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Early voting ends today in primary elections

Early voting for the March 1, 2016, Democratic and Republican primaries ends today, Friday, February 26, 2016. Voters in all Coke County Precincts may vote at the Courthouse from 8 am to 1 pm.

The election will be held Tuesday, March 1, 2016. Polling will take place from 7 am to 7 pm in Coke County at the following locations.

Precinct 1

Robert Lee Rec Hall, 350 E. Park Road, Robert Lee

Precinct 2

Bronte Senior Citizens Building, 613 E. Oliver Avenue, Bronte

Precinct 3

Coke County Courthouse, 13 E. 7th Street, Robert Lee

Precinct 4

Bronte First Baptist Church, 424 S. Washington, Bronte

County offices up for election include Coke County Commissioners in Precincts 1 and 3, currently held by Gene Montgomery and Gaylon Pitcock; County Constables in Precincts 1 and 2, currently held by Marshall Millican and Marty Boyd respectively; County Attorney, currently held by Nancy Arthur; County Tax Assessor/Collector, currently held by Josie Dean; and County Sheriff, currently held by Wayne McCutchen.

Wayne McCutchen, Marty Boyd and Josie Dean have filed

to retain their offices and will run unopposed. Nicholas Arrott II will run unopposed for County Attorney. Nobody filed for the office of Constable, Precinct 1.

There will be several candidates on the ballot for the Commissioner positions in Precincts 1 and 3. In the Republican primary, Shaunna Grantham, Donald Robertson, Sid Burns and Michael Salls are candidates for Precinct 1 Commissioner and Marshall Millican and Andy Swinney are candidates for Precinct 3 Commissioner. In the Democrat primary, Charles Yorke is a candidate for Precinct 3 Commissioner.

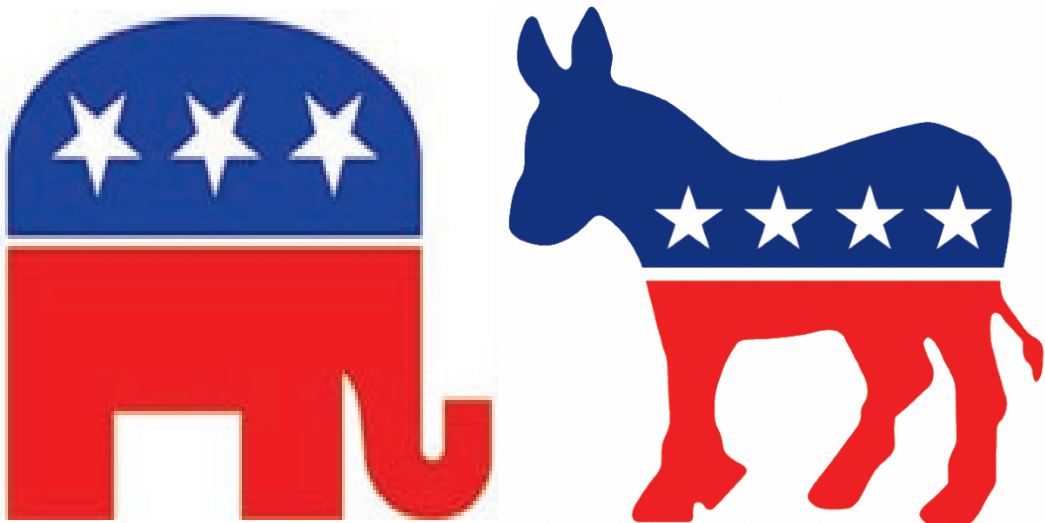
The election for Precinct 1 Commissioner should be decided in the primary election. The Precinct 3 race will be a marathon lasting until November. In the November 8th general election, the winner of the Republican primary (either Millican or Swinney) will face off against Democrat Charles Yorke and Bill Burns, Independent.

Ballots set for Local Entity May elections

The filing period for the May 7, 2016, local government entity elections ended last Friday, February 19, 2016.

The City of Robert Lee will hold an election for the position of mayor and for two council members. These are two year terms. The offices are currently

Primary Election Day



Tuesday, March 1st

held by Mayor Leroy Casey and council members Sid Burns and Richard Johnson. Mayor Casey and Councilman Sid Burns have filed for re-election. Also filing for seats on the council are Joe Longoria and Jeanette Meeks.

The City of Bronte had terms expiring for mayor and three council positions. These are two year terms. The offices are currently held by Mayor Gerald Sandusky and council members

Wade Stautzenberger, Paul Gohman, and Jodie Arrott. Mayor Sandusky and councilmen Stautzenberger and Gohman have filed to retain their seats. George Tomes also filed for a seat on the council. They will not have to hold an election.

Bronte ISD will hold an election for two members of the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held by Shane Kelton and Kay Styles. Both incumbents have filed for re-election and will be joined on the ballot by Josh Schoenfield and Brandon Busby.

Robert Lee ISD will hold an election to elect two members to the Board of Trustees. These are three year terms currently held by Erin Oleksiuk and Beverly Sinclair. Both incumbents have filed for re-election and will be joined on the ballot by Sherry Davidson.

West Coke County Hospital District had three two year terms expiring for their Board of Trustees. The terms of Pat Stephens, Pat Carwile and Sarah Green are expiring. Only the incumbents filed and there should not be an election.

East Coke County Hospital District Board of Trustees had three two year terms expiring. These offices are currently held by Howard Baker, Lanette Fletcher, and Everett Bedford. Only the incumbents filed and

there should not be an election.

Special Meeting of Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association set

There will be a special meeting of the Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association on Monday, February 29, at 5:30 pm in the Masonic Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss cemetery projects for 2016. Anyone interested is urged to attend.

Lions Club Chili Supper set for Saturday

The Robert Lee/Silver Lion's Club is having their 5th annual Chili Supper Saturday, February 27, 2016, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The chili supper with all the trimmings will be held at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. A cake auction will follow the supper.

Mt Creek membership meeting set

The Mountain Creek Golf Club general membership meeting will be held at 1 pm Saturday, March 5, 2016, at the course clubhouse. All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

Sanco Homecoming meeting set for March 6

There will be a meeting for the Sanco Homecoming Association Sunday, March 6, at 2 pm at the Sanco Pavillion, weather permitting. Refreshments will be provided.



Lady Steers Take Bi-District Championship! *The Robert Lee Lady Steers were named the Bi-District Champions following their win over the Trent Lady Gorillas in Sweetwater Tuesday, February 16, 2016. They next faced May's Lady Tigers for the Area title in Coleman and fell short 35-38. Congratulations on a very successful season.*