

MAKAGAN MITCHELL PRESENTS ESSAY AT AREA V AWARDS BANQUET

Makagan Mitchell presented an outstanding performance of her winning essay to the attendees of the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts Area V Awards Dinner at Tarleton State University in Stephenville Texas on May 1, 2007. Makagan had won the local Essay Contest in February in the 13 and younger category. Her essay along with second and third place were advanced to the Area V contest, which includes 41 districts. Her essay will now advance to the State Essay Contest.



Makagan with her First Place Plaque and Directors of the Fannin Soil and Water Conservation District, Billy Partridge, Vice Chairman, David Keene, Member, Carroll Jones Chairman and Randy Moore, District Conservationist with the USDA-NRCS.

Makagan is a fourth grade honor student at Dodd City Elementary where she enjoys playing basketball and softball. She is the daughter of Marlon and Traci Mitchell and has an older sister, Brittany.

Makagan enjoys exhibiting her registered Braford cattle. She is very active in Junior FFA and is the secretary for the Texas and National JR Braford Associations as well as the Texas JR Livestock Association. She participates in livestock events such as judging, public speaking and exhibits her Boer goats.

The directors of the Fannin SWCD are very proud of Makagan and of all the students that participate in the Soil Stewardship Essay and Poster Contest each year and urge all youth in Fannin County to participate in the contest. The theme and rules are mailed to each school district in Fannin County and to the County Extension Office each fall. The deadline for entering is the middle of January. For more information on this contest please contact the Fannin SWCD office at 903-583-5612.