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Homecoming 2007 – Hug * Kiss * Reminisce

2007 Queen Nominees



Left to right – Valerie Farquhar, daughter of Erica Bollig and Ken Farquhar, Lindsey Laird, daughter of John and Christy Laird and Kristin Rivera, daughter of Chris and Sue Rivera.

Downtown Park Dedication

Mayor Matt Fehnel and other Itasca dignitaries will be on hand to dedicate the new downtown park on the corner of E. Main St. and N. Hill St. at 2:30 p.m. Friday, September 21.

The Economic Development Committee and the Ricky Wiginton Memorial funded the transformation of this downtown area. The unsightly corner that once held the First National Bank building has been turned into a lovely shaded area where vendors can sell their wares (with a license) or citizens can pause to reflect on the beautiful Veterans' Memorial located on the opposite side of the street.

Homecoming Schedule - Sept. 21-22

Friday, September 21

2:30 p.m. Dedication of new downtown park 3:30 p.m. — Parade—Downtown Following Parade – Open House- Citizens State Bank

7:30 p.m. — Football Game — Itasca vs. Wortham

During the game - 11:00 p.m. — Fellowship in ISD Cafeteria

Saturday, September 22

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. — Coffee/Get Together ISD Cafeteria

11:30 a.m. — Barbeque Lunch in Cafeteria

1:00 p.m. — Business Meeting - Special Events Center

50-Year Honored Class — 1957

All Classes ending in 2s and 7s will be honored

New IISD Superintendent Welcomes Exes

Reporter Ashley Durham



For the past three months Glenn Pittman, new IISD superintendent, has been working hard learning his new job. This is the third time Pittman has changed responsibilities as an administrator.

Three years ago, he went from being a high school math teacher who was going to college to finish his master degree to a middle school principal.

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IVFD, Rotarians Hold 5th Annual Bull Riding Event



Photo by P. Willman

The IVFD held its 5th annual bull riding last Saturday.

Fans were use to the Labor Day Event and with the change of

date, the attendance was down. Attendees were treated to junior bull riding, pro bull riding and a calf scramble. The winner of that exciting event was Itasca 3rd grader Wayne Arellano.

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

Worship 10:50 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday evening Bible Study 5:00-6:00 p.m. Wednesday evening Bible Study and Prayer 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study Tuesday 10:30-12:00

First United Methodist Church

Come join us in our beautiful, historic sanctuary where worship is a joyous celebration. Main at King St. Worship 10:50 a.m. Rev. Tom Wood, Pastor 254-687-2475

Itasca Church of Christ

We all start out holding the hand of God. But he gave 8-30 – Domestic disturbance – 600 blk. S. Files St. us free will; and desiring us to grow, he allows us to 8-30 – Domestic disturbance – 400 blk. N. Hill St. turn loose and wander off. Some have gone off so far 8-31 – Suspicious person – 1200 S. Files St. that they have forgotten the way back to God.

Those of us who have stayed close to God, or found 8-31 – Disturbance – 1200 blk. E. Main St. our way back to God, are seeking our missing siblings 8-31 – Reckless driver – 800 blk. E. Wilkerson St. to return to God to experience the fullness of life, and 8-31 – Assisted motorist (Flat tire) – I-35W northbound not mere existence.

Itasca Church of Christ 200 N. Aquilla Sunday: 9:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. 5 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church **Sunday Schedule**

9:00 - 9:30 Praise & Worship (Sanctuary) **Cross Roads Band**

9:15 - 9:45 Fellowship Time in Barton Hall 9:45 - 10:30 Sunday School all Ages (Nursery - Seniors) 10:50 - Praise and Worship - 11:00 - Worship Service "Hour of Power" - 7th - 12th grades Sunday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Barton Hall

Exercise Classes- Senior Citizens Tues. & Thurs. 10 a.m. Game Night -3rd Tuesday Night - 6:00 p.m.

Angel Food Ministry Host Site - 687-2243

Itasca Zoning Committee Meeting

2nd Monday of Month 5:30 p.m. Municipal Court Building 136 N. Hill St.

Itasca Ministerial Alliance Meeting

Saturday, October 6 9:00 a.m. - St. John's Baptist

Itasca City Council Meeting

Monday, October 15, 2007 Municipal Court Building 136 N. Hill St.

Itasca ISD School Board Meeting

October 8, 2007 7:00 p.m.

IISD Administration Building - 123 N College St.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting

Monday, September 24, 2007 5:30 p.m. **HILCO Operations Building** E. Main St.

Volunteer Fire Department Meetings

2nd Monday of Month 3rd Monday of Month **Fire Station**

Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Fire Training - 7:00 p.m. **Downtown Itasca**

Police Blotter – August 30-31

8-30 – Adult probation information – 700 blk. E. Main St.

8-30 - Road blocked - 500 blk. E. Main St.

8-30 – Animal complaint (Loose dog picked up) Citation – 900 blk. Mill St.

8-30 – Animal complaint (Loose dog) Referred to County – 151 HCR 4118

8-30 – Animal complaint (Loose dog) 100 blk. E. North St.

8-31 - Suspicious person – 1200 S. Files St.

8-31 - Assisted motorist (Flat tire) – 1200 blk. E. Main St.

8-31 - Assisted motorist (Flat tire) – I-35W northbound mm 7

Wednesday: 6 p.m. 8-31 – Reckless driver – Citation issued – I-35W mm 10

8-31 – Loud music complaint – 400 blk. N. Hill St. & 400 blk. Wilkerson St.

8-31 - Civil disturbance - 1200 blk. E. Main St.

September, 2007

9-1 – Fight in progress – 100 blk. N. Hill St.

9-1 – Reckless driver report – Traffic stop (DWI arrest by DPS) - I-35W northbound mm 9

9-1 - Vehicle fire - 300 blk. E. Main St.

