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Graduating Class of 2007



Left to right - Bottom row - Salutatorian Paige Bailey and Valedictorian Candice Kowalski
2nd row - Kandis McVea, Lauryn Laskowski, Gabby Rivera, Brittany Christopher, Megan George, Ashley Capps, Gabby Zuniga
3rd row - Anita Ponce, Bianca Heath, Kabeer Chan, Amanda Upchurch, Chelsea Minyard, Karla Ochoa, Rita Garza
4th row - Mercedes Snyder, Leslie Trejo, Rachel Anderson, Gilberto Librado-Acosta, Victoria Jimenez Lopez, Juan Carlos Nolasco
5th row - Kyle Baker, Kendale Mayberry, Javier Medina, Jonathan Saldierna, Jesus Soto, Heather Neuman
6th row - Craig Slider, Stephanie Campbell, Cameron Offutt, Chris Zachman, Colleen O'Hearn
Top row - Clayton Beatty, Zoleeta Myers-West, Ashley Swilley, Autumn Bennett, Alecia Evans
Missing from photo - Lamar Crawford and Justin Shelton

Valedictorian & Salutatorian



Left to right – Salutatorian Paige Bailey with a weighted average of 101.1 is the daughter of Jolynn Bailey and Jerry Bailey. Valedictorian Candice Kowalski is with a weighted average of 102.9 is the daughter of Ken Kowalski and the late Brenda Kowalski.

2007 Honor Graduates



Bottom row (left to right) – Rachel Anderson, Gabby Rivera, Candice Kowalski, Paige Bailey, Amanda Upchurch, Karla Ochoa 2nd row (l to r) Ashley Swilley, Stephanie Campbell, Alecia Evans, Autumn Bennett

Our Future Plans

Rachel Anderson - Southern Nazarene/Tarleton
 Paige Bailey - Rice University
 Kyle Baker - TSTC
 Clayton Beatty - undecided
 Autumn Bennett - Hill College
 Stephanie Campbell - UT-Arlington
 Ashley Capps - undecided
 Ying-Lee Chan - Shoreline Community College
 Brittany Christopher - TSTC
 Lamar Crawford - TSTC
 Mark Cummings - TSTC
 Alecia Evans – UT Arlington
 Rosemary Flores - undecided
 Rita Garza - Hill College
 Megan George - Hill College
 Bianca Heath - Hill College
 Candice Kowalski - University of North Texas
 Jessica Laramore - MCC - Hill or Work
 Lauryn Laskowski - undecided
 Gilberto Librado - TSTC
 Victoria Jimenez Lopez - UTA or UNT
 Kendale Mayberry - undecided
 Kandis McVea - Hill College

Javier Medina - undecided
 Chelsea Minyard - Tarleton State
 Zoleeta Myers-West - Northwest Missouri State U.
 Heather Neuman - Dental assistant
 Juan Carlos Nolasco - Working full time
 Colleen O'Hearn - Hill College
 Karla Ochoa – UT Arlington
 Cameron Offutt - Navy
 Anita Ponce - Hill College
 Gabrielle Rivera – UT Arlington
 Jonathon Saldierna - TSTC
 Justin Shelton - Hill College
 Craig Slider - Dental College
 Mercedes Snyder - Elizabeth City State University
 Jesus Soto - Marines
 Ashley Swilley - Texas Tech University
 Leslie Trejo - Marines
 Amanda Upchurch - UT Tyler
 Christopher Zachman - Work full time
 Gabriela Zuniga - Hill College

Senior Issue Editors

Ashley Durham, Megan Goff, Eva Mayberry
 Mary Maddox – Assistant
 Caricatures by Zech O'Rarden

Advice from the 2007 Seniors

Drop your drama! Life is short, live it to the fullest, have fun, don't do drugs. Remember one thing if you don't remember the rest, class of 07 is the best. -Bianca Heath

Do well in school and actually go to school. -Ashley Capps

Life is tough. Get a helmet because it gets even tougher. -Stephanie Campbell

Work hard to get good grades, go to college and never give up. -Juan Carlos Nolasco Jimenez

