



# TASCOE Tales

summer 2021

## Texas Association of County Office Employees

*From the President's Desk...*

### Important Dates

**June 15th**

NASCOE Membership  
Awards Submissions

NASCOE Cash Club  
Entries

**June 22nd**

TASCOE Officer  
Candidacy  
Announcements DUE

**July 1st**

NASCOE Memorial  
Presentation  
Submissions

**July 22-24th**

TASCOE State  
Convention  
AMARILLO, TX

**August 3-7th**

NASCOE Convention  
FORT WAYNE, IN



**G**limmers, do we know them? Do we try to find them? Make them? Write them down? Share them with others? Do you know what I mean when I talk about glimmers?

A GLIMMER, it could also be called a silver lining. To some, it's a secret smile or a look. A shared laugh or an inside joke.

Like being reminded I have family who loves me after I come home stressed out and exhausted. They hug me and remind me that I need a mental health day. I, too, sometimes need a break. I am also blessed to have friends who tolerate my emotional outburst when work or after-hour meetings take hold and bargaining turns into an art form. However, these shared stories aren't to add more stressors, they are helpful reminders that I too, need to find time to see the pluses and not negatives in life.

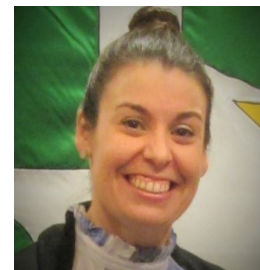
The point is I try to find glimmers. I find time in my car listening to music to wash away a day. I get a hug that last longer than I asked. I get a snuggle before bedtime or my little's asks me to read one more book with them. I find a reminder note, a random emailed question, a meme or a gif that someone sent me to help make me smile or to laugh. Or to show me they were thinking about me. Those added stressors in our day can consume us and make us forget those the little things that make us smile.

Those moments are glimmers, or a look into someone's heart. So, if I ever sent you a note, a meme, a gif or emojis remember that was a glimmer. I care so much but like you, I sometime only have a sliver of time to share my emotion with you all and it comes out in little burst or glimmers of me.

My newest thing to make me smile is that we are getting ready for Amarillo. This issue of TASCOE Tales will have reports that share all of our hard work that is going on now and will be going until July for our 2021 TASCOE convention. Please make sure to read the whole issue.

Jenn, our VP, is going to remind us that leaders are not born they are made by hard effort and encouragement. She will remind folks we

sometime see more in others than they might see in themselves. Julie, our Sec/Treas. will tell you all about Amarillo and why it's going to be such a fun city to visit. So get your computers or your boots ready!



*Christa Kraatz*

We have upcoming membership and enrollment drives. We have new ways that our awards and scholarships will be honoring our winners. These are reminders of the capabilities of our TASCOE team, and your leadership who are finding exceptional ways to represent you and make you all proud to be a member of TASCOE.

We hope you are ready for Amarillo. Maybe you will visit us virtually or in person. Maybe you have NO CLUE what we are going to do... please stay tuned. Our goal is to stream this event and be able to share your convention with all. More announcements will be coming on Facebook! Either way, know we are making great progress to bring you something that will show TASCOE in a good light, pun intended.

So, get your "BOOTS in ROUTE!" to Amarillo and remember glimmers are sometimes made by you sharing and caring! Sometimes the thing we need most is a soul filled with positivity and a body fueled by a healthy spirit. Please share your glimmers!

Happy Spring! Enjoy your fellow man and make sure to check us out July 22-24!

*Christa Kraatz*

***"Don't ignore even the smallest glimmer of passion in your soul, run towards it with everything you have. It could change your life." ~ Lady Gaga***

## SECRETARY-TREASURER REPORT



Julie Goetzman

I cannot believe this is the first time in two years that I have been excited for TASCOE convention season. Last year held so many unknowns. We were working from home for the first time, living in a mask

mandate, dealing with supply shortages and we were learning how to get out of hotel contracts for the first time ever. However, slowly we have gotten back to a semi normal, and I am excited to say it is time to put our Boots in Route to Amarillo.

I was sitting in the Amarillo airport on my way home yesterday, and the intercom kept playing "Welcome to Amarillo, where there's wide open spaces and something for everyone." I promise you; they are not kidding when they are playing that message. There really is something for everyone in Amarillo. The TownePlace by Marriott Amarillo West Medical Center will be the host hotel of our 2021 Hybrid Convention. For attendees, the hotel provides spacious rooms with full kitchens, options of showers or tubs, a pool with an attached hot tub, grill, fire pit, sunning area, complimentary breakfast for everyone and a fully equipped fitness facility. If you need to travel with your four-legged friend, then the hotel is bark and meow friendly. The hotel sits behind a Hoffbrau

Steakhouse, Outback Steakhouse, Pizza Hut, and the China Star restaurant, so there is plenty of eating within walking distance. One exit from the hotel is Westgate Mall. The hotel also sits within a five-minute drive



of historic Route 66, Medical Center Park, Cadillac Ranch, The Amarillo Country Club, and The Second Amendment Cowboy.

