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Lady Lions Ready to Take Down Troy in Regional Semifinal Series

By Brittany Schmitz

The Lady Lions Softball Team will take on Troy tonight at 7 pm at Crowley High School. The game is the first of a three game series against the defending state-runner ups, and the team that eliminated the Lady Lions in last years' playoffs. Game two will take place tomorrow, May 20 at 1 pm, and game three, if necessary, will follow.

"I'm pulling for these series, because I feel we are a better team than the other guys," Coach Wells commented on the three game series.

The Lady Lions advanced to tonight's Regional Semi-final match-up by defeating the Blooming Grove Lady Lions in two games. The first game was a nail-biter as the Lady Lions stretched the game to an eleventh inning, and won with a score of 1-0. Katelyn Woods hit the ball into center field to bring in Tara Prather, giving Ponder the win. The second game was not much of a struggle as the Lady Lions bats lit up, and they



The Lady Lions show great pitching and defense to defeat the Lions of Blooming Grove in the Regional Quarterfinal series.

won with a score of 8-1.

"The last two games were much better, they were better prepared," Coach Wells said about the Lady Lions performance.

Keep up with the Lady Lions in the playoffs with the Online Roar

ASL Students Visit Deaf Center

By Cassandra Hosack and Kari Routh

The American Sign Language 2 and 3 classes went to the Goodrich Center for the Deaf in Fort Worth on May 4th. At the center, the students toured the facility and met the staff and people at the center.

While the ASL students were at the center, they played games like UNO and Bingo with senior citizens there. The staff also explained the many programs the center has available to help the deaf community.

The trip to the Goodrich Center for the Deaf provided the students with an opportunity to practice communicating by using sign language. Senior and ASL 3 student Jonathon Griffin said that he was able to communicate well by using his signing, and that he was able to tell what people were saying by context.

"I became more comfortable communicating with deaf people," Griffin said.



The ASL Bake Sale on May 17th raised money for the Goodrich Center for the Deaf.

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Geometry- Jeffrey Congleton
Algebra 1- Sarah Ream
Algebra 2- Kacey Daniel
English 1- John Boyer
English 2- Lindsey Schmitz
World History- Angeleena Young
Geography- Patrick Newland
Spanish 1- Isaiah Boxell
Spanish 2- Kacey Daniel
Biology- Kacey Daniel
IPC- Patrick Newland
Sign Language 1- Aspen Parker
Sign Language 2- Rachel Whited
Speech- Erica Kane
Art- Keeley Woods
Choir- Kacey Daniel
Band- Carlee Garza
BCIS 1 – 9th - Kristen Boxell
BCIS 1 – 10th – Lindsey Schmitz
BCIS 1 – 11th – Tyler Newton
BCIS 1 – 12th – Amanda Marez
BCIS 2 – Ryan Keshler
Business Imaging –
Brittany Schmitz
Journalism – Katelyn Woods
Journalism – Kari Routh
Pre-Calculus- Kari Routh
English 3- Liz Keim
English 4- Josh Tabor
US History- Katelyn Woods
Government- Ashton McBride
Economics- Daniel Lujan
Spanish 3- Justin Keshler
Physics- Marlen Esquivel
Chemistry- Katelyn Woods
Sign Language 3- Katelyn Woods
Drama- Jessica Stewart
Health- Kelli Routh

US Achievement Academy
Keegan Farley

PHS 2006 Awards

Presented May 16, 2006

“A” HONOR ROLL

Freshmen/Sophomores

Kristin Boxell
John Boyer
Kacey Daniel
Brent Fletcher
Kara Harper
Landon Hendrix
Nikki Johnson
Jesus Lujan
Patrick Newland
Jared Newton
Sarah Ream
Kelly Schmitz
Lizzy Schofield
Keeley Woods

Juniors/Seniors

Nicki Franks
Michelle Frost
Ashton McBride
Samantha Meadows
Kari Routh
Kelli Routh
Brittany Schmitz
Joyce Smith
Jessica Stewart
Ashley Stratton
Brandon Tucker
Katelyn Woods

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Lindsey Allen
Isaiah Boxell
Kacey Daniel
Joel Garza
Mychelle Gregg
Doug Gustafson
Josh Holcomb
Jaron Leland
Sebastian McGee
Patrick Newland
Jessica Rizer
William Stanton
Stephanie Syrock
Sam Terrazas

“AB” HONOR ROLL

Freshmen/Sophomores

Alyssa Bassler
Isaiah Boxell
Kelsey Braswell
Lori Brown
Kendra Copp
Marco DeLira
Kalee Josselet
Rachel Keim
Kristen Kimmel
Ashley Laughlin
Allison Lemon
Lane Loisel
Megan Martin
Glenn McBride
Tate Moore
Lindsey Schmitz
Jessyca Thomas
Travis Watson
Angeleena Young

Juniors/Seniors

Heather Bartek
Justin Congleton
Adam Cook
Tanner Deussen
Ellysia Dierker
Marlen Esquivel
Kristina Garza
Mychelle Gregg
Jonathon Griffin
Shannon Gunter
Daniel Lujan
Wanda Malone
Kristyn Matus
Delaney McKnight
Stephen Michna
Amy Olmstead
Justin Ream
Vanessa Weidner

Ponder High School Seniors 2006

Kari Routh Valedictorian

Plans ~ To attend UNT to become a journalist.

