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Political Calendar

The Observer/Enterprise had been authorized to make the following announcements for the political offices in Coke County. Each candidate or the campaign treasurer has paid for his or her announcement.

All candidates listed below are candidates in the Republican Primary.

County Sheriff
Billy Williams

County Tax Assessor/Collector
Gina Williams

County Constable
Marty Boyd

Commissioner Precinct 1
Donald Robertson

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UCMR5 PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires that once every five years EPA issue a list of unregulated contaminants to be monitored by public water systems (PWSs). The Fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 5) was published on December 27, 2021. UCMR 5 requires sample collection for 30 chemical contaminants between 2023 and 2025 using analytical methods developed by EPA and consensus organizations. This action provides EPA and other interested parties with scientifically valid data on the national occurrence of these contaminants in drinking water. Consistent with EPA's PFAS Strategic Roadmap, UCMR 5 will provide new data that will improve EPA's understanding of the frequency that 29 PFAS (and lithium) are found in the nation's drinking water systems, and at what levels. The monitoring data on PFAS and lithium will help EPA make determinations about future regulations and other actions to protect public health under SDWA. The data will also ensure science-based decision-making, help EPA better understand whether these contaminants in drinking water disproportionally impact communities with environmental justice concerns, and allow the agency, states, Tribes, and water systems to target solutions. In accordance with UCMR 5, the City of Bronte is conducting its sampling requirements. You may review the results at City Hall, 114 S Washington, Monday – Friday from 8am – 4pm.

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...Wasserman Wranch

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Ellie Victoria is half mammoth—which are considered endangered and much larger in size—and half Poitou, like her dad, Bastien. A Poitou Donkey Census has estimated 70 purebreds in the United States and fewer than 500 in the world. "We've made the decision that if there's a Poitou breeding program out there that would like to add [Bastien], we'll let him go," Wassermann says.

Also on the ranch are alpacas named Anais, Sally, and Pearl; a llama named Dottie Llama; and three red kangaroos, Paisley Rose, Brogan and Sweet Pea. Before the COVID-19 pandemic, the Wassermanns hosted field trips for over 1,000 elementary school students in the region. To add an educational component to these trips, they had a contest to name Paisley Rose in 2017 and threw a gender reveal party for her first joey. It was a boy (Brogan)

The Wassermanns are known for taking in animals and rehabilitating wildlife, always with game warden's permission. They received Spur the miniature horse after his young owner outgrew him. A game warden brought in a deer they named Jane Doe and another guy brought in Delilah, a mule deer, after she was hit by a car. The couple didn't think Deliliah would make it, but she eventually bounced back. After the fawns were healthy, they were released to live outside and come and go as they wish. They always return for breakfast and dinner.

Carl the Camel, who turned 2 in February, is the most recent addition to the family. People can occasionally see him walking around Alpine with Scott. A local ranch hand found the injured camel and took him to veterinarian Ray Allen at Alpine Veterinary Clinic to nurse him back to health. He was bottle fed until the Wassermanns took him in. "We were suckers enough to say ok," Scott says.

The Wassermans also run a shop next door to the Holland Hotel in downtown Alpine. They sell items such as plush toys, jewelry, and ornaments related to the animals at the ranch. The towels and aprons that are embroidered with "I love Carl" are such a popular item that Wassermann can't keep them in stock. They also sell scarves, socks, and sweaters that are made from alpaca fleece that is soft, lightweight, and hypoallergenic. "I sold like 1,000 pairs of [alpaca] socks last year," Wassermann says.

They also offer honorary animal adoptions on their website. People who sign up receive a letter from one of the animals on a regular basis.

The animals at Wassermann Wranch are open and friendly. During tours, each one approaches visitors and lets people pet them. Wassermann considers them all safe, but will warn you if one of them is having a bad day. One thing she likes to do during a tour is have the guests take a moment and allow the donkeys to approach them. She says she can see them relax when that happens.

When Wassermann announced in 2020 that their alpaca Zeb-ed-dee-doo-dah had died, people not only shared their condolences, they also shared photos they took with him. It was a nice reminder that people also get attached to these critters.

"These guys really touch their hearts," Wassermann says. "I think we've just been fortunate in the animals that have come our way."

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Rare find in small, rural community! This spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath custom home is situated on 4+ acres and is finished in Northern Canadian Cedar lapboard siding for a lifetime of durability. Electric and water outlets are on all sides. There is a large front porch, spacious covered rear patio, 670 sq. ft. carport, privacy backyard fencing, and a storm celler. HVAC system was replaced in August 2021. You'll find modern updates throughout with trace ceilings in most rooms and electrical outlets on all walls. Built-in book and display cases in the living room with bay windows in the living room, dining room, and master bathroom. Spacious floor plan, utility room with sink, and a vented attic. Master bedroom has twin walk-in closets with a 5-drawer chest built in and a master bath with twin sinks, garden tub, and separate shower. All interior doors are ADA accessible. Property also includes a Hawk storage building with its own 50 amp sub-panel and built-in shelving.

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