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Ballots set for March 2014 Primary Election

The filing period for March 2014 Primary Election ended Monday, December 9, 2013. The election is set for Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

Only two local offices will have contested races. Coke County Commissioners in both Precincts 2 and 4 will face challengers. Currently, these offices are held by Wendell Lee in Precinct 2 and Bobby Blaylock in Precinct 4. Facing Lee for Commissioner Precinct 2 is Paul Williams. Blaylock is being challenged by Joe Sefcik for Commissioner Precinct 4.

Incumbents without opponents filing to retain their positions include: Roy Blair, County Judge; Mary Grim, County/District Clerk; Hal Spain, County Treasurer; Jackie Walker, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1; and Grady Coulter, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2.

Only Grady Coulter filed for the Democrat Primary. All other filings have been for the Republican Primary.

Mountain Creek Golf Course announces annual meeting

Mountain Creek Golf Course will have their annual membership meeting Saturday, December 14, at 1 pm. The meeting will be held at the clubhouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

January 2 is first day to rent county facilities

The first day to rent the Robert Lee Large Recreation Hall, the Bronte Community Center, the Robert Lee and Bronte Senior Citizens Buildings, and the Robert Lee and Bronte Pavilions will be Thursday, January 2, 2014. The Coke County Judge's Office

will open at 7 am to begin booking rentals. For more information, please call Lorrie at 325-453-2641.

Kickapoo Water Board sets election

Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District #1 will hold an election on January 14, 2014, for the purpose of electing two directors.

Directors filing for re-election to the board are Jack Corley and Bob Ragsdale. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall.

For further information concerning the election, contact Clerk Fran Sonnenberg.

Commissioners Court minutes posted

The Coke County Commissioners Court met in regular session November 25, 2013, at the courthouse in Robert Lee. Members of the court present included County Judge, Roy Blair, Commissioner, Pct. #1 Troy Montgomery, Commissioner, Pct. #2 Wendell Lee, Commissioner, Pct. #3 Gaylon Pitcock, Commissioner, Pct. #4 Bobby Blaylock. Clerk Mary Grim was also in attendance.

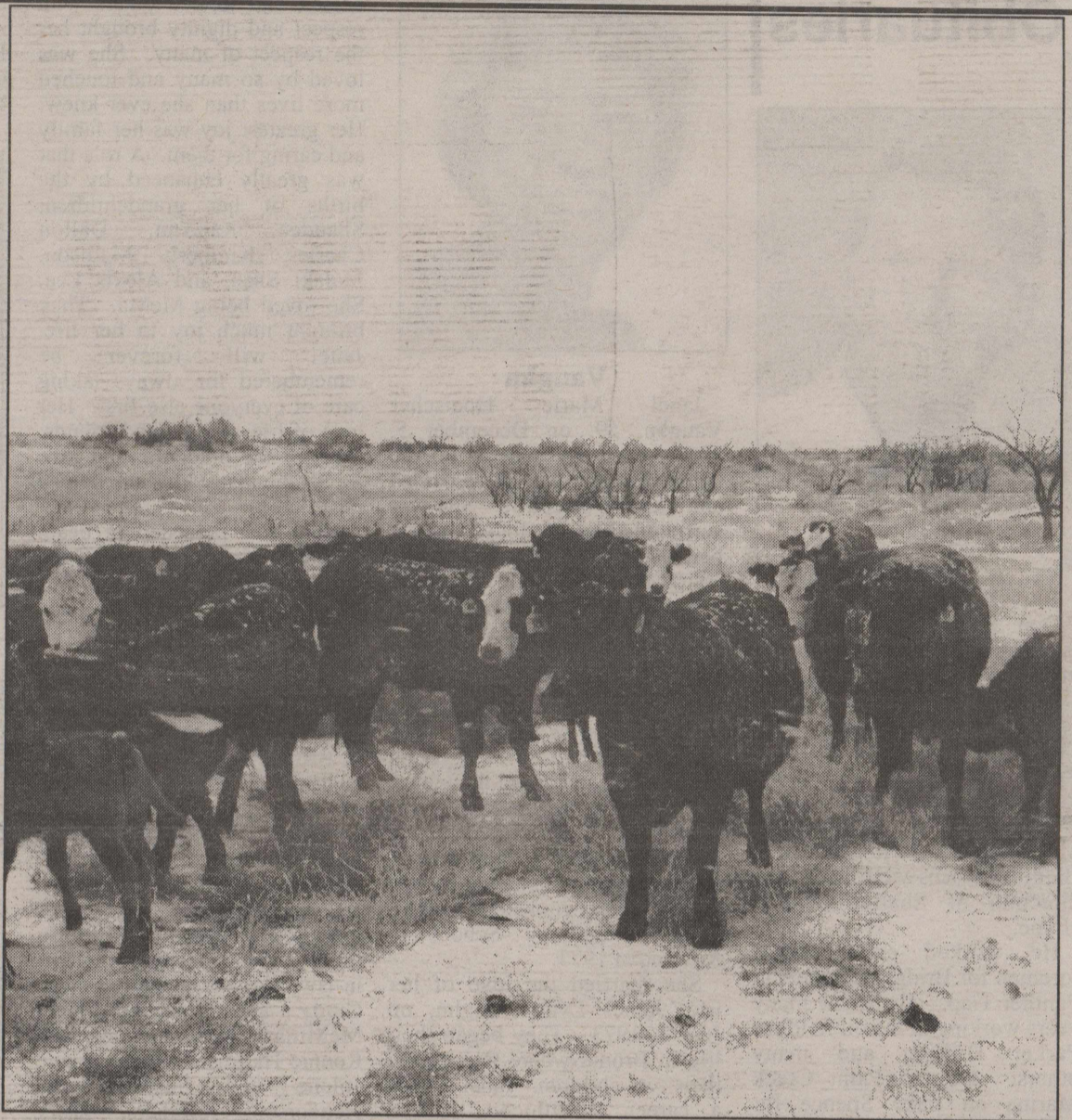
The meeting opened with prayer given by Judge Blair and pledge to the flag was recited.

