

THE TEEA MESSENGER

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TEEA MESSENGER
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Maud, TX 75567



Howdy Ladies and Gentlemen,

Wow!! What a crazy Spring we have had, very little rain. We are really needing some rain down here in the south. I have been busy being grandma to 8 little Boykin Spaniel puppies. Whew!!!! The temperature is already in the triple digits here, so it is going to be a **HOT** summer.

I hope everyone enjoyed their Spring Conferences and are looking forward to your State Conference in Lubbock that is just right around the corner. I am looking forward to getting reports from your District Directors on how much fun they were and learn what kind of education programs you had.

We have three openings in the Executive Committee. They are 2nd Vice-President for Programs-Connie Troxell, candidate; Secretary-Linda Smith, candidate; Treasurer-Elect – NO CANDIDATE. Nominations from the floor at State Conference may only be made by a member of the same county association as the person nominated. The nominee must meet the same qualifications as other candidates. Written notice of a proposed nomination from the floor should be given to the President prior to the session in which nominations are in order. Eligibility for nomination from the floor at the TEEA State Conference is not affected by the May 1st deadline.

TEEA 94th State Conference will be held in Lubbock, Texas on September 13th thru 14th, 2022. The theme is "ROCKIN' AROUND WITH TEEA" with a 50's Fashion Show at the Banquet. Conference pins are great and were designed by D'Ann White (2nd Vice-President for Programs). You can purchase them early by contacting your county chairman and she will order from Angela Pierce, Sales Chairman.

Friendly reminder that the deadline for the registration for the State Conference is coming due soon, so please get these into your District Directors. Also, your year-end

reports are coming due soon too. I can't wait until you see all the exciting things, we have planned for you!!!! We are continuing to work on the State Conference in Lubbock, and I will be looking forward to seeing everyone there.

STATE CONFERENCE TIMETABLE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

Registration – 8:00am to 11:00am-if you are there before and we are set-up, we will go ahead and register you.

Page Training – 9:00am to 10:00am

Cultural Arts – 8:00am – if open come on in

Alumnae Silent Auction – opens at 8:00am

Country Store: opens at 8:00am

TEEA Sales and Name Badges: opens at 8:00am

TEEA Messenger: opens at 8:00am

EARLY BIRD WORKSHOPS

Two workshops will be from 9:00am to 10:00am

Two workshops will be from 10:10am to 11:10am

Alumnae Luncheon – 11:45am – Concession Stands will be available for all other TEEA members, guests and visitors for lunch

Opening Session starts at 1:00pm

Candidates will give a short speech and voting will be on Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

TEEA Board votes from 7:30am to 8:00am

Delegates votes from 8:00am to 8:45am

Business Session starts at 9:00am

Lunch and Share – 12:00 noon – included in registration fee

BE SURE AND BRING YOUR YEAR BOOKS

Educational Workshops – Session 1 - 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Educational Workshops – Session 2 – 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Optional Workshops – 2:00pm to 3:00pm and 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Banquet begins at 6:30pm

Fashion Show – 7:30pm – Polly Krenek, Master of Ceremonies

****Participants will be 2 members from each District in costume.**

Retirement – 8:00pm - Previous Board Members will be retired

Installation - 8:30pm – Installation of New Board Members

We are all working hard to provide you an educational and entertaining State Conference.

Please plan to attend!!!!

If you should ever have any questions or need help in anyway, please feel free to reach out to you Executive Committee, District Directors, or me.

It has been a real pleasure serving as your President for the last two years and a member of the Board of Directors for the last fourteen years. I have loved every minute of it and love all of yall.

Hugs and Many Thanks,

Kay Jacob, TEEA State President (2020-2022)
Phone: 361-947-1070

TEEAkajacob2020@gmail.com



Polly Krenk
President- Elect

Good Morning Ladies,

It's beginning to look like a very hot and dry summer, hopefully it will be our turn for some rain.

The Executive Board and all twelve District Directors and three District Directors Elect were at the May Board Meeting. I think this is the first time all the board was there at once, in a long time. I will say the board and all the committees accomplished a lot of TEEA business in the two short days.

The 2022 State conference in Lubbock will soon be here and some very exciting things will be happening. The programs being planned for the Early Bird, Optional and Delegates workshops are really interesting and very educational. District 1 and District 2 have been working and planning since last fall, are doing an exceptional job. I am hoping this year I get to attend a few of them. The Lunch and Learn is going to be something different and I think you will enjoy it. Your input is very valuable to the Board, this helps us to plan for programming and other issues that are important to you.

Have a great Summer, and I will meet you on September 13th and 14th at the Lubbock State Conference.



Jan Meador
1st Vice President of Leadership

Hello TEEA Members,

I do believe that the Panhandle has dried up and blown away! Dirt is everywhere, our 5th wheel is full of dirt, the grit stings my legs and crunches in my mouth! I still love the Texas Panhandle the most, the sunrises and sunsets are some of the most magnificent in the world!! Although I have said I would like to live just a little while where the Bluebonnets grow. They are so beautiful in the rolling fields in the Hill Country.

I have felt recently that the wind was a reminder of how strong God is and when it blows hard it makes us stronger! Texas has produced strong people and hardy people I think the wind has been a part of that and that has been God's hand on us to make us strong and trusting believers. So, enjoy the wind and be thankful. Let the calmness of it ceasing in the night wake you up with calmness, rather than the howling of the strong winds keeping you awake.

I hope everyone had great spring conferences! District 1's conference was so much fun! Our new district director did a fabulous job planning it for us. We stayed with the 50's theme and had some great outfits, also the hamburger was one of the best I've ever

had. I can't wait to see everyone's reports from your conferences. I always enjoy seeing what the other districts do for programs.

We are excited for our 2022 State Conference coming up next Sept. 13 & 14, In good 'ole Lubbock, Texas!! Rock and Roll has a lot of history in and around Lubbock. There have been quite a few artists in the Rock and Roll industry get their start in Lubbock and around the area. You will be comfy and cozy in the rooms at the MCM Elegante, it also has great food at the restaurant, they have complimentary breakfast, fresh cooked and so yummy. I know we will have a wonderful time and great learning experiences in Lubbock in 2022!

As a TEEA member in District 1, I have gotten to see some of the plans and decorations, and they are really special and fun. The country store will have a lot of nice items that I know y'all will need, so plan for great shopping! I hope everyone has a wonderful summer planned!

Love to you all, Be safe, Be healthy, and Be happy!

Quote-unknown "No one can go back and change a bad beginning but one can start anything, anytime and create a new and successful beginning."

A NOTE FROM JAN MEADOR 1ST VP FOR LEADERSHIP:

We have decided to have a Lunch and Share type Leadership Program for y'all this year at the luncheon. You May email me any ideas would would like to suggest. Email me at Janmeador54teea@gmail.com or mail to

Jan Meador, 11525 FM 998, Dalhart, TX 79022

If you know of any past scholarship recipients that would be willing to share what they are doing these days and what the scholarships meant to them we would love to hear from them. They can make a 1-2 minute video telling us or showing what they are doing. It can be emailed to me by July 15. I think many of us would like to see the great things they are doing.

We will have the yearbook exchange return this year and we will do it during Lunch and Share. Be sure and bring your yearbooks if you would like to trade and get ideas from others. I'm looking forward to and I have missed trading ideas.

See y'all in September!
Have a great summer!



D'Ann White
2nd Vice-President of Programs

I hope everyone is enjoying the 2022 TEEA year, and that everyone is staying well. We've been having beautiful weather here, and I've spent most of my time outdoors in the garden and with the animals!

I hope everyone is working on their annual reports as they are due to the district director by July 15. District Directors, I need your report by August 1.

We have another great program line-up this year for the conference. There is a great diversity of program topics. We have programs that address literacy, aging and diet, canning, and party planning.

Genine Ringstaff, District 3 Education Chair, has a program titled "Healthy Aging and Remembering It." Her program, presented by Dr. Jenna Anding, Extension Specialist, will help you to understand the connection between our diets and good brain health. I believe this will be a very interesting and informative program. "Do you want to age gracefully like a fine wine and not age like moldy bread?"

Lynda French, District 7 Education Chair, has a program on "Parties with Pizzazz!" The program will instruct on how to be a hostess, demonstrate decorating & theme ideas, and instruct on how to nutritiously & safely feed large crowds... including samples of recipes! The presenters are Karen DeZarn, FCH agent--Lampasas County, and Linda Wells, retired FCH agent--Burnet County. They are a lot of fun, and I'm sure you all will enjoy this program.

Rachel Monday, District 11 Education Chair, is facilitating a program on "Canning: Has It Changed Since Your Grandma's Day?" which addresses new technology, discuss safe practices, and provide information on basic food preparation. The presenter will be Felice Acker, FCH agent in Castor County. This sounds like a great program, so come on out and learn to new ways to can foods!

Dolores Davis, District 12 Education Chair, will be bringing a program titled "Fun with FRED (Families Reading Every Day)". The presenter is Amy Ressler, the FCH agent in Fort Bend County. Literacy is a real need across the state, and this program will discuss ways to promote reading for families, as well as providing activities for lessons. This should be a very informative workshop, and very timely for many communities.

District 1 will be bringing an optional program on "Entertaining Essentials." The presenter, Susie Breitling is a Dal-lam EEC member and retired FCH agent. She will be demonstrating different centerpieces, color themes, and

table settings for seasons, holidays, and other special occasions. This program sounds like a lot of fun and will bring many great ideas, so check it out!

District 2 will be bringing an optional program titled "Human Trafficking." Nancy Trevino, PhD, Director of Texas Tech Mental Health Initiative and Matt Short will be the presenters. Human Trafficking is a growing issue across this state, and every community could be affected (I know it is a big problem in my area)! So come learn some tips on how to protect your community and loved ones from being victims.

Both of the Early Bird Workshops sound like a lot of fun: District 1 is giving a workshop titled "Not Your Grandmother's Quilt." The presenter is Cynthia Shattles, a TEEA member and retired County Extension agent. Come learn how quilting has changed since your grandmother's time. She will talk about how to care and store both old and new quilts. There will also be a trunk show with a variety of quilt types.

District 2 is giving a workshop titled "The Sewing Studio Presents Appliqué." Natalie Buxkemper and Carol Johnson are the presenters. They will teach techniques on how to use appliques. Come make a TEEA Appliqué! There will be a \$5 charge for this workshop to cover the project materials (each person will receive a material packet to make the appliqué.)

