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Itasca, Texas 76055

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Cinco de Mayo Organization Awards \$1,750 in Scholarships



(left to right) 2010 Cinco de Mayo Queen Brianna Medina and President James Bouldin presented scholarships to Katelyn Seaman, Ciera Thompson, Michael Garcia and Eddie Coronado (not pictured). Cinco de Mayo Duchess Amiya Wills assisted in the presentations.

No Summer Break for Community Blood Supply – Blood Donors Needed Year-Round

HILLSBORO, Texas June 21, 2010 – There is a serious trend that exists in the blood-banking industry – blood donor numbers dwindle in the summer and the blood needs at hospitals often increase. When schools break for summer it affects many people's routines. Families travel or get busy with other activities. The break in routine also means planned summer surgeries or unplanned visits to emergency rooms from travel accidents. Blood needs are ongoing and consistently growing, so Carter BloodCare urges blood donors to keep their appointments and invites new donors to help out this summer. Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce is hosting a community blood drive to benefit Carter BloodCare on Monday, June 21, 2010. The drive will be held at Hillsboro Courthouse from 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

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City Committees Working Hard for a Better Community

Over the last several years city officials have worked hard to organize a number of citizen committees that have suggested ordinances and plans that have improved Itasca.

After adopting a Zoning Ordinance several years ago and implementing a Planning and Zoning Committee the city is

starting to see results, since all construction and additions require a permit. The Building Standard Commission is working to make sure that the buildings that are used as habitations are livable. Both of these committees come under the umbrella of the Office of Code Enforcement. One of their biggest contributions to date is making sure that buildings that are uninhabitable are either repaired or torn down and the lot cleaned. That was the case during the last "clean-up" and "free dumping" week when a burned-out home on Minnie Dr. was cleared by the owner and a substandard building on N. King St. was demolished and the lot cleaned.



Wright Named "District Softball Coach of the Year"



With a perfect district record, it was no surprise when Itasca Coach Calvin Wright was named the District 14-A Coach of the year.

Wampus Cat senior pitcher Ashley Durham received the "District Most Valuable Player" Award and senior catcher Mary Maddox was voted the "Offensive

Most Valuable Player" of the district.

Making the very prestigious Academic All-District team were freshmen Da'jae Wells and Emily Basye and senior Ashley Durham.

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Churches of Itasca

<u>Bethlehem Missionary Baptist</u>	W. Spurgeon 687-2800
<u>Central Baptist Church</u>	401 E. Monroe 687-2343
<u>Church of Christ</u>	200 N. Aquilla 687-2774
<u>First Baptist Church</u>	107 S. Lamar 687-2783
<u>First Presbyterian Church</u>	106 N. Lamar 687-2243
<u>First United Methodist</u>	Main & King St. 687-2475
<u>Loveview Baptist Church</u>	FM 2959 East of I-35
<u>Second Baptist Church</u>	120 W. Marrion 687-9134
<u>Shiloh Community Church</u>	254-582-0487
<u>St. John Missionary Baptist</u>	506 S. Weaver 687-2821
<u>3rd Day Worship Center</u>	107 E. Adams 214 564-2185
<u>Itasca Nursing Home</u>	Sunday - 10:00 a.m.
Everyone Welcome	Monday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Central Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:45 Worship 10:50 a.m.

Youth (7th - 12th grade) 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Worship 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Ladies' Bible Study 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Adult Bible Study and Prayer 7:00 p.m.

Youth (7th-12th) 7:00 p.m. website - itascacbc.org

First United Methodist Church

401 E. Main St, Itasca, TX 254-687-2475

E-mail: itascaume@digitex.net

Where Worship Is Joyous! Experience the energy of

God's promise in a beautiful, historic sanctuary.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.-10:30 (All ages)

Sunday Worship Service 10:50 a.m.

Refreshments between Sunday School & Church

Services 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday 5 - 6:00 p.m. - Youth Bible Study (all ages)

Wednesday 6 p.m. - Youth Choir Practice (ages 11 up)

Itasca Church of Christ - 200 N. Aquilla St.

Light The Night

By Being Right!

Obey Jesus

Become A Nightlighter!