With so much to offer in Amarillo, we are excited to get our attendees out of the hotel at night this year. Wednesday afternoon will kick off convention off with a golf tournament followed by a trip to The Texan Steakhouse. The home of the whopping 72-ounce steak. Though the big hunk of meat is what the restaurant is known for, it also has

a gift shop, ice cream parlor, fudge, shooting range game and slot machines. After our Thursday meeting, we will be packing everyone up and heading to the Palo Duro Canyon for scenic views, Chuck Wagon BBQ, stories by Quanah Parker and the musical Texas. Friday evening will wrap up of planned excursions with a trip to see the Sod Poodles play at Hodgetown Stadium complete with dinner and fireworks at the game.

For the second year in a row, we will be allowing attendees virtually. Please, register to attend on the TASCOE registration form. Convention links will be released closer to convention.

The publicity committee has been working to put a Selfie Tour together that will allow participants to join both virtually and in person. The grand prize winner will be announced during convention with a prize to go along with the title.

The scholarship committee has also been working diligently to come up with ways to support scholarship recipients during a hybrid convention. A sponsor link has been added to the registration form.

Log onto your computer today, and let us know you are attending convention. <https://tascoe-convention-2021.cheddarup.com/>

This July, I will see all of you Amarillo by Morning!

Julie Goetzman



## Election of Officers and Directors

### OFFICERS

The election of officers will be held during the Director's Meeting of the TASCOE Convention on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Candidates for President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer must announce their candidacy 30 days prior to this meeting in accordance with Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution and By-Laws. All nominations must be submitted to the Secretary/Treasurer by Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Anyone wishing to turn for office is encouraged to do so! If you have any questions, please contact on the executive board members. Any By-Law changes are also due by the June 22<sup>nd</sup> deadline.

### DIRECTORS

This year will be the election of even-numbered districts' Directors to serve from October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2023. These elections will begin shortly after the TASCOE Convention, so be on the lookout! If you want to get more involved, this is a great opportunity.





## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

**H**ello, TASCOE family! I don't know if the rest of you feel this way, but I am still having a hard time believing it's May already! Although after the rough winter weather we experienced, some warm weather and sunshine is very much needed.

There hasn't been a lot happening on the legislative front lately, so I'll keep this short and sweet. As most of you probably know by now, the American Rescue Plan included special COVID leave provisions for federal employees. There are several articles available online with specifics if you are interested in utilizing leave under this provision.

As some of you may have read in the NASCOE Legislative Committee Update from the end of March, FSA secured another increase in funding for salaries and expenses for FY 2021. Staffing continues to be at the forefront of

conversations with both management and legislators, and these conversations will be ongoing as future budgets are established. We all feel the pain of being tasked with "doing more with less" but it is critical to keep our county offices staffed if we are expected to maintain the level of service we strive to provide.

While no details have been nailed down at this point, there are discussions about another NASCOE Leadership Training event to be held in Kansas City in October. Stay tuned for more information. These events are a great way to learn more about NASCOE and how members can get more involved in the work of our Association.

To finish up my report, I would like to announce a PAC drive that will run from now through July 23rd. Anyone who begins contributing to the PAC or increases their contributions will be entered into a drawing to be held on the last day of

the 2021 TASCOE Convention. Prizes will be as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> name drawn:** \$100 Visa gift card + \$50 NASCOE Emblems gift card

**2<sup>nd</sup> name drawn:** \$50 NASCOE Emblems gift card

**3<sup>rd</sup> name drawn:** \$25 NASCOE Emblems gift card

\*This incentive will be in addition to the NASCOE incentive campaign, which provides padfolios and/or backpacks for various contribution levels.

For more information on the PAC or enrolling in contributions, please visit <https://nascoe.org/the-nascoe-pac/> or feel free to reach out to me any time. I always enjoy visiting with my TASCOE family!

