

TMCN regional luncheon draws Coke County crowd

Robert Lee community leaders hosted one of six network luncheons sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network this spring. The luncheon was held at the Noel & Co. west of Robert Lee last Wednesday. Immediately following lunch, discussion focused on "Capturing the Wealth of Your Community".

Robert Lee Mayor John Jacobs welcomed visitors. An informational program was presented by Matt Lewis, Executive Director of the San Angelo Area Foundation. He explained ways to establish local funding efforts for programs and specific projects. He also explained how individuals can set up a "legacy gift" to the community in the form of offering scholarships for local students or financial assistance to non-profit groups. He pointed out the importance of educating local citizens about considering their community as one of their heirs when writing wills or working with investors and notifying high school alumni of the opportunity to support hometown projects.

The difference between community foundations and endowment funds was explained. Many rural communities and individuals are tapping into administrative and investing services from regional community foundations such as the San Angelo Area Foundation and Community Foundation of Abilene (CFA). By partnering with an established area foundation local efforts can focus on fund raising and where to direct the funds without the burden of administrative expense and required reporting to state and federal agencies. Some examples of partnering with CFA were the Coleman County Foundation, Nolan County Foundation and Winters Future Fund. The San Angelo Area Foundation has also established partnerships with individual wishing to leave endowed scholarship funds.

Cities represented at the

luncheon included Eden, Robert Lee, Bronte, Ballinger, Colorado City, Miles Sweetwater and Winters. The meal was catered by Noel & Co.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a one-of-a-kind regional organization founded in 1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness and promotion, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." For more information about TMCN, visit www.texasmidwest.org or the Texas Midwest Facebook page.

Ranchers Workshop set for May 17

The 4th annual Ranchers Workshop focusing on "land management for today's Operator" will be held at the Community Center in Bronte on Friday, May 17, 2013. Registration opens at 8 am and presentations begin at 9 am.

Topics will include dry-land termites, equipment demonstrations, prescribed burning, livestock supplementation, DPS Ag Laws/Regulations, and Seasonal Stocker Operations for Today's Landowner.

Please RSVP to James Jackson by calling (325) 453-2461 or email jamesr.jackson@ag.tamuedu by Friday, May 10, 2013.

Account opened to assist family

An account has been opened at Robert Lee State Bank for the family of Lee Dempsey to assist with expenses.

Bronte Golf Tourney slated

The Bronte Longhorn Golf Club is sponsoring a 3 person 18 hole golf tournament on Saturday, May 18. Tee time is 9 am.

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



TMCN Luncheon! Attending the Texas Midwest Communities Network Luncheon last Wednesday at Noel & Company from Robert Lee (above) were Jan Magness, Janie Munoz, Hal Spain, Mayor John Jacobs, Mark Sides, Donna Waldrop, Sue Wojtek, Dale Wojtek, Beth Prather, City Administrator Kay Torres, Brenda Martinez, Debbie Childers, Nancy Arthur, Roger Alexander, Nancy Wilson, and Beverly Hawkins. Also attending the Texas Midwest Communities Network Luncheon last Wednesday at Noel & Company from Bronte were Mayor Gerald Sandusky and EDC Director Tammy Thorn. They are shown with City Administrator David Hoover and Municipal Judge Belinda Blassingame of Colorado City; and from Eden Esther Gryniewicz, EDC Director Kathy Keane and City Administrator Celina Hemmeter.



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