

# THE TEEA MESSENGER

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This morning, I'm sitting in my office/sunroom looking down across the meadow. The horses are chasing each other, the sun is shining, God is in his heaven, and all's right with the world. I always try to look on the sunny side of life even when I can see the hurt in so many parts of our world. I usually feel helpless to solve many of these problems. That is why I embrace TEEA. I feel that our organization can help so many lives, families and communities.

When I joined TEEA I was intrigued by our emblem—the open book for education, the house for family home life, the oak leaf for strength, but especially the open heart. So many tell me that they never noticed the small opening in the heart, but that symbolizes that we are open and caring to all. Our whole world greatly needs an open, caring heart.

I chose this theme for 2014-2016 because this is the way I try to

**Preserve the Past  
Enrich the Present  
Inspire the Future**

live my life. I love genealogy, history, and archaeology, and I believe that if you don't learn from the mistakes of your past, you will repeat them. I love music, writing, decorating, and cooking to enrich my present. But

we as an organization should be constantly looking to the future, especially to motivate and inspire our younger adults and youth to carry on our legacy.

You have a wonderful State Board. I've served with all except one for one to five years. I'm looking forward to a good year. The Executive Committee and District 3 & 8 Directors met in Waco on October 13-15 to begin plans for the 2015 State Conference scheduled for September 15-16, 2015. You may want to come a day early to see everything Waco has to offer.

Use the TEEA website at [teea.tamu.edu](http://teea.tamu.edu) to get current information in a timely manner. Visit our Facebook page and The Messenger to see what's new and what's happening in TEEA.

If I can help you, please contact me by telephone at 817-220-7759,  
by cell phone at 817-366-7432

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♥ *Julia* with an open heart  
Julia Moseley, TEEA State President 2014 -2016



Laurie & Julia Moseley

To: TEEA

Thank you so much for your kind words of comfort and love during the State Conference. It was a good thing to be surrounded by our friends during the loss of my mother.

We had a beautiful service at the Woodland United Methodist Church on Thursday, September 11. Betty Jo Reynolds Swindle was a member of (WHD) TEEA from 1944 until the late 1970s when her club disbanded due to loss of older members.

With sincere appreciation,  
Phyllis & Rockie McMakin

As Texas 4-H celebrated 4-H week with news of a significant increase in number of clubs and membership statewide, they also posted articles about the different programs and sponsors on their blog page. The following blog by Amy Dromgoole was posted giving thanks to TEEA for our support of their programs and the 4-H Conference Center. We thought you would enjoy seeing this.

#### **TEEA SUPPORTS 4-H CONFERENCE CENTER**

By Amy Dromgoole

TEEA has been a long standing partner for Texas 4-H Youth Development, providing scholarships and countless hours serving as judges and resource persons for Food Shows, Fashion Shows and other 4-H programs/activities. However, their most recent contribution is to the Texas 4-H Conference Center in the amount of \$6,721.44. Funds will be used to update furnishings in the Leadership Lodge Conference area.

This is, of course, not the first time TEEA has generously donated to the 4-H program. To date, TEEA has contributed \$153,303 from the Coins for Friendship program. Coins for Friendship is a testament to the saying 'a little goes a long way', at local TEEA club meetings, members drop loose change into the jar and over the years, it really adds up! The first donation presented to the 4-H Conference Center was in 1995. Funds have been used for enhance programming activities such as installation of the Cargo Net on the Challenge Course, purchase of sailboats and kayaks, and the Outdoor Education classroom. Funds have also been helpful for necessary items like the steam kettle, sound system, dorm renovations and providing a structure over the Archery firing line.

Join us in thanking TEEA for their contribution to the Texas 4-H Youth Development program.



**"TEEA TIDBITS"**  
MILLIE BARROW, 1ST VP LEADERSHIP

Hello Everyone,

I can feel the beginning of fall in the air... can't you? Fall is one of my favorite times, the changing of the colors of the leaves, mums blooming, fall flowers strutting their colors, just fabulous and the cooler weather as a bonus! Let us continue to pray for rain, it is still awfully dry at our home.

I hope everyone enjoyed the conference as much as I did and as much as your State Board and Districts 1 and 2 did in putting it all together. We received some good feedback from all the members that filled out the evaluation sheets, which we thank you for doing. Feedback is so important; it helps us in our planning of future conferences. As many requested several years ago, the conference is two days long and we have a lot of information to pass on in those two days as well as educational programs and interesting speakers. I enjoyed our meals, thought the food was good and hope everyone else enjoyed them. We try to pick a menu that will be pleasing to everyone.

Membership registration time is here. I hope every member has been out "beating the bushes" looking for and signing up those new members. County Chairpersons, please share the page of the Leadership program with your members, titled "TEEA Member Benefits". We do have great benefits as a TEEA Member, several of which (but not listed) are the companionship of others, sharing of ideas between members, clubs and districts, meeting new people who become lifetime friends or friends you may only see once a

year, but they become friends. As I have always stated, "TEEA is the BEST Organization in the state of TEXAS !

I look forward to serving another year as your 1st VP of Leadership and will be taking a look at paperwork to see what can be done about the amount of paperwork, how it can be condensed or eliminated, however, many of the forms are of great value, they keep us all informed of what is happening in each District as well as Club and County activities.

I would like to thank District 1 and District 2 for such a great 2014 State Conference; all the members in these two Districts were great. Thanks to all members throughout the state for attending and supporting TEEA. We could not be such a great organization without our members. THANK YOU.

Have a great fall; I am here if you need me.

Luv,  
Millie, 1st VP Leadership



**NYANZA PRICE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS**

Thank you for helping me to continue on my journey with TEEA. I am very excited about working with the Education Chairs; Cathy Hanzik, Cita Honeycutt, Jan Meador and Connie Troxell in developing interesting and informative programs from our core areas: membership and leadership, family life and family resources, health and safety, natural resources and environment, and nutrition. I have contacted each one and some have already begun research on topics for presentation. They are just as excited as I am. Our advisors, Dr. Judy Warren and Dr. Joyce Cavanaugh will be assisting us in our task.

We assure you that the topics given at the state conference in Waco next year will provide you with information to take back to your districts, counties, and local clubs.

I am looking forward to serving as your Second Vice President of Programs.

Serving with love,  
Nyanza



**KAYLENE LAYTON STATE TEEA SECRETARY**

Greetings, TEEA members. This is my first article for the Messenger as your State Secretary and I am not sure what you are interested in hearing from me, so I will just wing it for a time or two until I get the hang of it.

One thing that I want to do is, as the past District Director of District 2, say a great big "Thank You" to all those who helped make our 2014 State Convention a success. Along with those members of District 1, who worked so hard to make everything as enjoyable for you as possible. From most of the comments that I heard, we succeeded fairly well. I really appreciated the great attendance and hope you enjoyed the event as much as we enjoyed putting it together for you.

I am learning to negotiate my way around our Facebook page. This is a new thing for me and it is going to take some time to learn all I need to know about contributing to the site. Please bear with me as I learn.

I am looking forward to a new adventure as your State Secretary and working with the new Board members as well as those who will continue for another year. We truly have some of the most wonderful people in our group who love the TEEA organization and want to see it continue to grow and succeed. One of the things that I remember from my 4-H days is the motto "to make the best better." We need to take that motto along with the TEEA creed and our motto, work to add members, train them to become active at the club, district and state levels so that our organization will be the best that we can make it. With your help and God's blessings, I know that can happen.



2014-2016 State Board  
(Not pictured is Nyanza Price)



**MONEY TALKS**  
**KAY JACOB**  
**STATE TREASURER**

Hello Ladies and Gentlemen. We had a GREAT conference in Wichita Falls. We had great educational programs and break-out sessions. We had fun at our LUNCH & LEARN. The facilities were wonderful with plenty of room for Cultural Arts, Country Store, and Alumni Silent Auction. If you didn't get to attend the conference, I hope you are making plans for 2015 in Waco.

I would like to introduce myself and let you know how to contact me. My name is Kay Jacob and my mailing address is 625 CR 91, Bishop, TX 78343. My phone number is (361) 947-1070 and my email is [kjacob1954@gmail.com](mailto:kjacob1954@gmail.com). Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

As a reminder, dues are now due. County Chairs, please use TEEA Membership List-County Form page 6-8 and only list 20 names per page. Send this along with Membership Dues of \$15/ member with the check payable to TEEA, Inc. and print For Deposit Only on the back of the check. This form and dues are sent to your District Director. Also, please send to your District Director the TEEA County Association List of Presidents and EIN's-County form page 6-13 and the TEEA List of Association Offices-County form page 6-12. All of these are forwarded to me by your District Director.

Again, if you have ANY questions, feel free to call or email me. Thanks for all your support!!

**TEEA BUDGET**  
**October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015**

<b>TEEA BUDGET</b>			
<b>October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015</b>			
<b>INCOME</b>			
	State Membership Dues		\$45,350
	Coins for Friendship		5,000
	Dollars for Scholars		3,000
	TEEA Sales		2,500
	State Conference		30,000
	Interest on Accounts		800
	Alumnae Silent Auction		2,500
	State Board Silent Auction		500
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME</b>			<b>\$89,650</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>4-H SUPPORT</b>			
	Food & Clothing Program	\$3,600	
	Round-Up Presentations	500	
	4-H Foundation Representative	1,000	
	Scholarships	12,000	
	Coins for Friendships	5,000	
	Consumer Sciences Contest	500	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$22,600</b>
<b>STATE CONFERENCE</b>			
	Planning	2,000	
	Conference	30,400	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>32,400</b>
<b>SCHOLARSHIPS</b>			
	Adult Career	2,000	
	Alumnae	2,000	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>4,000</b>
<b>EDUCATION &amp; TRAINING</b>			
	Education Committee	2,000	
	Fall Board Meeting	6,000	
	Spring Board Meeting	7,500	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>15,500</b>
<b>NEWSLETTER</b>			
	The TEEA Messenger	6,000	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>6,000</b>
<b>LEGAL &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE</b>			
	Conciliation/Tax Preparation	500	
	Treasurer's Operational Support	1,000	
	District Directors/Officer Liability Insurance	3,000	
	Parliamentarian	600	
	Office Equipment & Supplies	650	
	Treasurer/Editor Bonds	650	
	TEEA President's Discretionary Fund	1,000	
	Printing	1,000	
	Other Board Expenses	750	
	<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>9,150</b>
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES</b>			<b>\$89,650</b>

### WELCOME TEEA DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Hello Everyone, please join me in welcoming the 2014-2015 TEEA District Directors. We have a great bunch of ladies who are anxious to get the new year started. I will be introducing them to you and give a little information on them.