Until next time,

*Kristal Jackson*

**Want to Learn More  
About the PAC?**



**Please Visit**

<https://nascoe.org/the-nascoe-pac/>



## PAC it UP

With the NASCOE PAC

- Make a contribution of \$3 per pay period or increase your contribution by \$3 and receive a PAC branded junior padfolio.
- Make a contribution of \$5 per pay period or increase your contribution by \$5 and receive a PAC branded laptop backpack.
- Make a contribution of \$8 per pay period or increase your contribution by \$8 and you will receive both items.
- Members who are already contributing in the double digits can receive the backpack for a \$3 per pay period increase.

Email your enrollment/increase form to Annette Hyman at [ahyman@aol.com](mailto:ahyman@aol.com) and someone will contact you to help you complete the process and ensure you receive your promotional items!





**W**hen I wrote the last article for TASCOE Tales, Christmas was right around the corner and we were all gearing up for the new year, in hopes for a slightly less crazy year. Much like 2020, in 2021 we have been faced with unprecedented times, but I am hopeful we are moving closer and closer to “normal”.

Over the past year, much like the rest of you, I have missed face to face interaction with family, friends, producers, and co-workers. Although, we have adapted well and I am super thankful for technology, it is not the same. Without face to face meetings and limited employees in the office when onboarding new employees, it has been difficult to tell the NASCOE/TASCOE story. With that being said,

beginning May 15, 2021 through July 23, 2021, TASCOE will be promoting membership through a membership drive. At the end, there will be two separate drawings, both of which have great prizes. Please see the details below.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Anyone who joins TASCOE between May 15 and July 23, 2021 will have their name entered in a drawing for the following prizes:

**1<sup>st</sup> name drawn** - \$100 NASCOE Emblems gift card AND \$150 Visa gift card

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> name drawn** - \$50 NASCOE Emblems gift card

**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> name drawn** - \$25 NASCOE Emblems gift card

**CURRENT MEMBERS:** Recruitment is important and should not go unnoticed. New members will be asked to provide the name of the TASCOE member that recruited them to

join. The member who recruits the **MOST** new members between May 15 and July 23, 2021 will be the grand prize winner. A tie will be broken by a drawing. All members will have their name entered in the drawing once for each new member they recruit. Prizes are as follows:

**GRAND PRIZE** - \$100 NASCOE Emblems gift card AND \$150 Visa gift card

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> name drawn** - \$50

NASCOE Emblems gift card

**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> name drawn** - \$25 NASCOE Emblems gift card

If you recruit a new member, please let me know, via email, as I will be tracking our progress. Also, FSA-444s should be sent to Kristy Simmons in the STO. If any new members have any questions or you need anything from me, please let me know.

*Morgan Limmer*

## REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

TASCOE dues are 0.35% of your annual salary. Of this amount, \$55 is sent to NASCOE for national dues. Dues check-off makes paying dues very simple. If you are not on dues check-off, we encourage you to check it out. To enroll, complete **FSA-444** and fax it to the State Office Payroll and Personnel Division along with a memo stating that you are authorizing TASCOE dues withholding. To stop dues withholding at any time, simply notify the State Office that you wish to stop withholdings.





## SCHOLARSHIP AND EMBLEMS REPORT

Howdy TASCOE Members,

First off, we hope this edition finds you and your family/friends well! We received applications from some outstanding students this year! Now we can finally announce who the recipients are:

**Laney Aguilar**

daughter of Albert Aguilar, Guadalupe County Executive Director

**Christian Cavazos**

son of Tacho Cavazos, Willacy County Executive Director

**Jonah Hernandez**

son of Bea Hernandez, Knox County Program Technician

**Cord Koenig**

son of Clint Koenig, Medina County Executive Director

Congratulations to these well deserving students!

Regarding this year and the Scholarship Auction, we will not be holding one due to

the current restrictions. However, we are requesting that you continue to sponsor future scholarship recipients by contributing to the following site:

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/tascoe-convention-2021/item/3138503>

(It works best in Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge)

You can also mail a check to:

**TASCOE**

**Attn: Julie Goetzman**  
**2888 Meier Rd. S**  
**Sealy, TX 77474**

Donate \$50 for a chance to win a \$25 gift card, \$100 to win a \$50 Gift card, \$200 to win a \$100 gift card, and \$300 to win a \$150 gift card. The drawing will be held during the business meeting in Amarillo. Anyone who donates before July 15, 2021 will be entered into the drawing based on the amount donated. One entry per person based on highest amount donated.

As a bonus, during our allotted time at the business meeting we will have a special presentation for those present and those viewing remotely!

We hope that next year we can get back to holding an auction because we love seeing what great items TASCOE Members donate!

Don't Forget! The Emblems store is always open and can be accessed at the following site: <https://nascoe.org/store/>

As always if you have any questions please contact us.

