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2007 Football Beau, Sweetheart



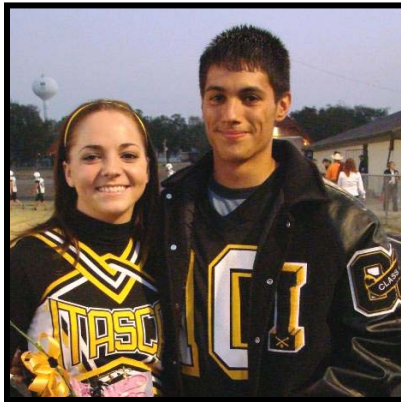
Lindsey Laird, daughter of John and Christy Laird was crowned Football Sweetheart during the senior/parent night festivities last Friday night. Lindsey is a senior cheerleader, member of IHS Honor Society, a second year PAL and plays the trumpet in the Wampus Cat

Band.

Terrey Brumbalow, son of Susan Brumbalow and Rick Brumbalow, was voted the 2007 Football Beau. He is #21 on the Mighty Wampus Cats' football team and a member of IHS Honor Society.

2007 Band Beau, Sweetheart

Lindsey Laird, daughter of John and Christy Laird was crowned Band Sweetheart during the senior/parent night festivities last Friday night. Lindsey is a senior cheerleader, member of IHS Honor Society, a second year PAL and plays the trumpet in the Wampus Cat Band.



John Prescott, son of Becky and John Wayne Prescott, was voted the 2007 Band Beau. He plays the baritone in the band and wears #10 on the football field and is a member of the IHS PAL program.

School Board Election Results

Oscar Castillo - 155 Donny Faries - 94
Kevin Lightsey - 103 Marquita Lloyd - 145
Angelia Orr - 118

The Board of Trustees will canvass the votes at 7:00 p.m. on November 19. Lloyd, Castillo and Orr will be sworn in at the regular Board of Trustees meeting at 7:00 p.m. on December 10.

Veterans Day Program Friday, November 9

9:00 a.m. - Special Events Center

Mayor Proclaims Nov. 5-9

Municipal Court Week

Reporters & Photographers Megan Goff & Sarah Evans



Itasca Mayor Matt Fehnel met with the Itasca Municipal Court Monday to sign a proclamation setting the week of November 5 - 9 as Municipal Court Appreciation Week.

The Municipal Court employees were honored with a lunch and a plaque, which read, "Presented to the Itasca Municipal Court, Honorable Judge Mark Gropp, Associate Judge David Heald, Court Clerks CinDee Garrett, Lisa Chavez, George Bolling, in appreciation for your dedication and devotion to local ordinances and state laws that protect the peace and dignity of our community."

Joining Mayor Fehnel in congratulating the Court was City Attorney Stephanie Johnson.

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Take Time to Honor America's Heroes this Veterans Day

Congressman Chet Edwards

Veterans Day is a time for our nation to join together and honor the millions of brave men and women who have served our country in uniform. Without their valiant service and sacrifice, America would not stand as a beacon of hope, opportunity and freedom around the world.

As the son of a World War II veteran, I have always wondered how we can adequately thank our veterans and their families. What can we say to a deployed soldier who cannot be by his wife's side when their child is born? What can we say to veterans struggling with the debilitating effects of traumatic brain injury, loss of a limb, or post traumatic stress disorder? When our troops are deployed overseas, there are no makeup days for missed graduations, children's birthdays, or anniversaries.

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Churches of Itasca

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

Central Baptist Church

Sunday: Praise and Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 Worship 10:50 a.m.
 R.A.'s & G.A.'s (1st-6th) - Youth (7th-12th) 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday - Ladies' Bible Study 10:45-12:15 p.m.
 Wednesday - Supper 6:00 p.m. (\$2.00 ea. w/\$10.00 max/family) Adult Bible Study and Prayer 7:00 p.m.
 Youth (7th-12th) 7:00 - Kids' Choir 7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

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

Itasca Church of Christ

The emptiest, loneliest thing in the world is a Birth - Life - Death without ever hearing the gospel, and no one ever praying.
 Won't you join us for worship at the Itasca Church of Christ, 200 N. Aquilla? We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45 and 10:45 am, and 5:00 pm, and on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Live the fullness of Life that GOD intended.
 Itasca Church of Christ 200 N. Aquilla

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday Schedule

9:00 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 6:00 p.m.
 Municipal Court Building 136 N. Hill St.

Itasca Ministerial Alliance Meeting

Sat., December 1 - 9:00 a.m. - Central Baptist Church

Itasca City Council Meeting

Monday, November 19, 2007 6:00 p.m.
 Municipal Court Building 136 N. Hill St.