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

Commissioner Pitcock made a motion to approve the minutes for November 12 and 14. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Commissioner Lee made a motion to approve the 2014 Courthouse Holiday Schedule as stated. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blaylock. Motion carried.



Winter Weather Revisits Coke County! These cattle were glad to see the feed wagon arrive last weekend as they braved the cold and ice. The first cold front of this session blew into the county last Thursday, December 5th, delivering massive cold air and an average of an inch of sleet over the next couple of days. Schools in Blackwell, Bronte and Robert Lee were forced to close Friday. By Sunday afternoon, temperatures headed above freezing for a short while and most of the ice on area roadways melted. However, by Monday morning another front dipped temperatures back into the twenties and county residents were introduced to "freezing fog".

Unfortunately, both Robert Lee and Bronte had Christmas celebrations scheduled for last weekend. Christmas in Bronte has been cancelled and will not be postponed. Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose "A Small Town Christmas" in Robert Lee has been rearranged. The lighting ceremony was held without fanfare so residents could begin enjoying the beautiful Christmas lights. The movie and meal has been rescheduled for tomorrow (Saturday) night. The meal of stew and cornbread will be held at 6 pm with "Elf" screening at 7 pm. Both events will be held at the large recreation hall in the Coke County Park in Robert Lee. The movie is free to the public.

With the cancellation of Santa's public visits to Coke County, The Observer/Enterprise has no "Santa" pictures for next week's Christmas issue. If your child or grandchild was able to visit with Santa somewhere, please send that picture in no later than Monday, December 16, at 12 noon and we'll try to include it in next week's paper. You can email it as a jpeg attachment to o-e@wcc.net.

Judge Blair did not have anything to report on the Coke County Detention Center.

Judge Blair reported the proposed offer to purchase Coke County Detention Center was for \$192,000.00 and we pay all closing costs.

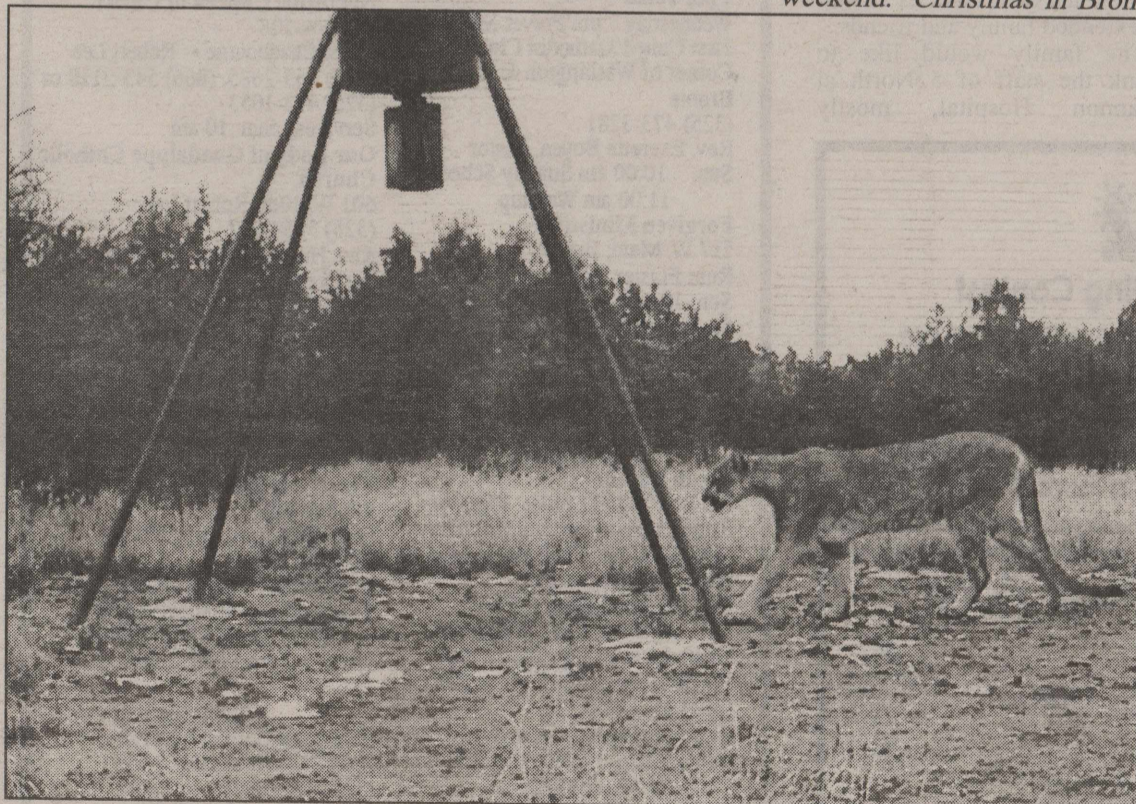
Commissioner Pitcock made a motion to allow Judge Blair to visit with him about the proposal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lee made a

motion to approve the contract between Coke County and the Texas Department of Agriculture. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pitcock. Motion carried.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to approve the Contract for Management Services for the 2013 Texas Community Development Block Grant Project. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Pitcock. Motion carried.