Until Next Time TASCOE Family,

*John Tyson & Judy Muller*  
Co-Chairs



**Don't Forget!**



**We are looking for Door Prizes for the 2021 TASCOE Convention!**

## DOOR PRIZES REPORT

Howdy TASCOE!

What a whirlwind of year this has started out to be! I know everyone is busy with CFAP 2 (again!), LFP, QLA, disaster programs from the freeze, and all the other fun things that come along with our job. I hope you will take a small break in July and join us in person or virtually for our TASCOE convention. I can't wait to see everyone who decides to make the trip out. I know the execs, directors and chairs are working hard to make sure it's a great event! If you come across any goodies to share with our fellow FSA family please be sure to bring them along with you or let me know I can find someone to bring it along with them. Those of you deciding to join us virtually don't feel left out. The wheels are turning to figure out a way to get a few prizes out to some of y'all too! Hope everyone is doing well and if there is ever anything that I can do to help please let me know.

*Dawn Hoffmann*



# Distinguished Service Award

**M**ike Maedgen went to work for the agency in 1985 and is currently the CED in the McLennan County, Texas. Since day one, Mike has been a NASCOE/TASCOE member. I often joke with him, because the year he became a member was the year I was born. In the past 35 years, he has been an active member of NASCOE/TASCOE. His first leadership role was serving as a TASCOE director in 1994 and served multiple terms, off and on from 1994 to 2015. In 1998, he was elected as TASCOE Secretary/Treasurer. He served in that capacity until 2002. During that time, he served alongside Rusty Williamson, Joe Hefner, Wayne Lyssy and Kelly Lindsey. Mike served as a TASCOE officer during the transition from ASCS to FSA. He helped negotiate with the state office, TACS and TASE, while helping TASCOE build a relationship with other employee associations. As Secretary/Treasurer, he purchased the first computer for TASCOE and transitioned to digital and automated record keeping. This is not an easy task for a state association the size of Texas. At the time, Texas had approximately 700 regular members and 100 associate members.



*Mike Maedgen  
McLennan County*

While an officer, Mike was instrumental in making Texas an influential part of NASCOE. He served as a delegate for 4 years at national conventions and area rallies. He also participated in 5 legislative conferences in Washington DC, gaining vast legislative knowledge and passing it on to TASCOE membership. He has chaired multiple state conventions, as well as a SWA rally in San Antonio.

Mike continues to be an active member, while advocating for NASCOE/TASCOE membership. I know this firsthand. As a COT in the McLennan County, I was given an FSA-444 the first day in the office. Mike knows membership and strong leadership allows an association or organization to be successful. Time after time, he tells the NASCOE/TASCOE story and encourages membership and involvement. Personally, I am thankful I was a COT in McLennan County, not only for the knowledge I gained while training to become a CED, but because I was taught the importance of NASCOE and TASCOE. Moving forward, NASCOE and TASCOE will continue to reap the benefits of Mike's hard work and dedication to the association.

Submitted by Morgan Limmer



# Distinguished Service Award

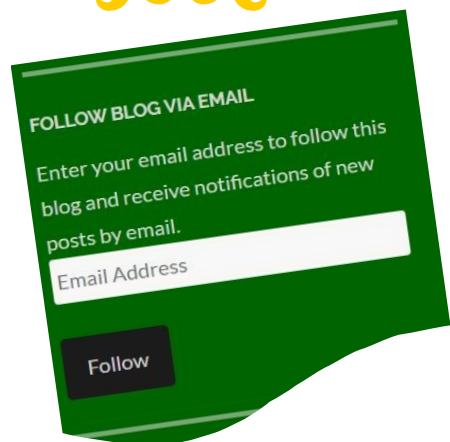
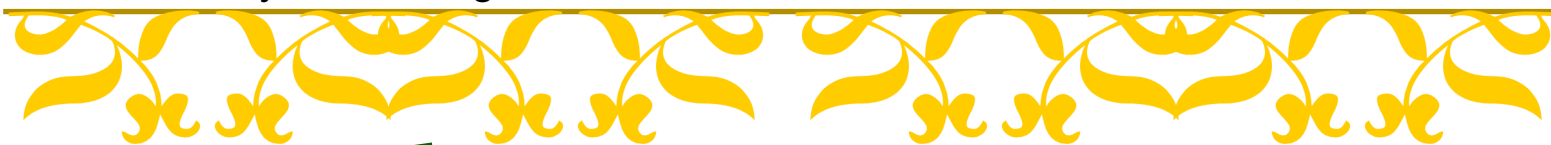


**E**llie Wolf went to work for the agency as a temporary program technician December 2007 and became a permanent program technician November 2008. She has been a TASCOE member since she began her career with FSA.