#### MILLIE BARROW 1st V.P. Leadership



Another year younger and still on the farm with hubby Ron. Our home is located in Eastland County overlooking Lake Leon. Many a morning you will catch us on the back porch with a cup of coffee just looking at nature and enjoying the quiet. Ron and I celebrated our 53rd year of wedded bliss this past September and we celebrated it in South Africa. Ron hunted, while I observed and took pictures. Those beautiful animals in the wild are breathtaking!! Tis a beautiful country.

Our daughter, Sherinda, married Albert in Akumal, Mexico in July – so beautiful – the wedding took place on the beach just before sunset. Such a beautiful bride! About twenty five of us joined the bride and groom for a week of fun, food and good times. Our grandkids, Coy with wife Candice, Colbi with boyfriend Neil and long time friends were there to celebrate with the bride and groom. Coy's two little ones did not get to go – Sophie is now SIX and in the first grade – she loves it – Riley is now TWO - Coy says she is in the TERRIBLE TWO's – he said she is different from Sophie at that age!!!! We purchased 12 new chickens and a rooster and we are getting a dozen eggs every day. Started selling them!!!! Had to sell our cattle last summer as the drought is so bad we could not afford to keep on

buying hay – put them all over the ranch to eat what grass could be found.

I have held many positions in the local Morton Valley EE Club in Eastland, and then moved up to the Association level holding all positions. I was District 8 Director for two years and State Treasurer for 3 years. I am currently on my second year as V.P. and look forward to working with all of you this coming year. I enjoy organic gardening, flower gardening, crocheting, quilting, canning and most of all spending time with family and friends and of course traveling!!!

Goals this next year include better communication between the Board and members, obtaining new members, and working with clubs and counties to come back to TEEA. If you have any questions or any suggestions, please contact me and any of the State Board.

#### ROSABELLE LEAL DISTRICT 1 DIRECTOR



Rosabelle lives in Dalhart, Texas with her family and will be serving her second year as District Director. Please welcome her back.

#### SUSIE STARNES DISTRICT 2 DIRECTOR



Susie lives in Plainview, Texas with her family. She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her to the Board. She served previously as an Education Chair.

#### OLA CULWELL DISTRICT 3 DIRECTOR



Hello Everyone:

The rain and cooler weather have been wonderful. Hope everything is getting into full swing in your clubs. The State TEEA Conference in Wichita Falls was one of the best and the Educational Programs were wonderful. I hope each club will present these programs to your members and any organizations that you can. Our county held a Mini-Conference this last month and presented all of the programs and got our year off to a great start.

This is a busy time for all of us, collecting dues, getting in the membership list, and the annual report. It helps a lot to get those reports on time. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at Fall Training and wish you great success in the coming year.

The State Conference will be held in Waco, Texas next September. District 3 and 8 will be host districts, so be making plans now to help with the country store and cultural arts.

Thanks for all you do for TEEA. Ola lives in Springtown with her family. She served previously as a District Director and as the State Secretary. She will be serving her second year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her back.



#### VELMA TATE DISTRICT 4 DIRECTOR



Velma and her husband live in Lake Worth, Texas. She served previously as a District Director and as 2nd V.P. of Education. She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her to the Board.

#### JOYCE MORROW DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR



Joyce said, "Much is the same as last year". She is still single, has three daughters and four grandchildren. She now has a great grand daughter who is a delight at nine months old!! On the County level, Joyce has been Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary. In her Club, she has been President, Vice President, Secretary and Club Delegate. Joyce is involved in meals on wheels, quilting in her club –quilts are given to seniors. As a Master Gardener she volunteers at the I.D.E.A. garden in Tyler. For fun she enjoys reading, sewing and spending time with her family. Her goals for the upcoming year are to retain members and increase membership by spreading the good word about the value of TEEA to our families and the community. She will be serving her second year as District Director, please welcome her back

**LAJUANA THAMES  
DISTRICT 6 DIRECTOR**



Lajuana lives in Monahans with her family. She has previously served as District Director and Education Chair. She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her to the Board.

**LYNDA FRENCH  
DISTRICT 7 DIRECTOR**



Lynda is from Burnet County and lives out in the country near Briggs, TX. She has been married to her husband, Fred, for 16 years. Lynda is retired from the State of Texas. During those 30 plus years of service, she served on State and National boards representing Texas and the Southwest Region which included New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. She has been a TEEA member for eight years and has held the offices of Club President, Vice President, Parliamentarian, County Association Chair and Treasurer. She has had the honor of serving as Chairman and Secretary for the Burnet County Leadership Advisory Board and Vice President for the Family and Consumer Sciences Committee. Lynda is involved in the Oatmeal Community Association, Burnet County Historical Commission, Briggs Model Airplane Club, Burnet County Area Fair Committee and Lake Area Rods and Classics.

She provides support to 4-H and Extension by judging county and district competitions and serving on the Burnet County 4-H and FFA Livestock Food Show Committee. For fun she enjoys floral crafts, sewing, gardening, cruising in their 1967 Chevy pickup and supporting her husband in his many hobbies. Lynda hopes to improve the chain of communication within the district which will strengthen leadership, continue to recruit new members and attempt to reactivate counties that have dropped out over the years. Lynda will be serving her second year as District Director. Please welcome her back.

**ALICE LANCE  
DISTRICT 8 DIRECTOR**



Alice has spent 35 years in the health care industry. She started in a Vocational Health Occupations class in High School studying for a nurse's aide. Later she went to LVN School in Fort Worth, then to UTA for her Bachelors Degree. Alice started as a bedside nurse, acquiring certifications in special procedures to passing her Med-Surg Certification and became Shift Coordinator at a 30-bed MedSurg Telemetry Unit. In 2006 several friends asked her to visit their TEEA Club meeting. Somervell's FCS Agent presented the program and she was hooked – had to join and become a member. She has served as Secretary of the Club and County Chairperson. She has also served as District 8 Secretary. She takes her responsibility as District Director seriously and her goal is for all communities to recognize our contributions.

She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her to the Board.

**REXINE SCARBOROUGH  
DISTRICT 9 DIRECTOR**



Rexine lives in Conroe with her family. She has been married for 52 years and has two children, six grandchildren (ranging in age from 14 to 25). Both children were active 4-Hers winning the Gold Star and I Dare You awards.

Rexine has been involved in numerous organizations, including 4-H Leader, Girl Scouts County Chair, County Fair for 20 years, softball association (officer, coach, umpire), and most of all work with our church on various projects.

She has been in TEEA since 1993. At the club level she has held the offices of president, vice president, and secretary and on the county level she has served as county chair, chair-elect, and treasurer. Rexine states that she has enjoyed her work with TEEA and is excited to serve as District 9 Director. She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome Rexine to the Board.

**GWEN RISINGER  
DISTRICT 10 DIRECTOR**



Gwen lives in Blanco with her family and has been married to her husband, Thad, for 53 years. They have 2 sons with total of 5 grandchildren, 4 boys and 1 girl. She has been in TEEA for 15 years, serving at the club and county levels in a variety of positions. She served as District 10 Director from 2010 – 2012 and District 10 Education Chair from 2012-2014. Gwen's interests are reading, libraries and gardening. She is currently on the Board of Blanco Library, Inc. She will be serving her first year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome Gwen to the Board.

**BETTY BAUGHN  
DISTRICT 11 DIRECTOR**



Betty was married the first time for 24 years and was truly blessed with the arrival of two children. Her first born was a boy and is now 52 years of age. ... Two and half years later her beautiful daughter came along on Valentine's Day and is now 49 years of age. As you can tell, she married young. She went to work for an Oral Surgeon and was specially trained by him and also schooled in San Antonio. She assisted as a private surgical nurse and helped perform surgeries in every hospital in Corpus Christi !! In the early 70's she changed occupations and went into accounting, all by hand in ledgers. In order to keep up with progress she took several computer classes. Her second marriage is to a wonderful man. They have been married for 16 years and between his children and hers, plus stepchildren, they have 12 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Betty works at her church as Administrator, Secretary, Treasurer and Bookkeeper. She enjoys TEEA and enjoys being involved in all aspects of what TEEA represents. She is serving her second year of her two year term as District Director. Please welcome her back.

**DEBBIE GILLESPIE  
DISTRICT 12 DIRECTOR**



Debbie lives in Pleasanton with her family. She will be serving her second year as District Director. Please welcome her back.



**TEEA ALUMNAE  
COMMITTEE REPORT  
GRACE GLAZE CHAIRMAN**

The Alumnae Silent Auction and Drawing was fantastic! I am still smiling! This is the Alumnae fundraiser to support our scholarship fund. Thanks to everyone who helped to make it such a success. You were very generous in your donations, purchasing tickets, and bidding on the items. There were 65 items donated for the silent auction and 5 items donated for the drawing.

The drawing, silent auction, memorials, and donations had an income of \$3162.00. The committee will use this money to give college students scholarships. The information for the Alumnae scholarships can be found in the TEEA Manual. Please encourage your college students who meet the guidelines to apply for our scholarship the application is in the manual on the web [teea@tamu.edu](mailto:teea@tamu.edu). District Directors also have the information. The applications are due to me April 1, 2015. If you have any questions please call me (979-543-4168) or send e-mail [graceglaze38@yahoo.com](mailto:graceglaze38@yahoo.com).

The winners of the drawing were: Alby Peters - Ola Culwell Jacket, Julie Sikes - Minkee Strip Quilt donated by Freddie Seaman, Judith Finke - Afghan donated by Velma Tate, Robin Fields - Necklace Earring Set Donated by Judith Finke, Alby Peters - Crochet Wool Scarf donated by Elaine Beeson. Everyone picked up their silent auction items or someone picked them up for the winner.

I would like to give special thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up, sell tickets and help check out.

The Alumnae Luncheon was great; there were 57 in attendance. The membership list was updated. If anyone would like a copy, please let me know.

I have received several memorials from members. If you would like to send a memorial in memory of someone, please send it to me. It is an excellent way to remember someone you care about.