I am excited about all the program topics, and look forward to seeing everyone in September! See you in Lubbock!



Angela Pierce

State Secretary

Howdy, members! It's that time again, getting ready for state conference. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and hearing updates on how the clubs are doing. The State Board along with Districts 1 and 2 members are working hard on planning a great conference this year. Don't forget to dress up in 50's style for the banquet Wednesday night and cheer those on that are competing in the Fashion Show. Please remember to wear the name tag to you at registration to every meeting, workshop and even to the banquet.

This will be my last article as State Secretary. I am thankful for the support and the opportunity to serve in this position for almost four years, excluding the time that Laurie Veatch was able to serve. I pray the next person to be elected is given at least the same respect and support I have received, if not more. I have learned a lot being on the board as District Director, State Secretary, and serving as your TEEA Sales Chair and have gotten to know other board members on a more personal level. It is an opportunity that I am glad that I was willing to take on and nominated by fellow members to full fill. I am not sure of what is next for me as far as holding an office goes but continue to look forward to what TEEA holds

for the future. Thank you to all the members that hold this organization together, you are the backbone no matter how little or much you do!!! Keep up the good work TEEA!

TEEA Sales Chair

The state pins for this year are in and are looking wonderful, thank you D'Ann White for designing them. I am aware that there is not usually a lot of time at the State Conference to see the Cultural Arts, shop the Country Store, shop the TEEA sales table, bid on Silent Auction, buy raffle tickets for items, and get to meetings or workshops in a timely manner. I want to encourage everyone to make the best of the time we have available to do these things.

With that said, I am willing to get pre-orders ready for pick-up at the conference. There has been a copy of the order form in the messenger in the past and will be in this one as well. I can send it to you via e-mail if needed. I ask that you send the form with the name of the one to pick items up along with an alternate name and have person with payment. I am willing to take this orders via e-mail or regular mail but do ask that I have the order by the beginning of September. This is to allow myself enough time to get orders put together before the conference.

Thank you to everyone for supporting TEEA in all that you do within your communities an through TEEA Sales. I appreciate those that have helped with sales at conference, new ideas, and loading/unloading everything.





Rexine Scarborough
State Treasurer

Hope all are well and enjoying the spring weather before the blistering summer heat comes in and warms us.

I see that you are getting out and spreading the word about TEEA. I am getting new member registrations. Hopefully the new ones are planning to attend the State Conference in September. Keep up the good work.

The Board is meeting to make the final plans for the conference. Check with your District Directors for final information. The plans so far, are shaping up to be very informative sessions with very good early sessions on Tuesday morning and optional sessions on Wednesday afternoon. Be sure to check the Messenger for information about the conference. Be sure to get our hotel reservations early.

Looking forward to seeing you at the conference.



Violet Alexander
Alumnae Scholarship Fund Chair

Just a friendly reminder that there will be a TEEA Alumnae Scholarship silent auction & pick n draw at the Lubbock Conference. Please bring or send items with someone that is attending. With your generous donating, bidding, & money donations/memorials, we were able to award 7 Alumnae \$500.00 scholarships at the May 2022 board meeting. The competition was intense with all the academic achievements, extra-curricular activities, determination, and need of each applicant.

AWARDEES are:

- Hannah Marie Bludau**-----**District 11**
- Kyla Sherica Bills**-----**District 7**
- James Daniel McComb**-----**District 12**
- Sydney Suzanne Faust**-----**District 9**
- Jackson Dolce**-----**District 9**
- Dallas Cannon**-----**District 12**
- Courtnee A. Mild**-----**District 2**

Each awardee has a Grandmother or Mother as a TEEA member with 4 being in 4-H also.

CANCELLED STAMPS WILL STILL BE COLLECTED AT THE LUBBOCK CONFERENCE.—BOX WILL BE BY THE ALUMNAE SILENT AUCTION TABLE.

District Directors should be sending out registrations forms for the State Conference in Lubbock! Be sure you get registered and get your hotel reservations made!

**TEXAS EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
2022 STATE CONFERENCE**

Date: _____ County: _____ District: _____

1. Counties must complete this form and send to their District Director by JULY 1, 2022.
2. Check all boxes that apply to the person who is registering (example: member, alumni, 1st timer).
3. Send one check per county made payable to TEEA, INC. with "for deposit only" on the back.
4. No On-Site Registration - No Refunds - transfers allowed only if made in advance.

| REGISTRATION TYPES | Regis. Fees includes Wednesday Lunch | MEAL FUNCTIONS | MEAL COST |
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| TEEA MEMBER (full registration) | \$ 85.00 | Tuesday, Sept 13th - Alumni Luncheon (Past and Present Board Members) | \$ 20.00 |
| EXTENSION STAFF (full registration) | \$ 85.00 | | |
| VISITOR/NON MEMBER (full registration) | \$ 110.00 | Wednesday, Sept 14 th - Banquet | \$ 30.00 |
| LATE REGISTRATION FEE (7/15/2021) | \$ 140.00 | | |
| ONE DAY REGIS. (host districts only) | Tues = \$ 40.00 Wed = \$ 45.00 (lunch) | | |

| Names - List Delegates first, then Members | | Check All Boxes That Apply | | | | | | | | | | | Total Amount Due |
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| List Alphabetically (Last Name) | Delegate | Past State President | Member | Visitor/Guest | Extension Personnel | Alumni | 1 st Timer | Full | One Day T/W | Alumni Luncheon \$20 | Banquet \$30 | Lunch & Learn | Total Amount Due |
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SUMMER 2022

TEEA Sales

Items Available and Cost:

State Pins

- 2022 Lubbock \$5 (picture to right -red, white, blue)
- 2021 Temple \$5 (picture to right—black and gold)
- 2020 Lubbock \$5 (picture below)
- 2019 San Marcos \$5
- 2018 Abilene \$5
- 2017 Horseshoe Bay \$5
- 2016 Plano \$5
- 2015 Waco \$5
- 2014 Wichita Falls \$2
- 2013 San Marcos \$2
- 2012 Beaumont \$2
- 2011 Temple \$2
- 2010 Wichita Falls \$2
- 2009 San Angelo \$2
- 2008 Corpus Christi \$2
- 2005 Waco \$2
- 2004 Abilene \$2
- Portfolios \$20**
- Luggage Tags \$4**
- Texas shaped TEEA charms \$5**

Mints

- Red \$3
- White \$3
- TEEA Pins \$5**
- Gavel Pin Guards \$5**
- TEEA Bar holder pin \$5**
- Officer Bars**
- Secretary \$2
- Vice – President \$2
- Treasurer \$2
- County Fair \$2
- Club President \$2
- Past President \$2
- District Director \$2
- Educational Chair \$2
- Outstanding Member \$2
- County Chairman \$2
- 30 oz TEEA cups \$15**
- TEEA Polo Shirts** (Size medium to 3xl.) \$15 (picture top right)
- TEEA Decals \$5** (picture top right)
- Ink Pens \$1**
- TEEA Masks \$5** (picture to right)
- Adhesive Cell Phone Wallet—\$3** (picture to right)
- TEEA Notepad - \$4**

Please give orders to your Country Chairs to get to Angela Pierce, TEEA Sales Committee Chair, for processing. Checks should be made payable to: TEEA, Inc. Please add \$5.00 per order to cover shipping for small items and \$10.00 per order for shipping larger items or pre-order to be delivered at the State Conference in September in Lubbock.



The new TEEA Sales Order form (right) can also be requested from your District Director or County Chair and will be available in your manual or on the website. Please contact Angela Pierce, TEEA Sales Chair, with any questions.

Name badges can be ordered at the State Conference for \$12.00, they are normally \$13.00.

Angela is taking preorders for the State Conference, please send through the County Chairs to Angela (information on the order form). Orders can be placed to be picked up at the Sate Conference, with one primary person and one alternate person to pick up that will have payment in exchange for items. Please do not send payment with the order! Any questions please contact Angela Pierce—TEEA Sales Committee Chair.

REQUEST for pictures of any state pins for 2007 or anything before 2004—we are building an archive and need these years—can email to angelapierce@yahoo.com THANK YOU!!

TEEA Sales Order Form

Please use this order form when ordering items from the TEEA Sales. Please send orders through the County Chair to the TEEA Sales Chair. Items do have limited quantity. Especially items with low quantity, please contact sales chair for confirmation of in stock before sending payment. Shipping will require an extra charge of \$5 for small items and \$10 for larger items. **Orders sent in to be mailed to individuals are subject to sales taxes.** Willing to take preorders for pick up at State Conference. Preorders – please make sure there is a designated and alternate person to pick up on order form that will pick up and will have the payment at that time. Thank you!

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TEEA Sales Chair: Angela Pierce
 988 CR 1103
 Maud, TX 75567
angelapierce@yahoo.com
 Cell phone: (903)293-1744

If I do not answer please leave a message or feel free to send an e-mail or a text message.

The Adult Career Scholarship Recipients For 2022

The Adult Career Scholarship Committee is pleased to name two very qualified and deserving recipients for 2022.

Colbi Johnson will receive the Millie Barrow Adult Career Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00, and is a member of the Morton Valley EE Club in District 8. Colbi will be attending North Central Texas College in Gainesville. Colbi will be in the Radiology Program.

Colbi is also the grand daughter of Millie Barrow.

Congratulations Colbi Johnson.

Erika Bochat will receive the Nyanza Price Adult Career Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00. Erika is an EEA member in Victoria County as well as the AgriLife

RPL-FCH/4-H Advisor to Districts 9 and 11. Erika is enrolled at The University of Southern Mississippi, she is pursuing a Doctorate degree in Education.

Our congratulations to Erika Bochat.



