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City Council Passes Ordinance Banning Sales of "K-2" items to under 21 Year Olds

At the August City Council meeting the Council passed an ordinance banning the sale or delivery of smoking materials known as synthetic cannabinoids or salvia divinorum which are frequently known as or marketed as "K-2," "K-2 Summit," "K-2 Sex," "Genie," "Dascents," "Zohai," "Sage," "Spice," "Ko Knock-Out 2," "Spice Gold," "Spice Diamond," "Yucatan Fire," "Solar Flare," "Pep Spice," and "Fire N' Ice" to all individuals below 21 years of age. Many of these items are marketed as incense or herbs, but with a price tag of \$25+ for an ounce, one can quickly see why the items should be questioned for that purpose. These items contain some of the substances or chemicals known as salvia divinorum (plant), CP 47, 497, HU-211, JWH-018, JWH-073 and JWH-081.

The ordinance also banned the sale and possession of items known as "smoking material paraphernalia." The definition of smoking material paraphernalia is an item that is used for or intended to be used in ingesting, inhaling or otherwise introducing an illegal smoking product into the human body. This list includes any type of pipe (with or without a screen) and carburetion tube or mask, among other listed items.

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Paw Pals Garage Sale Planning Meeting Scheduled

Press Release

Hill County Paw Pals 7th Annual County-Wide Garage Sale planning is underway. Our community is once again appreciative of Cherie Luttrell and her daughters, Jillian and Nicole, from Whitney, for volunteering to manage this magnanimous community event. Please become part of this worthy event by attending the initial planning meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 2 at Hill College Bullock Room (cafeteria building) in Hillsboro. This meeting will be in lieu of our public monthly meeting which is normally held on the first Thursday of each month. For more information on how you can help, please contact Cherie at 694-7652 or cherieluttrell@hotmail.com.

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Elementary Students Give "Thumbs Up" to Playground



Last Friday the elementary students were all smiles as they tried out the new equipment (jungle gym, merry-go-round and slide) installed on the new playground located across from the elementary school on N. Files St.

The students all agreed that Superintendent Pittman did a great job choosing the equipment and they thanked him for getting it installed in a hurry.

PPP Columnists Hits Nonagenarian Status on September 8

Reporter Brittany Bourland



The most dedicated member of the *Paw Print Press's* staff writers, Carl Sweeney, is turning ninety September 8. For the last five years, Sweeney has written a column for the *Paw Print Press*. Not only does he write a column about something different each week, he always meets his deadline. Most weeks he drops off his handwritten article at Mrs. Petrash's house on Sunday.

Carl Sweeney is definitely a true Itasca, born and raised in "The Big Little Town." The Sweeneys have lived in the Itasca community all of their lives and have been involved in every aspect of life in Itasca.

Not only does he write for the *PPP*, he also has many accomplishments to be proud of. He served as a scout master for Troup # 204 in 1948, City Administrator of Itasca for 11 years, was a Rotary Club member for 15 years and served as both secretary and president and was a member of the Lions Club for ten years and served as a director.

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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

200 E. Monroe St.

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: itascaumc@digitex.net

APPLICATION PREACHING!

Sermons for the REAL WORLD that we live in.

What good is a wonderful sermon on Sunday if it cannot be applied to the concerns of your life when Monday morning rolls around?

Find the fun, joy, and comfort you were promised. Bring an open heart and mind.

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 Sunday 9:45 & 10:45 a.m.

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 Demmeritte 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

1st Saturday September 4 9:00 a.m.

Itasca Zoning Committee Meeting

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

Itasca City Council Meeting

Monday, September 20, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.

Itasca ISD School Board Meeting

Monday, September 13, 2010 7:00 p.m.

IVFD to Host Fish Fry Fundraiser



The Itasca Volunteer Fire Department will host a fish fry fundraiser Saturday, September 4, 2010 from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. at the Itasca Fire Station.

The menu will include fish, potato salad, beans, bread, pickles and tea for a \$7.00 donation per plate. Citizens may eat in, take out or have their orders delivered by calling 254-687-2588. Itasca volunteer firefighters will begin taking orders Friday September 3 for delivery.

