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# UPCOMINGS!

## Hunter Education Course set for August 14

A Hunter Education Classroom Course will be held on August 14, 2021, at 8 am at Bronte High School. The class is mandatory for gun or archery hunters 9 to 16 years old who hunt unaccompanied and for all gun and archery hunters 17 years or over, whether accompanied or not, who were born on or after September 1, 1971.

Students must register at the following link prior to the class date, <https://tpwd.elementlms.com/course/hunter-education-classroom-course-6082/>.

For more information, contact Game Warden Dan Waddell at (325) 206-3340.

## Walk Workout & Chair Yoga held each week

A 1 mile walking workout will be held each Tuesday and Thursday beginning at 9:45 am at Bronte First United Methodist Church. Chair Yoga will then follow from 10:30 am until 11:30 am. Both activities will be held inside and any fitness levels are welcome.

For more information, contact Pastor Stacy Sprinkle at [pastorstacy.bumc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorstacy.bumc@gmail.com) or (325) 473-3281.

## Summer Reading Program being held

The Coke County Library Children's Summer Reading Program began Tuesday, June 1. Reading logs may be picked up during business hours at the library. Once completed, participants will receive a free one time use pool pass for either the Bronte or Robert Lee pool.

## Food Handlers Class available on request

The "Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER)" now requires all food employees to complete an accredited food handler training program within 60 days of employment.

A food handlers course accredited by the Texas Department of State Health Services is being offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Coke County Extension Office. Food Safety: It's In Your Hands is available upon request.

This 1-2-hour course will now be required for all food service employees to help promote the service of safe food. The certificate is good for 2 years and is valid anywhere in the State of Texas. The course is a basic overview of food safety practices that are necessary to ensure that safe food is served at your establishment. Practices discussed include good personal hygiene, cross contamination, and time and temperature abuse.

To register for the course, call the Coke County Extension office at 325-453-2461. Registration can also be done in-person the day of the course. The cost is \$20.00 per person and must be paid in full before the course begins. The class is taught in English, but Spanish handouts are available if requested in advance.

Individual with disabilities who require auxiliary aide service or accommodation to participate in the event are encouraged to contact our office within 5 working days prior to the program. Educational programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, national origin or genetic information or veteran status.

## 2021 Young Farmer & Rancher Contests slated

The applications for the Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) 2021 Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher (OYF&R) and Excellence in Agriculture (EIA) contests are now open.

"Texas has a lot of farms, ranches and businesses that are unique, and this contest is a great way to highlight them," Kaylin Isbell, TFB YF&R Advisory Committee chair, said. "Every farmer and rancher - regardless of size, commodity or farming practices - has a place in Texas agriculture and Texas Farm Bureau. And this contest recognizes and rewards young farmers."

The annual contests are a way to highlight the achievements of the younger generation.

Applicants for both contests must be between the ages of 18 and 35 as of January 31, 2022, and be current TFB members in good standing.

Applicants can apply as individuals or married couples.

"Innovative, diverse, dedicated - these are all qualities of young farmers and ranchers in Texas," Roger Hall, TFB associate director Organization division,

leader development, said. "On the farm, in the classroom or in the ag business industry, they are doing great things, and this a unique opportunity to showcase their endeavors and reward them for it."

But there's more to the contests.

"Filling out the application is probably the most beneficial part of the process," Isbell said. "It's a time of self-reflection on your business. How did you adapt in the last year or five years? What did you learn and how can you improve? The self-growth and awareness in all areas of your farm is truly beneficial."

Both contests also serve as a tool to help guide farmers and ranchers in personal and professional growth, he said.

## Outstanding Young Farmer & Rancher Contest

The Outstanding YF&R Contest recognizes young farmers and ranchers who are actively engaged in farming or ranching.

"This contest highlights and rewards dedication and ingenuity, but it also gives young farmers and ranchers an avenue to promote agriculture, conservation, advocacy efforts and more," Hall said.

