

2011 Relay For Life is Big Success



2011 Coke County Relay For Life! Despite West Texas winds, committee and team members present a skit with ways to "Fight Back" against cancer and reduce your risk of getting the disease in a light-hearted way.

The 7th Annual Coke County Relay For Life was held on April 29-30, 2011 in Robert Lee. The event is designed to celebrate survivors, remember those who have battled cancer and to fight back against this dreaded disease plus raise money and awareness for the American Cancer Society. This year over \$25,600 was raised to help support the ACS's efforts in the areas of research, education, and patient services. Despite the West Texas wind, seventy cancer survivors were registered and 370 luminaria bags in honor and in memory of those affected by cancer lined the track. Over 1,000 canned goods were collected to be used in the luminaria bags and then donated to the Coke County Food Pantry.

The survivors started off the Relay by walking the opening lap. The caregivers began walking at the same time in the opposite direction around the track. When they met up with the survivors, they turned and all finished the lap together. Next all the teams walked a lap to get the Relay started! After that team members took turns and at least one member from each team walked continuously throughout the night.

The Road to Recovery Race was held at 8 pm. This represented the Road to Recovery program that the American Cancer Society has to drive cancer patients to and from treatments.

The Fight Back Ceremony and, back by popular demand, the "Reduce Your Risk of Cancer" skit was held at 8:30 pm. It was funny, but yet had several things that can help you fight cancer, including eating right, getting plenty of exer-

cise, using sunscreen, regular exams and cancer screenings to name a few. The American Cancer Society is a great resource to learn more at www.cancer.org or you can call 800-ACS-2345 and actually talk to a live person. The American Cancer Society can also help with wigs and scarves, lodging and transportation costs.

At 9:30 pm, the very emo-

tional Luminaria Ceremony was held. This year, everyone took a silent lap at the beginning of the ceremony and lit the luminaria candles that they had purchased for their loved ones. "HOPE" was spelled out with luminaria bags in the visitor stands and then during the ceremony it was changed to "CURE". Mrs. Maranda Hood organized a food drive at RLISD and the students



2011 Coke County Relay For Life! Participants at the 2011 CCRFL walk to the light of the luminaria candles that line the track in honor or in memory of those affected by cancer.

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Approximately 115 people made up ten teams and participated in this year's Relay. The theme for this year's event was "Vegas". The teams included Robert Lee Care Center Team Royal Flush - Team Captain Mary Rodriguez; Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters - Team

Captain Tracie Tennison; Team P4C (Prayin' For a Cure) - Team Captain Kenda Rasco; Robert Lee State Bank - Team Captain Valerie Howard; The "A" Team - Team Captain Kathlene Robertson; and Robert Lee Baptist Church Youth - Team Captain Ryan Matlock. Two teams grew more than the allotted 15 members and started another team - First United Methodist Church, Robert Lee - Team Captains

Congratulations Graduates!

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Little children, it is the last time and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us. • 1 John 2:18-19

But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ; How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts. These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit. • Jude 17-19

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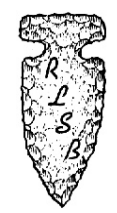
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