Be safe, don't slack off your last year and enjoy it because it goes by fast. -Jesus Soto

Always do your best, and always come to school. -Kandis McVea

Follow your dreams and never let anyone tell you that you are not good enough...even if that person happens to be yourself. -Paige Bailey

Forget the drama, forget the rumors and forget the bad grades, but never forget Itasca High School. You will always be a Wampus Cat! The class of '07 is what is poppin'! -Megan George

Quit leaving messages on Mr. Scott's calculators. Despite what you think, HE KNOWS! -Rachel Anderson

Enjoy your senior year as much as possible because it flies by! - Chelsea Minyard

Laugh long and hard. Don't use the "L" word until you are 50. - Justin Shelton

Be who you want to be and don't let anyone tell you different. Also, Don't Do Drugs! - Christopher Zachman

Don't take your life for granted, live it while you still have the chance. Wherever you go, go with God. Tell the ones you love how you feel - otherwise they may never know. You will find that your parents DO know what they're talking about! Cherish the time you have with your family, they won't always be there. Live your life, admit to your mistakes, laugh often, don't worry about what you can't change, love like you're not afraid of being hurt.

Alecia Evans

Don't take time for granted because it goes by fast. - Gabby Rivera

Advice to the 2007 Seniors

Your graduation is a means to an end, not an end in itself: continue to work hard. Also understand your life will be measured by your character, not what you accomplished nor your bank balance. Mr. David Scott

Keep your goals in front of you always. Do not let the short term obstacles prevent you from achieving your dreams. Mrs. Joy Anderson

You are graduating, but remember your teachers and the administration want to hear from you. You are only an e-mail or phone call away. Don't forget that Mr. Rinehart is there to help you. Best wishes to all of you. Ms. Gordon

Use the gray cells! They will never desert you. Mrs. Brenda Swilley

If you follow advice from your elder, you will be a better elder. Mrs. Kate Droll

I am so proud of you all. Remember to always try your best and to never give up on your dreams. Good Luck! Mrs. Jill Miller

"Our dreams give us wings, dream big and soar into your future"! Congratulations, Daniel & Susan Bason

"Never be afraid to lose. Only those who participate and strive to win are in the position to lose; others are just spectators, and how sad to be a spectator of life." (Unknown) Always be the person that you would like to have as a friend. I will miss you all, especially Gabby and Alecia. Mrs. Barbara Petrash

Scholarships & Awards

Rachel Anderson – Outstanding Social Studies Student, “A” Honor Roll, UIL Scholar Award, Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete Award, Principal’s Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Brenton Hughes Memorial Scholarship, National Honor Society Scholarship, Miss Tennis. Girls’ Perseverance Award, Anatomy/Physiology Award, Spanish III Award, Most Spirited

Paige Bailey – Salutatorian, “A” Honor Roll, UIL Scholar Award, Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Superintendent’s Award, Principal’s Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Olen Nuchols Scholarship, College Composition Award, College Algebra, OAP All Star Cast Award, Most Likely to Succeed

Kyle Baker – Rotary Boy, UIL Superintendent’s Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, OAP Tech Award, Most Handsome

Clayton Beatty - Honor Society Graduate, Government/Economics Award

Autumn Bennett - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Bob Bullock Foundation Scholarship, Itasca Nursing Home Volunteer Scholarship

Stephanie Campbell - UIL Scholar Award, Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Rotary Girl, Principal’s Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, College Algebra, College Government Award, Health Care Science Technology

Ying-Lee Chan – Algebra II Award

Brittany Christopher - Student Council Scholarship

Alecia Evans - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Lloyd Ford Wampus Cat of the Year Scholarship, Itasca Nursing Home Volunteer Scholarship, Paw Print Press Journalism Scholarship, Journalism II Award

Rosemary Flores - Honor Society Graduate, Yearbook III Award

Rita Garza - Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, EPPS Hill College Scholarship, Ex-Students Association Scholarship, Hardaway Memorial Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Perfect Attendance