9-1 – Verbal dispute (Side of road) – I-35W mm 7

9-1 – Fight in progress – (3 citations issued for Class "C" Assault) – 800 blk. Loom St.

9-1 – Reckless driver – (Citation issued by DPS) – I-35W

9-1 – Welfare concern – I-35W southbound mm 12

9-1 – Suspicious person – E. Main St.

9-2 – Report of possible Illegal tampering w/Utilities – IPD

9-2 – Reckless driver – I-35W southbound mm 14

Joshua Walk Planned

Press Release

In the Bible, Joshua was instructed by God to march around the city of Jericho once a day for 6 days. On the 7th day, they were to march around the city 7 times.

A "Joshua Walk" for our schools is planned for Sept. 16 - 22. The first walk will be held on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 7:00 p.m. The walkers will then meet again every day that week at 9:00 a.m. Walkers will meet at the home of Diane Barnes at 404 E Monroe St., walk up to Files Street in front of the Middle School and Elementary School, go around the football field, and up Main Street by the High School, winding up back at Diane's house on Monroe. Before each walk, there will be prayers for our students, teachers, administrators and other workers at our schools. On Saturday, we will walk the route 7 times.

Everyone, including any ex-students here for Homecoming, is invited to join us in this Joshua Walk, which we hope will be a blessing to everyone involved in our school systems.

"Part-time Employment Opportunity"

First Presbyterian Church of Itasca has an opening for a regular part-time staff member in its nursery. Position is responsible for the care and supervision of children ages 2 months to 3 years on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Minimum age of 18; background checks required. Interested persons should call the church office at 687-2243 for more information.

New IISD Superintendent

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In 2005, Pittman once again changed jobs and had to readjust to an older group of students. This time he became the high school principal, a position he held for two years.

In May 2007 he was hired by the school board to fill the superintendent vacancy left by Dr. E. Ray Freeman's retirement. The transition has been very smooth with most of the stress being felt by Pittman, his secretary Norma Merkel and finance director Barry Durham.

"My years as a teacher in the district and then as a middle and a high school principal have helped me during the last few months," Pittman said. "That hands-on experience is invaluable in my new position."



New Wampus Cat T-Shirts

Athletic Gray \$10.00 Sm, Med, Lg, 2XL, 3XL Choice of Old Cat Head or New Cat Head Contact HSD Booster Club

Memorial Planned

Press Release

The First Presbyterian Church of Itasca will begin work soon on the Barbara Hooks Memorial Garden, which will be located between our sanctuary and educational building. Barbara Hooks was a beloved, long-time member of our church who died in June 2005. Barbara fought a long and hard battle with cancer, but was so active in our church and so devoted to God's work that she was helping with VBS just two weeks before her death and hosted a Bible Study at her home just one week before she died. Barbara also worked for many years at the schools in Itasca as an Aide and touched the lives of many young persons - as well as co-workers. One of the things Barbara enjoyed doing in her spare time was taking care of her lawn, which was always beautiful.

We feel that there could be no more appropriate memorial for this lovely person but something that involves the outdoors and a place for meditation. Most of the money for this project has been given by relatives from the Davis side of her family.

However, in order to make this garden as beautiful and special as Barbara was, we need to raise some extra funds. We will be holding a Taco Dinner on September 29 from 5:30 - 8:00 in Barton Hall of our church. Meals paid for before September 24 will be \$8.00. After that date, the price of each meal will be \$10.00.

We are also selling memorial bricks, which will be part of the brick sidewalk, leading to the Garden. These bricks will be \$150.00 apiece and can be inscribed with the purchaser's name or any name they wish to place on the brick as a memorial or "in honor of." Forms are available in the church office or you may call 254-687-2243. To mail in a check and information for a brick, please send to:

First Presbyterian Church, PO Box 6, Itasca, 76055

Class of 1962 – 45 Years

Farrow Room after the ex students' meeting Saturday afternoon. N. Shelton @ 972 542-7440 or J. Parvin @ 972 493-3662.

Class of 1977 – 30 Years

Contact Patsy Nalley Bishop at 254-582-2279 or e-mail @ jackandgeorgia@hotmail.com

Class of 1984 (1983 & 1985)

Homecoming party - Oscar Castillo's - 401 E. Spurgeon St. Classes 1983 & 1985 also invited.

Class of 1997 - 10 Years

myspace.com/ihs_class_of_97 or email wampus.cats@hotmail.com

Senior Spotlight Josh Huff #55

Reporter Mary Maddox - Cartoonist Zech O'Rardon



Joshua Keith Huff, also known as "Huff," has attended Itasca High School for four years. Ever since he became a Wampus Cat, he has been on the Varsity football team.

"I can hit people really hard," Huff said. "I am also always hungry and happy."

He also showed off his strength when he competed in power lifting three years in a row. He made the Top 10 Strongman list each year.

The words he lives by, or maybe just the words people know him by are, "Stay out of my way!"

From hearing him talk or even reading this story, one would surmise that Huff is a bully or a "tough guy." Nothing could be further from the truth.

"Huff wants everyone to think he is so tough," PAL Sponsor Barbara Petrash said. "This is his second year to be a PAL and the elementary students love him and he loves them. The tough stuff is all for show, the PALees and his teachers know the real Huff."

Huff's senior year will be an unforgettable one for him. The memories began on the first day of school when Mrs. Anderson made him shave his prized beard that he had been cultivating all summer.

"I loved my beard," Josh said. "I miss it!"

His parents are Adrian and Karin Huff. He has two older sisters, Amanda and Amber, and an older brother, David.

"I'm the baby," Huff said with a baby-faced grin.

He loves his "Momma" and his two best friends "Jess and "Chadly," because in them he finds trust, honesty

and perseverance, the things he looks for most in a friend. He also loves his dogs Xena and Bear, his horses, Teddy, Sky and Ranger and his 1984 camo painted suburban "The Beast."

