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UPCOMINGS!

Bronte Pool to host weekly events

The Bronte Pool is hosting water aerobics each Monday evening from 6 pm until 7 pm.

They are also hosting a Teen Night each Tuesday evening from 7 pm until 9 pm. This night is set aside for junior high and high school students only.

Summer Lunch

Program in progress

Robert Lee Baptist Church's Summer Lunch Program is currently in progress. Meals may be picked up at the drive-

thru area of the church. Each child needing a lunch will need to be signed up.

For more information or to obtain a form to sign up, contact Robert Lee Baptist Church at (325) 453-2724.

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 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.

For more information, contact the Coke County Library at (325) 453-2495.

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

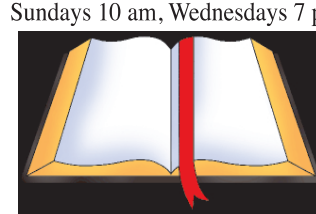
Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
 Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am

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 & 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



between generations (particularly in interpersonal dynamics), but when you look at the big picture, whether the employees are 25, 35, or 55, they want to make a good living. They want to be valued by their employer and treated decently. They want to feel like they are making a difference in the world.

That brings me back to "good jobs" in rural communities. There has been a prevailing view for many decades that rural America needs to send its youth off to the city to find a good job. This migration exploded after World War II, when the children of farm and ranch communities left for the city to find a job, often at a factory.

I'm running short on room today, so we will continue this next week. The postwar migration has not stopped, even if "city jobs" look very different in 2021 than they did after World War II. Why is that? And how do we reverse the migration back to good jobs in small towns? And what sort of jobs are attractive to today's workforce?

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younger generations. I bring this up for a reason: if we are going to provide "good jobs" in rural America, it behooves us to know who will be filling those jobs and what matters most to them. If a community is seeking jobs in 2020 the same way it was in 1975, without factoring in the changing world or different generations, well, good luck to you.

I have read countless articles about younger generations in

the workforce. Some of the writing is insightful. Much of it is utterly useless. The term "millennial" is often media shorthand for "people younger than me that I don't understand." The reality is that I am a millennial. I am 37 years old, young by some metrics, but hardly a teenager as some of these "millennial" articles imply. The youngest millennials are closer to 30 than they are to 20. Millennials comprise well over a



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What Is A Good Job? Part 1

By James M. Decker

Last week, I kicked off a series of essays about job creation. Specifically, I want to talk about creating "good jobs" in our rural communities. What is a "good job," anyway? If I asked you to describe the essential qualities, what would they be? We might all give slightly different answers, because each of us have different priorities, but I'm guessing our responses would all include some variation of the following: good compensation, additional benefits like insurance and retirement, job security, and opportunities to advance.

In recent years, our country has conducted inordinate amounts of research and spilled untold amounts of ink on the topic of changing trends in the workforce, so that employers, government researchers, and the media can "understand"