In 10 Years ~ I see myself as a writer for a national news publication.

Rarely in life do you come across a valedictorian or a salutatorian. It is even rarer to find both in the same family; and the rarest of all, finding the two as twins. Ponder High School Class of 2006 Valedictorian Kari Routh and Salutatorian Kelli Routh against all odds, dispute this rarity.

Kelli and Kari Routh have been in Ponder since kindergarten. Together, Kari and Kelli have participated in a number of teams and groups throughout high school such as basketball, track, cross-country, PALs, and NHS. Kari is also a co-editor of the newspaper staff. They put a lot of time and effort into these school activities, but they put forth even more towards academics. Since 9th grade, both Rouths have taken every Pre-AP/AP class available, and they each have a GPA over 4.0 to show for it.

"I take pride in the work that I do," Kari said, "so I always give 100% to my schoolwork."

Kelli has enjoyed the friendly competition that she and her sister have experienced all through high school.

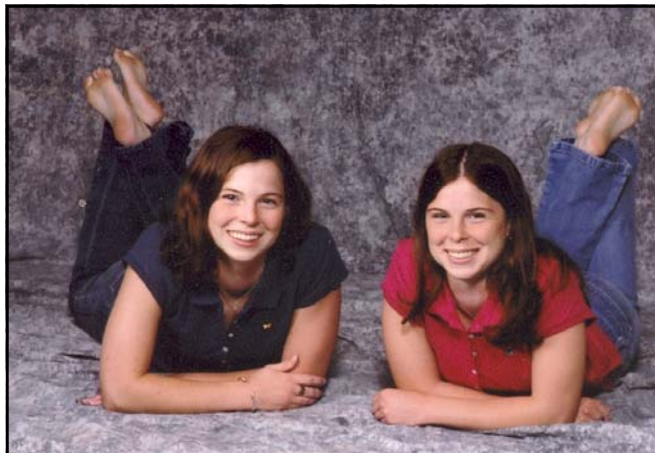
"We really help one another," Kelli said. "We push each other to do our very best."

It takes hard work, determination, and lots of studying to be #1 and #2 in your class. Kelli and Kari's mom, Mrs. Routh, also the high school counselor, has seen her girls do all of this, plus some, and believes that they deserve to be at the top of their class.

Kelli Routh Salutatorian

Plans ~ To attend UNT

In 10 Years ~ I see myself with a good career.



"I've watched them spend hours and hours on homework every night since they were little," Mrs. Routh said.

"Everything they do they put all their effort and dedication towards. They amaze me. I am so proud of them both."

Although both are very excited to receive the great honor of being Valedictorian and Salutatorian, they have very different reasons why. Kari is excited because she gets "to make a speech at graduation," while Kelli really wants "to wear the gold cord."

Next year, both of the brainy Rouths are staying close to home to attend the University of North Texas in Denton. Kelli is planning to major in Media Production and Kari in journalism. Someday Kelli would like to pursue a career in the media field and Kari hopes to become a foreign correspondent for a major newspaper.

"I'm a little nervous about going to college next year, but at the same time excited," Kari said. "I am looking forward to the new experiences and challenges ahead."

They drive to school together, are in the same clubs and organizations together, take the same advanced placement classes together, share a bedroom together, hang out together, and study together. It makes perfect sense for the two to continue this pattern of togetherness by making speeches at their graduation, saying their final good-byes to Ponder High School, and attending college... together.

By Katelyn Woods



PHS 2006 Graduation

Commencement Exercises

Sunday, May 28, 2006

3:00 pm at

Margo Jones Auditorium ~ Texas Woman's University

Congratulations PHS 2006 Senior Class



Where will they be in 10 years?

**Darlene
Alvarez**

Plans:
To attend TWU and
become a Cop

In 10 Years:
Going around and ar-
resting people for
wrong doings.

**Kevin
Battey**

Plans:
To attend NCTC.

In 10 Years:
I'm not sure. To far
ahead, I'm not a for-
seer.

**Kristen
Carrillo**

Plans:
To attend TWU and
then go into the
National Guard.

