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Texas Sales Tax Holiday set for August 5-7

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds shoppers they can save money on certain items priced for less than \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 5-7.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced below \$100 from sales tax, saving shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"As families all over our state prepare to send their children back to school, we hope folks take advantage of this opportunity to get the supplies they need and save some money in the process," Hegar said. "As the father of three young children, I know how these expenses can add up. This event provides Texas families with some relief from state and local sales taxes."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax-free can be found on the Comptroller's website at TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$92 million in state and local sales taxes during the sales tax holiday.

The tax holiday weekend has been an annual event since 1999.

Restoring Bronte Town Hall set for August 16

Restoring Bronte Foundation will host a Town Hall meeting at Kickapoo Creek Lodge Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 6 pm to discuss the Bronteoberfest celebration and activities surrounding Bronte's Homecoming.

All members of the community are encouraged to attend.

Church is a Verb set for August 7

The First Baptist Church of Bronte will have a Church is a Verb, Sunday, August 7, 2016. After an 8 am church service, members of the church will move all over town doing different activities in Christian love.

The activities consist of a

meal for shut-ins and others, free clothes will be given away at the bank parking lot from 9 something to 2:30 pm, windshield washing at Stripes, mowing lawns and other yard work, and small home repairs.

Bronte Longhorn Golf Club holding Junior Golf Clinics

The final Junior Golf Clinic, sponsored by Bronte Longhorn Golf Club, will be held from 9:30 to 11 am Wednesday, August 10, at the Bronte Golf Course.

The clinic is for students ages 6 and up. Clubs and golf balls will be available for the youngsters to use and pizza and drinks will be served. The clinic is free of charge.

McCutchen Memorial Tourney set for August 13

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is holding the Doug McCutchen Memorial Golf Tournament Saturday, August 13, 2016. Tee time is 9 am. The entry fee will include a mulligan.

The registration deadline is 12 noon, Friday, August 12. When you register, please let them know if you will need a cart and leave a call back number. To register, please call Debbie at 325-262-6617 or Sharon at 325-262-5227.

Eubanks Memorial Tournament set for August 13

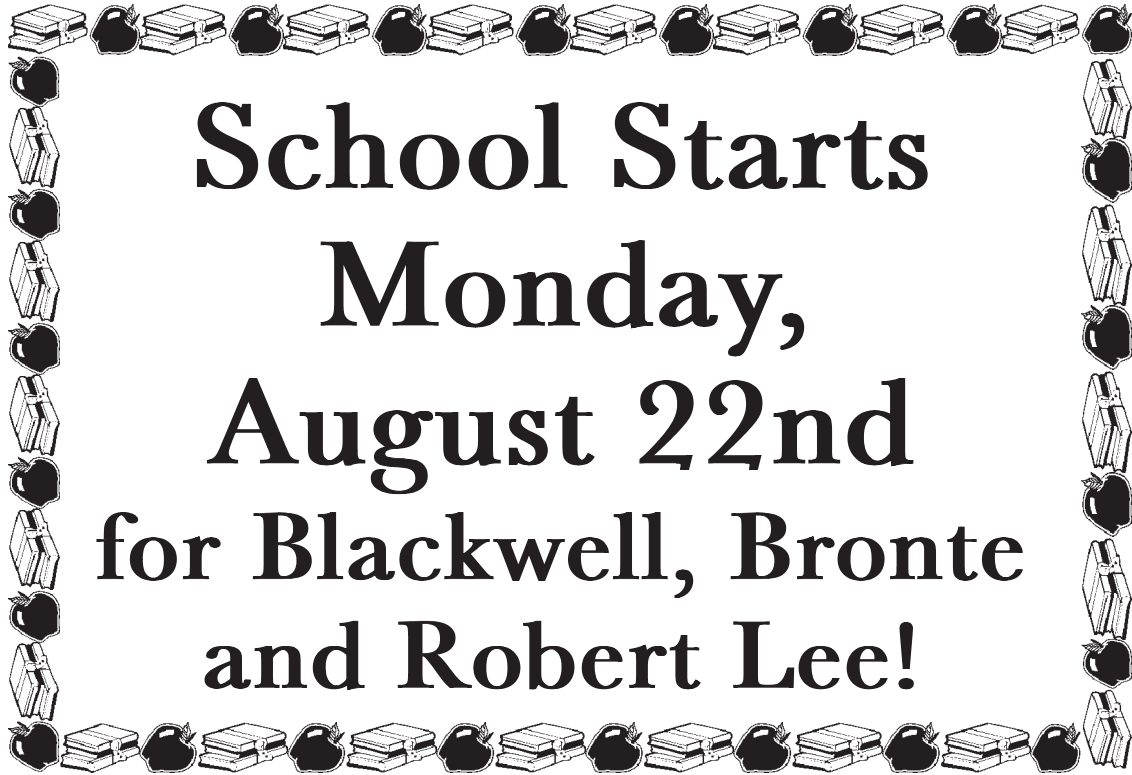
Mountain Creek Golf Association has slated the Casey Eubanks Memorial for Saturday, August 13, 2016. The entry fee for the 3 person, 18 hole scramble includes a Mulligan and a meal. For more information or to register, please contact 325-656-1972.

