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Benefit Fish Fry set for Saturday

On Saturday, April 23, 2016, from 5:30 to 8:30 pm, Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department is hosting their annual benefit fish fry.

This year's proceeds will go to one of the members of the fire department whose young daughter is suffering from Type 1 Diabetes. The funds will help defray the cost of a diabetic alert dog. The dog's purpose is to alert when blood levels are unsafe, even if the child is asleep. These dogs have saved many lives.

In conjunction with the fish fry, a silent auction will be held.

Prayer Rally set for Tuesday

Tuesday, April 26, 12:00 noon is the date and time for the Robert Lee Pray for America Prayer Rally. At the same time, Franklin Graham with the Decision America Tour will be speaking in front of a large crowd at the state capitol steps in Austin, Texas. He will be pleading with Christians to live out their belief in the bible. At Robert Lee, pastors and leaders from each church will be praying for America to return to high moral values. Come and bring a friend. You can stand, but if you need to sit, bring your chair.

West Coke County EMS plans Open House

West Coke County EMS will hold an Open House Thursday, April 28, 2016, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Cafetorium at Robert Lee ISD. All members of the community are urged to attend and encouraged to participate in the organization.

The group is looking forward to introducing Steve Salmon, the new administrator of record. It is also the perfect opportunity to meet the advisory board – Annice Walker, George Grim, Wayland Drennan and Add Davis. Perhaps the most important people for community members to get to know are the ambulance crews – Sandra Roe, SueAnn Nesbit, Cynthia Skipworth, Grace Todacheeny, Blanca Mendoza, and drivers Asa Ruth, Diesel Roe and Curtis Walker.

Currently, Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose is assisting with continuing education and training expenses for Grace Todacheeny and Gina Moran.

Stewardship Week in Coke County

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Stewardship Week will be observed April 24-May 1. On March 9, 2016, Judge Roy Blair signed the Proclamation officially recognizing Stewardship Week in Coke County.

Stewardship Week began as a day set aside to pray for restoration of the land and to ask God for His mercies on His children more than 1,500 years ago in Vienne, France. Word spread about the movement in France to other countries including the United States, where it was first adopted by the south. The people felt that the week of observance met the need to acknowledge before God our gratitude for His gifts of soil and all the bountiful resources associated with it.

The week has become a special time to remind landowners and congregations that these gifts warrant their best in Christian stewardship. It does not matter if you own a single lot in town or a section of land; it is our duty to tend to our property, enhance it, and leave it better than we received it to future generations.

In Coke County, 14 churches will be participating in Stewardship Week through scriptures and bulletins. One could say we are starting a movement ourselves!

"Those who work their land will have abundant food, but those who chase fantasies have no sense." Proverbs 12:11

Bronte Citywide Garage Sale set for May 7

It's time again for the Annual Bronte Citywide Garage Sale. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7, at 8 am.

If you would like to participate, please call City Hall at (325) 473-3501 by Thursday, May 5. Your garage sale location will be listed on a map to be distributed at the First National Bank parking lot. This is a great opportunity to recycle, reuse and reduce unwanted items in your closet.

Red Hats to meet May 5

The Red Hat Society will meet at 11 am Thursday, May 5, at Cindy's in Robert Lee. You are welcome to join this group where there is fun after fifty (and



State Bound Golfers! Coke County is sending three golf teams to the state tournament. Both the Lady Steers and Steers and the Bronte Lady Longhorns qualified at the regional tournament to advance to state. The Lady Steers were the regional champions. Individual scores were Brady Clawson 100-101, Sandra Flores 107-111, Kelby Clawson 117-110, Aimee Zimmermann 120-117, and Megan Grantham 121-116. The Lady Horns were in 4th place after the first round and climbed to finish in 2nd place as Regional runner ups. Individual scores were Darby Duncan, 107-106, Payton Arrott, 134-136, Baily Torres, 114-109, and Kaily Torres, 122-127. The Steers were also regional runners up. Individual scores were Wade Allen 106-99, Jake Jackson 91-108, Blaine Yanez 95-102, Bruce Buddin 99-106, and Nathan Scates 83. The state tournament will be held late this month in Austin. Good luck Coke County golfers! Photos courtesy of Maranda Hood.



before) for women of all walks of life. We are a fun group who have no dues, rules, business or projects – just lots of fun, food and fellowship. Hope to see you at Cindy's.

Annual Bronte Letter Carrier Food Drive slated for May 14

The Annual Bronte Letter Carrier Food Drive, benefiting Salt of the Earth Food Ministry, is set for Saturday, May 14, 2016.

Canned meats, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned juices, pasta, rice, dried beans & peas, crackers, breakfast foods, condiments, or any non-perishable food items will be accepted. No glass items please.

Please help the Bronte Post Office and Rural Letter Carrier by filling a bag with food items and taking it to the post office or fill a bag for the carrier to pick up on the route Saturday, May 14, 2016. Your contributions will stay within the Bronte

community helping feed local families.

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 13, 20, and 27.

If you have a special senior graduating this year and wish to sponsor them, please call the office of The Observer/Enterprise at (325) 453-2433 or (325) 473-8863.