This summer Huff completed a four-week course to become a Farrier. He attended the Texas Horse-shoeing School. His ad runs in the Paw Print Press for trimming, resets and shoeing. (Josh Huff Farrier Service)

He is undecided about college and a full time career following graduation.

He does know that in the near future he wants to "have a family, and be living life to its fullest!"



Welcome to Itasca ISD

Reporters & Photo Eva Mayberry & Ashley Durham



Coach Clint Wallace joined the staff of Itasca ISD as the Lady Cats' Athletics coach and as an elementary PE coach. Before arriving at Itasca, Coach Wallace coached at Grandview and then at Crowley. He has been a coach for 15 years.

Wallace graduated from Grandview High School. He attended Sul

Ross State University, where he played college football.

He and his wife, Jo Ann have one daughter, 15 year old, Samantha. Wallace decided to follow in his uncle's, Jimmy Campbell, footsteps and become a coach. His old football coach Larry Lanier also influenced him.

"I am enjoying coaching at Itasca. The girls are really dedicating themselves to the athletic program," Wallace said, "that will make success come much faster."

Coach Wallace has devoted himself to the girls' program and has many goals for the Lady Cats to achieve.

"As a team we are going to work hard every day and have a great winning attitude."

Meet the Press – Nick Worth

Reporter Maria Worth



Newcomer on the Paw Print Press staff is senior Nick Worth. Due to health concerns, Nick is no longer able to play football or participate in any other sports, so he chose to do the next best thing: write about sports.

Nick is this year's sports editor

on the *Paw Print Press* and he films the varsity football games for the coaches each week. These two activities keep him in the thick of the action. Nick is also very active in UIL debate and One Act Play

"Nick's sports expertise is very useful," PPP Publisher Barbara Petrash said. "He brings the experience of having been on the football field in a game, which none of the rest of the staff has. He does tend to get the "big head" so I would never tell him how much we value him."

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Cat Fight on Patton Field

Wampus Cats over Lions 21-19

Sports Editor Nick Worth Photos by Jessi Grindele & Ashley Durham

Last Friday night, the Wampus Cats met the Blooming Grove Lions in the first of three home games. No one knew what to expect with Itasca's relatively new staff facing off against some of Itasca's former coaches. The game began with Itasca winning the coin toss and deferring until the second half.

It didn't take long for the Lions to find the subtle flaws in the Cats' defense and score on their first drive. After a failed field goal, the Lions kicked to the Cats that began a back and forth series of small gains and punt for each team. Shortly into the second quarter, the Lions finished a drive and scored a touchdown but once again, the extra point failed. The Lions were up 12-0.

The Cats seemed to finally get it together. They stopped the Lions' pass plays and running game with a couple of sacks and began to turn the game around offensively as Mikey Marshall passed to John Prescott for what looked like half the field. They followed that with their first score of the game when Desmond Guy ran it in with four minutes left in the half. A successful PAT (point-after-touchdown) and the score was 12-7. Shortly after, Justin Hopkins intercepted the ball, but with only 24 seconds left for the offense to work, the Cats weren't able to pull off another TD.

As halftime ended, Itasca came out with a new game plan and scored within the first minute. A two-point conversion put the Cats in the lead 15-12, which led to another back and forth struggle. As the ball changed hands, each time the fans' hearts did a flip-flop and they groaned or clapped depending on who had possession.

In the exciting fourth quarter, Blooming Grove scored again regaining the lead. This time, the Lions got their extra point and things looked grim for Itasca. They had less than five minutes to work and the clock began ticking faster as every attempt to score failed. They pulled some new plays out of their bag of tricks and a big one that the Lions did not expect. Mikey Marshall rolled out and quickly reversed it passing the ball 60 yards to Tralyn Harden for the winning touchdown with only fifty four seconds left in the game. The extra point was no good and the game ended with a final score as Itasca 21, Blooming Groove 19.

Itasca had a great game with Desmond Guy stacking on just under another hundred yards to his rushing, bringing his total to 486. Tralyn Harden has 4 receptions for 136 yards. The defense is a BIG part of the Cats' game. Both Josh Huff and Frank Sanchez have 2 sacks each and Sanchez tops the tackle charts with 25 tackles followed close behind by De'Veon Mayberry's 23.

IHS Wampus Cats 2007 Varsity Football Schedule

August 31 Itasca – 35 – Tolar - 0 September 7 Itasca - 27 – Rice – 0

September 14 Itasca – 21 - Blooming Grove – 19

21 Hon	7:30 p.m.		
28	Scurry Rosser	Home	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Open		
12	Maypearl	Away	7:00 p.m.
19	*Grandview	Home	7:30 p.m.
26	*Hico	Away	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	*Rio Vista	Home	7:30 p.m.
9	*Dublin	Away	7:30 p.m.
* - Distri	ct -		-

Head Coach Craig Horn, Assistant Coaches: Ben Powell, Trey Bates, Fred Dakan, Jeff Mayberry, Micah Fletcher

JH/J.V. Football Schedule JV Results

August 30	Itasca - 0	Tolar - 8
September 6	Itasca – 6	Rice – 18
September 13	Itasca – 0	Blooming Grove – 28

20 Wortham Away 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m. 27 Scurry Rosser Away 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m. October

4 Collins Catholic/Rice Home 7th/8th 6/7 p.m. (JH)

11 *Maypearl Home 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m.

18 *Grandview Away 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m.

25 *Hico Home 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m.

Nov. 1 *Rio Vista Away 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m.