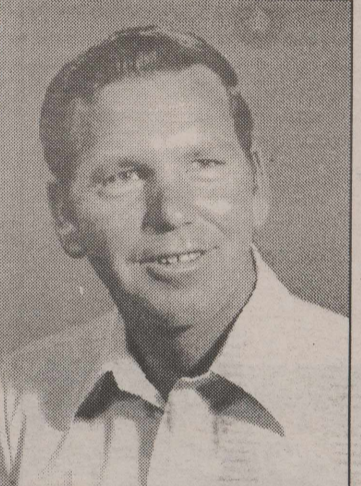
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Rare Capture! Edwin Lindsey captured this mountain lion on a game camera on November 23, 2013, at about 5:30 pm. The big cat was caught on three other cameras over a 3 day span on neighbors' properties. The area where the cat was seen is west of FM 1904 on the north side of Lake Spence outside of Robert Lee.

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Obituaries



Blair

Don Blair, 75, our loving father passed away at his home in Robert Lee, Texas, on December 3, 2013. Graveside services were held at 2 pm Thursday, December 5, 2013, at Robert Lee Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jeff Blair, Duane Blair, Roy Blair, Terry McGinley, Ty Corley and Cody Blair. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

He worked as a ranch foreman for Bridges Brothers at Panther Gap. He spent many years working in the oil field for Parker Drilling and many others. He ran Paint Creek Marina on Lake Spence for many years. He loved to spend time roping, hunting, fishing, playing cards and dominos with family and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Jeff and Thelma, and brother J.D..

He is survived by his children, Donna Blair and friend Laura of Ft. Worth, Texas, Kim and Johnny Hand of Leon Springs, Texas, Troy Blair of Spring Branch, Texas, and Dondee and Kevin Stehn of Venus, Texas; grandchildren, Cody Blair of Midland, Texas, Brittney Blair and John Villa of Midland, Texas, Samantha and Frankie Fowler of Venus, Texas; great-grandchildren, Olivia Faith Villa of Midland, Texas; siblings, Edith McGinley, Bill and Eula Fay Blair, Ruth Weimer, Dan and Lennie Blair, Jerry Blair and friend Vernon Smith and numerous nieces and nephews. Online condolences may be made at www.shafferfuneraleer.com.

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Vaughn

Janel Marie Hoelscher Vaughn, 59, on December 5, 2013, went to soar with the beloved angels who have passed and our two PeePaws. She was surrounded by her loved ones at her residence in Bronte, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Janel was born on October 12, 1954, to Ray Gene and Jean (Gully) Hoelscher in Ballinger, Texas. She grew up on the family farm in Rowena and was a true farmer's daughter. Her favorite thing to do as a young girl was to run behind the tractor and plow, to feel and smell the fresh dirt. She became an exquisite athlete in high school, earning numerous awards and respect. Janel graduated from St. Joseph's Catholic School in Rowena in 1973.

She married the love of her life, James Lynn Vaughn, on July 3, 1973. They began their life in Bronte where they raised their two children. Janel started a career at Ethicon in San Angelo and was there for seven years. She then began working at Bronte ISD in 1980. She drove the school bus and managed the cafeteria for 28 years. She loved the kids and touched many lives while there. Following are some words from one special girl whom she touched.

"Before I leave this world I want to make a difference in somebody's life. I think we all want that. Janel made a difference in two small town

country girls that were raised by their Dad. Our childhood was not the best but people like Janel helped us to survive. She waited countless mornings for us to get on the bus. She didn't have the time to wait and didn't have to wait, but she did. I'm forever grateful. When I think of strength plus beauty, I look at Janel. She was one of the toughest ladies I've ever met but also simply beautiful: A simple beauty, not one that needed make-up."

Janel retired from Bronte ISD in 2008, but retirement wasn't for her. She began working at the First National Bank of Sterling City in Bronte in September of 2008 where she remained until June of 2013.

The way Janel conducted herself and treated others with respect and dignity brought her the respect of many. She was loved by so many and touched more lives than she ever knew. Her greatest joy was her family and caring for them. A role that was greatly enhanced by the births of her grandchildren, Shandee RaeAnn, Dalton Charles, Kimberly Madison, Malaki Shae, and Alexis Lea. She loved being MeMa. They brought much joy to her life. Janel will forever be remembered for always taking care of everyone else first. Her love of life, family, and friends; love for the outdoors; and love for all the many kids she helped raise.

Janel was preceded in death by her father, Ray Gene Hoelscher (PeePaw) and her father-in-law, Bobby Joe Vaughn (PeePaw).

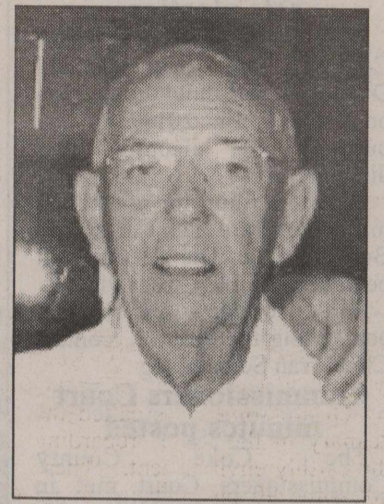
She is survived and lovingly remembered by her family; devoted and loving husband of forty years, James Lynn Vaughn of Bronte; daughter, Teresa and husband Thad Metcalf of Forsan; son, Russel Lynn Vaughn of Garden City; granddaughters, Shandee RaeAnn, Kimberly Madison, Malaki Shae, and Alexi Lea; grandson, Dalton Charles; mother, Jean Hoelscher; mother-in-law, Marlene Vaughn; sisters, Cindy and husband Kent McMillan, Kay and husband Ronnie Halfmann; sister-in-law, Jolene and husband Jay Henderson; brothers, Gary Hoelscher and wife Lynette, John Hoelscher and wife Karen, Steve Hoelscher and wife Mary Lee, Chris Hoelscher and wife Kelliann; brother-in-law, Bruce Vaughn and wife Stormy; adopted daughter, Pam Hilliard; adopted sister, Carolyn Lesley. Also surviving are numerous loving nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and their families as well as extended family and friends.

