



Dam Inspections! Jason Modglin, Chief of Staff from Drew Darby's office, and Cheryl DeCordova, District Director, (left photo) visit the dams in Coke County. Texas State Senator Charles Perry and Pam Dutton, District Director, receive information from local officials on flood control structures.

**Officials visit
Coke County dams**

By Erin Oleksiuk, District Technician, Coke County SWCD
Bronte is located where the Middle, East, and West Kickapoo creeks converge. In 1953, Bronte received 10 inches in rainfall resulting in the flooding of the town and the

surrounding countryside. The August 28, 1953, edition of the Bronte Enterprise reported that 18 families qualified for Red Cross Assistance, one person was injured, 100 homes were damaged, and 30 other buildings received water damage from the flood waters. Estimated damage was \$75,000-\$100,000. This included roads,

bridges, railroad tracks, miles and miles of farm terraces, property lining creeks and the Colorado River and loss of livestock. If the same amount of damage occurred today it would cost \$1 million to restore Bronte. The flooding led to the founding

of the Kickapoo Creek Water Control and Improvement District and the building of six flood control structures in east Coke County. Today the district, along with assistance from the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District and NRCS, work to maintain the

structures and request grants for maintenance and repairs. The Coke County SWCD board sent a letter of invitation to Texas State Senator Charles Perry and State Representative Drew Darby to visit the dams to see for themselves the town, (Continued on Page 4)

2nd Annual 4th of July BlowOut
Saturday, July 2, Robert Lee

Everyone who wants to be in the parade needs to meet at 9:30 am at the Wilson Bryan Memorial Mini-Park in downtown. Kids - Decorate your bikes for July 4th in Red, White & Blue and come be a part of the parade. Events at the park will open immediately following the parade.

Games for Kids!
Bounce Houses
Water Slides,
Water Gun Maze,
Ring Toss

Food will be provided by **ANOTHER PLACE** with proceeds going to **Robert Lee Street Affair!**

Craft Booths!

DJ begins at 4 pm!

Lawn Mower Races!
FMI, call Jason 325-234-9926
or Gina 325-234-9972.

Dance featuring Tell Runyan
of Las Cruces, New Mexico
from 6 pm to 9 pm.
\$10/adults, \$5/12 & Under
5 and Under FREE
\$20 Cooler Charge

Horseless Goat Roping!
Compliments of 4C Cowboy
Church of Bronte

Fireworks begin at night fall
provided in by Robert &
Tina Prentice in honor of
Brad Prentice.

Washer Pitchin begins at 2 pm.
FMI, call Skyler at 325-763-7216.

Chicken Poop Bingo!

It's Time!

Now is the time to start saving for a vacation home, special anniversary trip or even your retirement. We have many savings ideas for you to consider. Come see us.

You'll feel good!



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