8 *Dublin Home 7th/8th/JV 5/6/7 p.m. Start Times Subject To Change Due To Field Availability

Cross County Meets

September 26	Maypearl Panther Run	Waxahachie
October 6	Cow Pasture Invitational	Rio Vista
October 24	District 11-2A	Keene
November 3	Regional II	Arlington
November 10	State Championship	Round Rock
Coache	s Clint Wallace & Stacey M	ayberry

JV Wampus Cats

Reporter Nick Worth

On August 31, The Itasca Junior Varsity began their season against the Tolar Rattlesnakes. The JV is the training ground for the varsity. Honing those skills and gearing up for varsity are quarterback Isaac Perez, receivers Leo Coronado, Corey Martinez, Larry Dominquez, and Phillip Thomas, running backs Jacoby Mozon, Journey Douangsouphonh and J.J. Perez. Working on blocking and tackles are Chris Carlson, Jack Panting, Jose Ramirez, Grady Rodriguez, Trae Walston, Jeremy Patterson, Dylan Hernandez, B.J. Jackson, and Michael Garcia.

Snickers Begins #16 in 3rd Grade

Press Release



It's number 16 for Mrs. Lightsey's class pet, SNICKERS - 16 years, that is. Snickers is once again enjoying visiting Mrs. Lightsey's students' homes. He has been Mrs. Lightsey's class pet of 16 years.

Over the past 16 years, Snickers has visited many homes and had many books written about him. A different student gets to take him home each school night. The students must write a story that night about their adventure with him. Later in the school year, the students type their stories and make a book about Snickers.

Snickers has had many adventures over the years, causing some wear and tear on him. He has had several surgeries, including eye and nose surgery.

Parents and grandparents have been kind enough to patch him up over the years. This year, Chandley Sargent, was kind enough to make him a Wampus Cat doghouse. He is enjoying resting (and watching the students) in his new home while the third graders do their work! He hopes to have many more years in the classroom!

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Itasca Ministerial Alliance Meeting

Press Release

The Itasca Ministerial Alliance met September 8, 2007 at Bethlehem Baptist Church. Present were Diane Barnes, Betty Sumner, Larry Maddox, Maurice Williams, Johnny Bates and Henry Diggs. Visitors present were Darla Dudley and Coach Craig Horn. President Diane Barnes opened the meeting with prayer.

Darla Dudley presented a program called Worth the Wait. This is an abstinence based sex education curriculum, developed by Dr. Patricia Sulak, a former graduate of Itasca High School. After hearing the presentation and watching a video about it, the Ministerial Alliance voted to take this program to the Itasca School Board to see about getting it in our school. Diane will contact the school about getting on the Agenda and will accompany Darla to the school board meeting as the Ministerial Alliance representative.

Coach Craig Horn spoke to the Alliance about the three aspects of his coaching program: the physical, the mental and the spiritual. He asked that the ministers of our community help provide the spiritual support for his players by praying with them before and after games, helping with their weekly devotionals, and in any other way we saw fit. The Alliance was very grateful for this opportunity and very excited about it. A schedule was set up for different ministers to provide prayers before each game. Larry Maddox will lead the players in prayer after every game.

Fifth quarter fellowships were also discussed. The Central Baptist Church will sponsor a 5th quarter after the Homecoming Game. If other churches wish to provide fifth quarter fellowships after home games, they can contact Larry Maddox about doing so.

Church reports were given. St. John's Baptist Church continues to work on getting the Youth Alternative Program going. Their pastor, Johnny Bates, is planning a workshop in the near future on the drug "cheese" and on depression in children. He also reported that they are working on giving their church building a "face-lift." St. John's Baptist will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 22 for anyone who wishes to come in and pray.

Bethlehem Baptist has almost finished their first phase of apartment building. They have a long waiting list for these apartments. They are training people to manage these apartments. The church will hold a Men's Day Program on the 3rd Sunday of the month. They have not started their after-school tutoring program back up yet, but hope to do so soon. Pastor Henry Diggs also reported that their church gives out commodities on the third Tuesday of each month from 1-2 p.m.

The Central Baptist Church will hold Revival Services on Oct. 3-7. A picnic on the grounds will be hold following worship services on October 7.

The Presbyterian Church continues to provide Exercise Classes for the community on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 in their fellowship hall. Also, the community is invited to Game Night on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The church has been doing quite a bit of work to its building lately, and will soon begin on a Memorial Garden for the late Barbara Hooks. In order to raise funds for this garden, the church will hold a Taco Supper on September 29. Plates are \$8 if paid for before September 24 and \$10 after that date. Memorial bricks are also being sold.

The meeting was closed with prayer led by Henry Diggs.

July IISD Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees of the Itasca Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, July 9, 2007, in the Itasca ISD Administration Building.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Marquita Lloyd. Board members present were Secretary Claude Garrett, Kevin Lightsey, Nancy Bowman, Susan Bason and Kevin Cordell. Absent: Donny Faries.

Administration present were Mr. Glenn Pittman, Superintendent, Rickie Harris, High School Principal, Larry Mynarcik, Middle School Principal, Karen Farquhar, Elementary Principal, Barry Durham, Financial Director and Norma Merkel, Secretary.

Motions were passed to accept the resignation of Board member Rex Jean and to appoint Kevin Cordell to fill the vacancy. Motions were made and passed to approve the minutes from the previous board meeting, the bills, the financial report and the fourth 2006-2007 budget amendment (unanimous).

Motions were passed to approve the updates and revisions to the 2007-2008 student handbook (5 for -1 against), the updates and revisions to the 2007-2008 faculty and staff handbook (unanimous) and to accept the TASB policy update 80 as currently written (unanimous).

Motions were passed to increase the breakfast price from 50 cents to 75 cents (unanimous) and to hold a joint election with the City of Itasca (unanimous).

The board entered executive session at 7:31 p.m. Upon coming out of executive session at 7:52 p.m., a motion was passed (unanimous) made to accept the resignation of Gerri Lawyer, Stacy Dill and Patti Wright. A motion was passed to passed (unanimous) to hire Trey Bates, Lisa Von Borstel, Kara Mackey, Holli Malke and Crystal Volcik.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Live Music & Community Social

Free! Everyone is Invited - Free Refreshments
Come Join The Fun!

