Thursday, May 4 Stuffed bagel and sausage, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, May 5

Dutch waffles and bacon, fruit, juice, milk

Monday, May 1

Corn dog, fries, baby carrots, sliced peaches, crispy cereal treat, milk

Tuesday, May 2

Taquitos and queso, charro beans, salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk

Wednesday, May 3

Chili Cheese Combo, veggie cup, seasonal fruit, chocolate pudding, milk

Thursday, May 4

Chicken nuggets, cheese, green beans, broccoli, apple slices, milk

Friday, May 5

Pizza, tomato cup, fruit cup,

VP to host bake sale

Vision with a Purpose will host a bake sale on Friday, May 12, at Robert Lee State Bank. variety of baked goods and casseroles will be available.

TFB invests in technical school scholarships

To ensure a bright future for its members in Coke County and across the state, Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) recently invested \$35,000 in scholarship funds for students of Texas Technical College (TSTC).

The initial investment is targeted to help Coke County Farm Bureau (CFB) members follow their dreams while building a skilled workforce.

"TSTC offers many programs that give students a leg up in the workforce," John Copeland, Coke CFB president, said. "This investment will help reach the members who would like to pursue accreditation in fields like diesel mechanics, biology or culinary arts."

The TSTC system has 10 campuses across the state, offering degrees in a variety of fields including agriculture technology, dental hygiene, digital media design, engineering and more.

"Not every career requires a four-year degree," John Ross said. "We're pleased to support the careers that enrich our communities. We encourage any interested members to apply."

To help as many students as possible, TSTC is matching \$25,000 of TFB's donation.

The funding will be used for both first- and second-year students. A percentage will also be used for a "helping hands"fund that helps students with unexpected costs not traditional covered scholarships.

TFB members may apply for the scholarship through their TSTC campus.

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TSTC campuses are located in Breckenridge, Brownwood, Fort Bend County, Harlingen, Marshall, North Texas, Sweetwater, Waco and Williamson County.

Coke County farmers help connect their farms to the community

Farmers in Coke County will have their chance to reach out to the community and talk about how their food gets from the field to your fork during Texas Food Connection Day.

Each farmer will seek to spark conversations with consumers while they cook and serve hamburgers to local residence of Coke County Tuesday May 2, 2017 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. The cost of this hamburger lunch is a donation of a canned good item or nonperishable food benefiting the local food pantry.

"Many consumers have questions about where and how their food is grown. This event gives farmers and ranchers the opportunity to start up a conversation and answer those questions or concerns," said John Ross Copeland, Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau president.

Although Food Connection Day is only held once a year, County farmers are open to having conversations more

about their farm practices.

"We work hard every day to provide families with fresh, nutritious and affordable food," John Ross said. "We're looking forward to connecting with our consumers today, tomorrow and in the future."

Texas Food Connection Day was established to connect farmers with their consumers and spark conversations about agriculture and food-related issues, including affordability, nutrition, animal profitability and productivity.

"Texas Food Connection Day is about sharing what we do on our farms and ranches to grow our food, fiber and fuel," John Ross said. "We want to share the stories of our family farms and ranches, because just 2 percent of the American population is responsible for growing our food."

For more information about local activities and media opportunities, contact the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau office at 325-453-4505.

VP to host golf tournament

Vision with a Purpose will host a golf tournament on May 20 at Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee. It will be a 3person scramble, 27 holes, with a shotgun start at 9 am.

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