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I love my job! The very best part is working with the State Board and the membership—they are both wonderful. And I enjoy the writing and the planning. I am beginning to think it is a nice challenge for me. However, someone recently asked me, “As president, what is the hardest part of the job?” When I was a teacher, I would have said that the hardest part of the job was the paperwork. I guess trying to find the best venue for the State Conference is the hardest part. You might think it would be easy, but there are limitations.

The Board selects the location and sets up the contract two years in advance. In May, we were voting on the 2017 conference. I had nineteen cities which were interested in bidding. Then I began to get replies like, “I regret to inform you that we will not be bidding on the 2017 TEEA Conference. While we were very excited for the opportunity, at this time we do not have the on-peak rooms available in one or even two headquarters hotels. Our prop-

erties are hesitant to book out large blocks while business transient sales are so strong here.” Another said, “Based on our current demands for the hotel we actually cannot book events with less than 200 group rooms on peak nights if it’s over 2 years out. Due to the size of the program and that you have less than 200 rooms on peak the rate right now would be around \$269.00 - 279.00 per night.” It seems that we are too large for some and too small for others. We usually expect to book between 150 and 175 rooms.

By May 1, the number of presenters from venues had dwindled to fourteen, but it went much lower. One thing which would help is to reserve your rooms accurately. If you need three rooms—but you book five, just in case—the hotel turns others away that could have used those rooms. In San Marcos, we had nineteen rooms that were never cancelled. This keeps us from reaching that “200 rooms on the peak night.” Cancel your rooms when you know you won’t need them.

On a more “fun” note—the 2015 State Conference in Waco is going to be great! District 3 and 8 are leading the way, but the entire Board has been working to plan a very interesting and informative conference. One of the things that you told us was, you wanted to have “Early Bird” workshops, you asked for training on “how to judge”, and you asked for a program on quilting. Guess what! You were heard.

We want you to let us know what you liked and where we can improve. Remember we are trying our best. I am really having a wonderful time in this job, and I’m looking forward to Waco. Plan to see you there.

If I can help you, please contact me

by telephone at
817-220-7759,

by cell phone at
817-366-7432

by email at
moseley67@verizon.net

by mail at
503 Alleson Road
Springtown, TX 76082.

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

2015 TEEA STATE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

REGISTRATION	8— 11 am
PAGE TRAINING	10—11 am
CULTURAL ARTS	8—12 Drop off
COUNTRY STORE	8 am - Opens
ALUMNAE SILENT AUCTION	8 am - Opens
TEEA SALES	8 am - Opens
EARLY BIRD WORKSHOPS	9—10:00 am
“Judging 4-H Projects”	
“Quilting”	

EARLY BIRD WORKSHOPS

10:15—11:15am

“Birds of Texas”	
“Spice Village” shopping	
ALUMNAE LUNCHEON	11:30 am – 12:45 pm
OPENING SESSION	1:00 pm
DISTRICT GATHERINGS	6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

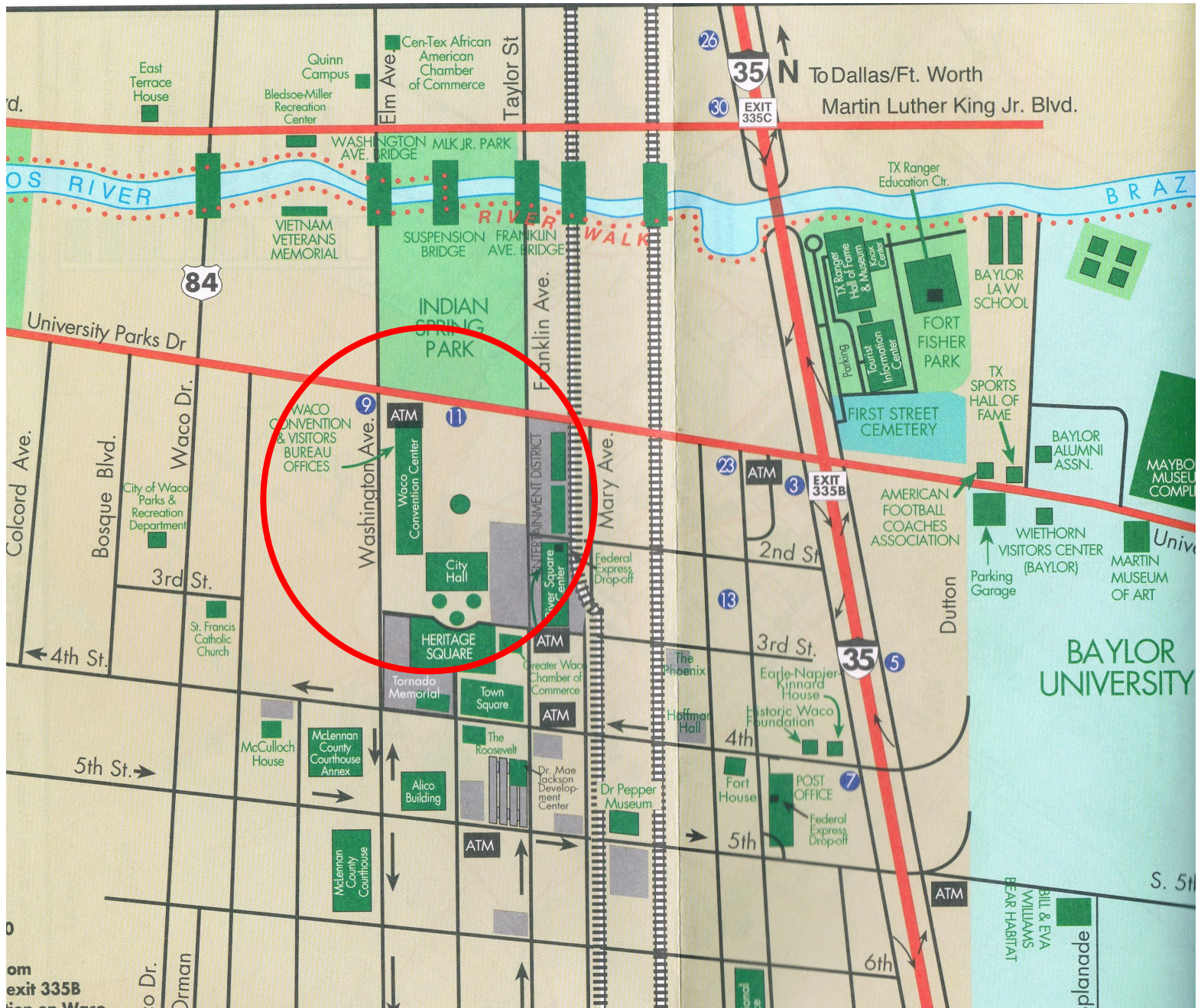
DELEGATE VOTING	8—8:45 am
BUSINESS SESSION	9:00 am
LUNCH & LEARN (Lunch included)	noon
EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS - Session 1	2 – 3 pm
Delegate Education Workshops	
“Eating What You Grow”	
“Surviving Emergencies”	
Optional Member Education Workshops	
“Judging 4-H Projects”	
“Quilting”	

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS - Session 2 **3:15– 4:15 pm**

Delegate Education Workshops	
“Don’t Let Blue Get To You”	
“Preparing the Presenter for Progressive Programming”	
Optional Member Education Workshops	
“Preserving Memories”	
“Driving for the Mature Driver”	

CLOSING SESSION – BANQUET

7:00 pm



9 is the Courtyard by Marriott
101 Washington Avenue
Waco, TX
254-752-8686

11 is the Hilton (headquarters hotel)
113 S. University Park Drive
Waco, TX
254-754-8484



This beautiful wall hanging will be raffled off at the Alumnae silent auction in Waco. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00. If you don't plan to attend, but want to buy chances, send your money by a friend and get them to buy the tickets for you.

TEEA TIDBITS

Millie Barrow,
1st VP of Leadership

Hello everyone. Hope you are planning an exciting summer, vacationing, fishing, gardening, grand and great-grands visiting or you visiting them.

We prayed for rain and the Lord blessed us. We just need a little break now. Lake Leon is full and running over. Praise the Lord.

Read your Messenger carefully as there is State Conference news, proposed By-law changes, and several bios on members running for office. Please discuss these at your club meeting so your delegates will know how you want them to vote for you.

Please remember to support the country store and the Alumni silent auction.

Get your conference registration and money in early and be prepared for a fabulous time in Waco.

We have lost members and loved ones of our members, we have many members with health problems....all since the first of the year. Please keep them I your prayers.

ELECTIONS

Nyanza Price, Elections Chair
Elections will be held on

Wednesday, September 16, 2015. Elections will begin at 8:00 am and end at 8:45. You must have a delegate ribbon to vote. Those delegates who have misplaced their credentials will not vote unless certified by the district director. There is no talking in the election room. You will enter one door and exit the other. Doors will be manned by members of the election committee. The doors will close promptly at 8:45 am. No will be admitted after the doors are closed. If you are in line at 8:45, you will be moved inside. The election worked fine and moved smoothly for the previous year and we hope for the same this year.

“Open your arms to change, but don’t let go of your values.”

~ [Dalai Lama](#)

STATE MEETING PROGRAMS

Nyanza Price,
2nd VP for Programs

The heavy rains are gone, and I hope all of you came away unscathed. It feels like summer now with the humidity. The board is busily planning for the state conference in September. I feel you will like the layout of the workshops. They are all on the bottom floor of the convention center. The only thing you will have to go upstairs for is the general sessions, lunch and learn and the banquet. We will have early bird workshops this year. The workshops will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and a second session at 10:15. The workshops at 9:00 a.m. are “Judging 4-H Projects” and “Quilting”. The second set is “Birds of Texas” and a self tour to “Spice Village” which is across from the Hilton. I hope you will enjoy these. It will give those who come early something to enjoy. Our other programs are very informative and interesting. You will read about the delegates’ presentation in our Messenger. I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Waco. Until then, may God bless all of you and your families.

QUILTING WORKSHOP

By Ola Culwell

SEPTEMBER 15

EARLY BIRD WORKSHOP

“I want to make a quilt....how do I do it?” presented by members of the Homespun Quilter’s Guild, Waco, Texas

We will hit the high points of making a quilt in an interactive question and answer discussion on what you need to consider to complete a quilt from start to finish. We will cover topics from basic tools, fabric stashes, patterns, batting to quilting techniques. We will share stories and of course, show some quilts.

CERTIFIED VOLUNTEER HOURS

By Gwen Risinger

Completed CVU Booklets must be in the hands of the CVU Chair by August 1 for awards to be made at the State Conference. Please send to Gwen Risinger, 50 Delaware Creek Rd, Blanco, TX 78606

GREETINGS

Kaylene Layton, Secretary

Well, summer is almost upon us and it seems to me that it was January just last week. Where does the time go? It’s as though that old adage about the best laid plans of mice and men... seems to apply more every day for me, lately. I know that that is probably true with most of us, these days.

What a great Spring Board meeting we had in May! The weather was gorgeous, the lake was up due to all the rain, the food was good as always, and the fellowship was fantastic. We have such a wonderful group of people to work with and to play with when work is done.

President Julia kept us busy with all the decisions that needed to be made for the State Meeting in September, and for future meeting sites. Board members worked on their committees and much was accomplished in a short time. Thanks, all of you for what you do for TEEA.

My schedule is still crazy with doctor’s appointments as my husband cannot seem to get over one problem before something else comes along. But I thank God for the strength to keep going in spite of all the hard times. We know that good times will come again.

Thank you to all who have prayed for us during this time, and please continue to keep us in your prayers.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Waco in September.

QUILTING WORKSHOP

By Ola Culwell

SEPTEMBER 16- OPTIONAL MEMBER WORKSHOP

Round Robin Quilt Technique Workshop

Members of the Homespun Quilter’s Guild will share and demonstrate a few of their favorite quilting techniques; from applique to hand/machine quilting. Several demonstration tables will be set up, so participants can select the techniques they would like to see. Come join us as we show off our skills and share what we have learned while quilting. Sample block patterns complete with fabric will be available for a minimum fee.

