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Lloyd's Spelling Skills Earns \$1,000 Scholarship



Each year a few brave seniors gather in the IHS library to take a spelling test that will determine the winner of the \$1,000 Olen **Nuchols** Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was set up many years ago to be awarded to the winner of an IHS Spelling With Bee. introduction of technology, that spelling bee now takes place electronically.

IISD Counselor

Grace Hennig had the honor of awarding this year's scholarship to Cherri Lloyd for her outstanding spelling skills.

E.E. and Claudie Freeman "Importance of Education" **Scholarship Awarded**



Counselor Grace Hennig.

The E.E. and Claudie Freeman **Scholarship** established in 2004 to honor the parents of Dr. E. Ray Freeman and Mrs. Frances Shupe. Freeman The Freemans stressed education to their children and worked very hard to insure that all of their children could attend college.

The 2010 Salutatorian and a life long friend of the Freeman family, **Ashlev** Durham, and appreciatively proudly accepted \$1.000 the scholarship from IISD

IHS Students Attend PEACE Summit



The word "PEACE" has a whole new meaning for four students who recently attended the Peer Educators Acting for Change and Equality (PEACE Summit) in San Antonio. The summit was hosted by the Texas PEACE Project and TAASA (Texas Association Against Sexual Assault).

Amy Karr, Education/Prevention Specialist of the Johnson County Family Crisis Center was the girls sponsor and chaperone. Attending and learning many skills that will be used in various school programs next year were juniors Sarah Billingsley and Stephanie Ignacz and seniors Hali Carranza and Catherine Olivas

The summit was an opportunity for youth across Texas to actively engage in statewide efforts to create social change and equality as a means of ending sexual and dating violence. Continued on page 6.



Churches of Itasca

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

Application preaching! What good is a wonderful sermon if you cannot apply it to your own life.

You need a message that is as useful on Monday morning as it is uplifting Sunday morning.

We are into our series on "Relationships" now. How can we be a meaningful spouse, parent, child, friend? How do we get to be in communion with ourselves?

Come join us at 10:50 Sunday morning for friendship and joyful "application" worship. "Please bring an open heart and mind, and leave your pocketbook behind."

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.

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 Itasca, TX 5:00 p.m. 254-687-2774 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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

First Presbyterian Church

106 N. Lamar Itasca 254-687-2243

itascafpc@sbcglobal.net www.fpcitasca.org

"In mission to and with the Presbyterian Children's 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

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, July 19, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

Itasca ISD School Board Meeting Monday, August 9, 2010 7:00 p.m.

Itasca Depot Heritage and Education Center Schedule



July 21 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. July 31 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Everyone Welcome

FUMC Taco Supper Fundraiser

Wed., July 21, 2010 5:30 p.m.

Itasca First United Methodist Church \$6.00 includes taco salad w/all fixings - tea/coffee & dessert

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 GREAT ATTITUDE!
Bring water, hat, sunscreen, tennis shoes.
No sandals or flip-flops!

30-Year Reunion Planned

The Class of 1980 is making plans for a 30-year class reunion and would like members to contact us with addresses and contact information. Contacts are Dlvrba31@aol.com, or on http://www.facebook.com/deevrba and you may also contact Debbie Sellers Gregory or Kathy Cadena. Please contact us as soon as possible. Go Wampus Cats! D. Vrba

Paw Pals' Youngest Rescuer



Pictured is Sarah Sanders, one of Hill **County Paw** Pals' youngest rescuers. Sarah just completed 3rd grade and loves animals. She found this frightened and starving puppy on the side of the road. She took it home and nursed it back to health and found it a good home.

"Please don't dump

vour unwanted pets. It is cruel because most of them will die a horrific death. Please spay or neuter your pets to help correct pet overpopulation," said Sarah.

Sarah is the daughter of Gaila and Chad Sanders of Hillsboro.

Businesses Benefit From Back to School Community Fair

Itasca ISD, along with the community, will be hosting their 2nd Annual Back-to-School Fair on Saturday, August 14 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The fair will be held outside the Special Events Center.