All funds will go to support the IVFD and everyone's participation will be greatly appreciated.



Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing will be held on September 13, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room, 136 N. Hill St. Itasca, Texas. The purpose of the hearing is to order the repair/removal of the following structure:

****801 E. Main St., Itasca, Texas

Files & Chiles Blk. 4 Lot 5 & 6

****129 N. Hill St., Texas, Texas

Itasca OT Blk. 17 Lot 19A-21A

Wayland Price, Code Enforcement

Delinquent Tax Information #2

The City of Itasca is once again shining the spotlight on businesses and individuals who owe delinquent taxes. The names of the delinquent taxpayers will be listed in the *Paw Print Press* under a state law that allows for the exposure of tardy taxpayers.

Should you feel that the information that is or was printed in incorrect, please contact the City of Itasca Tax Collector, Sue Comer at (254) 687-2201. Changes to the city tax roll can only be corrected and/or changed through the Hill County Appraisal District.

Albert English	33	Delores Evans	4
Maria Delosangele Escobedo	2	William Goar	5
Denna & Jeffery Keller	3	Felipe Gonzales	4
Celeste & Eric Gardner	2	Etta Guy	33
Vickie & Jackie Gossett	2	Thelma Guy	13
Hester Lee Graves Est	2	James Harris Sr	2
Felecia & Tracey Guy	3	Eugene Hewitt	7
Mrs Earl Jackson	33	K D Properties	5
Veronica Howard	8	L & S Materials	2
Tammy & Marvin Hyder	3	Martha Holt	2
Charles Jackson	31	Lillie Lowe	16
Van S Jarmon Jr Est	11	Sue Machate	32
Romona Sue Leonforte	5	Melissa Maner	2
Judi Lackey Underwood	5	Darrell Mayberry	2
Martha Martinez	3	Geneva Johnson	13

Happy Birthday Carl Sweeney

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He served several terms on the Itasca City Council and was appointed twice to fill unexpired terms. He was the secretary of Files Valley Water Cooperation during its formation and served on the executive staff for the Presbyterian Children's home as operational manager for a number of years. He served as trustee and board member for the Itasca Methodist Church for a number of years, served for 35 years on the Lake Whitney Water board and has been a Weather Observer for the National Weather Service, receiving many awards for reporting for over 40 years.

Through all these years and activities, his wife Margueriet has stuck by him every step of the way. She has contributed to the community as well. Together they have volunteered by delivering Meals on Wheels to senior citizens, they helped to furnish and deliver toys in the Toys for Tots program, and they were instrumental in installing the flag and flag pole in Lawless Park. For many years the Sweeneys owned and operated Itasca Floral and Gift Shop on N. Hill St.

"Dear Carl, the *Paw Print Press* thanks you for all of your many interesting stories and wishes you a very Happy Birthday!"

Paw Pals Garage Sale

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The garage sale is set for the weekend of November 6-7 with donations being accepted the Monday prior (November 1-5). The Outlets at Hillsboro will once again host the event.

Although the dollar amounts for past garage sales are extraordinary, the most priceless gift has been the support of the community. The message sent of a community wanting positive change in how unwanted dogs and cats are treated is reflected every year with these annual sales: 2004 brought in \$10,000; 2005 brought in \$8,600; 2006 brought in \$9,800; 2007 brought in \$12,700; 2008 brought in \$19,000 and 2009 brought in \$14,000 for a total of \$74,100.

Everyone is asked to join in for continued success as Paw Pals continue to march towards the attainable goal to correct the horrific issue of pet overpopulation in our county. "...we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it, but we must sail, and not drift nor lie at anchor."—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

For information about Hill County Paw Pals please visit www.hcpawpals.org; call 254-580-0679 or email hcpawpals@yahoo.com

Itasca Bans K-2 Sales

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The penalty for the violation of this ordinance is \$500 for each offense. Although the substances listed in the ordinance have not been designated as controlled under the State of Texas or under the laws of the United States, many cities have passed or are in the process of passing ordinances banning their sale, especially to those under the age to purchase alcohol.

The ordinance was passed by an unanimous vote and a motion to waive the second and third readings which puts it into law immediately.

Calling All Present and Past Itascans

Our cemetery is in great need! I do not know how Clay Dean and her group have done the good job they have, with the small budget they have to work with.

Do you think your lawn would stay in good condition with a small payment you made many years ago?

We desperately need everyone who has family buried here to send a donation to help us build a fund large enough to keep the cemetery looking the way that would make us all proud. Our parents, family, and soldiers are all buried there. We need to step up and make a difference, I can think of no better way to honor them. Please send your donation to Itasca Cemetery Association, 131 W. Main Itasca, TX 76055.

Betty Sumner, President of Itasca Revitalization

Senior Spotlight - Alicia Massey



Reporter Aren Barton
Caricature by Martin Martinez

Kind, red headed, soft spoken, and introverted are some first impressions one would notice when meeting Alicia Massey. However, when one really gets to know this delightful individual, you see that she is really very talkative and fascinating.

"I'm more quiet around people that I don't know," Alicia said. "But I'm

loud around people I do."

Alicia Michelle Massey is the daughter of Obid and Gabrielle Massey. She has three older sisters, Brandy, Taylor and Summer, and one younger brother, Anthony Fowler, who attends the 6th grade at the Itasca Middle school.

"My family is insane," Massey said. "But I really look up to my dad because he raised me my whole life"

Listening to all kinds of music, but especially county music, is one of Alicia's favorite pass times.

"I like country music because it calms me," Alicia said with a smile. "But I also enjoy driving my blue Chevy truck, hanging out with my family and best friends Catherine Olivas, Brekin Sheffield, Hali Caranza, Monnie Green and Cory Pugh, going to church at Central Baptist, and of course working at Taco Bell."

At school Alicia's favorite classes are science. This year it is chemistry.

"I like science and chemistry because you get to do a bunch of cool stuff like mix chemicals together," Massey said. "It's fun!"

Through the years, Massey has gone to several different schools, most recently Hallsville ISD, but always seemed to return to Itasca.

"Itasca has been my favorite school because it's smaller and also, believe it or not, because it has more rules," Alicia said. "Hallsville was a 5-A school."

Looking into the future, Alicia is still trying to decide where she wants to attend college, but she does know that she would like a career in either floral design or dental hygiene.

"My goals in life are finishing my senior year of high school, being the first Massey to walk across the stage to get my diploma, getting my own house, going to college, and getting married," Alicia said.

Preparing to leave high school has caused Alicia to think and reminisce on her last four years. She said that the best advice she can give to underclassmen is, "Stay off your phone, stay awake, and pay attention. It will pay off."



JV Wins Season Opener 18-6

Sports Writer Ashley Spain

This year the Wampus Cats are in a new district, which means they will be competing against new teams and facing new challenges. The JV got off to an impressive start with a 32-0 shutout over the Ranger Bulldogs last Thursday night. With an outstanding front line, freshman quarterback #12 Fisher Hennig was able to pass the ball without worrying too much about the Ranger line.

Manning the line is sophomore #81 Michael Nolen, freshmen #55 Sam Orr, #72 Jack Daniel, #66 Johnny Castro, #75 Tristen Prescott, #52 Casey

Carranza and #33 JJ Helms. All of which did an amazing job blocking the opposing defense so their backfield could make the play. Not only did they protect their quarterback, they also opened up lanes for freshmen running backs #10 TeMarcus Sheppard and #32



Khumbo Bailey.

Sheppard and Bailey did a terrific job running the ball, whether it was up the middle to pick up a first down, or gashing the outside for touchdowns.

Itasca 4-H New Member Sign-Up

The Itasca 4-H is beginning a new year. Students in grades 3-12 are encouraged to sign-up to participate in the upcoming year. There will be a meeting on September 19, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at the Boy Scout Hut located behind the Methodist Church. Anyone interested in being a part of the Itasca 4-H can sign up at the meeting. Parents are welcome and encouraged to be involved as well.

Projects available include: Photography, Sewing, Cooking, Consumer Decision Making, Livestock Judging, Archery, and show animals (goats, pigs, sheep, chickens, rabbits, and horses).