\$\$\$\$ MONEY TALKS \$\$\$\$

Kay Jacob,
TEEA State Treasurer
kjacob1954@gmail.com

Hello! Summer is back and it is HOT and Steamy in South Texas!!!!

As of June 10th TEEA has 2893 which includes 287 new members. We keep adding new members but losing a lot of members too. So let’s try to keep current members and add at least another 300 members next year!!!!

County Presidents, a little reminder to get your State Registration forms to your District Directors by July 1st, so they can get them turned into me by July 15th. We all have deadlines we have to meet to have a successful State Conference. There will be no on-site registrations but there will be one day registrations for our host districts.

The 2015 State Conference in Waco will be GREAT. A lot of hard work has gone into preparing for this Conference and I think you all will be pleased. We will have informative educational programs, interesting workshops and a great facility. I am looking forward to seeing EVERYONE there.

I have another company that is making donations to our organization!!!! I know that a lot of us shop on the internet using AMAZON. Well they have sent me a form and we are now signed up with **AMAZON SMILE**. This means that we will receive **0.5%** of the purchase price of eligible products. The website link is <http://smile.amazon.com> and search for our organization before you purchase anything. You can find it under TEEA or Texas Extension Education Association. Once you have chosen TEEA all your purchases will add **0.5%** to our donations. They have already deposited \$5 in our account this quarter and I think if we all shop online like this it could be a lot more. **Isn’t that GREAT!!!!!!**

Thanks for your help and patience this past year. It has been a pleasure serving as your State Treasurer.

If I can be of any help, please don’t hesitate to contact me at any time.

ALUMNAE NEWS

Grace Glaze Chairman

The Scholarship committee has selected six very deserving college students to receive the TEEA Alumnae Scholarships, there were sixteen applicants. We were delighted to see an increase in applicants and so many of the TEEA member's grandchildren. The winners are: John Thomas Eastman, Jane Leathers Alumnae Scholarship, District 4, Maggie Claire Hubbard, Ruth Taylor Alumnae Scholarship, District 3, Braden Troy Kahanek, Dr. Bonnie McGee Alumnae Scholarship, District 11, Brooke Ashley Hoelscher, Dr. Judy Warren Alumnae Scholarship, District 8, Rochelle Elizabeth Fangman, Immediate Past President Cathy Hanzik Alumnae Scholarship, District 1, Chesley Michelle Rudasill, Bobbie Elmore Alumnae Scholarship, District 11 the Committee awarded each student a \$500.00 Scholarship. The applications are found in the TEEA Manual (teea@tamu.edu) Chapter 12 Pages 19-20. with instructions how to apply for the scholarships. You may fill the application in on the web.

As you know these scholarships are made available from the proceeds of the Alumnae silent auction at the state conference, memorials, and donations received each year. The amount and how many scholarships given next year will depend on how much money is raised from the silent auction and drawing at the State Conference in Waco in September at the Alumnae Silent Auction booth. Please be generous again this year, you may donate articles to sell tickets on or items for the silent auction. Please stop by the booth and bid. The auction is open to all members attending the conference. If you will not be able to attend the conference you may mail your donations to me Grace Glaze 2835 CR 385 El Campo, Texas 77437. I would like to remind you I also accept memorials throughout the year. The Alumnae booth will need your help to staff the booth, placing items for display and selling the tickets. I already have several items committed for the drawing. If you have some time at the conference please volunteer.

The Alumnae Banquet and meeting will be on Tuesday September 15, at noon in the conference center. Your county chairman will have the information for you to register. The lunch menu will be a Lunch Buffet, Homemade Soup, Garden Fresh Salad (mix of vegetables, Cheeses, Diced Ham, Nuts, Crotons) Assorted Dressings. Past TEEA board members and the present board are Alumnae members.

I attended the May TEEA board meeting. If you have news about any of the Alumnae members please send the information to me. Looking forward to seeing each of you in Waco I would love to hear from you if you are not attending the conference.

"TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER"

By Violet Alexander

June 2015 Texas 4-H Round-up is history as they say. What an outstanding opportunity for over 4,000 4-Hers from across the GREAT STATE of TEXAS. Robotics, Food Challenge, Duds to Dazzle, public speaking and all the judging contests kept the excitement going during the 3 days. The military was honored along with K9 rescue dog that was at the 9/11 Twin Towers. Scholarships worth 2.3 million dollars were awarded this year to 225 worthy recipients. No awardee received less than \$3,000.00 this year. The Grants Silent Auctions had over 60 items of every description. The most interesting was an alligator hunt in Louisiana for 2 people. We hope that turns out well. We thank the TEEA ladies who were gracious to donate some nice items. It is always fun to watch the bidders excitement when they have won their item. The Trade Show was again a huge success with families getting to visit with representatives from many different schools of higher education even some from out of state. Of course, clothing and all the bling, bling items were being sold. I attended a workshop "Dress A Girl Around the World" which was one of our grants. I saw how they teach 4-Hers to make & decorate dresses out of pillowcases. The community service part of this is sending these beautiful dresses to Africa. Dr. Steele and Dr.

Boleman's leadership continues to guide the great work that the dedicated staff of Sarah, Jana, Laura, Lori and April are doing for the betterment of the TX 4-H Foundation. I hope all of you have a cool, safe, healthy, very enjoyable summer and I will see you in September at Waco. ~~~Remember as you travel to use LA QUINTA INNS & SUITES to wake up on the bright side. They are a huge supporter of the TX 4-H Foundation. You get a discount and TX 4-H Foundation gets a stipend, scholarships and other sponsorships thru out the year.

For reservations go to LQ.com and use code TX4H or call 800-SLEEPLQ (753-3757) . Ask for the TEXAS 4-H YOUTH SUPPORTERS Discount.

PREPARING THE PRESENTER FOR PROGRESSIVE PROGRAMMING P TO THE POWER OF 4

By Jan Meador District 1
TEEA Education Chair

This program is designed to provide information on the characteristics of an effective presenter. The program also recognizes the characteristics of adult learners and effective presenting strategies for adult learners. Before you think BORING, I promise we have designed some fantastic tools; as well as, some entertaining ways to present the TEEA educational programs. You will learn how to give existing programs the facelift they need to engage audiences of all ages and genders. I will be assisted by Kay Rogers, CEA-FCS. You will be entertained with two mini programs from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension agents; one with a food theme and one with a textile theme. My goal is to provide presenters of our TEEA Educational programs the tools for confidence and ease of presentation, to any audience. Whether it is other TEEA clubs, a 4-H group or any community civic organization, TEEA has outstanding educational programs that contain information for all citizens.

"Champions keep playing until they get it right."

~ Billie Jean King

"GREASE-GREASE-GREASE"

By Violet Alexander,
4-H Rep to TEEA BOD

Not the movie, but the 40 plus year old Hobart Mixer at the Brownwood 4-H Center is leaking bearing grease. The kitchen staff has tried to fix the problem but the machine is wearing out and could quit at any time. They hold their heads just right when mixing batters and hope that it makes this summer. I brought the situation before the TEEA Board and we voted that our "Coins for Friendship" yearly donation would go for a new Hobart Mixer. All research has been done to be ready to get the best deal when necessary. I wish you could have heard the cheers from the kitchen staff when I told them that we would get the funds. If you have ever had the opportunity to eat the good homemade (not processed) rolls and desserts that this old mixer has helped produce over the years, you will understand my plea. Let's keep a tradition at the 4-H Center.

SO I ASK ALL OF YOU TO PLEASE DIG DEEP IN YOUR PURSES AND GIVE THOSE COINS.



"DON'T LET BLUE GET TO YOU"

By Cita Honeycutt,
District 3 Education Chair

This workshop will be presented by Andy Crocker, Family Life Specialist. It will describe depression, identify causes of depression, discuss importance of getting help and identify types of help available. The program will be very informative and interesting. I think it will be an eye opener for all of us.

SURVIVING EMERGENCIES

Connie Troxell,
District 5 Education Chair
Wow, it's getting closer to State Meeting and I am so excited to present my program. With what happened in Van, Texas, what better time to think about what would happen if we had an emergency. I hope you will join me and my lovely assistants as we prepare you for all types of emergencies. See you in Waco.

EATING WHAT YOU GROW

Cathy Hanzik, District 9
TEEA Education Chair
Fruits and vegetables are part of a well-balanced and healthy eating plan. "Eat your fruits and vegetables." You've likely heard this statement since childhood. Research shows why it is good advice:

- Healthy diets rich in fruits and vegetables may reduce the risk of cancer and other chronic diseases.
- Fruits and vegetables also provide essential vitamins and minerals, fiber, and other substances that are important for good health.
- Most fruits and vegetables are naturally low in fat and calories and are filling.

My educational workshop will focus on how to prepare and eat freshly grown fruits and vegetables. We take this knowledge of growing something and knowing what to do with the fruits and vegetables once they are picked and in our hands for granted, but studies have shown that this knowledge is not common knowledge. What a wonderful educational opportunity for TEEA to be the catalyst in educating consumers on how to be confident in preparing fruits and vegetables to eat what they have grown. With the opportunity of increasing fruits and vegetables in our diets, the health benefits improve. As I have prepared for this educational workshop, I have learned so much and I am so excited about sharing what I have learned with each of you.



MEET GLENDA GIBSON NEW DIRECTOR DISTRICT 2

I am Glenda Gibson from the Country Friends EE Club in Swisher County. I have been a member of Extension Education groups since around 1980. I was a member in Oklahoma for 6 years before moving back to Texas and joining the Country Friends EEC in the summer of 1985. I was raised in Pettit, TX and graduated from Levelland High School. I attended South Plains College and Texas Tech University, graduating in 1974 with a degree in Home Economics Child Development. I worked a short time as a county agent in Sherman County before marrying David Gibson in 1975. We have been blessed with 3 sons who have given us 2, soon to be 3 daughters and some precious grandchildren. Daniel and Erin live in Lubbock and have two of our sweet grand babies. Christopher and Ashley live in Piedmont, Oklahoma and have our oldest grandson. Our youngest son, John Mark lives in Dodge City, Kansas and is engaged to be married in December. My husband, David is the Executive Director of the Texas Corn Producers Board and a former County Extension Agent and I work for Texas AgriLife Extension Swisher County as the Office Manager. We enjoy traveling and doing things with our kids and grandkids. We are members at the First Baptist Church in Tulia.

My mother was a member of a Home Demonstration Club when I was growing up and I was a 4-H member for 10 years. I attended meetings with my mom and did programs at her club meetings as a teenager. Extension has always been an important part of my life. I have attended many District and State EE meetings and hope to serve District 2 well as the new director.



MILLIE BARROW CANDIDATE FOR TEEA STATE PRESIDENT- ELECT

Let me introduce myself and tell you a little about me. I am Millie Barrow and live with my husband, Ron of 54 years. We live at Lake Leon in Eastland County. We are raising a dozen chickens and one rooster and one spoiled dog name Fokie. We have one daughter, Sherinda, two grandchildren, and two adorable great-granddaughters. Just ask me about them, I have pictures!!

I have been a member of the Morton Valley EE Club for 14 years serving in every position in the Club and County EEA except for Vice President. I was District 8 Director in 2008-2010, State TEEA Treasurer 2010-2013. Currently I hold the position of 1st Vice President of Leadership and have enjoyed the challenge of this position from 2013-2015.

I believe in TEEA. I believe it is the most wonderful nonprofit organization in the State of Texas. We do such great work in supporting our 4-H members; not only through the scholarships but in time volunteering for 4-H activities.

I feel we are helping shape not only their futures but ours also. We care for each other; we are sisters that can be counted on in good times and bad. TEEA members are some of the most giving people; we work behind the scenes through our communities to help make the world a better place to live.

I am now asking for your support and vote for TEEA State President-Elect. Coming up through the ranks of the Morton Valley EE Club, the Eastland Association, and through the State Board, I feel I am qualified for this position and the challenges it presents. I promise to do my best for TEEA. I am and will always be available to everyone.

God Bless TEEA and God bless the USA.

