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Members re-elect Larry Wallin

Cooperative members voted to return Larry Wallin of Logan to Position 13 – Districts 3 and 13 on the Board of Directors. Wallin was challenged by Viola A. Terry, also from Logan. In the only contested election at this year's Annual Membership Meeting, ballot totals were: Wallin – 146 and Terry – 84. Members also voted to return Kenny Wilhite to Board Position 1 – Districts 1 and 2; Frank Blackburn to Board Position 2 – Districts 1 and 2; Frank Garnett to Board Position 7 – Districts 6, 7 and 8; and, James Cordova to Board Position 11 – Districts 9, 10 and 11. Each will serve a new three-year term on the Board and ran unopposed.

Other highlights from the meeting included:

- 249 registered members.
- 2018 Education Foundation Scholarship winners were announced.
- Members heard reports from Board President Frank Blackburn, CEO David Robinson and Controller Alan Herman about the successes achieved in 2017 and potential opportunities and challenges ahead in 2018. They also stated appreciation of the Board of Directors and

employees for over 68 years of commitment to that original vision of providing area-wide service at the lowest cost consistent with sound economies and good management.

For the 20th year, members participated in the meeting through two-way interactive television from remote sites in

Clayton, Clovis and Logan. Once again, the meeting employed a teleconferencing system operated over the Cooperative's broadband fiber-optic cable network.

In addition to the elections and business portion of the meeting, members were treated to an outstanding performance of the National Anthem by Santa



Larry Wallin

Rosa High School Student Anastasia Zitz, with the presentation of colors by members of the Guadalupe County 4-H Club. Each member in attendance received a gift and was eligible for a door prize drawing at the end of the meeting. The day concluded with an enjoyable lunch arranged and served by students and adult sponsors of the Santa Rosa High School Business Professionals of America (BPA) and the Student Council.

Over \$130,000 awarded in scholarships

Plateau has awarded 35 area students over \$130,000 in scholarships from the Cooperative Education Foundation. Since its inception in 1993, the Foundation has presented over \$1.27 million in scholarships and grants to area students. Scholarship winners were introduced at the Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting held in Santa Rosa, New Mexico on April 28. Education Foundation Scholarship winners for 2018 are:

\$8,000 Robert M. Harris Memorial Scholarship recipients are:

Mikayla D. Garnand – Santa Rosa High School
Avery Madison Lee – Grady High School
Abigail Anne Wilton – Fort Sumner High School
(This scholarship honors Plateau's first full-time general manager, Robert M. Harris.)

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Scholarships

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\$8,000 Evelyn Patterson Memorial

Scholarship recipients are:

Danika Elise Nelson – Texico High School
Holly Lynn Perez – Vaughn High School
Jaidyn Elizabeth Swartz – Springer High School



Mikayla D. Garnand



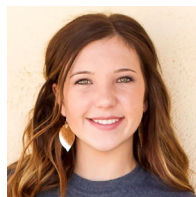
Abigail Anne Wilton



Danika Elise Nelson



Holly Lynn Perez



Jaidyn Elizabeth Swartz

\$3,000 Banner Scholarship recipients are:

Kabel Aaron Brooks – Clovis High School
Kreston Edward Butterfield – Fort Sumner High School
Conner Addison Cox – Corona High School
Matthew Ryan Dale – Farwell High School
Estrella Samantha Encinias – West Las Vegas High School
Brianna Renee Fong – Clayton High School
Jazmin Cleopatra Regalado Hernandez – Fort Sumner High School
Cheyenne Lee Horne – Logan High School
Kaylee Jayce Miller – Texico High School
Jake Cooper Mitchell – Clayton High School
Jack Everett Palla – Clovis High School
Brent J. Racher – Corona High School
Trevellion James Rinstine – Logan High School
Jadyn Alexis Romero – Santa Rosa High School
Rebecca Rae Rush – Melrose High School
Noah Nathan Saiz – Santa Rosa High School
Vicki Skyler Saul – Grady High School
Jessica Marie Stanton – Fort Sumner High School
Shelby Claire Stone – Logan High School
Brock Thompson – Texico High School
Aislyn Taylor Trujillo – Santa Rosa High School
Kaitlyn Jessika Ulibarri – Santa Rosa High School
Abigayl Erika Vigil – Clayton High School
Brant Damon West – Fort Sumner High School
Charity Bess Wilson – Texico High School