Friday, September 21, 2007, 7:00 p.m. "The Warehouse" 109 N. Wall St. - Itasca

A fun filled evening with inspiring praise & southern gospel music featuring:

Singer/Song writer Steve Sawyer
Praise Posse - Southern Gospel Music Assoc. Artist
Singer/Musician Alice Goar & Friend
New talent Kendra Shelby Singers
Special guest performers announced at the event
Open microphone

Come Enjoy Uplifting Music That Will Encourage & Energize Your Spirit!

July City Council Meeting

The Itasca City Council met in a regular session on Monday, July 16, 2007 in the Council Chambers, 136 N. Hill, Itasca, Texas. Mayor Matthew Fehnel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Council Members Susie Davis, James Bouldin, Steve Solis, John Laird, and Harvey Wilson; City Administrator Mark Gropp and City Attorney Stephanie Johnson.

Motions were passed to approve the June 18, 2007 minutes and the payment of the bills.

Giving reports for the month of June were Wayne Upchurch for Water and Sewer Operations, Bettye Lewis for the Planning and Zoning Committee (Approved applications included 306 E. Henderson storage building, 503 E. Adams - addition and fence and 305 E. Monroe - storage building), Police Chief John Griscavage on the police department, Mayor Fehnel read the Economic Development Corporation report and the monthly report for the Office of Code Enforcement was given by Felicia Mayberry.

Wayland Price addressed the Council to discuss letter received concerning Fire Department Membership and conflict of interest with ESD #1 Board. Mr. Price stated he received a letter from the City Administrator to resign as of May 1, 2007 and was asking the Council to override the letter. The Mayor informed Mr. Price that he had made the decision to send the letter requesting Mr. Price to resign and explained why he made the decision. There was a discussion regarding the conflict and liability with Mr. Price being a member for the Fire Department and an ESD #1 Board Member. The Council and Mayor stated they appreciate what Mr. Price does and if there were any other ways he could help such as teaching a class for the fire department. The subject regarding a rule that a person has to be a member for the fire department to teach a class was discussed. The council agreed to table pending that Wayland Price brings a copy of the rules and any additional information regarding being a member of the Fire Department to teach classes for the Fire Department. Mr. Price stated he would get the information to the City Administrator by Friday, July 20, 2007.

The agenda item to discuss increasing water and sewer rates to cover the cost of expenses was considered. The Council was presented and reviewed a proposal for the water and sewer rate increase. It was explained that when the city had its last audit the auditors advised increasing the rates by one to two percent annually to cover the cost of production. A motion was passed (unanimous) to approve increasing the minimum monthly rates for water and sewer by two percent.

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Deadline Set for Heritage Vol. II

Press Release

Organizers have set December 31, 2007 as the deadline for submitting articles for Hill County, Texas Heritage Book, Volume II. Finish your family and/or topical story and send it in soon. Stories should be mailed to Hill County Heritage Book Committee Vol. II, P.O. Box 555, Hillsboro, TX 76645 and postmarked by the deadline, December 31, 2007.

A Military Service section is being included in Volume II. Any person with Hill County ties who has served in the military may be featured in a biographical article which includes his or her full name, birthday and where born, parents, dates of service, rank, name of war, branch of service and unit, schooling, marriage, overseas duty and one photo in uniform, if available. Persons who were in the military during peacetime may also be included. The article may be up to 500 words at no charge.

Guidelines for writing family and topical (historical) stories may be found on Hill County Genealogical Society website: http://www.rootsweb.com/~txhcgs. Click on Heritage of Hill County, Texas Volume II to find directions. Or contact Roy Bessire, 254-666-3283, e-mail rcbess@aol.com or Richard Greenhill at 254-582-8912 for a brochure or information about the book.

Kobushi Drums at Hill College



The Hill College Performing Arts Series will present the Kobushi Drums in the first 2007-2008 season concert on Thursday, September 20, at 7:30 pm in the Vara Martin Daniel Performing Arts Center on the Hillsboro Campus. As always, admission is free and the public is invited.

The KOBUSHI taiko group is an eclectic mix of people that has included professional musicians, artists, writers, engineers, students, and a pilot. Their repertoire consists of traditional Japanese pieces as well as more modern original works.

For more information, please call Phillip Lowe at 254-582-2555, ext. 270 or Shirley Erickson at ext. 261 or check the Hill College Performing Arts Series website at www.hillcollege.edu/performingarts. For senior citizen transportation information, call 582-5851.

July City Council Meeting

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The reading of Ordinance #071607 amending the City of Itasca Code of Ordinances Chapter19, utilities, Section 19-40 concerning water rates and Section 19-41 concerning sewer rates, and Ordinance #121703 Section 1,2, and 3; and providing for a repeal of conflicting ordinances were presented to the Council. A motion to approve and adopt as written in the ordinance a two percent minimum monthly rate increase for the water and sewer rates with an effective date of August 1, 2007 was passed (unanimous), waiving the second and third reading.

The City Administrator addressed the Council to discuss possible water usage and rates for County Offices. He explained the city collects monthly rent from Hill County for use of the Itasca Municipal Court Room and the agreement will end September 30, 2007. Justice of the Peace, Tanva Seaman, uses the courtroom facility to conduct court proceedings once a month. The City Administrator informed the Council that Hill County dispatches for the city free and he recommended working with the county. He suggested not charging water usage for the Justice of the Peace office and rent for the use of the Itasca Municipal Court Room. A motion was passed (unanimous) to not charge a water bill and courtroom usage for the Justice of the Peace office The City Attorney stated she will start the process and present to the council a proposed agreement between Hill County and City of Itasca.

A motion to approve and adopt a Joint Election Agreement between the City of Itasca and Itasca Independent School District to conduct a joint election on Tuesday, November 6, 2007 was passed (unanimous).