Paid Political Ad by Millie Barrow
609 CR 461—Eastland, TX 76448



KAY JACOB CANDIDATE FOR TEEA STATE TREASURER

Kay Jacob has been a member of KEEA for 10 years, and is endorsed by her club and District 12 for the candidacy for TEEA State Treasurer.

She has held the offices of President (9 years), District 12 Director (5 years), and State Treasurer (2 years).

As District Director, Kay served on several committees while on the executive board and served as TEEA Sales Chairman for 7 years and has enjoyed every minute of being a part of this organization.

Kay's work experience includes financial manager for a travel agency, financial manager for an architect, and office/financial manager for an orthodontist where she implemented the Quick Books program for several years. She then retired to help care for her parents, help her husband run their small ranch, and keep their financial records.

Kay has been married to Jim for 13 years and they have 4 grown children and 9 grandchildren. Her husband is a retired Allstate Agent. Jim and Kay have a small ranch where they raise longhorn cattle, horses, racing pigeons, peacocks, chickens, dogs and cats. They moved to their ranch from Corpus Christi where they lived collectively for over 35 years.

Kay really believes in the TEEA mission and creed, and enjoys working for the benefits of others. She is a dedicated board member that will help our organization grow and remain successful.

PLEASE LEND HER YOUR
SUPPORT BY GIVING HER
YOUR VOTE.

Pd. Pol. Ad by Kay Jacob
625 CR 91, Bishop, TX 78343
Kay Jacob, Treasurer

TEEA PROPOSED BUDGET
October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016

INCOME			
	State Membership Dues (3000 members)		45,000
	Coins For Friendship		5,000
	Dollars For Scholars		3,000
	TEEA Sales		1,350
	State Conference		30,000
	Interest On Accounts		500
	Alumnae Silent Auction		2,500
	State Board Silent Auction		500
TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME			\$87,850
EXPENSES			
4-H SUPPORT			
	4-H Food & Clothing Program	3,600	
	4-H Round-Up Presentations	500	
	4-H Foundation Board Representative	1,000	
	4-H Scholarships	12,000	
	Coins For Friendship	5,000	
	4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest	500	
	SUB-TOTAL		22,600
STATE CONFERENCE			
	Planning	2,000	
	Conference	30,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		32,000
SCHOLARSHIPS			
	Adult Career	2,000	
	Alumnae	2,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		4,000
EDUCATION & TRAINING			
	Education Committee	2,000	
	Fall Board Meeting	5,500	
	Spring Board Meeting	6,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		13,500
NEWSLETTER			
	The TEEA Messenger	7,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		7,000
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE			
	Conciliation/Tax Preparation	250	
	Treasurer's Operational Support	500	
	District Directors/Officer Liability Insurance	3,200	
	Parliamentarian	800	
	Office Supplies, Postage, & Printing	1,350	
	Treasurer/Editor Bonds	650	
	TEEA President's Discretionary Fund	700	
	Other Board Expenses	800	
	State Board Equipment	500	
	SUB-TOTAL		8,750
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES			\$87,850

TEEA PROPOSED BUDGET NARRATIVE
OCTOBER 1, 2015—SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

INCOME

- State Membership Dues**—@ \$15.00 X 3000 members
Anticipated income from membership dues
- Coins for Friendship (4-H Center)**
Contributions from TEEA members for projects at the 4-H Center
- Dollars for Scholars**
4-H Scholarship Fund contributions from TEEA members
- TEEA Sales**
Income from the sale of TEEA pins and other items
- State Conference**
Funds for State Conference from registration fees and meal tickets
- Interest on Accounts**
Interest earned on accounts
- Alumni Silent Auction**
Funds and donations from silent auction held at State Conference
- State Board Silent Auction**
Funds and donations from Board Members auction at Fall Board Meeting designated to replace broken or outdated equipment as needed

EXPENSES

- 4-H Support**
 - 4-H Foods and Clothing Program**
Funds given to each district to assist district level 4-H Food and Clothing contests (currently \$300 per district)
 - 4-H Round--up Presentations**
President's expenses to attend the 4-H Round-up and present certificates to winners of TEEA scholarships
 - 4-H Foundation Board Representative**
Partial reimbursement of the TEEA representative's expenses to attend 4-H Foundation Board meetings and report to TEEA
 - 4-H Scholarships**
Funds for the 12 4-H scholarships (currently @ \$1,000) given by TEEA
 - Coins for Friendship**
TEEA members' donations given to the 4-H Center for selected projects
 - 4-H Round-up Consumer Decision Making Contest**
Funds to support the Consumer Decision Making Contest at 4-H Round-up
- State Conference**
 - State Conference Planning**
Funds to cover expenses of Executive Committee for site review and planning meeting
 - State Conference**
This includes expenses for Pre-conference and Post-conference board meetings and expenses incurred at the State Conference
 - Scholarships**
 - Adult Career Scholarships**
Funds for two (2) scholarships for TEEA members
 - Alumnae Scholarships**
Funds for Alumnae Scholarships, the number and amount are dependent on funds available each year
- Education & Training**
 - Education Committee**
\$500 each for 4 Education Committee Programs presented at State Conference
 - Fall Board Meeting**
Expenses for travel, meals, and lodging for Board Meeting (includes expenses for Extension Advisor[s])
 - Spring Board Meeting**
Same as the Fall Board Meeting
- Newsletter**
 - The TEEA Messenger**
Funds to print and mail *The Messenger* to all members
- Legal & Administrative**
 - Conciliation/Tax Preparation**
Fee for annual reconciliation and tax preparation

- Treasurer's Operational Support**
Funds to cover operational expenses
- District Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance**
Liability coverage for directors and officers
- Parliamentarian**
Expenses for Parliamentarian at the State Conference
- Office Supplies, Postage, and Printing**
Funds to purchase office supplies, postage, and printing
- Treasurer/Messenger Editor Bonds**
Cost for these two positions to be bonded
- President's Discretionary Fund**
State President's discretionary funds for unanticipated expenses
- Other Board Expenses**
\$200 each for yearly allotment for TEEA expenses by the 1st VP for Leadership, 2nd VP for Programs, Secretary, and President-elect
- State Board Equipment**
Funds from Board's silent auction to replace broken or outdated equipment needed by State Board to conduct TEEA Business

2015 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

TO TEEA BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES

FOR 2015 STATE TEEA CONFERENCE
APPROVED BY THE TEEA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY 2015
TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE 2015 STATE CONFERENCE
IN WACO, TX IF ADOPTED, THE PROPOSAL WILL TAKE EFFECT
OCTOBER 1, 2015

Article VIII – NOMINATION AND QUALIFICATION OF OFFICERS
Amend by substituting and striking
Section 1. A

Now reads: By March 1, a club presenting a candidate shall notify in writing the County Association and the District Director, giving the name and qualifications of The candidate for the particular office for which presented. The endorsement must be signed by the President and and Secretary of the Club.	If adopted will read: Two weeks prior to the District Spring Conference a club presenting a candidate shall notify in writing the County Association and the District Director, giving the name and qualifications of the candidate for the particular office for which presented. The endorsement must be signed by the President and Secretary of the Club.
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Rationale: Amend to make wording in the Bylaws and the TEEA Manual the same.
Submitted by Bylaws Committee
Recommendation: To adopt

Article XIV – TERMINATION CLAUSE
Section 1. Amend by addition

Now reads: If a TEEA Board Member is unable to or does not carry out the functions of that office, the Executive Committee shall appoint a TEEA officer to counsel this person. Following this measure, if the problem continues, the person may be terminated by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. The President shall send written notification to the person and the TEEA Board. Once terminated, a person would no longer be eligible for appointment to the Board.	If adopted will read: If a TEEA Board Member is unable to or does not carry out the functions of that office, the Executive Committee shall appoint a TEEA officer to counsel this person. Following this measure, if the problem continues, the person may be terminated by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. The President shall send written notification to the person and the TEEA Board. Once terminated, a person would no longer be eligible for appointment to the Board <u>nor eligible for nomination to the Board.</u>
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Rationale: To clarify eligibility
Submitted by Bylaws Committee
Recommendation: To adopt

**State Annual Report for 2013-2014 (year)
Educational Programs, TEEA Volunteer Hours, and Scholarships**

The TEEA Second Vice President for Programs compiles all District Annual Reports into a State Annual Report. She provides a copy of this report to each Board member and gives an oral report at the Spring Board Meeting.

PROGRAMS	Program Titles	Number Presented by Club Member	Number Presented by Guest Speaker	Number of TEEA attendees	Number of Non-TEEA attendees	Total Number Reached	Materials for Program (dollars)	Program Planning (hours)	Program Length (hours)	Time Value (hours x \$22.14 =)	Total Donated
	True Colors	76	39	1,017	75	1,076	138.50	93.25	77.25	3,303.50	3,522.99
	Social Media/Networking	127	13	793	451	991	364.00	112.75	64.25	3,621.55	3,595.85
	Necessary Documents	81	26	1,124	74	1,198	481.00	149.75	89.25	4,883.74	5,973.88
	Google Goggles	56	12	829	86	1,132	131.00	68.25	91.50	2,877.97	3,154.24
	Taters Take the Lead	41	15	854	132	956	388.50	96-50	34.50	2,210.66	3,410.36
	Total Other	483	286	7,747	3,106	9,747	1,382.71	1,172.20	896.50	37,891.42	55,667.14
TOTAL	864	399	12,364	3,913	14,890	2,905.21	1,692.70	1,198.89	54,788.84	<u>75,324.46</u>	

Total from Attendance at TEEA Monthly Meeting and non-TEEA Presentations (F = Female; M = Male)												
White		Black		Hispanic		American Indian		Asian/Pac. Islander		Total		Total Number
F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
14,749	382	306	8	308	11			39		15,402	401	15,803

HONOR ROLL OF COUNTIES: Volunteer Hours & Scholarships. Excludes Educational Programs	Number of newspaper notices or articles about meetings/programs:		99		
	Scholarship Amount	4-H (Include scholarship name)		Other (adult, etc.)	
	\$				
	\$				
	Total \$	85,930.00			
	Donations of time or money made by or in the name of the club/county/district to support other individuals or groups, including community and FCS projects. *The IRS allows ONLY \$0.14 per mile for non-profit organizations.				
	Activities/Projects/Meetings	Total \$ Donated: Mileage (\$0.14 per mile*), Materials, Cash	Hours	Value of Time (hours x \$22.14 =)	Total Donated
	TEEA	\$ 86,312,423.00	89,314.25	2,226,812.27	\$ 1,836,700.06
	4-H	\$ 19,335.37	5,026	208,553.45	\$ 127,768.56
	Community	\$ 13,141.46	7686.37	1,300,378.30	\$ 1,199,009.97
Coins for Friendship				\$	
Dollars for Scholars				\$	
Scholarships				\$ 85,930.00	
Total Donated: \$				324,940,859.00	

Total Program Dollars	+	Total Honor Roll of Counties Dollars	=	Total Value Donated for Year of <u>2013-2014</u>
\$ 75,324.46		\$ 3,249,408.59		\$ 3,324,733.05

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SOUTHERN COUNTRY CLUB EEC—AMARILLO

By Bonita Christian

Members at the March meeting got an early start in making Christmas decorations. Ruby Tharp, member, taught the other members how to make a beautiful Origami patchwork block with Christmas fabrics.



There were eight members present. A fun time was had by all and just look at what they now have to show for all their hard work.



Mary Ueckert, Novella Hewitt, Lynda Duncan, Jessie Solomon, Mae Hollis, Romona Price, Ruby Tharp and Bonita Christian.

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Beth Murphy, Melinda DiGiovanni, & Betty Mullins

PARKER COUNTY HOLDS RECOGNITION TEA

By Cita Honeycutt

The Parker County EEA held a Recognition Tea on March 16 at the Dona Brewer Building in Weatherford, Texas to honor our outstanding members for 2015. The three Parker County clubs each select an honoree from their club. The honorees for 2015 were Beth Murphy from Bethel Harmony, Betty Mullins from Country Crossroads and Melinda DiGiovanni from Springtown. The

2015 Texas Treasure was Betty Mullins. Awards were also presented to the 2015 Committee Chairpersons and Association Officers.