Itasca ISD School Board Meeting

November 12, 2007 7:00 p.m.
 IISD Administration Building - 123 N College St.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting

Monday, November 26, 2007 5:30 p.m.
 HILCO Operations Building E. Main St.

Volunteer Fire Department Meetings

2nd Monday of Month Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
 3rd Monday of Month Fire Training - 7:00 p.m.
 Fire Station Downtown Itasca

Community Calendar

November 8 - 7/8, JV vs Dublin - Home - 5:00 p.m.
November 9 - Veterans Program SEC 9:00 a.m.
November 9 - Wampus Cats vs. Dublin - Away - 7:30p.m.
November 12 - IISD Board of Trustees Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - IISD Administration Building
November 12 - Itasca Zoning Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m. - Municipal Court Building

August VFD Activity Report

Fire Call	City	County
False Alarm	1	
Grass		2
LZ Setup		1
Motor Vehicle Accident		2
Residence		2
Utility	1	
Vehicle Fire		1
Wash Down		1
Total	2	9
Total Calls YTD	67	
Total Man Hours	38 hrs. 32 mins	
6 a.m. - 6 p.m. - 4	6 p.m. - 6 a.m. - 7	
Total mileage	189	Total members 18

September VFD Activity Report

Fire Call	City	County
Assist EMS	1	
Grass		1
Motor Vehicle Accident	1	
Vehicle Fire	2	
Total	4	3
Total Calls YTD	74	
Total Man Hours	17 hrs. 9 mins	
6 a.m. - 6 p.m. - 4	6 p.m. - 6 a.m. - 3	
Total mileage	24	Total members 18

More City reports on page 7.

Welcome Home



Elizabeth Rose Billingsley was born at 7:14 p.m. at Huguley Hospital on October 30, 2007. She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. and was 19 1/4 inches long. She is the daughter of Jason and Becky Billingsley of Itasca. Elizabeth was welcomed home by her big brother, Cole; grandparents Dusty and Gerri Billingsley and Charles and Diane Barnes, all of Itasca; grandparents Tom and Lucy Knox of Maypearl; local great-grandparents Doris Sumner of Itasca and John and Myrt Knox of Hillsboro; and several aunts and uncles.

Municipal Courts Week

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The Municipal Court provides citizens of Texas a local forum where questions of law and fact can be resolved with respect to alleged violations of state law and transgressions against municipal ordinances.

Municipal Courts Week was enacted by the State Legislature in 2005 to take special note of the important work performed by all those associated with the state's municipal courts.

For Sale Stroller/Car Seat Combo

Graco 4 pc. Chauffeur Travel System (Stroller, Infant Restraint/Carrier, 2 Carrier Bases & Cold Weather Boot + manuals) Bought 2003; no recalls, no accidents, very good condition, all cloth pieces washed recently; frame is light tan, cloth pieces are light tan/green plaid. \$100.00. For questions or to purchase, please contact Lisa at 254-687-9947.

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Honor America's Heroes

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As we salute a new generation of heroes coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan this Veterans Day, we must never forget that our troops, veterans and their families are bearing the heaviest burden for us throughout the world. We can never fully repay them for their selfless service, but those of us in Congress have a moral responsibility to do right by them.

It is right to honor our veterans and their families with our speeches on Veterans and Memorial Day. It is even better to honor our promises to them by providing them with the benefits they have earned. Doing so also ensures our nation's future security, because we cannot attract the best and brightest to serve in tomorrow's military if we break faith with those who served yesterday.

As Chairman of the House committee that funds the Department of Veterans Affairs, I am proud to say that the 110th Congress is keeping our promises to America's veterans. The Congress has already increased veterans' health care and benefits by \$5.2 billion this year, which means improved care and shorter waiting lines for veterans waiting 177 days to receive their earned benefits. By the end of this year, we expect to pass the bill I authored, which includes the largest annual increase in VA health care spending in the 77-year history of the Veterans Administration, \$6.7 billion above last year's funding level.

For 5.8 million veterans, our bill means more qualified doctors and nurses to improve medical services and to reduce long waiting times for doctors' appointments. For veterans with traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder, mental health care issues, and lost limbs, this bill means renewed hope to rebuild their lives. For many of the 200,000 homeless veterans in America, it means the dignity of not having to sleep on the streets and hope for a better future. For 400,000 veterans, including combat wounded vets, whose earned benefits are being delayed by over six months, this bill means 1,100 new VA case-workers to ensure that needed benefits are received without delay.

Increased funding for veterans is a significant accomplishment, but this isn't about dollars. It's about fulfilling a moral obligation to those who have served. It's about recognizing that supporting our veterans is a real cost of war, just as real as guns, tanks and bullets. It is about remembering that our veterans' sacrifices don't end after they return home, and neither should our commitment to them. For some, that timely care could be the difference between health and depression, for others, the difference between life and death.

This Veterans Day, take time to honor America's soldiers, veterans and their families. On the battlefield, the military pledges to leave no soldier behind. As a nation, let it be our pledge that when they return home, we will leave no veteran behind. As we consider our many blessings as Americans, I hope and pray we will never forget that we are the land of the free, because we are still the home of the brave.

Senior Spotlight - Amber Wesley

Reporter Devin Corbitt
Cartoonist Cory Bourland



"We all love to goof around and we always have fun," is how 18-year-old Amber Alexis Wesley describes her family. Her parents are Byron and Katrina Wesley and Eugena and Norbert Koumea. She has four younger siblings, Ebonie 17, Sterling 15, Bryce 8, and Destiny 4. She also has a dog named Cujo. Her grandparents are the people

that have made the biggest impact on her life.

"I love my grandmother and my papa because they made me the person I am. They taught me to do right."

Amber currently attends Second Missionary Baptist Church, where she is on the kitchen committee.

"I get to serve food at almost all of the church events. We really have fun back there serving people."

When she is not at school, Amber likes to talk on the phone, hang out with her friends, watch her favorite movie, *Stomp the Yard*, and watch football. However, like most teens, her favorite pastime is sleeping. She also enjoys cooking.

"I don't like to bake. I cook real food. Not any of that sweet stuff. I want to cook meat."

Amber is a second year Mowana staff member and a first year PAL. She has attended Itasca ISD her whole life. Her favorite teachers are Mrs. Willman, Coach Wolfe and Mrs. Pet-rash. She enjoys English above all her other classes.

"Coach Wolfe makes English a lot of fun. I'm glad I could take his class this year."

Amber is even happy with going to a small school, even with "all the drama." She is very ready for graduation though.

"I like going to a small town because graduation is short. It gets so boring having to sit through the long graduations they have in the metroplex. Plus, my name is at the end of the alphabet, so I would have to wait forever if I went to a big school."

In the future, Amber hopes to have a good job that pays well, although she's not sure what she would like to do with her life. She also wants a husband and two kids, hopefully in the next ten years.

"I'm unique because I'm me. I love the caring, loving person that I am.

Though Amber is ready to move on to bigger and better things, she still has some parting words for the underclassmen:

"Do your best all through school and never let anyone tell you that you can't make it because you can."



Welcome to Itasca ISD

Mrs. Sandra Arellano

Reporters & Photo Eva Mayberry & Ashley Durham



"Clean up, clean up, everybody everywhere, clean up, clean up, everybody do your share."

New middle school janitor Sandra Arellano not only sings this at her home with her small children, but in the halls of the middle school as well.

Sandra and husband Frank, are the proud parents of Tempest, a pre-ker at Itasca, and 20-month-old Frank III. They also "play parent" to their niece Elizabeth, who is a sophomore at Itasca high.

Arellano attended school in Grandview. She previously worked for the Itasca Nursing home.

"I am enjoying working at Itasca ISD," Arellano said. "The people are all very friendly."

SJYAP Presents Drug Workshop "The New Face of Mind-Altering Chemicals & Drug Abuse"

Press Release

Everyone is invited to attend an informative workshop presented by the St. John Youth Alternative Program. The program titled "The New Face of Mind-Altering Chemicals & Drug Abuse" will address the psycho-sociological and the psycho-physiological aspects of addiction.

Speakers Dr. Rickering of Lake Whitney Hospital, Gary Reeves of Hill College Criminal Justice Department and Dr. Knox of ABODE Treatment, Inc. of White Settlement will focus on drugs such as Cheese, Antihistamines and Heroin.

The program will be presented in the IISD cafeteria on Saturday, November 10 at 10:00 a.m. Parents, grandparents, educators, clergy and students are urged to attend.

Itasca Fire Department Chili Supper - November 17, 2007 5:00 p.m. til gone - Fire Station \$5.00 per person

Buy Your Tickets In Advance at Citizens State Bank
Includes: Homemade Chili, Beans, Cornbread, Crackers, & Desert! Tea & Lemonade to Drink

To-Go Orders Welcome BYOB "Bring Your Own Bowl" All proceeds go to the Itasca Fire Department.

Cats Enjoys Early Thanksgiving

Wampus Cats Roast Eagles 40-6

Reporter Nick Worth
Photo by Jessica Grindele



Friday night was the Cats' last home game and a key game for a playoff opportunity.

The opposing team started out in possession of the ball but the Wampus Cat defense made quick work and forced a punt. The offense seemed just as ready as they gained ground but in the confusion of a play, the ball was lost.

The game remained scoreless until the second quarter. Cat quarterback Mikey Marshall threw a pass to #2 Tralyn Harden who scored with just over five minutes left in the half. A two-point conversion put the Cats in the lead, but they were not satisfied. When the Eagles fumbled the kickoff, the Cats recovered and scored on the next play. Less than three minutes later, they scored again making the score Cats 20 - Eagles 0. With only seconds on the clock, an opposing defensive back made an interception and ran for several yards setting the Eagles up in the red zone. With three seconds on the clock, the Eagles put 6 points on the scoreboard.

During the third and fourth quarters, the Eagles were unable to pierce the defense. It seemed as if every few minutes, Itasca was back in the end zone. They utilized both a combination of pass and run, to power through and make three more TDs and two extra point kicks. The game ended with the score 40 to 6.

The Itasca Wampus Cats take on the Lions in Dublin next week for their final district game.

IHS 2007 Varsity Schedule

Season - 8-1

- August 31 Itasca - 35 - Tolar - 0
- September 7 Itasca - 27 - Rice - 0
- September 14 Itasca - 21 - Blooming Grove - 19
- September 21 Itasca - 52 - Wortham - 15
- September 28 Itasca - 47 - Scurry Rosser - 13

District 3-1

- October 12 Itasca - 27 - Maypearl - 7
- October 19 Itasca - 6 - Grandview - 26
- October 26 Itasca - 18 - Hico - 14
- November 2 Itasca - 40 - Rio Vista - 6
- November 9 *Dublin Away 7:30 p.m.

Itasca Lady Wampus Cat Basketball

2007 - 2008

November

8/10	Venus Tournament		JV	TBA
10	Moody	Away	JV, V	3:00
13	Abbott	Away	JV, V	5:00
16	Blooming Grove	Home	JV, V	5:00
20	Blum	Away	JV, V	5:00
27	Venus	Home	JV, V	5:00
29/30	Bruceville Eddy Tournament		V	TBA

December

4	Meridian	Away	JV, V	5:00
6/8	Frost Tournament		V	TBA
11	* Grandview	Home	JV, V	5:00
14	* Hico	Away	JV, V	4:00
18	* Maypearl	Home	JV, V	4:00
27-29	Need game or Tournament			

January

1	OPEN DATE			
4	* Keene	Away	JV, V	4:00
8	* Rio Vista	Home	JV, V	4:00
11	* Dublin	Away	JV, V	4:00
15	* Grandview	Away	JV, V	4:00
18	* Hico	Home	JV, V	4:00
22	* Maypearl	Away	JV, V	4:00
25	* OPEN DATE			
29	* KEENE	Home	JV, V	4:00

February

1	* Rio Vista	Away	JV, V	4:00
5	(*) Dublin	Home	JV, V	4:00

* District Games () Parents Night

Head Coach Clint Wallace - Assistant Stacey Mayberry
Principal Rickie Harris - Superintendent Glenn Pittman
School Phone: (254) 687 - 2922 FAX: (254) 687 - 2637

Junior High Basketball 2007-2008

November

12	Keene	7G, 8G	Away	5:00
19	Rio Vista	7B, 8B	Home	5:00
	Rio Vista	7G, 8G	Away	5:00
26	Rio Vista	7B, 8B	Away	5:00
	Rio Vista	7G, 8G	Home	5:00

December

3	Hico	7B, 8B	Home	5:00
	Hico	7G, 8G	Away	5:00
10	Maypearl	7B, 8B	Away	5:00
	Maypearl	7G, 8G	Home	5:00

January

10	Dublin	7B, 8B	Away	5:00
	Dublin	7G, 8G	Home	5:00
12	Godley Tournament	7B, 8B	Away	TBA
12	Meridian Tournament	7G, 8G	away	TBA

Middle School – 1st 6-Weeks “A” Honor Roll

5th Grade - none

6th Grade - Amanda Anderson, Shelbee Coleman, Chelsae Faries, Fisher Henning, Kaleigh Lightsey, Emma Orr, Samuel Orr

7th Grade - Emily Bayse, Cole Coleman, David Corbitt, Christian Cruz, Rebecca Durham, James Hanes, Michelle Ignacz, Michael Macias, Tyler Odom, Brittany Reid, Belinda Reyes, Jessica Zint

