



Coke County Shooters! The Coke County 4-H Rifle Team competed in the 9th Annual Charlie Greenway Silhouette Match in Baird, TX. These kiddos did an amazing job and showed some real dedication in some atrocious weather conditions. Joey Goddard brought home 3rd Place in the Junior .22 Rifle Silhouettes with a score of 9 and 5 in a row on Rams. Great job, Joey!

Time is Running Out to Sign-up for CSP

By Traci Bruckner, Center for Rural Affairs

Time is running out for farmers and ranchers to participate in the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) this year. This year's deadline for producers to apply at their local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office is March 31.

The CSP is a voluntary stewardship incentives program that rewards farmers, ranchers, and foresters for maintaining existing conservation and adopting additional conservation measures that provide environmental benefits. CSP rewards producers for improving water quality, enhancing wildlife habitat, reducing soil erosion, increasing energy efficiency, and other natural resource benefits. Since the program began in 2009, nearly 70 million acres of

farm and ranch land have been enrolled in the program.

CSP is a continuous sign-up program, and producers can apply to enroll at any time of the year. NRCS applies a cut-off date for applications to be considered during a particular fiscal year. Once the cut-off date is past, producers may continue to apply, but they will not be considered for entry until the following year. To enroll in 2016, you must file your application by March 31.

March 31 is also the deadline by which initial applications are needed from farmers with expiring 2012-2016 contracts if they want to renew them for another five years. Some 12 million acres already in the program are eligible for renewal this year.

To sign up, farmers and ranchers should visit their local NRCS center.

Bronte Citywide Garage Sale set for May 7

It's time again for the Annual Bronte Citywide Garage Sale. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7, at 8 am.

If you would like to participate, please call City Hall at (325) 473-3501 by Thursday, May 5. Your garage sale location will be listed on a map to be distributed at the First National Bank parking lot. This is a great opportunity to recycle, reuse and reduce unwanted items in your closet.



4th of July Parade slated

Vision With A Purpose held a 4th of July Parade committee meeting March 8 at Victory Assembly of God. Members present were Leta Caston, Debbie Childers, Kay Hurst, Brandon and Nora Broadbent, Dave Hughes, Noel Tinkler and Dianne Hefner.

It was decided, with membership approval, to have an essay contest only instead of a pageant on "What the 4th of

July means to me", open to freshmen through seniors with a \$250 award.

We will have a welcoming committee at our Austin Street office the morning of the parade, Saturday, July 2, to handle registration and line-up.

VP will ask Lion's Club to have American flags hung by July 2 for the parade.

A budget for the event will be presented for approval to VP membership at their next meeting.

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EDGE OF TOWN! Large remodeled manufactured home sitting on almost 1/2 acre in Bronte! Due to wood remodel, home is now permanent to property. Quiet neighborhood on outskirts of rural community.



PRICE REDUCED! Cute home on two lots in rural community with many updates and metal roof only a couple of blocks from the school! A large fenced-in backyard with pecan trees and reasonable price make this an excellent option for first-time home-buyers or rental property investment! Many extras including a storm shelter!



MANY UPDATES! Large older home is just perfect for family. Hardwood floors in living room, dining room, and two bedrooms. Numerous built-ins throughout home, huge closets, woodburning stove in den, 2 car attached carport. Potential efficiency apartment or guest house on property includes full basement and 2 car attached carport. Loads of character in this home on 1.91 acres.



BEAUTIFUL LOCATION ABOVE ELM CREEK IN BALLINGER! Lovely home in excellent neighborhood with tons of character! Move-in ready with new roof put on in 2015 and new paint throughout! Large lot on hill above city park! Beautiful views from backyard patio!



BRAND NEW TO MARKET! Wonderful home in established Bronte neighborhood, just blocks from school! Well maintained and perfect for a starter home or investment property! Priced to Sell!



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY! Wonderful investment opportunity in rural community. Easy access is a plus with this twenty unit storage facility in bustling oilfield town of Sterling City!



PRICE REDUCED! Beautiful views just add to this great ranch. Perfect for hunting, livestock, or just getting away! Electricity, well and rural water onsite. Rolling terrain with good interior roads for easy access to all areas of ranch. Good cover for wildlife with cleared areas for that perfect shot! 713.1 Acres +/-; \$1,150/acre.

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