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| 2022 PROPOSED AMMENDENTS TO TEEA BYLAWS APPROVED BY THE TEEA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY 2022 TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE 2022 STATE CONFERENCE IN LUBBOCK TX. IF ADOPTED, THE PROPOSALS WILL TAKE EFFECT OCTOBER 1, 2022 |
| ARTICLE XX-RESOLUTIONS |
| Amend by striking SECTION 1. |
| NOW READS: Resolutions shall be presented at the TEEA State Conference by the Resolutions Committee read on the first day, and subject to vote on the second day. |
| IF ADOPTED WILL READ: Resolutions shall be presented at the TEEA State Conference by the Resolutions Committee for approval. |
| RATIONALE: To comply with wording in the TEEA Manual. SUBMITTED BY: Bylaws Committee and Board of Directors RECOMMENDATION: To Adopt |

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| ARTICLE VI-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE |
| Add a Section 6: Immediate family members should not serve together on the Executive Committee. |
| RATIONALE: Due to ethical reasons and possible audits by outside entities. SUBMITTED BY: Bylaws Committee and Board of Directors RECOMMENDATION: To Adopt |

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| ARTICLE XV-COMMITTES |
| Add a Section 7: Immediate family members should not serve together on the Executive Committee. |
| RATIONALE: Due to ethical reasons and possible audits by outside entities. SUBMITTED BY: Bylaws Committee and Board of Directors RECOMMENDED: To Adopt |

| Texas Extension Education Association 2022-2023 Proposed Budget | | | |
|--|---|-----------------|--------------------------|
| INCOME | | | |
| | State Membership Dues | | \$25,000 |
| | Coins For Friendship | | 5,000 |
| | Dollars For Scholars | | 3,000 |
| | Name Badges | | 1,000 |
| | TEEA Sales | | 1,000 |
| | State Conference | | 24,000 |
| | Interest On Accounts | | 800 |
| | Alumnae Silent Auction | | 2,500 |
| | State Board Silent Auction | | 350 |
| | Transfer from Current Funds | | 22,600 |
| TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME | | | \$85,250 \$85,250 |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| 4-H SUPPORT | | | |
| | Consumer Sciences | 500 | |
| | Food & Clothing Program | 3600 | |
| | Scholarships | 18,000 | |
| | Coins For Friendship | 5,000 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | 27100 | \$27,100 |
| STATE CONFERENCE | | | |
| | Planning | 3,000 | |
| | Conference | 24,000 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | \$27,000 | 27,000 |
| SCHOLARSHIPS | | | |
| | Adult Career | 2,000 | |
| | Alumnae | 3,000 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | 5000 | 5,000 |
| EDUCATION & TRAINING | | | |
| | Education Committee | 2,000 | |
| | Fall Board Meeting | 6,000 | |
| | Spring Board Meeting | 6,500 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | 14500 | 14,500 |
| NEWSLETTER | | | |
| | The TEEA Messenger | 6,000 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | | 6,000 |
| LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE | | | |
| | Conciliation/Tax Preparation | 300 | |
| | District Directors/Officer Liability Insur. | 3,200 | |
| | Printing | 200 | |
| | Office Equipment & Supplies | 750 | |
| | Treasurer/President | 600 | |
| | TEEA President's Discretionary Fund | 200 | |
| | Other Board Expenses | 200 | |
| | State Board Equipment | 200 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL | 5,650 | 5,650 |
| TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES | | | \$85,250 \$85,250 |

TEEA BUDGET NARRATIVE
October 1, 2022- September 30, 2023

INCOME

State membership dues - @ \$15.00 x 1667 membership

Anticipated income from membership dues

Coins for Friendship (4-H Center)

Contributions received from TEEA members for projects at the 4-H Center

Dollars for Scholars

4-H Scholarship Fund contributions received from TEEA members

Name Badge Sales

Income from the sale of the TEEA name badges

TEEA Sales

Income from the sale of TEEA pins and other items

State Conference

Funds for State Conference based on registration fees and meal tickets

Interest on Accounts

Interest earned on accounts

Alumnae Silent Auction

Funds and donations from auction held at State Conference

State Board Silent Auction

Funds and donations from Board Member's Silent Auction at Fall Board Meeting

Transfer from Current Funds

Intended to reconcile income and expenses. Will only be done if needed, and no more than the amount printed in this budget without approval

EXPENSES

4-H Support

Consumer Sciences Contest

Funds to support the Consumer Sciences Contest at 4-H Round-up

4-H Food and Clothing Program

Funds given to each district to assist the 4-H program at the district level (currently \$300 per district)

4-H Scholarships

Funds for the 12 4-H Scholarships (currently @ \$1500) given by TEEA

Coins for Friendship

TEEA members' donations given to the 4-H center for selected projects

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

The number of scholarships and the amount are dependent on funds available each year

Education and Training**Education Committees**

\$500 each for 4 Education Committee Programs presented at State Conference

Fall Board Meeting

Expenses for travel, meals, lodging, and printing for Board meetings (includes expenses for Extension advisor)

Spring Board Meeting

Same as the Fall Board Meeting

The Messenger

Funds to print and mail The Messenger to all members (includes editor's expenses)

Legal & Administrative**Conciliation/Tax Preparation**

Fee for annual reconciliation and tax preparation

District Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

Liability coverage for directors and officers

Printing

Funds to pay for printing TEEA manual, Bylaws, and other organizational printing

Office Equipment & Supplies

Funds to purchase office supplies, equipment, and postage

Treasurer's/President's Bonds

Cost for these two positions to be bonded

President's Expense Fund

State president's discretionary account to offset unanticipated expenses

Other Board Expenses

1st Vice President for Leadership, 2nd Vice President for Programs, Secretary, Treasurer, and President-Elect

State Board Equipment

Funds from the Board's silent auction used to purchase equipment needed by the State Board to do TEEA business, to replace broken or out dated equipment as needed

Early Bird Workshops:

"Not Your Grandmother's Quilt" presented by District 1. The presenter is Cynthia Shattles, a TEEA member and retired County Extension agent. Come learn how quilting has changed since your grandmother's time. She will talk about how to care and store both old and new quilts. There will also be a trunk show with a variety of quilt types.

"The Sewing Studio Presents Appliqué" presented by District 2. Natalie Buxkemper and Carol Johnson are the presenters. They will teach techniques on how to use appliques. Come make a TEEA Appliqué! There will be a \$5 charge for this workshop to cover the project materials (each person will receive a material packet to make the appliqué.)

Optional Programs:

"Entertaining Essentials" presented by District 1. The presenter, Susie Breitling is a Dallas EEC member and retired FCH agent. She will be demonstrating different centerpieces, color themes, and table settings for seasons, holidays, and other special occasions. This program sounds like a lot of fun and will bring many great ideas, so check it out!

"Human Trafficking" presented by District 2. Nancy Trevino, PhD, Director of Texas Tech Mental Health Initiative and Matt Short will be the presenters. Human Trafficking is a growing issue across this state, and every community could be affected (I know it is a big problem in my area)! So come learn some tips on how to protect your community and loved ones from being victims.

**Education Programs—
State Conference—2022**

**Healthy Aging and
Remembering It**

**By: Genine Ringstaff,
Education Chair, District 3**

Do you want to age gracefully like a fine wine? Or not gracefully like moldy bread?

Come and learn to understand from Dr. Jenna Anding of Texas A& M about the connection between what we eat and good brain health (cognition). She will be discussing how the Mind Diet can promote healthy aging. She will also talk about easy to prepare recipes and give lots of examples of which foods are better choices for optimal brain health. Learn how to eat to live instead of living to eat. Let’s age gracefully together and remember it! See you in September in Lubbock!

Planning Parties with PIZAZZ!!

**By: Lynda French,
Education Chair, District 7**

Presenters

TEEA Members:

Karen DeZarn, FCH Agent Lampasas County
Linda Wells, (Retired) FCH Agent Burnet County

Goal:

Provide information about how to plan, present and participate in successful “Parties with PIZAZZ!!”

Objectives:

- Define what makes a party click
- Clarify the steps to being a successful hostess
- Identify terrific party themes
- Discuss how to develop a good party plan
- Explain how to feed a crowd nutritiously and safely
- Demonstrate party centerpieces, favors, games and entertainment ideas
- Share examples and samples of party recipes

Description:

Attendees will have the opportunity to experience “Party Planning with PIZAZZ!!” including information and handouts on how to be a successful hostess and guest, feeding a crowd safely and nutritiously while using themes that are entertaining and enjoyable. Attendees will receive samples of program recipes, party favors, program handouts and door prizes.

This educational program will be informative and lots of fun. Hope to see you there.

Canning: Has It Changed Since Your Grandma's Day?

**By: Rachel Thurman-Monday,
Education Chair, District 11**

Workshop Objectives:

1. Learn about new technology and tools for food preservation
2. Discuss common mistakes made in water-bath and pressure canning.
3. Increase knowledge of safe research based canning practices.

Is one of your favorite memories of tasting summer produce that was canned in the winter? Do you remember helping family members can food? This workshop will discuss food preservation that has been around for years and how it has changed. We will highlight new technology, discuss safe practices and provide research-based information on basic food preservation.

The presenter will be Felice Acker, Family and Community Health agent in Castro County, District 2 with Texas A&M Agrilife. Because of the loving memories of her grandmother canning, she has gained the art of food preservation by attending workshops taught by other extension agents. Join us as we explore how food preservation has changed over the years.

FRED (Families Reading Every Day)

**By: Dolores Mittagdavis,
Education Chair, District 12**

The focus of the program is the importance of literacy. Understand that parents and grandparents are significant role models in promoting reading. Reading is fundamental for success in school and life. Attendees of this workshop will receive information about ways to use the information presented. They will also receive activities relating to books. This valuable information and activities are useful to share with your communities. Plus good to accumulate your TEEA volunteer hours. Hope to see you in Lubbock.



DISTRICT 1



District 1—Randall County News

By: Sylvia Jordan, Randall Co Chair

Our February Cultural Arts/Chocolate Celebration was a great event. We had so many wonderful creations and the chocolate wasn't bad either. We took 10 entries to the District Meeting April 7 and brought back 10 ribbons with Marcie Grabber winning Best-of-Show with her beautiful Daliah wall hanging. Dale Hoover presented A Shot at Good Health to 20 members at our February meeting.

Andrea Wooley provided an amazing District Meeting. A big thank you to her and the outstanding programs and volunteers. There were lots of bee-boppers around, poodle skirts, jeans, white shirts, class rings, football jackets, scarfs, swing skirts, and even leather. The Cultural Arts was an overflow of creativity and talent. The silent auction is always a fun time to buy things you didn't know you needed.

We are gearing up for the Country Store at the Convention in September. I hope everyone is planning on going to Lubbock. Both our clubs: Golden Spread Quilters and Sunnyhill are making some fabulous items.

Golden Spread Quilters

By: Sylvia Jordan, Chair

We started February off with an exciting Two-Day-Sew-Days. Judy Gannon taught our class on turning a sweatshirt into a stunning quilted jacket. We all had different fabric from brilliant blues, African prints, even Halloween. Judy was ready with tips and techniques to help us along the way.

Several of our members entered items in our Cultural Arts, we even had a Pizza Game made by Susan Stach made with felt and ingenuity.

Bobbie Hatch taught our next class: Casserole Carriers. I know you will see several of these if you come to the Country Store at Convention in Lubbock.

We have had several wonderful programs this year but Opal Lewis and Cindy Gilbreth inspired us all with their ministry to the veterans who live in the Texas Panhandle. Their group of ladies make Quilts of Honor and hand deliver them to the veterans and their families. The quilts are beautiful but represent appreciation for the service and sacrifice given for all of us. Then in April Sally Noland and Janice Joiner brought a quilt show with them. Each quilt had been entered in the Ogallala Quilt Festival and judged. They shared the judge's comments and helped our members to understand the judge's sheet so we can understand what the judges are looking for, this will help us as we make quilts for future competitions.

Sally won Best-of-Show at Ogallala this year and it was a delight to see her quilt up close and ask questions.

We had six visitors one monthly meeting and three of them joined! We are thrilled. They said they saw the information on Facebook. Thank you Jan Welch for keeping our web page viable.

Our next big event will be in May, quilt Retreat at the Red Barn Retreat Center just outside Lubbock. We will spend three nights and four days sewing, sewing, laughing, sewing.....wish you all could come.

DISTRICT 2

District 2 News

By: Sheila McCormack, District 2 Director

Hello and a Good Morning, We've been to Brownwood for Spring Training. We covered a lot of ground. Got a lot of information to pass along to our districts. We ate way to much and slept way to little. But it was all worth it. We had fun and accomplished a lot.

We held our Spring Conference on March 24, 2022. Our lunch was burgers with all the trimmings served in red basket with black and white checked napkins. For dessert we had ice cream sundaes served in sundae dishes. Everyone dressed in their poodle skirts and rolled up jeans. Andy Crocker, M. S. Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist III, Gerontology & Health, was our speaker. His topic was "Thanks for the Memories". We gave door prizes, awarded Cultural Arts ribbons and had a silent auction to benefit our Aubrey Russell Scholarship.

We are planning for our 2022 State Conference to be held in Lubbock, Tx on Sept 13 and 14, 2022. Our 4 Educational Workshops are going to be awesome. We will have 2 Early Bird Workshops and 2 Optional Workshops. Wish I could attend each, but there is only one of me.

Ladies ,please stay in out of the HEAT and be safe. I want to see each of you in Lubbock.

DISTRICT 3

District 3 Spring Fling

By: Kim Smith

District 3 put on our annual Spring Fling on April 13th. 2022. A great time to celebrate all three clubs in Parker County, Bethel Harmony, Country Crossroads, Springtown. One of the featured presentations was a special style show, of fun Easter Bonnets. This was the theme for this years Spring Fling. "Put on your Easter Bonnet". All the ladies did a fine job of decorating these beautiful bonnets. The day included others programs, such as uses of vinegar etc. a scrumptious Easter dinner, sale tables, and NEW this year a successful bake sale to support the TEEA Assoc.



Bowie EEA News

By: Kathy McPeters

In February, Southern Grit Advocacy presented an informative program over human trafficking. Members were given great insight into how traffickers prey on the vulnerable to trap them into modern-day slavery that usually involves commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor. Information into how traffickers operate, the signs of human trafficking and steps that you can take to report suspicious interactions were highlighted. With a current estimate of 313,000 victims in Texas, everyone should be vigilant in this effort. Donations were collected for The Bowie Mission.

The following month, Agri-Life agent and member, Melanie Stott, presented "A Shot at Good Health". This state program taught the difference between viral and bacterial infections and between vaccines and antibiotics. Melanie detailed how vaccines can help protect our immune system and outlined the adult immunization schedule. Donations were collected for God's Table.

In April, Bowie EEA attended the District 3 Spring Conference in Vernon and competed in the cultural arts competition. Ribbon winners were Vivian Younker 1st ceramics; Julie Browning 1st and Sheila Schindler 2nd fabric creation; Helen Edwards 1st garment; Melanie Stott 3rd seasonal décor; Sheila Schindler 1st and Julie Browning 2nd jewelry; Lois Neese 2nd traditional scrapbook; Lois Neese 1st and Melanie Stott 2nd digital scrapbook; Lois Neese 1st and Sandy Owens 3rd color photo; Lois Neese 1st photo tile; Connie Niles 1st and Julie Browning 2nd large machine quilt; Sandy Owens 1st recycled and Julie Browning 2nd quilted wall hanging. Nine blue ribbon winners will advance to the state conference in Lubbock. Congratulations to all the ribbon winners!

Later that month, members toured Color Orchids in Nocona. This Virginia based company opened in 2020 and will triple in size with additional greenhouses soon. The Nocona location ships millions of orchids throughout the Midwest.



Members and guests of Bowie EEA amid thousands of orchids in Nocona.

Color Orchids supplies to upscale supermarkets and florists. Over 15 varieties of orchids are grown in a state-of-the-art greenhouse that has computer-controlled sunlight, temperature, humidity, and air flow to provide the optimum growing environment. The orchids are started from cuttings in California and then transported via refrigerated truck to the Nocona location where they are bloomed and packaged for wholesale. This 3-year process results in a beautiful plant that flowers for 3-4 months.



David Kercheval, Manager of Color Orchids, gives Bowie EEA tips for orchid care

News From the District 3 Director

By: LaQuita Gruver, District 3 Director

Greetings from District 3. Sorry I did not post an article in February since I fell into the well of grief, however, my district, counties and clubs have all been active and productive. I thank you all for pulling the extra weight for a few months.

Back in November we held our District 3 Training Meeting on November 17th in Weatherford. It was well attended by the active counties with all the current information from the State Board meeting being disseminated. Several of the district's Extension Agents attended and prepared our lunch of homemade stew and cornbread. Thank you, Ladies! We enjoyed the event, met new members and agents. I gave out copies of the manual changes since we did not have the ability to update our statewide website at the time. I pointed out the list of State Board members that they could contact if they thought I was not doing a respectable job or if they wanted my job...all snickered. Oh well, I tried!

Fast forward to spring: District 3 held our Spring Convention on April 7th in Vernon. Thank you to the Wilbarger and Baylor counties for all their hard work, the event was very snazzy with our 50's Rock and Roll theme; we conducted the District Cultural Arts contest, and our winners are excited about showing their entries at the State Convention. We also had a few ladies dressed to the hilt for a style show. Pictures are included below. Wilbarger and Baylor County were excellent hosts; we had an excellent lunch and entertainment was spot on with a musician playing 50s rock and roll. Thank you, ladies!

Finally, I think that the review of

scholarship applications this year have both humbled and inspired me. Our future is truly safe with the youth that is moving to into college and workforce.



Ola Caldwell at District 3 Style Show



Entire Group at the Style Show



Group of Ladies Enjoying the District 3 Spring Conference

DISTRICT 4

Cooke County News

By: Elouise Larson

Cooke County has been busy the last month with planning and hosting our District 4 Spring meeting. We had a Rock n Roll Theme. Our member Jackie Gary and Her husband Shared their 1955 Chevy as part of the entertainment. We also surprised the group with old fashion Root Beer Floats. It was great to get together again. The Color Guard was the Gainesville American Heritage group (pictured below).



Liberty Belles Club celebrated 45 years as a club and were honored at the district meeting. Several members were charter members of the club. Ruth Pruett is shown holding all their certificates that were presented at Spring District—pictured below.



Laura Eastman, Member of Liberty Belles, shared her skills and Knowledge of her Spinning Wheel with the Spring District 4 meeting—pictured below.



Ross Point President Linda Roller shared that their club now has the 5 generation as members. And Congratulation to Grady Roller as his Creative Arts advances to State competition.

Sivells Bends club has 2 members Cultural arts advancing to state, Jackie Gary and Elouise Larson.

Downard Fairplains is Proud to have Member Kay Karns be elected to of Education from District 4.

Bowie County News

By: Shirley Pierce

Four ladies attended the Spring Conference in Gainsville on Monday and Tuesday, April 18th and 19th. The four ladies were Camellia Jackson, Markita, Angela Pierce, and Shirley Pierce. The theme was the “Fifties.” A couple performed Buddy Holley songs and there was a fashion show of outfits worn during the fifties. The ladies were served root beer floats during the meeting. The meeting was presided by Linda Smith, our District Director. All ladies had a great time.

The Bowie County EE ladies will be hosting Christmas in July on Saturday, July 16th. We will be serving morning refreshments and lunch at noon. There will be demos and at least two workshops. There will be instructions available for the demos and workshops. The cost of the event will be \$15.00. Registration will be from 9:00 -10:00 AM. Lunch will be served at 12:00 PM (noon). The event will be held at the Liberty Eylau Methodist Church located on Highway 59 in Texarkana, TX. If you are coming in from out of town, we would appreciate an RSVP. All are welcome! Call Shirley Pierce at 903-701-3078 for more information or to RSVP.

DeSoto Extension Education Club News

By: Alice Ann Parsons, Secretary DeSoto EEC, Dallas Co, Dist 4

DeSoto Extension Education Club in Dallas County has been meeting in person since November 10, 2021. At our first meeting, we elected officers & appointed committees. It was great to be together once again. We chose our service project which was to buy 2 pair of new socks for each homeless person at Emanuel Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX. We provided socks for 18 men & 2 women. They were tied with ribbon & handed to each person by the church. We also provided a box of feminine products as they get many requests for them.

We enjoyed lunch & our Christmas party at Charco Broiler in Dallas on December 8th. We exchanged gifts & a good time was had by all. The January meeting was cancelled due to Covid concerns by the Hostess’ family. February found 4 of us celebrating Valentine’s Day at La Calle Doce for

Mexican food. We learned that “The Climate Crisis Is a Butterfly Crisis” In March we met to discuss plans for the Cultural Arts & Spring Conference in Gainesville in April. We decided on our 3 Raffle & 3 Auction items from all that were donated.

We learned Ruthel, 91, our oldest member is living in an assisted living facility near her home. In April we met at Ruthel’s assisted living facility so she could join us, it was good to see her. We finalized plans for the Spring Conference.

On April 18th & 19th Alice Ann Parsons, Dian & Louis Lemons attended the district 4 Cultural Arts & Spring Conference in Gainesville, TX. Dian & Louis checked in the Cultural Arts projects & put them in their Category. The Theme was “The 50s”! Many wore their letter jackets, boyfriend’s ring on a chain, poodle skirts, bobby socks & saddle shoes. We all received black, white & pink bracelets & had our pictures taken with a member’s 57 Chevy Belaire. All three of us had our picture taken in front of the 50’s display.