8th Grade - Hannah Johnson, Rebecca Maul, Emily Offutt

“A-B” Honor Roll

5th Grade - Peyton Cordell, Brandon Farquhar, Rachel Freeman, Hunter Germer, Juan Gonzalez, William Gunn, Devin Hernandez, Lacey Horton, Gabriel Macias, Kierra Mayberry, Shannon Rodriguez, Emilee Ross, Reagan Rugh, Megan Scoggins, Adrian Segura, Alexis Whitlock, Scott Williams

6th Grade - Destiny Brooks, Cora Bruton, Taylor Coulter, Andrew Fails, Jessica Farquhar, Destinie Gutierrez, Katie LaFountain, Tristen Prescott, Darrell Rasco, Carter Reid, Ashlie Rodriguez, Amanda Seymour, Amber Shelby

7th Grade - Christian Avila, Justin Bonds, Britany Bourland, Trinton Crawford, Brandon Duby, Eric Garcia, Brandon Kelley, David Maddox, Marcos Martinez, Emilee Nalley, Beruke Namaga, Heather Odom, Megan Odom, Chase Patterson, Jonathan Reyes, Adrianna Rice, Celeste Rodriguez, Jimmy Rodriguez, Taylor Serbus, Ashley Spain, Alaina Valentine, Ashley Wilkins, Samantha Wills, Da'jae Wells, Katherine Worth

8th Grade - Monica Anderson, Brianna Browning, Kevin Cervantes, Kenneth Clary, Robert Duby, Stephanie Ignacz, Martin Martinez, Daniel Odom, Joaquin Reyes, Alice Seymour, Joshua Shelton, Alex Solis, Maria Zuniga

IHS – 1st 6-Weeks “A” Honor Roll

9th Grade - Keyre Ortiz, Bob Slotvig, Kristen Worth

10th Grade - Connally Baskett, Devin Corbitt, Ashley Durham, Megan Goff, Desmond Guy, Cherri Lloyd, Mary Maddox, DaDa McVea

11th Grade - Chelsea Rodriguez, Maria Worth

12th Grade - LB Mosely

Waco Jazz Orchestra Performs at Hill College



Press Release

The Hill College Performing Arts Series will present “Swinging for the Fences” by the Waco Jazz Orchestra in concert on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 7:30 pm, in the Vara Mar-

tin Daniel Performing Arts Center on the Hill County Campus in Hillsboro.

The Waco Jazz Orchestra is a 17-piece ensemble specializing in the performance of Big Band jazz that is sponsored by the McLennan Community College Department of Commercial Music. Under the artistic direction of trumpeter Tim Cates, the WJO performs music by the greatest writers of today and yesterday. WJO members have careers as educators, accountants, entrepreneurs, doctors and other businessmen as well as being active performers on their instruments in numerous settings throughout the Central Texas area.

The Waco Jazz Orchestra has been entertaining audiences throughout Central Texas since 1989, and has hosted a wide variety of guest artists including Louis Bellson, Carl Fontana, Chris Vadala, Dennis Dotson, and Pete Christlieb.

Admission is free. A reception following the program will be provided by the Hillsboro Rotary Club. Please join us for this exciting evening!

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

IHS – 1st 6-Weeks - “A-B” Honor Roll

9th Grade - Cody Dominick, Jasmine Guy, Bernard Jackson, Jack Panting, Nancy Reyes, Colton Sullins, Phillip Thomas

10th Grade - Zach Bassett, Eddie Coronado, Leo Coronado, Ryan Crouch, Timothy Earhart, Corey Martinez, Eva Mayberry, Tevin Mayberry, Chad Rutherford, Katelyn Seaman, Ciera Thompson, Justin Zint

11th Grade - Pilar Baskett, Jennifer Bustin, Journey Douangsouphanh, Clayton Johnson, Susie May, Cristobal Pacheco, Caryn Willburn

12th Grade - Ashlee Carranza, Isai Coronado, Jamie Hanes, Joshua Huff, Heather Jordon, Yesenia Lara, Laura Librado, Kelvin McVea, Jeremy Patterson, Jacob Pelham, Sydnee Perkins, John Prescott, Marilla Smith, Lauren Vinson, Clayton Wienecke

August Police Activity Report

Arrests

5 Misdemeanor
2 Other Agency
1 Class "C"

Cases Files

5 County Attorney
1 Justice of the Peace
Total Calls for Service 158

Traffic Citations

263-Moving 93-Non-Moving 32-Warnings

Class "C" Citations

3 - Theft under \$50
2 - Criminal mischief
2 - Reckless damage
4 - Minor in Possession (Alcohol)

