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**Vision:** A multidisciplinary Society that advocates the protection, enhancement, and wise use of soil, water and related natural resources in Oklahoma and beyond.

**Mission:** To promote through education and example, an ethic that recognizes the interdependence of people and the environment.

Welcome New Members: William Greuel Jonathan Pollnow Debra Neumeyer

### **20th Annual Non Point Source Monitoring Workshop**

The Secrets of Success: Making the Most of Available Resources

October 14—17, 2012 at the Double Tree Hilton at Warren Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Annual Nonpoint Source (NPS) Monitoring Workshop is an important forum for sharing information and improving communication on ways to control and track NPS pollution at its source and in receiving waterbodies. The focus of the 20th National Workshop is cost-efficiency across a range of topics including planning and implementation of land treatment to solve NPS problems, water quality monitoring for NPS problem assessment and project effectiveness, data sharing for multiple purposes, and communication of NPS water quality issues and findings to the general public.

This event will bring together NPS monitoring and management personnel



from state, federal, Tribal and municipal governments, the private sector, academia, environmental groups and local watershed organizations to provide examples of lessons learned from completed NPS projects, demonstrations of new technologies and monitoring approaches, and documentation of successful application of NPS control practices and measures. <a href="https://npsmonitoring.tetratech-ffx.com/index.htm">https://npsmonitoring.tetratech-ffx.com/index.htm</a>

## **2012** Oklahoma Recycling Seminar Sustainable Recycling: Proven Solutions for Oklahoma

Friday, October 12, 2012, 9am – 4:30pm (Breakfast 8am)

Conoco-Phillips OSU Alumni Center in Stillwater The Oklahoma Recycling Association (OKRA) has planned a program that includes as keynote Speaker: Lisa Skumatz, Sera, Inc.

Researcher & National Expert, Waste Diversion Programs. In addition several conference topics: Updates & Economic Outlook; Successful Municipal Recycling; Rechargeable Battery Recycling; What Happens After the E-Waste; Oklahoma Products Made from Recycled Materials; and Recycling at Work & School.

# Ken Burns' THE DUST BOWL "Screening and Community Conversations"

More than 300 people turned out for a special preview screening of the Ken Burn's new documentary THE DUST BOWL at Woodward. The "Screening and Community Conversation" event, featuring excerpts from both episodes of the film, was held at the Woodward Conference Center on Aug. 16, 2012. The complete documentary will air on Public Broadcasting System (PBS) stations on the evenings of Nov. 18 and 19 beginning at 7:00 p.m. In Oklahoma, member stations of the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority (OETA) are the PBS network stations.

The public was invited to the Woodward preview screening of THE DUST BOWL, sponsored by OETA, the Oklahoma Conservation Commission (OCC), USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts (OACD). Dewey County and Woodward County Conservation Districts had display exhibits along with displays from OCC and NRCS.

John McCarroll, OETA executive director, welcomed the audience and introduced the film screening. Following the 45-minute excerpted preview, Bill Collier, a Dust Bowl survivor from Taloga, Okla., participated in a panel discussion along with Greg Scott, NRCS state soil scientist, and Clay Pope, OACD executive director. At the end of the discussion questions were taken from the audience that included more than 30 individuals who experienced the Dust Bowl growing up in Oklahoma.

More preview screening events for Ken Burns' THE DUST BOWL are planned for other locations around the state leading up to the November broadcast of the documentary. Most start times are 6:30 pm, preceded by a reception at 5:30 pm, please check the web site for possible time changes.

October 4 — Western Oklahoma State College, Altus

November 1 — Guymon, location to be announced

November 5 — Oklahoma State University Student Union, Stillwater

November 8 — Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City

November 12 — OSU-Tulsa Campus, Tulsa

http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/dustbowl/about/overview/