

Storywalk Path planned for Munday City Park

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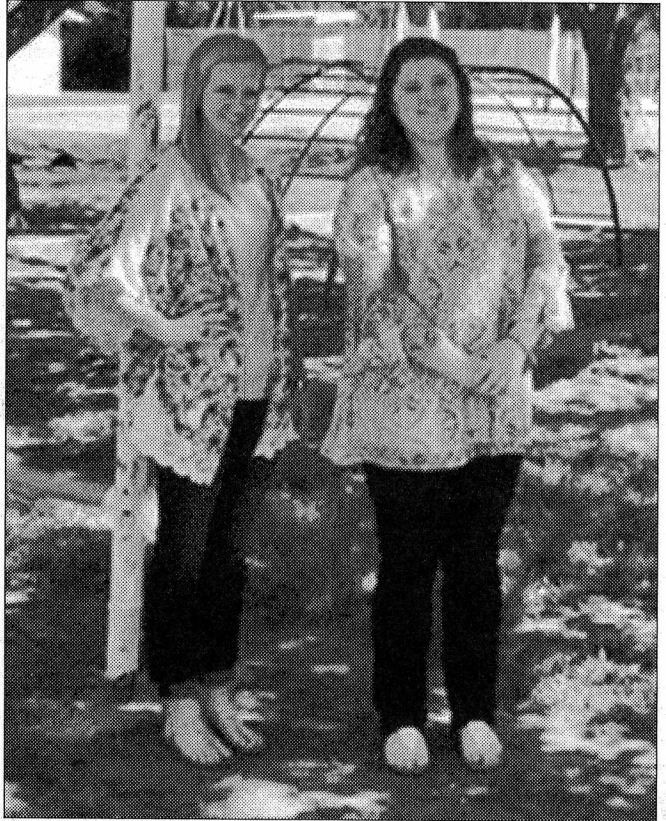
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MUNDAY—Munday High School seniors Grace Tidwell and Kathryn Cude have embarked on a new project to help better their community. They will be adding a Storywalk Path to the Munday City Park. And, they will be selling engraved bricks to place along the path. This project will help the girls complete their leadership course with the Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) and compete for scholarships.

The Storywalk Path is a designated path with children's books placed along it. The path will wind around the park. Along the path will be small stands holding a page from a children's book. A little further along the path is another page of the book. Parents and kids can walk the path and read a page, continue on, then read another page until the final page is read at the end of the path. Books will be exchanged throughout the year to keep it interesting.

"This path will be fun for parents and kids to enjoy together, and it adds another element to the park," said Tidwell.

The young ladies are selling engraved bricks to help fund-raise for the project. The path itself will be three foot wide and consist of base material and be lined with engraved bricks. Bricks can be purchased for \$25 each. Each brick can contain up to three lines of copy with 11



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Kathryn Cude and Grace Tidwell plan Storybook Path at Munday City Park

characters on each line.

"Bricks can be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one," said Cude. "Or they can simply have a family name on them."

The TMCN youth leadership program kicked off in January. The ladies attended two training meetings in Abilene. Their final meeting will be in September where they will present their project to a panel of judges and compete for a TMCN scholarship. This project will also count towards their 4-H service project and help

them compete for a Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship. Project mentors are Lorrie Coop with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Jimi Coplen with the Knox County Visioning Group. The City of Munday is a member city of TMCN.

For more information, or to order your brick, please contact Tidwell at 940 203-1443 or Cude at 940 203-2616. Orders will be taken until July 31. On-line payments and donations can be made at <https://eventbrite.com/event/17316508142/>.