Keep in touch and let me hear from you. Grace Glaze 2835 CR 385 El Campo, TX. 77437

2013-2014 FINANCIAL STATEMENT				
	2014 YEAR TO DATE	2014 BUDGET	2014 DIFFERENCE	2013 YEAR TO DATE
<b>INCOME</b>				
State Membership Dues	\$44,910.00	\$49,500.00	\$4,590.00	\$49,260.00
Coins For Friendship	7,119.84	5,000.00	2,119.84	9,128.29
Dollars For Scholars	4,643.53	3,000.00	1,643.53	3,962.96
TEEA Sales	1,622.00	2,500.00	878.00	4,620.00
State Conference-2014	36,405.00	29,750.00	6,655.00	52,707.00
Interest on Accounts	431.03	800.00	368.97	644.04
Alumnae Silent Auction	3,312.00	2,500.00	812.00	5,132.00
Board Silent Auction	570.00	400.00	170.00	679.00
Memorials	720.00		720.00	220.00
Name Badges	990.00		990.00	
Misc. Income (2013 Financial)				3,126.63
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$100,723.40</b>	<b>\$93,450.00</b>	<b>\$7,273.40</b>	<b>\$129,479.92</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>4-H SUPPORT</b>				
Food & Clothing Program	\$3,300.00	\$3,600.00	\$300.00	\$3,600.00
Round-Up Presentation	81.00	500.00	419.00	90.72
4-H Foundation Representative	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
Scholarships	12,000.00	12,000.00		11,000.00
Coins for Friendship	6,721.55	5,000.00	1,721.55	8,531.18
Consumer Sciences Contest	500.00	500.00		500.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,602.55</b>	<b>\$22,600.00</b>	<b>\$1,002.55</b>	<b>\$24,721.90</b>
<b>STATE CONFERENCE</b>				
2013 Conference	\$696.07		696.07	\$37,359.85
2014 Planning	1,367.84	2,500.00	1,132.16	
2014 Conference	20,129.42	27,400.00	7,270.58	
2015 Conference Deposit				100.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$22,193.33</b>	<b>\$29,900.00</b>	<b>\$7,706.67</b>	<b>\$37,459.85</b>
<b>SCHOLARSHIPS</b>				
Adult Career Alumnae		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
	3,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	2,500.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,500.00</b>
<b>EDUCATION &amp; TRAINING</b>				
Education Committees	\$1060.81	\$2,000.00	\$939.19	\$816.22
Fall Board Meeting	5,308.85	7,000.00	1,691.15	5,885.40
Spring Board Meeting	5,618.30	8,000.00	2,381.70	7,298.16
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,987.96</b>	<b>\$17,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,012.04</b>	<b>\$13,999.78</b>
<b>NEWSLETTER</b>				
TEEA Messenger	\$8,265.07	\$11,000.00	\$2,734.93	
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,265.07</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,734.93</b>	
<b>LEGAL &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE</b>				
Conciliation/Tax Preparation	\$250.00	\$750.00	\$500.00	\$325.00
Treasurer's Operational Support 00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
District Directors/Officer Insurance	2,950.00	2,700.00	250.00	2,716.00
Parliamentarian	600.00	600.00		905.76
Office Equipment/Supplies	1,263.15	650.00	613.15	2,929.43
Treasurer/Editor Bonds	606.00	500.00	106.00	500.00
TEEA President Discretionary Fund	410.79	1,000.00	589.21	272.51
Printing	53.00	1,000.00	947.00	54.00
Other Board Expenses	314.09	750.00	435.91	216.32
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,447.03</b>	<b>\$8,950.00</b>	<b>\$2,502.97</b>	<b>\$7,919.02</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>				
Name Badge Orders	\$644.50		\$644.50	\$821.55
TEEA Sales	1,097.44		1,097.44	2,280.77
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,741.94</b>		<b>\$1,741.94</b>	<b>\$3,102.32</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$77,237.88</b>	<b>\$93,450.00</b>	<b>\$16,212.12</b>	<b>\$90,702.87</b>
<b>PROFIT</b>	<b>\$23,485.52</b>			<b>\$38,777.05</b>

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**RANDALL COUNTY EE CLUBS COMPLETE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT**

By Carolyn Hamontree

The three clubs of Randall County met August 27 to do their annual community service. This year 30 blankets were cut and made for the Evelyn Rivers Project. The blankets will be given to children, the needy, and homeless during the Christmas season. Sixteen ladies met to work on the project and have a potluck luncheon.

On August 2, Greenwood EEC members made and served refreshments during the "Eighter from Decatur Bike Rally" sponsored by the Wise Electric Co-operative. Proceeds from the event benefit Rachel's Wings for Life.



Also in August we attended the Wise County 4-H banquet where we received the Friend of 4-H award.



L-R: Dixie Range, Bobbie Ashley, Marilynn Collins, and Gerry Galloway

In September we elected new officers and made final plans for our Greenwood Fall Festival. We will share the results in the next issue.

New GEEC officers for 2015 are: Linda Hood - Treasurer, Bobbie Ashley - Vice President, Dixie Range - President Elect, and Janice Millican - Secretary.



**PARKER COUNTY/DISTRICT 3 MEMBERS ATTEND STATE CONFERENCE**



Front row (L-R) Barbara Sampson (County Chair/Delegate), Antoinette Reed (Delegate), Kathy Hardin, Ola Culwell (District 3 Co. Chairman), Cita Honeycutt (incoming County Chair/TEEA Education Committee Chair-District 3), Kathy Smith (District 3 County Agent. Back row (L-R) DiDi Meeker, Margaret Avery (Delegate, incoming Association Treasurer), Sheila Woody (Association Treasurer), Shirley Riebe (Assoc. Parliamentarian), Wanda Lacey (County Vice-Chair), Julia Moseley (incoming TEEA State President)

**VAN ZANDT COUNTY CLUBS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT**

By Carolyn Minor

The Texas Extension Education Association of Van Zandt County met on June 10 at Saint Justin's Episcopal Church in Canton. Van Zandt County Texas A&M AgriLife Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent, Melisa Rhodes assisted members in carrying out their community service project. Representatives of all four TEEA clubs across the county were present to make walker pockets, allowing those who need walkers for mobility to carry items with the assistance of the pockets attached to the front bar of the walker. The walker pockets will be distributed to nursing homes in Van Zandt County with any remaining ones being donated to the veteran's hospital in Dallas. Members encourage anyone interested in becoming a part of TEEA to contact Texas A&M AgriLife

Extension agent, Melisa Rhodes at 903-567-4149.



Front row (l-r) Joyce Lovette, Mary Minton, Sue Daniel, Pat Kelley, Pearl Beaty, Carolyn Minor. Back row (l-r) Inez Stamper, Jan Dollgener, Judy Dickens, Carol Stroud, Sally Ronk, Carolyn Davis. Not pictured: Pam Ellis.

The TEEA clubs of Van Zandt County hosted their annual Holiday Festival on Sept 20. There was an increase in attendance this year thanks to the publicity and members who presold tickets to the event which included craft, sewing, and food recipe demonstrations by each of our four TEEA Clubs. Melisa Rhodes, our Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent served as master of ceremonies as well as did a floral demonstration using a pumpkin. Club members from our Board-Elwood, Salt City, Watkins, and Wills Point clubs set up individual tables and sold items as a fundraiser. Numerous door prizes were given out as well as four big ticket items were given away in drawings. New this year were four outside vendors who offered items for sale as well as each contributed additional door prizes. The event made for a fun filled Saturday afternoon outing!



Pictured from left to right are Jeri Harman, Marcie Grabber, Betty Lyles, Jennie Eckenberger, Dale Hoover.

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**WISE EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION GREENWOOD CLUB**

By Bobbie Ashley

Greenwood Club entertained 4-H Club members in June and they presented the program by summarizing their participation in 4-H Round-Up in College Station.

July is a non-meeting month, but for 35+ years, the club has been having an Ice Cream Social, (hang over from when we were a dairy county) for family and friends. Participating were members Bobbie Ashley, Dixie Range, Linda Hood, Suzy Wolleford, Gerry Galloway, and President Marilynn Collins.



**VAN ZANDT CLUBS TAKE FIELD TRIP**

Van Zandt County TEEA Clubs met on October 14 for a field trip to the Edgewood Heritage Park in Edgewood, Texas. Twelve members were present to tour the restored buildings that are all from the Van Zandt County area and re-located to this site. Heritage Park is comprised of buildings such as an old school building, a church, stores, houses, print shop and a black smith's shop as well as many other historical buildings. Following the tour members had lunch and social time at the Lumber Yard Restaurant. It was a fun day for those who were able to attend this event.

**HUNT COUNTY MAKES PLANS FOR FALL**

By Judy Clingan

The Hunt County District 4 TEEA is ready for fall and the sights of pumpkins and the smell of cinnamon! Our county had 5 members at the State Conference in Wichita Falls, with our honor male member, Gerald Norris along with his wife Shirley, Judy Clingan, Dinah Rainey and chairman, Sandy Hurst. A great time was had by all. The programs were all informative.

Our annual event was held on October 6 with installation of new officers; Chair – Dinah Rainey, Vice Chair, yearbook and programs – Mary White, Messenger – Judy Clingan, Membership – Barbara Malone, Secretary – Pat Anderson, and Treasurer – Shirley Norris. Shirley Norris presented a program from state – Diversity and Judy Clingan presented Burlap Wall Hanging. Our speaker was Shirley Maroset on South Africa. It was awesome and then members enjoyed a lunch with international foods.

Plans are being made for our clubs Christmas as well as our yearly Making Memories in November. We are all looking forward to the holidays and wishing everyone a safe and happy one!

**DISTRICT 5**

**CHEROKEE COUNTY WELCOMES NEW AGENT!**

By Marylyn Bennett

Cherokee County welcomes our new FCS Agent, Ms. Megan Turnmire. Megan earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Family Consumer Sciences at Brigham Young University in Rexburg, Idaho. After graduation, Megan taught school in Idaho. Megan completed the 30 day First-Step for Success program in Smith County prior to beginning her career in Cherokee County. This program provides the new agent the opportunity to observe and experience the daily operations of a typical county extension office.

Megan is now fully immersed in FCS projects, Friend 2 Friend (breast cancer awareness event), Walk Across Texas, and two TEEA clubs. She said that upon her initial visit she fell in love with the community and the people, and is really enjoying being in Texas. Welcome, Megan!



Upshur County 4-H graduating senior Haylie Weeks received \$1,000 college scholarship from Upshur County TEEA. Pictured, from left: Sharon Wise, Haylie Weeks, Gwen Jewett and Sandy Coppedge.



Upshur County TEEA's Annual Bean Dinner raises money to support members attending the TEEA State Convention and a variety of community service activities. Pictured is Annette Johnson serving in the "To Go" line.



**PONTA TEEA WINNERS IN DISTRICT 5 CULTURAL ARTS**

By Marylyn Bennett

Four Ponta TEEA members were proud winners in the July 22 District 5 Cultural Arts. Elna Perkins won first place in Category 6 Fiber arts with a silver crocheted neck scarf. Virginia Bush won second place in Category 8 Hand Stitchery with a counted cross-stitch wedding sampler she made for her granddaughter. Bobbie Russell won first place in Category 8 Hand Stitchery with an embroidered pillow. Bobbie also won second place in Category 20 Quilts Larger than 50 X 70 Machine Quilted. Marylyn Bennett won first place in Category 20 Quilts Larger than 50 X 70 Machine Quilted with her sampler quilt. Marylyn also won first place in Category 3 Craft Painting with a paint and leather decorated gourd. First place winners are allowed to enter the state meeting cultural arts. Ponta is located in Cherokee County, and our agent is Megan Turnmire.



Upshur County TEEA and 4-H Members collaborated to work a booth promoting how both organizations promote healthy living at the Upshur County Health Fair. Pictured from bottom are: Brenna East; seated from left are Joan Warren & Joyce Raabe; standing from left are Tanner Miller, Jewell Richards, & Virginia Higginbotham.



**DISTRICT 6**

Three Pecos EE Club members, Karan Hefelfinger (who is also our Agrilife Extension Agent), Betty Dawdy and Vea Anna Hooker, were excited to attend the State Convention in Wichita Falls in September. There, we enjoyed fellowship, fun and food while learning about the education programs that have been chosen for us to share with our community this coming year. We had a wonderful time and came back revved up to share those things we have learned. We were also excited to have been chosen to receive the awards for Outstanding County for the 2013-2014 year in the categories of outstanding contributions in community service and outstanding contributions in educational programming.





. We will continue to volunteer our time and talents and to present educational programming at every opportunity. Some of our activities have included Friend to Friend (Breast Cancer Awareness) parties, assisting our sister club (Dinner Tonight Foodies Club) with their Healthy Cooking school, presenting multiple programs to our seniors during a Senior Citizen Celebration and assisting our local 4-H youth with some of their many programs.

**PECOS COUNTY EEA GEARS UP FOR NEW YEAR**

By Vea Anna Hooker



Picture shows 8 of our members and 3 potential members enjoying a meeting on October 9. After our business meeting, we enjoyed a program on making gifts for the upcoming holidays. We then enjoyed a wonderful Mexican themed meal with contributions from all in attendance.

**COLEMAN COUNTY ATTENDS "HILL COUNTRY COWGIRLS RETREAT"**

By Dora Newman

Hill Country Cowgirls Retreat was quite a treat for eight "cowgirls" from Good Neighbor Club of Coleman County. They donned bandanas and headed to Lake Brownwood August 5 and 6 to the 4-H Center for the District 7 TEEA Retreat.

Here they were educated, visited old friends, and made new ones. Bandana projects were displayed and information given on "30 other ways to use bandanas in Texas". Entertainment was by the Honky Tonk Piano Band (Denise and Friends) playing country and western music with many singing along. The Coleman group was singing "Whiskey River" as they were leaving.

Cloris Gibson and other ladies told of their early rodeo performing experiences. Western author and historian Mike Kearby gave a presentation on "Elm Creek Raid" based on a major Indian raid in Texas during early settlement times. Cathy Ledbetter, retired teacher, extension agent, and professor spoke about "Fibercraft Trends" and how to access information about them on the internet. Friends of the San Saba Library did "Sears and Roebuck Catalog", a historical traveling trunk presentation.

One hundred and four were in attendance at various times. "Cowgirls" from Good Neighbor Club of Coleman County were Nina Childress, Jean Langford, Dorothy McDonald, Sherry Anderson, Dora Newman, Anna Jenkins, and Helen Cross. and Janet Nelson, CEA-FCS Agent. The retreat was hosted by San Saba County with co-host Brown County. Presiding was Carol Littlefield from San Saba County and what a fantastic job they did.



**TAYLOR COUNTY ATTENDS STATE MEETING**

By Brenda Camp

Nine members from Taylor County attended the State Conference in Wichita Falls on Sept. 9 & 10. Pictured above at the banquet are Irma Garrett, Brenda Camp (District 7 Director-Elect), Sherrell Cauldwell (District 7 Treasurer), Connie Adams, and Beth Ham. Not pictured, but in attendance, were Mary Ann Kelley, Harriet Malek, Marilyn Reid and Margie Wheeler.



Seated – Marguerite Reagan L to R – Louise Barefoot, Diane Fisch, Pat Clepper, Elva Walker, Arlene Wingo, Mary Ann Rhodes, and Karen DeZarn

**LAMPASAS COUNTY TEEA MEMBER TURNS 100!!**

By Arlene Wingo

Not many people reach the 100 year mark, but Marguerite Reagan of the Rumley Club in Lampasas County did on Aug. 6! A very large number of people helped celebrate her life Aug. 9 at her nearby church, including seven of her fellow club members. (See attached picture) We presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers along with a card and a framed certificate. Her family displayed many pictures from her very colorful life. The local newspaper dedicated over a full page to her history. One interesting point in her life was during WWII when she was both a riveter and a metal machine operator for what is known as the Boeing Company. Due to her petite size, the job was a challenge; but she went on to several jobs up the ladder within Boeing.

The recent District 7 TEEA retreat in Brownwood was a great and well attended success. Three of our members, plus our FCS agent, Karen DeZarn thoroughly enjoyed the two day cowgirl affair and came back rejuvenated for EEA! We even plan to carry the western theme over to our Rally Day plans in October. We plan to have a historian from our county speak. Hopefully, our membership rolls will swell!



Burnet County TEEA members preparing the Messenger for mailing. .



Brown County attends State Meeting.



Burnet County members at opening session.



Llano County attends State meeting.



Cathy Hanzik, State President and Lynda French, District 7 Director recognize Elna Preston, Llano County for her years of service to the TEEA organization at the local, district, and state level.



DISTRICT 7

## JONES COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

By Billie Wise

Sunshine Noon Club President

September was a busy month for the Jones County Extension Association. Six club members from Compere and Sunshine attended the State Conference in San Marcos. The next week of September it was Jones County Fair time in Anson, with the Home and Garden show. Members of both clubs helped to make this a success. The theme was "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." An added attraction this year was an Ice Cream Freeze-Off. We had six entries this first year, three of which were 4-H members from Stamford. Compere and Sunshine also sold red beans and cornbread for a Council Fundraiser.

Judy Deatherage was appointed to plan an appreciation lunch for Anson Elected Courthouse Officials, as well as the sheriff and his employees. This was held on October 10 in the Lawrence Hall Activity Center with Compere and Sunshine members helping. Twenty-two people attended the luncheon. Also in October, the Sunshine Club held their Annual Baked Potato Fundraiser. \$100.00 of the proceeds was donated to the Back Pack for Children program which sends home food in a backpack on Fridays for 58 children who may need it. Compere members met and planned their Thanksgiving Dinner for the Noodle Community Center.

Six new members were added to the Sunshine Club, and Compere added one new member, and another member was reinstated after taking a year off for health reasons.

In November, Clydia Rasor presented the Sunshine Club with a program on the use of different herbs for cooking, and plants for the fall season. She brought samples for the members to see and smell. The members of Compere Club were unable to hold their annual Noodle Thanksgiving Dinner and Fundraiser this year due to bad weather. This annual event provides for improvements to the Community Center at Noodle, a small community in western Jones

County where many of them grew up or lived in their young adult years. This is their way of giving back to the community.

December was party time! Compere Club had a Christmas party. Members of both clubs and guests were asked to come dressed in their "Sunday Best" to the Council Christmas Party. Meals on Wheels catered the turkey, dressing, gravy and hot breads for the party. Club members furnished desserts and side dishes. Mrs. Minnie Rasor's class of six students from Anson High School was treated to Christmas cookies and snacks. These students help the EE Clubs in many ways throughout the school year. Entertainment was provided by Cassie Cochran of Snyder, Texas, with Christmas songs and other classics. Representatives from Noah North and Noah South projects were presented with \$200.00 each from the Council. Items of clothing and bedding were also donated, as well as \$51.00 from club members. Twenty-two club members and guests enjoyed the holiday event.

Jayne Sandbothe, Sunshine member, gave two state programs on January 16 at the Senior Citizens Activity Center. "Google Goggles" and "Social Media/Networking" were presented to nine members, one guest and agent Debbie Hailey. New member, Margie Grey, was welcomed into the Noon Sunshine Club. The Compere Club was unable to meet in January due to the weather and health issues.

In February, the Anson City Manager, Bryan Grimes, gave a talk on updated plans for the city of Anson. The Compere Club had two programs by Mozetta Youngers in February: "A Little Fluff in Your Ear: A Guide to Better Listening" and "God Made a Quilter". They also had a round-robin discussion of Health Issues that affect women. Also in February, the Extension Leadership Advisory Board partnered with the EE Clubs and 4-H clubs to host the "Meet the Candidates Dinner and Cake Auction" at the Lawrence Hall Activity Center. Eleven Sunshine members helped with the fundraiser, baking cakes as well as bidding and buying some of the cakes and pies. We

heard from many of the local candidates running for office. Over \$4,600 was raised, with EEA and 4-H sharing in the proceeds.

The Sunshine Club program for March was presented by former State Game Warden, Chuck Vest. He gave an overview of the work of a Game Warden. He believes that the vacant position in Jones County will be filled this year.

At the Compere Club, Harlean Cutbirth gave a program on "How to Improve your Credit Score". They welcomed new club member Rita Morrow, and the club also donated a kitchen range to the Noodle Community Center.

At the April meeting of Sunshine Club, new member Barbara Shaw gave a State Program on "Necessary Documents". At the Compere Club, Harlean gave the program on "True Colors".

In May, seven Sunshine Club members, one agent and one guest traveled to Abilene and were given a tour of the new Noah Project building. This is a protected shelter for women, children, and men who are in family crisis and in danger. They are allowed to stay as long as needed, up to two years. It is a wonderful secure facility, and club members were made aware of the need for such a place as this. After the tour, members from both clubs enjoyed lunch together at an Abilene restaurant.

The Compere Club conducted an assessment of needs for the club.

Rally Day was hosted by both clubs on June 18, with lunch being catered by Peacocks Mesquite Grill of Anson. Club members brought desserts. It was a fun day for members and guests.

In June, Compere was treated to a program on "Necessary Documents", by Myrna, and Harlean gave the "Google Goggles" program.

In August, members from both Jones County clubs attended the District 7 Retreat at the Texas 4-H Center at Lake Brownwood. Compere Club met and had a program on "Google Goggles". Sunshine met to plan for the upcoming year.

In September, members wrapped up the 2013-14 year by attending the State Conference

County Fair.

The Jones County EEA Council supports the three 4-H Clubs by providing guidance, leaders and judges for the FCS projects, and by donating prizes for participants.

## TEEA STATE CONFERENCE HELD IN WICHITA FALLS

By Barbara Rieger

The 87th Texas Extension Education Association, Inc. (TEEA) State Conference was held in Wichita Falls on September 9-10. There were 403 in attendance. Attending from Burnet County were Linda Rogers, Linda Wells (FCS Agent), Polly Krenek, Lisa Zinz, Le-la Goar, Roberta Eacott, Lynda French, (District 7 Director), Ollie Ann Baker, Deloris Meiske, Hazel Gatliff, and Barbara Rieger.



Burnet County was recognized for their many accomplishments the past year. They were honored as outstanding county in District 7 for their contribution in educational programming.

Ollie Ann Baker, of the Marble Falls EE Club, was the recipient of the Texas Treasure Award for the state. Barbara Rieger, of the Redbud Oakalla EE Club, was the District 7 nominee for the Texas Leadership Award.



Five of the eight recipients of Certified Volunteer Units Awards for their many hours spent in community volunteer activities were from Burnet County: Lela Goar, Polly Krenek, Connie Roark (not pictured), Lisa Zinz and Lynda French.



The Oatmeal EE Club was recognized as the only new club in the past year. Polly Krenek is president of that club.

The theme of this year's conference was Love, Faith, and Devotion. These words were taken from the TEEA Creed. "...believe in the home as the place where love, faith, trust, and devotion must be lived each day..." The mission of TEEA is to work with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to strengthen and enrich families through educational programs, leadership development, and community service.

The conference commemorated the observance of 100 years of the Smith-Lever Act of 1914 and the relationship between TEEA and Extension.

The conference included a cultural arts competition and display. Amanda Hensley, of the Redbud Oakalla EE Club, earned a blue ribbon for her wind chime entry in the recycle category. Judy Parnell, also of the Redbud Oakalla EE Club, won a red ribbon in the craft painting category for her bald eagle figurine.



There was also a country store with many handmade items for sale, an alumnae silent auction to raise money for scholarships, a keynote speaker, and educational workshops.

The key note speaker was Diane Cunningham, M.Ed., from Grapevine, Texas, president and founder of the National Association of Christian Women Entrepreneurs. The topic of her talk was "Catch on Fire. What Fires You Up?" The F.I.R.E formula is Focus, Implement, Results, and Energy.

There was a leadership workshop entitled "The Magic of TEEA" as well as educational workshops. The workshops were "Diversity: How does it make us see, hear, feel, think, and act?," "iPad 101" (to learn to navigate an iPad), "To Toss or Not to Toss" (how long to keep documents), and "Safe Medication Disposal." There were additional workshops on "Landscaping for Security," "Crafts from the Plains," and "Understanding and Managing Anger."

For information on having these workshops presented to your organization, please contact the Burnet County AgriLife Extension Office at 512-756-5463. Information on the Burnet County Extension Clubs is also available through the Extension Office.

State TEEA officers elected at the convention were Nyanza Price, 2nd Vice President for Programs, and Kaylene Layton, Secretary. Julia Mosely, President-Elect, will serve as the 2014-2016 TEEA State President.

The 88th TEEA State Conference will be held in Waco on September 15-16, 2015.



## COLEMAN COUNTY MEMBERS TO STATE TEEA MEETING

By Dora Newman



Five members of the Coleman County Good Neighbor Club attended State TEEA Meeting in Wichita Falls Sept 9 - Sept 10. Pictured above left to right are Jean Langford, Lynda French, District 7 Director, Dorothy McDonald, Helen Cross, Cassie Shultz, and Sherry Anderson. Coleman County was recognized by District 7 as the Honor Roll County for their outstanding contributions in community service.

## RUMLEY EEC IN LAMPASAS HAS ACTIVE SUMMER AND EARLY FALL

By Arlene Wingo

Diana Fisch and Mary Rhodes hosted the Rumley EEC in August. It was well attended and Debra Farish gave a power point presentation on concealed hand gun carry, the history of our constitution, the importance of the 2nd Amendment, and most especially on gun safety. She is the Texas State Coordinator for the national organization, Second Amendment Sisters.

September's meeting was hosted by Cheryl Luker and Arlene Wingo. The program speaker was Jim Brazo of San Saba Olive Oil Company. He gave a history of olive trees, how and where best to plant them, and how they are processed, along with brochures and other literature.

Attending the State TEEA meeting in Wichita Falls were members Gail Eltgroth and Dianna Furlan. They had a great trip and are planning to give a full report at the next meeting.

October 2 is the set date for our annual Rally Day. A western theme is planned and we are looking forward to hearing Carol Wright of the Lampasas Museum society speak on "Interesting Tombstones in Lampasas County." We are hoping to garner some new members

in addition to Lanata Sprott, Mary Kemper, Karen DeZarn, and Tessa Ray from the September meeting.

One of Rumley EEC's annual fundraisers will be a garage sale held November 8 at the home of Pat Clepper. Lots of "good stuff" is anticipated. Ya'll come!

## COLEMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT SIGNS TEEA WEEK PROCLAMATION

By Dora Newman



Pictured are Rick Beal – Commissioner Precinct 2, Mike Stephenson – Commissioner Precinct 3, County Judge Joe Watson, Alan Davis – Commissioner Precinct 4, and Mark Williams – Commissioner Precinct 1 and TEEA members Helen Cross, Jean Langford, Dora Newman, Cassie Shultz, and Nina Childress.

The Coleman County TEEA currently has the Good Neighbor Club with Janet Nelson as Adviser. It sponsors the Exhibits in the Bill Franklin Center each fall. It also has a fundraiser each year selling concessions at the county stock show. From funds raised, the association gives a \$1000.00 scholarship to a deserving 4-H member and donates to various organizations in the community and county.



Each time between 12—18 Burnet County TEEA members volunteer to help with addressing the Messengers and sealing the edges. Thanks for your dedication to our organization.

## LAMPASAS COUNTY HOLDS RALLY DAY



Pictured Rumley Club Pres., Arlene Wingo and Vice Pres., Dianna Furlan in their western attire.

Rally Day was great success on Oct. 2. Carol Wright, from Lampasas County Museum, brought laughter from her topic "Interesting Tombstones in Lampasas County". She centered on unusual epitaphs, with one of the most unusual being: "I thought you might stop by". A poster with tombstone pictures was provided by club president, Arlene Wingo and her husband T.P. All gained a greater appreciation for cemeteries in general.

The western theme had ladies dressed in their best western attire. Elva Walker and Shirley Byer's outfits were eye catching as well as Tessa Ray's boots! Barbecue fare with all the trimmings were enjoyed. Handouts on "Thirty Ways to Use a Bandana in Texas" were made available. Arlene made a black and white bandana apron for show and tell. Joining Rumley Club were four new members: Lanetta Sprott, Tessa Ray, Mary Kemper and agent, Karen DeZarn.

Council Pres. Diana Fisch, gave the welcome and Marilyn May gave the invocation. A report from the TEEA State Conference in Wichita Falls was given by Dianna Furlan and Gail Eltgroth. They attended several workshops and will present some of them next year as programs. The club elected Mary Ann Rhodes and Diana Fisch as our nominees for Texas Treasure and Texas Leadership.

Six members plan to attend the District 7 Fall Training in Burnet on Oct. 24. They look forward to learning to make Dazzle out of Duds!

Nov. 8 is the date set for the clubs annual garage sale. This is the main fundraiser for the year and the club plans to contribute to the local 4-H this year.

November's meeting will be held at the home of Julie Williams where the club will learn about ribbon embroidery. Then the year will close out with a pot-luck luncheon and Christmas craft at the home of Siddonia Umphres.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.

## BURNET TEEA CELEBRATES YEAR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

By Barbara Rieger

Texas Extension Education Agency of Burnet County (TEE-ABC) celebrated accomplishments of the past year and looked forward to events of the upcoming year at a luncheon on Friday, October 3, in Burnet.

Lela Goar, outgoing County Chair, gave an overview of events for the past year. Lynda French, District 7 Director, discussed accomplishments for District 7 over the past year, including awards received by members as well as state awards received by the district.

Upcoming events include District 7 Fall Training, which will be conducted by French and will be held in Burnet. The county-wide Christmas party will be hosted this year by the Lake Victor Extension Education Club.

Roberta Eacott, Redbud Oakalla EE Club, presented the program "100 Years of Extension," reviewing the beginning of the organization and key occasions as the organization evolved through the years since its inception in 1914.

The group celebrated the birthday of the oldest member in Texas, Winnie Felps (Redbud Oakalla EE Club), who will turn 103 on October 10. She was presented a corsage and beautifully decorated cake.



Winnie Felps and Linda Wells, County FCS Agent with her cake.

Also recognized were recipients of awards received at the local, county, district, and state levels.

Club "Woman of the Year" recipients were Ann Cosper, Bethel; Lisa Zinz, Lake Victor; Polly Krenek, Oatmeal; and Roxanne Dunegan, Redbud Oakalla. Polly Krenek was named "Woman of the Year" for Burnet County.



The installation of officers ceremony was conducted by Linda Wells, Burnet County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent and member of the TEEABC. She compared each officer with a spice, with information on the spice and how it correlated to the duties of the office.



L-R Lela Goar, Parliamentarian; Connie Roark, Secretary; Betty Sue Chaney, Historian; Polly Krenek, Chair; Roberta Eacott, Vice-Chair; Hazel Gatliff, Sergeant-At-Arms; Ann Cosper, Publicity Chair; Lynda French, Treasurer; Lisa Zinz, Assistant Treasurer.

Presidents of the local clubs in Burnet County are Ann Cosper, Bethel Extension Education Club; Connie Roark, Lake Victor Extension Education Club; Ollie Ann Baker, Marble Falls Extension Education Club; Polly Krenek, Oatmeal Extension Education Club; and Roxanne Dunegan, Redbud Oakalla Extension Education Club.

The five clubs in Burnet County meet at Bethel, Lake Victor, Marble Falls, Oakalla and Oatmeal. If you are interested in joining one of the clubs or want additional information on their activities, please contact the AgriLife Extension office at 512-756-5463

## BURNET COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIM TEEA WEEK

By Barbara Rieger



Burnet County members attended Commissioners Court and received a proclamation naming October 6-12, 2014 TEEA Week. Left to right are Lynda French, District 7 Director; Linda Wells, FCS Agent; Polly Krenek, County Chair; Hazel Gatliff, Sergeant-At-Arms; Glenna Orman, member Bethel EE Club; and Roxanne Dunegan, President Redbud Oakalla EE Club.

## BELL COUNTY MEMBERS MEET MCGRUFF THE CRIME DOG

By Gayle Pomykal

Bell County members, Laurie Veatch and Dorothy Skrabanek met Artie Woods, Archer County Sheriff's Reserve officer and his friend McGruff the Crime Dog. Their appearance at the TEEA State Conference in Wichita Falls

was a welcome sight and added a feeling of security to the event. McGruff's debut in 1979 was aimed at adult education on Crime and Safety, however, now concentration is directed toward children's safety, drug prevention, dealing with bullies, secrets, friend troubles, peer pressure, on-line safety, and strangers. Children are also given current information to help protect adults from crime, addressing guns, school, home, and community safety.



DISTRICT 8

## BELL COUNTY MEMBERS PART OF SKIT TO INVITE FOR TEEA 2015 IN WACO

By Gayle Pomykal



Bell County members Kimberly Kennard, Doroty Skrabanek, Gayle Pomykal, and Laurie Veatch participated in an Invitation to Waco's 2015 TEEA State Conference. Included in the Posse, who attempted to revive Baylor University's Bear mascot after he fainted upon realizing the audience was filled with people, were additional members from District 8 who rode their stick horses and packed their guns, in an effort to save the bear. Script was written by Betty Hubbard, Clara Jones played the bear. TEEA's 88th State Conference will be held in Waco, Texas September 15 - 16, 2015.

## DISTRICT 8 HOLDS SUMMER RETREAT

By Michaelene Perry

Leon EEA met on August 19-20 with the other counties of District 8 for their annual Summer Retreat at Riverbend Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX. Nyanza Price, District 8 Director welcomed all participants and thanked them for coming. The host counties, Bell, Hamilton and Williamson, coordinated the program for the gathering with the theme of "Recycle, Reuse and Repurpose." Decorations on the tables were varied ideas for the many holidays and celebrations we have throughout the year—and were they clever! Each centerpiece was items you have in the home that were reused for that holiday.

Mayor Dennis Moore welcomed all to Glen Rose and gave a brief description of the sites and shops in the area to visit while in town. Florence Frost, TEEA County Chairperson of host Williamson County, welcomed all participants and Bell County opened the program with a prayer. The first guest speaker was Molly Shiller from Georgetown, TX who gave great ideas for using what you have in your home to wrap presents. Remember using comics from the newspaper for wrapping paper? It is back in vogue! She also discussed ideas of using those used plastic containers or jars for presents by decorating the tops, using various colors of grass, fabric and even used cardboard rolls from paper towels and tissue paper for packaging ideas.

The entertainment during Tuesday was the Paluxy Pickers of Cleburne, TX. Their bluegrass gospel sound was great and all participants enjoyed (while tapping their feet) watching them sing and play their instruments. Following lunch and the entertainment Christine McMillen from the Granbury, TX "Cheerful Hearts" organization gave us ideas on how to be "Trendy with What You Have." It is always good to get ideas on how to change your wardrobe by adding some little or big item to keep you "hip." She sure came with lots of ideas.

Crafts we made during the retreat's 1½ day event were: 1) Paint Your Own Christmas Card by Williamson Co.; 2) Cookie Cutter Ornaments, also by Williamson Co.; 3) Tissue Paper Butterfly by Bell Co.; 4) Button Ring by Hamilton Co.; 5) Halloween Light Bulbs by Williamson Co.; 6) Dishcloth Britches by Bell Co.; 7) Coaster Notepad and 8) Oreo Turkey both by Williamson Co. Each of the crafts was fun to make and pretty easy with minimal supplies required.

A special presentation was made to Nyanza Price from the Leon EEA as her term as District

8 Director ends. Presenting her gift were Mamie Bell, Clara Jones, Amanda Trevino and Michaelene Perry.



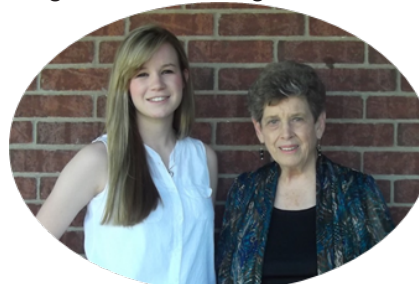
On Wednesday, Dianne Madariaga and Mary Dulaney presented a demonstration of "Tai Chi" for all to see and we even learned some of the more basic moves. This is just what we need to keep our bodies in health and our joints limber.

Nyanza closed the event with a prayer and we were on our way home to pass our new knowledge to our local TEEA club members. Get involved with us—check out your local Texas A&M AgriLife office for information on a club near you!



Leon County members attending District 8 Retreat.

Paige Cooper, daughter of John and Tammy Cooper of Lipan, received a \$500 Young Adult scholarship from District 8 TEEA. She is a student at Tarleton State University and the granddaughter of Mrs. JoAnn Cooper, Leon member of the Granbury Club. Congratulations Paige!



## NOONTIME EE CLUB'S LITERACY PROJECTS

By Charlotte Watson

Pictured here are just some of the ninety three paperback books and nine dictionaries Noontime donated recently to the Williamson County Jail and their Literacy Project, "Project Better Chance." This is an annual community project. Another annual literacy project is "Books for New Babies," now a countywide literacy project, where several of the Williamson County EE Clubs donate books to two local hospitals. The new children's books are included in the new mother packs given when the mother and new baby leave the hospital. A third annual literacy project is "Newspapers in Education," a partnership with the Austin American-Statesman. Most recently, Noontime has provided twenty five copies of the Statesman to Ford Elementary School each week. Students use the newspapers for a variety of classroom projects. Illiteracy is not an option! Noontime has been involved in literacy projects in Georgetown for the past twenty two years.



Leon County members help register District 8 members attending the TEEA State Conference in Wichita Falls, TX on September 9-10. New District 8 Director Alice Lance is sitting (back to camera) and Judy Hutchison on the left

**HERITAGE CLUB HAS BUSY YEAR**

By Cynthia Davis

Heritage Club of Williamson County has had a busy 2014 with meetings, retreats, workshops, field trips, and having fun doing it. We hosted the September Lunch & Learn with a program from our 4H Tech Wizards, who Mentor up with AARP bringing youth and adults together with the ever-changing technology. It gave them an opportunity to share what they know with us "seniors." They gave an excellent program and brought several iPads for us to "play on" and ask questions and get some expert advice.



Hannah Chambers, Joanna Chambers, Mikayla Fulwider, David Wright and Laura Epps

We also got to display the Linus Quilts that Heritage Club made during the summer. We donated 40 beautiful children's quilts to the Linus Connection. Our workdays were attended by members and some guests who enjoy quilting and they were a big help and all the hours spent on this project is so worthwhile.



The Raffle quilt, which is a 4-H Scholarship fundraiser, was also given away at our luncheon. One lucky lady from Austin's name was

drawn. Thanks to all that helped with this six month long project fundraiser.

We are gearing up for the fall and another year to enjoy our club and county activities and projects.

**DINOSAUR VALLEY EE CLUB HOSTS FUNDRAISER**

By Dott Brackin

Terry L. Brackin, President of The Dinosaur Valley Extension Education Club in District 8 blows away members with Fundraiser May 18. Clearing \$2,700.00. Theme was "The Golden Girls". Terry was given the dining room table and chairs from the The Golden Girls show by a dear friend when he passed away. Terry and Glen Rose Club members prepared for this Fundraiser for several months. Several antique shops in the Glen Rose area donated items for the silent auction & door prizes, members also donated items. Several Cheese Cakes, brownies, cakes, etc. were homemade by members and donated. Terry and members made two huge pots of chicken & sausage gumbo, which sold for \$5 a bowl. Members in the Houston area sang and entertained. The event was only 4 hours long, but they sold all baked goods, all the gumbo and The Golden Girls table went for \$1,200.00. Terry was asked would he consider having this as an Annual Fund Raiser.

Way to go Terry and the DVEEC!



Julia Mosely congratulates the youngest attendee at State TEEA Conference.

**NOONTIME'S ANNUAL 4-H UPDATE**

By Charlotte Watson

Noontime EE Club always looks forward to their June club meeting when 4-H'ers of all ages come and present some of their skills that have won them ribbons in a variety of 4-H shows and the County Youth Fair. Club members love to hear the 4-H'ers tell how 4-H has impacted their lives in such positive ways. It's fun to watch them grow up in 4-H and go on to earn top-dollar college scholarships.



This year eight 4-H'ers from the Georgetown 4-H Club joined nine Noontime club members for this annual share time.



4-H'er, Mikayla Fulwider played the piano, one of her many 4-H experiences, for the group and told them about all the projects in which she had participated in since joining 4-H.



4-H'er, Ava Snelson, showed her very creative storyboard and explained what it showed and why she chose to make it as a 4-H project. She also told them about other 4-H projects in which she had participated.

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY ATTENDS DISTRICT 8 RETREAT**

By Ellen Dutkiewicz  
Morning Glory Club



Fifteen members from Williamson County EEA clubs, District 8, attended the summer retreat in August at River Bend Camp in Glen Rose. Williamson County was responsible for leading the crafts activities, with assistance from Bell and Hamilton Counties.

**NOONTIME ENJOYS LUNCH BUNCH**

By Charlotte Watson

There is never enough time at the regular Noontime EE Club meeting to talk about "life." So, several years ago, Noontime began meeting a second time each month at a local restaurant for lunch and conversation. They call it "Lunch Bunch." Whoever can come comes. They also celebrate club members' birthdays each month. At a recent Lunch Bunch at a new local eatery, Hat Creek Burger Company are:



L to R Carol Frymire, Peggy Blair, Stella Guzy, Dedie Johnson, Nelda McCain, Mary Johnson, and Charlotte Watson (behind the camera). It's a great time to show personal photos of recent travels, new grandchildren, and just to share life in general.

**BELL COUNTY'S EDUCATIONAL TRIP**

By Gayle Pomykal

Gonzalez was the destination for Bell EEA on a bright Spring day, for an Educational Tour organized by Laurie Veatch. Texas wild flowers were in "all their glory" and the temperature was comfortable. Our first stop was the Old Jail Museum. You have to see it to believe it.



Next our tour guide, Leon Nardus gave an outstanding narration on the Historic Homes of Gonzalez. Lunch was enjoyed at Toni's Food Store. Since Gonzalez was the site of the first battle of the Texas Revolution in 1835 the group was introduced to the "Come and Take it Cannon" and other artifacts at the Memorial Museum, next was a short drive to the Braches House and the Sam Houston Oak. The last stop was the Pioneer Village with demonstrations of early Texas settler's activities.



A final stop at Buckee's gave the 42 EEA members and guests on the tour bus, nourishment for the 2 1/2 hour drive back to Temple.



**DISTRICT 8 ATTENDS STATE CONFERENCE**

By Alice Lance

District 8 Director

District 8 had 60 members, guests, and agents to attend this year's State Conference in Wichita Falls. Bell County received Outstanding Educational Program and Hamilton County received Outstanding Honor Roll. Normangee EE Club, Leon County, and Covington EE Club, Hill County, received their 70 Years Club Award. LaVoyce Daskocil, Bell County, received CVU Award for donating over 1000 hours. District 8 also received the Traveling Plaque Award for the most members who travel the most distance.

District 8 and District 3 representatives put on an enjoyable invitation skit to next year's State Conference in Waco.



District 8 Director Nyanza Price was noticeably missed. In her absence, her sister Clara Jones, District 8 Director-Elect, stepped up to help Alice Lance, incoming District 8 Director perform her duties during the conference. I'm proud to announce that Nyanza won the election for 2nd VP of Programs. I know all of us from District 8 are happy for her new role and God's blessings on her family.

Alice Lance was installed as District 8 Director and Nyanza Prince was installed, with Clara Jones standing in for her, as 2nd VP of Programs on Wednesday night.



Alice Lance, District 8 Director and Clara Jones, District 8 Director-Elect



Milie Barrow congratulates most senior attendee at State TEEA Conference.

Photos from District 8 Party on September 9, 2014.



**STATE TEEA CONFERENCE BOUND**

By Claudine Hare

TEEA members from Jefferson County were joined by fellow members on the bus trip to the 2014 TEEA State Conference in Wichita Falls. Members from Burleson County, Fort Bend County, and Washington County (District 11) left the driving to the driver of the bus. Travel was enjoyed by

getting, better acquainted with other members, playing bingo, watching Jeanne Robertson DVDs and, of course, enjoying good food. Are we looking forward to the 2015 trip to Waco?



**BRAZORIA COUNTY TEEA HELPS AT ANNUAL FAIR AND RODEO**

By Brenda Sturman

Members of the clubs of District 9, Brazoria County Extension Education Association have been working throughout the year in preparation for the 2014 Fair and Rodeo, in Angleton, TX. Individual and group projects were completed, judge gifts prepared, and raffle items prepared.

Many thanks to the members who baked and delivered cookies to sell at the Mart on a daily basis. Every year a number of Fair employees look forward to purchasing and eating these delicious cookies.

Raffle items for this year's fair include 3 gift baskets and a beautiful pink quilt. The raffle will be held at the on October 18, 2014.





Snook EEC members attending District 9 Spring Conference in Pasadena were Ann Sebesta, Karen Gaas, Gloria Conrad, Jeanne Prestwood, Betty Anderson, Lydia Faust, Charlene Lednicki, Joyce Brooks, and Susan Ondrasek.



Charlene Lednicki, Snook EEC was named District 9 Treasure at the Spring Conference in Pasadena. She was also recognized as one of the State Treasure nominees at State Conference in Wichita Falls in September. Congratulations!

**BRAZORIA ACHIEVERS MAKE MOZZARELLA CHEESE**

By Brenda Sturman

Members of the Brazoria Achievers enjoyed making Mozzarella cheese. Everyone had fun with this delicious hands-on project. Linda Allen and Theresa Degetaire are shown in photo having fun while making the cheese.



**JEFFERSON COUNTY, PORT NECHES EEC**

By Claudine Hare

The Port Neches EEC met for a sew-day on July 24. Using fabric on hand, members worked on cutting out and sewing fabric bags and lap blankets. The fabric bags will be given to the Seamen Center for use in putting together hospitality gift bags to be given to the sailors who come into port in Port Arthur. The lap blankets will be given to the Cancer Center for patients to use while in treatment. In the past the PNEEC has held annual sew-days when hats for American Cancer Society, lap blankets for nursing home residents and other items have been made.



Tina Roehling, Burleson County Extension Agent and Karen Gaas, Snook EE Club member attended opening session at the State Convention in Wichita Falls on September 9 and 10.

The Blue TEEA Club planned a summer social together and traveled to the Southern Flyer Diner at the Brenham Airport, Brenham, Texas. The waitresses dress in poodle skirts and the burgers are 8 oz. of wonderfulness, as are the homemade coconut cream pie and blackberry cobbler, with or without Bluebell Homemade Vanilla. Everyone enjoyed the summer gathering.



The Snook EEA Club entered the Burleson County Chamber of Commerce "Scare on the Square" event. Thanks to club members Renee Preston and Michelle Ruckert for heading up this beautiful scarecrow display. Members in the picture are Lydia Faust, Betty Anderson and Karen Gaas.



Michelle Zuckert displays her Educational Exhibit at the Burleson County Fair in September. Display relays information about TEEA and encourages new membership.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY RECEIVES AWARD**

By Claudine Hare

Jefferson County TEEA members were proud to receive the award as Education Program County of District 9, presented at the 2014 TEEA State Conference in Wichita Falls.



Members attending were Renella Primeaux, Claudine Hare (presenting), Karen Mills (receiving), Johanna Lewis, Mary Tomplait, Vivian Langham, Sue Jones, Jessie Hodge, LaDonna Anderson, Reba Murphey, Kathryn Kendig, and Cora Wiggins and (Not Pictured) Martha Landrio. Four EE Clubs were represented.



Brazoria County recognized at State TEEA Conference by Claudine Hare, District 9 Director.



Cathy Hanzik, State President 2012-2014 and Julia Moseley, State President 2014-2016 just after passing of the gavel.



**SNOOK EEC TRAVEL CLUB  
HOSTED TRIP TO PIGEON  
FORGE & THE SMOKY  
MOUNTAINS OF TENNESSEE**

By Karen Gaas



What a fantastic time the Snook EEC Travel Club had on their chartered bus trip to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in June. A group of 48 travelers from all across the state of Texas journeyed across Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee on a nine day, eight night adventure to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Karen Gaas was the Tour Guide on this trip with Betty Anderson as her assistant. Both are members of the Snook EEC. A few highlights of the show trip included a visit to the Tyler Rose Garden, William J. Clinton presidential library in Little Rock, AR, a guided tour of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and shopping in historic downtown Gatlinburg. The group enjoyed 6 incredible shows, including the Smoky Mountain Opry Show, Patsy Watzak Show, Lumberjack Feud Dinner and Show, Hatfield-McCoy Dinner Theater, Blackwoods Morning Variety show and the Smith Family Dinner Theater. Everyone experienced a ride on the Delta Flatboats inside the Opryland Hotel in Nashville, TN, visited the historic Old Mill Square with its unique shops and the Casey Jones Village in Jackson, TN. Best of all, everyone enjoyed the most incredibly delicious food they've ever eaten.



At the Tyler Rose Garden.

Members from several EECs joined the group on the trip. Snook EEC members were Dennis Gaas, Karen Gaas, Betty Anderson, Charlene Lednick, Gloria Conrad, Ann Sebesta, Frances Sebesta, Maria Olivarez, Betty Hubenak and Joyce Brooks. Also along for the trip were EEA members, Renella Primeaux from Jefferson city, Port Neches EEC, Jackie Clark from the Lyons EEC, Rose Jaynes from Fort Bend County, Booth/Thompson EEC, Pat May from Fort Bend County/Countryside EEC, Charlene Mueller from Lyons EEC and Barbara Walko from Mily County/New Salem EEC.



At the Chop House Restaurant in Seville, TN



At the Santa Fe Cattle Steakhouse in Nashville, TN

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**LITERACY KITTENS FOR  
SUMMER READING  
PROGRAM**

By Katie King

As a special project seven members of the Luling EEC recently met to sew Literacy Kittens for the Luling Public Library summer reading program. Thirty kittens were completed and member Madeline Brown presented them to the library staff. The Caldwell County EEA clubs support literacy programs throughout the county.



Kathy McCown and the basket of finished kittens ("Reading Buddies").

**SAN MARCOS EE CLUB HOSTS  
"CHRISTMAS IN JULY"**

By Mary Ann Till

The San Marcos Extension Education Club members recently hosted a "CHRISTMAS IN JULY" in the AgriLife Extension meeting room where they demonstrated 12 easy to do projects to make as Christmas gifts. Refreshments were provided by club members and door prizes were given.



L-R: Virginia Compean, Luz Garcia, Ana Hixon – President, Candace Scheibe, Pat Gonzales, Delia Ozuna – Treasurer, Mary Ann Till – Secretary and Rosa Aldape – Vice President.