Join us for worship at the Itasca church of Christ

All are welcome

303 E. Monroe Sunday 9:45 & 10:45 a.m.

Itasca, TX 5:00 p.m.

687-2774 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

106 N. Lamar Itasca 254-687-2243

itascapfc@sbcglobal.net www.fpcitasca.org

"In mission to and with the Presbyterian Childrens Home to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Sundays - 9:30-10:00 Fellowship in Barton Hall

10 - 10:45 Sunday School 11 a.m. - Worship Service

6 pm - Praise/Worship (Sanctuary)

6:30-KFC/Hour of Power

Tues. & Thurs. - 10 a.m. Exercise Class - Barton Hall

Wed. 6:30 Vespers Service Chapel - 7:15 Choir practice

ANGEL FOOD SITE

Second Missionary Baptist Church

120 W. Marrion St. Itasca TX 76055

Rev. George Demmerritte Jr. (Pastor)

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 5:30p.m.

2BC*2 Youth Meeting 6:30 - 8:00pm Wednesday

Itasca Ministerial Alliance

No Meetings in June, July, August

Itasca Zoning Committee Meeting

2nd Monday of Month 6:00 p.m. - 136 N. Hill St.

Itasca City Council Meeting

Monday, June 21, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

Itasca ISD School Board Meeting

Monday, July 12, 2010 7:00 p.m.

Itasca Depot Heritage and Education Center Schedule

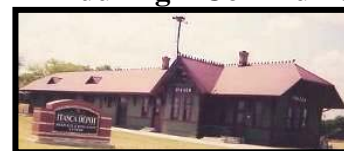
June 19 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

July 3 - After Parade - during Community Celebration

July 21 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

July 31 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Everyone Welcome



Itasca Volunteer Fire Department Plans July 4 Community Event to be held on July 3

The Itasca Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual fundraiser in conjunction with a July 4 Community Celebration on Saturday, July 3. The festivities will begin with a "Red, White & Blue" parade (everyone is invited to participate) at 9:00 a.m. The parade will line up in front of Central Baptist Church on Monroe St. and after following a route through town will end at the Itasca Depot Heritage and Education Center on Wampus Cat Drive.

The fun and festivities will include lots of food, drinks, bounce house, dunking booth, games for the children and lots of other activities. The museum will be open for tours also.

The IVFD is also planning a fireworks display in the evening. The location and time will be announced at a later date. They have also issued a "call to arms" for new volunteers. The organization is in need of firefighters and auxiliary personnel. Junior volunteers are welcome (16-17 years old) with parents permission.

For more information on the Fourth of July event, to make a donation or to volunteer contact Wayland Price or Mark Gropp at City Hall.



Help Bring Positive Change by Volunteering Volunteers to Breakfast at IHOP June 19

Press Release

“Never doubt that a group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has” - Margaret Mead. It is so amazing to think about what a wonderful community this is and the many compassionate, giving people who live in this county. All the successes of Paw Pals’ endeavors stem from one source - committed volunteers who see our established goals as attainable: 1) Facilitate installation of a county animal control program and promote and contribute to building a county animal shelter; and 2) Organize to challenge the overpopulation of unwanted companion animals (dog and cats) with four programs working simultaneously—Education, Legislation, Spay/Neuter, and Adoption (Project ELSA).

Volunteers in communities across our great nation have made a world of difference in many aspects. One area that has seen a tremendous improvement is how we treat our companion animals (dogs and cats). In 1987, over 12 million dogs were being euthanized every year in the United States. Ten years later, this drastic figure improved 70% to 5 million. In some communities, there has been 100% improvement simply because caring people volunteered and organized to change the situation in their community. We in Hill County can do the same.

As a non-profit volunteer organization, Hill County Paw Pals is made up of everyday people volunteering part of their busy everyday lives because they want to improve the tragic pet overpopulation situation that exist is our county.

If you want to join this successful team, please consider visiting our website www.hcpawpals.org and completing our Volunteer Interest Survey. The information provided on this survey will be valuable towards our goals and growth as we initiate the operational planning for our Pet Adoption Center.

