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UPCOMINGS!

Kid Fish Event slated for October 19

The third annual Bronte Kid Fish event is set for Saturday, October 19, 2024, from 8 am to 12 noon at Lake Knierim (Old City Lake) in Bronte. Bait, tackle, and lunch/snacks/drinks will be provided. This event is provided for children up to age sixteen (16) in Coke and surrounding counties. No fishing license is required for children under the age of seventeen. Parents are highly encouraged to attend with children. Volunteers will be on hand to assist with rigging tackle, baiting, and fish removal. Participants are welcome to take their catch home. Prizes will be awarded for biggest fish, biggest bag, etc.

Bronte Kid Fish is now a non-profit organization and is accepting donations to help with this event. Donations can be made at Bronte Guns and Tackle at 103 W. Main St. or at PO Box 151, Bronte, Texas 76933. Tax deductible donation forms available upon request. Bronte Kid Fish board of directors are Dan Waddell, president; Tim Smith, vice-president; and Jennifer Addona, treasurer/secretary.

Fall Festival set for October 19

The Coke County Youth Ministry will host a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19. The event will be held from 5 pm until 8 pm at the Robert Lee High School tennis court parking lot. There will be games, food booths, and prizes.

For more information, call (325) 453-1137.

Annual Hunting & Fishing Guide set for October 25

The 2024 Coke and surrounding counties Hunting and Fishing Guide will be published in the October 25 edition of *The Observer/Enterprise*.

The deadline for pictures, advertising and editorial copy is Monday, October 14. If you have pictures of wildlife in this area, pictures or stories from last season's hunting and/or fishing, or pictures of this year's

bow season, please send them in to be included in this year's issue. All information and pictures may be emailed to ObserverEnterprise@gmail.com or texted to (325) 277-9210.

For more information or to book advertising, please call/text Morgan at (325) 277-9210.

Early voting for November elections to begin October 21

Early voting for the November 5, 2024, general election will begin Monday, October 21, and run through Friday, November 1. Ballots may be cast at the Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee on the following dates and times: Monday, October 21 through Friday, October 25, 7 am - 7 pm; Saturday, October 26, and Sunday, October 27, 7 am - 7 pm; and Monday, October 28 through Friday, November 1, 7 am - 7 pm.

Local offices up for election include County Attorney, currently held by Nick Arrott; County/District Clerk, currently held by Jennifer Burdett; Sheriff, currently held by Wayne McCutchen; County Tax Assessor-Collector, currently

held by Gina Williams; County Commissioner Precinct 1, currently held by Donald Robertson; and County Constable, currently held by Marty Boyd.

With the exception of the offices of County Attorney and Sheriff, the above incumbents have filed for re-election. Billy Williams will be on the ballot for the office of Sheriff and Cody McCabe for the office of County Attorney.

A special election will also be held the day of the general election regarding the creation of an Emergency Services District. Early voting will be held for this election will be held at the same times listed above as the general election.

Book Sale to be held at RLHS

There will be a book sale October 28 through November 1 at the Robert Lee High School library. No prices will be posted as all books are for sale by donation.

Death Notices

Hargrave

Linda Jane Fogel Hargrave, affectionately known as Janie, passed away on October 1, 2024.

She is survived by her husband, Frank Hargrave; her daughters, Jennifer (Clay) Clemmer, Carla (Scott) Grigsby, Diane (James) Alley, and Connie (Justin) Stensby; her son, David (Joanna) Hargrave; her sister, Kathy Fogel Putnam; 19 grandchildren, including Spencer Smith Jr., whom she raised; 16 great-grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held on October 26 at 2 pm at the Bronte Community Center. It will be come and go as you please. The family and close friends will have supper.

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Stuff from the Pastor

This past weekend I had the pleasure of serving on a team of volunteers who went into the prison in Snyder, Texas to offer the Lord to forty-two inmates. This ministry is called KAIROS. It is a spin off of the Walk To Emmaus. Our inside team of thirty-five men included musicians, clergy, and church volunteers. This number was not always the same because of individual's schedules or spontaneous changes that did occur. This number did not include another twenty five outside volunteers who cooked, did administrative tasks and hauled food and equipment to the prison twice a day from the First Baptist Church in Snyder. (Bless those people who let us use their Family Life Center to store supplies and cook meals for the inmates and team inside the facility.

We met there too early...6:00 a.m. for breakfast, and when our day was done at the prison at approximately 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. we met to evaluate the days progress and review the next day's activities). Two of the lunches (BBQ, burgers, and sausage) were primarily cooked on a large pull-behind grill owned by the KAIROS volunteers who offer their cooking skills for the weekend. The numbers of volunteers varied by three or four every day depending upon the availability

of volunteers. You can't tell a volunteer when they are expected to be there, because then that is not being a volunteer. This KAIROS experience teaches the inmates about Christianity and offers lessons about a life with Christ. The event starts Thursday afternoon and ends late in the afternoon on Sunday. The team is in the prison at approximately 7:30 am on the other three days. When we enter we can carry only car keys, a pen, and our notes. Our driver's license is a must to have to insure entrance to the facility. It is exactly like boarding an airplane at the airport without having to pass through an x-ray scanner. When we passed through no less than four locked gates we were escorted to the gymnasium where the KAIROS was held. I can tell you when they take your driver's license to ensure the head count is correct is humbling. Hearing those buzzers opening the gates and then hearing them clang shut behind you is an eye opener. It was a great weekend. The team worked well with the 'Men in White' and we fed their bodies and their minds with words, songs, and food. Did I tell you cookies play a big part in this ministry. Each inmate at their table is given all the cookies they can eat and at the end of each day they are given cookies to take back to their respective dorms to share with their friends and not friends. Did I tell you we served

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
firstbronte@gmail.com
Pastor George Cooper
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
10:30 am Worship
Wednesday 6 pm - 8 pm
Children and Youth

Bronte Methodist Church

Corner of Washington & Holmes
Bronte • (325) 650-4836
Pastor Keith Fletcher
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship

St. James Catholic Church

215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Timothy Hayter, Pastor
Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am

Robert Lee

Emmanuel Pentecostal

PO Box 794 • 1004 Hillcrest
Pastor Brantly Robertson
(972) 841-2009
Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm

First Methodist Church

PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
Pastor Gary Karschner
Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417

Southside Church of Christ

PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
Robert Lee (325) 453-2176
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am Worship

Northside Church of Christ

PO Box 508
9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
(325) 453-2685, (325) 763-2118
or (325) 473-1053

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
(325) 365-2687

Robert Lee Baptist Church

PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
(325) 453-2724

Chris Walls, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11 am Worship

Wed. 6:30 pm, Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God

(325) 453-2208, PO Box 638
202 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee

Rev. Rocky Youngblood, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

Coke County

Pecan Baptist

PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
(325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Pastor
www.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship