



John Schlimm and Paige Tarpey sign copies of Mr Schlimm's book *Extraordinary Dogs*. This is Mr Schlimm's 19th book, and his first on dogs. "It was really about finding the right concept because there are so many books about dogs out there," he said.

—Bee Photos, Hutchison

Comfort Dogs Join Author For Meet And Greet



John Schlimm, author of *Extraordinary Dogs*, which includes stories about search and rescue dogs, comfort dogs, and other canine heroes, is joined by Paige Tarpey — who did a sketch of Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Maggie for the book — during a meet and greet/book signing at Christ The King Lutheran Church on October 25. The event was put on by K-9 Comfort Dogs of Lutheran Church Charities. Mr Schlimm and Miss Tarpey, who was a first grader inside Sandy Hook School on 12/14, are surrounded by several area comfort dogs, including some that are featured in the book. Mr Schlimm highlighted dogs from all over the country. He visited Sandy Hook School fourth graders on October 23 for project titled "The Smile That Changed The World (Is yours)," in which students put their renditions of their smiles on a canvas.