A Volunteer Breakfast Meeting has been scheduled 9:00am Saturday, June 19 at IHOP located at 203 N I35, Hillsboro, Texas. The public is invited. To have enough place settings and sufficient handout materials, please RSVP by Thursday, June 17 via email or phone if you will be able to attend. Please call Carol at 254.694.7768 or email: miniapp@gmail.com

Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Blood Drive

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For more information and to register for an appointment time, contact Justin Lewis at 254-582-4020.

In the summer, Carter BloodCare also feels the loss of the blood supply normally obtained through high school blood drives. Students who participate in blood drives during the school session can contribute from 12 to 25 percent of the blood collections for Carter BloodCare. When schools are not hosting drives, students can give at a community blood drive like this one or at one of the 27 donor centers located throughout the 56-county collection area for Carter BloodCare.

Potential donors can be 16 years old with a parent’s consent; 17-year-olds may donate independently and there is no upper age limit for donating blood. All donors must weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good general health and present a photo ID. Ideally, a donor should also eat a good meal and drink plenty of fluids before giving blood. For more information about donor eligibility, call Carter BloodCare at 1-800-DONATE-4 or visit carterbloodcare.org.

Carter BloodCare’s volunteer donors provide lifesaving blood for patients at over 200 health care facilities in 56 counties in North, Central and East Texas. Carter BloodCare is the largest not-for-profit 501(c) (3) community blood center in Texas and is accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks, licensed by the Food and Drug Administration and is a member of America’s Blood Centers.

District 14-A All District Selections

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Shortstop Celeste (LuLu) Rodriguez and second baseman Ashley Spain were named to the 1st Team All-District roster. Making the 2nd team roster were sophomore outfielder Faviola Mandujano and third baseman senior



Katelyn Seaman. Senior centerfielder Jessika Rodriguez received Honorable Mention.

(Pictured left) – District MVP Ashley Durham. (Pictured right) – Offensive MVP Mary Maddox.

**Drive Safely & Remember
Click It or Ticket – New Law says
“All Riders Buckle Up Every Time”**

Philotechnos Preschool Open House

Press Release



The students of Philotechnos Preschool in Hillsboro finished up their school year looking for buried treasures at their high seas pirate party (l-r): front row - Andrew Faulknor, Juliana Holt, Tyler Griffith, Bryn Teague and Thayden McCartney; and back row - Luke Walker, Joseph Willman, Lola Soward, Glenn Slaton and Gwendolyn Brown.

Philotechnos Preschool will host an open house on Monday, June 21 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in enrolling their child for the 2010/2011 school year is welcome to come by and take a tour of the school.

Philotechnos "love of children" Preschool started in Hillsboro in 1953. Its "I can" philosophy has always been and will continue to be encouraged so our children can be-

come independent thinkers and will try new things without the fear of failure. The curriculum offers opportunities to develop self-esteem, responsibility and readiness skills to equip children for their future education. Instruction is given both individually and in group settings. Children are offered activities that promote critical thinking and problem-solving skills. The curriculum crosses subjects of reading and math readiness, social studies, science, literature and phonics. Philotechnos Preschool will be enriching their program in the 2010/2011 school year by adding creative arts, more field trips and community board members.

Philotechnos Preschool will be offering a combined 3 & 4 year old program for the 2010/2011 school year where parents have the choice of which days their child attends. The school will be open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday thru Friday with the following schedules available:

Tuesday and Thursday = \$140 per month

Monday, Wednesday and Friday = \$210 per month

Monday thru Friday = \$350 per month

If you are interested in having your child be a part of this historical preservation and to see what other wonderful ideas we have in store for this upcoming school year please contact Lynnette Holt at 254-694-9588 or Lisa Brown at 254-855-4597. Registration deadline is June 30. We are also looking for an additional teacher. Anyone interested in applying please contact Lynnette or Lisa.

Paw Print Press Error Leaves Senior Class President Off Senior Accomplishment List – “OOPS – Our Bad”

IN the 2010 Senior paper (Issue #22 May 28, 2010) we inadvertently left Hunter Laird's name off of the "Our Accomplishments" list on page 3 & 4. He would have been the first name on page 4 and it was accidentally deleted. We have apologized to him and his family and we are now listing his accomplishments.