Dian Lemons, President presented a workshop: “How to Assemble 5 Bean Soup in a Jar” All those who wanted to participated. Dian presented 5 types of beans, the spices & recipe as well as colorful cloth circles & various colors of ribbon to decorate their jars.

Alice Ann Parsons presented our Demo “How to make a Paperclip Angel” She had kits for each county.

We set up a sales table & earned some money for our Treasury.



Alice Ann Parsons in front of the 57 Chevy Belaire



"The Shattered Glass Wreath", 1st place winner



Alice Ann Parsons, Louis & Dian Lemons in front of the 50's display

Blackmon and Marylyn Bennett. Welcome Dogwood Patch!

Cherokee County TEEA Hosts Commissioners Court Breakfast

By: Marylyn Bennett

On April 26, Cherokee County TEEA Clubs Ponta and Dogwood Patch hosted the annual breakfast for the Commissioners Court to thank them for all their work during the year. County Judge Chris Davis, the four Commissioners, and courthouse employees are treated to homemade breakfast casseroles, fruit, quiche, doughnuts, and coffee. This is good chance to meet and talk to our commissioners in a social setting. Master Gardeners Susie Blackmon and Craig Caldwell also participated in this event. TEEA members Amy Walley (FCH Agent), Virginia Bush, Mary Nell Wofford, Bobbie Russell, Zoe Ann Conway, Susie Blackmon, and Marylyn Bennett were present. (Pictured below).



Upshur County News

By: Patricia Bynum

While winter was hanging on and the winds were blowing, the Glenwood and Southern Belles TEEA Clubs were busy in the community.

In celebration of St. Valentine's Day, Glenwood TEEA Club members Linda Shipko, Dolores Stevens and Debbie

Manhave organized a celebration at the Gilmer Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Club members visited with the residents and provided them with cupcakes, Valentine cards and treat bags. A vocalist was brought in to entertain the residents with country and gospel songs.

In February, 4-H members were invited to a Formal Dinner at the Silver Alley Event Center in Gilmer, an event chaired by Janice Green, President of the Glenwood TEEA Club, with the help of Silver Alley Event Center Director, 4-H adult volunteers and TEEA members. Students arrived in formal attire to a colorful and magical event. The students were served a three-course meal. The Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors offered presentations on table setting, dining etiquette, tips on behavior in formal wear and ballroom dancing. (Lesson: As you know, the knife is placed to the right of a plate, blade facing inward. However, did you know the blade faces outward when the country is at war?) After dessert was served, participants were invited onto the dance floor to practice ballroom dance steps. All attendees had a wonderful time, with the benefit of learning as well.



4-H members waiting for their formal evening to begin



From left: Agent Julie York, Maggie McBeth and Janice Green at the 4-H Formal Dinner

In March, a dinner theater was offered at the Yamboree Exhibit Building in Gilmer. "Dastardly Doings at the County Fair," a play by Amy Patterson, was presented by the Upshur County 4-H members and the Upshur County Community Players (UCCP). Janice Green, President of the Glenwood TEEA Club, participated as a member of the Food Committee. TEEA members of the Glenwood and Southern Belles TEEA Clubs attended and financially supported the event, benefitting both the Upshur County 4-H Program and UCCP.

The Southern Belles TEEA Club quilters have begun their handmade quilt to be raffled in October at the East Texas Yamboree. The pattern of the quilt is "Grandma's Flower Garden." The funds received will be used to support local charities.

The Glenwood TEEA Club organized an Easter celebration with residents of Focused Care of Gilmer. In addition to cupcakes, treat bags and Easter cards, a pianist provided entertainment.

Southern Belles TEEA Club nursing resident had a birthday in April. To celebrate her birthday and in honor of Spring, several Club members visited with her and hung on her door a Spring wreath, made by one of the members. She was also given a birthday card with funds to purchase things she enjoys. Happy Birthday, Martha.



Southern Belles with Spring Wreath

DISTRICT 5

Cherokee County Starts New Club

By: Marylyn Bennett

Cherokee County has a new club! After a Membership Drive Meeting last November, several ladies decided to form Dogwood Patch. Members are: Amy Walley, Carol Dowling, Mandy Miller, Sandra Stewart, and Jeanie Swink. Two more ladies are expected to join. Their focus will be on fundraising for 4H scholarships. Carol Dowling has already taught a four week sewing class to twelve 4-H members, after the Cherokee County Quilt Guild donated sewing supplies, including a sewing machine. Two other sewing machines and supplies were provided by Susie

DISTRICT 7

Service Project—Bethel Club

By: Lela Goar

For the January 2022 club meeting Bethel members brought Valentine cards and wrote messages in side to present to the local nursing home in February. Hazel Risley, president is shown here with the director of the Oaks Nursing Home in Burnet as she presented her with cards to be given to the residents at their Valentine party.



Brown County News

By: Dale Henderson

Hello from Brown County!
 We have 3 Clubs: Owens, May, and McDaniel. We have been really busy this year so far. All 4 required programs from State were given in November. We did have to change our usual place for our Hobby and Craft Fair due to construction. On March 1 our attendance was very low since we were unable to do the advertising as usual due to ice storms and no local newspaper. We hope it will be more successful next year.
 Our county was able to have our stuffed spud sale. We were able to bake a little more than 500 spuds. This is our only fund raiser for the year. This is to support the 4-H scholarships and operating expenses. We were not able to have this since 2019 due to Covid 19.

The area was hit hard with a great deal of wild fires. The small of Carbon was burned out. There was much property and livestock lost. It was wonderful to see the all the help from all our communities. Since we were so blessed with the spud sale our County Asso. donated \$300 to CERT (COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM) which helps all of our first responders. The check was presented to the local President. Martha Baker presented to Steve Bales. Pictured below.



Some of the Owens Club members made 24 adult bibs from small towels. They were donated to the Brownwood Nursing and rehabilitation center. Dale Henderson and administrator of the Nursing center Christi Denton. Pictured below.



Redbud Oakalla EE Club News

By: Roxanne Dunegan

An annual Lawn & Garden Show, held March 26, sponsored by the Highland Lakes Master Gardeners has been a great partnership for many years between the TEEA of Burnet County and the master gardeners. The TEEA clubs provided the concession stand for the show and sold delicious breakfast snacks and hearty lunches to over 700 attendees. Those ladies shown in the picture below are left to right Linda Sue Wells, Polly Krennek, Sue Jeffcoat, Cheryl Henderson and Hazel Risley.



TEEABC had a booth at the show and has successfully sold RADA cutlery, one of their major fundraiser programs. The TEEA ladies shown in the picture below are left to right: Roberta Eacott, Lisa Zinz and Roxanne Dunegan. Roxanne is also a master gardener and has been the show chair this past year.



Spring News from the Bethel Club

By: Lela Goar

Spring is here and there are wild flowers everywhere. For the April program of the Bethel club, Cheryl Henderson, member presented a program on creative ways to use wild flowers to dress up your table for brunch, lunch, or any numerous other occasions. She brought pears for each member and different members brought wild flowers from their yards to use. Using wooden skewers members were able to design their own. She also had an artichoke and members brainstormed what other fruits and vegetables could be used. The moisture in the fruit or vegetable helps keep the flowers fresh longer.



Pictured l-r: Lela Goar, Lynda French, Cheryl Henderson, Hazel Risley, Betty Buratti, and Ardean Coffman

Bethel Harmony Club News

By: Karen Rutherford

During the March meeting, the members of Bethel Harmony collected school supplies to donate to Ikard Elementary School. They were delivered to the school by Member Barbara Shepard, right side—pictured below.



Bethel Harmony Club Officer Installations

By: Karen Rutherford

During the May meeting, Bethel Harmony club had Officer Installations. The theme was Tomato plants. Each officer was presented a plant and installed by Cassy Gray, daughter of member Willetta Crosslin.



Cassy Crosslin, President - Karen Rutherford, Vice-President Glenda Hinkel, Secretary - Willetta Crosslin, Treasurer - Carol Hailey, and Association Delegate - LaRaye Lester

updated songs. Toes were tapping! Stacy Villanueva from the Morton Valley EE Club presented the program, Herbs and Spring Gardening. She talked of the many uses of herbs, not only in cooking with them but also the medicinal benefits. Tomatoes, peppers and other vegetables should be planted in the garden now for fresh veggies this summer. We elected our District Director Elect, two members were in the running, Martie Hanson from Leon County was elected. Congratulations and welcome aboard! We enjoyed a buffet of very tasty BBQ. There were 2 baskets raffled off, a silent auction for the District and many door prizes given out. We had something different this year. We had vendors displaying their products which were for sale. Each vendor donated a door prize. Business was completed and the meeting was finished giving members a chance to get home at a reasonable time. John Polster from Hamilton County was awarded the Gerry Zummer District 8 Scholarship of \$1500.00. Casin Sellears and Georgia Williams were awarded \$500.00 scholarships. A great time was had by all.



County Judge Rex Fields talking with a member of 4-H



Lake Leon Baptist Church Singers



Isabel Villanueva and Sherinda Barrow Morton Valley members were two of our vendors.

Bell Extension Delegates

By: Gayle Pomykal

Joe Ann Smith, Gina Krause, Lora Blacklock as well as members - Nancy Posvar and Gayle Pomykal attended District 8 Spring Conference in Eastland, Texas. Millie Barrow, District Director chose the theme, "Spring Time in Texas" which was carried out in beautiful pastel colored decorations in the Conference Room of the First Baptist Church. Forty three TEEA members from six District 8 counties attended. 4-H Scholarships we're announced with the Gearldine R. Zummer \$1,500 scholarship awarded to John Foster from Hamilton County, \$500 scholarships to Casin Dale Sellears, Bell County, and Georgia Williams, Williamson County.

Attendees enjoyed vocal entertainment by a trio from Lake Leon Baptist Church followed by a delicious catered Barbecue meal.

Donna Warren, Chairman of "Member Incentive Program" awarded Erath County for "Most New Members", and a drawing awarded Novalene Thurston for "Individual Member Recruitment". An informative program on "Herbs and Spring Gardening", was presented by Stacie Villanueva of Eastland EE Club.

Twenty five Cultural Arts items were judged as first place winners and will advance to TEEA State competition. Delegate's majority votes elected Martie Hanson, Leon County as the upcoming District Director- Elect.



