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CARICATURES IN MY LIFE – This lighthearted exhibit showcases caricatures from the notebook of Sam Ayers. It includes drawings of several local educational personalities and people from various plays and meetings. The exhibit is in the Asbury Building located at 2005 Avenue T through Aug. 11. Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00-3:00, Friday 9:00-12:00 noon.



STORYTELLING – National award winning storyteller and recording artist Jim Weiss will be in Lubbock to tell stories to students at selected elementary and junior high school campuses September 12-16. This will be Mr. Weiss' sixth annual visit to Lubbock. His performances are made possible in part through grants from the CH and Helen Jones Foundations.

Sept. 12	9:30	R. Wilson	2:30	LCU
Sept. 13	9:30	Bowie	1:30	Iles
Sept. 14	9:30	Murfee	1:30	Wheelock
Sept. 15	9:30	Idalou	1:30	Dupre
Sept. 16	9:30	Rush	1:30	O. L. Slaton JHS-7 th

WESTERN HERITAGE – The Western Heritage program for 4th grade students will be held at the Asbury Building (across from Dupre Elementary School) on September 28 and 29. Students will rotate through learning stations where they will learn about cowboy clothing, horse and tack, music, art, the Longhorn, and storytelling. Reservations are required for the morning and afternoon sessions (contact sam.ayers@lcu.edu or 720-7991).

COWBOY ART - An exhibit focusing on the life of the cowboy will be on exhibit in the Asbury Gallery Sept. 26-Oct. 21. The exhibit will include sculptures, paintings, prints, and student art. The display is open to the public Monday-Thursday (9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.), Friday (9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon).



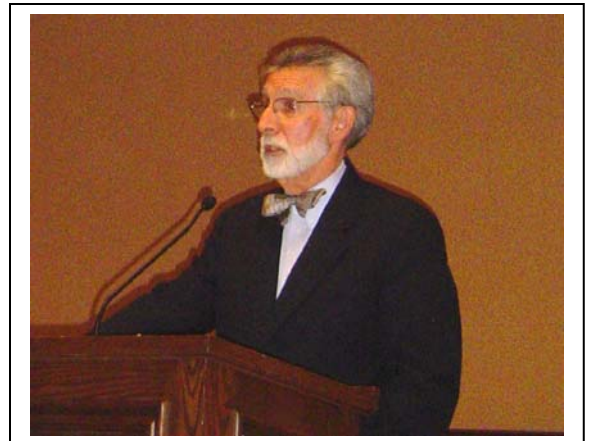
PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

NIE TEACHER RECEPTION – The *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* partnered with The Knowledge Center, Inc. and Lubbock Christian University to host the Newspapers In Education Teacher Appreciation Reception. The event coincided with National Teacher Appreciation Week and was held in the LCU Baker Conference Center on April 27. Students from Iles Elementary Magnet School performed a variety of show tune and the NIE Teachers of the Month were recognized. An address was also provided by Dr. Don Williams, the Dean of the J. E. and Eileen Hancock College of Liberal Arts and Education at LCU.

Ella Iles students perform a Broadway hit.



Dr. Don Williams provides the address.



Patton Springs School, 1933

PHOTO EXHIBIT – *The Man Who Built Lubbock* featured Lubbock area buildings designed by architect Sylvan Blum Haynes. Students from Brown, Dupre, Ramirez, O. L. Slaton JHS, and Monterey High School submitted both color and black and white photos of a variety of buildings designed by Mr. Haynes. Sixty adults visited the Asbury Gallery on July 1 as part of the monthly Lubbock Art Trail. These visitors voted for their favorite photographs. Twenty-two photos were identified as favorites. Ribbons and gift certificates were presented to the top favorites, which included 1st place-*Maedgen Home* by

D'Ann Ayers, 2nd place-*Ducks in a Row*-**O. L. Slaton** by **Lacy Burress**, and 3rd place-*Tranistions-OL Slaton* by **Carolina Gonzalez-Rivera**. **Fabian Aguilar**, a student at Jackson Elementary School, created an impressive photo collage, which was displayed at the entrance to the exhibit. Follow-up projects about the richness of Lubbock architecture and the architecture of Sylvan Blum Haynes are planned for later this year. They will include Power Points for use by teachers and/or students.