Hunter Laird – Rotary Boy, Hill College Scholarship, Senior "Best All-Around," Senior Class President, Student Council President, 2010 FFA Secretary, Powder Puff King & Senior Powder Puff coach, 9th & 10th grade UIL Academics, 2008 & 2009 Community Clean-Up Volunteer, Abe Lincoln in "Living History" Itasca Depot presentation

Elementary Spring Festival DVD



There are still some 2010 Spring Festival DVDs for sale. Included are over 400 still pictures taken before and during the program. We also have a few 2009 Spring Festival DVDs available. Contact Mrs. Petrash at home (254-687-2108) or at the high school during the summer months. First come - First serve – When they are gone – they are gone.

Attention Students

TAKS Scores & Report Cards will be ready for pick-up on June 23, 2010.

Summer Hours

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Campus offices are closed the month of July

We are including the calendar for the 2010-2011 school year and the 2010 football schedule (on page 6) in this issue. Please save this calendar (on the refrigerator next to the baby's picture) for reference.

Itasca Independent School District 2010-2011



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1st Six Weeks	August 23 - September 24	24 days
2nd Six Weeks	September 27 - November 5	28 days
3rd Six Weeks	November 8 - December 17	25 days
4th Six Weeks	January 10 - February 18	29 days
5th Six Weeks	February 22 - April 15	34 days
6th Six Weeks	April 18 - June 3	32 days

1st Semester	77 Student Days
	83 Teacher Days

2nd Semester	95 Student Days
	104 Teacher Days

172 Student Total Days (A)*

8 OFYP

180 Student Total Days (B)**

7 Teacher Preparation Days

187 Teacher Total Days

***Calendar (A):** Students who pass all required state assessments and meet all requirements for grade promotion will be required to attend school for 172 days (last day of classes June 3).

****Calendar (B):** Students who **do not** pass all required state assessments and/or **do not** meet all requirements necessary for grade promotion will be required to attend school for 180 days (including January 4-7 and June 6-9). See student handbook for further details.

Holidays

September 6	Labor Day	
October 5	State Fair Day	
November 22-26	Thanksgiving	OFYP
December 20-31	Christmas Holiday	January 4-7
January 17	M. L. King Day	June 6-9
February 21	Presidents Day	
March 14-18	Spring Break	
April 22	Good Friday	Graduation
May 6	Cinco De Mayo	June 3
May 30	Memorial Day	

Holiday	
Teacher Workday	
Staff Development	
Six weeks	
OFYP	



2010 Itasca Wampus Cat Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Home/Away	Time(CST)
Aug. 12	Hubbard/Crossroads	TBA	
Aug. 19	Mildred/Rio Vista	Away	6:00p.m.
Aug. 27	Ranger	Away	7:30 p. m.
Sept. 3	Rice	Home	7:30 p. m.
Sept. 10	open		
Sept. 17	Tolar	Home	7:30 p. m.
Sept. 24	Wortham	Home	7:30 p. m.
Oct. 1	Teague	Away	7:30 p. m.
Oct. 8	*Deleon(Homecoming)	Home	7:30 p. m.
Oct. 15	*Bosqueville	Away	7:30 p. m.
Oct. 22	*Valley Mills(Senior Night)	Home	7:30 p. m.
Oct. 29	* Santo	Away	7:30 p. m.
Nov. 5	Bye		



*Depicts district games

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254-854-3087

Call for appointments

Tues. – Thurs. 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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Hill County Defensive Driving School

125 W. Elm – Hillsboro, Texas

For information, call 582-5111

White Belts test for Yellow Stripes



Press Release

Earlier in the year, students from the Hillsboro Unified Tae Kwon Do School-125 W Elm-Hillsboro graded for new belts. Each student was required to perform patterns, spar and break boards in front of a panel of Masters and Black Belts in order to advance.

The following students tested for the first time and received Yellow Stripe Belts and trophies for their hard work. Pictured above (Top row) Master Jeff Wiles-6th Degree Black Belt from Round Rock, Master Kevin Kight-5th Degree Black Belt from Lorena, Jennifer Siford-Osceola, Timothy Friesenhahn-Black Belt and Instructor from Osceola, Kelley Smith-Whitney, Danny Smith-Whitney, Melissa Renfroe-Itasca, Shawn Rejcek-Bynum, Jennifer Clark-Hillsboro, Cathleen Bills-Hillsboro, Master Charles Kight-4th Degree Black Belt-Osceola, and Grand Master Park-Houston.

