

Waddell, Cranek To Wed

Ms. Beth Waddell and Mr. Davis Waddell both of Eagle Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Rae, to Mr. Hank Alan Cranek of Garwood.

Leslie is the granddaughter of Elizabeth Waddell and the late Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hauenstein and Mr. Raymond Waddell. Leslie is a graduate of Rice High School and a 2005 graduate of Texas State University at San Marcos. She currently teaches fourth grade at Northside Elementary in El Campo. Hank is the son of James (Cotton) and Connie Cranek of Garwood. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cranek, Jr. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hoffman. Hank is a graduate of Rice High School and a 2005 graduate of Sam Houston State University. He is engaged in the family rice farming business.

Leslie and Hank will exchange their vows at the First Presbyterian Church in El Campo on July 25. A celebration will follow at New Taiton.

Soil, Water Banquet Held March 27

The Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District (CSWCD) hosted the 60th annual awards banquet on Friday, March 27, in Weimar at the Veteran's Memorial Hall.

CSWCD chairman W.J. Kleimann welcomed the group in attendance.

Zone II director Jerry F. Hudec led the pledges to the American and the Texas flags.

Mary Parr sang the state song, "Texas, Our Texas."

Rev. Herb Beyer from Faith Lutheran Church in Weimar gave the invocation.

The meal was catered by Garland Polasek.

CSWCD vice-chairman Lawrence Shimek introduced the board of directors and dignitaries.

Gloria Ilse with Colorado County Farm Bureau introduced the Colorado County Ag Partners and gave a brief summary of activities.

Ilse recognized the Women in Ag (WIA) series participants.

Certificates were presented to the WIA participants by Chairman Kleimann.

Women in Ag honorees include Lillie Mae Aschenbeck, Gracie Brune, Mickey Glueck and Dorothy Leyendecker.

Beverly Tuck, District Secretary, announced the Bright Ideas Awards.

The Bright Ideas Awards were presented by Travis Wegenhoff, representing First National Bank, to the following Eagle Lake Elementary School students: Hailey Ferguson, Collin George, Riley Gott, Marissa Serna and Ryan Trahan.

The students displayed "Water

Wise Use" at the banquet and are the students of Marla Rankin, ELES fourth grade teacher.

Clara Bartek announced the winners of the 2008-2009 Coloring Contest.

Awards were presented by Donald Hayek of Fayette Savings.

Those recognized include:

Breanna Woytek (3Pre-Kindergarten), Leila Davila and Alexa Rangel (4Pre-Kindergarten), Valerie Ramirez (Kindergarten), Tori Janak (first grade), Zakary Kunz and Brynn Munoz (second grade) and Ashley Rollins (third grade).

Edna Shimek announced the 2008-2009 Poster Contest winners.

Division I awards were presented by Lee Fritsch of LCRA.

Division I winners include first place, Luna Marie Conwill; second place, Kaylianne Marie Neuendorf and third place, Katie Wolbrecht.

Division II winners include first place, Emily Koenig; second place, Erin Prause and third place, Kyndall Wick.

The 2008-2009 Essay Contest winners were announced by Brenda Kleimann.

Essay awards were presented by Wanda Faldyn of Industry State Bank-New Ulm Branch. Division I winners include first place, Anna Kate Hrachovy; second place, Marty Abell and third place, Vikram Nayar.

Division II winners include first place, Todd Heger; second place, Brittany Moore and third place (tie), Kelsey Andrejczak and Katelyn Tesch.

Director Calvin Brod announced the winners of the Soil Painting Contest.

Calvin Friedrich, representing Colorado Valley Communications, presented awards to fourth grade winner, Mardonia Vasquez and the fifth grade winner, Samantha Wick.

Tuck announced the special recognition awards, with Chairman Kleimann presenting awards to Jean Redus and Mary Parr.

Parr was also given a copy of the Colorado County Commissioner's Resolution recognizing her contributions to agriculture in the county through the USDA Farm Service Agency. Director Mahalite announced the Ted Schultz Conservation Teacher Award recipient as Dennis Wagner.

Michael and Dorothy Wostarek (Black Creek Drilling) presented the award.

Director Shimek announced Shirley Smith as the Conservation Homemaker Award with Kim Reichle (First State Bank) presenting.

Harry Henkhaus Red Cross Lifeguard Courses Offered

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interested in taking either the Red Cross Lifeguarding course or the renewal course. Current lifeguards wanting to renew their CPR and/or lifeguard certificates as well as new students will meet

at 6:30 p.m. Course schedules will be discussed at this meeting.

