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## Disaster recovery to be featured at TMCN conference

What happens after a community is completely flattened by a tornado? How does the community rebuild? Where do you even start? It happened in Greensburg, Kansas, in 2007 and the current Mayor of Greensburg will be the keynote speaker at the Annual Texas Midwest Conference to share the unbelievable story. Mayor Bob Dixon will have a message that every community leader will appreciate.

The 18th Annual Texas Midwest Conference is set for October 19 at the Abilene Civic Center. City and county officials, economic development professionals and board members, chamber of commerce executives and board members, civic volunteers and student leaders attend the annual conference to learn more about the resources and services available to benefit communities.

For complete details on conference agenda and pre-registration go to the Texas Midwest website at [www.texasmidwest.org](http://www.texasmidwest.org) or call 325-795-8626.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a one-of-a-kind regional organization in the State of Texas. It was formed in 1994 to provide a means by which communities can work together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone.



**Speaker!** Bob Dixon, mayor of Greensburg, Kansas, will be the keynote speaker at the annual TMCN conference.

TMCN member cities include Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Hico, Knox City, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Munday, Ranger, Rising Star, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

## Lamb and Goat Validations set

The Coke County lamb and goat validation will be held Saturday October 15, 2011 at 8 am at the Sterling Lindsey show barn in Robert Lee. All 4-H and FFA members who have a lamb or goat need to have their animals present for the validation process.

Any lamb or goat that will be shown at a major stock show or just at the county show needs to be validated.

## AON to have fundraiser

AON will be having a Garage Sale Fund Raiser!!

Plan now to attend the garage sale on October 15, from 8 am to 5 pm. It will be held at the Catholic Hall in Robert Lee and there will be great stuff to be purchased. The money raised from this will go toward the scholarship money that is given to the graduating seniors of 2012.

Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend

## Robert Lee City-Wide Fall Cleanup set for next week

The City of Robert Lee and Trashaway Services will sponsor a City-wide Fall Clean-Up.

The event is scheduled for Friday, October 14, and Saturday, October 15.

This free service is offered to the residents and business owners of the City and is an opportunity



## Football Games

### ROBERT LEE STEERS OPEN



### BRONTE LONGHORNS vs. TLCA Eagles

7:30 pm • Friday, October 14 • San Angelo



### BLACKWELL HORNETS vs. Hermleigh Cardinals

7:30 pm • Friday, October 14 • Hermleigh

to get rid of clutter and unwanted items. Volunteers are needed. Please call City Hall if you are interested.

There will be no curbside service. Roll-off dumpsters will be located at the County Precinct 3 Yard on Coke Street between E. 6th and 7th Street on Friday, October 14, from 9 am to 3 pm and on Saturday, October 15, from 8 am to 12 noon.

Items that will be accepted include appliances, household and yard items. Batteries will be accepted. Absolutely NO, tires, household trash, wet paint or chemicals. Appliances must have refrigerant removed.

Brush, tree limbs, and wood material needs to go to the landfill. Take advantage of the FREE disposal offered at the City Landfill during this clean-up event, weather permitting, from 9 am to 12 noon on Saturday, October 15.

For more information residents are encouraged to call City Hall at 453-2831.

## Hunting and Fishing Guide slated for October 28

The 2011 Coke and Surrounding Counties' Hunting and Fishing Guide will be published in the October 28 edition of the Observer/Enterprise. The

deadline for pictures, advertising, and editorial copy is Wednesday, October 19.

If you have pictures or stories of last season's hunting and/or fishing successes or pictures of this year's bow season, send them in along with the details, and we'll get them in this year's Guide.

For more information, call 453-2433.

## Bronte former residents reunion set for October 22

A group of former Bronte residents will have a reunion Saturday, October 22, beginning at 12 noon at the Bronte Community Center. All Bronte senior citizens are urged to come, eat and visit with the group.

Father Wade will have a mass at the Catholic Church in Bronte that day at 10 am.

## Genealogical studies series to begin Monday

The first in a series of genealogical studies - Emigration and Immigration - will be held Monday night, October 17, at 6 pm at the Coke County Library. The history of England, Ireland and Scotland as pertaining to the movements of the people who later populated the colonies will be conducted by Fran Lomas.

The wars, the religious persecutions, the confiscation of lands, the banish-

ment of certain people, and more will be included in this class.

Other studies in the following months will be of New England, the colonies along the eastern seaboard and then inland.

## Motorcycle Poker Run set for Saturday

A Motorcycle Poker Run will be held Saturday, October 22. Registration will begin at 10 am and continue until 11 am at Fort Chadbourne. Prizes will be awarded at 1 pm in downtown Bronte. The run is sponsored by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, you may visit [bronte-texas.org](http://bronte-texas.org) or call 325-473-3501.

## CCRTA meeting set

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, October 17, 2011. The noon luncheon will be held at First Baptist Church in Bronte. All public school retirees are invited to attend.

## Longhorn Golf Club scrambles slated

The Longhorn Golf Club will be hosting 18-hole 2-person scrambles on Saturday, November 5, and Saturday, December 3. Both will begin at 9 am at the golf course in Bronte.

For more information, call 473-2156