

#### Horwood attends Farm Bureau Youth Leadership Conference

Lane Horwood of Sterling City attended the Texas Farm Bureau's 49th annual Youth Leadership Conference held at Tarleton State University, June 18-22. He was sponsored by the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau. He joined more than 300 high school juniors and seniors from over 130 counties across the

The purpose of the conference is to provide the students with a better understanding of their American heritage, the capitalistic free enterprise system, and to inspire leadership development, according to John Ross Copeland, president of the Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau.

During the weeklong event, three areas are emphasized: Patriotism, Responsibility Leadership. Students discuss topics such as the free enterprise system, constitutional government, Americanism, leadership and goal setting, and are encouraged to meet with school and civic groups upon their return home to share what they've learned.

Tarleton State University President Dominic Dottavio welcomed students to campus at Monday's opening session. Afterwards, Kenneth Dierschke, president of Texas Farm Bureau, presented "Farm Bureau -Your Host."

James Frank presented sessions on "Basics of Free Enterprise," Ronald Trowbridge, former assistant dean at Hillsdale College in Michigan, presented two-part sessions o n "The Constitution," and Brian Starr, an investment advisor, offered advice on "Managing Your Money."

Lou Kennedy, a professional development consultant, led a session on "Professionalism in Life," and Sandra Grant, a communications instructor at Midwestern State University, presented sessions on "Public Speaking Skills." Special presentations were given by Dr. Robert Ehlers on "Keeping America Safe and Prosperous. One Man's Perspective" and Curtis Childers' motivational message of "Overcoming Life's Challenges." In addition, the students participated in a program called "Congressional Insight," which allowed them to simulate a Congressional office and election.

At Thursday evening's banquet, Andrew McCrea, an inspirational speaker and

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Oscar-winning broadcaster, shared his personal message of "How to Wrestle Bears and Win!"

Students who complete the Youth Leadership Conference and have given a speech on free enterprise to at least five groups will have taken the first step toward qualifying for the Free Enterprise Speech contest, which awards more than \$19,000 in scholarships.

#### Wallace Reunion held June 9 and 10

The annual Wallace Reunion was held in Robert Lee on June 9th and 10th. Family members (decendants of Harve and Millie Wallace)

as well as many friends gathered to enjoy a time of fellowship and fun.

Those attending were: Jewell Wallace, Royce and Alice Wallace and Addie Jeffries, all of Robert Lee; Sidney Myers, Sean, Mary and Sarah Myers all of Amarillo; Bill and Dee Wallace of Nacadoches; Jan Havins of Arlington and Linda Havins of Dallas: Wade Wallace of Carrollton: Morris, Wanda, Duncan and Garret Wallace of San Angelo; Jana Jeffries of San Angelo; Jackie, Jessica, and Joel Smith of Lubbock; Jacky and Pam Wallace of

The Observer/Enterprise Friday, July 13, 2012 Page 5 Abilene; Troy and Susan Millican of Sterling City;

Cayla Holt of Big Lake; Buddy and Kristen Wallace of Gail; Tyler Wallace of Austin; Pat and Jo Andrews of Abilene; Portis and Helen Ribble of San Angelo; and Alvis and Lola Fisher of San Angelo.

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