L-R (back) Wanda Lacey, Sue Richardson, Margaret Avery, Doris Miller, Willetta Crosslin, Christi Dickey, LaRaye Lester, Diane Stanfield, Karen Rutherford, Julia Moseley, Cita Honeycutt, Kathy Smith (County Agent). Front row L-R: Joyce Dickerson, Barbara Sampson, Pat Friend, Glenda Hinkle, Ola Culwell, Antoinette Reed and Sheila Woody

PARKER COUNTY ATTENDS TEEA SPRING CONFERENCE

By Cita Honeycutt

The District 3 Texas Extension Education Association Spring Conference was held on March 31 at the Wilbarger Auditorium in Vernon, Texas. Nineteen members and one County Agent attended from Parker County. There were a total of 90 attendees including members, delegates and visitors. The Conference was hosted by Wilbarger and Childress Counties.

COUNTRY CROSSROADS EE CLUB INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

By Ronda Wilson

The Country Crossroads EE Club of Parker County installed new officers for 2015-2016 at Joe T. Garcia's. Conducting the installation was Antoinette Reed.



Country Crossroad EE Club officers for 2015-2016. l to r—Shirley Riebe, treas., Nancy Mahan, sect., DiDi Meeker, pres., Kim Smith, reporter, Antoinette Reed, 1st v.p., Kathy Hardin, co-pres., associate delegate, Carol Arrant, 2nd v.p.



LOCAL TEEA MEMBERS RECEIVES 50 YEAR AWARD

By Ronda Wilson

Feiona Hostas, Freida Brown, Linda Winn and Trellis Harrington (pictured from left to right) each received a 50 year member award from the Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA) at the District 3 Spring Meeting in Vernon. They are all charter members of the Seymour Club, and the club also received a 50 year recognition. The Seymour Club was started in 1965 as part of the Baylor County TEEA clubs and met in the evenings so that their husbands could watch their small children. There are currently three active TEEA clubs in Baylor County. These clubs provide scholarships, educational programs for families, leadership development, and community service.



LOCAL TEEA MEMBER RECEIVES 65 YEAR AWARD

By Rhonda Wilson

Sammie Chapman of Seymour received a 65 year member award from the Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA). She has been a member of the TEEA Plainview Club since 1948 and is still an active member. She currently serves as the Treasurer of the Baylor County TEEA Council. When she first joined, they had 20 members, and her mother-in-law was a charter member. They initially met in their homes and learned cooking, sewing, tailoring suits, upholstering and refinishing furniture, and other skills. She stated when she first got married, she did not know how to do any

thing and was grateful for the education she received in her local club. The local Extension Education Clubs provide scholarships, educational programs for families, leadership development, and community service.

GREENWOOD EE CLUB HAS BUSY SPRING

By Bobbie Ashley

Due to snow and ice our February meeting was held on March 6 with 12 members present.

The scholarship committee selected Logan Moore to receive our \$1,000 scholarship.

Creative Art members, Linda Hood showed denim placemats, Marilyn Collins table runners and a lap throw and Gerry Galloway had Christmas stockings and clothespin aprons and Janice Millican had holiday wreaths.

Delegates to the District 3 spring meeting were selected and plans for "Walk Across Texas" were made.

For the March 27 meeting we had ten members in attendance. Linda Hood did the program on "Making of Crafts". We were well into the "Walk Across Texas". Feliberto was the team captain.



We adjourned to have lunch at the lovely new home of Roy and Janice Millican and share a birthday cake with Marilyn Collins.



April 24 was the District 3 meeting in Vernon. Attending were Dixie, Rosa and Linda as delegates, Feliberto as alternate and Bobbie.

The District Texas Treasurer award was presented to Mary Haubold of the Greenwood EE Club. President, Dixie Range presented the award to May at the April club meeting.



Dixie Range & Mary Haubold

Due to bad weather only six members attended. The program was given by Gerry Gallo on record retention; "To Toss or Not to Toss."

Many items for the Country Store at state were shared.

Our May meeting program was given by Janice Millican on "How to Dispose of Unused Medicines."

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THE NEW VAN ZANDT EE ASSOCIATION

By Sally Ronk

The club had the first organizational meeting on January 12 to formally merge the existing EE Clubs into one club. The existing clubs, Board-Elwood, Fairview, Salt City, Watkins and Wills Point all voted to become one club, known as Van Zandt Extension Education Association.

Our first activity on February 9 was to make valentines for our nursing homes in Gr. Saline, Canton and Wills Point.

Our next meeting was March 9 at Farm Bureau in Canton for our Cultural Arts judging. Twenty-six attended and quite a few blue and red ribbons were awarded.

Next on the agenda for April, was a trip to Cherry Creek Bed And Breakfast. Master gardener, Pat Mullins gave the program. Nineteen attended.

In May we met with 16 present and made bibs for nursing homes out of plastic table cloths.

In June we met and planned Free State Jubilee in Canton on June 27 at 1st Monday camp grounds. This was sponsored by Van Zandt County Family and Consumer Sciences Community for the benefit of our county youth.

"Don't be an examiner, be the interested inquirer."

~ Studs Terkel

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

By Velma Tate

Tarrant County Commissioner's Court honored Tarrant Extension Education Association with a proclamation for members who had been volunteering in Tarrant County for 20 or more years. Italicized names have been active members for 20 or more years. We have 13 members with 400 years of combined service volunteered. Extension Education members wore name tags with their name and number of years they had been in TEEA and volunteering.



Pictured: Judge B. Glen Whitley, Commissioner Brooks, Ed Kinter, *Billie Tyler, Pearl Cook, Audrey Geron, Velma Tate, Madge Ball, Ivy Spivey*, Commissioner JD Johnson, County Extension Director Joan Jacobsen, Commissioner Nguyen and *Linda Kinter*.

RAINS COUNTY EE CLUBS RECIPIENT OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

By Kay Chastain

The Rains Co. Chamber of Commerce host a Founder's Day Festival annually in May to celebrate its heritage. The county square, parks and other venues are filled with organizations and vendors, parades, 4K runs, fire department chicken roasts, extension club quilt show, concerts, and an anticipated duck race plus much more.

All of the net profits of the event are distributed to organizations that have submitted an application of charitable funds. The Extension Education Clubs of Rains submitted an application earlier in the year and were selected as one of the eight recipients of this year's charitable funds. The funds must be used for future community service projects in the county.

Other recipient organizations were: Cub Scout Pack 393, Emory Lions Club, Friends of the Rains Library, Rains Co. Good

Samaritan Food Pantry, Lake Country Neighbors, Rains Co. Volunteer Fire Departments, Women's Service Club, Rains Co. Extension Education Clubs.

This is the second year that the extension clubs have applied and been accepted as recipients.



Front row – l to r – Dana Ward & Lane, Cub Scout representatives; Janie Stephens of Women's Service Club. Back Row – l to r – Jon Wedeking, Fire Dept. representative; Roger & Nathaniel Hooten & Chris Downs of Emory Lions Club; Robert Burns of Good Samaritans; Cindy Cooper of Rains Public Library; Pam Bowden of Lake Country Neighbors, and Kay Chastain of Extension Education Clubs.

HUNT EEA HAS BUSY SPRING

By Judy Clingan

The Hunt EEA has been very busy this spring. We've enjoyed having our spring event with the theme "Remembering Our Mothers." Our agent that just recently retired, Mary Sue Cole, presented the program. Everyone enjoyed a potluck lunch of things mothers cooked.



We had nine members attend the Spring Conference and had an enjoyable time.

We had a spaghetti dinner fundraiser hosted by the Elks Lodge in Greenville. It was a big success.

In June we met to make plans for our next yearbook and state convention in Waco. Our clubs have taken on some more projects including making blankets for CPS for children. We are also continuing our Alzheimer aprons. Also in June we are participating in a rock-a-thon called the longest day. We will be ready for rockers by then and hopefully

have a full day of rocking.

Have a safe and blessed summer and we will see you in September.

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By Ellen Manning

Shelby County XYZ EE Club members were busy this spring with preparations for the District 5 Spring Meeting. They decorated the meeting room with the theme "Spring Forward with TEEA" using metal art forms created by Delbert Beckam. The tables also had green grass and chocolate candies. We had two informative speakers – Andy Crocker, Family Life Specialist, who helped us understand more about ourselves and David Chadwick, President of Farmer's State Bank, who talked to us about safe banking.



On Ag Ed day we presented "Quilt Making" to hundreds of lower primary school children. Sylvia Jackson and Jenny Salter showed them how to arrange quilt pieces into several patterns to make a block. The children then used the pieces to arrange a block of their own. Ellen Manning demonstrated how to make quilt stitches while the children experienced touching a quilt.





SOUTHERN BELLES AND GLENWOOD CLUBS

By Gwendolyn Jewett
 Dorothy Grey, Lesa Jackson, Annette Johnson, Joan Warren, Sandra Fite, Gwen Jewett, Nora Davis, Julie York, Betty Hester, Joyce Raabe and Linda Steger attended the TEEA District 5 Spring Conference in Center, TX on March 24. Thanks Nacogdoches, Shelby, Cherokee & Polk Counties we had a great time.



Southern Belles Joan Warren assisting with registration during the "Child Car Seat Safety Check Up" event in Upshur County in May.



Agent Julie York and DPS Officer assist a young girl in car seat safety.



On June 8th – Glenwood TEEA members assisted residents of Gilmer Health and Rehab Center in making nosegay flower arrangements for their CNAs ; for CNA week.



JoAnn Bilbrey, Virginia Higgenbotham, Maggie McBeth, Oretha Souder, and Kathy Daniels.

DISTRICT 7
TAYLOR COUNTY ATTENDS DISTRICT 7 SPRING CONFERENCE
 By Margie Wheeler
 Taylor County EE Club members from the Potosi, Sunshine, and Honey Bees attended the District 7 Spring Conference April 9 in San Angelo. Representing Taylor County were Connie Adams, Sheila Rose, Gaytha Breeding, Brenda Camp (District Director-Elect),

Sherrel Cauldwell, Harriett Malek, Marilyn Reid, Margie Wheeler, and FCS Agent—Jane Rowan.



HONEY BEES EE CLUB HOST ANNUAL PRESCHOOLERS EASTER EGG HUNT

By Margie Wheeler
 The Honey Bees EE Club hosted their annual Easter Egg Hunt March 31 at the Jim Ned Lawn Campus Elementary School. Candy eggs and prize eggs were hidden by members. The Easter bunny (AKA Marcia

Lambert—Honey Bees member) made an appearance to visit with the kids. This has been a long time community service project for the club. It was enjoyed by all.

TAYLOR EE CLUBS "SPRING FLING" TRIP

By Margie Wheeler
 The Taylor EE Clubs took a trip to Goldthwaite for their "Spring Fling" on April 27. They toured a botanical garden and also visited the Goldthwaite Museum. A good time was had by all who attended.



Deloris Meiske of the Redbud / Oakalla EE Club in Burnet County received a certificate for being a 50 year TEEA Member at the District 7 Spring Conference. She received her certificate at the club's next monthly meeting. Congratulations Deloris!



BURNET COUNTY WALKERS

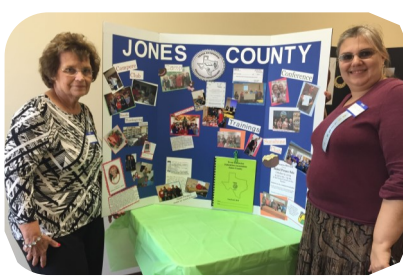
Three Redbud / Oakalla EE Club members actively participated in the Walk Across Texas event. Roxanne Dunegan walked 440 miles, Nance Stearman walked 480.59 miles, and Mary Kirick led Burnet County with 1,110.12 miles.

Congratulations to our walkers!