*Ellie Wolf*  
*Red River County*

Ellie is the hardest working person I know. She is always looking out for the best interest of the producer. She is the backbone to this office here in Red River County and goes above and beyond "other duties as assigned". She takes personal leave 2 times a month, sometime more, to help handout food at our local food bank, and she is constantly donating snack packs for the local school to send home with kids so they have food over the weekend. She donates backpacks and jackets to the local hub for the kids in the community. She is a pretty selfless person and it's such a breath of fresh air to see someone who is always wanting to make sure someone else is taken care of. I know she has only been with the agency less than 15 years, but she came here after retiring from the state. Our producers here will tell you that she is the best and can answer any question and help with any problem thrown her way. Our agency is lucky to have her!

Submitted by Ellie Stringer.



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## CONVENTIONS!



A poster for the 2021 TASCOE State Convention in Amarillo, Texas. The poster features a collage of images: a 'Greetings from AMARILLO' sign, a night cityscape, a 'BIG TEXAN' sign, and a colorful car. A map shows the location of TownePlace Suites by Marriott at the intersection of Rillo Blvd, Wolflin Ave, S Coulter St, and Bell St, near Interstate 40. The dates 'July 22-24' are displayed in a yellow box. The TASCOE logo and website 'TASCOE.ORG' are prominently shown.

**July 22-24**

**2021  
TASCOE  
STATE CONVENTION**

**TownePlace Suites  
Amarillo/West Medical Center  
6807 Interstate 40 West  
Amarillo, TX 79106  
806.242.5777**

*Amarillo By Morning*

Visit Our Website for More Info and Updates!

<https://tascoe.org/why-join/convention/>

## NASCOE 2021 CONVENTION IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA



Date: August 4 - 7, 2021

Location: Grand Wayne Convention Center

Contact: [nascoenationalconvention@gmail.com](mailto:nascoenationalconvention@gmail.com)




A poster for the 'Convention Cash Club'. It includes the text: 'Never been to a NASCOE Convention? The NASCOE Convention Cash Club Can help with a \$500 Stipend! Members who have never attended a NASCOE Convention can enter. Visit [nascoe.org/publicity](https://nascoe.org/publicity) for more information. Submission Deadline is June 15, 2021!'. There is a small NASCOE logo in the bottom right corner.

Indiana is hosting the 2021 NASCOE National Convention August 4<sup>th</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup> in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Fort Wayne is in North East Indiana. Not only does Fort Wayne have its own international airport, the airport is within 8 miles of the convention site. Check out the National Convention website, your one stop shop for all information you need!

Registration, Tours, Hotel and City information is posted on here along with some welcome videos!

<https://www.visitfortwayne.com/meetings/upcoming-meetings/nascoe-2021-convention/>



# TASCOE CONVENTION HOTEL INFO

**TOWNEPLACE  
SUITES®**  
BY MARRIOTT

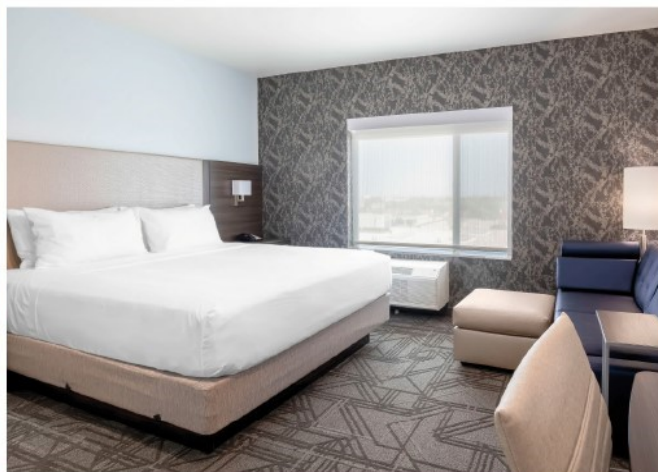
TownePlace Suites Amarillo West/Medical Center