6 - Assault

5 - Drug Paraphernalia

5 - Open Container

City Ordinance Violations

2 - Loud music
2 - Racing

2 - Curfew

1 - Posting

September Police Activity Report

Arrests

4 Misdemeanor
2 Class "C"

Cases Files

4 County Attorney
1 Municipal Court
1 Justice of the Peace

Total Calls for Service 126

Traffic Citations

361-Moving 119-Non-Moving 55-Warnings

Class "C" Citations

3 - Public Intoxication
2 - Minor in Possession (Alcohol)
1 - Disorderly conduct
1 - Theft under \$50

10 - Drug Paraphernalia

5 - Assault

4 - Open Container

2 Criminal Mischief

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Note to Our Friends

Harry and Freddy Sue Pruitt Ellis will be moving to the Harvard Square Retirement Center in Denver CO. on November 17. We have enjoyed our being back "Home in Itasca" for the last five years. We have met many new friends and renewed friendships with old ones. Thank each of you for your kindness and courtesy to us. We will keep up with you through the Paw Print Press every week.

Our new address will be Harvard Square
10200 East Harvard Ave.
Denver, CO 80231

Those of you with e-mails, if you will send me your address I will send mine when I am settled. We hope to hear from you.

Freddy Sue Ellis

October Police Blotter

10-12 - Reckless driver - 800 blk. E. Adams St.

10-12 - Reckless driver report - Vehicle was stopped at 9½ mm - (Public intoxication arrest) - Vehicle impounded - I-35W southbound mm 9½

10-12 - Suspicious noise investigated - 400 blk. K-Lane

10-12 - Information on theft - 800 blk. E. Main St.

10-13 - Report of theft - 100 blk. Beard St.

10-13 - Abandon vehicle (48 hour sticker) - 1100 S. Files St.

10-13 - Assisted EMS - 100 blk. Minnie Drive

10-13 - Courtesy transport - 300 blk. S. Aquilla St.

10-13 - Loud noise - 300 blk. E. Adams St.

10-14 - Aggravated assault (Family violence - 2 males) - 100 blk. W. Wall St.

10-15 - Charges filed for theft - Itasca PD

10-15 - 911 hang up calls - 700 blk. E. South St.

10-16 - Report of possible drunk driver - I-35W mm 9

10-16 - Assisted DPS - (Wreck) - I-35W mm 1 northbound

10-17 - Drug report - Itasca PD

10-17 - Warrant arrest (Possession of a controlled substance) - Itasca PD

10-17 - Report of sewer/water back up - 1000 E. Main St.

10-17 - Reckless driver report - (Citation for no headlights) - I-35W southbound mm 12

10-17 - Welfare check - Mill St.

10-18 - Animal call (Snake beheaded) - 400 blk. E. Main St.

10-18 - Harassment report - 400 blk. E. Main St.

10-19 - Arrest (Delivery of controlled substance) - 100 blk. Harris St.

10-20 - Felony arrest (Vehicle towed) - 1100 blk. E. Main St.

10-20 - Loud music - 100 blk. E. North St.

10-20 - Abandoned vehicle - US 81 @ Pct. 4 Barn

10-20 - Report of possible drunk driver (Arrest on DWI charges) - FM 66 @ Wall St.

10-20 - Traffic stop (Juvenile driving with no license) Arrest made for possession of marijuana <2 oz. - 100 blk. N. Hill St.

10-20 - Arrest made for delivery of a controlled substance (Methadone pills >1 gram <4 grams) - 1200 blk. S. Files St.

10-21 - Loud music complaint - 200 blk. N. Files St.

10-21 - Loud music complaint - 100 blk. N. Park St.

10-21 - Assisted motorist - 700 blk. N. Hill St.

10-22 - Criminal mischief - 1500 blk. E. Main St.

10-22 - Complaint of damage to property - 1200 blk. S. Files St.

10-22 - Assisted EMS - 400 blk. E. Main St.

10-23 - Assisted with barn fire - FM 934 west of Itasca

10-24 - Mischief - 100 blk. N. College St.

10-24 - Request for extra patrol - 600 blk. E. Adams

10-24 - Traffic stop (Speeding) - Arrested for possession of marijuana <2 oz. - I-35W northbound mm 8

10-25 - Report of reckless driver - I-35W mm 12

10-25 - Problem with juvenile - 800 blk. Loom St.

10-25 - Traffic stop - Ticket for no driver's license - Vehicle towed - E. Main & Lamar St.

