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Robert Lee Council meets following Mayor's arrest

The Robert Lee City Council Chambers were standing room only at the meeting Tuesday evening, March 26, 2019. Mayor Allyson Crenshaw was not in attendance at the meeting following her arrest for theft on Monday. She has been charged with a state jail felony regarding her use of the city's debit cards. Several citizens asked why Crenshaw was not at the meeting. They also asked for Crenshaw and every member of the council to resign.

Citizen questions were not addressed by council, but City Attorney Jeff Betty explained that the council meetings were for conducting city business and not explaining their actions to the citizens. They allowed citizen comments if the citizen had signed up for a comment

prior to the meeting. However, the council was not obliged to respond to the comments and were not allowed to respond if it didn't pertain to an item on the agenda. When citizens protested the fact that their agenda requests had not been honored so that discussion could be held on the issues with which they were concerned, Betty further explained they legally did not have to consider any item for the agenda requested by citizens. His comments angered those in attendance and he stated that if people were too loud, he would ask the sheriff to remove them.

The council went into executive session without quoting the law granting them the authority to do so.

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Anger erupts at City Council meeting! The Coke County Sheriff and his deputies had to escort the Robert Lee City Attorney and Council Members to their vehicles following the council meeting held Tuesday evening, March 26, 2019.

Spring Stampede set for April 13

RL4Restoration Foundation will be hosting the 1st annual Spring Stampede on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at 6:30 pm at the Robert Lee Large Rec Hall. The event will include a fajita dinner, dance, live local band, and a silent auction.

Advanced tickets for the dinner and dance are required and available for purchase at Floyd C. Petitt Insurance, Robert Lee First United Methodist Church Office, or from any RL4Restoration member. The deadline to purchase the dinner/dance combo tickets is Wednesday, April 10. Citizen of the Year will be awarded during the dinner portion of the evening.

The live band will kick off at 8 pm and tickets will be available at the door.

To become a sponsor or donate to the silent auction, contact Crystal Stanford at (325) 262-2529 or Brandi Sawyer at (281) 236-4841.

Turkey 'N Hog Fest set for April 4 - 7

The weekend of April 4 - 7 will be an exciting time in Bronte! The 1st Annual Celebrity Turkey 'N Hog Fest will begin on Thursday, April 4 when groups of celebrities from around the country descend upon Bronte, Texas, for a weekend of competitive hunting in the area.

The celebrities include Outdoor Channel stars Dave

Watson, Roger Raglin, and Pat and Nicole Reeves, along with Phil Phillips of the Sportsman Channel. They will be joined by Rob Keck with Bass Pro Shop, Ryan Klesko from the Atlanta Braves, and numerous officials from the Texas Trophy Hunters and other associations. Several area ranches have graciously donated their land and lodging for these visitors to enjoy, and the town will join in with a Downtown Turkey Trot festival Thursday and continuing through the hunting finale Saturday night.

Simultaneous to the celebrity hunt will be a regional hog hunt that is open to the public. Entry forms and other information can be found at the Bronte Turkey & Hog Festival link on the Restoring Bronte Foundation (RBF) website at restoringbrontefoundation.org.

Downtown activities will be fun for the entire family, and will include set-ups from major sporting goods vendors and specialties, along with other fun shopping, bounce houses, and food trucks! The highlight for the community will be Friday evening's "Celebrity Welcome Steak Dinner", featuring steak and great side items. This dinner will be at 7 pm at the Bronte Volunteer Fire

Department's new building and will include the introduction of the visiting celebrities and a charity auction for the opportunity to hunt with them! There will also be other dignitaries in attendance as well as music and a fun time. Tickets for this event are \$40 per person for individual seating at a celebrity table, and \$30 per person for open seating.

The celebrity and public hunting competitions will end Saturday evening, and winners will be announced at the "Celebrity Award BBQ Dinner & Dance" at 7 pm at the Fire Station. The Bronte firefighters will be serving up their famous brisket and all the trimmings, and trophy presentations will be fun to watch. Tickets for this event are \$35 per person for a seat at a table with the visiting celebrities, and open seating is \$25. Both of these prices include admission to the dance, which will feature music from "The Old Hat Band."

Proceeds from the weekend's events will go toward the Bronte Volunteer Fire Department and the RBF's Downtown District Development funds. See Denise Galloway at The Quilt Shop or Lanette Fletcher at Glenn-Bivins Insurance for tickets!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, March 29

District High School Tennis Tournament,
Sterling City

Junior High Track -
Bronte, Blackwell at Eagle Relays, Sterling City

Saturday, March 30

High School UIL Academic Meet,
Irion County

Monday, April 1

District High School Golf Tournament,
Bentwood Country Club, San Angelo

Bronte Evening Lions Club Meeting, 7 pm,
First United Methodist Church, Bronte

Tuesday, April 2

District High School Track Meet,
Blackwell

Robert Lee - Silver Lions Club Meeting, 6:30 am,
Old Jail Annex, Robert Lee

Thursday, April 4

District Junior High Track Meet,
Water Valley

Early Release -
Blackwell CISD

Friday, April 5

School Holiday -
Blackwell CISD

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