The family would like to thank the staff of 5 North at Shannon Hospital, mostly

Paulette, Yolanda, Katelyn, and Tiffany for their compassion and care, the wonderful staff at Ballinger Home Health with special thanks to Stephanie Hite, the care and support given by Odyssey Hospice especially Jamye, Sheri, and Kacee. The family cannot express enough thanks to Pam Hilliard. Without her compassion, care, and support, we would have never made it through this. We would also like to express our gratitude to all of Mom's many friends and neighbors whose support was a blessing. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to cancer research or a charity of your choice.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am, Saturday, December 14, 2013 in Rowena at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Arrangements are with Lange Funeral Home in Ballinger. Guests may register online at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

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Loyd

Johnnie "Bud" Loyd, age 83, passed away Thursday, December 5, 2013, in Robert Lee Care Center in Robert Lee, Texas. A graveside service for

the burial of cremains will take place at 2 pm Friday, December 13, at Ross Cemetery, Spencer-Price Addition, in Baird, Texas, with Chaplain J. T. Tucker officiating. Services are under the direction of Parker Funeral Home in Baird. The family will gather for lunch at 12 noon at the First Presbyterian Church of Baird.

Bud was born on August 24, 1930, in Elk City, Oklahoma, to Johnnie and Ola Cravens Loyd. He was the youngest of seven siblings. He was married to Pat Melton Loyd for 38 years and they had two children, Andy and Jana. Bud owned Bluebonnet Mirror and Glass for 35 years in Odessa, Texas, and then retired to Robert Lee, Texas. He then remarried in 1998 to Connie King for 10 years.

Survivors include 1 sister, Martha Long Roach of Lubbock, Texas; his son Andy Loyd of Odessa, Texas; his daughter Jana Dickey and husband Jim of McKinney, Texas; 6 grandchildren, Kelly Loyd of McKinney, Texas, Matt Loyd of Irving, Texas, Clinton Calmes and wife Megan of Grapevine, Texas, Laura Brandenburg and husband Howell from Plainview, Texas, Jim Dickey and wife Amy of Phoenix, Arizona, and Amanda Moutos and husband Nick of Phoenix, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 6 of his siblings, his two wives, and his dogs Bonnie and Muggs.

Bud loved family gatherings and was a man of many friends. He loved his grandchildren and participated in all of their school activities. He also loved his dog, Bonnie and Muggs! "Turn Out the Lights! The Party's Over", for Mr. Loyd has gone to see his Heavenly Father.

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Area Churches
 Invite You to Worship

Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291
 Preacher John V. Driggers
 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 & 6 pm Worship
 Wed. 6 pm
First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331
 Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship
 6 pm Youth
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting
First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte
 (325) 473-3281
 Rev. Everette Boyce, Pastor
 Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship
Forgiven Ministries
 117 W. Main, Bronte
 Russ Frasier, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am
St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

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Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
 (325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Minister
www.pecanbaptist.org
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
United Christians Fellowship
 PO Box 938 • Robert Lee Rec Hall
 (325) 453-2468
 Ed Zimmerman, Minister
 Sunday 10 am Sunday School,
 11 am Worship
Robert Lee
Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2360
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417
 Cyndi Weidner, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship
 5:00 pm Choir Practice
Iglesia Bautista Betel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee
 Sun. 9:55 am • Sunday School
 11 am • Service & Children's Church
 Fri. 7 pm • Bible Study
Southside Church of Christ
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2176
 Jordan Arnold, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508
 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or
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 Services: Sun. 10 am
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
 (325) 365-2687
 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm
Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724
 Danny White, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship
 Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638
 6th & Houston, Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2208
 Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

Tennyson
Tennyson Baptist Church
 Hwy 277 • Tennyson
 (325) 473-2040
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Christmas Decorating Contest
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RLCC Thanksgiving! Robert Lee Care Center held their Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 24, 2013. Despite the weather, families gathered and enjoyed the wonderful food prepared by the kitchen staff and desserts from residents' families. The Robert Lee School students, along with staff, assisted in serving and making this an enjoyable Thanksgiving Day. Patsy Baker and her family enjoyed the meal, as did Charlotte McKnight and her family.

Death Notices

Fowler

Charles William "Chi" Fowler, 84, of San Angelo, passed away Wednesday, December 4, 2013, at his residence. Services were held at 1 pm Friday, December 6, in San Angelo at Word of Life with Rev. David Smith officiating. Burial followed in Sanco Cemetery.

Charles was born December 2, 1929, in Sanco, Texas, to Samuel Joseph and Helen (Wyatt) Fowler. Charles was an electrician for Concho Valley Electric Coop for 32 years. He became pastor of Way of the Cross Church for 17 years and then pastored numerous other churches in the area. He pastored for 27 years.

Charles was raised in Sanco where he met and married his childhood sweetheart, Janice Eva Belle McCutchen in August 1948, in Sanco, Texas.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; and son Dellwyn Fowler.