If you cannot make the meeting, you may get an enrollment form from Alex Sparks, club president, at the high school or contact club managers Jim and Julie Sparks at 254-687-2745 or 254-580-8188 with any questions.

Wampus Cats 18-6 over Bulldogs

Sports Writer David Corbitt

The Cats stepped off the bus last Friday night for their season opener against the Ranger Bulldogs. Even with injuries to key players, (with only 18 varsity players, all players are key players) they played as a team and rolled back into Itasca with great experience and that critical first "W" tucked into their belt.

After a back and forth first quarter, #22 Jonathan Fredrick pounded the ball into the end zone for the first blood of the game, and immediately afterward took the ball in for the extra 2 points. The second quarter was as successful as the first, marked by #2 Sha-keal Mozon's touchdown and 2-point conversion. After a long, hard fought drive towards the end of the half, the ball was fumbled and the Dogs took over on their own goal line. The Cats' defense shut down Ranger, ending the half with a safety, and an 18-0 lead over the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs only points came from a touchdown after a fake punt during the 3rd quarter. They tried for the 2-point conversion, but were stopped.

The defensive pressure was led by #64 B.J. "The Bruiser" Jackson, who led the team in tackles. The offensive line had a great game, opening running lanes and protecting their quarterbacks, which was a major factor in the 18-6 Wampus Cat victory, but the Cats are working hard this week on ball control.

Along with the impressive win, the Cats also logged 8 fumbles, which they hope to eliminate in Friday night's game against the Rice Bulldogs.



IISD Calendar

September

- 2 JV Cats vs. JV Rice Bulldogs Away 7:30 p.m.
- 3 Wampus Cats vs. Rice Bulldogs 7:30 p.m. Patton Field
- 6 (Monday) Labor Day - Holiday
- 7 (Tuesday) Middle School Open House - All grades (5, 6, 7, 8) 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
- 9 (Thursday) High School Open House (Seniors & parents - Library 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.) All grades - 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. High School

2010 Varsity Football

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September

3	Rice	Home	7:30 p.m.
10	Open		
17	Tolar	Home	7:30 p.m.
24	Wortham	Home	7:30 p.m.

October

1	Teague	Away	7:30 p.m.
8	*DeLeon	Homecoming	7:30 p.m.
15	*Bosqueville	Away	7:30 p.m.
22	*Valley Mills (Sr. Night)	Home	7:30 p.m.
29	*Santo	Away	7:30 p.m.

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*Depicts district games

JV Football Schedule

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September

2	Rice	Away	5:00 p.m.
9	TBA		
16	Tolar	Away	5:00 p.m.
23	Wortham	Away	5:00 p.m.
30	Teague	Home	5:00 p.m.

October

7	DeLeon	Away	5:00 p.m.
14	Bosqueville	Home	5:00 p.m.
21	Valley Mills	Away	5:00 p.m.
28	Santo	Home	5:00 p.m.

Junior High Football Schedule

September

9	TBA		
16	Tolar	Away	5:00 p.m.
23	Wortham	Away	5:00 p.m.
30	Teague	Home	5:00 p.m.

October

7	DeLeon	Away	5:00 p.m.
14	Bosqueville	Home	5:00 p.m.
21	Valley Mills	Away	5:00 p.m.
28	Santo	Home	5:00 p.m.



Michelle Ignacz

July City Council Minutes

The Itasca City council met in a regular session on Monday, July 19, 2010 in the Council Chambers, 136 N. Hill St., Itasca, Texas. Mayor Pro-tem James Bouldin called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Members present were Susie Davis, Denis Heyse, Doug Farquhar and John Laird; City Administrator Mark Gropp and City Attorney Stephanie Johnson. Mayor Matthew Fehnel was absent.

City Administrator presented a donation from the city that was accepted by Barbara Petrash for the *Paw Print Press*.

Motions were made and passed to accept the minutes from June 21, 2010 meeting and to approve the payment of the bills as presented.

Monthly department and committee reports were given as by Wayland Price (IVFD), Chief John Griscavage (IPD), Wayne Upchurch (Water/Sewer Operation), Wayland Price (Planning and Zoning Committee, Office of Code Enforcement and Building Standard Commission).

