again someday if I needed it? If items are priceless emotionally or historically, they may not be the best items to toss. Consider how hard it would be to replace the item and get rid of things that are a dime a dozen.

5. In what way is this item making my life more purposeful or better? If the items are not making you happier, healthier, or better, they are just taking up space and cluttering up your life. Removing these stacks and boxes of stuff will free up your home and your space.



## What Extension Is, Who We Are, What We Do And What Is Happening Here

Texas AgriLife Extension was set up in 1914 upon the passage of the Smith-Level act that was passed in the U.S. congress. This act gave each state the opportunity to create an extension service that was to be affiliated with their land-grant university. Upon passage Texas A&M University created what is known today as Texas AgriLife Extension Service placing a County Extension Agent in each county in Texas. The purpose of extension was to demonstrate the latest agriculture practices, provide assistance to area producers with agricultural problems and to demonstrate how the latest research could be relevant and practical to producers in the area.

The county extension agents of today all have a minimal of a bachelor's degree in some type of agricultural science with most having a masters degrees. We have an interest in educating people about agricultural, conservation of our natural resources and horticulture, while consulting with landowners in answering questions and meeting their goals. Today's extension agents also tend to be scientist in a limited way by repeating research that has already been conducted and testing to see if it is applicable to the area. The job of the county agent today varies from supporting the 4-H program while, using it as a tool to educate the youth about agricultural, natural resources and family consumer sciences. Another part of the job is to offer classes and continuing educations units for the private applicators license holder, who

wishes to purchase the restricted herbicides for invasive plant control on their land. We also strive to demonstrate the latest agricultural and conservation practices that are available and demonstrate them to area producers.

Here in Coke County AgriLife Extension has multiple projects going on, last week we laid out test plots testing new brush control methods using the herbicide MAT 28 in controlling all types of woody vegetation in a fence line. In other parts of the county we have demonstration plots where we are testing different herbicides on different brush species. Extension is also in the process of monitoring the quail's response to the Wildcat fire to see what will happen to the few remaining quail. If there is anything that extension can be of any assistance please come by the office located in the court house or feel free to call or email any time at 325-453-2461 or JamesR.Jackson@ag.tamu.ed

## Applications Sought for Local Park Grants

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is announcing a special call for local park grant applications under the Outdoor Recreation and Urban Outdoor Recreation grant programs before August 1.

With the passage of the



**School's Out!** Robert Lee children Lane and Brewer spend time outside exploring and playing during Robert Lee Elementary end of school activities.

omnibus spending bill in December by the U.S. Congress, Texas has received \$2,302,679 for its federal apportionment through the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Roughly half this amount \$1,151,339 -- is available for grant review prior to Aug. 1. Of this amount, 40 percent is set aside for Urban Outdoor Recreation grants and 60 percent is set aside for Outdoor Recreation grants. Applications must be postmarked no later than Aug. 1

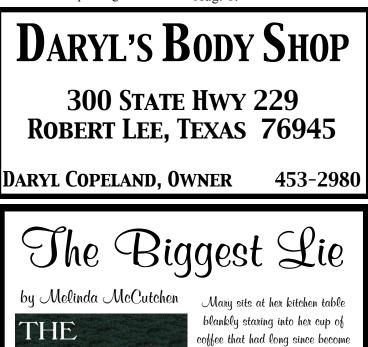
For more information regarding this special call, go to www.tpwd.state. tx.us/business/grants.

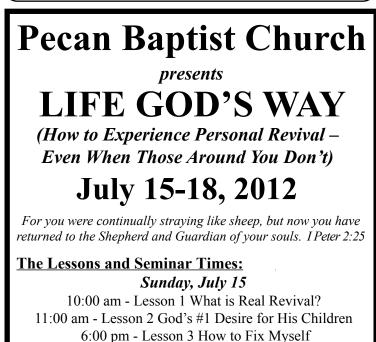
Due to limited funds and eligibility requirements, applications for all other Local Park Grant programs are not being accepted at this time. These include the Small Community, Indoor Recreation, Urban Indoor Recreation and Regional grant programs.

For questions regarding the application process, please contact: Dana Lagarde, (512)389-8175,

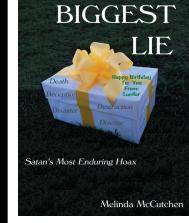
dana.lagarde@tpwd.state.tx.us , or Roxane Eley, (512)389-8109, Roxane.eley @tpwd.state.tx.us.







7:00 pm - Lesson 4 The Correct Way to Handle Problems *Monday, July 16* 7:00 pm - Lesson 5 The Importance of the Word *Tuesday, July 17* 7:00 pm - Lesson 6 Offending and Being Offended *Wednesday, July 18* 7:00 pm - Lesson 7 Turning Defeat into Victory **John Rogers** Percussionist/Preacher



Based on John 10:10.

cold. She's trying hard to make sense of why this is happening to her and to the family she loves. She's tried all of her life to be a good Christian and now ... she's dying.

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Since the beginning of time, people have been deceived by Satan. This book discusses his first lie, the same lie people believe today!

## Available locally at: B's Blossoms N Blooms, Designs By Toni, This N That Shop, and The Observer/Enterprise in Robert Lee; and Shirley's, Main Street Market and Hometown Hardware in Bronte. and on Amazon.com.

John is a high school band director and ordained Baptist preacher, who grew up attending Pecan Baptist Church where his dad was pastor. He will also provide special music in each service.



Pecan Baptist Church is 12 miles west of Robert Lee, on Highway 158 at the intersection of Hwy 158 and FM 2059.