Survivors include his wife Eva Fowler of San Angelo; children Larry Flower and wife Barbara of Robert Lee, Ricky Fowler and wife Vickie, Chira Oravetz and husband Max, Danny Fowler, Terry McCracken and wife Sandy, all of San Angelo, Evana Figueroa and husband Micky of Bend, Oregon, Twyla Oliver and husband Andy, Johnny Fowler and Thana Fowler, all of San Angelo, Charlie Fowler Jr. and fiancée Jenny of Midland and Treva Hernandez of San Angelo; 33 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; brother Waddy Fowler and wife Mary Ann of Hillsboro, Texas; sisters Sammie Joe Baker and husband Ronnie, Patricia Taft Clements and husband Jack and Janice Fowler, all of Robert Lee; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Patten

James Lowell Patten, 76, passed away November 27, 2013. Memorial services will be held at 1 pm on Friday, December 13, 2013, at Central Baptist Church in Bronte. Arrangements are by Shaffer Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife, Ruthie "Joyce" Patten of Bronte; daughter, Sophia Williford of Cold Spring, Gwendolyn Eiland of Richardson, Nancy Patten of Oakland, California, Mary Douglas of Houston; son, Joe Patten of Austin; sister, Jean Marie Patten of California.

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Christmas Bird Count set for January 4

The Audubon Society annual Christmas Bird Count will be held in and around Robert Lee on January 4, 2014. The group will meet at Twisters' for breakfast and Last Leg for lunch. Once a year the Audubon Society conducts a bird count to study the effects of weather, water, and habitat on wild birds which are sometimes called the "canary in the mine" regarding the earthly environment. There are some 90 bird species living or migrating through Coke County. The documentation of the bird count will be distributed some time following the national count.

Some of the group will be staying at Mt. Creek Lodge. Rose Marie Storz is the compiler for the event. Bird counters come from Midland/Odessa, Dallas/Ft. Worth, and other cities in Texas because they enjoy being outdoors in West Texas. Anyone interested in participating, may call Ms Storz at 432-770-6324.

County Judge Honored for Education Efforts

Coke County Judge Roy Blair has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to be prepared to handle his duties as Judge.

Judge Blair was inducted as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy November 21, 2013, at a reception in Galveston, during the 2013 Fall Judicial Education Session.

The Academy, a partnership



Veterans Honored! Bronte Health & Rehab Center residents who are veterans, along with BHRC Administrator John DiFrancesco, were honored with a Veterans' Day Celebration at the Center.

between the Texas Tech University School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, names as Fellows each year those Judges who attain significant judicial education above the required by state law. The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of

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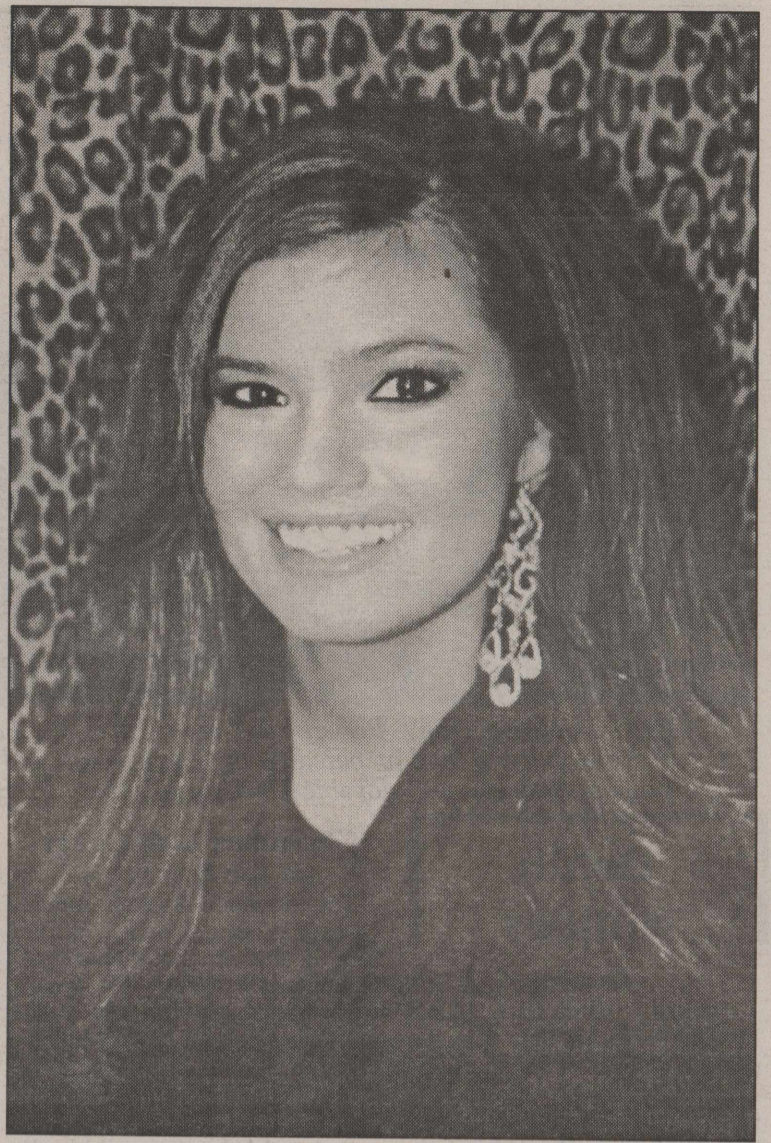
Murphy competes for the Miss Jr. Teen San Antonio title

