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Saluting the Blackwell High School Class of 2012

Formal commencement Larissa Roland. exercises for eight Blackwell held Thursday evening, May 31, 2012, at 7 pm in the Blackwell High School.

Jordan Fields began the ceremony with the invocation. Brittany Frizzell welcomed all those attending. A Senior Slide Show was presented. Bryan Shipman, Secondary Schools Principal, introduced the Salutatorian. The Salutatory Address was given by Amanda Bullard, followed by the Valedictory Address by Kelsey Holland. Blackwell CISD Superintendent Abe Gott certified the graduates. Mr. Shipman and Paul Gothard, Blackwell CISD Board of Trustee, awarded the diplomas. Logan McGlothlin presided over the Rose Ceremony. The Benediction was given by Justin Neagle. The evening's activities concluded with a thank you by

This year's class members High School seniors were include Amanda Dawn Bullard, Kaleb Jordan Fields, Brittany Nicole Frizzell, Megan Ra'chelle Grooms, Kelsey Renee Holland, Gregory Logan McGlothlin, Justin Michael Neagle, and Larissa Rae Roland.

Twelve BJH graduates honored

A celebration honoring twelve Blackwell Junior High School 8th graders was held Wednesday evening, May 30, 2012, at the school in Blackwell.

Class members include Branch Coleman Alley, Hailey Nichole Bennett, Charlie Cano, Shawn Douglas Hardy, Ashlee Nichole Irwin, Heath Dyllion Rasco, Brena Kay Robison, Jaina Elizabeth Robison, Shianne Marie Solis, Christopher Lee Sorrells, Taylor Shyenne Swofford, and Sadie Renee Taylor.

Coke County chooses to vote Republican in overwhelming 90 percent majority May 29

Less than 25% of Coke Kathi Cox, 277-274. County's registered voters turned out for the Primary Election held Tuesday, May 29, 2012. However of this 25%, approximately 90% choose to vote in the Republican Primary where the contested race for Coke County Tax Assessor/ Collector was being held.

Incumbent Tax Assessor/ Collector Josie Dean narrowly defeated her challenger



Other local Republican Primary vote totals include:

- · Coke County Sheriff Wayne McCutchen, 473
- Precinct 2 Constable Marty Boyd, 168 votes;
- Republican County Chairman David Kitten, 399 votes.

Local Democratic Primary vote totals include:

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Blackwell Junior High Top Grads! The top students in the Blackwell Junior High 8th Grade Class for 2012 are being recognized with a celebration Wednesday evening, May 30, at 7 pm. They include Shianne Solis, daughter of Angel and Jennifer Solis, and Cole Alley, son of Rick and Pam Alley.







BHS Honor Graduates! Blackwell High School honor graduates for 2012 have been announced. The Valedictorian (left), with a 93.9 grade point average, is Kelsey Holland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brad Holland. The Salutatorian (center) is Amanda Bullard. Amanda, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, had a grade point average of 87.9. Jordan Fields, son of Mr. J. R. Fields, is the High Ranking Boy. He posted a 84.5 gpa.

Robert Lee pipeline project completed

The water pipeline project between the Bronte water plant and Robert Lee's water plant is now completed. Early last week, water began flowing into Robert Lee. All Robert Lee residents on city water should have noticed a major improvement in the quality of their water by now.

Robert Lee City officials urge residents to continue their water conservation efforts. Robert Lee is only receiving 200,000 gallons per day from Bronte and water restrictions remain in place. Efforts are ongoing to find new sources of water for Robert Lee.

Bronte Golf Tourney slated

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 2 person 18 hole select shot golf tournament on Saturday, June 2. Tee time is 9 am.

Carts are limited, so sign up early if one is needed. For more information, contact Bronte Longhorn Golf Club at (325) 473-2156 or after 4 pm on weekdays, call (432) 661-3431.

Bronte ISD Summer hours posted

Bronte ISD office hours for the summer will be 8 am to 3 pm, Mondays through Fridays. The office will be closed the week of July 4th.

Robert Lee Vision with a Purpose

Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose will meet Thursday evening, June 7, at 7 pm. The meeting will be held at Noel's on Highway 158, 5 barrel racing, flag racing, and miles west of Robert Lee.

For more information and location, call 325-453-2301.

Pond Stocking

If you didn't get a chance to order fish for the May 10 delivery, please call the Coke County SWCD office at 325.453.2623 ext. 3 and speak to Donna Waldrop.

Ladies Golf Night set for Robert Lee

Ladies Golf Night Out will be held at Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee. It will be held at 6 pm each Tuesday evening, beginning Tuesday, June 12 and running through Tuesday, July 31.

Some members will be available for golf instruction the first couple of Tuesdays. Whether you're brand new to the game of golf or just starting to play again, this new weekly Tuesday night program is perfect for you. It is a program aimed at helping women learn the game in a non-intimidating and fun atmosphere with other women. Having fun is the goal. Please, no minors.

For more information, contact Tracy Allen at (432) 556-8379 or Natalie Clawson at (325) 650-8424.

Playdays announced

Playdays will be held the second Sunday of each month, beginning June 10 and continuing each second Sunday through September 9. The playdays, held at the Coke County Arena in Bronte, will begin at 2 pm.

Events slated at this time will include barrel racing, pole bending, straight-away

more. Age divisions include lead line, 5 and under, 8 and under, 9-12, 13-15, 16-19, and open.

For more information, call Jennifer at (325) 234-6250 or Morgan at (325) 716-9626.

Coke County Ranch Rodeo set for June 16

The 21st Annual Coke County Ranch Rodeo will be held Saturday evening, June 16, beginning at 5 pm at the Coke County Arena in Bronte.

The 4 man teams will compete in a Wild Horse Race, Team Doctoring, Wild Cow Milking, Trailer Loading and Team Branding.

For more information, call (325) 277-9210 or (325) 234-6250.

Benefit dance slated for June 16

The Coke County Roping Club is hosting a dance following the annual Ranch Rodeo Saturday, June 16.

The dance will begin at 9 pm and will be held at the pavilion in the Bronte Park. The #1 Texas Music Awards Live Band of the Year for 2012, Sammy Fox and the Intervention, will be performing for the event.

Also on hand for the dance will be the Turn the Paige Foundation. Turn the Paige is dedicated to raising awareness of the importance of organ donation. The group will be at the dance to assist anyone wishing to sign up.

CCRC is holding this event, along with the Ranch Rodeo, to help raise funds for their scholarship program.