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Blackwell VFD July 4 celebration set for July 6

The Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department will host their annual 4th of July Celebration, Parade and BBQ on Saturday, July 6, 2013. The parade will begin at 5 pm on Main Street and the BBQ will be held at 5:30 at the Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department on Main Street.

Attendees will enjoy a plate full of BBQ brisket and sausage with all the trimmings. All proceeds from the meal will benefit the Blackwell Volunteer Fire Department.

RLVFD to host Catfish Tournament

The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department is holding their first annual Catfish Tournament July 26-28, 2013. Cash and jackpots for the heaviest fish will be awarded.

The tournament will be held in Robert Lee at the RLVFD Station. Fishing will be statewide. Pre-registration is suggested, but not required. Registration will also be taken at the fire station the day of the tournament between 4:30 and 5:45 pm. Check-in on

the final day is no later than 1 pm Sunday, July 28.

There will be a city-wide fish fry using the fish caught starting at 4 pm following the tournament. Plates will be by donation to the fire department. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate.

For more information or pre-registration, contact Ty Corley at (325) 234-3149.

County 4-H Camp slated

The 4-H County Camp will be held Thursday and Friday, July 11 and July 12, 2013, at the Presbyterian Encampment near Buffalo Gap. Plan on two fun-filled days of game and leadership activities.

This camp is for 4-H members finishing 3rd grade and entering 8th grade. Please contact the office at 325-453-2461 or email coke@ag.tamu.edu if you plan to attend.

Bronte Golf Tourney planned

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 3 person 27 hole golf tournament on Saturday, July 20. Tee time is 9 am.

When signing up, you must let them know if a cart is needed and leave a call back number.



New Windows in Blackwell! After months in the making, Whitworth Stained Glass was in Blackwell last week to install the new windows in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church. Whitworth Stained Glass is one of less than 85 studios in the United States to be accepted as a full-service accredited member of the Stained Glass Association of America. Many area residents are probably familiar with Jack Whitworth's craftsmanship. He and his wife, Cindy, have designed windows for several churches in the area, including First United Methodist of Bronte and Pecan Baptist Church in west Coke County. In addition to the windows, members have made renovations to the Fellowship Hall and the Prayer Room. In thanksgiving, a huge dedication and celebration is planned for later in the fall. First United Methodist of Blackwell has been in existence for over 100 years, serving as a place of worship and a gathering place for the community.

For more information, contact Bronte Longhorn Golf Club at 325-473-2156 or 325-473-3231. After 5 pm,

call 432-661-3431 or 325-864-3312 or 325-236-0089.

Ladies Water Aerobics held in Bronte

Water Aerobics are being held Monday and Thursday evenings at 6:15 pm at the Bronte swimming pool.

Come and join these ladies as they have fun and improve their bodies.

Baker Family reunion set

The Baker Family will be holding a reunion all day Saturday, July 13, 2013, at the Community Center in Bronte. All are welcome to attend.

Bronte men receive commendation

[Posted to Bronte Chamber Facebook page and submitted by Tammy Thorn.]

My name is Jessi Simmons-Heckard. I was passing through Bronte on my way home to San Angelo from Abilene when my SUV overheated.

I stopped at Stripes to let it cool and two wonderful

gentlemen stopped to help me. They escorted me to Larry's Automotive at 4:45 pm and Larry and his crew cooled down my car so my 4 year old son and I could make it home safely. On top of that, Larry would not let me pay him a penny for his time and even gave me his cell phone number in case we had car trouble on the way home.

I just would like to say thank you to these great men and to the little town of Bronte, Texas, for being so caring and hospitable even though I was just passing through! God bless

*Please be
safe during
the holiday
weekend!*



Wilson Bryan Mini Park! Thanks to members of Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose, the Wilson Bryan Mini Park in downtown Robert Lee is looking beautiful and in full bloom now. The group is also responsible for the Memorial Garden at the Coke County Courthouse and the benches and potted plants lining Austin Street. A new electronic sign will soon grace the courthouse lawn thanks to the group's efforts.