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Local, area and statewide candidates to be in Robert Lee

On Thursday, April 12, Robert Lee will be brimming with elected officials and candidates running for office in the May 29 Republican Primary election. A conservative celebration will be held at the Coke County Park Recreation Hall from 3:30 pm until 5 pm. There will be at least six statewide elected officials present. Headlining the event will be Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples. Two Texas Supreme Court Justices and three members of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals will be there as well. Joining them will be State Representative Drew Darby and four of the Justices on the 3rd Court of Appeals. Several other officials and candidates will be there along with many Coke County officials.

Coke County Republican Party Chairman David Kitten said, "There has probably never been an event of this scale in Coke County before. It is a great opportunity for people to come and meet these elected officials and candidates, get to know them and ask them questions and share your views with them. Bring your camera and have your picture taken with your favorite candidate. Admission is free and refreshments will be served." "This will not be an event where everyone has to listen to lots of political speeches. This is an event for these officials and candidates to listen to lots of voters," said Kitten.

Kitten added, "There are numerous contested Republican Primary races on the ballot this year in Coke County and many of the candidates in those races will be at this event. Coke County voters help choose the 51st District Attorney who serves Tom Green and Coke Counties. The incumbent Steve Lupton is not running for reelection and there is a three-way Republican Primary battle to replace him. All three of those candidates will be there. The winner of the Primary will be our next District Attorney, since the Democratic Party

did not field a candidate for this office. And the same is true for the Coke County Tax Assessor race and two Supreme Court races."

Holiday Closings

Bronte and Robert Lee City Halls will be closed Friday, April 6, for the Easter holiday. The Robert Lee City Landfill will be open on Saturday, April 7, weather permitting. The Coke County Courthouse will also be closed Friday, April 6.

Street Affair Bake Sale set for April 6

A bake sale benefitting Robert Lee Street Affair will be held at Robert Lee State Bank on Good Friday, April 6. As the bank is closing at 11 am, the sale will be held from 9 am until 11 am. Any leftovers from the bake sale will be available at Super H after 11 am.

A meeting regarding this year's Street Affair is set for Tuesday, April 10, at Victory Assembly of God Church at 6 pm. Anyone interested in the Street Affair is encouraged to attend. There are going to be a lot of changes due to problems which occurred at last year's event.

Also, donations will be taken for the city wide garage sale to be held in conjunction with the Bronte city wide sale.

If you would like to make a donation, please call John Hayes at 325-650-4499.

Bronte Golf Tournery slated

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 2 person 18 hole select shot golf tournament on Saturday, April 7. 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.

Community Easter Service slated

Everyone in the Robert Lee area is invited to the Easter Sunrise Community Worship Service on Easter Sunday morning. The Robert Lee area pastors have coordinated this special time of worship



Happy Easter! Canton Mayes takes a moment to pose for a photo while enjoying some Easter goodies. He is the son of Cody and Shannon Mayes of Sanger, Texas, and the grandson of Clay and Robin Allen of Robert Lee.

to be held at 7 am on the grass at First United Methodist Church.

Alzheimer's Support Group meeting slated

The monthly meeting of the Alzheimer's Support Group will be held on Monday, April 9, at 6:30 pm, at Bronte Health and Rehab Center, 900 S State, Bronte. The guest speaker will be Sharon Wilson, LMSW, 2012 Alzheimer's Disease Facts & Figures, followed by a group discussion. Refreshments will also be provided.

Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Alarms available

It is always heart wrenching news when we hear of a house fire in which precious lives were lost. Many of us associate these fires with cold weather when we have fireplaces or gas stoves heating our homes. This is not always the case though, as problems with wiring, candles, cook stoves and numerous other things can start a fire at any time.

The Bronte EMS, in conjunction with the Concho Valley RAC TSA-K, will be handing out smoke/carbon monoxide detectors again

this year in hopes of preventing loss of lives to any of our area residents. It has been shown that having smoke detectors can give an early warning in the event a fire does break out. The detectors will be distributed at the Senior Citizen Building, 613 E Oliver Street, in Bronte on Wednesday, April 18, beginning at 12:30 pm. These monitors are available to anyone in need of one but as supplies are limited, come early!

Rabies clinic set for Robert Lee

The Coke County 4-H clubs will be sponsoring the annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 14. The clinic will be held from 2 pm until 4 pm at the south end of the show barn in Robert Lee park. Veterinarian Ross Dutton will be in charge. Pets 4 months of age or older should be immunized. Pets should be vaccinated for rabies annually.

For more information, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension office at 453-2641.

Time to renew Robert Lee Livestock Permits

It is time to renew Livestock Permits in the City of Robert Lee. New permits

should be received by April 1. Any one failing to comply with ordinance by April 15 will be in violation of ordinance. Pick up permits at city hall or contact code-enforcement officer Marshall Millican at (325) 473-0437.

Vision fundraiser set for April 22

Robert Lee's Vision with a Purpose will hold a fundraising fried chicken dinner on Sunday, April 22, from 11:30 am until 1 pm. It will be drive-through only and will be held at the Robert Lee Fire Department, corner of Highway 208 and Highway 158.

Playdays announced

Playdays will be held the second Sunday of each month, beginning May 13 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 barrel racing, flag racing, and 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.

