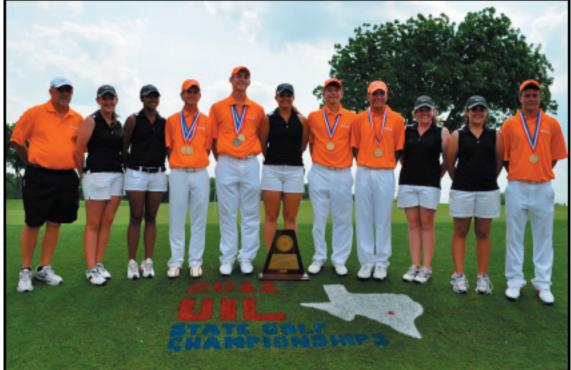


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Robert Lee High School Golfers! Both the girls and the boys golf teams from Robert Lee High School played in the Class 1A State Championship tournament in Austin. The boys came home with their fourth championship trophy in a row. The girls placed 6th overall. Shown are (from left) Coach Wayne Alexander, Meagan Ross, Amanda Mendoza, Logan Philley, Haden Dillard, Sarah Walker, Foster Allen, Josh Tennison, Kacee Roberts, Jordan Gartman, and Justin Gartman.

high school careers on top with Allen shooting rounds of 80-85-165 and Tennison shooting 91-89-172. Sophomore Justin Gartman rounded out the Steers scoring with good rounds of 89-83-172. The Steers outdistanced second place Seymour by 34 strokes and 3rd place Malakoff by 62.

While the Steers might not have finished the book, they did complete four really good chapters over the past four years, led by the current seniors. Logan Philley has been one of the best golfers in the state as he has led the Steers to their 4 consecutive team titles and has collected 3 straight State gold medals in the medalist competition, a feat that has only happened 5 times in all classifications in the State tournament since 1949. Only 1 player has won 4 consecutive titles, Michael Pruitt from Idalou (2A) from 1996-1999. Philley finished second his freshman year, the only year he didn't win the title. He won all 8 tourstroke overage of 77 for the year and has been one of the few players to best Philley in a tournament. Philley and Dillard's 1st and 2nd place finish at this year's state tournament was a rare feat, with the top two medalists coming from the same school occuring only 7 times in all classifications and only twice in Class 1A. Foster Allen, who played in the Steers third spot for the past two years, had an 80.3 average and played on three of the four state teams. Josh Tennison completes the senior quartet and has been a

steady 4th player for the past two years. Tennison has been on the last two state championships.

Other outstanding facts about this year's team include their total team score of 626 which has only been bested one time at the State Tournament by Memphis (624) in 2003. Robert Lee also holds the 3rd best score with their 327 in 2009, of which Allen, Philley, and Dillard were also a part. The Steers are one of 7 schools that have won 4 or more state titles consecutively, with the list including Dallas Highland Park (Continued on Page 13)



If tears could build a stairway And memories were a lane We would walk right up to heaven And bring you back again,

No farewell words were spoken No time to say goodbye You were gone before we knew it And only God knows why



straight state golf title The Steers Golf team com- ist title with rounds of 70-72 secutive state championship. Seniors Logan Philley and Haden Dillard led the way for the Steers, as they finished 1st and 2nd in the medalist competition. Philley took his third straight medal-

Steers take fourth

pleted their 2011 season at for a 2-under 142 total, winthe State Tournament, held in ning by 5 shots over team-Austin, May 9 and 10, and mate Dillard who fired rounds ended it with their 4th con- of 73-74 for a 147 total. Philley finished 2nd medalist in 2008, his freshman year, for the only blemish on his 4 year record at the State Tournament. Fellow seniors, Foster Allen and Josh Tennison also completed their Thursday, May 26 Cooks choice Lunch Monday, May 23 Burritos, tator tots, salad, orange, milk Tuesday, May 24 Chicken strips, mac & cheese, gravy, green beans, bread, peaches, milk Wednesday, May 25 Corn dog, baked beans, chips, applesauce, graham crackers, milk

Thursday, May 26

Cook's choice



Breakfast Monday, May 23 Pigs in blanket, cereal, juice, milk Tuesday, May 24 Muffin, cereal, juice, milk Wednesday, May 25 Pizza, cereal, juice, milk

naments the Steers have played in this year, including two big tournaments, the Abilene Big Country Classic and the San Angelo Classic, in which the Steers played against some of West Texas' best 3A, 4A, and 5A teams. He posted 7 rounds even or under par for the year and had 4 rounds under 70. For his 4 year's in high school, he posted an excellent 72.5 stroke average and won 22 of 29 tournaments he played in, losing to Haden Dillard in two of those. Philley has signed a letter of intent to play for Odessa Junior College. Dillard has also played on all 4 state title teams and has played a major role in the Steers' success. He has a

Our hearts still ache in sadness And secret tears still flow What it meant to lose you No one can ever know

> But now we know you want us To mourn for you no more To remember all the happy times Life still has much in store

Since you'll never be forgotten We pledge to you today A hallowed place within our hearts Is where you'll always stay

Love always and forever, Mom, Dad, Colby, Lorí, Jesse, Caítlyn, Zachary and Nana