McKenzie Murphy of Devine was recently selected to participate in the 2013 Miss Jr. Teen San Antonio pageant competition that will take place Saturday, December 7, 2013. McKenzie learned of her acceptance into this year's competition when the pageant announced their selections following their interviews in the local San Antonio area. McKenzie submitted an application and took part in an interview



session that was conducted by this year's San Antonio Pageant Coordinator. McKenzie will be competing, for her share of thousands of dollars in prizes and specialty gifts that will be distributed to contestants. McKenzie will be competing in the Miss Jr. Teen division, one of four divisions that will have young ladies 7 and 19 competing in modeling routines, which include casual

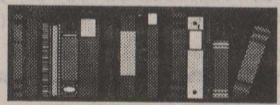
wear and formal wear. Most important, McKenzie will display her personality and interviewing skills while interviewing with this year's San Antonio judging panel. Personality is the number one aspect that each contestant is judged on during all phases of competition. If McKenzie were to win the title of Miss Jr. Teen San Antonio, she would represent



McKenzie Murphy

San Antonio and the surrounding communities at the National Competition that will take place in Orlando, Florida. Over \$30,000 in prizes and awards will be presented at the National Competition while each winner enjoys this expense paid trip of five nights and six days in Orlando, Florida. McKenzie in participating in this year's competition by becoming an official sponsor to her. Through sponsorship, each contestant receives all the necessary training, rehearsals, and financial support which will allow McKenzie to become a very confident and well-prepared contestant in this year's San Antonio Pageant. McKenzie is the daughter of Randy and Krystal Carver Murphy of Devine, Texas, and the granddaughter of John and Sheila Carver of Sonora, Texas. Community businesses, organizations, and private individuals will assist

School Menu



Breakfast

- Monday, December 16**
Pigs in blanket, juice, milk
- Tuesday, December 17**
Eggs, biscuit, gravy, juice, milk
- Wednesday, December 18**
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
- Thursday, December 19**
Breakfast burritos, juice, milk
- Friday, December 20**
Cinnamon roll, juice, milk

Lunch

- Monday, December 16**
Corndog, baked beans, tomato and cucumber cup, apple-pineapple d' lite, milk
- Tuesday, December 17**
Beefy queso, refried beans, salad, orange, milk
- Wednesday, December 18**
Chicken sandwich, fries, fresh veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk
- Thursday, December 19**
Chicken nuggets, gravy, salad, baby carrots, fresh grapes, milk
- Friday, December 20**
Pizza, broccoli, corn, fresh fruit, milk

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2013 Ford Focus SE	#7150	\$18,695	2012 Ford Fusion SE	#7154	\$15,995
<i>Ingot Silver with Gray Leather • Moonroof!</i>			<i>Redfire Metallic w/Graphite Cloth Interior</i>		
2009 Lincoln MKS All Wheel Drive	#6557A	\$21,995			
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2013 Chevy Silverado 1500	#6615A	\$26,995			
<i>T-White Diamond Tri-Coat w/Tan Leather • Texas Edition</i>					
<i>w/Chrome custom cab steps</i>					
2013 Ford Fusion	#P147B	\$22,995			
<i>Ingot Silver w/ Graphite Cloth Interior</i>					
2011 Ford Mustang Coupe	#5178	\$18,995			
<i>Grabber Blue w/Charcoal Interior</i>					
2008 Lincoln Town Car Signature	#6515A	\$16,995			
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<i>Silver w/Black Leather • Super Sporty • 21K Miles!</i>					
2009 Ford Edge SEL	#6585A	\$16,995			
<i>Ruby Red Metallic w/ Tan Leather</i>					

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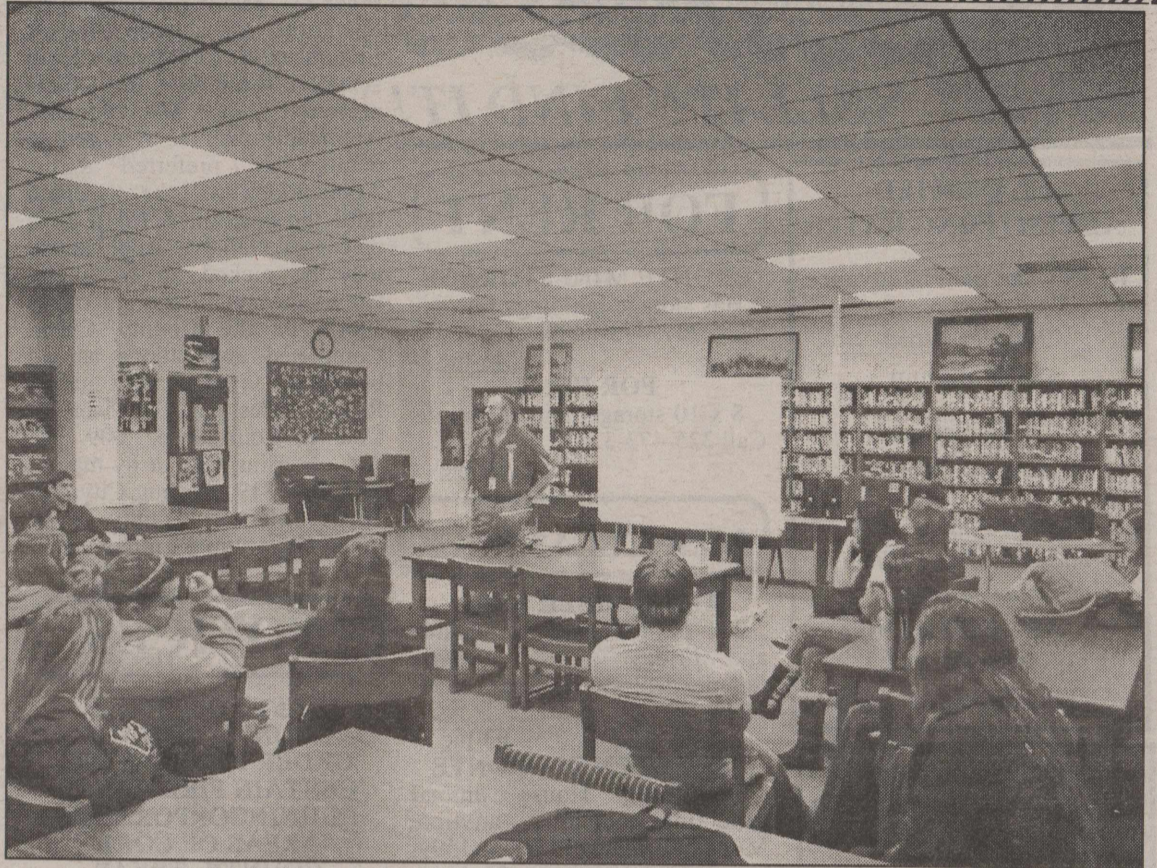
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Randy Flanagan • Jim Herring
Billy Wayne Roe