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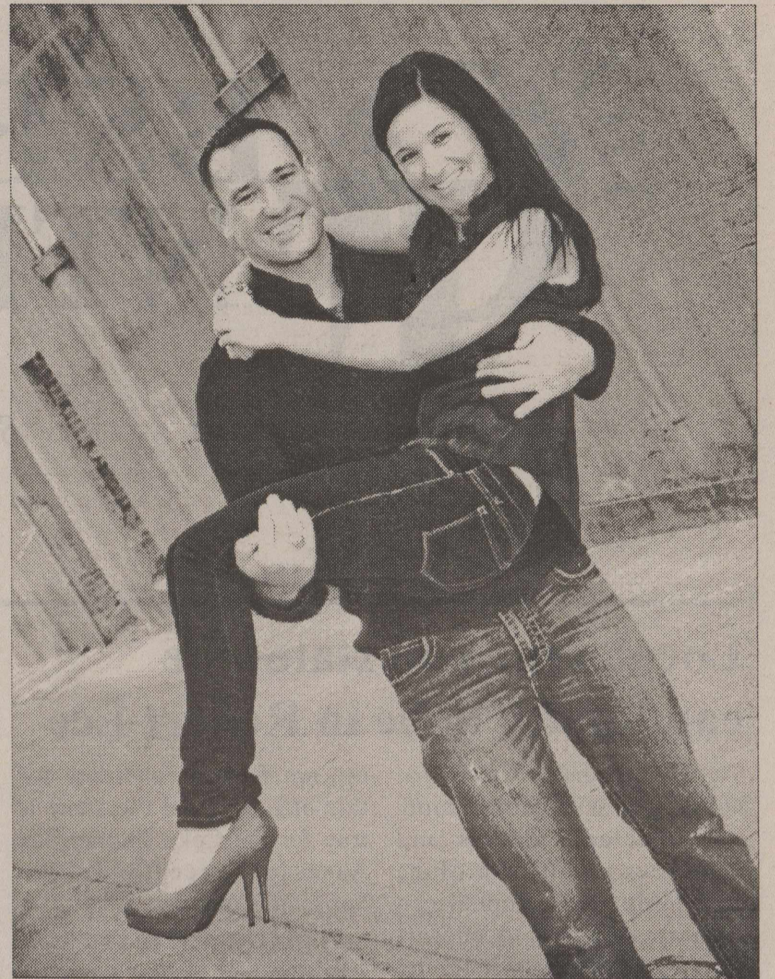
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Braswell - Herrington engagement announced!
Van and Elissa Braswell of Crowley, Texas, and Stacey Braswell of Greenville, Texas, are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, Andra Braswell of Arlington to Brandon Herrington.

Brandon is the son of Larry and Leslie Miller of Leander, Texas, and Les Herrington of Austin. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 2005 with a BS in Industrial Distribution. He moved to Arlington in 2006 to attend ATP flight school and is now employed as a pilot with American Airlines.

The bride-elect attended the University of Texas at Arlington, and is employed as an RDA/Business Manager at The Art of Dentistry in Arlington. Andra is the granddaughter of Eddie and Carolyn Braswell of College Station and Rocky and Phebe Heffernan of Miles, and the niece of Dwala Casey of Silver and kin to many aunts, uncles and cousins in Coke County. Andra's brothers Evan and Jesse Braswell will be among the groomsmen. Brandon and Andra will wed April 20 in Weatherford, Texas.



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Obituaries



Casey

Dwala Carol Mason Casey went home on Saturday, March 31, 2012, surrounded by family and friends and the loving ladies at the Robert Lee Care Center.

Dwala was born on November 7, 1942, in Ionsville, Kentucky, to Wendell and Thelma Mason.

Dwala married her love, William (Bill) Wayne Casey on May 26, 1962, in San Angelo, Texas, at Johnson Street Church of Christ. Bill asked her to marry him and she said "no" because she was told she only had a cou-

ple of years, he told her that was better than none, so she said "yes," and were married for 40 years on this earth and now reunited. Bill and Dwala made their home in Robert Lee and Silver, and ended up in Silver with the creation of the Cedar Hill Ranch. They bred, raised and showed American Quarter Horses, raised Border Collies, and had many other "critters" that they loved.

Dwala loved showing her horses and riding, walks with her dogs, cross-stitch, quilting, books, puzzles, and Sudoku. She had a joyous and contagious laugh. She was blessed with wonderful

friends who cared for her, helped and loved her and her family throughout her life and this final journey. She

loved her Pecan Baptist Church family and relied on her faith through blessings, struggle and loss. She was

blessed with the friendship, laughter, and love of Phebe and Rocky and their "trips" to Hobbs and Fredericksburg, and

Larry's Automotive

will be closed

Friday,

April 6, 2012

for Good Friday.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

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Sunday Mornings • 10 am

Bible Study • Tuesday 7 pm

Romans • Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm

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Russ Frasier, Preacher

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ
 PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 (325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church
 324 S. Franklin • Bronte
 (325) 473-4811

Dale Patterson, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wed. 6 pm
First Baptist Church
 424 S. Washington • Bronte
 (325) 473-2331

Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor
 Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
 10:55 am Worship,
 5 pm Worship

6 pm Youth
 Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting

First United Methodist Church
 Corner of Washington & Holmes
 Bronte
 (325) 473-3281

Rev. Matt Pennington, Pastor
 Sun. 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship

Forgiven Ministries
 117 W. Main, Bronte
 Russ Frasier, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am

St. James Catholic Church
 215 N. Washington, Bronte
 (325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sun. 5 pm

Coke County
Pecan Baptist
 PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of
 Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
 (325) 453-2482

www.pecanbaptist.org
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee
Emmanuel Pentecostal
 PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2360

Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
 PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
 Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417