"To err is human, but when the eraser wears out ahead of the pencil, you're overdoing it."
 ~ Josh Jenkins

DISTRICT 7 TEEA SPRING CONFERENCE ATTENDED BY JONES COUNTY

By: Rita Morrow
 District 7 TEEA Spring Conference was held on April 9 at the Tom Green County 4-H Building in San Angelo, Texas. Twelve counties represented District 7. Attending from Jones County Compere TEEC were Myrna Allred, Harlean Cutbirth, Linda Kinder, Rita Morrow, Amie Price & Mozetta Youngers. Attending from Sunshine TEEC were D'Ann White and Carla Vest. Attending with members were Jones County Family & Consumer Science Extension Agent, Debbie Hailey and Extension Intern, Michaela Folsom. Attendees participated in a silent auction and enjoyed a program by a member of the Tom Green County Master Gardeners. A catered lunch was provided during their business meeting and presentation of awards.



TOMATO SALAD
 By Annie Terrell

- INGREDIENTS:**
- 2 Cups Red tomatoes, chopped
 - 1 Med. White onion, chopped
 - 2 Lge. Green bell pepper, chopped
 - Salt & Pepper to taste
 - ¼ Cup Sugar
 - 1 Bottle Italian Dressing

DIRECTIONS:
 Mix well.
 Add sugar and dressing to cover top of veggies.



Burnet County donations to Coins for Friendship and Dollars for Scholars for 2015: Roxanne Dunegan, Redbud Oakalla EE Club; Ann Cospers, Bethel EE Club; Lynda French, Oatmeal EE Club; Joyce Edwards, Marble Falls EE Club; and Connie Roark, Lake Victor EE Club.

BURNET COUNTY CHALLENGES YOU!!!

By Roberta Eacott

This year, the EE Clubs of Burnet County donated \$846.80 (half for Coins for Friendship and half for Dollars for Scholars)! At the monthly meetings, each club "passes the hat" for donations to Coins for Friendship and Dollars for Scholars. On a given month, individual members donate \$.26 up to \$5.00, depending on what they can give that month.

In 2014, Burnet County EE Clubs donated \$700. The 2015 donation is \$146.80 higher than last year! Each club's 2015 donation was equal to or greater than their 2014 donation! Great job!

The five extension education clubs in Burnet County have begun an annual challenge among the clubs to see which club donates the most money to these worthy causes. Oatmeal EE Club, the smallest club in the county, with nine members, donated \$100 this year! For the past two years, Bethel EE Club and Redbud EE Club have been neck-and-neck with their donations. It is a fun and fruitful rivalry for the organization.

District 7 donated \$802.00 to the Coins for Friendship in 2014 and \$936.05 in 2015 and District 7 donated \$589.75 for the Dollars for Scholars in 2014 and \$1,001.72 in 2015. This is a great improvement!

On the state level, the Coins for Friendship are used for special projects at the State 4-H Center. The Dollars for Scholars are used for the state-wide 4-H scholarships. Each District 4-H scholarship winner receives a \$1,000 scholarship!

The Burnet County Extension Education Clubs challenges each

county in the state to create their own local rivalry and increase their 2016 donations to Coins for Friendship and Dollars for Scholars! These are two very worthy programs and well worth the effort.



SPRING TO FALL ACTIVITIES FROM TOM GREEN COUNTY

By Elaine Beeson

Tom Green County was proud to host our 2015 District 7 Spring Conference April 9. We had 15 hardworking ladies that had been planning months for this event. With our theme - "Spring into Spring", a beautiful elegant room was available for 90 guests that day. Our group, led by District 7 Director, Lynda French, enjoyed luscious food in the morning and a catered luncheon at noon, silent auction, welcoming ice breaker, program and tour by Tom Green County Master Gardeners. Numerous awards and an informative business meeting followed by many of us visiting and saying our "goodbyes 'til we meet again".

We definitely enjoyed our time shared with everyone. Thanks to our Tom Green County agent, Kathy Aycock, our office staff and others who contributed to our spring activities. We are also proud of our two members who received rewards. They were June Helwig - 65 year Award and Frances Hill - 50 year Award.

New Officers for next year's Association will be Chairman-Dolores Gully, Vice Chairman-Glenda Smith, Secretary-Ruby Matschek, Treasurer-Lucille Werner.

Until next fall, we wish all a happy summer and safe travels for those on the road.



SHELBI GREAVES RECEIVES \$1,000 COLEMAN COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

By Dora Newman

Shelbi Greaves was presented the Coleman County Extension Education Association 2015 4-H Scholarship during its luncheon Friday May 1. Association president Helen Cross made the presentation. This \$1,000.00 scholarship is presented annually to an outstanding 4-H member in the county who plans to attend college in the fall. Shelbi has more than qualified as she has been a 4-H member since the age of nine and has had a wide variety of projects and has entered them in county, district and state competitions. She has also served as leader in county, district, and state offices and on many committees. Shelbi is the daughter of Christi and Dusty Greaves. She plans to attend Texas A&M in the fall.

The luncheon was preceded by two meetings and the Cultural Arts Competition. The morning began with Janet Nelson CEA-FCS presenting "Stroke of Insight" at the Good Neighbor Club meeting. The second meeting was that of the County Extension Education Association where delegates were elected for the state meeting in Waco and plans were completed for the Fun Day trip to Hummer House at Christoval. Cultural Arts winners were also announced at the luncheon.



You are invited to a day of glamping in Lake Victor at the Community Center, hosted by Lake Victor Extension Education Club

LAKE VICTOR EE CLUB TREATS MEMBERS TO "GLAMPING" EXPERIENCE

By Connie Roark

On Thursday, April 23rd, members and guests from the Bethel EEC, Lampasas/Rumley EEC, Llano EEC, Marble Falls EEC, Oatmeal EEC, Redbud/Oakalla EEC, Busy Bee Quilt Club and Linda Wells, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Burnet County FCS Agent were treated to a "Day of Glamping" at the All Club Luncheon hosted by the Lake Victor EEC. Members entered the wonderful world of "Glamping" (*Glamour Camping*). Some members and guests came dressed in high fashion camping outfits! The day started off with a fascinating and fun program presented by two members from "Sisters on the Fly", Pat Dowdy and Lily Cross. Guests learned "Sisters on the Fly" is the largest outdoor women's group in the United States. Their mission is to support women to get up, get out and become adventurous. Picnic lunches were served in pretty boxes with fried chicken, delicious salads and lots of homemade cookies. Everyone had fun "trading" their surprise salads. After lunch everyone was treated to a tour of Pat Dowdy's chic "Glamer". Several members are now on the lookout for abandoned campers just waiting for Glamping décor. Polly Krenek, TEEABC Chair, reported to members attending that Marble Falls/Oatmeal EEC member, Joyce Edwards received the Texas Treasure Award from District 7. Roberta Eacott, TEEABC Vice Chair reported to members Polly Krenek received the District 7 Leadership Award. Congratulations to both truly deserving members. The Lake Victor Extension Education Club was grateful to those attending for donating \$200.00 and 170 pounds of food for the local food-bank, LaCare.



BRANCHVILLE EE CLUB — MILAM COUNTY

By Barbara Walker
Members of the Branchville EE Club are sharing their cooking skills with TEEA members.

Pictured are Rosetta Wesley, Ellen Whitfield, Gloria Sullivan, Eula Holt, Barbara Walker, Fannie Price, Rosie Steamer—Seated: Annie Terrell.



Some of their favorite recipes are being shared throughout this edition, as space allows.

EASTLAND EEA PRESENTS CHECK

By Millie Barrow

Eastland EEA provided breakfast to the Eastland County Commissioners along with employees of the Eastland Courthouse. This is an annual event and Eastland EEA gets to “toot their horn”!!! The Sunrise Homemaker EE Club of Cisco supports the Open Door of Cisco providing baby clothes on a monthly basis. This is only one of the many community projects they support. Morton Valley EE Club of Eastland supports the Back Pack Program donating annually to provide one child food for the school year. The Club also works with the Extension Office providing a quarterly Lunch and Learn Program. This program is open to the public with informative programs presented, a free lunch is provided by the Morton Valley EE Club.

Both Clubs help with the Eastland Stock Show, working with the Extension Office to fulfill duties needed. We also help with the annual summer Sewing Camp and the summer Cooking camp. We strive to help the Extension Office any way we can.

We presented a check to the Eastland County Commissioners in the amount of \$105,511.26 which represented our TEEA volunteer hours and scholarships to Eastland County for the years of 2013-2014.



Millie Barrow presenting check to the Eastland County Commissioners

MORTON VALLEY EEC HOLDS QUARTERLY LUNCH AND LEARN

By Millie Barrow

Morton Valley EEC held their quarterly Lunch and Learn on Thursday, June 11 at the Judge Scott Bailey Event Center. Randy Teague and Rhonda Dean from AirEvac presented the program on the benefits of membership in AirEvac, a medical helicopter service. The cost of annual membership is \$65.00 per household, covering all in the home, comparing this cost to the cost of from \$18,000 up to \$50,000 +, everyone attending could see it was much more beneficial to be a member and be covered in case of a medical emergency where you had to be transported by helicopter.

Twenty four people attended the Lunch and Learn. Morton Valley EE Club members Cheri Clark, Joyanne Hathcock, Cyndee Groce, Marj Lamb, Clara Mathews provided the free lunch.



Millie Barrow welcoming Randy Teague and Rhonda Dean.



Randy Teague explaining the benefits of belonging to Air Evac.

LEON EEA ANNUAL EDUCATION DAY

Donna Barrilleaux, Leon EEA Reporter & Michaelene Perry, Leon EEA President

“Creating Magic and Art”—that was the message when Leon Extension Education Association (EEA) Clubs of Buffalo, Jewett, Leona-Centerville and Normangee met on Tuesday, March 24 at the Jewett First Baptist Family Life Center in Jewett, TX for their annual Education Day. New this year was having this day combined with our annual Cultural Arts competition.

With all interested individuals of the county area invited Leon EEA hosted this fun day of learning. The program consisted of the key 5 topics from the 2014 TEEA State Conference, a special artist portrait demonstration, along with the judging and display of crafts made by the club membership in 24 different categories of crafts/art. Recognized during the day was Ella Mae Oxford, 94 years old, as the oldest EE Club member in Leon. She is with the Normangee EE.

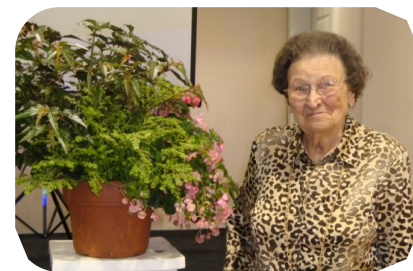
Our first speaker, Judy Hutchison of Jewett EE, presented “iPad 101” with the help of 4 4-H students from Leon High School to give a hands-on class about navigation on uses of the iPad. Lora Nichols, Leona-Centerville EE, discussed “Diversity: How does it make us see, hear, feel, think, and act?” Mamie Bell, Jewett EE, presented the topic of “To Toss or Not to Toss—how long should documents be kept.” Michaelene Perry, Jewett EE, updated the audience on “Safe Disposal of Medicines” with tips to locate disposal sites in the area and alternate choices to protect the community and environment. “TEEA Magic” was presented by Amanda Trevion, FCS Agent for Leon, along with Mamie Bell, Leon County Chairperson, and Clara Jones, Leona-Centerville EE. This talk promoted TEEA and all that is done in our county and throughout the state of Texas. The material made us proud to be a part of TEEA and challenged us to become more involved in the community.

Our thanks go out to our Cultural Arts judges: Mary Lou Butler, Teague, TX, Karen Noles, Buffalo, TX, and Billie

Shreckengaust, Hilltop Lakes, TX. There were so many more entries in this year’s craft and arts competition it was challenging for them. Our thanks go out to all EE members who submitted their talented works.

The special guest program was presented by Artist Shirley Hiser, currently of Palestine, TX but formerly of Buffalo. She specializes in pencil and pastel portraits, but works in oils and bronzes, too. She studied under renowned, nationally-known artists including Ben Konis, William Whitaker, Ned Jacob, Paul Milosovich and Albert Handel. She is an author of the book, Drawing from Life. Shirley says “I never get bored drawing people. Each one is unique and beautiful.” Shirley is assisted by her daughter, Vanessa Goodwyn, who provided the speaking portion of Shirley’s demonstration. She is an artist as well as photographer and writer. Both Shirley and Vanessa make a great team and do presentations about portrait art and techniques to school age children in our area. Our thanks go out to Brooke Hastings, a 4-H student from Leon High School, for being used as our model. Her reward for sitting still for this presentation—the original drawing autographed by Shirley. What a treat for all the audience, members, guests and judges. All learned a lot from this program.

