 453-2685
 Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
 Wed. 6 pm

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic
 Church**
 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724
 Danny White, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638
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 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

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 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

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