Steve Peyton, Pastor
 Sun. 10 am Sunday School
 11 am Worship

5:00 pm Choir Practice
Iglesia Bautista Bethel
 101 Houston • Robert Lee

Sun. 10 am • Worship
 11 am & 6 pm • Service
 Wed. 7 pm

Southside Church of Christ
 PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
 Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2176

Jordan Arnold, Preacher
 Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ
 PO Box 508

9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
 (325) 655-9784 or 453-2685

Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
 Wed. 6 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
 601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
 (325) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
 Sat. 6 pm

Robert Lee Baptist Church
 PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
 (325) 453-2724

Danny White, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Victory Assembly of God
 PO Box 638

6th & Houston, Robert Lee
 (325) 453-2208

Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor
 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study
Tennyson
Tennyson Baptist Church
 Hwy 277 • Tennyson
 (325) 473-2040

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship
 Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Celebrate the Resurrection

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Sunrise Services • 7 am

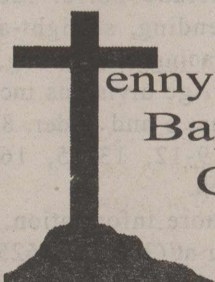
Tennyson Baptist Church

(No Sunrise Service on Mt. Margaret due to last year's fire.)

Free Breakfast at the church following the services!

Sunday Worship Service at 10 am
with Special Music.

Bro. Cecil Harper will give the message.



Tennyson Baptist Church

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 miles north of San Angelo*

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at her greatest time of need they helped her through it with love without bounds.

Dwala worked at Robert Lee State Bank and was a board member and Vice-President at Heart of Texas Savings and Loan. She kept books for Clendennan, Inc., West Texas Counties Rural Health, and Ben Bessent Chevrolet.

Dwala was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her parents; and one nephew.

She is survived by her brother, Dwight Mason and family of Pennsylvania; Phebe (Casey) and Rocky Heffernan of Miles, Texas, her "kids" Pat Heffernan and family of North Carolina and Stacey Braswell and family of Greenville, Texas, sisters-in-law Dian Coulter of Blackwell and family and Barbara Davis of Robert Lee and family, and many wonderful friends.

Dwala was brought home to the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Silver, Texas, on Sunday, April 1, 2012, with her dear friend Dale Patterson of Bronte, under the care of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Donations are requested to be sent to the Pecan Baptist Church and Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department and the East Coke County EMS.

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Death Notices

Duke

Micah Shane Duke, 25, died Friday, March 23, 2012. No visitation was held. Graveside service was held at 10 am on Saturday, March 31, 2012, in Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements were by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Survivors include his mother Donna Calcote and his step-father, Steven

Calcote of Bronte; brother, Andy Duke, Jr.; and sister, Amber Duke, both of San Angelo.

Bronte City-Wide Garage Sale slated

It's time again for the annual City-Wide Garage Sale so mark your calendars for May 5 at 8 am. If you would like to participate, please call City Hall at 473-3501. Your location will be added to the city maps that will be given away the day of the garage sales. This is a great opportunity to recycle, reuse and reduce unwanted items in your closets and storage items.

County party convention slated

Coke County Republican Chairman David Kitten has announced that the 2012 Coke County Republican Convention will be held Saturday, April 21, 2012, in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Coke County Courthouse starting at 10 am.

The Coke County Republican Convention is held in even-numbered election years, as part of the statewide and national Republican convention process. The purposes of the convention are to choose delegates and alternates to the Republican Party of Texas (RPT) State Convention, currently scheduled for June 7-9 in Fort Worth, and to consider resolutions or statements on policy issues to send to the State Convention for eventual inclusion in the state and national Party platform.

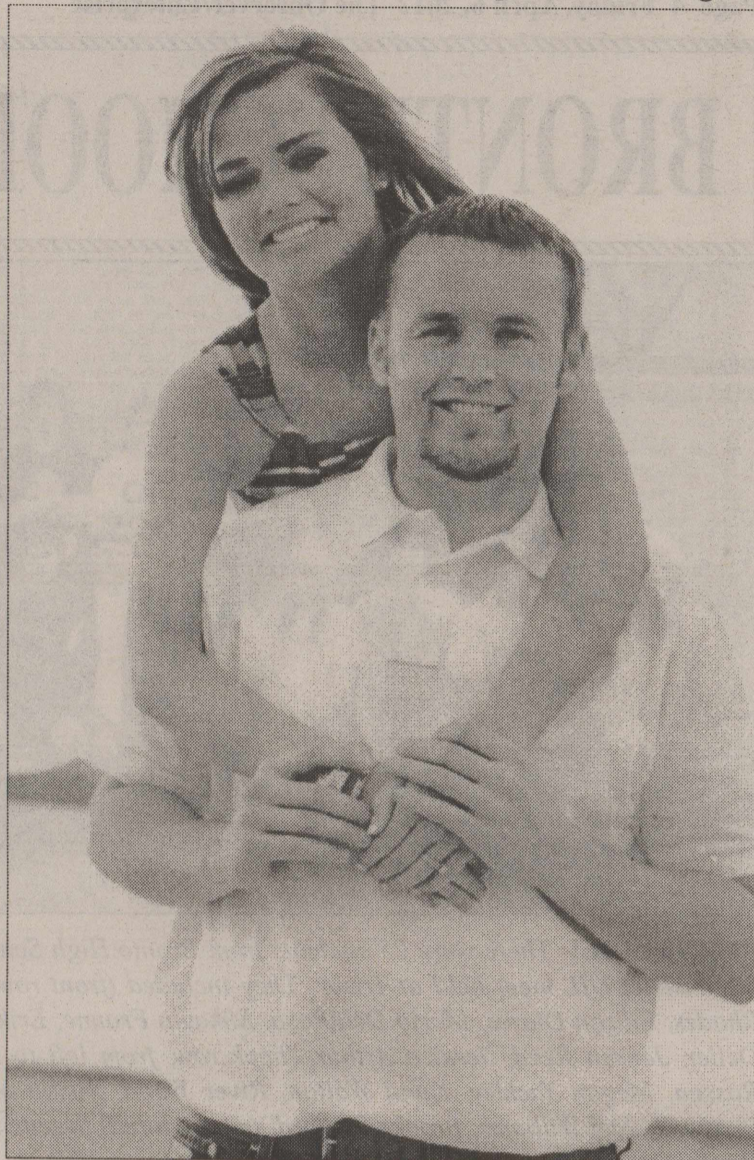
As a result of the substantial changes in the election calendar in 2012, the Coke County Republican Party will not be conducting precinct conventions on the evening of the May 29 Primary Election and will be incorporating all Party business into the county convention on April 21. All attendees have