Following the education portion of the day a luncheon was served with viewing of the Cultural Arts displays and winner selections. Leon EEA hopes to continue this combined Education and Arts day for guests and members annually. The public turnout was great and we hope to increase our exposure in the community—and maybe promote new members for the future.



Ella Mae Oxford, Oldest (but young at heart) Leon County EE Member and still active in her club



District 8 Spring Conference Attendees: Front Row: L to R: Clara Jones, Amanda Trevino (Leon County Agent), Nyanza Price, Lynn Drake, Mamie Bell and Donna Barrilleaux Back Row: L to R: Michaelene Perry, JP Borah, Judy Hutchison, Peggy Bloomer, Pam Groba and Carole Huebner

WILLIAMSON COUNTY NOONTIME EE CLUB



Noontime EE Club Members are enjoying reading from the many children's books they donated recently to the county EE project, *First Book for New Baby*. Noontime donated a total of 133 new children's books that will be given to new moms and their babies when they leave area hospitals. Since new babies are being born in Williamson County in record numbers, there are never too many baby books. This is a long-time literacy project for Williamson County EE clubs.



Noontime EE Club takes seriously the community service involvement aspect of the EE Mission Statement. Every month, as a club, they donate items needed to benefit organizations in their community. Individually, they serve in numerous community organizations and with local projects, and events. In this photo, club members are holding many of the thirty one new stuffed animals of all sizes donated to a

new community partner, the Victims Assistance Unit of the Williamson County Sheriff's Department. Often stuffed animals are given to children rescued from wrecks and/or taken from abused homes. The Victims Assistance Unit expressed their appreciation for the club's support of their outreach to children and families.



Educational programs are an important aspect of Noontime EE Club's monthly meetings. Recently, Sheila Camp, a county delegate to the 2014 State TEEA Meeting, presented the program she gleaned at the Delegate Training Workshop. Her program was entitled, *To Toss or Not to Toss*. Sheila shared verbally and with handouts (a Necessary Documents Checklist and Record Retention Guidelines). Her presentation helped members think about documents they had (or needed to have) and knowing where to find them (and letting family members know where they were located).

CULTURAL ARTS LUNCHEON HELD IN CISCO

By Millie Barrow

Sunrise Homemaker EE Club of Cisco hosted the annual Cultural Arts Luncheon. Everyone brought their favorite covered dish and a short program preceded the judging of the cultural arts items. All first place winners will take their items to the District 8 Spring Conference for judging.

Pictured left to right, first place winners with their entries: Marj Lamb, Sue Allsup, Gloria Kojakanian, Millie Barrow, and Sandy Yarbrough.

Congratulations to all.



Standing L-R: Carol Ball, Judy Hutchison, Peggy Bloomer, Debbie Karl, and Michaelene Perry. Sitting: Carol Russell, Lynn Drake and Dawn Provost.

JEWETT EE CLUB HOLDS FUNDRAISER

By Michaelene Perry

On April 11 the Jewett EE Club had their annual Fundraiser Bake Sale at the Jewett Flea Festival at the Jewett Civic Center. There were three tables full of all things homemade: cookies, cakes, pies, brownies, muffins, candy and more. What great bakers we have in our club.

This year's donations and sales will be used for EE Club members to become more involved in the local area and support of 4-H Scholarships in the future. Jewett EE President, Judy Hutchison, and Vice President, Debbie Karl, led the club in a very successful drive with the total collected of \$1,000.00 Now we have our work cut out to make 2016 a higher goal.

JEWETT EE CLUB FIELD TRIP

By Michaelene Perry

Tuesday, May 12 the Jewett EE Club members had their annual field trip. This year's destination—Old Town Spring, Texas. However, fate had a hand in our plans. Due to the torrential rains and flooding in the Houston area, we opted for "Plan B!" Off we went to Bryan/College Station with all day activities.

First stop was the Post Oak Mall for a special treat, shopping with many department stores available. We were like kids in candy land. And yes, we did make purchases galore. Next, lunch was at Casa Ole with wonderful food and great staff to meet our large group with ease.

After lunch we drove to the Cinemark movie theater for a movie. Watching a movie without commercials was a special treat for some of us who have not ventured out to movies in

quite some time. Most of us saw "Woman in Gold," an absolutely enjoyable feature.

NOONTIME EE CLUB SUPPORTS 4-H

By Charlotte Watson

Noontime EE Club in Williamson County supports the county 4-H program in multiple ways throughout the year. However, one of the most fun ways is the annual educational program 4-H'ers from the Georgetown 4-H Club present at Noontime's Club meeting each June. Shown in the photo are members of Noontime plus all the wonderful 4-H'ers who came. Individual 4-H'ers did presentations on recent 4-H projects such as Training seeing-eye dogs, Fit-Bit, food and nutrition, fashion design/sewing; group projects by the Mentor-Up team who explained how to "select a web browser" and "Instagram." The four 4-H'ers in this group who are headed to 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M told about the competitions in which they will be participating. It is always exciting to hear from them and to learn about all they are learning in this wonderful organization. The future of our country is bright with such talented and well-spoken young people leading the way.



WILLIAMSON COUNTY EEA TOURS EMERGENCY CALL CENTER

By Ellen Dutkiewicz

In March, EEA members from several clubs had a private tour of the county's new Emergency Call Center. This state of the art center can also serve as a disaster command post for surrounding counties if there is dangerous weather, floods, or other emergencies. Thirteen EEA members attended, followed by lunch at a local restaurant.



MCLENNAN EE PRESENTS 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

By Betty Hubbard

The McLennan EEA met for the annual May Retreat May 14 at the Extension office with a theme of "Hugs and Bling 2015." Jean Vorderkunz gave the opening on the history of Memorial Day and read John McKrey's poem "Flanders Field". She told about the Legend of the Poppy. The Poppy officially began selling in 1922 and in 1924 the Disabled Veterans began making them. 1997 was the 75th anniversary of the "Buddy Poppy". Jean also gave everyone a poppy to wear on Memorial Day.

McLennan EE will take an Educational tour to Hico on June 17.

For the program Blanche Willis told about how hugs helped veterans develop trust and self worth. Everyone got a coupon for a hug. Willie Frances Smith talked about "Bling" and how it has been around a very long time, but not called such. Bling is a slang term popularized in hip hop culture, referring to flashy or elaborate jewelry or ornamented accessories. Decorations by the Woodway EE Club reflected the theme.

The highlight of the day was awarding two \$300 scholarships to 4-Hers. Since we have members from Falls County, we presented one Falls County and one McLennan County 4-H member with a scholarship. The McLennan County winner was Britney Connally, who attends Mart High School and the Falls County winner was Hadley Baker, who attends Rosebud-Lott High School. Their parents are Brad and Lou Connally and Clayton and Rhonda Baker.

Everyone enjoyed a salad luncheon furnished by EE members.



Hadley Baker & Britney Connally



Friend of Extension Award to the McLennan EEA. President Betty Hubbard and McLennan Co. Extension NR Agent, (Natural Resources) Erich Schatte.



The Outstanding Volunteer Awards: Dr. Peter Grandjean, Deanna Franklin, McLennan Co. FCS Agent, Jane Guest.

MCLENNAN EXTENSION AWARDS

By Betty Hubbard,
County Chair

McLennan Extension Education Assn. and an EE member were delighted to receive awards at the McLennan County Agrilife Extension Volunteer Awards Dinner on May 18 at the Back Porch Club at the HOT Fairgrounds in Waco. Jane Guest, Orchard Lane EE Club president, was presented an Outstanding Volunteer Award for her contribution in assisting the agents with the Diva program and volunteering with several other programs. The McLennan EE Assn. received a Friend of Extension Award for its scholarships and support of the 4-Hers. Betty Hubbard, McLennan EE Assn. president, accepted the award.

"Learning without thinking is labor lost; thinking without learning is dangerous."
~ Chinese Proverb

DISTRICT 8 SPRING CONFERENCE

By Michaelene Perry,
District 8 Reporter

TEEA District 8 Spring Conference was held April 7 at the Hood County Reunion Grounds in Granbury, TX. Special thanks go out to Eastland, Erath and Hood Counties and the Cultural Arts judges, Kathy Cherry, Mary Beaton and Sandy Davis.

The meeting was called to order and Granbury High School Marine Corps JROTC posted the colors and led the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag. The invocation was presented by Rev. John Knox, Granbury Church of Christ. Leon County led the TEEA Creed and Prayer.

On the agenda was Darrell Cockerham, County Judge of Hood Co., who greeted all, followed by Mayor Nin Hulett of Granbury who welcomed all to their town during their stay. District 8 Director, Alice Lance, introduced guests and County Chairpersons with Pat McNeely, District 8 Secretary presenting the Roll Call of Counties. Texas AgriLife Family & Consumer Science agents were recognized by Brianne Langdon. Attendance for the conference was 100 members/FCS agents and 1 guest.

We were in for a special treat when Pat Campbell, Hood County, introduced the Keynote Speaker, Tina Samples, Christian author/speaker from Tolar, TX. Tina discussed one of her books, Wounded Women of the Bible. What an education we received from this gifted writer. Following her talk we had the opportunity to purchase her autographed books.



Following the keynote speaker awards, recognition and 4-H Scholarships were presented. Jewett EE Club received the award for the club's 80th anniversary with Normangee EE Club receiving their 70th anniversary recognition. Both are from Leon

County. Navarro County received the award for the Largest Percent Increase in Membership with Leon having the Most New Members award. The TEEA State 4-H Scholarship went to Brice Boyd of Hamilton County. He spoke to the audience about his goals for a promising career in the future.



After lunch the entertainment was presented by classical acoustic guitarists, Eliza Balmueth and Sean McCrary. It was such a pleasure to see an interest in classical music by these talented players.



The business meeting followed lunch with collections to Coins for Friendship, Dollars for Scholars and the Cultural Arts winners. The winner of the Best of Show truly deserved the award and come State competition all will understand what we mean! The meeting was concluded with the invitation to Retreat, Courtesy Resolution and the closing prayer.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EE CLUB ATTENDS BELL COUNTY FASHION FANDANGO

By Ellen Dutkiewicz

Williamson County EE Club members attended the Spring Fashion Fandango in Bell County. Seventeen ladies from various clubs were there to support neighboring Bell County EEA and to enjoy a great show and delicious luncheon.



**HERITAGE CLUB
WILLIAMSON COUNTY**

by Cynthia Davis

Williamson County EEA Clubs have had a productive winter/spring from Exhibition Day to judging 4-H events in the County, Fund Raisers for 4-H Scholarship Fund and in general, fellowship!

The Tea Room at the Local Quilt Show in March, that our clubs sponsor, was a huge success and the proceeds went directly to support the 4-H Scholarship Fund. This is the third year for us to have the Tea Room and know we will do it again next Spring. This fall, October 4th Williamson County EEA Clubs will be sponsoring a "Homemade Holidays" event at the San Gabriel Park Community Center. There will be live demonstrations, crafts and recipes to make your holiday special and Vendor Booths.... **More information to come on this.** We are inviting all districts to mark this on your calendar...

Heritage Club has been busy making and supplying local hospitals with comfort pillows and First Books for New Babies. Two workdays are planned for June to work on Linus Quilts, one of Heritage Club's ongoing projects. Recently we had a luncheon for some of our members who have had to drop out or who have moved from the area. We had fun just listening to old stories, getting caught up, and old photos that were shared with some of the newer members. Our guests were Char Peiper, Barbara Miller, Jane McCray, Margaret Sullivan and Margaret Roush...along with our club members. We will do this again...

Heritage Club members Peggy Hergert, and Mary Frances Henry's Cultural Arts entries that were shown at the Grandbury Spring Conference in April have advanced to State. Good Luck Ladies...

Looking forward to State Convention in Waco this Fall. Everyone have a safe and productive Summer.