Tony Slider addressed the Council to consider a request regarding holding the 4th Annual Itasca Homecoming Celebration at the Mamie Crouch Park on August 6-7, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. He informed the Council that he needed to make a correction that this is the 4th instead of the 5th Annual Itasca Homecoming Celebration, which was stated on the agenda request form. The request was approved with a unanimous vote.

The Council considered the contract agreement with Hill County Emergency Services District No. 1 (ESD #1) that that the City of Itasca would provide fire department services. The City Attorney stated she was going to suggest making changes to the contract. Fire Chief Wayland Price explained that he attended a meeting with other fire departments in Malone regarding the contract agreement and the County Judge is helping with a new contract. The motion to pass was tabled to wait for the new contract.

The Council discussed approving Resolution No. 071910 that established the Policy and Procedures included in the General Orders Manual for the City of Itasca Police Department. The City Attorney informed the Council that all changes have been made to the draft copy, which she gave to Police Chief John Griscavage in order for him to make the changes. The Council's vote was tabled until the August meeting.

The Council voted to raise the water rates by two percent to cover the cost of production. The meeting was open for general Mayor, Council and City administrator discussion and reports. There was a discussion about the sale of K-2 in the city. The City Administrator was instructed by the Council to get with the City Attorney to create an ordinance that controlled the age limit of sales of K-2 incense and similar products to persons under 21 years of age.

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

July Itasca PD Report

Arrest

1 Felony	1 Misdemeanor
1 Other Agency	1 Class "C"
Total call for service – 77	No cases filed

Traffic Citations

803 - Moving	53 - Non-moving	60 - Warnings
Class "C" Citations	City Ordinance	
1 Public intoxication	1 No rabies vaccination	
1 Disorderly conduct	1 Dog at large	
1 Minor in possession (Consuming alcohol)		
2 Assault		
5 Possession of drug paraphernalia		
1 Open container		
1 Reckless damage		

July Itasca VFD Report

City Call

County Calls

Assist EMS	11	3
False Alarm		1
MVC	1	2
Total calls	18	Year to date 139
No calls missed, no mutual aid given or received		
	14 members	

Look What's New at Angel Food!

Press Release

Angel Food has always had a lot of offer, but now they have something for every size household! Beginning in September, they will be offering 3 sizes of their boxes. There will be the regular *Signature Box* that has always been offered, there will be the *Bit O'Blessing Box* that contains about half as much food, and now there's a *Bountiful Blessing Box* that contains about twice that of a *Signature Box* for large families.

They are still offering *Convenience Meals* that are 10 heat and serve meals - perfect for seniors or to take for lunch. And, now that school's back in session, the perfect box for kids is the *Just 4 Me After School Box* that contains microwaveable items that are perfect for after-school snacks.

Please consider purchasing a box for you or someone you know, or picking up a *Just for Me Box* for your child or grandchild. There are no income requirements for Angel Food. This is a food source to help everyone in the community. Couldn't you use help with your grocery bill?

For more information, please call the Presbyterian Church at 687-2243.

July IISD Board of Trustees Meetings

***The Board of Trustees of the Itasca Independent School District met in called session on Thursday, July 1, 2010, in the Itasca ISD Library at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present, as were Superintendent Glenn Pittman and Dr. Steve Johnson. Superintendent Pittman and the board of trustees reviewed the district's 2010-11 revenue and expenditure projections. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

***The Board of Trustees of the Itasca Independent School District met in special called session on Thursday, July 1, 2010, in the Itasca ISD Library at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 8:16 p.m. and entered executive session. The board reconvened into open session at 8:19 p.m. and a motion was passed to approve administrative salaries remaining the same as 2009 -10 amounts. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

The Board of Trustees of the Itasca Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, July 12, 2010, in the Itasca ISD Library at 7:00 p.m. Members present were President Susan Bason, Secretary Angelia Orr, Nancy Bowman and Marquita Lloyd. Members absent were Vice President Oscar Castillo, Jr., Kevin Cordell and Brian Bassett. Administration present were Superintendent Glenn Pittman, Principals Rickie Harris and Karon Farquhar, Special Programs Director Amy Reyna, Student Services Coordinator Kristi Sargent, Business Manager Kim Eaddy and Norma Merkel, Secretary.