Motions to approve an Election Equipment Lease Agreement with Hill County, Texas for the use of electronic voting equipment to be used by the City of Itasca in the election dated November 6, 2007 was passed (unanimous), and to approve closing the Trash Fund to combine the funds with the Water Fund and rename the Water Fund to Utilities Fund (unanimous).

There was a discussion regarding the New Town Park. The City Administrator recommended giving the park a name instead of calling it the New Town Park. He suggested getting input from the community for suggestions in naming the park at the corner of Main and Hill Streets. Let the EDC have the final say on naming the park instead of the city. The Council agreed to put a suggestion box in City Hall for the community, put an article in the *Paw Print Press* and let EDC make the final decision on naming the park.

There was no general Mayor, Council, and City Administrator discussion and reports. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Do You Remember ... ?- "Itasca Coaches and Athletics"



Charles Franklin Bons was raised at the Presbyterian Children's Home in Itasca, attended Itasca High School and graduated in 1950 at 16 years old. He attended Austin College in Sherman where he played four years of football, basketball and baseball, as an End, Center and on first base. In 1953, he received Honorable Mention for the All American Football squad. In 1954, he received First Team All American for football. Also in 1954, he received The Pote Cawthorn Award



for the most outstanding athlete at Austin College; he received his master's degree from North Texas State College in 1959. In 1955 he signed on to play football for the Hamilton Tiger Cats of the Canadian Football League. He was injured in 1955 and then started coaching. His coaching record is, 1955-56 Waco ISD, 1956-57 Denison ISD, 1957-58-59 Itasca ISD, won district in 1958 with Coach Ben Harmon, 1959-1964, 8 years in El Paso including 1965-67, 1964-65 Itasca ISD, 1967-68 at Lewisville ISD and 1970-71 at Valley Mills ISD. Franklin was invited to play for the Green Bay Packers, but for some reason, chose not to play there. He now resides in Crowley, TX.

In the years just prior to 1965 Itasca was not having much luck with the basketball program. Then along came Brenton and Susan Hughes. Under Brenton's coaching, our basketball program came alive, and we started winning district, regional, and on to state finals in 1970 with the boys team.

Brenton played basketball at Texas University and they won the Southwest Championship while he played. As a senior he taught the freshman team. When Brenton and Susan's son, Lance finished school at Georgetown, where he excelled in basketball, Coach Penders of Texas University chose not to consider Lance for a scholarship. I think because it meant Pender's son would not get to play. Texas Tech awarded Lance a basketball scholarship. He excelled there also and at the Southwestern Conference Sweet 16 tournament in Dallas in 1993. Lance was voted most valuable player of the tournament. I wonder if Coach Penders regretted his decision?

Brenton's record at Itasca is: 299 wins vs. 115 losses, nine district titles, four second place spots, six regional titles and a trip to the state finals. He assisted with the high school coaching staff, with the junior high football, basketball and baseball teams. He also coached the high school baseball team. Brenton was a Drivers Ed instructor and did an excellent job there. The kids fussed about his strict teaching. I remember a girl at the home one time that was angry with him for making her change a tire during the course. Later when she had a flat on the road and changed it herself, she said she appreciated his method then. I think we need Drivers Ed today.

Susan Hughes was also active in the school system and community and was sponsor for the Maikai, a girls' social club. Brenton and Susan were cottage parents at the Presbyterian Children's Home, when I was there, and I thought did an excellent job with the young people. They moved from Itasca to Georgetown in 1979. A loss to our community. After leaving Georgetown, they settled in Cloud Croft, NM.

Another of our good coaches, Wilton Bearden came to us in 1955, and coached and taught science and health until 1985. He did not teach or coach 1964-65 and 66. Wilton grew up on the mountain, southeast of Itasca. He attended school in Hillsboro where he played football. At Itasca he coached junior high football, basketball and track. He had several assistants. A few are Brenton Hughes, Jesse Smelley, James Edwards and Jack Bumpas. Wilton won twelve district championships in football, 20 district championships in basketball and 5 in track. This is a phenomenal record; it just might beat a state or national record. Someone should research it. Coach Bearden's records are as follows: Football district championships 1955, 1956, 1957, 1959, 1963, 1966, 1970, 1974, 1978, 1980, Unscored on in 1981 and 1982. Track champs 1960, 1971, 1978, 1980, 1981, Basketball district championships 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, in Junior high, district is far as they go.



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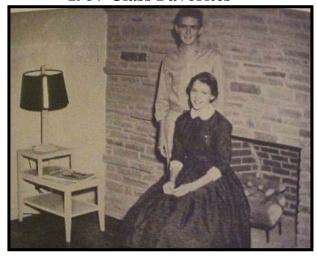
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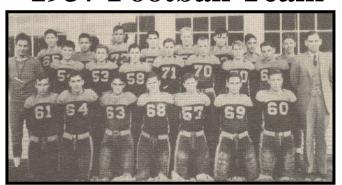


Jane Crouch and Joe Ridlehuber

2007 Homecoming Supplement

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1937 Football Team



Captains were Sam Baker, Left End- All District for second year, and rated All Regional and All State honors this year, and Wendell Jordan, Full Back- Voted the Most Valuable Man on the squad for the second year, All District and All Regional and a very strong candidate for All State honors (over 2,000 yards).

The Wampus Cats beat the Mart Panthers 6-0 for the District 29B Championship, then ran over the Milford Bulldogs 57-0 for the Bi-District Title, then won against the Hearne Eagles 30-12 for the Region 8 Championship.