Members enjoying the conference



Registration table. Left to right Cheri Clark, Millie Barrow and Stacey Villanueva



Cathy Roberts and Sandy Owen selling raffle tickets



Sawyer and Saylor Monty our color guards from Hwy 6 4-H Club

DISTRICT 8

District 8 Spring Conference News

By: Millie Barrow

The District Conference was held April 19 in Eastland, TX, hosted by Eastland's Morton Valley EE Club with assistance from Erath County. Earth County registered our Cultural Arts entries. Six counties attended for a total of 64 including guests. Our theme was "Spring Time in Texas" and the tables were decorated with bunnies, flowers and Easter eggs. Saylor and Sawyer Monty from the Hwy 6 4-H Club posted the colors. County Judge Rex Fields welcomed everyone to Eastland and gave interesting information on Eastland. Entertainment was provided by 3 members of Lake Baptist Church singing wonderful old hymns and also

District 8 Members we're invited to the Summer Retreat scheduled for June 14 at Stephenville which will be hosted by Erath County EEA. Director, Millie Barrow dismissed Conference attendees with wishes for "Safe travels home".



Noontime Meets for Lunch Bunch

By: Charlotte Watson

Noontime EE Club, Williamson County, District 8, meets for a second time each month for "Lunch Bunch." They celebrate with members who have birthdays that month. Everyone brings them birthday cards. Members being honored get to pick the restaurant. With three birthdays to celebrate in May, all three agreed on Tony and Luigi's Restaurant in Georgetown. The club was 100% in attendance and everyone enjoyed the delicious Italian food and the fellowship around the tables.



L to R: Mary Johnson (birthday), Peggy Blair (birthday) Carola Meister (birthday), Pat Kellett, Betty Davidson, Charlotte Watson

Noontime EE Club Supports Their Community

By: Charlotte Watson

The members of Noontime EE Club, Williamson County, District 8, were all smiles as they displayed their recent donation of Breakfast Bars which will be included in "kits" sent home to children in one middle school in Georgetown. The Club, small in number, but big in heart, donated a total of 65 breakfast bars! Pictured below, left to right, is Charlotte Watson, Club President, Betty Davidson, Carola Meister, and Peggy Blair. Watson serves on a Backpack Buddy (BPBP) Team which kits each week. The BPBP organization kits food for all students in Georgetown, grades K - 8, who receive free and reduced lunch each day at school. The goal of BPBP is to provide nutritious foods for the students on the weekends so they'll return to school on Monday more ready to learn. Congratulations, Noontime, for caring about children and youth in your community in such a positive way.



Williamson County EE News

By: Charlotte Watson

Williamson County EE members, District 8, work hard throughout the year to support 4-H and fund their 4-H Scholarships. This year was no exception, and they proved it takes all

of them working together to meet their goal. EE Club members from all four EE Clubs participated in some way to make this year's Tea Room at the Annual Quilt Show a huge success. EE member, Karry Matson, spearheaded the annual Tea Room, this year called, "Bali Hai", as the Quilt Show had a tropical theme. However, Karry had the support of most of the county's club members. Some grocery shopped. Others came on Thursday and set up the kitchen for cooking, baking and serving. They prep'd all the foods and began cooking as this year all the foods had to be made and baked on site. Then, another host of volunteers came on Friday and Saturday to serve the sandwiches, fruit and pies to all the hungry Quilt Show Shoppers. And, a HUGE SUCCESS it was!!! It was a lot of hard work. But, no one complained. They all enjoyed the fellowship with other EE Club members while also serving with a smile for two whole days!!!



Williamson County EE Members serving in the kitchen at Quilt Show

Noontime EE Meeting News

By: Charlotte Watson

Noontime Extension Education Club, Williamson County, had a great meeting in April. Agriculture/Natural Resources & Small Farm Management Extension Agent, Gary Pastushok, presented an outstanding program on soils, grasses, the state of agriculture in our county, pesticides, herbicides and so much more. Agent Pastushok

visits small farms all over the county assisting farmers with their crops and animals plus provides in-house workshops for small farmers, pesticide providers needing to renew their license plus many workshops for the homeowner.



Noontime EE Club News

By: Charlotte Watson

Noontime EE Club members packed thirty brown bag lunches for the homeless distributed through Helping Hands of Georgetown (HHG). Included were a salty item, a sweet item and fruit (banana or orange). HHG adds a sandwich to complete the lunch. Noontime also donated two 24-count pkgs of bottled water. The HHG volunteers and the homeless were very appreciative when they came by to get their brown bag lunch and water that same afternoon. The club is small but, together, we do many good deeds to help others in our community.



Jackie McLaughlin Bell County Extension AgriLife Agent Retires

By: Gayle Pomykal



Pictured at Jackie's Retirement Reception are representatives of Bell Extension Education Association (left to right) Nancy Posvar, Maxine Kalkbrenner, Doris Marek with granddaughter Sophie, Jackie McLaughlin, Rosemary Chudej, Vernice Black, Nancy Urbantke, Gayle Pomykal, and Mary Stuessel.

and Having an on hand box of bees, was a fantastic presentation, Thank you Gloria and Lloyd.



The three clubs attending the District 8 Spring Conference

Leedale EE Club Supports "Feed My Sheep"

By: Gayle Pomykal

Leedale EE Club supports a Community Service organization, "Feed My Sheep" with a donation check to Director of Operations, Cassie Mooney. Feed My Sheep provides meals for homeless and those in need seven days a week. Volunteers prepare and serve all meals. The organization also supports a free Children's Health Clinic via a mobile truck, as well as "Impact Church" where meals are provide for attendees each Sunday.



Pictured are Leedale members: (L to R) Wynona Williams, Rose Crawford, Marilyn Herring, Doris Marek, Alice Hoelscher, Cassie Mooney, Nancy Posvar, Jean Nolen, Maxine Kalkbrenner, and Rosemary Chudej.

Starting Spring and learning how to tie and wear scarves, was shared by our Three Way member Gloria Lietz, to all who attended from the three clubs. This was followed, in March, by Master Gardeners, sharing information about plants and talking about the upcoming Spring.

Next was Springtime in Texas, April 19th the District 8 Spring Conference, held in Eastland, and well attended by 8 members from the 3 clubs. April 20th was County Wide Program, presented by Gloria Lietz and her husband., "The Buzz about Bees," Facts about Bees, learning to protect them,

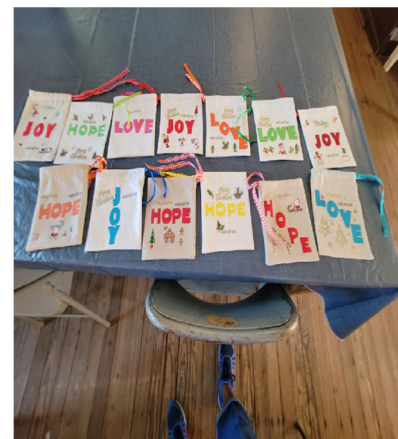
District 8 Milam County Branchville EEA Club by Rose Freeman

The Branchville EEA Club started the 2021-2022 year off wondering, if they had an agent for their county for the EEA Club, if and when would they get the necessary papers to register and when would the agent meet with them? The year is over and they conducted business as usual, without an agent meeting with the club at any time during the year. They did get their registration done with two members stepping forward and making it happen, Barbara Walker from Branchville and Barbara Walko from Rockdale. Thanks to those ladies, both the Branchville EEA Club and the Rockdale EEA Club Members were registered for the year.

Throughout the year the club does various crafts instructed by Barbara Walker. Earlier in the year they made bracelets out of various types of beads. They made bracelets at the meeting and took supplies home to make another to give as a gift to another member at our December Celebration and to have them in a decorated gift bag or a jewelry box. Some made bracelets only; some made both bracelets and necklaces. Each gift was numbered. The members chose a number from a container and when their number was called they received that numbered gift. Besides that gift, each members brought gifts for all members.

The members decided that they would decorate both sides of gift bags for the 50 plus residents of a Cameron Nursing Facility for Christmas. They decided what would go in the bags and each member was grouped for a certain item to bring on a certain date so they could fill the bags. Ellen Whitfield delivered the bags to the

Cameron Nursing Facility on the date that they were having their Christmas Celebration and left them with the Activities Director due to Covid and its variants.



Decorated Holiday bags for the residents of the Carmon Nursing Facility



Ellen Whitfield delivered the gift bags to the Cameron Nursing Facility

The Branchville Club had its own celebration with the exchanging of gifts (beaded bracelets that each member had made either at home or at the meeting-compliments of Barbara Walker). The members celebrated with holiday songs and music, activities, games, pictures, food and fun. A favorite game this year was "Musical Hot Potato," with the Left/Right Cookie Dough coming in second. Gloria Sullivan was to supply the cookies in 2021 and Barbara Walker is to supply the cookies for 2022, according to the game. Everyone enjoyed themselves.



Activities with gift bags in the background



Jewelry Gift Exchange Pic



Branchville EEA Club's Christmas Celebration-
Standing-Back row L-R- Jackie Fields, Gloria Sullivan & Helen Robertson
Front row L-R, Rose Freeman, Ellen Whitfield, Barbara Walker, Rosetta Wesley & Rosie Steamer

Other crafts made throughout the year by the Branchville EEA Club included: Choosing a picture, that was already colored by Barbara Walker either with flowers or a geometric design, to decorate with flat back gems round crystal rhinestones and then putting them on that chosen picture in a chosen frame; Making Valentine Cards for the residents at the Cameron Nursing Facility; Decorating wine glasses with pearls and putting candy in them - candy dish or whatever; Making small beaded Easter Baskets from the bottom part of a cut empty water bottle decorated with jeweled border stickers and using floral wire as the handle and decorating the handle with colorful beads.



L—R Jackie Fields, Ellen Whitfield, Barbara Walker, & Gloria Sullivan with decorated pictures



Valentine's cards for Residents at Cameron's Nursing Facility



Barbara Walker and Jackie Fields making Easter Baskets



Gloria Sullivan and Ellen Whitfield decorating their Easter Baskets



Finished Easter Baskets

The president of the Branchville EEA Club, Jackie Fields, and the secretary, Barbara Walker attended the Spring Conference in Eastland, Texas, along with Barbara Walko, president of the Rockdale EEA Club and with one of their new members. They enjoyed the conference!

The Branchville EEA Club made centerpieces at the meeting or at home to bring to their meeting in May with Rockdale EEA Club, as their guest! The base of the centerpieces were made from emptied Great Scents air freshener jars and decorated with colorful beads, rhinestones, and buttons. The jars were filled with colorful glass gems with artificial flowers inserted in the top of the jar. They were all beautifully placed on the tables at our May end-of-the-year meeting.