Visitors present were Dr. Steve Johnson, Penny Faries, Felicia Coleman, Karla Lightsey, Bob Coleman, Chelsea Faries, Barbara Petrash, Kaleigh Lightsey, Shelbee Coleman and Allan Shuman. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by the President Susan Bason.

Felicia Coleman thanked the board for the support given to the middle school students able to attend the Washington D.C. field trip. Students presented an overview of their experiences on the trip; they presented a group photo to the board of trustees.

A motion was passed to approve the board meeting minutes from June 21, 2010.

Amy Reyna reported on all special programs. Superintendent Pittman reported the district received the TEA report from the September (2009) follow-up visit and is waiting on clarification for a number of issues. A meeting is schedule to redraft an agreement with the Hill County Special Education Coop. The district is waiting to be notified who will be assigned as a monitor for the RF tracker report. He also notified the board that the Ludwig Scholarship is considering changing the criteria process this year to allow a current student to be awarded the scholarship.

The board entered executive session at 7:25 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 7:40 p.m. a motion was passed to hire Rachel Dyer, Garrett Dyer, and Krista Weaver for 2010-11. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Team Roping, Calf Roping Practice at T3C3

Trail To The Cross Cowboy Church of Hillsboro has Team Roping & Calf Roping Practice every Friday beginning at 7:30 pm. The T3C3 Arena is located at 226 Stadium Drive, which is behind the High School Football Stadium. Cost is \$15 per roper. There will be a short devotional message. For more information, please call 254-640-7560.

FOR SALE

2008 Kawasaki Mule 3010
Trans 4 x 4 w/ top & windshield
Garage Kept - Low Hours
Camo in color
\$8,750.00 254-854-0595

Card of Thanks

We, the family of Charles Roy Fox, find it impossible to have enough words to express our gratitude for all the prayers, words of encouragement and comfort, and acts of kindness that have been shared with us for the last 6 months.

There could never be enough "Thank You" said for all the delicious food, beautiful flowers, generous memorials, personal visits, cards and calls.

We are forever grateful, and thankful for your love, and thoughtfulness.

To the Class of 1947, Thank You to so many who attended Charlie's Funeral Services.

Sincerely,
Peggy, Stephen, Rikki & their families

Democrats of Hill County Meeting

Democrats of Hill County hold monthly meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held Monday, September 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Itasca Rotary Room in downtown Itasca on Main St., across the street from the Curry building. Contact Lanore Dixon for more information at lanore@dixonpen.com or call 254-221-0511.

Darcy's County Cuts
Tuesday - Thursday
9 a.m. – 6 p.m. (call for apt)
254-854-3087

Recent Deaths


Boyd, Joyce - Joyce Boyd, 75, of Hillsboro died August 19, 2010, at a Waco hospital. She was born September 27, 1934, in Mertens, daughter of N. C. and Ruby Ivy Tekell. She grew up and lived in Hill County all of her life. On November 14, 1952, she married George (Zippy) Boyd, and he preceded her in death December 10, 2007. She was also preceded in death by her parents; and two brothers, Harold and Adron Tekell.

Survivors include: two sons, George Lynn Boyd and wife, Linda, of Burleson and Kevin Boyd and wife, Teresa, of Hillsboro; three brothers, Melvin Tekell and wife, Faye, of Mayfield, Charles Tekell and wife, Becky, of Itasca and Jerry Tekell of Italy; one sister, Dorothy Duncan of Hillsboro; two sisters-in-law, Jean Tekell of Hillsboro and Reva Jo Tekell of Bynum; two grandchildren, George Lyndon Boyd and wife, Shayla, and Lauren Boyd; two great-grandchildren, Jade Lacole Boyd and Jace Logan Boyd; and numerous nieces and nephews. Graveside services were held August 24, 2010, at Hillcrest Garden of Memory near Hillsboro with Pastor Phil Gibson and Linda Brownlow officiating.

