

could be made. Crystal Stanford will be in touch with the playground sales team to work up designs and drawings to be presented to county officials and displayed for the public.

The next meeting will be held on July 3 at 6 pm at the Family Life Center. The foundation will be celebrating their 1 year anniversary as an organization, electing new officers, and discussing upcoming events. Everyone is welcome to join the discussions and present ideas. RL4Restoration Foundation is about community involvement for community improvement.

USMCA to open doors for US ag products

Texas farmers and ranchers need strong trade relationships, especially during weak economic times, according to County Farm Bureau.

Trade agreements between the U.S. and other countries are crucial to the success of agriculture in Texas and the U.S., Coke County Farm Bureau President John Ross Copeland said.

The U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) could open the doors to export more U.S. agricultural products.

“USMCA will build on the strong foundation we have with two of our strongest trading partners, Canada and Mexico,” John Ross said. “It will give Texas farm and ranch families the certainty they deserve as they grow and harvest their crops.”

Times have been tough for Texas agriculture, John Ross said. Ongoing trade negotiations with China have

added pressure, but Congress ratifying USMCA would move things in a positive direction.

“Farm income is down and so are commodity prices,” John Ross said. “We need to secure a strong trade agreement for North America.”

USMCA would replace the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Under USMCA, Canada will increase its market opportunities for U.S. dairy, poultry and egg products.

USMCA addresses the use of biotechnology in agriculture. The three countries agreed to enhance information exchange and cooperation on genetically modified organisms and gene editing.

Mexico and Canada are the second and third largest markets for U.S. agricultural goods, behind only China. USMCA would significantly strengthen those markets and benefit farmers and ranchers, John Ross said.

“USMCA is good for Texas and the U.S.,” John Ross said. “It’s a trade agreement that would benefit farmers, ranchers and consumers.”

RL Elementary 6th Six Weeks Awards ‘A’ Honor Roll

1st Grade Kaygen Jost, Jacquelyn Madrid, Destiny Poeppel, Reed Rangel

2nd Grade Allisyn Bohannon, Avery Bosworth, Amanda Burns, Bailey Flanagain, Mylee Longoria, Kyle Manis, Ayden Ramirez, Bracken Robertson, Jaxson South

3rd Grade Autumn Camarillo, Taylor



Appreciation! On Friday, June 7, 2019, an EMS appreciation dinner was held at Noel & Co., hosted by Clark and Noel Tinkler. West Coke County EMS members pictured above include (back row, from left to right) Gina Moran, Grace Todacheeny (new Administrator of Record), Stephen Salmon (retired Administrator of Record), Jason Moran (President), JP Skipworth, (front row, from left to right) Brenda Skinner (Treasurer), and Cynthia Skipworth (Secretary).

Rose, Malachi Wauqua, Mandie Wheeler

4th Grade Joshua Garcez, Addison Grantham

5th Grade Eli Bradshaw, Carter Fluhmann, Brennen Hood, Antonio Sigala

6th Grade Denver O’Dell

‘A/B’ Honor Roll

1st Grade Emily Hopson, Emmitt Madron, Milo Rackley, JT Sawyer

2nd Grade Logan Arens, Jacob Garcez, Yuritzzy Guzman, Jewel Pitcock, Mark Reyes, Kaleb Samaniego, Ronald Waggonner

3rd Grade

Jaedyn Ayers, Violet Castaneda, Riley Hearn, Cali Ingram, Kylie Lopez, Pyrce Munoz, Jessica Navarro, Fallon Raney, Charles Stephens

4th Grade Jathan Brunkow, Maddison Coger, Zachary Eubanks, Sarah Garcez, Joshua Hinderliter, Sebastian Reyna, Eduardo Ureno, Brody Wilson

5th Grade Austin Ashlock, Brittany Crisp, Ezra Gamboa, Olivia Gregston, Alec Henson, Maci Lee, Karmen Radloff, Nathaniel Samaniego, Brenner Sherwood

6th Grade Zachary Avants, Tiffany Crisp, Brewer Hood, Rhett Rangel, Jasmin Reyna

Perfect Attendance

Kindergarten Jordan Bohannon, Ezra Douglas, Gabriel Eubanks, Mason Johnson, Grayson Jones, Bryson Munoz, Ezra Saucedo, Kamryn Stanford, Madelyn Torrez

1st Grade Emily Hopson, Fernanda Landeros, Emmitt Madron, JT Sawyer

2nd Grade Alexandria Balderas, Avery Bosworth, Amanda Burns, Wyatt Jowers, Mylee Longoria, Kyle Manis, Jewel Pitcock, Ayden Ramirez, Mark Reyes, Bracken Robertson, Jaxson South

3rd Grade Jaedyn Ayers, Violet Castaneda, Riley Hearn, Pyrce Munoz, Jessica Navarro, Charles Sigala, Charles Stephens, Mandie Wheeler

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