In 10 Years:
I see myself graduating
from law school and
becoming active duty
in the Army
National Guard.

**D. J.
Cockburn**

Plans:
To attend NCTC and
become a Culinary
Chef.

In 10 Years:
I see myself with a fam-
ily and living in a big
house with a lot of
land.

**Justin
Congleton**

Plans:
To attend TSTC and
major in Robotics

In 10 Years:
I see myself building
robots for the Army.

**Justin
Copp**

Plans:
To attend Weatherford
College and rope.

In 10 Years:
I see myself on the
road rodeoing profes-
sionally or at home
training horses.

**Haley
Delcambre**

Plans:
To attend UNT.

In 10 Years:
I see myself working.

**Tanner
Deussen**

Plans:
To attend UNT

In 10 Years:
I see myself as a
successful person.

**Grace
Duke**

Plans:
To attend UNT.

In 10 Years:
I see myself with my
own business.

**Andrea
Esquivel**

Plans:
Undecided

In 10 Years:
I see myself in a
photography studio.

**Marlen
Esquivel**

Plans:
Undecided

In 10 Years:
I see myself with a
good job and married.

**Bryan
Galbraith**

Plans:
To attend a Tech
School and become a
Computer Tech.

In 10 Years:
I see myself in my own
house with a good job
and having a relation-
ship.

**Junior
Garza**

Plans:
To attend NCTC and
become a coach.

In 10 Years:
Coaching a high school
basketball team.

**Josh
Gatlin**

Plans:
To attend Lincoln Tech
and study Diesel Me-
chanics.

In 10 Years:
I see myself hopefully
owning my own shop.

**Stephanie
Gee**

Plans:
To attend the Univer-
sity of Texas San Anto-
nio and study Physical
Therapy.

In 10 Years:
I see myself as a physi-
cal therapist and hap-
pily married with kids.

**Jonathon
Griffin**

Plans:
To attend UNT.

In 10 Years:
I see myself with a
successful job.

**Lacey
Hulme**

Plans:
To attend UNT and
become some kind of
artist.

In 10 Years:
I see myself working.

**Tia
Johnson**

Plans:
To attend Weatherford
College and study
Equine Management.

In 10 Years:
I see myself married
and working for a
horse farm.

**Hank
Kennedy**

Plans:

To attend UNT or UTA to become a Recording Engineer or Music Producer.

In 10 Years:

I see myself as a successful musician and record producer.

**Justin
Keshler**

Plans:

To attend UNT and become a Veterinarian.

In 10 Years:

I see myself hopefully touring with my band or rich in a big house and with lots of kids!!

**Daniel
Lujan**

Plans:

To attend NCTC

In 10 Years:

I see myself happy with a stable job.

**Ethan
Maple**

Plans:

To attend Plano and major in game making.

In 10 Years:

I see myself rich and married.

**Amanda
Marez**

Plans:

To attend Western Oklahoma State University to play softball.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with a family and starting a career.

**Kristyn
Matus**

Plans:

To attend Weatherford College and study animal nutritionist.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with kids.

**Ashton
McBride**

Plans:

To attend Cameron University and become a coach or teacher.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with kids and coaching a state champion softball team.

**Delaney
McKnight**

Plans:

To attend Weatherford College and study Equine Reproduction

In 10 Years:

I see myself hopefully out of college, in a career and starting a family.

**Daniel
McPherson**

Plans:

To attend Grayson college and play basketball.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with kids and having a good job.

**Samantha
Meadows**

Plans:

To attend NCTC and study creative writing.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with an English degree and having my first book published.

**Chris
Medina**

Plans:

Undecided

In 10 Years:

I see myself "doing what I want to do."

**Raymond
Mulanax**

Plans:

Undecided

In 10 Years:

I see myself Rich and famous.

**Justin
Ream**

Plans:

To attend Utah State University and study engineering.

In 10 Years:

I see myself out of college and flying for the U.S. Air force.

**Randy
Rodriguez**

Plans:

To attend UT and become a cop.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with kids.

**Crystal
Saldana**

Plans:

To attend NCTC and study physical therapy or business.

In 10 Years:

I see myself with a life and a career making good money.

**Rudy
Sandoval**

Plans:

To attend NCTC and become a real estate agent.

In 10 Years:

I see myself in an office with a Roles Royce in my driveway.

**Brittany
Schmitz**

Plans:

To attend UNT and study hotel management.

In 10 Years:

I see myself living in the Bahamas managing a resort with a family.

**James
Sciscoe**

Plans:

To attend TCC and study aviation.

In 10 Years:

I see myself very successful.

**Stephanie
Seyler**

Plans:

To attend NCTC or CRID and become a paralegal or court reporter.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with kids and in the court room working on cases.