Bailey, Anna Marie Hamilton - Funeral services for Anna (Granny) Bailey, 98, of Itasca were held August 24, 2010, at Clayton Kay-Vaughan Funeral Home Chapel in Itasca. Burial was at Itasca Cemetery. Officiating minister was Brother Joe Chase of Keller. Mrs. Bailey left this world on Saturday morning, August 21, 2010.

Anna Marie Hamilton was born on March 8, 1912, in Itasca to Fletcher and Dove Hamilton, and was the oldest of four children. In 1924, Marie became the matriarch of her family when her mother died, caring for her younger siblings. Marie attended school in the Mayfield community but graduated from Hillsboro High School in 1930. She attended North Texas Teaching University of Denton. She returned to Itasca and married John Forrest Bailey on November 27, 1936. They were the parents of four children; Angie, Nancy, John Lee and Pat. She was a homemaker for most of her life and was active in gardening, canning and listening to music but her family was the most important aspect to her. She loved to prepare weekly Sunday dinner for her entire family. Mrs. Bailey was a long-time member of Itasca Church of Christ, where she taught the women's Bible class for many years. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and all of her siblings; Edna Bradford, Nell Coffin and John Hamilton, all of Itasca.

She is survived by two daughters, Angie Bewley of Hillsboro and Nancy White and husband, Bob, of Itasca; two sons, John Lee Bailey and wife, Patty, of Everman and William Pat Bailey and wife, Sharon, of Weatherford; eight grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends. Anna Marie Bailey was an angel while she was on this earth, sent here to teach, demonstrate and encourage strong family values. She was loved by all who knew her.



90's Classes Homecoming Reunion

Saturday, October 9th, 2010 6:00 pm-1:00 am Location: TRD, will post later

Calling all IHS graduates from the classes 1990-1999...

It's that time again, Homecoming!!! Let's do it up BIG by celebrating together. We will have music and food, but they don't come cheap. We ask that you please make a small \$20 donation to help with expenses! Mail all donations to the following:

Kelly Tinklenberg
602 Williams ST
Grandview, TX 76050

(make checks payable to: Kelly Tinklenberg)
Receipt Upon Request

Any remaining funds will be donated to the Ex-Students Association Scholarship fund

RSVP: Attending Not Attending Maybe

****please return this form EVEN IF NOT ATTENDING****

If you would like to scan and email any pictures/memorabilia from our school days, please send to ktink@itascaisd.org. I will put on display for all to see at the reunion! Thanks!

Hill County Defensive Driving School

125 W Elm Hillsboro, Texas next class Saturday, September 18
8:00 a.m. – 2:30 a.m. w/lunch break 254-582-5111

30-Year Reunion Planned

The Class of 1980 is planning a 30-year class reunion. Members please contact us with addresses and contact information. Contacts are Dlvrb31@aol.com, Dlvrb31@yahoo.com, or on <http://www.facebook.com/deevrb31> and you may also contact Debbie Sellers Gregory or Kathy Cadena. Please contact us as soon as possible. Go Wampus Cats! Debbie Vrba

IISD New Website

The school district has a new webpage. The website address is <http://itascaisd.org> and there are links for district sites on that home page including the *Paw Print Press*.

Remember When . . . “Sense and Nonsense”

Columnist Carl Sweeney

Typist & Carl's Assistant Brittany Reid



We haven't had much to laugh about lately with the hot and dry weather, and not much to smile about on the political and international scene. Someone suggested a column in a lighter vein. Which brings to mind some old sayings, which were serious to us then, but now are rather humorous. At the moment I have in mind things that my mother taught me.

She taught me about religion, “You had better pray that comes out of the carpet!” She taught me about travel, “If you don't straighten up, I am going to knock you into the middle of next week. She taught me logic, “Because I said so that why.” Even more about logic, “If you fall out of that tree and break your neck you are not going to the store with me.” She taught me irony, “If you keep crying I will give you something to cry about.” She explained osmosis, “Shut your mouth and eat your dinner.” She taught me about contortionism, “Will you look at that dirt on your neck.” She taught me about stamina, “You will sit there until all of your spinach is gone.” My mother also taught me about hyperboles, “If I've told you once, I've told you a thousand times, don't exaggerate.” She also explained the circle of life; “I brought you into this world, and I can take you out.”