Recent Deaths

Moses, Allie Mae – Allie Mae Moses, 97, of Red Oak, went to be with the Lord, October 5, 2007. She was born June 9, 1910. Visitation was held at the Clayton Kay-Vaughan Funeral Home in Itasca, Texas. Graveside services were held at the Itasca Cemetery, October 9 at 10 a.m.

She is survived by sons, Ed McMahon and wife Lois, Thomas McMahon and wife Carolyn, Bob McMahon and wife Debbie, 13 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren and an unlimited number of friends. She loved to quilt, knit and crochet, but most of all she loved people. An unfailing friend and guiding light to everyone who knew her, she brought smiles and joy to everyone she met. As she takes her place in God's garden, she will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Moralez, Mary Allen – Mary Allen Moralez, 62, of Itasca passed away October 25, 2007. She was born to Theodore G. Moralez and Amelia Murrijo in Itasca on May 29, 1945. Rosary was said October 28, 2007 in Clayton Kay-Vaughan Funeral Home, Itasca. Funeral services were held October 29, 2007 in Clayton Kay-Vaughan Funeral Home, Itasca with internment at Itasca Cemetery.

Survivors include sisters, Anita Morales, Josephine Solis and husband Lupe, brother in law Roy Dominguez, sister in law Valentine Moralez and a host of nieces and nephews as well as her nephew Jason Leggett, with who she resided. She is preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Anna Faye Dominguez and Anne Leggett; three brothers, Leo, Leon, and Babo Moralez.

Vasquez, Eufosina Montelongo – Eufosina Montelongo Vasquez, 87, of Itasca passed away October 26, 2007. She was born January 1, 1910 in Edna, Texas to Ernesto Montelongo and Francisca Garcia. Visitation was held at the Clayton Kay-Vaughan Funeral Home in Itasca, Texas. Services were held on October 30, 2007 at the 3rd Day Worship Center in Itasca with Pastor Noe Gonzalez officiating. Internment was at Itasca Cemetery.

She is survived by sons Gerardo, George, Joel and Juan; daughters Mercedes and Nicolasa and 52 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Sylvester Vasquez, children; Silvestre, Guadalupe and Estela; brother, Florentino and sister, Mercedes.

Cockerham, Kenneth Gerald - Mr. Kenneth Gerald (K. G.) Cockerham of Itasca passed away October 19, 2007. He was born July 16, 1936, in Ellis County, son of the late Buddy and Lovie Cockerham. He attended both Files Valley and Itasca schools, where he met and later married Netha Faye Kemp October 4, 1954. They lived most of their married life in Itasca, where they raised their only daughter, CinDee. He was also preceded in death by his beloved wife of 54 years, Netha Faye; one beloved grandson, Marcus Grant Garrett; three brothers, Homer, Lee and Sam; and five sisters, Helen Scalzo, Elaine Pierce, Peggy Brumson, Alice Farr and Nettie Price.

Survivors include: one daughter, CinDee Garrett and husband, Claude, of Itasca; one granddaughter, Whitney Lyn Garrett of Itasca; one brother, Paul Cockerham and wife, Betty, of Itasca; two sisters, Maxine Farquhar and husband, Billy, of Itasca and Beth Crane and husband, Charles, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and mother-in-law, Lela Kilgore. Funeral services were held October 23, 2007, at Itasca Presbyterian Church. Burial was at Itasca Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Heritage Memorial Park of Itasca.

Thank You Note

Senior football player #10 John Prescott and his family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls and visits since John's injury on the field. Everyone has been so nice and we do thank you very much for your concern. John Wayne & Becky Prescott

#10 John Prescott

Coat Drive

RA's and GA's of Central Baptist church are collecting coats and blankets to distribute December 1 to anyone who needs them. If you have coats, sweaters, or blankets you would like to donate, call Michelle Spain 687-2107 or bring them by the parsonage at 400 E. Monroe.

Ellis Reception

Everyone is invited to a going away reception for Harry and Freddy Sue Ellis Sunday, November 11, 2:00-4:00 at Central Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. They will be moving to Colorado November 17. They request no gifts please.

Hill County Defensive Driving School

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Available the 3rd Saturday of the month

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Please Help Feed the Hungry

Food for Families

Drop off in Heritage Park in Itasca

November 16 - 12:00 - 5:00.

Do You Remember...?—"Stamps and Token"

Columnist Carl Sweeney



The use of stamps or tokens has been around for quite some time, but the most popular era seemed to have been from 1930 to 1960. However, they are still in use today in one form or another, especially gambling tokens and chips. The token is described as a privately issued piece, made of paper, metal, wood, or other materials. It is used for advertising, merchandise, carnival rides or services.