6807 Interstate 40 West, Amarillo, Texas 79106 USA

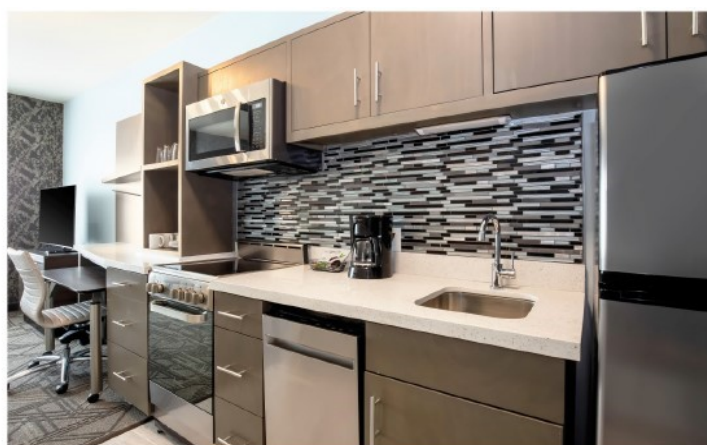
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The TownePlace Suites in Amarillo offers local history and character showcased throughout our 104 guest rooms as well as our meeting space. Striking the perfect balance between refinement and relaxation, our extraordinary design meets complete functionality for business and leisure travelers alike.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Complimentary hot breakfast
- Borrow items such as kitchen gadgets, cookbooks, board games and more
- Bar-B-Q and grill accessories, seasonings, and more
- On-site 24-hour laundry facility
- Indoor pool & 24-hour fitness center
- Outdoor lounge area
- Complimentary On-site parking



## GUESTROOM FEATURES

- Fully equipped in-room kitchen with a full-size refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, and stove top
- Large well-lit work areas
- In-room coffee and tea
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Pet friendly



# DAILY CONVENTION FACEMASK CONTEST!



The 2021 TASCOE Convention  
will have a daily facemask contest.  
The best facemask of the day  
gets a **PRIZE!**

## MEMORIALS

DUE JUNE 10, 2021

You may turn in your memorial submissions anytime  
now through June 10, 2021 to be included in the  
2021 TASCOE Memorial Presentations.

Please contact Patrick Reynolds to submit or for  
more information.



## USDA Masks

\$8 each, includes shipping

Checks or PayPal accepted

Email order form to:

[nascoenationalconvention@gmail.com](mailto:nascoenationalconvention@gmail.com) if  
using PayPal (jamiegarriott)

Mail order form and check payable to:

IASCOE

14285 N 700 W

Silver Lake, IN 46982



All proceeds benefit NASCOE National Convention Fundraising for 2021

\*Order will not be placed until payment has been received.

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# DISTRICT NEWS!

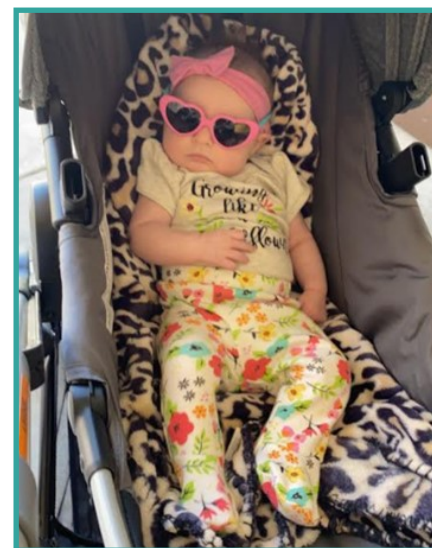
## CASTRO COUNTY



Griffyn Cate Schulte, daughter of Taylor and Caitlin Schulte of Nazareth, TX and granddaughter of Virgil and Dianne Huseman of Nazareth, TX  
Born March 22<sup>nd</sup> weighing 7lbs. 6oz.  
Greeted by a sister, Ellie, 5 years old and a brother, Beckham, 2 years old

## RANDALL COUNTY

Key PT Michelle Lutes of Randall County would like to announce the arrival of her first Grand baby Skyler Ann Lutes was born Feb 20, 2021. Skyler is the daughter of Chandler and Rylee Lutes.



## HOCKLEY COUNTY

Mica Durham, Hockley County PT, was surprised with a 50th birthday party - complete with cake, signage, streamers & black balloons. Her mood was not dimmed by the number as there is much to celebrate in the later years as she has a precious 16 month old granddaughter, Charlie Lane Durham (shown with her parents, Beau & Marley Durham); and her daughter & son in law (Brooke & Ty Lust), are having her a grandson in September of 2021.



# DISTRICT NEWS!

## GAINES COUNTY

Darryl Perryman, CED Gaines County, daughter Kenzie Perryman, 2013 TASCOE Scholarship Recipient, will graduate from UNT Physician Assistant School May 14 in Fort Worth. She will be working in Amarillo for a neurosurgeon.