the right to seek to become a state delegate and to bring forth resolutions for consideration by the convention. The convention will be open to any registered voter who signs an oath of affiliation identifying himself or herself as a Republican.

In making the announcement, County Chairman Kitten said, "Although the timing of this year's convention schedule has changed for Coke County Republicans, we are more enthusiastic than ever about coming together for this important event. On behalf of our County Party, I invite all interested Coke County Republicans to join us on Saturday, April 21, in the County Commissioners Courtroom to participate in discussions and decisions that will carry forward to our State Republican Convention and beyond. I also wish to emphasize that this convention is not to be confused with the Coke County Conservative Convocation that will be held on April 12 at the County Park in Robert Lee."

As an additional resource, the State Party stands ready to answer any questions related to the 2012 Republican Party of Texas Convention process. More convention information is available at the RPT website: TexasGOP.org.

For any additional questions or information, please contact Coke County Chairman David Kitten at ddkitten@amaonline.com, or by phone at (325) 282-2425.



Reed - Irby engagement announced! *Tod and Karla Reed of Robert Lee are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Brettanie TaLaine Reed, to Russell Louis Irby, son of Fred and Anita Irby of Claude, Texas.*

Brettanie is a 2007 graduate of Robert Lee High School and a 2010 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree. She is currently employed as a teacher and coach at Post ISD in Post, Texas. Russell is a 2004 graduate of Claude High School and a 2009 graduate of Wayland Baptist College with a degree in criminal justice. He is currently employed as a detention officer at Lubbock Juvenile Justice Center.

The wedding will be held June 2, 2012, at Pecan Baptist Church in Robert Lee.

You Are Invited To A

Coke County Conservative Convocation

Honorary Host Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples

(who will be making a special announcement)

Thursday, April 12th, 2012 3:30 -5:00 PM

Rec. Hall, County Park, Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas

The public is invited to attend this event to meet and greet numerous local, regional and statewide elected officials and candidates for office. Get to know them, have your picture taken with them and ask them questions before deciding who to cast your vote for.

Admittance is free. • There will be refreshments served.

Other Dignitaries, Elected Officials and Candidates in attendance:

(partial list at time of printing-names in bold type will appear on this year's ballot)

- State Representative **Drew Darby**
- Coke County Judge **Roy Blair**
- Coke County Commissioners **Wendell Lee** and **Bobby Blaylock**
- Coke County Sheriff **Wayne McCutchen**
- Coke County Treasurer **Hal Spain**
- Coke County Tax Assessor **Josie Dean**
- Texas Supreme Court Justices **Don Willett** and **David Medina**
- Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Presiding Judge **Sharon Keller**
- Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Judges **Elsa Alcalá**, **Barbara Hervey** and **Mike Keasler**
- State Board of Education Candidate **Anette Carlisle**
- 3rd Court of Appeals Justices **David Puryear**, **Melissa Goodwin**, **Jeff Rose**, **Bob Pemberton**
- 3rd Court of Appeals Candidate **Scott Field**
- Congressional District 11 candidates **Chris Younts** & **Wade Brown**
- 51st District Attorney candidates **Allison Palmer**, **Nathan Butler** & **Andrew Graves**
- Coke County Tax Assessor candidate **Kathi Cox**
- Congressman **Mike Conaway** and State Senator **Robert Duncan** will be represented.

Special Guests - Steve Munisteri, Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas and Melinda Fredricks, Vice-Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas

Numerous other local and regional officials are expected to attend.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: (325) 282-2425

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Holy Week Activities for First United Methodist Church

324 S. Washington Street
Bronte

Thursday • 6:30 pm

Public viewing of Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ" at our church

Parental discretion is strongly advised

Friday • 6:30 pm

Community-wide Good Friday service at our church

Saturday • 11 am - 2 pm

Easter Extravaganza at the Bronte Park
Free community family event

Sunday

10:15 am • Easter egg hunt at our church

Toddlers through 4th graders

11 am • Worship Service

BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



District UIL! There were 25 students from Bronte High School that recently competed at the District UIL meet held at Trent. They included (front row, from left to right) Michelle Rhodes, Edison Diaries, Mario DelaRosa, Mikayla Fraune, Erika Puentez, Kyle Kelton, John Deller, Jensen Reed, Jessica Arthur; (back row, from left to right) Madison Price, Addie Rossen, Megan Yackley, Kahd Walton, River Wood, Austin Mertz, Conner Clark, Kaitlyn Braswell, Jael Williams, Brooke Bedford, (not pictured) Suzette Diaries, Dakota Pullen, Lance Burns, Crystal Bilbrey, and Marley Braswell.