During World War II, certain goods were rationed because of the war effort and consumption, such as tires, gasoline, sugar, flour, coffee, and condiments. Booklets with stamps for commodities were issued by the United States Office of Price Administration. On the back, we were cautioned to never buy rationed goods without the stamps and never pay more than the legal price, in order to defeat the black market. The instruction said when you have used your ration stamps for merchandise to salvage what you can for the war effort. Metal and waste fats especially. The waste fat was used for the manufacture of munitions. It was also a criminal offense to violate rules of the rationing system.

If gasoline were rationed now like it was then, we would be in trouble, since now our work force consists mostly of commuters. It is not uncommon now for people to drive fifty miles to work.

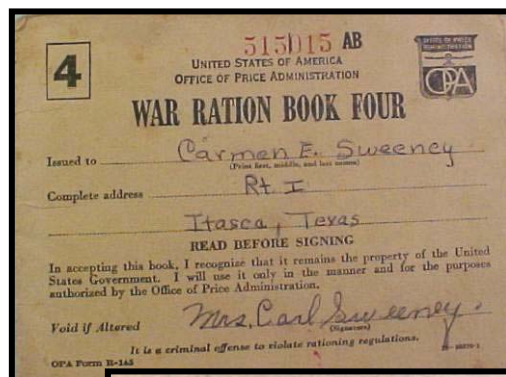
There was another popular stamp used in the past called the Golden Stamp. I do not have any information on those and do not remember them like the Green Stamp. We remember the S&H Green Stamp as the premier of all the rest.

The program was set up by the Sperry and Hutchinson Company. The company was founded in 1896 by Thomas Sperry and Hutchinson Company. The company was founded in 1896 by Thomas and Shelly Hutchinson. They had been around a long time before the stamp came along. They offered stamps to stores to give as purchase incentives for their customers and for profit. The store gave you a percentage stamp for the amount of money you spent with them. We wondered how they could profit by that. They said that most of it came from people not redeeming their stamps.

The stamp program was most popular in the United States. The Green Stamp Program started sometime in the thirties and lasted until around 1960. I don't remember when we stopped. I guess it just gradually faded away. I remember the S&H signs that usually hung in front of the stores. When my mother died and we were going through her "things" to be divided up among my siblings, we came across a partially filled green stamp booklet. She never was able to use that one. Going through what she left, and that old stamp booklet, was an emotional time for us. We then remembered how after the trip to town, she carefully pasted her stamps in the booklet. It did not occur to us at that time why she was so diligent.

When we are growing up we don't always realize what a struggle our parents have making "ends meet." We later discover that what she did was very seldom for her benefit. We also discover now where toys and other things we got for Christmas came from, and what an effort it was for our parents to provide for us.

I guess we can say that the Green Stamps not only helped us make it back then, but also was a lesson in saving, planning, and love for family.



Attention Veterans! Informational Meeting

Press Release

A meeting presented by a Veterans Affairs representative will be held Saturday, November 10, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Itasca.

Everyone is invited to come and get answers to the many questions about changes in benefits that can benefit you. Admission is free. For more information, call 682-560-1444.

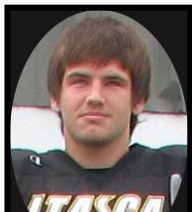
Please Help Feed the Hungry

Food for Families is a one-day food drive to help meet the growing need for food for those in Hill County. Non-perishable items are needed, such as canned meats, tuna, chili, rice, canned vegetables, cereal, baby food, sugar, flour, peanut butter, sauces, etc. The Itasca Ministerial Alliance will have a drop-off box at the Heritage Park in Itasca on November 16 from Noon - 5:00.

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Wampus Cats of the Week

“Our Fav Football Five”



#1 Football Fav is #6 Clayton Wienecke. Clayton is a senior who brings lots of experience and leadership to the field. He has worked very hard and makes many hard hits every game. He is consistent on the field.



#2 Football Fav is #44 Eric Ortegon. Eric is as quiet on the field as he is in the classroom. He lets his blocks and tackles do his talking for him. He is a positive factor in every game and will be greatly missed on next year’s team.



#3 Football Fav is #32 Jonathan Ponce. Jonathan is also a senior who brings 110% to the field during every play. His goal is to be where the ball is and to hit hard and often.



#4 Football Fav is #75 Jake Key. Jake is just as smart on the field as he is in the classroom. He uses his intelligence to read plays and fans hear his name called quite often as



the Cat making the tackle.

#5 Football Fav is #53 Adam Handy. Adam is a junior with lots of strength and quickness. He is dynamite on the field and will assume a leadership role next year as twelve seniors graduate.

Special of the Week



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