**Seth
Singleton**

Plans:

To attend NCTC.

In 10 Years:

I see myself with a family and a normal job.

Senior Awards

National Honor Society Certificate of Merit

(awarded to two highest ranking NHS members)

Kari Routh & Kelli Routh

President's Award for Educational Excellence

(recognizes academic success in the classroom plus involvement in co-curricular and/or community service activities)

Kari Routh
Kelli Routh
Brittany Schmitz
Ashton McBride
Justin Keshler
Jonathon Griffin
Jessica Stewart
Hank Kennedy
Tia Johnson
Samantha Meadows
Tanner Deussen
Delaney McKnight
Stephanie Gee
Byron Welch
Daniel Lujan

UIL SCHOLAR AWARDS

(in the top 10% of the class and have participated in UIL Academics, Music and/or Athletics)

Jonathon Griffin
Justin Keshler
Ashton McBride
Kari Routh
Kelli Routh
Brittany Schmitz

ARMY SCHOLAR ATHLETE

Kelli Routh
Justin Ream

CITIZENSHIP

Justin Ream

*To remember the past of years gone by,
My, how memories seem to fly.
12 great years of life, love and friends,
This is where the high school story ends.
Now, on to the reality of life known true
Where the real story ends is up to you!*

Joyce Smith

Plans:

To attend Texas Tech and become a cosmetic's Marketer/buyer.

In 10 Years:

I see myself married with a family and successful in my career.

Karl Specht

Plans:

To become a history teacher or coach.

In 10 Years:

I see myself in the marines or as a teacher.

Jessica Stewart

Plans:

To attend NCTC and TWU to study physical therapy.

In 10 Years:

I see myself happy!

Ashley Stratton

Plans:

To own my own sports bar and host poker nights.

In 10 Years:

I see myself a successful business owner and VERY independent!!

Stephanie Syrock

Plans:

To attend UNT.

In 10 Years:

I see myself working towards my career.

Josh Tabor

Plans:

To attend NCTC

In 10 Years:

I see myself happy and married.

Brandon Tucker

Plans:

To attend a college and study the technology field.

In 10 Years:

I see myself in a relationship, out of my parents house and with a good career.

Tommy Wallace

Plans:

To attend UNT and become a mechanical engineer

In 10 Years:

I see myself working.

Byron Welch, III

Plans:

To attend UTPB and study accounting.

In 10 Years:

I see myself working with a video game company as a manager/accountant.

Matt Wolodzko

Plans:

To attend college and become a teacher/coach.

In 10 Years:

I see myself as the top coach in the state.

Brian Wright

Plans:

To attend UTA and become a physicist/Engineer.

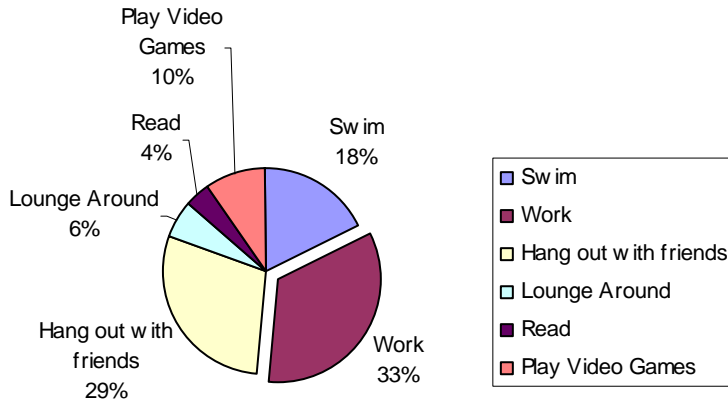
In 10 Years:

I see myself learning everything I possibly can.

Seniors Not Listed:

Shawn Crockett
Damon Cummings
Justin Gunter
Alycia Harper
Freddie Hellums
Mark Hellums
Laramie Miller
Katy Mooneyham
Jake North
Angela Woods

What's the #1 thing you will do this summer?



Monthly Poll



Summer Word Search

- sun-screen
- beach
- boat
- lake
- water park
- goggles
- swim-ming pool
- flip flops
- swim suit
- beach ball
- fishing pole
- sun-glasses

L	E	K	I	A	O	H	E	A	L	O
O	L	R	L	L	W	T	W	M	A	S
O	O	A	A	U	T	A	O	B	T	C
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G	G	R	S	H	L	A	U	N	E	S
N	N	E	E	R	C	S	N	U	S	A
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M	H	A	L	I	N	K	E	I	A	M
M	S	W	W	S	A	S	M	B	C	C
I	I	S	E	L	G	G	O	G	B	L
W	F	L	I	P	F	L	O	P	S	U
S	U	N	G	L	A	S	S	E	S	C

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