(Second row) Hayden Allen-Blum, Ross Gilcrease-Hillsboro, Morgan Bledsoe-Hillsboro, Ollie Clark-Hillsboro, and Angelino Botillo-Itasca. (Third row) Madison Bills-Hillsboro, Mauricio Mancilla-Hillsboro, Jonathan Ramsey-Osceola, Hunter Smith-Whitney, Asher Renfroe-Itasca, and Nada Gallardo-Hillsboro.

Classes are taught each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 4:45, 5:45 and 6:45 p.m. The first two classes are free and parents are always welcome. Summer classes are forming, if you would like to receive a free informational brochure and DVD call 582-5111 or check out the website at www.hillsborotkd.com.

Crouch Antique Estate Sale

Friday, May 18 8:00 a.m. – 6:00p.m.
 Saturday, May 19 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 8524 Johnson County Rd. 509
 (Off FM 2738 between 917 & US 67 Alvarado
 817-790-7565

Store/Display Cabinets, Banquet Tables, Chairs, Ad Signs, Glassware, China/Pottery, Antique Toys, Tools, Stripping Vats, Antique Books, Early Country Music Albums

4th Grade Published Poems

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Hats

Silly hats, Crazy hats, hats galore,
 Hats, hats, hats, hats give me some more,
 I have one that looks like a fluffy cat,
 But one is just plain flat,
 They are such brats to my hair,
 So I throw them over there,
 On the couch, On my bed, Oh anywhere!
 Since the moment they messed with my hair,
 I wasn't interested anymore,
 Now I'd rather just make myself a really big
 Yummy Smore!

Hali Sarli

A Quiet Moment

It is a day we all fear the most.
 The grades we get, so horrifying
 So tragic, so sad.
 The day that follows us through elementary
 Through high school, not counting college.
 It is the day when third and fourth grades take TAKS.
 The day when teachers want their students to pass the
 test.

We come together at the end of the year
 To see what we made.
 We can't wait until next time to see what we made.
 Maybe there is a surprise waiting on the other side.

Alexia Rodriguez

2010-2011 Athletic Notices

***All 9th – 12th grade athletes (boys & girls) must attend an UIL mandatory Heat Illness Awareness Workshop on August 2 at 3:00 p.m.

*** All 7th, 9th & 12th grade athletes (boys & girls) must have a physical before August 2.



IHS 2010 Marching Band Camp

Drill Sgts. & Drum Majors – July 29 & 30
 Drill Sgts. & 8th Graders– August 2 – August 13
 All band members – August 4 – August 13
 8:00 a.m., - 12:30 p.m.
 Bring a GREAT ATTITUDE!
 Also bring water, hat, sunscreen, tennis shoes.
 No sandals or flip-flops!

Lil' Cat Cheer Camp

Sponsors: Varsity IHS & Junior High Cheerleaders

\$35 for all ages – (ages 3 to 6th grade welcome)

Shirt Size: YS YM YL AXS AS AM AL AXL

(Please circle one)

July 26-28, 2010 10 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Itasca High School (Special Events Center)

Camp Includes

T-shirt/Spirit Item, Daily Snack

You will learn 2 Cheers/2 Chants, Dance & Jumps

Name _____ Age/Grade _____

Address _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Phone () _____ Cell Phone () _____

I, the undersigned parent or guardians, hereby give my consent for the above named child to attend and participate in the Itasca High School Little Cat Cheer Camp. I hereby certify that my child is in good health and is capable of participating physically in this program. I understand the risks involved in this type of activity and I waive any responsibility on behalf of the school or any individual for personal injuries which may result during participation or during breaks of travel. By signing below, I also consent that medical care may be provided to the above named child in the event of an emergency.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

***Please make checks/money orders payable to the IHS Cheerleaders. Mail payment with registration forms to be received by July 9 to: Brenda Swilley, Cheerleader Sponsor Itasca High School, 123 N. College, Itasca, TX 76055

Please call 817-648-4748 or 254-687-2098 if you have any questions.