Mini 4-H Day Camp set for August 15-16

A Coke County Mini 4-H Day Camp will be held Monday and Tuesday, August 15-16, from 10 am to 4 pm each day. The camp will be held at the Robert Lee Rec Hall in Robert Lee.

Each participant needs to bring a sack lunch on both days and pay a one-time small fee to cover the cost of supplies.

On the first day, activities will focus on ag and the clothing and textiles project. Participants will learn where textiles are grown and produced. They will look at



School Starts Monday, August 22nd for Blackwell, Bronte and Robert Lee!

the process of how fabrics are made, conduct a burn test, learn how to thread a needle and practice sewing skills by making yo-yos.

On the second day, activities will focus on farm to table and the foods and nutrition project. They will look at the process of how food gets to the table, learn more about MyPlate, work on knife and measuring skills, and cook a variety of recipes.

Participants should come ready to have a fun filled day full with guest speakers, hands on activities, team building and leadership skills and the chance to learn more about what 4-H has to offer! Parent volunteers are welcomed and needed.

RLISD to hold pre-registration

The Robert Lee Independent School District will hold Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Headstart pre-registration Monday, August 15, 2016, from 5:30 pm until 6:30 pm in the Elementary School office. Prospective Pre-K students must be 4 years old by September 1, 2016, to be eligible for the 2016-2017 school year.

Documents needed for Headstart will be proof of all family income, proof of age, child's shot record, SNAP (if applicable) and proof of Medicaid, CHIP or private health insurance.

All new students to the Robert Lee ISD Pre-Kindergarten through 6th grade are encouraged to attend. Required documentation for enrollment will include birth certificate, Social Security card, and

current immunization records. Registration packets may also be picked up at the Elementary office anytime from 8 am to 4 pm. For additional information, please call the elementary office at (325) 453-4555.

Mandatory Food Handler course set for Wednesday

The "Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER)" was revised and updated and will be effective October 11, 2015. A major change in the revision now requires all food employees to complete an accredited food handlers training program within 60 days of employment, effective September 16, 2016.

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. Food Safety: It's In Your Hands is scheduled for August 10, 2016 starting at 3:00 pm in Bronte at the Community Center. There will also be a class scheduled in

Robert Lee at the Community Center August 11, 2016 also starting at 3:00 pm.

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. The class is taught in English but Spanish handouts are available if requested in advance.

Registration can also be done in-person the day of the course. The fee must be paid in full before the course begins.

Individual with disabilities who require auxiliary aide service or accommodation in order to participate in the event are encouraged to contact our office within 5 working days prior to the program. Educational

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