Named as alternates are:

Peyton Lane Lewis – Fort Sumner High School
Cambry Deanne Dudley-Lujan – Logan High School
Coltin Garrett Roach – Logan High School
Jordyn Don Stowe – House High School

\$1,500 Tonie Martinez Memorial Committed to Excellence Endowment Scholarship recipient is:

Francisco Enrique Romero – Santa Rosa High School

\$2,000 Tom M. Phelps Scholarship recipients are:

Autumn McMath – West Texas A&M University
Hailey Rowland – Eastern New Mexico University
Angelique Tenorio – New Mexico Highlands University

Funding for the Education Foundation comes from Cooperative members' donated and abandoned capital credit payments. One of the Education Foundation's goals is to improve educational opportunities for the youth in the Cooperative's service area.

April Board meeting highlights

The Cooperative Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, April 26. Highlights of that meeting follow:

- The Board approved the applications of 55 new members to the Cooperative.
- The Board accepted the 2017 financial audits.
- Board member Frank Garnett reported on his attendance and participation at the NTCA Legislative & Policy Conference in Washington, D.C.
- The Board was informed that two area students were named as winners of Foundation for Rural Service Scholarships: Tamia Higgins from Fort Sumner High School and Danika Nelson from Texico High school.
- Board member Jerry Sours was appointed as the Cooperative's voting delegate for the Farmers Electric Cooperative Annual Membership Meeting in Grady, New Mexico.
- Board members recognized for their years of service included Larry Wallin (30 years) and Jim Lyssy (15 years).
- A construction status report was presented to the Board and included:
 - ~ Conversion of members from copper cable to the new fiber-optic network in the El Valle exchange continues.
 - ~ Conversion of members from copper cable to the new fiber-optic network in the Ribera area continues.
 - ~ Conversion of members from copper cable to the new fiber-optic network in the Bernal/Serafina area is underway.
 - ~ Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Trementina exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Fort Sumner exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the San Jon exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Bellview exchange is complete.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Santa Rosa exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Ranchvale exchange is underway.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, at the Cooperative's offices north of Clovis.

Mission statement

Our mission is to provide our members with universal access to high quality, reasonably priced, progressive communications services that enhance the quality of life and economic development of our service areas.

We will work for the attainment of this mission through investment in, and efficient management of diverse, communication related ventures, which will provide financial and other value.

We will strive to achieve this mission by deployment of appropriate technologies, and empowering and equipping our employees to deliver customer satisfaction.



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For Sale – 4205 South Prince aka 533 US Highway 70. Commercial property formerly irrigated farm land. 77+ acres, 3-phase power, corrals, \$300,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Small Ranch for Sale – Trujillo, New Mexico. Off the grid. 647 Acres with 2-bedroom, 2-bath house. Community well. Million dollar view! Above Canyon Largo next to Sabinoso Wilderness Area. Motivated seller, price reduced! Call 1.713.468.8495.

For Sale – 34' 2011 Keystone Sprinter RV, 2 slides, king size bed, power awning, levels and jack. Call Helen at 1.575.403.5981.

For Sale – Several residences in Broadview, New Mexico. Can finance some. Call 1.575.456.8100 or 1.575.760.8380.

Have something to buy, sell or trade? Reach countless numbers of Cooperative members and even more through our website every month for as little as \$3 per month for a 15-word classified ad. Simply complete this form and RETURN WITH PAYMENT to Netlink Classified Advertising, P.O. Box 1947, Clovis, N.M. 88102-1947 or call 1.575.389.4241 or email jrj@plateautel.com.

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Wanted – “Hit and Miss”, John Deere, 1 hp, model E. Waterloo Boy gasoline engine(s). Complete, in running condition or restorable. No junk please. Will pick up locally. Call 1.806.481.5516 (leave message) or tstaylor@suddenlink.net.