**MORNING GLORY EE CLUB
OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY**

By Ellen Dutkiewicz

At the May meeting of the Morning Glory Club, members collected new soft stuffed toys to be donated to Dell Children's Medical Center in Austin. All members shopped carefully in order to find soft toys with no removable eyes or small parts that a young patient might chew or tear off. The toys were delivered to the Children's Medical Center by one of the members. A nice thank you note was received from the Center.



**WILLIAMSON COUNTY APRIL
OUTING**

By Ellen Dutkiewicz

Walker Honey and Tasting Room was the destination for Williamson County EEA members in April. Sampling of many different kinds of honey, wine, and a talk about bees made for a pleasant outing. Lunch at Green's Store and restaurant finished the day.



**DISTRICT 8 SUMMER
RETREAT**

By Michaelene Perry,
District 8 Reporter

May 5 and 6 were the dates District 8 met at Riverbend Retreat Center for their annual Summer Retreat usually held in the "dog days" of hot August. Host counties of Bell, Eastland and Hood presented a fun-filled one and a half days of many activities. The theme for the event was Planting, Growing and Blooming with flower seeds, pots and potting soil given to all attendees.

After the welcomes by Mayor Dennis Moore, TEEA 1st Vice

President of Leadership, Millie Barrow and District 8 Director Alice Lance, speaker Marie Arick, discussed Volunteerism and the benefits of participating in it. She stated that volunteering has many health benefits such as: keeping the mind sharp, decreasing potential for depression, and providing social interaction. One thing she stressed is that volunteers are paid in 6 figures—S-M-I-L-E-S! Marie encouraged us to look for ways to help in your local community in your area of interest or expertise. "Volunteers live longer and are happier," Marie concluded.



Marie Arick

Another presenter was Randy Teague from AirEvac who informed all about the services and need for help with transportation due to trauma, health issues or ambulance transport to a Level 3, 2, or 1 facility. Randy explained that the services have grown over the last few years since merging into AirMedCare Network. He encouraged all to become members which will give the support of no out-of-pocket expenses in connection with your flight, over 220 aircraft locations, a network extending out across 28 states, and highly skilled nurses, medics and pilots ready 24 hours a day.



Randy Teague

One of my favorite parts of Summer Retreat is the opportunity to learn different craft ideas with friends all over the District 8 area. We learned how to: 1) make a T-shirt bag (with no sewing!); 2) put together a marshmallow flower cupcake; 3) create magnet bookmarks using embellishments of buttons, flow-

ers and other assorted items; 4) card making; 5) bow making using an old-time potato masher or large serving fork and 7) cone bookmarks to use on the corner of a page.

Cyndee Groce, who has a beautiful voice, provided entertainment with Christian songs. Also we had "Sing Along" music throughout the 2 days.



Cyndee Groce

As usual the meals were well prepared and tasty, and the accommodations were top notch and relaxed. No one left hungry or stressed. The evening of the first day was active with "game night" fun where some of the clubs brought door prizes for winners of different games. All had a great time. After lunch on Wednesday we were saddened to leave to our respective homes, but look forward to next year's event.

**DISTRICT 9
TEEA OF FORT BEND
BOOTH THOMPSONS
CLUB ENGLISH TEA
PARTY**

By Natalie Heimann
Members of the Booth Thompsons Club of TEEA of Fort Bend enjoyed a presentation by Sheila Villado on English Tea. During the presentation, the members enjoyed a "Proper English Tea Party". Sheila set up a table and served tea which she had brought back from England. Pictured is (from left to right) Mary Ann Manna, Mary Dybala, Cinda DeBons, Sheila Villado, Rose Jaynes, Carol Gubels, and Diana Marlow



PORT NECHES EE CLUB OUTING

By Claudine Hare

Jefferson County's Port Neches EE Club, for their annual outing, chose to 'go to Jasper, TX. The Cottage, a unique boutique, was visited. So many , "different" items were to be found. After the shopping experience, the group of twelve had lunch at The Cedar Tree restaurant before returning home. Where will this group go next year?

JEFFERSON EEA HOSTS DISTRICT 9 CONFERENCE

By Claudine Hare

Nederland's First Baptist Church was the scene of the 2015 District 9 Conference. There were 76 in attendance and almost every category had entries in the Cultural Arts Exhibit. The TEEA scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded as well as the District 9 scholarship, also for \$1,000. "Hop on Down and Join Us for Egg-ucation and Fun" was the theme for the conference. We were honored to have Andy Crocker, Program Specialist in Gerontology, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, presenting "Raising Grandkids Can Be a Wild Ride". Renella Primeaux was awarded District 9's State Treasure. In keeping with the Easter theme, the Easter Bonnet competition concluded the meeting, along with door prizes and drawings for the baskets. Judy Bahr, past TEEA President, gave the resolution before the meeting was adjourned.



Renella Primeaux & District 9 Director Rexine Scarborough



Guest Speaker—Andy Crocker

JEEA'S EDUCATIONAL HISTORICAL TRIP

By Claudine Hare

Jefferson EEA members, for our 2015 Educational Historical trip traveled to St. Francisville, LA. There were twenty-five members in attendance. The Myrtles and the Rosedown plantation homes were toured as well as Audubon Park and Afton Gardens. On the third day, in Baton Rouge, we toured the LSD Rural Life Museum where a movie was being filmed. After lunch at the Picadilly cafeteria, we toured the Old Governor's Mansion (Louisiana's Whitehouse) before returning home.



TEEA OF FORT BEND CLUBS TOUR TEXAS ZOO & VICTORIA EDUCATION GARDENS

By Natalie Heimann

Members of the TEEA of Fort Bend took a group trip to Victoria on May 18th. While there they had a blast touring the Texas Zoo, Victoria Education Gardens, and visiting local quilt shops. Pictured in the butterfly cut out is Pat Walzel of the Kountry Cousins club. Pictured in the group picture is (from left to right) Kathleen Herold, Pat Walzel, Carol Gubbels, Rose Jaynes, June Brown, Joy Pumphrey & grandson Hunter (not pictured: Pat May).



JEFFERSON COUNTY HOLDS ANNUAL LUNCHEON

By Claudine Hare

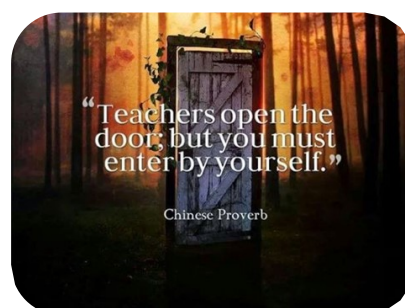
JEEA held their annual luncheon honoring graduating scholarship winners and recipients of donations to charitable organizations on June 2. The total scholarships awarded were \$7,000. 4-Hers Mathieu Mewa and Royce Horn each received \$1,000 scholarships. Relative members Jessyka Anderson, Ryan Culver, Jaylan Guidry, Walker Hodge and Averi Wesley each received \$1,000 scholarships.



The total of checks awarded to charitable organizations was \$3,000. The charitable organizations receiving \$600 each were YMCA after school program, Shorkey Center, Stable Spirit, Salvation Army of Port Arthur, and South East Texas Hospice. Twenty nine members and 33 guests were in attendance.



Jessie Hodge presided over the awards ceremony, assisted by Pat Mansfield, scholarship chair, and Sue Jones, charitable organizations chair. Among the guests were the scholarship winners along with their parents and those representing the charitable organizations. Also attending were county commissioners, county judge and TX A&M AgriLife Extension personnel and staff.



CALDWELL COUNTY EEA ATTENDS SPRING CONFERENCE

By Kathy McCown

Caldwell County EEA members received several awards at the District 10 Spring Conference. District Director, Gwen Risenger presented the District 10 Texas Treasure award to Katie King of Luling and the District 10 Leadership award to Ester Barney of Lockhart.



Caldwell County was also recognized for having the most members present and the greatest percentage of members present at the conference. Mary Briceno, Reina Flores, and Madeline Brown received blue ribbons in the Cultural Arts. Delegates representing Caldwell EEA were Madeline Brown, Stella Limas and Mary Briceno.



DOLORES SANDMANN, COUNTY EXTENSION DIRECTOR OF TRAVIS COUNTY RETIRES

By Una Kunkel, County Chair

The EE Ladies of Travis County presented Dolores Sandmann, County Extension Director with a basket of goodies and best wishes as she retires. Dolores has served as County Extension Agent in various positions and has been a great help to the EE Ladies and their work. We will miss her and her ever present smile. Our very best goes with her.



DISTRICT 10

DISTRICT 10 GILLESPIE COUNTY PILOT KNOB EE CLUB

By Helen Usener

Eight Pilot Knob EE Club members and Shea Nebgen, the Gillespie County A&M Agrilife Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Agent attended the District 10 EEA Spring Conference on March 29 at the Carriage Hills Ranch Barn in Blanco.



Front Row: Joyce True, Dot Maner, and Judy Leddy ; Back Row: Helen Usener, Jane Nielsen, Jeanne Wallace, Roslee Lochte, and Ilene Crenwelge

The Pilot Knob Club was recognized as a 60 year club having been organized on April 21, 1955. Dot Maner and JoAnn Kusenberger were recognized as 60 year Gillespie County EEA members.



Joyce True received a blue ribbon and Best of Show Award for her Cultural Arts Holiday Decoration entry of two patchwork quilted Christmas Bears. She also received a blue ribbon in the Wall Hanging category for her three panel nativity wall hangings.



On April 16, the Pilot Knob EE Club held its annual Spring Scholarship Luncheon. Elaine Lochte and Kasey Vestal were the two Gillespie County 4-H Club members to receive the scholarships.



Dot Maner was recognized as a 60 year member of the Pilot Knob Club. Jo Ann Kusenberger was also recognized as a 60 year EEA member in Gillespie County having been a member of the Stonewall, Cross Mountain, and finally the Pilot Knob Club.



Front Row: Yvonne Eckert, Carolyn Wenzel, Joyce True, Mary Louise Dittmar, JoAnn Kusenberger, Dot Maner, and Corine Klose; Back Row: Ilene Crenwelge, Roslee Lochte, Lou Awalt, Linda Mohr, Viola Jones, Jane Nielsen, Barbara Jacoby, Jeanne Wallace, Sharon Kott, Alicia Frantzen, Judy Leddy, and Helen Usener

On Thursday, May 21, Pilot Knob Club members had an enjoyable Spring Tour stopping first at the Wild Seed Farm outside of Fredericksburg, then on to Johnson City where they had lunch at the Pecan Street Brewery Restaurant and toured the Science Mill.



Viola Jones, Corine Klose, Sharon Kott, Judy Leddy, Yvonne Eckert, Emmie Usener (guest), Helen Usener, and Ilene Crenwelge

“The miracle is this, the more we share the more we have”

~ Leonard Nimoy

BASTROP COUNTY NEWS

By Kathi Gremillion

In March the McDade EE Club hosted a Bingo Party for the Elgin Nursing Home residents, serving punch, cookies and cake, and providing prizes. In April, the McDade Club had their annual “Hat Day” (pictured below). Member, Kathy Prochnow, wore the “Hat of Honor” by popular vote (Back row, 2nd from right).



Bastrop County Agent, Marcie Owen, and eight members of the McDade EE Club attended the District meeting in Blanco in April with 4 members winning blue ribbons in cultural arts on their projects. We are very proud of our members! We were saddened to hear that our County Agent is leaving her position due to family obligations. She has been a wonderful help to us, and we wish her well and hope to get a new agent very soon.

The McDade EE Club held its annual Garage Sale on May 9 with proceeds used to benefit their club for use in funding scholarships, the McDade Food Pantry and other worthwhile projects.

We are happy to announce that the Bastrop Extension Education Association now has two clubs. The McDade EE Club has been joined by the newly reorganized Elgin EE Club which has 7 members. We are happy and excited that our Association is continuing to grow!

GUADALUPE COUNTY EEA ATTENDS SPRING CONFERENCE

By Valerie Posey

Twelve members of the Guadalupe County Extension Education Association traveled to Carriage Hills Ranch at Blanco, TX for the Annual District 10 EE Spring Conference 24 March.

