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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE ORDER RESTRICTING **OUTDOOR BURNING**

WHEREAS, Commissioners Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Coke County that outdoor burning is restricted in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training: (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048. Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

BE IT ALSO ORDERED THAT the purpose of this order is the mitigation of the hazard posed by wildfires by curtailing the practice of outdoor burning, with the exception of barbecuing in an enclosed fire box with water hose or fire retardant accessible at all times and someone attending the fire at all times, and materials used outdoors in activities such as welding and any other activity that could result in a fire. The purpose is to be taken into account in any enforcement action based upon this order.

A. Burns that are conducted after submission of a Natural Resources Conservation Service approved burn plan to the Coke County Judge.

Burns conducted under this section must meet the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to beginning a burn in Coke County, the Sheriff's office must be notified by calling 453-2717 on each day for each occurrence;
- 2. The person giving notification to the Sheriff's office must identify the area to be burned by describing the pasture or range by address, by location of County Road or State Highway, and also must give the name of the person requesting the burn;
- 3. A water sprayer apparatus or water containers and other fire fighting tools must be available on site;
- 4. Fire guards are to be used whenever possible;
- 5. Wind speeds must not exceed 15 MPH;
- 6. The Humidity index must be 20% or higher as determined by the Texas Forest Service for Coke County; and,

- 7. A cellular telephone or other reliable radio communication must be available on site for emergency notification and response.
- B. Outdoor welding or cutting and grinding associated with welding activities are permitted following under the circumstances:
- 1. Welding and cutting and grinding associated with welding activities shall not take place when the wind is over 15 miles per hour;
- 2. The welder must notify the Coke County Sheriff's Department before any welding, cutting or grinding begins;
- 3. All grass, leaves, brush and other easily combustible materials must be cleared within a fifty (50) feet radius surrounding the area where the activity is to take place before any welding, cutting or grinding begins; and
- 4. A spotter with water and a ready pressurized delivery system must be on hand before any welding, cutting or grinding begins and remain on hand until the activity is completed.
- C. Burning of household trash is permitted under the following conditions:
- 1. Shall take place only when the wind speed is 15 miles per hour or less;
- 2. All grass, leaves, brush and other easily combustible materials must be cleared within a fifty (50) foot radius surrounding the area where the activity is to take place and before any burning of trash begins;
- 3. The burning takes place in a container with a mesh cover;
- 4. A spotter with water and a ready pressurized delivery system must be on hand before any burning begins and remain on hand until the burning is completed.
- D. Outdoor cooking is permitted under the following conditions:
- 1. Shall take place only when the wind speed is 15 miles per hour or less;
- 2. All grass, leaves, brush and other easily combustible materials must be cleared within a fifty (50) foot radius surrounding the

area where the activity is to take place and before any outdoor cooking begins; and,

3. A spotter with water and a ready pressurized delivery system must be on hand before any outdoor cooking begins and remain on hand until the outdoor cooking is completed.

In accordance with Local Government §352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 8th day of April, 2013

> Roy Blair, County Judge Attest Mary Grim, Deputy County Clerk 39-2tc

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC SALE**

Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, J&K Storage, located at 302 Sweetwater Highway and 302 North Lombard will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will begin at 10:00 am on May 4, 2013 in Bronte. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Deposit for removal and cleanup may be temporarily required. Seller reserves the right not to accept any bid and to withdraw property from sell. Property in each space may be sold item-by-item, in batches, or by the space. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of the following tenants, with brief description of contents in each space. Murray-Charles Miscellaneous household goods; 203 Christina G. Quezada-furniture, bicycles, household and many unknown boxes; 206 April L. Goshern-Furniture, many boxes unknown, bedroom suite, etc.

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... Nest Watch

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Recent population declines in North America's aerial insectivores are a growing concern. Conservation efforts to halt or reverse these worrisome trends The Observer/Enterprise Friday, April 19, 2013 Page 7





Bronte Tourney! Seven teams competed last weekend at the tournament hosted in Bronte by the Bronte Longhorn Golf Club. Taking 1st place with a score of 92 from Colorado City were Joe Stinson, Blake Hammond and Wilson Marshall. The 2nd place team, with a score of 97, from Robert Lee consisted of Stephen Myers, Clay Allan and Brent Kelly. Taking 3rd place with a score of 98 from Abilene were Tim Lee, Misti Lee and Lloyd Watkins. The next tournament will be The Wilson Family Tournament scheduled for May 18 at 9 am. It will be a 3 person 18 hole tournament.

are unlikely to succeed until we fully understand the causes of decline. Limiting our ability to identify factors driving population declines is a lack of information on reproduction.

The nests of many birds are easy to find and observe. Barn Swallows often plaster their nests onto beams inside barns and under bridges. Purple Martins use large communal nesting houses, and Eastern Phoebes frequently nest under porch eaves and in garages.

It's especially easy to observe nests built in nestboxes, opening the nestbox about twice a week during nesting season. Texas Bluebird Society offers a free nestbox to individuals who join through the local Volunteer Distributor, Judy Hetherington in Bronte. 325-473-2027;email: heth76933@gmail.com).

Participating in NestWatch is free and easy. Information on where and when to look for nests and how to properly monitor them is available at Nest Watch NestWatch.org. accepts observations for all nesting birds.

... Relay for Life

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Anyone interested in donating, or participating in the relay as a survivor, caregiver or a participant, please let captains Robin Allen or Pam Millican know. Robin can be reached at 763-7305 and Pam at 473-1027.

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