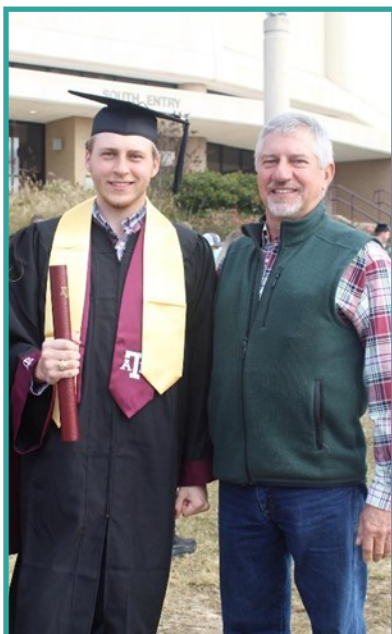
## MONTAGUE COUNTY

John Cowling, 11 year old 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Bridgeport Middle School, son of Montague County PT April Cowling and Corey Cowling, had amazing results at the 2021 Wise County Youth Fair.

John won the special Texas theme category of Peaches in the Food Category – All Level 4-H and FCCLA competition with his Southern Peach Pound Cake. He also won 4<sup>th</sup> place Meat Pen of Rabbits out of a 25 pen class.



## JONES COUNTY



"Retired Jones and Shackelford/Throckmorton CED and still LA for FSA, Kelly Head proudly has enjoyed both of his kids college graduations recently. Son, Grant Head, also former STO Intern, graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in Rangeland Ecology and Management back in December 2020, while daughter, Abbey Head Whipple received her Master's degree in Ag Education from Texas Tech University last week to go with her Agricultural Economics degree received previously from Texas A&M University. WHOOP & Guns UP!"



# DISTRICT NEWS!

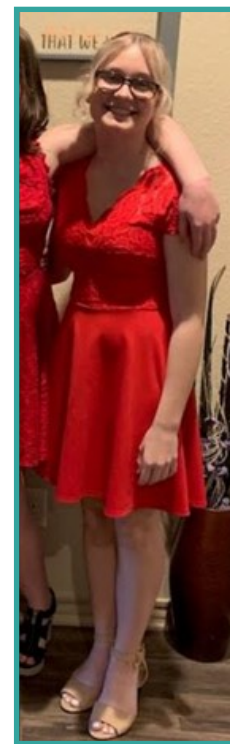
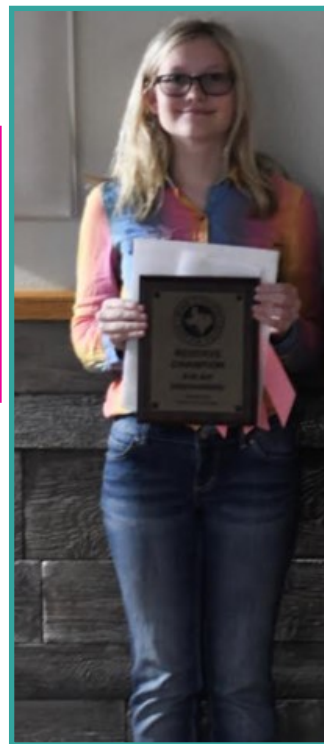
## JONES COUNTY

“Karen Leschper, IT gal extraordinaire for many counties in Texas retired! As you can see from her cookies, she had 43 ½ years with USDA. Her smile would brighten any room and her skills on computers and technology always calmed us non-techy folks! She is shown at her retirement party in her home with family and also with the Jones County FSA staff for a farewell gathering. Karen has been a TASCOE associate member all of her years in District #7! She is already greatly missed! She is definitely enjoying retirement, visiting family and grandkids!”



## WISE COUNTY

Makayla Hudson, 13 year old in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Bridgeport Middle School, daughter of Wise County PT, Meagan Hudson and Ronnie Hudson participated in the 2021 Wise County Youth Fair. She placed in the top 3 with all of her food and art entries. She was Reserve Champion Overall Intermediate Art. She was just accepted into the National Junior Honor Society.





# DISTRICT NEWS!



## WISE COUNTY



Garrett Hudson, son of Meagan Hudson, Wise County PT and Ronnie Hudson, is a 17 year old junior at Bridgeport High School has had a wonderful 2021 so far. He placed 4<sup>th</sup> with his Market Barrow Hampshire and made the sale. Track season was a success as well when his 4x400m relay team made it to the Regional Track Meet and broke a 26 year old school record, not once but twice, with times of 3:27.57 and 3:27.25. The baseball team he is a part of is also going to the playoffs for the first time since 2015.

## YOUNG -THROCKMORTON COUNTY



"Camera snapping happy Jeannine P. Wendel, Young-Throckmorton CED on SNOW-VID-2021:

"Snow covered wheat field (photo 1)

"Sunset paradise with Jose and my ole windmill"

" Heading to the office on SNOW-VID21 day # who knows?"