In conjunction with the fair, Itasca ISD, in collaboration with Citizens State Bank, will be collecting school supplies that will be distributed to children who attend the fair with their family. Supplies or monetary donations will be greatly appreciated from anyone who wishes to help. Any business, group or individual wishing to make a donation is encouraged to do so. Citizens State Bank has a collection box in the lobby of the bank.

Businesses are urged to participate in this fair. It is a great way to acquire a new cliental. Suggestions for businesses is to set up a table or booth and pass out business cards, coupons (% off or free items), have attendees register for a drawing or just pass out pencils or homes for a potential new customer.

For more information on this event, please contact Kristi Sargent, Coordinator of Student Services, at 254-687-2922, ext. 5, between the hours of 8-2 Monday-Thursday or 8-12 on Friday.

Itasca Businesses Show Your Wampus Cat Pride with **Spirit Banner**



The Itasca Booster Club is seeking Wampus Cat sponsors. Show your support for the Cats with the purchase of a banner. Your banner will be displayed on the Patton Field fence for all football games and at the Wampus Cat Ballpark for all baseball games.

Banner sale proceeds will provide Booster Club funds for activities and items needed for student educational and extracurricular activities that fall outside the scope of the Itasca ISD budget. Itasca ISD has given approval for the Booster Club to sell and display these banners. All other individuals wishing to display banners must seek school administration approval.

Yearly banner sponsorship cost is \$100. The 3' x 6' banners are black with gold lettering. Please keep your banner simple with as few words as possible so that it may be read easily.

The banners can be personalized with your logo if it is digitized or you can put a slogan or the name of your favorite Wampus Cat.

The Booster Club will display the banner for you and all banners become Booster Club property. If you have any questions, please call Laura Crouch at 254 - 337 -0830.

House for Sale in Itasca

The house, built in the 1930's, is for sale by owner. It was completely remodeled in 2006 with new hardwood floors, new cabinets, countertop, new dishwasher, new walk-in marble shower, two bedrooms, pens. Any of these suggestions will get your name in the living room, kitchen, hall, small backroom, and screen porch with ceiling fan.

> A 13 SEER Rating central AC and gas Central Heat was added in 2006. One car detached garage. Cell # 817-909-1459.

Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technology (Vocational) Education Programs

Itasca Independent School District offers career and technology education programs in Agricultural Science, Business Education, and Diversified Career Preparation. Admission to these programs is open to all Itasca ISD enrolled secondary students and is based on student interest.

Itasca ISD provides a free, appropriate education consisting of regular or special education and related aids and services in Career and Technology Education programs that are designed to meet individual educational needs of disabled persons as adequately as the needs of non-disabled persons.

It is the policy of Itasca ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

It is the policy of Itasca ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Itasca ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX and 504 Coordinator, Mr. Glenn Pittman, at 123 N. College, Itasca, TX 76055, and 254-687-2922.

Notificación de No Discriminar en los Programas de carreras y educación de technología

Itasca ISD ofrece programas vocacionales en la ciencia de agricultura, la ciencia de technologia, la preparación de carreras diversas. La admisión a estos programas está abierta a todos los estudiantes de Itasca High School y se basa en el interes del estudiante.

Itasca ISD provide una educación gratis y apropriada consistiendo de una educación regular o especial y asistencias y servicios en el programa de CATE que han sido hecho para las necesidades individuales de las personas de inhabilidades tan adecuadas como las necesidades de las personas que no tiene inhabilidades.

Es norma de Itasca ISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen, nacionalidad, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios or actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación, de 1972, y las sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

Itasca ISD tomará las medidas necesarias para asegurar que le falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua inglés no sea un obstáculo para la admisión y participación en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para información sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuníquese con el Coordinador del Título IX y Sección 504, Mr. Glenn Pittman, en 123 N. College St., Itasca, TX 76055, 254-687-2922.

Early Childhood Intervention Program

Public Service Announcement

Do you know a child from birth to age 3 who is behind other children their age in learning how to sit up, walk, talk, or understand what others say? Call Itasca ISD Special Education Department at 687-2922 ext. 114.