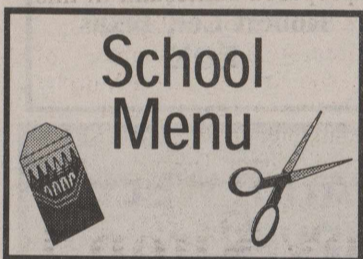


December Student of the Month! Hunter Hamrick, a sophomore student at Bronte High School has been selected by the Order of the Eastern Star Robert Lee-Bronte chapter to be the December Student of the Month. Hunter is an honor roll student who is involved in many different extra-curricular activities including golf, band, 4-H, FCCLA, Girl Scouts, and has placed or qualified in several state U.I.L. or 4-H competitions. She has also served as class secretary while in high school and has spent some of her spare time working or performing community service type activities over the past few years. Mr. Dannheim, BHS band director said "Hunter is an outstanding leader who leads by example. She does a great job as a musician. We are very fortunate to have her in the Bronte band." After graduating high school, Hunter would like to earn a bachelor's degree and have a career as an accountant or work in the field of business management.

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Tech School Presentation! Max Spangler, a high school admission's representative from Lincoln College of Technology, recently spoke to the juniors and seniors at Bronte High School about the programs available at Lincoln Tech. Those programs include a diesel program and automotive program, as well as a welding program. In addition to describing the programs and services Lincoln Tech offers, Mr. Spangler discussed the difference between having a job and career. The students also had the opportunity to ask questions and they received several free promotional items from the school. For more information on the college, please visit www.lincolncollegeoftechnology.com.



Bronte Secondary Schools 2nd Six Weeks Awards 7th Grade

All "A" Honor Roll

Cassidy McWright

"A/B" Honor Roll

Sarah Allen
Robert Arthur
Tanner Braswell
Jacob Eubanks
Garrett Knight
Hailey McKinney
Raegen Moore
Kaci Queen
Jayden Speary
Tiffani Sullivan
Jason Woehrle

Perfect Attendance

Sarah Allen
Juanita Betts
Tanner Braswell
Kendra Coalson
Garrett Knight
Hailey McKinney
Skyleigh Minjarez
Raegen Moore
Randall Parks
Hunner Powell
Kaci Queen
Elexis Sanchez
Jayden Speary
Kristen Stille
Mahira Tapia
Jason Woehrle

8th Grade

"All A" Honor Roll

Payton Arrott
Aaron Cervenka

Lisa Gilbert "A/B" Honor Roll

Reighlyn Baken
Paul Basquez
Tanner Bedford
Jaqueline Davila
Mercedes Delacerda
Darby Duncan
Elizabeth Galvan
Zachary Jackson
Hanna McKinney
Collin Moore
Dayana Perez
Melissa Perez
Shawn Puentez
Nathan Robinson
Alyssa Sallee
Diana Tapia

Perfect Attendance

Payton Arrott
Paul Basquez
Aaron Cervenka
Darby Duncan
Elizabeth Galvan
Zachary Jackson
Hanna McKinney
Shawn Puentez
Alyssa Sallee
Diana Tapia

9th Grade

"All A" Honor Roll

Emily Davidson
Kacelyn Follis

"A/B" Honor Roll

Brittany Bedford
Whitney Boyd
Hannah Brackeen
Ismael Cecilio
Karen Davis
Ryan Jones
Carson Kelso
Justin Reed
Katlyn Reeves
Kaitlyn Swecker

Hanna Weatherly Emily Whitehurst Bryce Willis

Perfect Attendance

Brittany Bedford
Ashley Betts
Whitney Boyd
Hannah Brackeen
Ismael Cecilio
Emily Davidson
Karen Davis
Samuel Dominguez
Koby Dozier
Kacelyn Follis
Joshua Huffman
Ryan Jones
Justin Reed
Morgan Sallee
Kaitlyn Swecker
Kaleb Turner
Hanna Weatherly
Emily Whitehurst

10th Grade

"All A" Honor Roll

Hunter Hamrick

"A/B" Honor Roll

Rankin Deronde
Ashlee Irwin
Kyler Richards
Sarah Sanchez
Kellie Thorn
Ean Ward

Perfect Attendance

Rankin Deronde
Emmery McCullough
Kyler Richards
Sarah Sanchez
Martha Tapia
Kellie Thorn
Ean Ward