"Bull 100 @ Sunset during SNOW-VID21"





# DISTRICT NEWS!



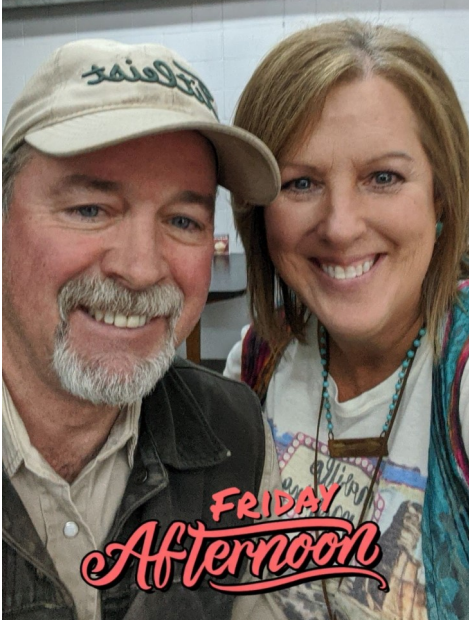
## YOUNG-THROCKMORTON COUNTY



“Joyfully, Jeannine P. Wendel, Young-Throckmorton CED, and her sweet hubby, Duane, celebrated their 31<sup>st</sup> on March 31<sup>st</sup> ! They were able to go back to the place of their first date (03/31/1985) @ St. Mary’s Catholic Church, College Station, TX to celebrate 31 years of wedded bliss, getting hitched on 03/31/1990!”



“Look who is back to his hometown of Throckmorton, TX, but none other than former TASCOE President and retired Wilbarger CED, Kelly Lindsey, who was caught in the newly opened Soda Shop by Young-Throckmorton CED, Jeannine P. Wendel. Welcome back home to be a Throckmorton producer, Kelly!”



Jillian P. Wendel, 19 year old daughter of Jeannine P. Wendel, Young-Throckmorton CED, has just completed her Junior year with straight “A’s” in her degree as an Art History major with a minor in Philosophy, while working at the Farm Patch, too. Jillian and her roommate, Fran the cat, are loving that summer is near and school is out!





# DISTRICT NEWS!

## LAMAR COUNTY

“Cade Whitis, son of Lester and Randi Whitis (CED Lamar County), turned 2 on March 13!



Cade Whitis (2), son of Lester and Randi Whitis (CED Lamar County), enjoying his horse with Dad.

Cooper Whitis (10), son of Lester and Randi Whitis (CED Lamar County), is playing his 7<sup>th</sup> year of baseball. He is catcher for the AAA Cardinals in Paris.





# DISTRICT NEWS!

## HOPKINS-DELTA / WOOD-RAINS COUNTY

Cash Dale son of Whit and LaCresha Dale (CED Hopkins -Delta/Wood-Rains) had a good run this Spring at the Texas Majors!

Reserve Grand Champion Simmental at the Houston Livestock Show

Reserve Continental Division Heifer and Grand Champion Simmental at Rodeo Austin

Grand Champion Simmental at the Simbrah-Simmental Superbowl

Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion at San Antonio Livestock Show

At Texas Simmental/Simbrah Association Southern Showcase

~Junior Show~

Grand Champion Simmental Heifer

Grand Champion Summer Yearling Heifer Division

~Open Show~

Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Simmental Heifer

Grand Champion Senior Yearling Heifer Division

Grand Champion Summer Yearling Heifer Division



## RED RIVER COUNTY



Emmitt Stringer (Son of PT Ellie Stringer- Red River County) is finishing up his first season of t-ball.



Pake Stringer (Son of PT Ellie Stringer- Red River County) celebrated his first Birthday May 23, 2021.





# DISTRICT NEWS!



## FAYETTE-LEE COUNTY

Kylee and Clay Hoffmann (children of Dawn Hoffmann, Fayette/Lee County PT) recently participated in the Spring performance of *Charlotte's Web* with their theatre class as part of the On Pointe players.

## GUADALUPE COUNTY

Laney Aguilar is graduating from New Braunfels High School. She is the daughter of Albert & Linda Aguilar Jr, sister to Allie, and best friend to their dog Homer. She will be attending St. Phillips College in the Fall where she will major in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. Congratulations!



## COLORADO COUNTY

PT Jenna Leihardt, husband Travis, and daughter Adriana welcomed a new member to the family! Tessa Mae Leihardt was born on April 9<sup>th</sup> weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz and 19.5 inches long.

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