Piano Lessons Offered

Monday afternoons - \$15 for 30-minute session

Beginners only Stephanie Salinas 682-225-7448 or

steph.salinas@yahoo.com

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I-35W Exit 8 (located beside the Valero Gas Station)

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I-35W Exit 8 (located beside the Valero Gas Station)

Itasca, Texas 76055

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Polling Places for Senate Run Off Election

June 22, 2010

*Precinct 1, 2, 3, 4, Hillsboro, Precinct 5 Woodbury, Precinct 6, Peoria, Precinct 7, Abbott, Precinct 8 Bynum

Consolidate and Vote at Central Baptist Church Hillsboro

*Precinct 9 Brandon, Precinct 10 Itasca, Precinct 19 Covington, Precinct 27 Woodrow

Consolidate and Vote at Itasca Rotary Building

*Precinct 12 N Whitney, Precinct 13 S Whitney, Precinct 14 Aquilla

Consolidate and Vote at Whitney Church Of Christ

*Precinct 15 Penelope, Precinct 16 Malone, Precinct 18 Mertens, Precinct 23 Mt Calm, Precinct 24 Hubbard

Consolidate and Vote at the Hubbard Fire Station

*Precinct 20 Blum, Precinct 21 Ft Graham, Precinct 22 McCown Valley

Consolidate and Vote at the 2604 Fire Station

May Police Blotter

5 - 22 – Report of 4-wheeler on roadway – Citation for operating ATV on public roadway – 300 blk. E. Wilkerson St.

5-22 – Traffic stop (Rolling hazard) – Moving truck had back door partially open – Person (W/M) unconscious in back – Citation issued for possession of drug paraphernalia (5 gallon bucket w/syringes & spoons w/burnt narcotics residue) Transported to Hill Regional for biohazard disposal. – I-35W southbound mm 7

5-23 – Report of disturbance (Verbal) – Criminal trespass warning issued (H/F 26) – 100 blk. S. Aquilla St.

5-23 – Report of city water leak – Transferred call to City – 100 blk. Milford St.

5-25 – Traffic stop (Speeding 91mph/65mph) – Warrant arrest H/M 20 (Bexar County) – 1200 blk. S. Files St.

5-25 – Report of identity theft – 200 blk. E. Main St.

5-26 – Vehicle accident report – Truck struck Itasca Fire Engine – 100 blk. Minnie Dr.

5-26 – Report of vehicle with no headlights – (Traffic stop – no drivers license, no insurance, no working headlights 11:20 p.m.) – I-35W southbound mm 7

5-27 – Report of criminal mischief (Attempting to remove stop sign) – S. Files & E. Wilkerson Sts.

5-27 – Citizen complaint (Loud music) – 300 blk. E. Wilkerson St.

5-29 – Disturbance (Large group of cars blocking roadway 1:15 a.m.) – 100 blk. W. Main St.

5-29 – Suspicious vehicle – Citation for drug paraphernalia – 1200 blk. S. Files St.

5-30 – Suspicious vehicle driving in circles and blocking entrance to business – Driver refused to stop – Vehicle impounded - W/M 33 arrested resisting arrest and refusing to identify – 1200 blk. E. Main St.

5-31 – Telephone harassment report – 100 blk. S. Aquilla St.

Remember When . . . “The Orphan’s Herald”

News Items of Yesteryear #2

Columnist Carl Sweeney



The following news items were taken from the Presbyterian Children’s Home publication “The Orphan’s Herald.”

April 1934 - All of the seniors, intermediates and staff walked to the top of the hill for an Easter Sunrise Service last Sunday morning. The service was conducted just as the sun came up.

June 12, 1934 - The hay barn on campus was destroyed by fire. We had just finished filling the barn with hay. They said the cause was spontaneous combustion.

June 1934 - The Homes’ five senior graduates were entertained with a dinner party at the Johnson Hotel in Hillsboro; also with a picture show party at the Majestic Theater in Dallas.

September 1934 - On the second grade honor roll were Louis Ivey; third grade, Mary Ohler and Dorothy Burke; Sixth grade was Arthur Strickland, Mary Kathryn Strickland, and Mary Sampler

February 1935 - For the last two months we have been killing and canning beef. We killed two of our oldest cows and two steers, we made chili and stew meat of the cows, and roasts from the steers.