11th Grade

"All A" Honor Roll

Crystal Bilbrey
Lance Burns
Stacia Emfinger
Josh Puentez

"A/B" Honor Roll

Jessica Arthur
Marley Braswell
Sammy Dominguez
Kolby Lee
Alondra Perez
Dakota Pullen
Jensen Reed
Addison Rosson

Perfect Attendance

Dakota Arthur
Marley Braswell
Lance Burns
Stacia Emfinger
Kolby Lee
Oscar Pena
Alondra Perez
Joshua Puentez
Jensen Reed
Addison Rosson
Moriah Royall
Jared Scott

12th Grade

"All A" Honor Roll

Ty Lee

"A/B" Honor Roll

Brittany Neagle
Rachel Everheart
Tabatha Huffman
Marisa Sanchez
Maria Tapia

Perfect Attendance

Stetsen Emfinger
Rachel Everheart
Mizael Perez
Maria Tapia

Monday, December 16
Breakfast pizza or cereal w/ toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, December 17
Pancake on stick or cereal w/toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, December 18
Breakfast bagel or cereal w/ toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Thursday, December 19
Breakfast burrito or cereal w/toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, December 20
French toast sticks or cereal w/toast & jelly, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, December 16
Corn dogs, baked beans, tomato cucumber cup, fruit, milk

Tuesday, December 17
Spaghetti with meat sauce, carrots, seasoned corn, fresh fruit, breadstick, milk

Wednesday, December 18
Beefy queso, refried beans, garden salad, orange smiles, milk

Thursday, December 19
Meaty macaroni, carrots, broccoli, fruit, Texas toast, milk

Friday, December 20
Pizza, garden salad, seasoned corn, apples, milk

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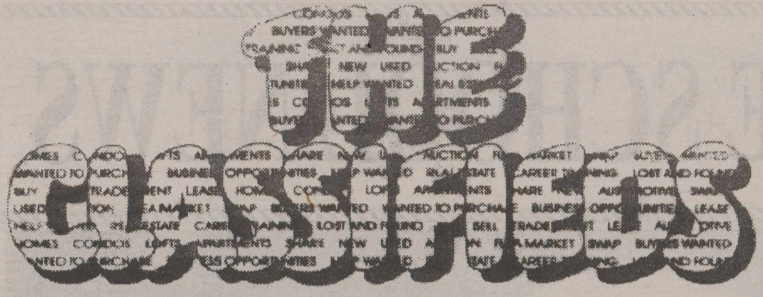
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NOTICES
STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS
 WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Coke County; and
 WHEREAS, on the 9th day of December, 2013, the Commissioners Court of Coke County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Coke County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions

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now existing;
 NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Coke County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Coke County.

unincorporated area of Coke County.
 B. This Order does not prohibit:
 1. common fireworks, small in size classified as Class

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NOTICES

C explosives;

2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. [TEX. OCC. CODE, Chapter 2154].

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C. Misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS THE 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013, BY THE COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Roy Blair
County Judge

Attest:
Mary Grim, County/District
Clerk

23-1tc

...Commissioner's
Court

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Commissioner Lee made a motion to approve the Contract for Engineering Services for the 2013 Texas Community Block Grant Project. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

Commissioner Blaylock made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the following persons to sign financial documents that pertain to the Texas Community Block Grant Program: County Judge Blair, County Commissioner Montgomery, County Auditor Cheryl Tavarez, and County Treasurer Hal Spain. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

Judge Blair reported to the Court that Global Connect services will be transitioned to Emergency Communications Network.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to approve the C o d e R e d Emergency Notification Service Agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

Judge Blair reported that he would do some more checking on Worker's Compensation for Richard Johnson.

Judge Blair reported that he will talk with rural transportation, reported on school in Galveston and that the County's Christmas party is December 10.

There being no private road work requests no action was taken. Auditor Cheryl Tavarez reported that all private road work needs to go through Commissioner's Court.

Commissioner Lee made a motion to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pitcock. Motion carried.

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Blackwell School Menu

Breakfast
Monday, December 16
 Sausage kolache, oven roasted potatoes or cereal with toast, juice, milk
Tuesday, December 17
 Oatmeal round with yogurt or cereal with toast, juice, milk
Wednesday, December 18
 Breakfast pizza or cereal with toast, juice, milk
Thursday, December 19
 Waffles and sausage or cereal with toast, juice, milk
Friday, December 20
 Cinnamon roll, bacon or cereal with toast, juice, milk

Lunch
Monday, December 16
 2 pizza dippers with spaghetti sauce, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick (pk-8), pudding (9-12), milk
Tuesday, December 17
 Ultimate taco salad, tortilla chips, Spanish rice (9-12), romaine and tomato, salsa, seasoned corn, snowball salad, milk
Wednesday, December 18
 Christmas dinner with family and friends
Thursday, December 19
 Chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, milk
Friday, December 20
 Hamburger or cheeseburger, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk

Coke County Library News

The Coke County Library has assembled all the Christmas reading for kids. New stories and old are ready to inspire the Christmas spirit. Bring the kids by to see the supply and check out for family reading time. The library will be closed December 24th, 25th and 26th. Books checked out before those dates will not be due until next year (2014). The magazine exchange is in operation. Magazines may be checked out for keeping, or cutting, or returning. Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5, Fridays, 8-12. Call 453-2495 for more information.



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