Receiving extra awards were Sam Baker, Left End- 1st Team Al District, 1st Team All Region; Gordon Davis, Left Tackle- 1st Team All District, 1st Team All Region; Bert Holloway, Center- 1st Team All District, 1st Team All Region; Ollie Baker, Half Back- 1st Team All District, 2nd Team All Region; Wendell Jordan, Full Back- Most Valuable Man, 1st Team All District, 1st Team All Region; Cub Sanderson, Right Guard- 2nd Team All District, 2nd Team All Region; Edgar Compton, Right End- Most Aggressive Man, 2nd Team All District, 1st Team All Region; J. K. Edwards, Right Tackle- 2nd Team All District 2nd Team All Region; A. J. Huffman, Half Back- Most Passes Intercepted, 2nd Team All Region.

2007 Parade Marshals are members of the 1937 Football Team

Itasca, Texas

CATS REGIONAL 8-B CHAMPS

Great Win over Hearne Give Cats Title



Starting line up - Huffman, Jordan, O. Baker, Gardner, Compton, Edwards, Sanderson, Holloway, Reese, Davis, Coach Grinnell, S. Baker

The mighty Itasca Wampus Cats crushed the Hearne Eagles 30 to 12 December 10, 1937 to win the honor of being Region 8 Champions.

The Wampus Cats started in a hurry. Itasca kicked off to Hearne, who could not dent the Itasca line; so the Cats took over on the fifty-vard line. Jordan then ran around left end for a touchdown, but the Cats did not come to a one-second stop after that shift, and the ball was brought back. Itasca was then forced to punt. After two downs had failed, the Eagles tried and blocked it, and Ollie (Waltzer) Baker caught it on the 12-yard line. Baker smashed around the left end to the two yard line, but from here the Cats failed to gain.

Hearne kicked from behind the goal line and Itasca took over on the 33-yard line. Whitfield (Hearne) intercepted Ollie Baker's pass on the 3-yard line. Whitfield ran 15 yards to get Hearne out of the hole, but Rose (Hearne) fumbled on the next play, and the Cats recovered. The Cats crashed to the 3-yard line, and then lost 16 yards when the ball couldn't find a backfield man. This made the Cats mad, and they scored on two plays. The try for point was blocked.

Itasca kicked off to Hearne and Whitfield (Hearne), taking it on the goal line, crossed over and handed it to Hetzler, who ran down the sideline five yards ahead of the closest Cat; but spear-head do-or-die Huffman didn't give up and succeeded in a sensational tackle, bringing Hetzler down on the 19 yard line. A long pass was intercepted by Itasca on the one-yard line. From here the Cats marched, by running plays and a passing attack, 99 yards for a touchdown. Try for the extra **Continued on page 4** point was wide.

Girls Desires Spurred by Boys **Victory**

As the girls stood by this fall and saw our football boys in glamorous victories, the glory make us desire to set up a record equal to theirs. The clean, wholesome football which our boys exhibited this years is well worthy of being a goal for any team.

Although we realize that basketball does not have as many enthusiastic supporters as does football, we are expecting to create enthusiasm with smashing victories.

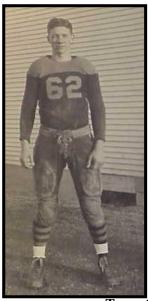
We are looking forward, eagerly, hoping that perhaps we will see Mr. Willett "shine" across the study hall stage after a victorious season.

All-Regional 1st Team

Sam Baker—left end Edgar Compton—right end Gordon Davis—left tackle Bert Holloway—center Skipper Jordon—full back Second team: J. K. Edwards—left tackle

Ollie Baker—halfback

A. J. Huffman—quarterback





Team Captains Wendell Jordan Sam Baker

Coach Grinnell Receives Surprise Gift in Assembly

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Champion Coach Grinnell received a movie camera and projector in assembly Wednesday morning from his Championship team, the student body and the school.

Captain Wendell Jordan and Captain Sam Baker presented the gift.

Coaches Comments

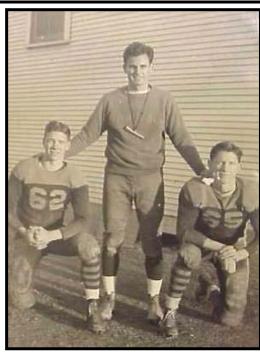
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As happy as I am over the splendid Christmas present the boys gave me I can't help but regret that football season is over. To stop and think that I have coached 15 swell Seniors for the last time kinda' makes a lump form in my throat.

You kids have meant everything to me and I'm sure you see now that all the sweating, hard knocks workouts in the rain and snow have been worth it—'cause we have what we started out to get—a Regional Championship.

To you Seniors—just this one thing—remain the same easy going, real gentlemen that you have shown us you can be, wherever you go start out right and you will end up right.

Coach Grinnell



Captain Wendell Jordan, Coach Grinnell and Captain Sam Baker

Photo from Personal scrapbook (Original from Mowana)

High School Buzz

I-HI-PRESS

Where was Velma Curlee when Horace Irven took Janie Fields home after the dance?

Billy Earl really rushed Jeanne and next day was escorting her best friend around, looked like it kinda peeved Windell, but I guess he got over it.

Speaking of Billy Earl you really should see the boy dance WOW!

Edgar Compton must be in love---he played hands with a certain girl in the show Friday night and the girl was with another boy hmmm.

If I may say so that Senior party was a screaming success - and I do mean screaming - Let's have another sometime.

A. J. seems to have given up his McGregor girl, or did she give him up?

The Underwood - Hollaway romance must be cooling - Bert danced with three girls at the dance - too bad, and they were such a nice couple.

The stag line at an Itasca dance is usually composed of girls - which maybe accounts for the fact that some girls have the very bad habit of asking the boys to dance - well have faith girls, Leap Year will be here again soon and it won't look so bad.

Did you ever hear "True Confession?" it's a beautiful song isn't it Hubert? Sad but true.

Somebody asked me my favorite song—it's "Ain't Misbehaving:--laugh if you want to.

Dot Ramsey and Roberta say they're going to be old maids—looks as if they've got a good start.

Some people nearly froze at the Hearne game and others were comfortably warm.