Prerequisites for new students: 1. Must be 15 years of age or older by May 15. 2. swim front

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Old Skool Organization trip to Coshatta Casino Resort

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Bus will leave B&B Grocery in Eagle Lake at 5 p.m. May 2 and will return to Eagle Lake at 9 a.m. May 3. For additional information or to sign up contact Kevin Earls at 979-257-7489 or Sue Ann Scott at 979-332-1168



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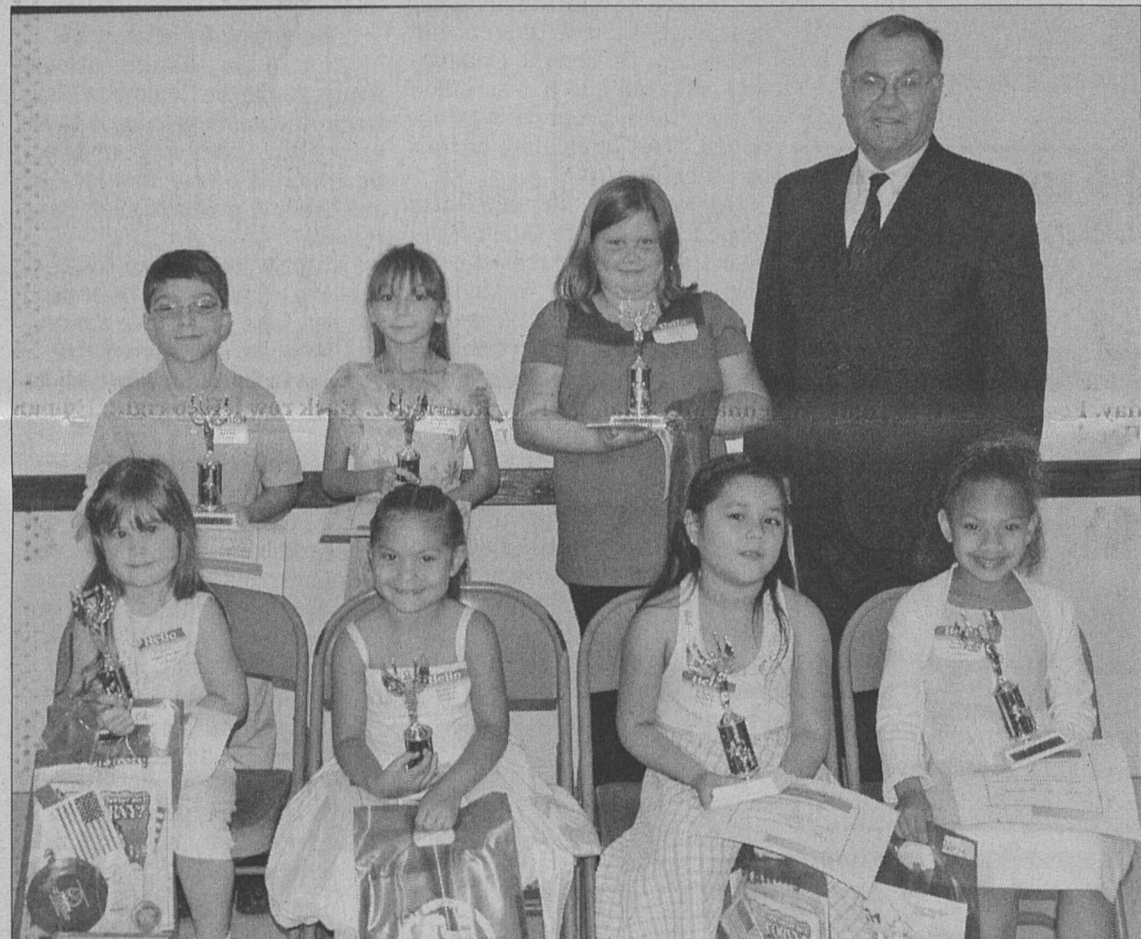
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Coloring Contest Winners

Front, from left: Breanna Woytek, Levila Davila, Alexa Rangel and Valerie Ramirez. Back, Zakary Kunz, Brynn Munoz, Ashley Rollins and Donald Hayek, Fayette Savings.

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1. Must be 15 years of age or older by May 15.
2. Swim front crawl for 20 yards, surface dive to 10 feet and retrieve a 10 pound object and swim back to starting point within 1 minute, 40 seconds, and
3. Swim three hundred yards continuously using the front crawl with rhythmic breathing and a stabilizing, propellant kick, and the breaststroke.

Students must attend all classes, and pass all written and skills tests with a score of 80 or better.

Course fees for new students are \$140 (\$90 to Am. Red Cross

for text books, pocket mask, valve, bandage kit, equipment usage fee and administrative fees); and, \$50 to local Red Cross for pool and instructor supplies.)

Course fees for lifeguard renewals are \$50 and CPR renewals are \$40.

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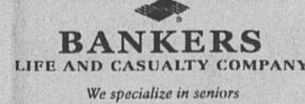
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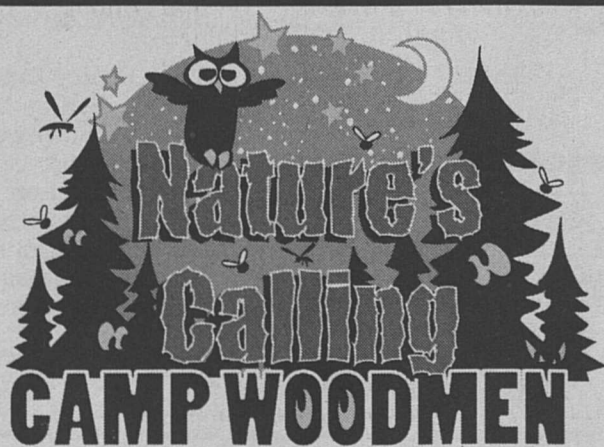
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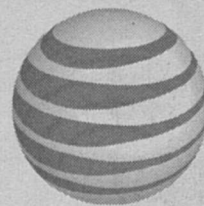
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