

Erath Extension Education Clubs



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TEEA Mission:

The mission of the Texas Extension Education Association, Inc. is to work with Texas AgriLife Extension Service to strengthen and enrich families through educational programs, leadership development, and community service.

Letter from the President by Rosanne Keilers



I had a great time at the State Convention, meeting lots of women from all over Texas. We had a great presentation from Larry Tidwell, Basketball Coach at Lamar University in Beaumont. His mother is a member of Eastland TEEA. He had requested pictures and made a great presentation of all the pictures he had received and he had all the girls basketball team with him.

There was lots of debate on the increase of the

dues and we voted to increase them for this year. I was pleased to represent all the clubs in Erath County. I have given one of the programs from the convention, "Eating Healthy, Texas Style". I have the information to give 3 more programs, "Saving From a Rainy Day" (Rainwater Harvesting); "Re-Dress to Recruit" Make a Good Impression as a TEEA member, Dress as a Leader); and "How Does Your Garden Grow" (Container Gardening with Flowers and Vegetables).

I was happy to be your representative to the Fall Leadership Conference in Rockdale in November. I received your new membership card, which I will give to your President at the January Association

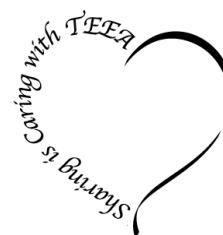
Meeting. And we received the new explanation of the sale tax for the State of Texas.

I hope that everyone is working on items for the Cultural Arts Contest in February. The rules are the same as last year. We had one entry at the State Convention which won 3rd place in quilting.

I have been having a good time being your new Council President and will be helping with anything that you all need I am always ready to help anyone.

Sincerely,

Rosanne Keilers



Erath Cultural Arts Contest

Since the last newsletter, we have had the County, District, and State Cultural Arts Contests. The County contest was held at the Three Way School on February 5. There were a total of 29 entries with 21 advancing to the District Contest. At the District Contest, there were 2 local members advancing to the state contest. The state contest will be held September 10-12 with the annual conference in San Marcos. We'll especially be rooting for Sallie Smith and Billie Spindor as they will represent Erath County. Congratulations to those who participated in any of the cultural arts contests!

County Contest results:

Decorated Garments – Lena Williams – 1st place

Fabric Creations – Dana Pearson – 1st place; Carolyn Hays – 2nd place; Doris Threadgill, Lena Williams and Regina Cagle – participation

Garments & Accessories – Carolyn Hays – 1st place

Handstitchery – Pam Sawyer – 1st place ; Ruthie Boucher – participation

Holiday Decorations – Regina Cagle - 1st place; Dana Pearson – 2nd place

Jewelry – Regina Cagle - 1st place; Lena Williams – 2nd place

Traditional Scrapbooks – Rosanne Keilers - 1st place

Photography – Doris Threadgill - 1st place; DiAnna Wadsworth –

2nd place; Lena Williams and Carolyn Hays – participants

Quilts – smaller than 50x70; handquilted – Billie Spindor - 1st place; Sallie Smith – 2nd place; Carolyn Hays – participant

Quilt – more than one member – Sallie Smith and Billie Spindor – 1st place

Recycled Items – Sallie Smith - 1st place; Bonnie Wolfe – 2nd place; Lena Williams – participant

Wall Hangings – Sallie Smith – 1st place;

Miscellaneous – Carolyn Hays - 1st place; Lena Williams – 2nd place

District Contest Results:



Top left: Friends Wallhanging – Sallie Smith – going to State – 1st at District; ;

Top right – Recycled items – suitcase/dog bed won 2nd by Bonnie Wolfe and recycled jean quilt by Sallie Smith won 2nd at District.



Top middle: Tulips – 2nd place at District made by Sallie and Billie – Quilt – more than one member

Bottom Right – Texas Twister – 1st place going to state by Billie Spindor;

Sallie Smith also won 3rd place with her smaller than 50x70 quilt.



Fall Luncheon

What a treat Erath Extension Education members had in store when they arrived at the Fall Luncheon on Wednesday, October 17 at **CitiBank** in Stephenville.



Achiever members did a great job decorating and setting

the stage for the fall festivities. Chair Rosanne Keilers led the opening exercise of pledges, creed, motto and prayer, followed by club reports. It was very interesting to see what each club had done similar to each other all year and what different projects each club had as well! A brief TEEA State Conference report was given by Rosanne with a full educational program to follow at the Mini-Convention in November.

Donna White, County Extension Agent, installed the new Association officers with a "ring ceremony."



The new officers are as follows:
Chairman – Rosanne Keilers; Vice Chairman – Nelda Hatcher; Secretary –

Beth Miles; and Treasurer – Pat Little.

The program was given by Littlejohn's Produce owner, Sherri Littlejohn. She gave a very informative program about pumpkins and gourds and brought a lot of different varieties to show members. Donna White gave out pumpkin handouts and recipes. What followed next was the covered dish luncheon and door prizes! This annual event serves as a time to fellowship and reflect on all the good work done by Extension Education members in the county.



Annual Fundraiser

Special thanks to everyone who worked the Craft Fair and Bake Sale last month. This event serves as an Extension Education fundraiser. According to TEEA Treasure, Pat Little, a total of almost \$600 was made, and we have reserved the same space again for next year's event. The baked goods were

yummy, as usual, and we appreciate everyone working the shifts and manning the booth! Regina Cagle from Clairette has all the RADA, so if you need a Christmas gift or two, don't hesitate to get in contact with Regina and she can fix you right up with the goods!

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Leader Programs

The January program, **"Vonderful Vingear,"** is ready for pick up at the County Extension Office. This is a leader program – the vice president of the club could give the program or she could ask someone else to give it. The program packet is full of great information and is self-explanatory.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

*We will have regular office hours during the holidays with the exception of **Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.** Also, we may close a little early on New Year's Eve.*

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<http://erath.agrilife.org>

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Achievers Club Christmas Party



Members of the Achiever's club travelled to Glen Rose to the **Storiebook Café** for their annual Christmas Party.

As you can see by the pictures sent in by Martha Ables, members seemed to have a good time!

