

Lexington Resident Named to TSTC Honor Roll

Chris Sanders of Lexington earned a place on the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring semester at Texas State Technical College Waco.

Sanders is a student in Drafting & Design Technology. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes the scholastic achievement of students with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 for the semester.

Texas State Technical College, the only state-supported technical college system in Texas, offers specialized, hands-on instructional courses at campuses in Harlingen, Marshall, Waco and

West Texas. TSTC Waco also offers classes at the WCJC Fort Bend Technical Center in Richmond and the Texas State Marine Education Center in Palacios. TSTC Waco is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; Telephone number (404) 679-4501 to award Associate of Applied Science degrees and Certificates of Completion. Visit TSTC's Web site at www.tstc.edu; call toll-free (800) 792-8784 or direct (254) 867-3372 for more information.

Local Hearing Care Provider Helps Impoverished Children

Local hearing care provider Randy Schoenborn and a team of volunteers will travel to Tampico, Mexico and Reynosa, Mexico for a hearing mission this month. The team will provide over 2,000 hearing aids to impoverished hearing impaired children and adults. "There is an overwhelming sense of privilege to be a part of this effort," said Schoenborn, owner of NewSound Hearing Aid Centers. "It is like having a front-row seat to witnessing lives changed."

The group consists of clinicians and patient care support staff from NewSound Hearing Aid Centers, the nation's largest Audibel provider with over 40 locations in Central and South Texas. NewSound is passionate about improving lives through better hearing. To this end, it proudly sponsors hearing missions each year with the Starkey Hearing Foundation.

Owner of NewSound Honored for Philanthropic Efforts

Schoenborn was recently honored with the So the World May Hear Award for providing hearing aids to persons in need through

his strong support of the Starkey Hearing Foundation. Audibel, a leading hearing technology company, presented the awards at its national symposium held recently in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"I am honored to receive this award," said Schoenborn. "I am proud to be part of this organization and look forward to many more years of improving lives through better hearing."

About the Starkey Hearing Foundation

The Starkey Hearing Foundation is a non-profit organization that promotes hearing health awareness and provides hearing aids to persons in need worldwide. Their efforts have resulted in over 335,000 hearing aids distributed since 2000. The Foundation is sustained by the efforts of thousands of volunteers and donors around the world. This support allows the Foundation to deliver more than 50,000 hearing aids annually through more than 100 hearing missions a year.

For more information about similar projects or to make a donation, please contact NewSound at 1-877-55-SOUND.



Miss Julia Burkhalter, granddaughter of Gary and Beverly Iselt of Lexington, was chosen Queen of Hope in a pageant sponsored by the American Cancer Society of Louisiana.

AG Groups Weigh In On EPA's Endangerment Finding

Nearly two-dozen farm and ranch organizations sent a letter today to the Environmental Protection Agency opposing its proposal to classify greenhouse gases as a public health risk.

"Farmers and ranchers would be exposed to potential legal liability under such a plan," explained Jon

Wooster, president of the U.S. Cattlemen's Association (USCA), which spearheaded the joint letter effort.

Even small farmers and ranchers would be subject to the EPA's onerous regulation, according to a 2008 analysis by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Hill Country Peaches Still Available

There are a few surviving peach varieties of the April 7th frost in the Hill Country. Growers are picking varieties such as BlazePrince, Ruston Red, and Redskin have a small crop of fruit on them now and into July. The fruit has outstanding flavor this year.

Currently, many roadside peach stands and orchards also have fresh vegetables and blackberries along with the peaches for sale.

And of course peach growers

are always happy to share their prize-winning recipes for peach cobbler!

It is recommended that customers contact growers individually to determine each orchard's availability of their local produce and peaches. Please refer to www.texaspeaches.com for a list of certified Hill Country fruit growers and hours and what days they are open.

Mobile Mammography Services Available in Smithville and Elgin

All women should have their first mammogram by the age of 40 and each year thereafter. Normally a mammogram would be \$200.00, however, due to a generous donation from the National Breast Cancer Foundation and the Breast Cancer Resource Centers of Texas there is no charge this year for eligible women. The Clinical Breast Exams will be provided by a Certified Cancer Screening Nurse. Education materials and breast self-exam teaching will also be offered at this screening.

Eligibility Criteria:

- * Must be at least 40 years old.
- * No implants, not pregnant, not

breast feeding, and no current breast problems.

* No insurance, Medicaid, Medicare or have a high yearly deductible. Low income.

* No previous mammogram within the past year.

* No history of breast cancer.

The Seton Cancer Screening Mobile Mammography Unit will be in Smithville on July 1 & 2, 2009 and in Elgin on August 25, 2009. Women need to call to schedule the appointments in advance. To schedule your appointment, please call Seton Cancer Screening at 512-505-5528 or toll-free-1-866-294-4923.

Applicants Being Sought for 2010 Young Leader Program

The Texas Soybean Association and the American Soybean Association (ASA) and Pioneer Hi-Bred, a DuPont Business, are seeking applicants for the 2010 Young Leader Program. The Young Leader Program is recognized throughout agriculture for its longstanding tradition of identifying and cultivating the producer leaders who are shaping the U.S. soybean industry.

"The Young Leader Program is an exceptional leadership training program," said ASA President Johnny Dodson, a soybean producer from Halls, Tenn. "ASA and Pioneer are committed to developing the next generation of leaders for the soybean industry."

The 2010 class of Young Leaders and their spouses will participate in a challenging and educational leadership experience De-

cember 6-9, 2009 at Pioneer headquarters in Johnston, Iowa, and then complete training March 2-6, 2010 in Anaheim, Calif., in conjunction with the annual Commodity Classic.

Application forms for the 2010 Young Leader Program, sponsored by Pioneer Hi-Bred, have been mailed to all ASA members. Applicants may apply on-line directly at www.SoyGrowers.com/dyl, or call (800) 688-7692, ext. 1328, to obtain an application form. Soybean producers are encouraged to apply or nominate another producer who would be an excellent candidate for the program. Information on guidelines to participate in the program is available at ASA's website or by calling the ASA program manager. All applications and nominations should be returned to ASA by Monday, August 31, 2009.

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Thank you for your support,
~ Ronny and Carrol Bradshaw