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Local organizations to participate in San Angelo Gives

Restoring Bronte Foundation and Vision with a Purpose in Robert Lee will be participating in the fourth annual 'San Angelo Gives', a 24 hour online giving extravaganza.

On May 1, 2018, between midnight and 11:59 pm, donations received will be amplified by funds and prizes raised by the San Angelo Area Foundation.

Restoring Bronte Foundation has set a goal to raise \$6,000 during this event, which would be double what they raised last during this event. Donating to RBF will help the group receive extra funds for work in the community, such as assisting city the townspeople with tearing down homes dilapidated and structures in an effort to add beautify and new development and construction to Bronte. To support Restoring Bronte Foundation on May 1, visit sanangelogives.org/npo/ restoring-bronte-foundation.

Vision with a Purpose would appreciate all donations to help improve Austin Street in Robert Lee, rehabilitate the city park, and putting up directional signs. To support Vision with a Purpose on May 1, visit sanangelogives.org/npo/vision-with-a-purpose.

VP to host Trade Days May 5

Vision with a Purpose is sponsoring Trade Days in Robert Lee on Saturday, May 5. This community wide garage sale will include organizations and private homes. deadline to have your location listed on the map is April 15. You may do so by contacting Nancy at (432) 413-4216 or email sending an vprobertlee@gmail.com. Be sure to pick up your location mat at the VP building on Austin Street on May 5.

VP plans to make this an annual event so please come out and support the event.

RL Community Watch meeting slated for May 8

The Robert Lee Community Watch meeting will be on Tuesday, May 8, at 6 pm at the Robert Lee Methodist Church Family Life Building. At this first meeting we will focus on start up logistics, establishing parameters, and block leaders. It takes a lot of volunteers to pull off a program like this. If you would like to help your community, please come to this meeting.

Annual Senior Issues set for next month

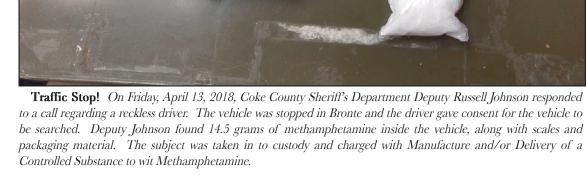
The annual issues honoring the graduating classes of Bronte, Robert Lee and Blackwell have been slated for May 11, 18, and 25. The issue honoring Robert Lee is set for May 11. Bronte will be honored on May 18 with Blackwell's issue set for May 25.

If you have a special senior graduating this year and wish to sponsor them, please call Melinda with The Observer/Enterprise at (325) 473-8863.

Pride and Community

by James M. Decker Last time, I wrote about community expectations for litter, high weeds, and junk vehicles, and my view that those expectations set the tone for the community's expectation on larger matters. As I continued to think about that topic, a phrase kept popping up in my mind: "community pride." And when it did, I kept asking myself, "what IS community pride?"

As it turns out, a lot of folks ask that same question on the internet. Online dictionaries are a great resource, but I have not found a dictionary that defines "community pride." I found several local newspaper articles and blog posts from around the country attempting to define it as well, but those discussions all seemed centered around how community pride is expressed in



their specific town.

Instead of a definition through local examples, I have been looking for a simple, straightforward definition of "community pride" that can be applied in all of communities. It's a phrase that we talk about. We all want community pride. When someone has community pride, we recognize it. But how do we define it? How do we teach others about it and to apply it to new settings?

I decided to take the definitions of "community" and "pride" and see if I could create a good definition from those individual definitions. "Community" has several slightly different definitions, but I see this one as the most relevant: "the people of an area considered collectively, especially in the context of social values responsibilities." Meanwhile, "pride" also has some differing definitions. Two different ones seemed somewhat applicable: "a person or thing that is the object or source of a feeling or deep pleasure or satisfaction"

consciousness of one's own dignity."

Working on those underlying definitions, here's my first stab at a definition for "community pride": "a collective group of people's dignity in, and satisfaction with, objects of importance and meaning to the group."

We all know community pride when we see it. An enjoyable park or swimming pool, new youth sports facilities, tidy streets, successful high school sports teams, an exciting event that draws large crowds to the community....those are all outward expressions of this pride.

Area Churches

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Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ

Bible Baptist Church

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PO Box 346
118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
Preacher David Lewis
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
Central Baptist Church
324 S. Franklin • Bronte
(325) 473-4811
Dale Patterson, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am & 5 pm Worship

First Baptist Church
424 S. Washington • Bronte
(325) 473-2331 • Pastor Lee Bevly
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible
Study & Worship
Wednesday 6 pm RA's & GA's,
6:30 pm Youth & Adults
First United Methodist Church
Corner of Washington & Holmes
Bronte

Bronte
(325) 473-3281
Rev. Everette Boyce, Pastor
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship

Forgiven Ministries
117 W. Main, Bronte
Russ Frasier, Pastor
Sun. 10 am
Tuesday 6 pm Table Time
St. James Catholic Church
215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am
4C Cowboy Church
Texas Theater, Dowtown Bronte
Pastor James Brunson
Sunday, 10:30 am

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11 am Worship,
Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 683 •1019 Colorado City Hwy
Pastor Kevin Millstid 453-2360
Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm
First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 •9th & Chadbourne
Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417
Cyndi Weidner, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice
Iglesia Bautista Betel
101 Houston • Robert Lee

PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin

101 Houston • Robert Lee
Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School
11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm
Southside Church of Christ
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
Robert Lee (325) 453-2176
Recardo Reyes, Preacher
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Worship

Northside Church of Christ
PO Box 508
9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
(325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or
(325) 473-1053
Services: Sun. 10 am

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687

(325) 365-2687 Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm Robert Lee Baptist Church PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Danny White, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Victory Assembly of God (325) 453-2208, PO Box 638 6th & Houston, Robert Lee Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

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