Megan George – Cecil Calvert Wilson Memorial Scholarship, Hill College Vocational Scholarship

Bianca Heath - Student Council Scholarship

Candice Kowalski – Valedictorian, Outstanding English Student, Outstanding Math Student, Outstanding Science Student, John Phillip Sousa Award, “A” Honor Roll, UIL Scholar Award, Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Marine Corp Scholastic Excellence Award, Emery & Cora Wilson Memorial Scholarship, Principal’s Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Band Scholarship, High School Writer Literary Merit Award, Most Creative Art Award

Jessica Laramore - Hill College Endowment Scholarship

Gilberto Librado - Emery & Cora Wilson Memorial TSTC Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship

Victoria Jiménez Lopez - Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, EPPS Hill College Scholarship, Hill County Retired Teachers Association Scholarship, Student Council Scholarship

Kendale Mayberry – Maribeau B. Lamar Award, Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete Award, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Itasca Nursing Home Volunteer Scholarship, Brenton Hughes Memorial Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Football Offensive Player of the Year, Mr. Basketball, Mr. IHS, Most Likely to Succeed, Most Dependable

Kandis McVea - Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Hill College Vocational Scholarship

Javier Medina - Honor Society Graduate, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Lloyd Ford Wampus Cat of the Year Scholarship, Student Council Scholarship

Chelsea Minyard - Honor Society Graduate, E.E. & Claudie Freeman Memorial Scholarship, Charles Bryant Memorial Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Communications Scholarship, Senior Cheerleader (Mascot), Best All-Around

Zoleeta Myers-West – Hill College Scholarship

Colleen O’Hearn - EPPS Hill College Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Student Council Scholarship

Karla Ochoa - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Senior Cheerleader, Student Council Scholarship

Scholarships & Awards Continued

Anita Ponce - Honor Society Graduate, HILCO Electric Coop Youth Tour, Bob Bullock Foundation Scholarship, Cody Allen Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship

Gabrielle Rivera - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, C. F. Vending/Dr. Pepper Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Itasca Nursing Home Volunteer Scholarship, Paw Print Press Journalism Scholarship, Yearbook I Award, Journalism III Award, Most Beautiful, Most Dependable

Justin Shelton - Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, EPPS Hill College Scholarship, Itasca Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, Hill County Retired Teachers Association Scholarship, Football Defensive Player of the Year, Most Spirited, Best All-Around

Mercedes Snyder - Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship

Ashley Swilley - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Maribeu B. Lamar Award, C. F. Vending/Dr. Pepper Scholarship, Molly Crouch Anderson Memorial Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Lloyd Ford FFA Scholarship, Miss Softball, Physics

Amanda Upchurch - Honor Graduate, Honor Society Graduate, Marine Corp Semper Fidelis Award, C. F. Vending/Dr. Pepper Scholarship, Cinco de Mayo Scholarship, Proctor Baker Memorial Scholarship, Desktop Publishing Scholarship, Senior Cheerleader, Desktop Publishing Award, Student Council Scholarship, Miss IHS

Gabriela Zuniga - Hill College Endowment Scholarship

Our Crowning Year



Class of 2007

“The Lord bless thee and keep thee: The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace”. Numbers 6: 24-26

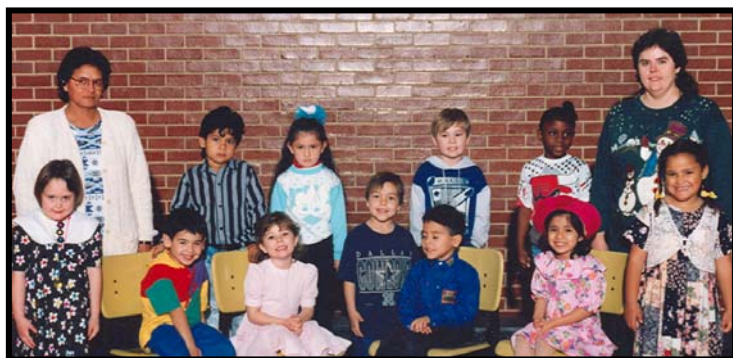
Dr. E. Ray Freeman, Itasca ISD 2007 Superintendent

