



LOOK WHO'S NEW!
Brea Meadow Welsh arrived at Baylor All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas, at 4:06 pm on February 21, 2013. She was welcomed by big brother L. J. and parents, Mike and Mandy (Dunn) Welsh of Burseson, Texas. She weighed 8 lb. 3 oz. and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Harold and Patsy Dunn of Bronte, and Chuck and Debbie Welsh of Howell, New Jersey.

McCutchen, Hanna Engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McCutchen of San Angelo proudly announce the engagement of their daughter Megan Britney to Zach Hanna son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hanna of Kermit.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of J.B. and Lawanda Deans of San Angelo, Bill and Hazel Magness of Blackwell and the late Luther and Eula McCutchen of Bronte. The groom is the grandson of Darrell and JoAnn Hanna of Kermit and the late Bill and Margaret Beckham of Wink.

Miss McCutchen is a 2004 graduate of Bronte High School and received

her B.S. degree in Kinesiology and English from University of Texas at Permian Basin. She is currently employed as a teacher and coach by Andrews Independent School District in Andrews.

Mr. Hanna is a 2004 graduate of Wink High School and attended University of Permian Basin for three years and is currently employed as an accounts payable supervisor for Peak Completion Technologies in Midland.

The couple has set a July 6th wedding date this summer at the Cactus Hotel in San Angelo.

Watch a nest to help the birds

Submitted by Judy Hetherington
 Over the past 30 years, some bird species have dropped in number (including Barn Swallows, Purple Martins, and Eastern Phoebes, which nest in Texas.) The cause remains unknown, though scientists believe it may be linked in part to declines in the insects that birds eat.

Anyone who loves watching birds can help scientists study and understand their plight by participating in the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's NestWatch citizen-science project (NestWatch.org).

"Every year, thousands of volunteers from across the United States monitor bird nests to help researchers track changes in bird populations," says Dr. Jason Martin, NestWatch project coordinator. "By keeping track of how many eggs birds lay and how many

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State water funding



RLCC Celebrates Easter! Robert Lee Care Center had their annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 29, 2013. The children collected over 400 eggs and had refreshments and a visit from the Easter Bunny. The residents enjoyed watching the children hunt easter eggs.

important to Coke County residents

State water funding has been a priority issue in Austin during the 83rd session of the Texas Legislature, and members of the Texas House and Texas Senate are drafting legislation to allocate money to future water projects across the state.

"Coke County farmers and ranchers rely on adequate water supply to ensure they can continue producing food for the

region and beyond," said John Ross Copeland, president of Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau. "We understand that our fellow community members need access to water, too."

The Texas House Natural Resources Committee has approved a bill that would allow \$2 billion from the Texas Rainy Day Fund to go toward water projects like new reservoirs, pipelines, desalination plants and conservation projects.

According to the bill,

water projects would be selected based on a points system, which accounts for overall need and community's involvement in the project. The current bill requires 10 percent of funds be allocated to projects in rural communities.

The House Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the bill. The Texas Senate also is working on a similar bill. The House and Senate versions will need to be reconciled before legislation is final.

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 Bronte Community Center

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Fish Fry prepared by Paul & Sid Burns

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New Watering Hours
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