She also explained about behavior modification, “Stop acting like your father.” She taught me about envy, “There are lots of children in this world who don't have parents like you.” She taught me anticipation; “Just wait till I get you home.” She also taught about receiving, “You are going to get it when you get home.” She taught me about humor, “When that lawnmower cuts your toes off, don't come running to me.” She taught me how to become an adult, “If you don't eat your vegetables you will never grow up.” She taught me genetics, “You are just like your father.” She taught me wisdom, “When you get to be my age, you will understand.” She taught me justice, “Someday you will have kids and I hope they turn out just like you.” She taught me medical science, “If you don't stop crossing your eyes they will get stuck that way.” She taught me about roots, “Shut that door, one would think you were raised in a barn.”

There are a few other things like that I bet some of you can remember. In getting older, there are positive things and mostly negative things. One positive is you can hide your own Easter eggs. Another is when the reporter interviewing the 100-year-old woman asked what was the best thing about being 100. “No peer pressure,” she replied.

As I get older I have dizzy spells, memory loss, take lots of medication, am half blind and subject to blackouts, but thank God, I still have my driver's license. An elderly lady said when she died she wanted her ashes scattered around in Wal-Mart, that way her daughters would visit her twice times a week. It is scary when we start making noises like our coffee maker and about half the stuff, you shop for is for fast relief.

The Senility Prayer is great. It goes, “Grant me the senility to forget the people I have never liked, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.” Other great sayings are “You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing.” Don't you feel sorry for the people who have no sense of humor?

We older folks have always known that the metric system would not work in America. Below are some of the reasons; a miss is as good as 1.6 kilometers, put your best .3 of a meter forward, spare the 5.03 meters and spoil the child, 28 grams of prevention is worth 453 grams of cure. Give a man 2.5 centimeters and he will take 1.6 kilometers, Peter Piper picked 8.8 liters of pickled peppers. There is lots more but as the old folks used to say, “Enough is enough, and too much is a dog's bait.”

For Sale - GREAT STARTER HOME

Located on a corner lot with plenty of trees and a large fenced backyard. It's just a few blocks from the Itasca School District. It has been completely renovated from top to bottom and freshly painted inside and out. It has 3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, large kitchen, nice size living room with beautiful hardwood floor, central air/heat. It has new plumbing, wiring and hot water heater along with new carpet and energy efficient windows.

Price has been reduced. For more info call Willie @ 972-365-7318 or Teresa @ 214-621-8332.

Local Artists Needed September 17-19

Antique Alley Texas and 25 MILES of SALES Downtown Grandview is seeking LOCAL ARTISTS to take advantage of the crowds of people in Grandview. Vendor Inquiries Welcome! If you are a talented artist and want to sell your work contact AntiqueAlleyTexas.com or call 817-240-4948.

Paw Print Press
123 N. College
Itasca, Texas 76055

Wampus Cat Offensive Line

Reporter David Corbitt



(Left to right) Coach Morrill, Christian Cruz, B.J. “The Bruiser” Jackson, Aaron Rodriguez, Dakota Cox, Jack Panting and David Corbitt.

The offensive line is famous for being the rough, dirty, trench-fighting powerhouse of the football team. Therefore, it makes sense that in this line of work, it helps to be huge. Unfortunately, for our Wampus Cats, not many of the front line top 200 pounds. However, what this group lacks in size, they more than make up for in speed, discipline, and just plain gumption.

“It is a pleasure and a privilege to work with these hard-working young men,” line coach Nathan Morrill said. “Our

line is made up of coachable, teachable, competitive honor students. I can talk strategy or technique with them, and they get it and do it. Their hard work makes my job much easier.”

Getting Ready for Friday Night Lights!

Support your Wampus Cats on Thursday & Friday by wearing the school colors (black & gold) & showing your team SPIRIT

Receive 10% off your purchase at Itasca Dairy Queen
Go Wampus Cats!