One winner is chosen from each of TFB's 13 districts. Of those, three finalists are selected after a second round of judging. The judges will then visit each

of the three finalists' farm or ranch to determine the overall winner.

This year's state winner will receive the title to a 3/4 ton diesel pickup, sponsored by Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies; a \$5,000 cash award, sponsored by Farm Credit Bank of Texas; and expense-paid trips to both the TFB Annual Meeting and American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) Annual Convention.

Two runners-up will receive a \$500 cash award, sponsored by Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, and expense-paid trips to the TFB Annual Meeting.

All district winners will receive a \$1,000 cash award from Farm Bureau Bank.

## Excellence in Agriculture Contest

The EIA Contest rewards TFB members who are involved in agriculture but don't make the majority of their income through production agriculture.

Eligible applicants include farm store managers, crop consultants, agricultural educators and those who are employed by an agricultural business or agency.

"Agriculture needs farms and ranches, but it also needs the businesses and industries that support farmers and ranchers," Hall said. "The EIA Contest recognizes members who are

## Area Churches Invite You to Worship

### Bronte

#### Bronte Church of Christ

PO Box 346  
 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte  
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

#### Central Baptist Church

324 S. Franklin • Bronte  
 (325) 473-4811  
 Dale Patterson, Pastor  
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
 11 am & 5 pm Worship

#### First Baptist Church

424 S. Washington • Bronte  
 (325) 473-2331  
 Pastor George Cooper  
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,  
 10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible  
 Study & Worship  
 Wednesday 6 pm RA's & GA's,  
 6:30 pm Youth & Adults

#### First United Methodist Church

Corner of Washington & Holmes  
 Bronte  
 (325) 473-3281  
 Rev. Stacy Sprinkle, Pastor  
 Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Worship

#### St. James Catholic Church

215 N. Washington, Bronte  
 (325) 365-2687  
 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor  
 Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am  
**4C Cowboy Church**  
 Drawer R • Bronte • (325) 895-4080  
 Robert Lemmond, Pastor  
 Sunday, 10:30 am - Texas Theater  
 Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm -  
 4C Feedlot Youth Building

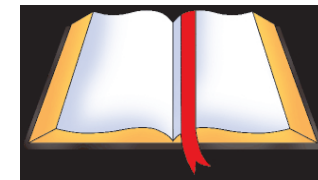
### Robert Lee

#### Bible Baptist Church

PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin  
 Sunday 10 am Sunday School,  
 11 am and 5 pm Worship,  
 Wed 5 pm Bible Study

#### Emmanuel Pentecostal

PO Box 794 • 1004 Hillcrest  
 Pastor Brantly Robertson  
 (972) 841-2009  
 Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm



### First United Methodist Church

PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne  
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417  
 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor  
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School  
 11 am Worship,  
 5 pm Choir Practice

### Iglesia Bautista Betel

101 Houston • Robert Lee  
 Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School  
 11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm

### Robert Lee Cowboy Church

James Brunson, Pastor  
 (469) 834-3932  
 10:30 am Sunday • Robert Lee Rec Hall

### Southside Church of Christ

PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston  
 Robert Lee (325) 453-2176  
 Recardo Reyes, Preacher  
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School  
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

### Northside Church of Christ

PO Box 508  
 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee  
 (325) 453-2685, (325) 763-2118 or  
 (325) 473-1053  
 Services: Sun. 10 am

### Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

601 W. 10th, Robert Lee  
 (325) 365-2687  
 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor  
 Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm  
**Robert Lee Baptist Church**  
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th  
 (325) 453-2724  
 Chris Walls, Pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship  
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

### Victory Assembly of God

(325) 453-2208, PO Box 638  
 202 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee  
 Rev. Rocky Youngblood, Pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School  
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship  
 Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

### Coke County

**Pecan Baptist Church**  
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of  
 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy  
 (325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Pastor  
[www.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com](http://www.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com)  
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School  
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

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