Class Colors: Red & Silver Class Flower: White Amaryllis Class Song: “My Wish” by Rascal Flatts

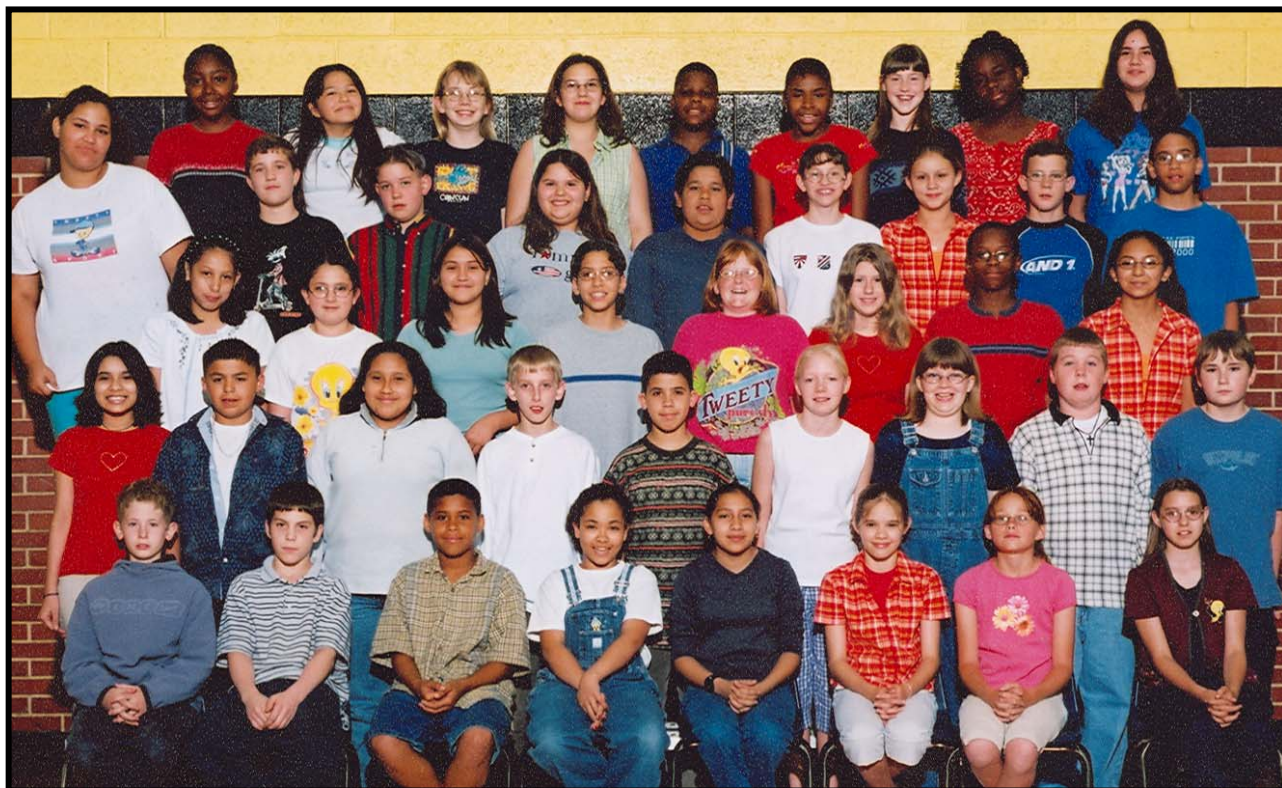
Class Motto

“Keep your heart open to dreams. For as long as there’s a dream, there is hope, and as long as there is hope, there is joy in living.” Anonymous

1993-1994 Pre-K



2001 6th Grade



Seniors Caught on Camera



“The Way We See You”

Caricatures of the Class of 2007 by Zech O’Rarden



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Wampus Cats of the Week - Class of 2007



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