

Small Town Christmas! Attendees at Robert Lee's Small Town Christmas enjoyed having their photo taken and viewing the lovely decorations. The gazebo in the Mini-Park between Robert Lee City Hall and the Coke County Library also received a holiday makeover and was adorned with lights and festive decor.

Toast with jelly, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk Friday, December 15

Pancakes, bacon, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, December 11 Taco salad bowl (shell, ground beef, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes) pinto beans, spanish rice, fruit, milk

Tuesday, December 12 Volcano bowl (meatballs), black olives, onions, chips, carrots with ranch, fruit, milk

Wednesday, December 13 Family Christmas Lunch

Thursday, December 14 Sloppy Joe, chips, baby carrots, fruit, milk

Friday, December 15

Soup (2 choices), cornbread, crackers, fruit, milk

Vision with a Purpose hosts Small Town Christmas

Vision With A Purpose provided Robert Lee a magical evening Saturday, December 2 with the arrival of Santa Claus (by fire truck) to the Family Life Center at the First United Methodist Church. Santa greeted children and heard their Christmas wishes.

Chili and stew and cornbread were served along with gingerbread men.

Pictures were taken by Erin Oleksiuk Photography, music was heard throughout the evening, and hayrides were provided for many to see the beautiful lighted Memorial Park and decorated homes. Under the direction of Nancy Wilson, the Family Life Center was decorated with sparkling lights, a big Santa, and a Christmas tree that was beyond words. Many families came out to support this annual event produced by Vision With A Purpose. VP will be holding their next meeting Thursday, December 7 at 6 pm at the Family Life Center. We encourage all those interested in providing Robert Lee with beautification and restoration to attend. New and old members are welcome. A meal will be served.

Holiday Cheer abounds at Texas State Parks

Get in the holiday spirit by celebrating at a Texas State Park. Throughout the month of December, 42 state parks around Texas are hosting more than 60 holiday events including light displays, taffy pulls, a balloon glow and geocaching.

Step back in time and see how the holidays would have been celebrated on the Battleship Texas at its Yuletide Texas event 11 am to 3 pm on December 9 at the Battleship Texas State Historic Site near Houston. Staff on the historic ship will recreate classic Christmas traditions crew would have experienced during their time afloat while the ship was in service. Younger visiting sailors will also have a chance to take a photo with Santa and transmit a message directly to the North Pole from the ship's post office.

The 48th annual tree lighting at Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site Sunday, December 17, from 6 pm until 9 pm is a Hill Country tradition started by the president and first lady

continued for nearly half a century. The event highlights some German holiday traditions of the region. The evening also features carolers, a live nativity, Santa Claus and refreshments. Revisit the past at the Sauer-Beckmann Living History Farm. The farm will be decorated the way families would have celebrated the holidays in the early 1900s.

In the Panhandle, Palo Duro Canyon State Park will feature a one-of-a-kind balloon glow against the backdrop of the canyon from 5 pm until 8 pm on December 16. The park will have hot chocolate, festive live music and a special appearance by Santa. Kids can also create a lasting souvenir with a parkthemed ornament. Entry to the park will be free with the donation of canned goods and other nonperishable food items at 4 pm. All food items will go to the High Plains Food Bank.

The eighth annual Santa Christmas hike will be held at Wyler Aerial Tramway in El Paso from 8 am to noon on December 31. The hike will take Johnson which has visitors to the top of Ranger



Peak where cups of hot chocolate, apple cider and coffee and a spectacular view await.

For more information about holiday activities at Texas State Parks, visit the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's website. A full calendar is available

online on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's calendar page.

Want to bring Texas State Parks home for the holidays? Commemorate parks and the holidays with a Texas State Park ornament.

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The Rusty Bell - Downtown Bronte

Parade - 9 am

Visits and Photos with Santa

& Mrs. Claus - 1:30 pm

Vendor Fair, Outdoor Lighting Display, Tree Lighting and more throughout the day!

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