Intervención Temprana Infancia (ECI) ofrece un sistema estatal de servicos para el niño menos de tres años que en camparación con otros niños de su edad, presenta un retraso al sentarse, caminar, hablar, o entender lo que lo dicen. Llame a 687-2922 ext. 114.

Volunteers Needed for IVFD

The Itasca Volunteer Fire Department is looking for some community oriented adult and junior volunteers to help the department. Both firefighter and auxiliary personnel are needed. Teens, boys and girls, who are at least 16 years of age and have their parent's written consent are eligible to volunteer.



For more information contact Fire Chief Wayland Price or City Manager Mark Gropp at 254-687-2201.

2010-2011 Athletic Notices

***All 9^{th} – 12^{th} 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.

4th Grade Published Poems

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Cats

Cats are pretty They're cute and cuddly They have tails They have paws and claws They have ears and tears They meow a lot They have sharp claws They smell They eat a lot They do not like water They mess up things They like people They are soft and furry.

Sydney Williams

Ducklings

Ducklings, **Ducklings** Yellow as the sun **Ducklings**, **Ducklings** As soft as bunnies **Ducklings**, **Ducklings** As cute as puppies **Ducklings**, **Ducklings** It swims with its mother **Ducklings**, **Ducklings** Their beak so orange **Ducklings**, **Ducklings** Cooler than gooselings **Ducklings**, **Ducklings Brayden Hennig**

My Life

I love my life is complicated it's scary, I'm scared Why is it that my life can't be like somebody else's You don't know how scared I am You don't know how complicated my life it Why can't you help me Why can't my mom get along with my dad Why can't people get along with other people **Destany Graham**

Easter is Here

Easter, Easter what do you know Jesus rose on the 3rd day as you might know Easter, Easter Gather fast it don't last long So gather all of the goodies Easter, Easter what do you know He rose on the 3rd day What do you know It is time to go see so you don't forget He Rose!

Deajanae Diggs

Different kinds of Chocolate

Chocolate bunnies and chocolate eggs are what we eat at **Easter**

Chocolate Santas and chocolate trees are what we eat at **Christmas**

Hersey bars, kisses and chocolate covered Reeses are kinds of chocolate that we eat any day or any time Any kind of chocolate is Yummy, Yum, Yum **Brenna Durham**

"Camp Out With A Good Book"

Students entering K – 4th grade Monday - Wednesday July 13 – August 4 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Take AR Test, check out books and participate in special camping themed activities.

Story time for younger campers Monday – Wednesday 9 – 10 a.m.

MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Lil' Cat Cheer Camp

Varsity IHS & Junior High Cheerleaders Sponsors \$35 for all ages Ages 3 to 6th grade welcome July 26-28, 2010 10 a.m. – 12:00 noon





Tornadoes can occur at any time of the year in Texas, including December, but they happen most often in spring and summer. Everyone should know what to do when a tornado is sighted. The most important rule is to get low and stay low.

**Seek shelter in an interior room on the lowest floor of the home; a bathroom, closet or room without windows.

**In an office building, go to an interior room or hallway on the lowest floor.

**Leave a mobile home and take shelter in a nearby building. If no building is nearby, lie flat in a ditch or ravine.

**Never stay inside a car. Leave the car and lie flat in ditch or a ravine. If a building is nearby, take shelter inside. Never try to outrun a tornado in your car.

**At school, follow plans and go to a designated shelter area, usually interior hallways on the lowest floor. Avoid auditoriums, gyms, and areas with wide, free-span roofs. **Go to the interior rooms and halls on the lowest floor of a shopping center. Do not leave the shopping center to get in your car.

**If you are in open country, take cover on low, protected ground.

**Avoid areas near exterior glass or doors, areas along exterior walls, or rooms with wide expanse roofs-such as auditoriums, cafeterias and gyms.

**Learn the difference between a Tornado Watch (watch the sky) and a Tornado Warning (a tornado is on the ground and you must seek shelter immediately.)