CORE KNOWLEDGE ACTIVITIES

PreK TRAINING - The Getting Started in Core Knowledge Preschool training module was held at the Asbury Building on June 6 and 7. The presenters were Mrs. Deb Kee, Director of Preschool in Bentonville, Arkansas and Mrs. Katie Huey, Assistant Principal at Christ the King Cathedral School. The session was attended by twenty-three teachers representing the following schools: Amistad Charter School (New Mexico), Bunche Preschool (Midland), Calvary Baptist Preschool, Christ The King Preschool, Hope Lutheran Preschool, Idalou Elementary School, Oakwood Methodist Preschool, Odessa Christian Preschool, St. Joseph School, St. Luke's Preschool, and LISD preschool teachers from Murfee and Whiteside Elementary Schools.



The Autonomy and Social Skills training was attended by twenty-three preschool teachers. They represented Abilene Christian Preschool, Bunche Preschool (Midland), Calvary Baptist Preschool, Christ The King, HCK Charter Academy, Hobbs Head Start, Hope Lutheran Preschool, Lubbock Christian Preschool, Oakwood Methodist Preschool, Odessa Christian Preschool, St. Luke's Preschool, and LISD preschool teachers from Murfee, Waters, and Whiteside.



SUMMER UNIT WRITING – The Core Knowledge Summer Unit Writing Institute was held June 6-10 at Dupre Elementary School. Consultants included Mrs. Shelly Reid (Roscoe Wilson), Mr. Brian Gollighugh (Christ the King), and Dr. Sam Ayers. Twenty-one teachers participated in the institute and represented the following schools: Abilene Christian, Bowie, Christ The King, Honey, Iles, Lubbock Christian, Murfee, Odessa Christian, Waters, Wheelock, and O. L. Slaton Junior High School.

PreK ASSESSMENT – The Core Knowledge PreK Assessment Training was held at the Asbury Building on July 25 and 26. The training was attended by thirty-three teachers representing Amistad Charter (New Mexico), Child & Family Services of Lea County (New Mexico), Christ the King, HCK Charter Academy (San Angelo), Hope Lutheran, Lubbock Christian, Odessa Christian, St. Joseph (Slaton), St. Luke's, Murfee, Waters, and Whiteside.

AUTHORS' PARTY - Amistad Charter School (NM) kindergarten, first, and second graders became authors after studying fairy tales. Each student wrote and illustrated a story. The *Kidspiration* computer program was used by the students to make concept webs, title pages, and book covers. The sixth grader students took digital pictures of the authors, which were included with an author's biography on the back page. Students, parents and teachers all attended the Authors' Party on April 4, where each story was read aloud to the audience.

Christ The King 1st grade students watched a volcano eruption in May.



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 12-Aug 12	Caricatures in My Life Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
July 25-26	PreK Assessment and Planning	Dupre	PreK Teachers
Aug. TBA	Overview Training for New Teachers	TBA	Teachers
Aug. 15-Sept. 23	Suzy Pal Art Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
Aug. 15-Sept. 23	Katherine McLamore Art Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
Sept. 12-16	Storytelling with Jim Weiss	Selected Schools	K-7 th
Sept. 26-Oct. 21	Western Heritage Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
Sept. 28-29	Western Heritage Program	Asbury	4 th
Oct. 4-7	Art/Music with Christian Thomas Lee	Selected Schools	4 th -6 th
Oct. TBA	Teacher Recognition Banquet	LCU	OPEN
Oct. 31-Nov. 18	Suzy Pal Snowmen Art Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
Nov. 1-4	Thomas Jefferson with Bill Perryman	Selected Schools	4 th -5 th
Dec. 7	Civil War Artifacts with Don Smarto	Selected Schools	2 nd
Jan. TBA	Follow The Leader	LCU	6 th
Jan. 23-27	Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth	Selected Schools	2 nd /5 th /8 th
February 1-28	Betty Jenkins Folk Ark Exhibit	Asbury	OPEN
Feb. 19-25	15 th Core Knowledge National Conference	San Antonio	Teachers
Feb. 27-Mar. 2	Sam Houston with Bill Perryman	Selected Schools	4 th -5 th
Apr. 27	NIE Teacher Appreciation Reception	LCU	Teachers

WEBSITES – A website for The Knowledge Center, Inc. is currently available at www.theknowledgecenter.org. Information about Core Knowledge activities in the Lubbock area is available at www.cktexas.org.

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