Leatha Jeffery was honored with a corsage as the oldest member present. The second

oldest missing by a few days was Lorine Krackau.



Programs were informative and inspiring. Bonnie Baskin from the Johnson City Science Mill, a Science Museum for older children to encourage our youth to consider science as a career option and David and Susan Hamm from Firewise.org on vegetation management in the wildland Urban interface.

Several members crocheted jar cozies and butterflies for the district 10 Backyard Basics program at Don Strange Ranch.



BLUEBERRY—SPINACH SALAD

By Helen Robertson

INGREDIENTS:

- ½ Cup Vegetable oil
- ¼ Cup Raspberry vinegar
- 2 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp. Sugar
- ½ tsp. Salt
- 1 Pkg. Fresh spinach (10 oz.) torn
- 4 Oz. Bleu cheese, crumbled
- 1 Cup Chopped pecans, toasted
- 1 Cup Blueberries

DIRECTIONS:

In a jar combine first five ingredients and shake well. In a large salad bowl, toss in spinach Bleu Cheese, blueberries, and pecans. Add dressing and toss gently. Serve immediately.

SPRINGTIME DINING

By Peggy Aldridge

It was Thursday, April 23. The time was 11:00 a.m. The first diners walked through the doors into the Blanco Education Extension Association SPRING LUNCHEON. The serving tables were spread with myriad of salads, veggie dishes, meats AND desserts....not your ordinary array either. All the dishes were prepared by members of the Ranch Highway and Round Mountain EEA clubs. A brief survey of the diners established a consensus that the food was really, really delicious.

Dining tables were decorated with teacups, ranging from the delicate to the man-sized mug. These were distributed as door prizes throughout the luncheon. A country store was open with an assortment of items for sale. And the 2015 Blanco EEA cookbook containing the recipes of the dishes being served at the luncheon was available for a \$4.00 donation. (There are a few cookbooks left and can be obtained from EEA members.)

The luncheon ended with a raffle drawing for the beautiful Peace Cottage quilt made by Barbara Wilson. The lucky winner was Patricia Stillman from Geronimo, Texas!!!

EEA gives big thank you to the community for your support and to the First United Methodist Church for the use of their facilities.

All monies raised go toward the EEA 4-H scholarship fund.

The Blanco County Extension program is sponsored by the Texas Agri-Life Extension Service. Questions about EEA and other Extension programs can be directed to Gretchen Sanders, County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences at 830-868-7167.



SPRING CONFERENCE – FUN AND DONE!

Barbara Wilson
Blanco County Chair

One hundred twenty members from nine counties gathered at Carriage Hills Ranch in Blanco for the Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA) District 10 Spring Conference on March 24. Early arrivals were treated to a delectable variety of snacks and beverages prepared by the host TEEA clubs of Blanco County, which are Ranch Highway and Round Mountain. Gwen Risinger and Barbara Wilson chair these clubs. The meeting room was decorated with a colorful wildflower theme. Buckets of flowers decorated the tables and at each seat was a small, hand-tied bundle of wildflower seeds.

American Legion Post 352 opened the meeting with the posting of colors. The meeting was off to a great start and continued with recognition of two delightful ladies, Dot Maner and Joann Kusenberger, who received 60 year membership certificates! Two clubs, Pilot Knob and Gillespie, were recognized as 60 year clubs. That represents a terrific amount of service in their communities. It's a tradition to honor the oldest and youngest members in attendance. There were two ladies over 90. Leatha Jeffrey of Guadalupe County claimed the title by 3 months. We celebrate their life with us. The youngest member present was in her 30's and her youth is much appreciated.

Guest speakers were three, Dr. Bonnie Baskin, Susan and David Hamm. Dr. Baskin, a founder of the Science Mill in Johnson City, shared her passion for this new endeavor, convincing all that a trip there is a "must do". Susan and David Hamm gave a terrific presentation on "Firewise Landscaping", sending everyone home to make protective, and often simple, changes in home landscapes. Kudos to the presenters.

Lunch time!!! Enter the Red Bud Café, Blanco, with a lunch that hit the spot! Following lunch, a contented membership settled in for the business portion of the meeting led by Gwen Risinger, District 10 chair. Other officers include Shelley Levitt, secretary

and Beth Frankenburger, treasurer. A highlight of the afternoon was the awarding of scholarships to 4-H'ers Mitchell Moczgamba (Guadalupe County) and Claire Weber (Wilson County). It's a privilege to recognize hard working 4-H students in this way.

A real bonus of a district meeting is the viewing and judging of cultural arts. There are 24 different categories of cultural arts, including many kinds of hand stitchery, quilts, fabric creations, jewelry, painting, drawing, photography, ceramics, etc. Winners are chosen by a panel of experienced judges, who kindly give of their time and whom we greatly appreciate.

Side events going on were a Silent Auction and Quilt Raffle. Also, for a \$4.00 donation, a cookbook could be yours. Quilt Raffle ticket sales continue. Tickets are available from any TEEA club member as are tickets to the Spring Luncheon to be held on April 23 at the First United Methodist Church in Johnson City. Proceeds from these sales go to the scholarship fund.



DISTRICT 11 FAYETTE COUNTY EEA

By Sally Garrett

The Fayette County Extension Education Clubs hosted their semi-annual salad luncheon on April 24, at the Kitchen at the Fairgrounds in La Grange.

The rain allowed us to have a good turnout with over 150 served. This semi-annual fundraiser supports our annual Nettie Mae Freudenberg Scholarship, Deputy Santa program and other community activities.

Dozens of homemade salads along with the special EEA chicken salad, homemade bread and cakes, which were donated by the county 4-Hers, were served.

Shown serving cakes during the luncheon is Dean Pape, who

is a 67 year member of the Fayette County TEEA.



TRUE TEEA DEDICATION

The EEA Ladies council meeting at Austin County during one of the many storms lately. The lights went out and it didn't faze them. They just got their phones out and used the lights to continue on with their meeting. That is true dedication.

VEGETABLE & HAM SALAD

By Rosie Steamer

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Can Mixed vegetables, drained
- 1 Cup Cooked ham, diced
- 1 Hard cooked egg, chopped
- ¼ Cup Onion, chopped
- ¼ tsp. Salt
- Dash Pepper
- 2 Tbsp. Salad Dressing

DIRECTIONS:

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Mix well. Chill for 30 minutes. Serve on lettuce leaves.

"In seeking happiness for others, you will find it in yourself."

~ Author Unknown

TAITON CLUB HOSTS GAMES PARTY

By Olivia McDonald, Reporter
The Taiton Extension Education Club held its annual games party for members and guests at the VFW Hall April 15. Dominoes were the game of choice --- "42", "88" and Train were played. Chicken spaghetti, salad and garlic bread were served. Home-made cookies and coffee were served in the afternoon and names were called for monetary door prizes.

Taiton Club members, alongside our Bluebonnet Club counterparts, served a taco salad luncheon, the major fundraising project for the County Association.

Community Service Projects for spring and summer months include Bingo prizes and cookies for the 2 nursing homes in Wharton County and plastic bags for the nursery schools. Donations will be made to Cancer Society Relay for Life and to a Wharton County Youth Fair entrant. In the summer, we will donate toward the cost of mailing coupons that we save for service persons and their families and donate comfort items for the Veterans Hospital.

Highlights of the year are the May members auction and the outdoor Ice Cream Social in August. Each member is asked to bring 3 items for the auction; baked goods, plants and white elephant items evoke lively bidding.

WASHINGTON EXTENSION EDUCATION REPORT

By Judith Finke

Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise was a popular theme for Washington EEA Achievement Day held Wednesday, February 25 at the Event Center. Colorful fresh fruits and vegetables garlanded the conference tables.

Diane Ashorn, County EEA Chair and Tanya McGonagill Extension Agent served as emcees. Joycine Hanath chaired the event along with her skilled education committee: Carol Quinn, Edith Erwin, Mary Lister, Mary Young, Michele Daniels and Patricia Riche.

Dr. Ninfa Purcell, Associate Professor & Extension Health Specialist for Texas A & M Agrilife Extension enlightened the audience with Go-4-30 em-

phasizing physical activities that improve health. Her message was take action –get active, get at least 150 minutes of exercise a week, because living healthy is always a journey.

Lete' Phillips, local fitness instructor, stressed the importance of posture and conditioning, starting slow and working up to the exercises each can generate. She demonstrated chair exercises and told the ladies about the local entities that offer fitness programs.

A delicious luncheon was served along with angel food cake and fresh fruit for dessert. Guests were County Judge John Brieden and the County Commissioners. Door prizes were awarded.

During the Luncheon Awards and Recognition program Bobbi Jo Supak was recognized for being the W.C Fair High Point Exhibitor. Joycine Hanath, the 2014 local and state winner of the Texas Leadership and Louise Newman, the 2014 local Texas Treasure were presented certificates.

Outstanding Club Members for the 2013-14 club year were: Diane Ashorn, After Five; Daulene Hopmann, Greenvine; Sharon Stolz, Lunch & Learn; Lena Mae Goessler, Washington; and Gail Pinto, Wm Penn.



Outstanding Volunteer Club members for each club were: Pam Bothe, After Five; Daulene Hopmann, Greenvine; Judith Finke, Lunch and Learn; Joy Dickschat, Washington, and Edna Schroeder, Wm Penn. The Outstanding Volunteer Club of the Year was After Five based on a ratio of total hours performed/club members.



First place winners in the Cultural Arts contest were: Mary Young in afghans, tablecloths, blankets, bedspreads and throws; Louise Newman in handmade garments and accessories; Patricia Renn in fiber arts; May Dell Lanham in jewelry; Daulene Hopmann in hand stitchery; Barbara Wise in paper and in quilts-larger than 50 x 70 -machine quilted and Judith Finke in decorated garments or accessories, holiday decoration, traditional scrapbooks, photography and quilts-larger than 50 x 70 – hand quilted.

Also winning first place were: Diane Ashorn in recycled items; Kathleen Flick in ceramics, china, porcelain and pottery and Erika Rochelle in fabric creations, machine embroidery, quilts – smaller than 50 x 70-machine quilted and also in wall hangings.



Second place ribbon winners included: Betty Vierus in afghans, tablecloths, blankets, bedspreads and throws and also in fiber arts; Louise Newman in fabric creations; Barbara Wise in quilts –smaller that 50 x 70 - machine quilted; Judith Finke in jewelry; Valeria Mueller in garments and accessories- handmade and Bobbi Jo Supak in photography.



First and second place items will be in competition at the District 11 Conference in Bay City on April 10. Diane Ashorn, Michele Daniels and Edna Schroeder will serve as delegates to the District meet.

"As we look ahead into the next century, leaders will be those who empower others."
~ Bill Gates

LAVACA EXTENSION HOLDS FUNDRAISER

By Gayle Bludau
Lavaca Extension Education Association raised \$3,317.25 with their annual quilt raffle and bake sale. College scholarships were awarded to three outstanding seniors in Lavaca County.

The following Lavaca EEA members are in this picture: Lorine Christ, Barbara Janak, Sophie Cernik, Nola Bohuslav, Georgie Herman, Dorothy Henke, Rita Zapalac, Anita Barrera-Rocha, Fannie Lamza, Donna Coldey, Barbara Tesch, Dorothy Olsovsky, and Mickey Schulte.



ZESTY LEMON VINAIGRETTE

By Rosetta Wesley

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 tsp. Honey
- ½ Cup Lemon juice
- 1 tsp. Classic Olive Oil
- 1 tsp. Garlic, chopped
- 1 tsp. Dry parsley
- ½ tsp. Celery Seeds
- 1 tsp. Onion powder

DIRECTIONS:

Put all ingredients in a 1 cup measuring cup. Mix well and pour into a serving bottle. Close tightly and store in refrigerator until served. Serve over tossed salad.

MEMORIAL WALL

It is with deep sadness that we recognize the many TEEA member losses this year. There simply is not enough room to list all of our precious members, but we are hoping that current members will bring pictures and short bios of your loved ones to share on the Memorial Wall at State Meeting in September.

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