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## Coke County Relay for Life Food Drive underway

Coke County Relay For Life is once again collecting canned goods for use in luminaria bags. After the Relay, all food will be donated to the Coke County Food Pantry. Last year, over 1,000 items were donated. Collection boxes are located at most of the local churches and grocery stores in Robert Lee and Bronte. Boxes are also located at the courthouse, Robert Lee State Bank, First National Bank, Glenn-Bivins Insurance, Robert Lee ISD and Bronte ISD. If your business, church or organization would like a collection box, please call or text Bonnie Cason, 473-1110.

Luminarias are white bags that are "In Memory" or "In Honor" of someone affected by cancer. They line the track and are held down with a canned good and lit up with a battery operated candle during a very special ceremony. The luminarias can be purchased for a minimum donation of \$5 from any CCRFL team member; DeeAnna Harmon, 453-2804 or 453-2545 in Robert Lee or Lanette Fletcher, 473-6791 in Bronte. You may want to donate a canned good for

each luminaria bag you purchase.

For the food drive, please have cans turned in by Monday, April 25.

The luminaria ceremony will be held during the Relay on Friday night, April 29, 2011, at the Robert Lee High School track.

### 4-H Rabies Clinic slated for April 16

Coke County 4-H clubs will be sponsoring the annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 16, 2011.

The clinic will be held from 2-4 pm at the south end of the show barn in Robert Lee park.

Veterinarian Ross Dutton will be in charge.

Pets 4 months of age or older should be immunized.

Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually.

For more information contact Texas AgriLife Extension office.

### Robert Lee Spring Cleanup slated

The City of Robert Lee and Trashaway Services will sponsor a City-wide Spring Clean-Up.

The event is scheduled for Friday, April 15, and Saturday, April 16.



**Coke County Fire Fighting!** Tom Sawyer snapped this picture of a Texas Forest Service helicopter Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at 5:15 pm at Wildcat Mountain Ranch. The chopper was replenishing its water supply from a ranch stock tank to fight the fires on the divide. Fire danger all across our area remains extremely high.

This free service is offered to the residents and business owners of the City and is an opportunity to get rid of clutter and unwanted items. Volunteers are needed. For more information call City Hall at 453-2831.

Roll-off dumpsters will be located at the County Precinct 3 Yard located on Coke Street between E. 6th & 7th Street.

This location will be open on Friday, April 15, from 9 am – 3 pm and on Saturday, April 16, from 8 am to 12 noon.

Items that will be accepted are appliances, household and yard items. Batteries will be accepted. Absolutely NO, tires, household trash, wet paint or chemicals. Appliances must have refrigerant removed.

Brush, tree limbs, and wood material needs to go to the landfill. Take advantage of the FREE disposal offered at the City Landfill during this clean-up event.

The Landfill will be open, weather permitting, from 9 am – 12 noon on Saturday, April 16.

### Genealogy Society meetings set

The Coke County Genealogy Society will be meeting on the first and third Mondays of the month.

The next meeting will be held April 18, 2011, at 6 pm at the Coke County Library. Everyone interested is urged to attend.

### CCRTA meeting slated

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, April 18, 2011. The noon luncheon will be held at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. Mary Lawhon wants to remind everyone

that she will be collecting dues for next year at this meeting.

### Holiday Closings

The Robert Lee and Bronte City Halls, along with the Coke County Courthouse, will be closed Friday, April 22, in observance of the Good Friday holiday.

There will be no change in trash service to Robert Lee customers. The Robert Lee City Landfill will be open as scheduled from 9:00- 12:00 noon.

### Horsemanship Clinic set for April 30

A horsemanship clinic, focusing on Stock Horse of Texas events, will be held in Bronte at the Coke County Arena Saturday, April 30, 2011, beginning at 9 am.

For more information, call 473-3201.

### Bronte City-wide Garage Sale slated

It's time again for the annual City-Wide Garage Sale. Mark your calendars for May 7 at 8 am.

If you would like to participate, please call City Hall at 473-3501. Your location will be added to the city maps that will be given away the day of the garage sales. This is a great opportunity to recycle, reuse and reduce unwanted items in your closets and storage items.



**Citizen of the Year!** Garland Richards, shown with wife Lana, was presented with the "Citizen of the Year" award at the Bronte Community Banquet held Monday evening, April 11, 2011. Garland and Lana's work at restoring Fort Chadbourne benefits Coke County in a multitude of ways. The new visitor's center is scheduled for completion in October.