Pre-Registration set for Bronte Elementary

Bronte Elementary has scheduled their pre-registration for the 2012-2013 Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for all students residing in the Bronte school district. It will be held Thursday, April 19, from 3 pm until 4:30 pm. In order to enroll, you must bring the following documents with

you: immunization record, social security card, birth certificate and proof of residence (i.e. utility bill, rent receipt, etc).

If you have any questions regarding enrollment, please call the elementary office at 473-2251.

Validation tags order deadline set

If you are planning on raising a steer for the upcoming show season, or if you plan on showing a lamb, goat, or barrow at the State Fair of Texas you will have to order validation tags. The deadline to order the tags is Tuesday, April 10. Please call the

Coke County Extension office at 453-2461. Be sure to let them know what species of animal and how many tags you will need. The animals will be validated during the month of June but there has not been a date set for the validation as of yet

District UIL results

This year, 25 students from Bronte High School traveled to Trent to compete at the District UIL contest. Out of these 25 students, 16 students placed contributing points to Bronte's district success. Out of those 16 students, 7 qualified for regionals and an additional 3 are regional

alternates. Individual results are as follows.

Ready Writing - Megan Yackley, 6th;
Prose - Austin Mertz, 5th;
Calculator Applications - Suzette Diaries, 1st (Regional Qualifier), Conner Clark, 2nd (Regional Qualifier), River Wood, 7th, 1st Place Team (Suzette, Conner, River and Michelle Rhodes (Regional Qualifier);

Accounting - 3rd Place Team (Brooke Bedford, Kaitlyn Braswell, Erika Puentez, Michelle Rhodes);

Informative Speaking - Marley Braswell, 4th (Regional Alternate);

Newswriting - Madison Price, 4th (Regional Alternate);

Persuasive Speaking - Austin Mertz, 1st (Regional Qualifier), Jessica Arthur, 5th;

Science - River Wood, 1st (Regional Qualifier);

Top Biology - River Wood (Regional Qualifier);

Top Chemistry - River Wood (Regional Qualifier);

Top Physics - Kyle Kelton (Regional Qualifier), 2nd Place Team (River, Kyle, Mikayla Fraune, Sue Diaries, Edison Diaries, Dakota Pullen) - Regional Alternate;

Feature Writing - Madison Price, 6th, Megan Yackley, 10th;

Mathematics - John Deller, 8th, Kyle Kelton, 9th;

Headline Writing - Mikayla Fraune, 1st (Regional Qualifier)

Debate CX - Jael Williams and Kaitlyn Braswell, 1st (State Qualifier), Austin Mertz and Jaylon Seales, 2nd (State Qualifier);

OAP - 2nd, Zone(Alternate

to District);
Calculator Team - 1st;
Speech Team, 1st;
Science Team, 2nd;
Overall - 4th.

Bronte Lady Shorthorns win district track meet

The Bronte Lady Shorthorns placed 1st with 160 points at the recent district track meet. Individual results follow.

200 M Dash - 3rd Kaitlynn Tijerina 32.25, 4th Emily Davidson 34.06, 5th Hannah Brackeen 34.73

400 M Dash - 1st Hanna Weatherly 1:10.47, 3rd Brittany Bedford 1:12.56, 5th Emily Whitehurst 1:23.27

800 M Run - 3rd Emily Barnett 3:09.03, 4th Kacelyn Follis 3:15.37

1600 M Run - 5th Kaitlyn Swecker 7:11.50

2400 M Run - 4th Kaitlyn Swecker 11:23.00

100 M Hurdles - 3rd Hanna Weatherly 21.19, 6th Jordayn Berryhill 22.10

300 M Hurdles - 1st Jerica Davis 53.08, 2nd Kacelyn Follis 1:03.29

400 M Relay - 3rd Emily Davidson, Jordayn Berryhill, Sarah Smith, Emmerly McCullough 1:00.50

800 M Relay - 2nd Emily Davidson, Kaitlynn Tijerina, Sarah Smith, Emmerly McCullough 2:12.84

1600 M Relay - 1st Brittany Bedford, Hanna Weatherly, Jordayn Berryhill, Jerica Davis 4:48.75

Long Jump - 1st Jerica Davis 13'9", 6th Kaitlynn Tijerina 11'7 1/4"

Shot Put - 5th Cambri Kelso 21' 2 1/2"

Discus - 4th Whitney Boyd

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Breakfast
Monday, April 9
 Holiday
Tuesday, April 10
 Breakfast pizza or cereal, juice, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 11
 Pancake on a stick, cereal, juice, fruit, milk
Thursday, April 12
 Breakfast wrap, juice, fruit, milk
Friday, April 13
 Sausage w/biscuit, cereal, juice, fruit, milk

Lunch
Monday, April 9
 Holiday
Tuesday, April 10
 Hot pockets, seasoned corn, vegetable dippers, garden salad, fruit, milk
Wednesday, April 11
 Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, gravy, garden salad, milk
Thursday, April 12
 Chicken spaghetti, seasoned corn, garden salad, apple, garlic bread, milk
Friday, April 13
 Sub sandwich, salad cups, baked chips, pinto beans, fruit, milk

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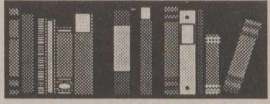
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Golf Club
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When joining for 3 months, 1 month's dues are FREE - a \$105 value for just \$70!

Call 325-473-2156 today!
 Offer ends April 30, 2012.

