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Community must act now to save Bronte's golf course

On Tuesday, May 31, 2011, a meeting of the Coke County Golf Association was held in the Bronte Community Center with approximately fifty people turning out for the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the current condition and financial status of the Bronte golf course. It was determined that the Coke County Golf Association was financially unsound, the golf course was in bad condition, and the membership was down to 27 members.

Discussion followed to determine the best course of action for the golf course. These options ranged from closing the doors to the course to reorganizing its leadership and status.

Many community members discussed the beginnings of the golf course and the labor and time that many people had given to the course throughout the years. The lack of young people playing at the course was also a concern.

It was determined that for the golf course to survive, it would take the will of the people of this community to bring it back financially and return the greens and fairways and membership to their former condition.

The following action were taken at the meeting. The past board members resigned their positions and a new board of seven members was elected by the present members. It was also determined that the golf course could not continue by paying someone to maintain the golf course and run the club house. All of the labor must come from volunteers until the golf course is returned to sound state.

The new board of directors will meet in the clubhouse at 6 pm on Friday, June 3, to discuss the new plan of action. The first three items to be acted upon include:

1. a plan to revive the greens and the condition of the course;
2. a plan to recruit past members to rejoin and help with the restoration of the golf course;

3. and a plan to bring the youth of this community back to the golf course.

The meeting is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to attend.

2nd Annual Blue Agave Chili Cook-off set for June 4

The 2nd Annual Blue Agave Chili Cook-off has been set for Saturday, June 4, at the AMA/TechTel Pavilion. The Pavilion is located at the Blackwell Roping Arena in Blackwell, Texas.

The Chili Cook-off is "CASI" sanctioned, qualifying teams for the Terlingua International Chili Cook-off.

Additional cooking competitions will include pinto beans, jalapeno poppers, brisket, and ribs. Pour-off competitions will be held for bloody marys and margaritas. Prizes will be awarded in each category.

The head cook meeting will be held at 8 am Saturday, June 4.

The Duquines, a band from Austin, will begin playing at "dark-thirty".

For more information or to get an entry form, call (325) 668-3552 or (325) 370-1119.

All proceeds from this event will go to the Blackwell Riding Club, a community service organization.

Coke County Genealogy Society meetings slated

The Coke County Genealogy Society will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday's of the month at the Coke County Library at 6 pm.

The next meeting will be June 6. Please come join us.

Volleyball camp set for Bronte

A volleyball summer camp has been slated for June 6-8 at the middle gym in Bronte. Girls entering grades 4-6 will play from 9 am to 11 am. Girls entering grades 7-9 will practice from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Robert Lee VFD t-shirts available

The second printing of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department Wildcat Fire t-shirts



Head Start Graduates! Children in the Robert Lee Head Start program celebrated the end of the school year with a ceremony at the Mini-Park Wednesday morning, May 25.

will be in by Friday, June 3.

To place an order, call Ross Torres at 325/340-0309 or visit the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department page on Facebook.

BBQ teams needed for Kickapoo Cook-off

The BronteChamber/Teen-Chamber of Commerce is looking for twenty teams to compete in the Butterfield Trail Days Kickapoo Creek Cook-Off June 18. Entry fee will cover all three categories - brisket, chicken, and ribs. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category.

There will also be a washer and horse shoe pitching contest to begin Saturday morning.

Cooking teams will start Friday at 5 pm. To sign up or for more information, contact Bronte City Hall at (325) 473-3501.

Sanco Homecoming set June 12

To the ones that love Sanco, there will be a gathering at 10 am on Sunday, June 12. This doesn't mean you can't come Saturday night, spend the night, camp out and have a good time.

Bring your goodies to eat, water and lawn chairs and everyone can sit around, visit and eat.

You will also get to see what has been going on with the tabernacle. The old one blew down and a new one is being constructed. The new tabernacle will be like a

gazebo. It is not finished yet but you can see what is going on. Things will be added on as time goes by. There has to be money in order to add things, hopefully a concrete floor, and bathrooms.

Hope you all will come, visit, eat and enjoy.

Depot 100th anniversary celebration planned

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the building of the railroad depot in Bronte!

The year was 1911 - and the railroad connected Bronte to all points north and south. It was a place where eager family members awaited the arrival of visitors and where businesses received goods, and it was an anxious departure point for men headed to war.

How should we celebrate this milestone? Contact City Hall in Bronte at 473-3501 with your thoughts and ideas.

Butterfield Trail Day set for June 18 in Downtown Bronte

The first ever Butterfield Trail Day is slated for Saturday, June 18, in downtown Bronte. The Kickapoo Creek Cook-off will be held, featuring competition in brisket, ribs and chicken. Among the other activities to be held this day are arts and crafts booths, music venues, horse

shoe and washer pitching contests, and the 20th Annual Coke County Ranch Rodeo.

There is still time to book your booth or enter the cook-off. To sign up for an event or for more information, contact Tammy Thorn at Bronte City Hall, 473-3501, or go to www.brontetexas.org Look for more details on this fun day to come.

Raffle ticket Fundraiser:

The Robert Lee Little League is selling raffle tickets for a 42" Sanyo LCD Flat Screen TV. You do not need to be present to win. The drawing will be held on the 18th of June during the 2nd annual Robert Lee Little League Midnight Madness Co-Ed softball tournament.

For tickets, ask any little league ball player or stop by City Hall and ask for Brandi.

Bronte FBC to host Vacation Bible School

First Baptist Church in Bronte will have Vacation Bible School "Big Apple Adventure" Sunday through Thursday, June 19 - June 23, from 6:30 pm to 9 pm. The event is for children ages 3 years to those who have completed 6th grade.

For more information, call 325-473-2331.

Have a Safe & Happy Summer!