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Coke County Retired Teachers meeting slated

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, September 15, 2014. The noon luncheon meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. All retired school personnel of Coke County are welcomed to attend.

Snaggle Tooth Annie to host ceremony

Jeanette Walker, aka Snaggle Tooth Annie, will have a booth featuring this character at the Robert Lee Street Affair Saturday, September 20, 2014. The booth will be located in front of Robert Lee State Bank.

At 10:30 am, she will recognize Pat Attebery, Rick Smith and David Wagner, members of the San Angelo news media who have helped connect Coke County with the Concho Valley.

The booth's organizer, Ms. Walker, is working toward bringing back the "Ole Coke County Rabbit Twister Pride".

Lion's Club Breakfast set for September 20

On September 20 at the Street Affair, the Robert Lee-Silver Lion's Club will once again be serving breakfast, consisting of pancakes, sausage, and all the trimmin's. Beverages served will be coffee, orange juice and milk. The breakfast hours are

from 7 am to 10 am. In addition to the traditional breakfast fare, the Lions will also be serving a unique treat of batter-fried Snickers beginning at 9 am.

BHRC Auxiliary meeting slated

After summer break, the Bronte Health and Rehab Center Auxiliary will be starting up with their monthly meetings. The first meeting will be Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 1 pm in the dining room of the facility at 900 South State Street in Bronte. A lunch will be provided for a nominal fee for anyone who attends. However, a headcount is needed for lunch. Please call Doris Sims, at 325-473-3257, by NOON, MONDAY September 15, 2014, if you plan to attend.

If you have never attended an Auxiliary meeting and would like to help the residents at Bronte Health and Rehab Center, this is a great time to start. Make plans to attend and call by noon Monday, September 15, 2014, so that they'll know how many meals to plan for.

Silver Reunion set

The Silver Reunion will be held Saturday, October 4, 2014, at the Catholic Fellowship Hall in Robert Lee.

Please tell all past Silver residents to help make it a great reunion.



Vision with a Purpose Banquet! Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose President Debbie Childers introduces Floyd C. Pettit at the Membership Banquet Thursday evening, September 4. Mr. Pettit, owner of Floyd C. Pettit Insurance in Robert Lee and San Angelo detailed the importance of Robert Lee to him and to his business.

EPA proposal threatens private property rights

Time is running out for Texas landowners to let the Environmental Protection Agency know it's time to "Ditch the Rule." The nationwide campaign started shortly after the EPA announced its proposed changes to the Clean Water Act.

"The EPA wants to take the word 'navigable' out of the Water of the U.S. definition," John Ross Copeland, Coke County Farm Bureau President, said. "Allowing the agency to expand their regulations will give them unlimited power over all waters- including ditches, ponds and areas that occasionally flood."

According to John Ross Copeland, expanding the scope of the EPA's powers could have a negative impact on Coke County landowners.

"If the EPA is allowed to regulate all bodies of water, including ditches and ponds, they can tell people how to use and work their land," John Ross Copeland said. "They'll be able to require permits for things people do every day. If a permit isn't granted, we'll be unable to work our land or face fines for doing so anyway."

Landowners are encouraged to talk to their legislators about

the rule proposal before it's too late.

Additional information on Ditch the Rule and the rule itself can be found at DitchTheRule.FB.org.

Public Hearing set for September 22

A Public Hearing has been scheduled for 9 am Monday, September 22, 2014, at the Coke County Courthouse.

The hearing is a formality to correct a procedural mistake of an action taken September 2, 2014, by the Coke County Commissioners Court.

The Court voted on that day to increase the Sheriff's salary and that of his deputies by 7%. Following the unanimous vote, the 2015 budget was approved, adopted and subsequently

certified.

The Texas Local Government Code requires the County to approve and post Elected Officials' salaries in advance of approving the annual budget. The code requires that Elected Officials receive written notice of the approved salary as well as the opportunity to meet with a grievance committee should they disagree with the salary set by the Commissioner's Court. The salary grievance committee process has to be completed before the annual budget is adopted.

Since the increase voted in by the Commissioners Court on September 2 was after the required notifications, a public hearing had to be set to once again hear public comment on this subject and to take action.

**Public Hearing
and Regular Meeting
Commissioners Court
Monday, September 22
9 am
Commissioners Courtroom
Coke County Courthouse**

COKE COUNTY FOOTBALL!

**Robert Lee Steers
vs. Rising Star Wildcats**



Friday, September 12, 2014
7:30 pm *Robert Lee*

**Bronte Longhorns
vs. Munday Moguls**



Friday, September 12, 2014
7:30 pm *Bronte*

**Blackwell Hornets
vs. Westbrook Wildcats**



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7:30 pm *Westbrook*