



Above, is Samantha Jordan. Jordan, a Chapel Hill resident, was named recipient of a \$10,000 scholarship. Top left, Jenna Bragg and friend show her grand champion meat pen rabbit; middle Cole Hinton helps auction his Grand Champion Home Ec project; bottom left, Dixie Taylor and her friends show her Reserve Grand Champion Swine. Below, Taylor Frederick displays her Reserve Grand Champion Home Ec project.



Expo, auction ends Saturday

The East Texas Junior Invitational Livestock Exposition ended Saturday at the Kiepersol Ranch in Bullard. The show benefits Smith county 4H and FFA organizations. Events on Saturday included the junior judging contest at 8 a.m. breeding rabbit show 8 a.m. and sale of champions at 2 p.m.

A \$10,000 scholarship was given to Samantha Jordan, to one of the senior exhibitors.

Most Smith County schools participated in the annual event.

ACHIEVERS



Bullard student takes first in ITA tournament

Brody Ben Taylor, a Bullard high school student, took first place in the sparring category of the national taekwondo tournament. The tournament was hosted by the International Taekwondo Alliance (ITA) and held on April 20 and 21 in Houston. Brody is a first degree, level 4 black belt, with Buddy Duke's Taekwondo School of Tyler. He is a senior at Bullard High School and will graduate in May. Brody is the son of Bobbye Ben Taylor of Bullard.

Propes to compete at state UIL



UIL contestant Ashley Propes, left, stands with her journalism teacher Melissa Vining.

Senior Bullard High School journalism student Ashley Propes will compete in the state UIL meet May 3 in Austin after placing third in headline writing at the Region 2 meet April 14 in Commerce.

Propes won the district 14-3A headline writing contest March 23 in Athens, which qualified her for the regional meet held at Texas A&M University Commerce. The top three finishers in each event advance to the next level of competition.

She will now compete against the top 3A headline writers in the state.

This is Propes' first year as a journalism student. She also competed in feature writing and editorial writing.

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