School Menu



Breakfast

Monday, April 9
Pancakes and sausage, cereal, juice, milk

Tuesday, April 10
Burrito, cereal, juice, milk

Wednesday, April 11
Pigs in a blanket, cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, April 12
Pizza, cereal, juice, milk

Friday, April 13
Muffin, cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, April 9
Bean and cheese chalupas, salad, Spanish rice, Mandarin oranges, milk

Tuesday, April 10
Salisbury steak, creamed potatoes, peas, bread, pears, milk

Wednesday, April 11
Frito pie, salad, corn, grapes, milk

Thursday, April 12
Chicken and rice, salad, green beans, roll, orange, milk

Friday, April 13
Barbecue on a bun, pickles, cheesestick, french fries, peaches, milk

Project Graduation holding Schwann fundraiser

2012 Project Graduation will hold a Schwann's fundraiser beginning March 26. Contact any senior for more information. Delivery is scheduled for April 11.

RLHS Cheerleaders to host fundraiser

The 2012-2013 Robert Lee High School cheerleaders and mascot kicked off their new fundraiser Monday, March 26, with Red Wheel Fundraising which includes Egg Rolls, Pizzas, Burritos, Cookie Dough, Pies, Cheesecakes and many other yummy treats! All proceeds will help fund their camp, camp outfits and uniforms. Orders will be due Wednesday, April 11, and will be delivered after school on Tuesday, April 24.

Lady Steers compete at Wildcat Relays

The Robert Lee High School Lady Steers track team competed at the Water Valley Wildcat Relays held on Friday, March 30. Overall the Lady Steers placed 7th out of 14 teams with 37 points. Individual results are as follows.

100 M Dash - 6th) Taylor Benton 13.72;

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200 M Dash - 5th) Taylor Benton 28.71;

400 M Relay - 6th) Lubbock Roe, Luisa Carrera, Rachel Rojas, Victory Roe 57.69;

Shot Put - 1st) Dina Vera 32', 4th) Jordan Gartman 29' 11 1/2", 6th) Bianca Huapilla 28' 2 1/2";

Discus - 1st) Dina Vera 101'2", 3rd) Jordan Gartman 82'4";

High Jump - 6th) Kimberly Roach 4'4".

RLJH District Track results

The Robert Lee Junior High girls track team earned 158 points and placed second at the district track meet held on Thursday, March 29. Individual results are as follows.

100 M Dash - 5th) Justice Saucedo 16.04, 6th) Anna Huapilla 16.28;

200 M Dash - 2nd) Brady Clawson 30.41, 6th) Kodi Drennan 35.75;

400 M Dash - 2nd) Karlee Roach 1:11.75;

800 M Run - 6th) Myrka Rangel 3:24.90;

100 M Hurdles - 5th) Chesney Minjarez 22.01;

300 M Hurdles - 3rd) Chesney Minjarez 1:03.72,

4th) Sandra Flores 1:18.50;

400 M Relay - 2nd) Karlee Roach, Brady Clawson, Yulissa Peraza, Justice Saucedo 58.83;

800 M Relay - 3rd) Yulissa Peraza, Kodi Drennan, Justice Saucedo, Anna Huapilla 2:15.65;

1600 M Relay - 2nd) Rani Coppedge, Yulissa Peraza, Chesney Minjarez, Karlee Roach 4:59.83;

Shot Put - 1st) Pammy Meeks 29'4", 2nd) Yulissa Peraza 27' 9 1/2", 3rd) Chesney Minjarez 24'2";

Discus - 1st) Pammy Meeks 91'9", 2nd) Yulissa Peraza 78'8", 3rd) Kodi Drennan 66' 5 1/2";

Triple Jump - 3rd) Brady Clawson 28' 4 3/4", 4th) Karlee Roach 28'4", 5th) Anna Huapilla 22'4";

High Jump - 1st) Brady Clawson 4'6", 6th) Sandra Flores 3'8";

Pole Vault - 1st) Karlee Roach 5'0".

Lady Steers win golf tourney

The Robert Lee High School Lady Steers golf team won a 4 team golf tournament held at Riverside Hills in San Angelo on Thursday, March 29, posting a 413 team total, besting second place Rankin's 502.

Jordan Gartman took medalist honors with a 79 and Meagan Ross finished second with an 86. Other scores were: Taylor Benton 122, Ashlie Tennison 126, and Jesse Sheets 133.

The Robert Lee High School boys team finished

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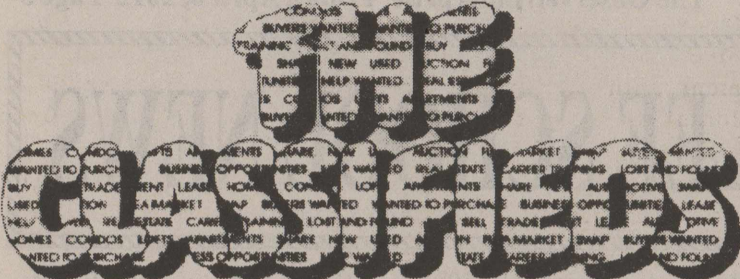
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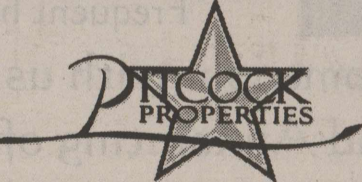
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The City of Robert Lee will hold a Public Hearing at 7 pm on April 9, 2012, at the Robert Lee City Hall in regards to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG). The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at the City Hall.

