

Kevin Pierson joins BISD staff

by Vanessa Goodwyn

The Buffalo Bison and Lady Bison gained an enthusiastic fan when Kevin Pierson moved to town last summer and now the district is benefitting from a bright new teacher, as well.

Pierson grew up in Friendswood, Texas, the son of a Baptist pastor. After high school he attended Texas Tech where he earned a bachelors degree in History in 2006. He stayed in Lubbock and in May of 2011 added a Masters degree in sports management. While he was completing his education, Kevin's parents Raymond and Joyce Pierson moved to Buffalo. This summer Kevin joined his parents here and immediately began to get involved in the community. He volunteered at First Baptist Church's VBS, then began working with the church youth. In Friendswood Kevin had been involved in choir and musical theater, and those interests led him to join the FBC choir and he had a solo in this year's Christmas Cantata.

Pierson is a big sports fan. In high school he served as manager of the FHS baseball team, and at Tech he was a graduate assistant for the Red Raiders football, baseball and basketball teams. When school started last fall Pierson began substitute teaching and could be seen --an heard-- at most of the junior high and high school games, cheering



Kevin Pierson has joined BISD and the men's coaching staff. Van 'Go' photo

on his students. His dream was to coach.

With the reorganization of the district's administrators, Nan Grisham moved up to teach junior high math, vacating the position of ISS (In-School Suspension) teacher at BISD's junior high and high school. This semester Pierson has taken that position

and also joins the men's coaching staff as an assistant in basketball, baseball and football.

Asked what he feels will be his strong suit as a teacher and coach, Pierson summed up: "Doing the right thing, for the right reason."

Welcome to Buffalo, Kevin!



Centerville third grader Kaede Thomas earned plenty of "loot" as the 8-and-Under Champion in a series of ten rodeo playdays last year. Contributed photo

Kaede Thomas shines in rodeo playday series

Brandelyn Kaede Thomas won the Championship Saddle, Buckle, and Trophy in the 8 and under age group in a playday series at Lost Horizon Ranch. The Awards Banquet was held January 13, 2012 at the Brazos Center in Bryan Texas. The series consisted of ten playdays beginning in February 2011 and ending in November 2011. There were 8 events in the playdays and a total of 37 participants in the 8 and under group. Kaede rode two horses in the events. One horse was a sorrel gelding, 20+ years old, named Biggun that belongs to Tanner Baker. The other horse was a bay gelding named Big Creek Sky, 20+ years old, owned by Kaede herself. She received a saddle blanket for perfect attendance and two plaques for her horses and their performance.

Kaede is the daughter of Bonnie Thomas of Centerville and John Thomas of Buffalo. She is the granddaughter of Eddie and Patricia Hammock of Centerville, Jerry and Debbie Grimes of Flynn, Sherry and Steve Hunt of Groesbeck, and Rick Thomas of Buffalo and the great granddaughter of Lillian Pierce of Centerville. Kaede is in the 3rd Grade at Centerville Elementary.

Kaede would like to thank Gresham Ventures owned by Bob, Kathy, Kyla, and Sam Gresham for sponsoring her in this playday series.



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>> Oakwood Junior High's Brandon Venable goes up for the jump shot...and it's good! (See story, page 15)
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Lane Shelton flies to the basket to score for the JV Bison. (Story, page 13). Van 'Go' photo



Haylee Brewer and the Belles officers performed at Tuesday's home game. Van 'Go' photo

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J.B. Davis has been a Master Mason for more than 50 years and is now a member of the Masonic Lodge in Buffalo, Texas.

J.B. Davis was elected as County Attorney of Dimmit County, Texas and served seven (7) years in that office. He has actual knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of a County Attorney.

J.B. Davis is an Attorney Graduate of the University of Houston where he earned a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree. He is licensed to practice law in all state courts of the State of Texas. He is also licensed to practice law in the Federal Eastern, Western (Waco) and Southern districts of Texas as well as the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. During the past 40 years he has conducted many jury trials, both civil and criminal.

J.B. Davis has served as Assistant District Attorney, Leon County, Texas (Pro Bono) on many occasions during the past seven (7) years. He also assisted the present County Attorney in the prosecution of criminal charges filed in the District Court of Leon County, Texas.

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