The meeting was Milam County's EEA Clubs joint meeting which is the Branchville EEA Club and the Rockdale EEA Club. The order of business was conducted as usual. Barbara Walker had a craft for everyone to do. She had small red baskets with handles for everyone to decorate with different kinds of colorful ribbons to make it a Gift Basket for self or to give someone else and she gave everyone tissue paper and something to put in the basket. The Branchville EEA Club had decided in April what the menu would be, something cool and refreshing. Gloria Sullivan blessed the food and everyone ate and enjoyed the meal while building relationships with each

other. Barbara Walker had a dozen different colors on a sheet of paper. She had everyone to choose a color. After everyone had chosen their color, she presented each person with a decorative colored pillow of their choice with an encouraging word on it. Rose Freeman handed out a Mother's Day Search and Find Puzzle and a Mother's Day Scramble Sheet.



Making Gift Baskets



Milam Co. EEA Clubs, Branchville and Rockdale



Buffet Style Serving

Rosetta Wesley keeps the club updated on its donations to "Wounded Warriors" and "Ronald McDonald's House" and their "Thank You" letters as they come in. The Branchville EEA Club is looking forward to an even better year, next year!

Sundowners EE Club Gives Back to Community

By: Charlotte Watson & Joyce Purtle

Since 1991, Sundowners EE Club gives an annual monetary donation to The Round Rock Area Serving Center. The Center offers many community services including financial support to families in crisis. Members also donate clothing and household items throughout the year. Member, Marlene Clower, volunteers weekly at The Center.

Sundowner members collect small items, such as socks, jewelry, note pads, puzzle books etc. and twice yearly a donation of these items is delivered to The Court of Round Rock Country Store. The Court is an Assisted Living Facility. The residents can shop at the store and are so appreciative of all donations.

Nine Sundowner members attended Williamson County EE's Exhibition Day. Many received First and Second place ribbons in Cultural Arts. Those winning entries advanced to District 8 TEEA Meeting in April.

The April Sundowners meeting hosted special guest, Noontime Club member, Carola Meister, who presented the state program on Herbs. The presentation and handout, received at the 2021 TEEA Annual Meeting, were very informative.

Sundowners EE Club meets each month and is very active throughout the year. They enjoy the educational programs, fellowship and their community service projects.



Country Store recipients with Sundowners EE Club Member, Joyce Purtle, (on the back row)



Herbs program presented to Sundowners EE Club by Carola Meister (in the rear of the picture)



Marlene Clower, Sundowners EE Club Member and Volunteer at Round Rock Service Center

DISTRICT 9



District 9 Meatra EEA members at Spring Conference in Kountze TX

DISTRICT 10

District 10 Spring Conference

By: Gwen Risinger

District 10 Spring Conference was in Seguin, hosted by the Caldwell EEA. We had a great time. Our speaker was Judy Barrett, who spoke on her book "Easy Edibles" which everyone enjoyed. Several of her books were available for purchase afterwards. Unfortunately, no one chose to do the fashion show so we won't have anyone in Lubbock for the Rocking '50s. Caldwell did a great country store. SO great to see everyone face to face again.

Gillespie EEA/Pilot Knob EE Club News

By: Helen Usener

On Friday, February 11, Daveed Aranda, a Nutritional Health Coach from Natural Grocers, gave a very informative program about natural solutions for easing pollen allergies to the Pilot Knob EE Club.



Katheryn Tanner of Hat and Heart Farms gave a very interesting program about what they grow and sell on their farm as well as their plans for the future at the Friday, March 11 meeting.

Also at the March meeting the Pilot Knob EE Club voted to make a donation to the 4-H Core Academy of

which one of the primary purposes is to provide 4-H members with a tour of some of the premier universities and businesses in East Texas.

On Monday, March 21, some of our members began participating in Walk Across Texas.



On March 24 Annabel Wilkinson; Alicia Frantzen; Kay Doshier; Maria Guerra; Gwen Risinger, District 10 Director; Helen Usener; Sharon Kott; and Shea Nebgen, FCH Agent attended the District 10 Spring Conference in Lockhart. Judy Barrett gave an interesting program titled "Easy Edibles". Members were excited to hear that Arianna Watson of Gillespie 4-H received first place for the District 10 EEA Scholarship. Arianna's grandmother is Roslee Lochte a member of Gillespie EEA. Gillespie EEA will host the next District 10 Spring Conference in Fredericksburg on March 21, 2023.



Pictured above: Front: Mary Louise Dittmar, Alicia Frantzen, Helen Usener, Kay Doshier Back: Delores Castleberry, Glenda Fritz, Lois Mathis, Maria Guerra, Corine Klose, and Sharon Kott as well as Shea Nebgen attended the Medina County Women's Conference in Castroville on Tuesday, March 29. All enjoyed the wonderful speakers, style show and other activities.

Members donated items to the District 10 4-H Duds to Dazzle Supply "Closet". A few members attended the Grow It Cook It program on eggplants presented by FCH Agent Shea Nebgen and Horticulturist Beth McMahon on April 1. They received great recipes for eggplants.

Members have been busy preparing for the Thursday, May 5 Spring Scholarship Luncheon. Many wonderful prizes have been donated by members and businesses.

We are very fortunate to have received Janalee Hannemann, Cora Klein, and Michelle Stahl as new members.

Caldwell County News

By Sharon Nitz

In February, Caldwell County Clubs held a soup and salad "Winter Wonderland" and Cultural Arts luncheon. The Luling club did a great job of decorating. Madeline Brown from the Luling Club was chosen Volunteer of the Year, receiving a plaque from county president Judy Wheeler.



Madeline Brown receives "Volunteer of the Year" plaque from Judy Wheeler, County President

First place recipients in cultural arts were Judy Wheeler, Barbara Darnell and Lillie Wendel from the Glenvoir club; Mary Briceno and Esther Barney from the Lockhart club and Madeline Brown from the Luling club. Glenvoir Club member Barbara Darnell's quilt received Best of Show.

In March, District 10 Spring Conference was held in Lockhart with the theme "Everyday is a Picnic when You're with TEEA Friends. Luling club decorated the tables with the picnic theme and Sandra Simi (Luling) decorated the main table with all the picnic essentials, even some pesky ants—pictured below. District 10 Director Gwen Risinger presided over the meeting. Guest speaker was Judy Barrett, author of several books, who presented an informative program on Easy Edibles.



Presidents of the 3 clubs, Barbara Darnell, Glenvoir club, Mary Briceno, Lockhart club, and Madeline Brown, Luling club checked in the cultural arts items. Taking first place ribbons from our clubs were Judy Wheeler, Barbara Darnell and Lillie Wendel – Glenvoir club; Esther Barney and Mary Briceno - Lockhart club and Madeline Brown – Luling club. Esther Barney from the Lockhart club received a door prize for being the oldest member attending - soon to be a young 90! Box lunches from Schlotzsky's were great, and the country store had something for everyone.



Club Presidents: Madeline Brown, Luling; Barbara Darnell, Glenvoir; and Mary Briceno, Lockhart.



District 10 Director Gwen Risinger with oldest attendee Esther Barney – Lockhart Club.

District 10 Spring Conference 2023 will be hosted by Gillespie County, and will be held in Fredericksburg.

Pictured below and to the right are District 10 Spring Conference & County Events for the last few months!



County Extension agent Elsie Lacy

DISTRICT 11

Washington Extension Education Association News Spring Conference
By: Judith Finke

District 11 Extension Education Association Spring Conference was held Tuesday, March 29, 1922 in La-Grange. District 11 Director, Peggy Viets presided over the 55 attendees. The formal opening ceremony was conducted with the pledges, creed and prayer and welcome each led by selected county members of the district. Erika Bochat, Regional Program Leader FCH/4-H for Districts 9 & 11 introduced the agents. Mary Jo Prince, program manager of Brazos Valley Injury Prevention Coalition & Statewide Initiatives presented a moving Distracted Driving video and narrative to Save Lives on the road. Distractions including phones & texting, smart watches, lively conversation and eating. One statistic pointed to the fact that not since November 7 of 2000 has a day passed in Texas without a death on the highway. Sally Garrett, Fayette County CEA-FCH with the assistance of Jenifer Boening demonstrated a quick and healthy beef breakfast dish. Aaron Wilfred from Jackson Co. was announced as the District 11 scholarship recipient. Membership Certificates were handed out to clubs and members including Gail Pinto from WEEA with 25 years. WEEA was responsible for the collection of Dollars for Scholars and Coins for Friendship and door prizes were distributed. Seventy -three items were entered in the Cultural Arts competition. Those receiving blue ribbons from Washington County and advancing to state were: Diane Ashorn with #19: Quilts-smaller than 50x70;

Suzanne Kessler winning # 5; Fabric Creations and # 9: Machine Embroidery, and Judith Finke with # 11: Jewelry and #14 Traditional Scrapbooking. The State Conference will be held in Lubbock on September 13-14 and the District 11 Fall Conference will be held November 29th at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Hallettsville.



Those attending the Spring Conference in La-Grange: left to right: Diana Ashorn, Patricia Graves, Hannah Krebs, CEA, Suzanne Kessler, Edna Schroeder and Judith Finke

TAITON CLUB SHARES LAUGHTER AND INFORMATION

By: Olivia McDonald

Answering the roll call question “What makes you grouchy?” brought lots of laughs to the April meeting of the Taiton EE Club. The information was given by horticulturist Leon Macha who spoke on pruning plants. He said that pruning should be done while we have cool nights. Pruning equipment should be cleaned and wiped with oil after each use.

Information on State and local scholarships was given. Wharton County Scholarships are funded by a raffle of a quilt and other items. The winning tickets will be drawn at The Wharton County Youth Fair. Grace Glaze asked for volunteers to sell raffle tickets and to work in the Creative Arts area at the Fair.

A Women in Agriculture Workshop will be held May 7th. A members’ auction will be held at the May Meeting.

District 11 News

By: Peggy Viets

District 11 held its 2022 Spring Conference on March 29th. Fayette County served as host. A total of 55 members, agents and visitors were present. The 2022 District 11 Scholarship winner was announced. This year Aaron Bryce Wilfert from Jackson County was chosen as this year’s winner. Awards for members and clubs were also presented. Mary Jo Prince from Brazos Valley Injury Prevention Coalition & Statewide Initiatives RED presented a program about Distracted Driving. Upon completion of her program, Sally Garrett and Jenifer Boening presented a short demonstration of a recipe from the Texas Beef Council.