Persons with disabilities that wish to attend the meeting should contact the City Secretary to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the City Secretary at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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... BJH District Track

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50' 2 1/2", Sarah Sanchez 47'8 1/2"

Triple Jump - 1st Jerica Davis 30' 6 1/2", 6th Emily Barnett 21'9"

High Jump - 3rd Kacelyn Follis 4'0", 4th Emmerly McCullough 4'0", 5th Hanna Weatherly 4'0"

Lady Horns take 4th at Wildcat Relays

The Bronte Lady Longhorns placed 4th with 49 points at the Water Valley Wildcat Relays Friday, March 30. Individual results follow.

200 M Dash - 6th Kaitlyn Braswell 29.22

400 M Dash - 3rd Brooke Bedford 1:09.84, 4th Amber Betts 1:11.36

100 M Hurdles - 2nd Addison Rosson 17.73, 6th Crystal Bilbrey 20.08

300 M Hurdles - 3rd Addison Rosson 53.63, 4th Crystal Bilbrey 56.09

800 M Relay - 4th Erika Puentez, Kaitlyn Braswell, Marley Braswell, Crystal Bilbrey 2:01.31

Triple Jump - 6th Amber Betts 28' 3 1/2"

BISD Board meeting held

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on March 22, 2012, at 7 pm in the Board Room. Those in attendance were Paul Williams, President, Doug Tounget, Ray Barnett, Ericka Knight, Kay Styles, Shane Kelton, Wayne Coalson and Alan Richey, Superintendent. Also present were Donna Poehls, David Bedford, and several visitors.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Paul Williams.

Donna Poehls, Elementary Principal, reported the attendance rate is at 96.0 % and there are 144 students in Elementary. Ms. Poehls updated the Board on STAR testing which will begin in April. David Bedford, Secondary Principal, reported attendance rate at 96.0 % and Secondary has 140 students. Mr. Bedford informed the Board that 6 students qualified for Regional in UIL academics.

The Board voted for candidates for the ESC Region XV Board of Directors. The Board approved, by resolution, concerning high stakes, standardized testing of Texas public school students. All were in favor.

Alan Richey, Superintendent, updated the Board on the School Board

election to be held on May 12, 2012. The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2012, and the Site-based retreat is scheduled for April 16, 2012, from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

The Board approved the termination of the probationary contract for Jo Baker. All were in favor. The Board approved the probationary contract for Leo Sellers. All were in favor. The Board approved term contracts for certified employees. All were in favor. The Board accepted the resignations of Kyle Sanford and Jerita Taylor. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Bronte High School Scholarship Check List

Due April 10

Bronte Community Scholarship

C.J. Macon Memorial Scholarship (Bronte HS and alumni)

Due April 20

Concho Valley Electric Scholarship

Due May 1

San Angelo Stock Show Scholarship

Due May 31

Marie Hall Scholarship (ASU, Texas Tech, Howard College, Midland College)

Check Out Coke County Library

The library book sale is coming up on Friday, April 13, from 9 am - 12 noon and Saturday, April 14, from 9 am - 2 pm. Many are gently read books by popular authors and will make good presents. There will be non-fiction and children's books, too. Also, VHS collectors will want to browse a really good collection of videos.

This year, the library does not have any print copies of the income tax forms, but they are available online and help can be had in getting forms needed printed off.

The library will be closed for Good Friday. Library hours are Tuesdays, 8-12; Wednesdays, 8-4; Thursdays, 1-5; Fridays, 8-12. Call 453-

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... RLHS Golf

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third with a 362 team total, trailing Rankin's 314 and Iraan's 341. Justin Gartman led the Steers with an 82. Other scores were: Dawson Brisbin 85, Zach Skinner 95, Aaron Sharpe 100, James Roberts 105, Bailey Smith 97, Michael Curry 144, and Sean Hildebrand 125.

After the first round of the District 11A Tournament held at Riverside Hills on Monday, April 2, the Lady Steers are in second place with a 398, their best team total of the year. They trail defending state champion Baird, by 24 shots, as the Lady Bears shot a 374, but are ahead of third place Bronte who is at 446.

Meagan Ross led the Lady Steers and leads the tournament with a round of 80. Jordan Gartman is in third place with an 86. Other Lady Steer scores were: Taylor Benton 112, Jesse Sheets 120, and Ashlie Tennison 129.

The Steers also find themselves in second place with a team total of 349, behind Bronte's 335. The Steers were led by Dawson Brisbin's tour-

nament leading 79. Justin Gartman had a round of 81 which puts him in a tie for second in the medalist competition. Other Steer scores were: Zach Skinner 94, Aaron Sharpe 95, Bailey Smith 110, James Roberts 98, and Michael Curry 120.

The final round of the district tournament is scheduled for Monday, April 9, at Shady Oaks in Baird.

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BLACKWELL SCHOOL NEWS

Blackwell students place at major livestock shows

Several Blackwell CISD students placed at two major livestock shows. Results are as follows.