June 1935 - The senior class attended the Pastime Theater in Itasca, and saw the movie, “The Little Colonel,” with Shirley Temple.

1935, June - Letter to the Editor of the Orphan’s Herald.

Dear friends; School will be out tomorrow and we hope we will have some fun this summer. We are always glad when school starts and also when it stops at the end of the school year. The church in the valley is nearly finished but we are out of money. The part that is finished is very pretty. Yours Truly, Arthur Strickland.

Also another letter in the same issue;

Dear Friends; I am in the second grade. I made 100 in spelling today. I have made the honor roll every month so far, and I hope I will next month too. I am eight years old, I have lots of fun out here. My work is churning and dusting the hall. Some of the children got the measles. I had it before I came here. Your Friend, Louis Ivey.

1936 - The sixth graders are going to give a centennial program the 21st. We have drawn the six flags of Texas also the state tree, flower, bird and the Texas nickname, “Tejas,” also the Texas emblem texts. We are going to sing; “Beautiful Texas” and “The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You.” We hope everybody enjoys it, Mollie Wilson.

***I found nothing in the paper that the home kids attended the State Fair in Dallas during the centennial year.

February 1937 - At last! We have a bus. We have always had to travel o places in our farm trucks with no top on them. We were remembered in a will by Mrs. Adie Sloan of San Saba, Texas. Mr. Hawkins contacted Mr. M.J. Neely of the Hobbs MFG. CO. and purchased the bus at wholesale cost. Just before the bus was delivered, Mr. Wimbish, Superintendent of the Itasca Schools picked us up in the Itasca bus and took us to the picture show in town, his treat. We really appreciated that. By Christine Briley.

October 1937 - We have just completed a new milking barn, now we can do the milking out of the weather.

October 1937 - Well trouble! Our well went out yesterday and we had a hard time getting parts and repairing it. We had to go to Fort Worth and also to Waco for parts. We were out of water for a couple or three days. Mr. Tom Jenkins of Files Valley hauled water to us during the repairs. We spent over a hundred for parts; we really needed a bath by the time we got water again. Marvin Alley.

August 1937 - A condensed letter from a visitor to the home;

It was my privilege to spend a recent weekend at the Presbyterian Children’s Home in Itasca. I visited Miss Julia Strove with whom I used to teach at the K of P Home. I found the Home in a beautiful place on a hill overlooking a peaceful valley. The breeze is wonderful. Better still to speak of the spiritual breeze of the Home. It is now under the capable management of Nelson and Clara Hawkins who seem wholeheartedly interested in the work and welfare of the children. One cannot help but be impressed with their family life there, which will no doubt be reflected in the lives of the children who seem to be a happy group. If any Texas Presbyterian had an opportunity to visit the Home there, I sincerely believe they would be very happy to have a greater part in contributing to its maintenance; Ruth Edwards - Laredo, Texas.

Do You Have a News Item?

Send all news items and advertisements to bpetrash@itasca.k12.tx.us or call 254-205-0704 (B. Petrash’s cell). Do not leave a voice message at school; it may be weeks before it is checked. Please give us at least 2 weeks notice as we sometimes print a week ahead during the summer, to accommodate vacations, church camps and family time for our reporters.



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Wampus Cats of the Week

2009-2010 Perseverance Sports' Awards



The Perseverance Awards are special awards given to athletes who continually give a 110% in everything thing they attempt. Many times they are not the “stars” of the sports as far as the scoring goes, but they are the stars of the team in that they are always playing for the TEAM and not for “me.”

Softball Coach Calvin Wright presented Mary Maddox the “Girl’s Perseverance Award” for her outstanding attitude and positive approach to both basketball and softball.

Mrs. D’Nan Dakan presented the “Boy’s Perseverance Award” along with a



special scholarship honoring Coach Fred Dakan who passed away in February of 2009 to Chad Rutherford. Chad was a hard-hitting guard and center for the last four years on the Mighty Wampus Cat football team.

Dakan was an assistant football coach at IHS for a number of years. He served as Rutherford’s football mentor during middle school and high school helping hone his skills and teaching him to never give up.