I wonder why. A. J. says he is not after Ina G. No kidding.

Spring Football 1937

Scrapbook (Mowana)



Special thanks to the Ex-student that provided the *Paw Print Press* with these pictures.

A Tribute to Coach Wiley Grinnell A Maker of Men, from Boys

By Glen "Cub" Sanderson Reprint

A man, not much older than our oldest players, was held in high esteem and awe by all of the players. Coach Grinnell never raised his voice at us, but when he spoke, we heard every word he said. A couple times, on returning home from games, he had to admonish us on the bus by saying, "All right men, let's settle down!" that was it, you could hear a pin drop.

From the largest – Sam Baker or Bunky Davis – to the smallest – Buddy Fields at 135 lbs. or myself at 140 lbs. (almost) – they would have gone through Hell or High Water for Coach Grinnell.

He never criticized, just explained what he wanted done and taught us how to do just that. He did say though, at the end of a play, whether in a game or practice, he did not want to see <u>one man standing!</u>

"Average only two and one half yards per play and you will win every game," was his philosophy. He was so right, we did, and we won.

Thank you, God, for Coach Grinnell.

Cub Sanderson, Right Guard #67 1937

Story from IHS 1930s

By Joanna Barnes Fields Class of 1942 (Reprint)

As I (Joanna Barnes) was sitting in the back row in the General Business Class at Itasca High School when a good looking young football player who was sitting on the front row, turned around, looked at me and "winked". To this very day, I remember that "wink" and how embarrassed I was, blushing all the time. Time passed by, and now I am in the 10th grade and I began to notice him more and more as we met while passing from class to class.

Then it happened - he asked me for a date and I agreed. On that first date, we doubled dated with Elmo Kemp, another IHS young man. I never dated another young man from our first date since Buddy was one of the nicest young men I ever dated and too, I had more fun with him than any guy I ever dated.

Although I was very young, I "fell for this guy." We dated several months, when he asked me to marry him and I replied "yes." My dear husband tells it a little differently. He says I answered him "yes and thank you."

I remained in school, graduated in 1942. We had an apartment in the home of Mrs. Vernon. WWII had begun and with Buddy's lame leg (the one he broke playing football), he knew he could not "march", therefore he joined the U.S. Navy and was stationed in Corpus Christi, California and Guam where spent the duration of the War. God bless America and God bless Itasca, TX.

Cats over Hearne 30-12

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Then came Hearne's talley. A pass, Hetzler to Closs, gained 25 yards. On an end sweep Pack went to the 14 yard line. Hetzler then dropped back and threw a pass to Whitfield, who went over for a touchdown. The try for point was blocked.

Itasca received and marched up the field. Huffman, Jordon, and Baker carried the ball to the one yard line, where Huffman smashed over for a touchdown, Hetzler was hurt on the play and had to be carried to the hospital. The half ended Itasca 18, Hearne 6.

The third period failed to produce a score for either team, but the Cats

(Unfortunately we do not have the last page of this article. We do know that they won 30-12)

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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 information

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Itasca Memories are Special, remember the Glory Years

Reprint from The Itasca Item, Friday, July 6, 1990

The Itasca Item has always been great and has meant a lot to me, and my memories, but you and your people have made it an even better paper.

I go way back in Itasca to what many of us call the "football glory years" for IHS.

My first coaching job, after graduating from Austin College in 1935, was at Itasca High. The three years (of a 15-year coaching span) that my family and I lived there in Itasca, were the three most joyous years of our lived. My wife and young son (who was born when I was a junior at Austin College) loved every minute of it

The "glory years"? We won 30 of 33 games back then-8-2 in 1935, playing for the district title in the final game of the year. Then in 1936, again the final game was for the district title. In 1937 we went the whole route—district, bi-district, and regional champs. Our 1937 team was rated fifth in the state. Our guys just about made up All District and All Regional teams, and one of our captains, Sam Baker (brother of Ollie Baker) made All State first team. He played end. Our backfield captain Wendell Jordan still lives in Itasca, as does Ollie Baker. Those two, I think, are the only ones of that team still living in Itasca. They are two great persons.

I am now 79 years of age, but the Itasca memories are vivid. I'm still in touch with many of "my guys." Had a letter today from one of them who lived in Seattle. This letter has been history relived for me.

Please forgive my rambling and please don't let *The Item* forget those three great teams of '35, '36, and '37.

Wiley Grinnell

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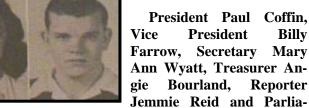
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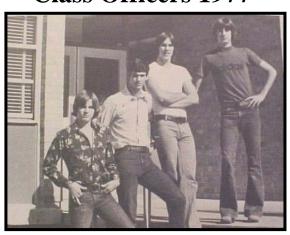
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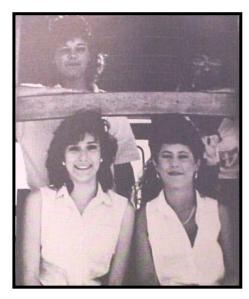
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Season Record of 1937 Football Team

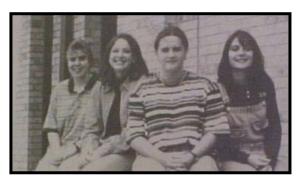
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Wampus Cats of the Week

Cats Fans



Pumping up the fans can be a difficult job at times. That is not the case this year.

This year, the Cat fans

are pushing our boys to victories with their chanting, yelling and support. The band and cheerleaders are also pumping up the crowd or vice-versa. Nothing can compare to the vibes the crowd gives off as they push their team to VICTORY.

Three year old Jasmyn Rodriguez always cheers on uncle Mikey Marshall. She is the daughter of Markeisha Mar-

shall and Adam Rodriguez and the granddaughter of Stacey and Alvin Mayberry and Rudy and Patty Rodriguez.

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