School Menu

Breakfast

Monday, April 9

Poptart or assorted cereal, juice, milk

Tuesday, April 10

Pancake on a stick or assorted cereal, juice, milk

Wednesday, April 11

Breakfast pizza or assorted cereal, juice, milk

Thursday, April 12

Biscuits/gravy, sausage, scrambled eggs or assorted cereal, juice, milk

Friday, April 13

Assorted muffins/gogurt or assorted cereal, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday, April 9

Hot dog/chili and cheese, oven fried potatoes, apple, orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk

Tuesday, April 10

Cheese enchiladas, refried beans, garden salad, cinnamon apples, milk

Wednesday, April 11

Philly steak sandwich, baked beans, pickle spears, baked chips, fresh fruit cup, milk

Thursday, April 12

Ultimate taco salad, seasoned corn, snowball salad, brownie, milk

Friday, April 13

Hamburgers, cheese, french fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit, milk

San Antonio Barrow

2nd) Brooklyn Harris - Heavy Hampshire;
7th) Jayden Jones - Heavy Cross

San Antonio Lamb

4th) Halee Sanderson - Heavy Medium Wool

San Antonio Cattle

Grand Longhorn Bull - Elizabeth Rozzlle

Reserve Junior Champion Heifer - Elizabeth Rozzlle

San Angelo Barrow

4th) Jordan Jones - Light Crossbred

San Angelo Gilt

3rd) Carli Powers - Medium Spot

San Angelo Lamb

9th) Halee Sanderson - Medium Finewool;

2nd) Halee Sanderson - Medium Crossbred

San Angelo Cattle

Grand Longhorn Bull - Elizabeth Rozzlle

#1 Choose smaller chocolate eggs

A 100g milk chocolate Easter egg contains over 500 calories. So, instead go for small, individually wrapped eggs. The act of unwrapping each egg will help you to eat less in one sitting.

If you can, go for dark chocolate eggs, which have the benefit of offering healthy antioxidants, as well as being lower in sugar, and having fewer calories. The added bonus is that you will also be satisfied with eating less.

#2 Give alternative gifts

Why not step out of the mould this Easter and give gifts that don't involve chocolate?

You could go for story-books or toys for children, gift cards, seasonal books or poems, baskets of fresh fruits, or bunches of flowers.

#3 Go for a healthy Easter menu

If you're in charge of cooking this year, here are a few healthier options for your Easter dinner:

- Serve lean meats and fish, such as roast chicken, beef, salmon, or trout.
- Go for healthier cooking

options such as grilling, poaching, or baking.

- Serve a vegetarian option such as grilled vegetable kebabs
- Go for a salad with lots of veggies added for extra color and nutrition.

• Bake your own themed cookies and cakes. Check out this post on healthy ingredient substitutions for more tips on how to make your recipes healthier.

- For nibbles, dried fruits, unsalted nuts, fresh fruit, homemade cookies, mini fruit muffins, and low fat frozen yogurt will go down a treat.

#4 Balance things up

The secret to enjoying a little chocolate over the Easter holidays is to make sure you eat carefully at other times.

If you feel you've indulged a bit too much, try to cut back on your meal portion sizes and snacking for a few days to get the calorie balance right.

Remember, a little bit of what you fancy does you good!! So, have a smaller portion of chocolate and don't allow yourself to feel guilty about it.

#5 Hold an Easter Egg Hunt

For many families Easter is simply about the chocolate eggs, but it can also be a wonderful opportunity to spend time with family and friends.

If you have younger children, you could arrange for

an Easter egg hunt. This will get everyone outside in the fresh air, and will help you burn off a few extra calories!

Go for non-chocolate prizes, such as brightly painted hard boiled eggs, or hollow plastic eggs filled with small gifts, such as toys, mini stationary, and money.

You could also hold an egg and spoon race and other appropriately themed events to make the day even more active and fun.

#6 Add a spring to your step!

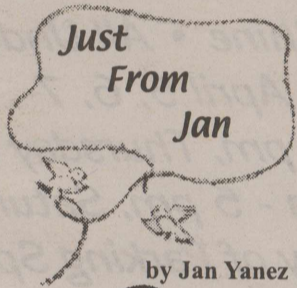
Take advantage of the gorgeous spring weather and kick start your exercise regimen by going for brisk walks in the longer evenings.

Or, why not use the Easter break as an opportunity to give your home a good spring clean? Remember, vigorous household chores such as vacuuming, sweeping, or gardening can all contribute towards your daily exercise.

#7 Salvage leftover chocolate eggs

If your house is overflowing with chocolate after Easter, keep some back and use in your cooking throughout the year.

Happy Easter!



by Jan Yanez

AgriLIFE EXTENSION Agent

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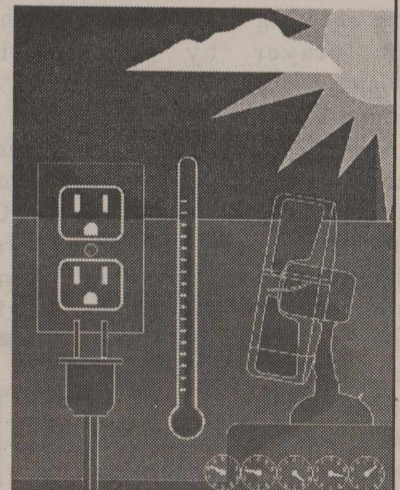
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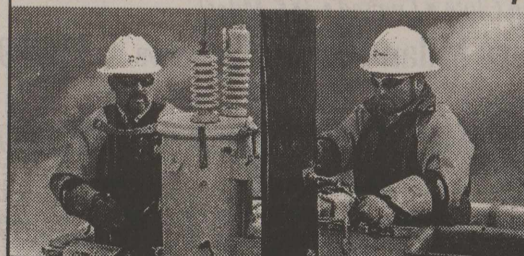
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- Set air-conditioning thermostats to the highest possible comfortable setting and dress accordingly.
- Turn off every appliance you are not using including lights, televisions and radios. Use the "sleep" feature on your computer equipment.
- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close closet doors.
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
- Air-dry dishes in the dishwasher.
- Lower the temperature on your hot water heater during the summer, take shorter showers and wash only full loads in the laundry and dishwasher.



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