

Cherokee County voters fill District Courtroom for March 29th convention



Cherokee County Democrats attend County Convention.

Rusk, TX. - More than one hundred fifty alternates and delegates attended the March 29, 2008 Democrat County Convention to give support to the Democratic Presidential candidate of their choice.

Lines formed on the second floor of the Cherokee County Courthouse long before 10:00 AM as delegates registered for the convention. Many picked up campaign buttons, yard signs and bumper stickers to support either Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama. By 10:15 AM 135 delegates plus an overflow of alternates filled the District Courtroom. All Cherokee

County Precinct Boxes held caucuses and were represented by delegates with the exception of Box 26. Fifty three (53) Clinton Delegates and eighty-two Obama delegates present gave 61% of delegates to Obama and 39% to Clinton.

Fourteen (14) delegates will attend the Democratic June 5 - 7th State Convention in Austin, Texas to represent Cherokee County.. Of the fourteen(14) twelve will represent Barack Obama and two (2) will represent Hillary Clinton. Delegate Chair to Austin delegates is John Ross.

S. F. A. College of Education renamed James I. Perkins College of Education



Citizens 1st Bank President James I. Perkins SFA Luncheon Honoree congratulated by Rusk Mayor Pro-tem Walter Session.

Rusk, Tx. - James I. Perkins, Citizens 1st Bank President and Chairman of the Board was honored by Stephen F. Austin State University January 29, 2008 when the college of education was named the James I Perkins College of Education. More than four hundred friends and well wishers attended the Dedication Luncheon held at the SFA Baker Pattillo Student Center Grand Ballroom.

Mr. Perkins and his family provide more than forty scholarships per year to deserving students who attend Tyler Junior College and Stephen F. Austin State University. His life touches the lives of many through the dedicated service he has continued to give through the years to Rusk, Tyler, Nacogdoches and East Texas.

Laneville Yellowjacket Byron Blanton Session named MVP



Laneville Yellowjackets pulled off a state title win for at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin against Goodrich in the class A state finals. Byron Blanton Session was named MVP for the Championship game, scoring 36 points with 23 rebounds. The team defeated Goodrich 56-50.

Winning is nothing new to the Yellowjackets who won state titles in 1992 and 1993. Other winning Yellowjackets coached by Coach Nichols are Marcus Anderson, Gerraylon Carey, Jeremy Taylor, Semaj Alexander, Collin Alexander, Michael Anderson, Travonnie Hardeman and Johnavon Miller. Byron is a junior at Laneville High School. He is the son of Reva Blanton of Laneville employed at RSH and Jackie Session of Rusk. He is the grandson of Charles Blanton and Sweetie Upsaw of Laneville and Lester Session of Rusk.

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