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Friday, December 22, 2023

Free Christmas dinners to be served

Noel & Co. will be offering free dinners on Christmas day, December 25, beginning at 11 am until 12:30 pm (or until they run out). Reservations will not be taken and plates will be served on a first come, first served basis. The meal will be a drive-through, to go plates only. Plates will also only be given to those present in the vehicle. The meal will include ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green bean casserole, and a roll. Noel & Co. is located at 11200 W. State Highway 158, approximately 6 miles west of Robert Lee.

For further information, call (325) 763-8890.

Medical expense fundraisers being held

There are two raffles being held to raise funds for medical expenses for Ken Coalson, who has recently been diagnosed with cancer.

Raffle tickets for a Smith & Wesson 9MM Response are being sold at Bronte Guns & Tackle, Blackburn's Ranch & Hardware Supply, and Bronte

Grocery Store. The winner must meet all federal, state, and local firearm laws.

There is also a white-tailed shoulder mount raffle with tickets available through Little Wolf Taxidermy.

The drawings will be held on Sunday, December 24.

Community Christmas Eve Service slated

The First Methodist Church of Robert Lee will host this year's Community Christmas Eve Service on Sunday, December 24 at 6 pm. The candlelight service will be held in the sanctuary and is sponsored by the ministerial alliance. Everyone is encouraged to attend and commemorate the reason we celebrate this time of the year.

End of Year Party slated for December 30

A Eve of New Year's Eve Party will be held on Saturday, December 30, from 8 am until midnight at the Robert Lee Rec Hall. Music will be provided by Coke County's own Backroads West and the event is BYOB (please also bring a snack to share).



Visit with Santa! Kids of all ages stopped by to tell Santa Claus their Christmas wishes during the annual Christmas in Olde Bronte event on Saturday, December 9.

Year in Review Issue set for next week

The final issue of *The Observer/Enterprise* will be published Friday, December 29.

This is the annual Year in Review issue. We hope readers will enjoy looking back at a few of the stories making headlines this past year, although it is impossible to include everything noteworthy from 2023. The majority of the issue will be dedicated to 2023 with current news listed in the rear of this special edition.

Santa Letters Inside

Christmas Break

Bronte ISD

December 18 - January 4

Robert Lee ISD

December 18 - January 2

Blackwell CISD

December 21 - January 2

We wish you a very
**Merry Christmas and a
Happy & Prosperous
New Year!**