Recent Deaths

<u>Terry, Annie Mae</u> – Annie Mae Terry, 87, of Itasca, passed away June 26, 2010. She is the daughter of Frank and Eva Mae (Pope) Turner and was born December 6, 1922 in the Rockwall community near Itasca. She married Harold Terry on February 14, 1946 and he preceded her in death in 1997. Annie Mae was a life long member of Central Baptist Church, Itasca. She attended Itasca High School and after graduating, she coached the girls' basketball team for one year. She then began her career as a teller at the Itasca State Bank where she worked until retirement. She enjoyed golfing year round and deer hunting in the fall.

Funeral Services were held Wednesday, June 30 at Central Baptist Church in Itasca with Rev. James Blackwell and Rev. Larry Maddox officiating. Interment was at Itasca Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Eva Mae Turner, her husband Harold Terry and her sisters Hazel Cordell of Itasca and Jessie Epps of Omaha, Nebraska.

She is survived by a number of nieces and nephews to whom she was a loving aunt.



Welch, Glenda Fuller - Mrs. Glenda Fuller Welch, age 66 of Itasca, passed away Monday, June 28, 2010 at her residence. She was born March 15, 1944 in Childersburg, Alabama the daughter of the late Jim and Ruby Guy Bird.

Glenda was a loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother and great-grandmother. She enjoyed being with her family and friends and the love of her life Leo Welch. She was a member of the Methodist Church in Itasca.

Glenda worked in Hillsboro for Allen's Auto Parts, Day and Night Garage and Cheers Liquor Store until her retirement.

Also preceding her in death were: first husband, James Odell Fuller; brother Randall Bird and one nephew, Chris Bird.

Survivors include: husband, Leo Welch; four children; James Fuller Jr. and wife Joyce of Hillsboro, Robert Fuller of Itasca and Judy of Clifton, Theresa Nalley and husband David of Itasca and Wyonette Stites and husband Mike of New Jersey; one sister, Lavinyar

Alexander and husband Jerry of Georgetown, one brother, Wayne Bird and wife Patricia of Sherman; six grand-children and one great- grandson; a special and long time friend JoAnn Davis of Palmer; numerous nieces and nephews and special dog Peanut.

Funeral services were held at Friday, July 2, at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel in Hillsboro with Pastor Tom Woods officiating. Interment followed at Itasca Cemetery in Itasca.

PEACE Summit

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The summit had two main functions, #1 to provide training to peer educators and their adult allies on the connections between various forms of oppression (e.g., sexism, racism, homophobia and adultism) and sexual and dating violence and #2 to develop a strategic plan for promoting youthled social change and equality in communities across Texas so that sexual and dating violence cease

to exist. The summit was limited to 100 peer educators and 25 adult allies.

"We had a great time and we are very excited about sharing what we learned with others in the school," Stephanie said. "We are very appreciative of Ms. Karr who drove us to San Antonio and put up with our giggles and laughter all the way. We had a great time."

Sherry's Licensed In-Home Day Care

**has openings starting August 23 for 18 months-3 years and before and after school I have 35 years experience, all meals served, structured days, learning program, lots of fun and activities come see us only a few slots available call Sherry @ 817-202-5695

Note of Thanks

HILCO thanks all of those individuals and businesses who donated pallets to HILCO so that we could conduct our electronics recycling event? It was a great success as 100 pallets were filled with items for recycling, which may have ended up in the landfill. Thank you again for all your help and support of this event!

Lea Sanders, SPHR Assistant HILCO General Manager

Remember When . . . "The Black Walnut"

Columnist Carl Sweeney

Recently while buying a carton of black walnut ice cream, it reminded me of the black walnut trees we had in our yard on the mountain. There were several of them in the yard and quite a few of them on the creek bottom. We harvested them, gathered those in the woods, and sold what we did not use. Picking out the meat was rather labor intensive, but they made wonderful walnut cookies, pralines and walnut bread for Thanksgiving and Christmas.



The trees did not make the best shade. They were the last to acquire leaves in spring and the first to lose them in the fall. You couldn't put anything under them such as the car because of the black drippings or honey dew. In addition, walnut trees are toxic to other plants or vegetation. Nothing much would grow under or near them. If you got the stain from the hulls on your hands, it would have to be simply worn off. Not even that good ole Lye soap would remove it. There was one other asset we derived from the trees. When the hulls were green, we crushed them in a tow sack and drug it through a hole of water in the creek; it made the fish come to the top for gathering.

