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Daddy-Daughter Date Night set for Saturday

The 7th annual Daddy-Daughter Date Night, "Under the Stars", will be held Saturday, February 6, 2016, from 5 to 8 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Tickets will be available at the door.

This event offers dads, stepdads, granddads, big brothers, uncles, cousins, or that special friend the opportunity to let their little girl know how special they are.

This evening is for girls in Pre-K through 6th grade. There will be light appetizers, music and a complimentary 5x7 photo of the couple. Girls and their dates are encouraged to bring their own cameras to take a group photo at 6:15 as well as take pictures throughout the evening.

For more information, call or text Katie Drennan (473-0112) or Erin Oleksiuk (656-9884).

2016-18 UIL

districts announced

UIL has announced the 2016-18 Official District Alignments.

For the next couple of football seasons, the Bronte Longhorns will be Conference 2A Division 2, Region 2, District 6. Also in this District are Albany, Baird, Cross Plains, Miles and Winters.

The Robert Lee Steers will face Garden City, Sterling City and Westbrook on the football field as a part of Conference 1A Division 1 6 Man, District 6.

Blackwell is included with

Loraine, Roscoe Highland and Trent in Conference 1A Division 2 6 Man, District 7.

All three schools will play each other in basketball as part of District 14. Garden City, Sterling City, Veribest and Water Valley are also in this district.

Deadline nears for Conservation Tree and Shrub Seedlings

A limited quantity of container and bareroot seedlings are available through the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. Deadline to order is February 6, 2015. Seedlings will be delivered and ready for pick up on February 12, 2015.

For species offered and other information, contact the SWCD office at 453-2623, ext. 3 or go by 214 E. 7th St. in Robert Lee.

Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association to meet February 8

The Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association oversees the care of the Robert Lee cemetery. The group will have a meeting Monday, February 8, 2016, at 5:30 pm. The meeting will take place at the Masonic Lodge in Robert Lee. Please plan to attend. Everyone is welcome.

Letter dissolves Bronte Chamber

This letter is to announce a formal end to the Bronte Chamber of Commerce.

In order to discuss the end, it



Recovered Stolen Property! A Polaris Ranger and trailer, valued at approximately \$20,000, was recovered by Coke County Sheriff Wayne McCutchen, with the help of CCISO Administrative Assistant Misti Hayes, last week following an investigation over the past three months. The vehicle was stolen from a hunting ranch near Oak Creek Lake in November. The case has been referred to 51st District Attorney Allison Palmer for prosecution.

might be good to revisit the beginning. Sometime in the mid-1980's, a group of business owners and city officials began the Bronte Chamber of Commerce in order to have a

means to promote local businesses and tourism. In the three decades since that time, the Chamber brought together all types of people of all ages in many forms of community involvement. Quarterly and annual events promoted local businesses.

Fishing tournaments at Oak Creek Lake raised the funds to purchase acreage for a second baseball field and picnic pavilion at the park. "Christmas in Old Bronte" became the event to celebrate the Christmas season by boosting our hometown businesses while honoring the season with a live nativity, caroling, and holiday-themed movies in the theatre. The Junior Chamber of Commerce mentored hundreds of Bronte youth by providing community service projects, and the annual banquet recognized dozens of citizens, pioneers, volunteers, and students via the annual award presentations. Other activities and achievements are too numerous to mention, but each helped build and sustain important aspects of our community. However, the current

Chamber Directors believe the establishment of the new Restoring Bronte Foundation (RBF) signals a very necessary change in the ability to continue to promote local businesses and tourism, while expanding in areas such as housing development, community wellness, economic development, and scholarships. Perhaps most importantly, the RBF's 501(c)3 status will permit the application for grants and the establishment of memorials and endowments to benefit the Bronte community and its citizens for many years to come.

For these reasons, the Bronte Chamber of Commerce is being dissolved and all remaining funds are being transferred to the Restoring Bronte Foundation. We sincerely hope that all residents and businesses in Bronte will support this transition, and unite to continue to help grow and sustain Bronte's future.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Directors, Bronte Chamber of Commerce
Paul "Buzz" Gohman, President
James Stewart
Jeanette Stewart
Susan Williams



Ribbon Cutting! Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose members were on hand to assist with a ribbon cutting ceremony recently at Another Place. The restaurant has been received by local residents with open arms. Photo Courtesy of Leta Caston.