Wanted! Your Farms and Ranches – Broker has over 40 years of experience in production agriculture and is a farm owner/operator. Serving all of Eastern New Mexico. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 134 Paisano, Newkirk. Just over 7 acres in Ranchos Lake Conchas addition west of Conchas Lake. 1-bedroom, 1-bath home with 1-bath guesthouse. Phone and electricity available. \$34,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 0000 Boat Dock Drive. A full lot and a half lot totaling just over ½ acre. Water frontage at high level. Utilities nearby. \$49,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – On Big Mesa Avenue at Conchas Lake, New Mexico. Improved lot very close to water. Just over ¾ acre. \$98,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 7543 NM 104, Conchas, New Mexico, 3-bedroom, 2-bath double-wide with sunroom on 2.91 acres, detached garage, carport, outbuildings, chain link fence with remote gate. Highway frontage with commercial potential. \$135,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 1997 New Holland 8870 MFWD tractor. New rear duals, power shift. \$35,000. Front Line Equipment Company 1.575.456.1000 or 1.575.760.5461.

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Upcoming Events

May 12 3rd Annual Bosque Redondo Memorial Gourd Dance – Speakers and artisans will converge on the Bosque Redondo Memorial in Fort Sumner, New Mexico to celebrate tradition and history. For more information, call 1.575.355.2573 or visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/bosqueredondo.memorial>.

May 13 Mother's Day – One of the biggest retail selling periods in the United States with flowers, greeting cards and the like leading the way. It is also one of the biggest days for long distance calling and church attendance—behind Christmas and Easter.

May 19 7th Annual Russell's Truck and Travel Center Car Show – Russell's Truck and Travel Center hosts its 7th Annual Car Show from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. MST in Endee, New Mexico on I-40 in Quay County. For more information, visit <http://www.russellsttc.com/> or email railsbacl@gmail.com.

May 24 Board of Directors Meeting – Monthly meeting of the Cooperative Board of Directors takes place at Plateau's business offices north of Clovis.

May 26 and 27 Cannon Air Force Base Air Show, Space and Tech Fest – Celebrating the long-standing partnership between Cannon Air Force Base and the High Plains community, this year's air show features the USAF Thunderbirds and the Canadian Royal Air Force F-18 Demo teams. This event is free and open to the public with gates opening at 9 a.m. and events taking place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information visit <http://www.cannon.af.mil/cannonairshow/> or call 1.575.784.4131.

May 28 Memorial Day – The offices and stores of Plateau will be closed for the holiday. This day traditionally signals the beginning of

the summer season, but its original and actual purpose is to honor and “memorialize” all the men and women who have served in the armed forces of the United States.

June 1 and 2 New Mexico Music Showcase – The Convention Center in Tucumcari, New Mexico comes alive with a truly New Mexican heritage and sound; also includes a car show, vendors, food and much more. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/NEWMEXICOMUSICSHOWCASE/> or email TUCUMCARICOLUMBUSCLUB@YAHOO.COM.

June 7 to 9 Pioneer Days – Clovis, New Mexico celebrates its pioneering spirit with rodeos, the Pioneer Women's Breakfast, a parade and so much more. For more information, visit the Clovis Curry County Chamber website site at <http://www.clovisnm.org> or give them a call at 1.575.763.3435.

June 8 and 9 Old Fort Days – Fort Sumner, New Mexico's Old Fort Days promises the best of the past with a ranch rodeo, a parade, vendors and, of course, “The World Famous Billy the Kid Tombstone Race.” For more information, call the Fort Sumner Chamber of Commerce at 1.575.355.7705.

June 8 and 9 Fort Sumner Ranch Rodeo – You won't want to miss this Working Ranch Cowboys Association sanctioned event in Fort Sumner, New Mexico. For more information, call 1.575.799.8527.

June 25 to 30 Clovis Draggin' Main and Music Festival – Clovis celebrates its rock-n-roll heritage with a week-long event featuring daily tours of the city's iconic drive-ins, the Gearhead Gathering, the Draggin' Main Cruise and three nights of great concerts with country artist Doug Stone on Wednesday, the Remembering Bobby Vee Show featuring the Killer Vees on Thursday, and rockers Warrant with special guests Steelheart on Friday. For more information, visit <http://www.clovisnm.org> or call 1.575.763.3435.