



Planning Sessions! Members of the Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose recently held planning sessions for two event committees. The Small Town Christmas committee gets into the Christmas Spirit at their meeting (right) with festive table decorations. The Hunters Appreciation Barbecue committee has much on their "plate" with this year's annual Bob Wrinkle Memorial Hunters Appreciation Barbecue only a little over a week away. The annual event has been held on the opening evening of deer season. This year the event will be held Saturday, November 22, 2014, from 6 pm to 9 pm at the Robert Lee Rec Hall in Robert Lee. The supper will include plenty of barbecued brisket and sausage, beans, potato salad, iced tea, and fixings. The feed is at no cost to hunters, but tickets are necessary. They are available from the party from whom they lease, or from participating individuals and businesses who have supported the barbecue by donations. The annual barbecue is only possible because of VP members and great local volunteers who do the work - preparing, cooking, serving, clean-up - and whatever it takes to make the event happen. Area landowners and hunting lease managers may make a donation and pick up barbecue tickets at the following locations in Robert Lee: B's Blossoms N Bloom, Cindy's Grocery, Coke County Hardware, FOL Feed Store, and Floyd C. Pettitt Insurance. For more information, contact Jeffie Roberts at (325) 453-2957 or Marshall Millican at (325) 473-0437. The annual barbecue has grown from about 300 the first year to as many as 1,000 hungry hunters. Photos Courtesy of Leta Caston.

Sterling County Hunters' Appreciation Dinner

The annual Sterling County Hunters' Appreciation Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2014, beginning at 6:30 pm. The event will be held at the Sterling County Community Center. A brisket fajita supper with all the trimmings will be served. The public is encouraged to attend.

One dollar raffle tickets will be sold for the chance to win a minimum of 25 plus guns. Guns will be raffled that evening, but you do not have to be present to win.

Local and area businesses will also have booths available. For more information contact the Sterling County Extension Office at (325) 378-3181.

Comptroller Susan Combs Distributes \$723 Million in Monthly Sales Tax Revenue to Local Governments

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said recently that state sales tax revenue in October was \$2.41 billion, up 12.9 percent compared to October 2013.

"Strong growth in sales tax receipts was apparent across all major economic sectors," Combs said. "Notable increases

from retail trade and the oil and natural gas-related sectors led the growth, indicating increased spending by both consumers and businesses."

Combs will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their November local sales tax allocations totaling \$723.1 million, up 10.5 percent compared to November 2013.

The October figures for Blackwell, Bronte and Robert Lee are listed below.

Blackwell - \$1,249.41, down 61.64% from last year's \$3,257.73;

Bronte - \$12,823.81, down 2.63% from last year's \$13,170.60;

Robert Lee - \$13,586.03, up 37.08% from last year's \$9,910.45.

The monthly year-to-date figures for Blackwell, Bronte and Robert Lee are listed below.

Blackwell - \$11,635.36, down 19.9% from last year's \$14,527.03;

Bronte - \$139,450.99, up 3.14% from last year's \$135,199.50;

Robert Lee - \$129,834.94, up 22.19% from last year's 106,254.49.

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- Mike Conaway

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