

SCHOOL/SPORTS NEWS



Bi-lingual reading and performing contribution at recent Books and Pajamas event

By Carol A. Moore

The Lanier School Board recognized the bi-lingual efforts of the first ESOL (English as a Second Language) students at their February board meeting. These students first language is not English. They are bi-lingual, meaning that they are fluent in two languages. The students, who are Lisbeth Esteban, Angel Flores, Linda Flores, Ramiro Miranda and Jose Zuniga, demonstrated an outstanding ability to perform and complete tasks

using both their native Spanish language as well as their second language, English.

During the community's recent Books and Pajama's event, the students acted out a bilingual play based upon the book by Laura Numeroff titled "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie". Jose Zuniga played the mouse. Angel Flores played the boy who fed the mouse a cookie. Lisbeth Esteban and Linda Flores were assistants. Ramiro Miranda

made props for the play. The story was read in Spanish after being translated by ESOL teacher Kim Rampley and performed by her ESOL class.

The plot of the story is that a boy gives a cookie to a mouse. The mouse asks for a glass of milk, then requests a straw (to drink the milk), a mirror (to avoid a milk mustache), nail scissors (to trim his hair in the mirror), and a broom (to sweep up his hair trimmings). Next he wants to

take a nap, have a story read to him, draw a picture, and hang the drawing on the refrigerator. Looking at the refrigerator makes him thirsty, so the mouse asks for a glass of milk.

The circle is complete when he wants a cookie to go with it and great fun was had by the play's cast as well as children and their family members that watched the play and heard the story!



L-R: LCHS FCCLA teacher Marina Ortiz, with students Desire Walker and Emma Sapp in Tifton at Regional STAR Events competition on the ABAC campus

One Gold Medalist, One Silver Medalist at Region STAR Events

By Carol A. Moore

Braving the growing problems of a very active flu and cold season which caused problems for many who planned to compete or judge at the Regional STAR Events competition on Saturday, Lanier County High School students Desire Walker and Emma Sapp were able to attend with help from their FCCLA teacher, Marina Ortiz. Walker completed in the Interpersonal Communication Senior and took Gold at region. Emma Sapp completed in Hospitality, Tourism and Recreation and placed with a Silver medal!

STAR (Students Taking

Action with Recognition) are competitive events in which Family Consumer Career Leaders of America (FCCLA) members are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual project, leadership skills and career preparation. STAR Events offer individual skill development and application of learning through cooperative teams, individual accomplishment of specific goals and competitive performance as measured by an established set of criteria. These events are grouped into foundations, leadership, career focused and on-line events.

Compare award letters to find best college deal

Most high school seniors headed for college will soon be receiving financial aid award letters. Seniors and their parents should read those letters carefully, KHEAA advises.

The letter will usually show the total cost of attendance for one year, including tuition, fees, room, meals, books, supplies, transportation and personal expenses.

It may also show how much the student's family is expected to pay toward those costs, the expected family

contribution (EFC). The EFC is subtracted from the total cost of attendance to get a student's financial need. The letter will then list various sources of financial aid offered to pay for the costs not covered by the EFC. Students can accept or reject any or all of those proposed sources.

Students can also appeal the awards if their family's financial circumstances have changed.

One consideration is how much of the aid being offered is in federal student loans,

which have to be repaid. If the package includes federal loans and isn't enough to pay all expenses, students may be looking at a private loan. Comparison shopping is a must in that case.

But don't choose a school based simply on cost. A more expensive college can be a better choice than a less expensive one that isn't a good fit. Transferring or dropping out can increase the total cost of a college degree.

KHEAA is a public, non-profit agency established in

1966 to improve students' access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents. KHEAA also helps colleges manage their student loan default rates and verify information submitted on the FAFSA. For more information about those services, visit www.kheaa.com.

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BULLDOGS BASKETBALL

By Steven F. Meders

Lady Bulldogs' season ends with 59-50 loss to Echols

The Lanier County High School Lady Bulldogs basketball team just could not get on track and fell short to Echols. No scores available at press time.

The season improved for the Lanier girls as time went by. With a 12-14 record overall record, 8-8 in the region, they came on with seven of eight wins at the end of the season.

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- Social Security Card
- Eye, Ear, Dental, & Nutrition Form (Form 3300)
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- Proof of Georgia Residency
 - Examples: current lease, property tax record, homeowner's insurance bill, mortgage statement, vehicle registration, utility bill
- Proof of Food Stamps, TANF, Medicaid, etc.

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Narconon reminds families that abuse of heroin and opioid drugs has become a national health crisis. Learn to recognize the signs of heroin abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk.

To learn about the overdose reversing drug known as naloxone and find out its availability in your state, visit www.narcononnewlifetreat.org

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