**GUADALUPE EXTENSION  
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION  
INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS**

The Guadalupe Extension Education Association held its annual Achievement Luncheon and Cultural Arts Exhibit Thursday September 18, 2014

Charla Bading FCS agent and Alma Rosebrock EEA chairman presented two members of the Guadalupe County Commissioners Court with a symbolic check for \$48,457.55 representing volunteer hours and scholarships contributions to Guadalupe County.



Speaker, Dr. Connie Sheppard, FCS agent of Bexar County inspired and encouraged all of EEA work and how it has influenced youth through 150 years of existence.

Dr. Charla Bading, FCS agent for Guadalupe County installed new officers. Each officer was presented with an owl that represented the character of each office. Officers are: Alma Rosebrock-Chairman, Valerie Posey-Vice-Chairman, Anne Theiss-Secretary, Debbie Foster-Treasurer, Valerie Posey-Reporter, Beth Frankenburger-Devotional, and Lorine Damerou-Parliamentarian.



**GILLESPIE COUNTY PILOT KNOB EE CLUB**

By Helen Usener

On Thursday, May 22, twelve Pilot Knob EE Club members and the FCS Agent went on an enjoyable Spring Tour to Dripping Springs. They watched a quilt pattern demonstration and learned some tips on making yo-yos during their visit to Valli and Kim, a quilt shop. The group had an enjoyable lunch at Rolling in Thyme & Dough and stopped to shop at Cowgirls & Lace.



In August, members displayed a board about TEEA and the Pilot Knob EE Club at the Gillespie County Fair.



In September at the TEEA State Conference, Dot Maner was recognized as District 10 Nominee for the Texas Treasure Award. Ellen Reeder and Joyce True were state winners with their Cultural Arts entries. Ellen Reeder received first place in the Jewelry Category with her beaded knitted necklace. Joyce True received first place in the Sewing Category with her christening ensemble. She also received the Best of Show Award and the People's Choice Award for the ensemble. Another entry of Joyce's the Snowman Family,

received second place in the Fiber Arts Category.



Joyce True with her christening ensemble, winner of first place in her category and Best of Show over all the Cultural Arts at State Meeting.



Una Kunkel, District 10 Director honors Blanco County at State Meeting.



Caldwell County honored at State Meeting by Una Kunkel, District 10 Director.



Guadalupe County Marion EE Club and Elm Creek Club worked many hours in the Home Arts Building at the Guadalupe County Fair in October. They checked in Home Arts entries, helped judges and returned entries to owners.



Many entered items numbering over fifty and receiving ribbons, white, red, blue and Grand Champion.

Working was hot and tiring but rewarding.



Photos of Cultural Arts at State.



**DISTRICT 11**

**WASHINGTON EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION NEWS**

By Judith Finke

The 87th TEEA State Conference was held at the MPEC in Wichita Falls, Texas, September 9 and 10. Attending from Washington Co. were Diane Ashorn, Michele Daniels, Judith Finke, Joycine Hanath and FCS Agent Tanya McGonagil.

Diane, Michele and Joycine served as county delegates. Cathy Hanzik, of Needville, presided over the conference. Judith served as Election Committee Chair.



Joycine Hanath was awarded the Texas Leadership Award for a lifetime of roles of leadership and the presentation of programs given collectively for Extension and other clubs. The Washington Extension Education Association was named the District 11 2014 Honor Roll of Counties for the highest number of volunteer hours.



Judith, State Education Chair representing District 11 presided over the iPad 101 Workshop and the optional iPad Hands On workshop presented by Payton Holcumb and Kasi Staab of the Meridian Charter School of Georgetown and part of the AARP Mentor Up 4-H Tech Wizards under the

direction of David Wright, Jessica Elsworth and Laura Epps. Other workshops included Diversity: How does it make us see, hear, feel, think and act? Understanding and Managing Anger, Creative Crafts from the Plains, To Toss or Not to Toss, Safe Medication Disposal and Landscaping for Security.

Keynote speaker was Diane Cunningham, M.Ed, President and Founder of National Association of Christian Women Entrepreneurs.

Judith also was a presenter of the Magic of TEEA, a leadership workshop focusing on the Power of Education, Community Service, Contributions, 4-H Involvement, Leadership and Be Our Guest to enlighten TEEA members to reach out to new members. A special spot on the Memory Board was given to Lorene "Sis" Riechers and Dorothy "Dody" Theeck remembered for their years of service with Extension.

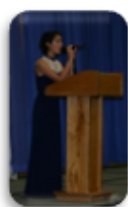
In the Cultural Arts competition, first, second and third place winners were named in each of the cultural categories from winners from the twelve districts. Each of the Washington County members received a second or third place ribbon. Betty Vierus was awarded a red ribbon in Afghans, Tablecovers, Blankets and Bedspreads, Judith Finke was awarded a red ribbon in Traditional Scrapbooks, Bobbie Jo Supak was awarded a red ribbon in Photography and Rose Lee Lohmeyer was awarded a red ribbon in Quilts any size made by more than one member. A yellow ribbon went to Ericka Rochelle in Machine Embroidery, and to Jan Herbst in Quilts smaller than 50" x 70" machine quilted and Wall Hangings.

The WEEA delegation enjoyed the installation banquet with entertainment of the Actors Creating Together (A.C.T.) 4-H Club of Wichita Falls and speaker Dr. Darlene Lock, Ed.D Director, Texas 4-H Conference Center Assistant Professor and Extension 4-H and Youth Development Specialist at

the Brownwood 4-H Center.

The 2015 TEEA Conference will be in Waco, September 15th and 16th.

Banquet entertainment (ACT 4-H Club in Wichita Falls.)



### TAITON CLUB INSTALLS OFFICERS

By Olivia McDonald

Officers were installed by Irene Nohavitzka at the September tenth meeting of the Taiton Extension Education Club at the VFW Hall. As each officer held a lighted candle the group was told: "Into your hands the candle is placed, trusting that its tiny glow will burn within your heart of hearts and light the pathway to your goal." New officers are: President Janet Holub, Vice President Pat Sanders, Secretary Carol Labay, and Treasurer Gerry Graham. Council Delegates are Rose Ann Fuechec and Kathryn Sellers; Mary Ann Gerla will be Parliamentarian.

A donation to cover the cost of mailing coupons we have saved for service personnel was voted at the September meeting. Other Community Projects of the quarter are cookies for the nursing homes, a donation to Reading is Fundamental and belts for school

children.

A highlight of the summer was the annual Ice Cream Social in July. Members and guests enjoyed a catered fried chicken dinner while sitting outdoors at the American Legion Pavilion. In a break from previous years, hostesses served "store bought" ice cream with fruit and other toppings.

TEEC members will be selling pecans, other nuts and dried fruit for home use and for gifts. October 8, our next meeting date, will be the first deadline to receive orders in time for Thanksgiving. Orders turned in by November 7 will arrive for Christmas gifting.

Tickets are being sold for the October 7 Wharton County Extension Education Association Achievement Dinner. The Coastliers will entertain at the Hawaiian themed meal. The Bluebonnet Club and the Taiton Club will furnish door prizes. There will be a Chinese Auction.



Victoria County honored at State Meeting by Betty Baughn, District 11 Director.



Washington County honored at State Meeting by Betty Baughn, District 11 Director.

### WASHINGTON EXTENSION EDUCATION NEWS

By Judith Finke

The Washington EE Association celebrated CHRISTMAS in JULY with their famous salad luncheon Tuesday, July 22 at the Washington Co. Event Center. Guests from a multitude of counties savored the homemade salads as well as Christmas crafts created by the Extension members. The guests' tables were adorned in Christmas themed regalia from angels to nutcrackers to Christmas "Texas" style. Members of the County 4-H assisted.

On August 12, the Washington EEA installed the officers of the local county Extension Clubs as well as the County slate. They also honored agent Tanya McGonagil and her new arrival Olivia with a baby shower. Delightful games were played and the guests enjoyed cake and party sandwiches. Members indulged Tanya and baby with adorable gifts; many created just for the baby.



Cultural Arts Photo from State Meeting



STATE MEETING PHOTOS



**State Funding Sought for Extension Education Initiatives**

For the upcoming 84th Legislature, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service submitted an appropriations request that seeks two-year funding for three special initiatives. Referred to as “exceptional item” requests, these proposals are based on plans to improve health, increase opportunities for youth and strengthen the state’s readiness for drought.

More information follows below. We appreciate your support and welcome your questions, which may be sent through Dr. Judy Warren.

**Healthy South Texas 2025: Texas A&M Institute for Public Health Improvement**

Request—\$15 million (joint submission with TAMU Health Science Center)

Based on economic models maintained over a 30-year period, the overall economic impact of health disparities in South Texas in 2013 alone was \$2.7 billion. If current patterns persist, the impact could total as much as \$44.6 billion by 2025.

Estimates indicate effective programs like those envisioned by the IPHI, if implemented, could save the state as much as \$5.8 billion in health-related costs by the year 2025. This initiative proposes proactive, replicable actions to reduce preventable diseases and their consequences in South Texas by 25% by the year 2025.

**Invest in Youth through 4-H: Increasing Opportunities for the Next Generation of Texas Leaders**

Request—\$3 million

Youth involved in 4-H are more likely than their peers to engage in science; four times more likely to contribute to their communities; two times more likely to be civically active; and two times more likely to make healthier choices.

This initiative proposes to expand opportunities for youth to develop leadership skills, increase academic ability and improve decision-making through participation in 4-H programs. Population centers will be targeted, including Dallas, Tarrant, Travis, El Paso, Bexar and Harris Counties, and the Rio Grande Valley.

**Safeguard the State Economy and Environment: Strengthening Texas Drought Readiness and Response**

Request—\$2 million

Water demand in Texas is projected to increase by 22 percent between 2010 and 2060. The Texas economy and environment suffered crippling droughts in 8 of the last 15 years—a period when agricultural producers saw \$20.7 billion in direct losses and millions of tons of soil blew away. Hundreds of towns and cities struggle with a sharply reduced water supply and resulting damage to lawns, gardens, plants, trees and structures; and the urban Texas horticulture or “green” industry—an \$8 billion economic driver—has also been hit hard.

This initiative will increase educational outreach to key audiences with programs focused on drought readiness and response for urban green spaces, livestock, crops and rangelands. —Office of the Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service



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