The black walnut ice cream I bought recently was Brookshire's Golden Brook. It was very good, but not like that homemade stuff. It was made with the old wooden freezer with the crank. There is a personal story connected to the black walnuts. When I was still at home, I caught young squirrels from the nest in the spring, usually before they had their eyes open. I raised them with an eyedropper and a mixture of cow's milk and carnation. They seemed to thrive on it. I kept the squirrels in a wire pen adjacent to our workshop. The walnuts were cracked in a large vise. When the squirrels heard me cracking the walnuts they knew what it was for. They seemed to like them better them pecans. They ran all over the cage in anticipation of eating the walnuts.

When the squirrels grew until about September, I turned them out. Some went to the woods immediately, some hung around a couple weeks or more. However, there was one that stayed longer. He was quite a pet. In the morning when my mother was cooking breakfast, the little fellow climbed up the screen door until she opened it and let him in. He came and jumped on the bed with me. I had a room of my own and the floors were bare wood, but I had a coonskin rug that I had tanned, to get out of bed on when the mornings were cold. Finally, when fall came the little squirrel went to the woods never to be seen again.

I love the woods and the wildlife. To me it beats city living any day. The peace and serenity cannot be valued. Thinking of the black walnut tree reminds me of another tree that was utilized by people as well as domestic animals and wild life. It was the persimmon tree. When the fruit was ripe, it was golden orange color and quite sweet when fully ripe. But be sure it is ripe before you eat it or it will be sour and make your mouth, pucker like alum.

It seems that everything likes the persimmon. It is a special favorite of the possum. It is enjoyed by hogs, coons, deer, turkeys, crows and just about everything else, including of course humans. In the earlier days, we used persimmons in several recipes, such as persimmon pie, cobblers, cookies and good ole persimmon bread. The bread is good with the black walnuts. There were other berries and fruits that we utilized in our diets back then, such as mustang grapes for our jelly and wine. There were also red haws, black haws, and dewberries, and of course pecans on the creek bottom. There was lots of food to be had in the woods and creek bottom. All a person had to do was take advantage of the bounty.

Have You Purchased Your Wampus Cat Brick?



If you would like to purchase one or more Wampus Cat memorial bricks, please clip and mail the form below along with a \$50 check for each brick you are purchasing. If you need further in-

formation please contact at Judy Offutt at 254-687-2302 (work) or Matt Fehnel at 254-687-2331 ext 1132 (work).

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Inscription is limited to 3 lines with 15 spaces on each line.

Clip and send completed form with a check to Kelly Tinklenberg 123 N. College Itasca, TX 76055. Paw Print Press 123 N. College Itasca, Texas 76055

Ryan Crouch Student on a Mission to Higher Education





As students prepare to graduate, parents, counselors and teachers urge them to fill out scholarship applications over and over again. "But I probably won't get one," the student usually replies. That was not the case for Ryan Crouch. We are not sure how many he applied for, but we do know that he received well over \$9,000 in scholarships.

At the Senior Awards Night he received a \$400 scholarship from Hill College, \$500 from the Hill

County Retired School Personnel, \$1,000 from the Ex-Students Association, \$250 from the Charles Bryant Memorial Scholarship, and a \$500 Booster Club Scholarship.

During the 2010 Hill County Fair he received a \$1,000 Hill County Fair Queen Scholarship. He also applied for and received two \$500 Texas Rural Water Association Scholarship (one per semester), a \$3,000 Sam Walton Community Scholarship from the Walmart Foundation and a \$1,000 2010 Best Buy @ 15 Scholarship for "Good Grades, Outstanding Community Service." These were scholarships that Ryan searched out and applied for outside the sphere of the classroom.

Pictured left to right - Ms. Marelia Geren (Hill County Retired School Personnel Scholarship) Ms. Kelly Tinklenberg (Ex-Students Association and Charles Bryant Memorial) and Ms. Grace Henning (IISD Booster Club). Pictures of the Hill County Fair Queen presentation and the Hill College Endowment Scholarships were printed in earlier issues.