The Cultural Arts was held in conjunction with our conference. There were approximately 75 entries at District level. District 11 will have approximately 25 winners advancing to compete at the State Conference in Lubbock. Good luck ladies!

District 11 Victoria County News

By: Carrol Davig, Chair

Victoria County members participated in a “Come and Go” Celebration in December at the 4-H Activity Center. Member of the Year, Betty William was recognized and presented a plaque and a monetary gift of \$50.00. Club of the Year went to Raisin-Coletoville EEA Club, whom received a monetary gift of \$100.00. They use these funds to provide help in the community.

Each year Vicotia EEA donates \$300.00 to the “Pasture to the Plate” Educational Tours for school children by the AgriLife TAMU Extension Agents. This event is held during the annual stock show.

Victoria EEA provides for \$1,000.00 scholarships each year to outstanding 4-H members and/or grandchildren of members. This year the recipients are the following:

Renee Bradicich: she attends Future Academy and plans to attend Blinn College. She is also Victoria County winner of the 4-H Record Book.



Katlyn John: attends West High School and plans to attend Texas A&M Kingsville.



Jason Marek: attends Industrial High School and will attend the University of Texas at Austin, with 24 college credit hours already during his high school career—to get his basics out of the way

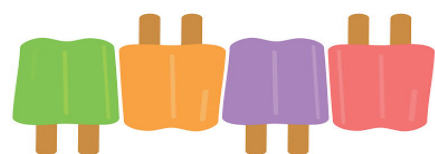
to be able to take his pre-professional courses much sooner.



Travis Schrade: attends West High School and will attend Texas State Technical College in Waco.



Recently, Victoria EE members attended the District 11 Spring Conference in LaGrange, delegates to that meeting were Joyce Bell, JoAnn Bone, and Carol Davig. Also attending were Erika Bochat, Region Program Leader FCH and 4-H Youth, Rachel Monday, and Joan Bone.



DISTRICT 12

TEEA News from District 12

**By: Ida Acuna-Garza,
District 12 Director**

The District 12 TEEA Association Spring Conference was hosted by Hidalgo County EEA on April 28, 2022 at the Sekula Memorial Library in Edinburg. The theme was “Rockin’ with TEEA.” The program included keynote speaker Honorable Ellie Torres, Precinct 4 County Commissioner who spoke on “Women in Leadership” and challenged each member to “step up to the plate – even if its scary!” Kay Jacob, TEEA President and member from Kleberg County gave her message from the board and presented details on the state conference in Lubbock. One of the highlights of the meeting was a presentation complimenting our state Herbs for Health program presented by Janet Schofield, Hidalgo County Master Gardener. She brought many herbs with her that filled the room with a wonderful aroma. Each member received a packet of Sweet Italian Basil to take home and plant and to report back on their results. The afternoon session included a Make-n-Take craft presented by Elida Rodriguez, Hidalgo EEA Vice-Chair. Each member worked on a mini memory album made from paper bags and finished with an assortment of embellishments. Awards were presented to our 4-H scholarship winner, Trevor Martinez, from Jim Wells County. Also, Sylvia Ybarra, was presented with the District 12 TEEA Treasure Award and Elida Rodriguez and Carla Meyer with membership awards. The business meeting was productive because we elected a District Director-Elect in the name of Elida Rodriguez and Sylvia Ybarra is our Secretary-Treasurer. Members also voted to look into finding a van to

transport District 12 members to Lubbock. The members enjoyed a room decorated with ‘50’s items including 45 RPM records and “Strawberry Shake” centerpiece and a menu of sandwiches, the 50’s famous Ambrosia salad, and pink and turquoise cupcakes! The Cultural Arts Contest was judged by two local crafters and winners to the state conference announced. It was a “Rockin’ good time for all!”



STATE CONFERENCE TIMETABLE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

Registration – 8:00am to 11:00am-if you are there before and we are set-up, we will go ahead and register you.

Page Training – 9:00am to 10:00am

Cultural Arts – 8:00am – if open come on in

Alumnae Silent Auction – opens at 8:00am

Country Store: opens at 8:00am

TEEA Sales and Name Badges: opens at 8:00am

TEEA Messenger: opens at 8:00am

EARLY BIRD WORKSHOPS

Two workshops will be from 9:00am to 10:00am

Two workshops will be from 10:10am to 11:10am

Alumnae Luncheon – 11:45am – Concession Stands will be available for all other TEEA members, guests and visitors for lunch

Opening Session starts at 1:00pm

Candidates will give a short speech and voting will be on Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

TEEA Board votes from 7:30am to 8:00am

Delegates votes from 8:00am to 8:45am

Business Session starts at 9:00am

Lunch and Share – 12:00 noon – included in the registration fee

BE SURE AND BRING YOUR YEAR BOOKS

Educational Workshops – Session 1 - 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Educational Workshops – Session 2 – 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Optional Workshops – 2:00pm to 3:00pm and 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Banquet begins at 6:30pm

Fashion Show – 7:30pm – Polly Krenek, Master of Ceremonies

****Participants will be 2 members from each District in costume.**

Retirement – 8:00pm - Previous Board Members will be retired

Installation- 8:30pm – Installation of New Board Members

Early Bird Workshops:

“Not Your Grandmother’s Quilt” presented by District 1. The presenter is Cynthia Shattles, a TEEA member and retired County Extension agent. Come learn how quilting has changed since your grandmother’s time. She will talk about how to care and store both old and new quilts. There will also be a trunk show with a variety of quilt types.

“The Sewing Studio Presents Appliqué” presented by District 2. Natalie Buxkemper and Carol Johnson are the presenters. They will teach techniques on how to use appliques. Come make a TEEA Appliqué! There will be a \$5 charge for this workshop to cover the project materials (each person will receive a material packet to make the appliqué.)

Optional Programs:

“Entertaining Essentials” presented by District 1. The presenter, Susie Breitling is a Dallam EEC member and retired FCH agent. She will be demonstrating different centerpieces, color themes, and table settings for seasons, holidays, and other special occasions. This program sounds like a lot of fun and will bring many great ideas, so check it out!

“Human Trafficking” presented by District 2. Nancy Trevino, PhD, Director of Texas Tech Mental Health Initiative and Matt Short will be the presenters. Human Trafficking is a growing issue across this state, and every community could be affected (I know it is a big problem in my area)! So come learn some tips on how to protect your community and loved ones from being victims.

Educational Programs:

Healthy Aging and Remembering It

**By: Genine Ringstaff,
Education Chair, District 3**

Do you want to age gracefully like a fine wine? Or not gracefully like moldy bread?

Come and learn to understand from Dr. Jenna Anding of Texas A& M about the connection between what we eat and good brain health (cognition). She will be discussing how the Mind Diet can promote healthy aging. She will also talk about easy to prepare recipes and give lots of examples of which foods are better choices for optimal brain health. Learn how to eat to live instead of living to eat. Let’s age gracefully together and remember it!

Planning Parties with PIZZAZZ!!

By: Lynda French,

Education Chair, District 7

Presenters

TEEA Members:

Karen DeZarn, FCH Agent Lampasas County Linda Wells, (Retired) FCH Agent Burnet County

Goal:

Provide information about how to plan, present and participate in successful “Parties with PIZZAZZ!!”

Objectives:

- Define what makes a party click
- Clarify the steps to being a successful hostess
- Identify terrific party themes
- Discuss how to develop a good party plan
- Explain how to feed a crowd nutritiously and safely
- Demonstrate party centerpieces, favors, games and entertainment ideas
- Share examples and samples of party recipes

Description:

Attendees will have the opportunity to experience “Party Planning with PIZZAZZ!!” including information and handouts on how to be a successful hostess and guest, feeding a crowd safely and nutritiously while using themes that are entertaining and enjoyable. Attendees will receive samples of program recipes, party favors, program handouts and door prizes.

Canning: Has It Changed Since Your Grandma's Day?

**By: Rachel Thurman-Monday,
Education Chair, District 11**

Workshop Objectives:

1. Learn about new technology and tools for food preservation
2. Discuss common mistakes made in water-bath and pressure canning.
3. Increase knowledge of safe research based canning practices.

Is one of your favorite memories of tasting summer produce that was canned in the winter? Do you remember helping family members can food? This workshop will discuss food preservation that has been around for years and how it has changed. We will highlight new technology, discuss safe practices and provide research-based information on basic food preservation.

The presenter will be Felice Acker, Family and Community Health agent in Castro County, District 2 with Texas A&M Agrilife. Because of the loving memories of her grandmother canning, she has gained the art of food preservation by attending workshops taught by other extension agents. Join us as we explore how food preservation has changed over the years.

FRED (Families Reading Every Day)

**By: Dolores Mittagdavis,
Education Chair, District 12**

The focus of the program is the importance of literacy. Understand that parents and grandparents are significant role models in promoting reading. Reading is fundamental for success in school and life. Attendees of this workshop will receive information about ways to use the information presented. They will also receive activities relating to books.

This valuable information and activities are useful to share with your communities. Plus good to accumulate your TEEA volunteer hours.

In Memory:

Gladys Sudbeck, Achievers Club, District 8

Notes from the Editor:

Hello all! Hope this edition of The Messenger finds you all doing well. Hope you are all making plans to attend the State Conference in Lubbock in September. The board and the host districts have been busy planning for an educational and fun conference. Please remember the deadline for the Fall 2022 TEEA Messenger is **October 1, 2022**. Please send all pictures in a JPEG format. Newspaper articles cannot be reprinted.

I have truly enjoyed being the TEEA Messenger Editor and it saddens me to say this will be my last edition as Editor, but I am happy to announce that D'Ann White has agreed to take on the TEEA Messenger Editor position and I am sure she will do a fantastic job! Her address is PO Box 233 Koutze, TX 77625 and her cell # is 409-926-8502. She will keep the same email address for the Messenger so please continue to email correspondence to: teeamessenger2020@gmail.com—please update the Messenger Editor contact info.

Thank you,

April Thompson

TEEA Messenger Editor

TEEA Social Media Info:

TEEA Facebook account: <https://www.facebook.com/TEEA.State.Page/> was used to showcase the State Conference.

Instagram and Twitter accounts were created.

TEEA Instagram account: <https://www.instagram.com/teamedia/>

TEEA Twitter: TEEAmedia