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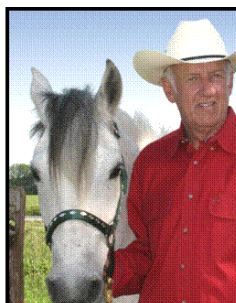
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## Straight Talk from the Mayor



In June of 2009, City staff submitted a park grant application to the Collin County Parks and Open Space board for the construction of a Pavilion, Restroom Facilities, Walking Trail, Irrigation System, Playground Equipment, Park Benches and Picnic Tables and necessary Electrical and

Septic Services for a total of \$432,875 using land purchased with the City Hall/Public Works building as match. Collin County Commissioners approved part of the grant this month, with the City being awarded \$250,000 for the project. The funds received from this grant will be enough to construct the Pavilion, Restroom Facilities, Irrigation System, along with the Septic and Electrical panel for the Community Park next door to City Hall.

On February 4, 2010, at the City Council Regular Meeting, a presentation of a check by Precinct 2 County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland for \$250,000 from the Collin County Parks and Open Space Project Funding Assistance Program. The photo above is of Mayor Bill Carmickle (left) accepting the checks from Commissioner Hoagland.

The City will be submitting another application for grant monies in the future in hopes of being awarded enough funds to complete the project.



*Mayor Bill Carmickle accepts Parks Grant check from Collin County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland*

### MEETING SCHEDULE

**ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 IN THE NEW CITY HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.**

**PRIMARY ELECTION  
TUESDAY, MARCH 2**

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 4**

**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, MARCH 11**

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
THURSDAY, MARCH 18**

# Community Corner

## The County Line – 2010 Census “What will be asked and not asked”

By Collin County Commissioner Joe Jaynes



## City of Lucas to conduct General & Special Elections

May 8, 2010

On Saturday, May 8, 2010, the City of Lucas will conduct a General (Regular) Election for the purpose of electing three (3) City Councilmembers at large. Candidate packets are available from the City Secretary's Office through March 8<sup>th</sup>. The last day to file an application for a place on the ballot is Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m.

A Special Election held on Saturday, May 8, 2010, for the purpose of considering the adoption of one-half of one percent sales and use tax to provide revenue for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises, and to consider the adoption of one-half of one percent sales and use tax to undertake Type B Corporation projects as set forth in Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 505, Subchapter D, as amended and the maintenance and operations expenses for such projects.

Election workers are needed and if you would like to apply, please contact the City Secretary, Kathy Wingo, at (972) 727-8999 or [kwingo@lucastexas.us](mailto:kwingo@lucastexas.us)

In March, the U. S. Census Bureau will mail a 2010 Census form to every residence in the United States. Please take 10 minutes to fill out and mail back the form. If forms are not mailed back in March then from April through July the Census Bureau will be sending out field representatives to knock on your door or give you a call.

So to avoid the visit or the call, please mail back the form. It is also important to point out that about \$85 million in taxpayer dollars are saved for every one percent increase in mail response.

The 2010 Census form will ask for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home - just 10 simple questions that will take about 10 minutes to answer. Your answers are protected by law and are not shared with anyone.

If a Census Field Representative does knock on your door they must present an ID badge that contains a Department of Commerce watermark and expiration date. The field representative may also be carrying a bag with a Census Bureau logo. The field representative will provide you with supervisor contact information and/or the Regional Office phone number for verification, if asked and the field representative will provide you with a letter from the Census Bureau Director on official letterhead.

Field representatives will ask the same 10 questions that are on the mailed form. **Field representatives will never ask you for your social security number, bank account number, or credit card number. Census workers also never solicit for donations and will never contact you by e-mail.**

In 2000, Collin County's population was approximately 500,000. Today we are hovering near 800,000. This is a 61% growth rate since the last census. For Collin County citizens accurate counts will mean more representation in both Austin and Washington and more funding for infrastructure and services like:

- Hospitals
- Job training centers
- Schools
- Senior centers
- Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects
- Emergency services

For more information about the upcoming 2010 Census visit [www.census.gov/2010census](http://www.census.gov/2010census).

The City of Lucas has been chosen by the Collin County Elections Administration to be a polling place for the upcoming March 2, 2010 Primary Election. Early voting will begin on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 and end on Friday, February 26, 2010 at City Hall, 665 Country Club in the City Council Chambers (see below for times). For your information, below you will find a list of the candidates and websites that will be on the ballot for Collin County offices.

## JUDICIAL RACES

### Collin County Court 2

Judge Jerry Lewis - [www.judgejerrylewis.com](http://www.judgejerrylewis.com)

Sharon Ramage - [www.ramageforjudge.com](http://www.ramageforjudge.com)

### County Court 3

Barnett Walker - [www.walkerforjudge.com](http://www.walkerforjudge.com)

Lance Baxter - [www.baxterforjudge.com](http://www.baxterforjudge.com)

Stewart Matthews - No site yet

### County Court 4

Linda Wynn Drain - [www.lindawynndrainforjudge.com](http://www.lindawynndrainforjudge.com)

Dale Rose - [www.roseforjudge.org](http://www.roseforjudge.org)

Matthew Goeller - [www.mattforjudge.com](http://www.mattforjudge.com)

Dale Rose - [www.roseforjudge.com](http://www.roseforjudge.com)

Christi Bryant - [www.chrystibryantforjudge.com](http://www.chrystibryantforjudge.com)

David Rippel - [www.rippelforjudge.com](http://www.rippelforjudge.com)

### County Court 6

Shawn Ismail - [www.ismailforjudge.com](http://www.ismailforjudge.com)

Terri Green - [www.terrigreenforjudge.com](http://www.terrigreenforjudge.com)

Jay Bender - [www.benderforjudge.com](http://www.benderforjudge.com)

Don High - [www.donhigh.com](http://www.donhigh.com)

### 219th Judicial District Court

Scott Becker - [www.beckerforjudge.com](http://www.beckerforjudge.com)

Angela Tucker - [www.angelatuckerforjudge.com](http://www.angelatuckerforjudge.com)

Wendy McMillon - [www.mcmillonforjudge.com](http://www.mcmillonforjudge.com)

### 296th Judicial District Court

Keith Gore - [www.goreforjudge.com](http://www.goreforjudge.com)

John Roach Jr. - [www.judgeroach.org](http://www.judgeroach.org)

### Justice of the Peace - 4

Kelley Adley - [www.kelleyadley.com](http://www.kelleyadley.com)

Mike Yarbrough - [www.judgemikeyarbrough.com](http://www.judgemikeyarbrough.com)

Doug Reeves - no site yet

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY

### Collin County District Attorney

Greg Willis - [www.gregwillis.org](http://www.gregwillis.org)

K. Jefferson Bray - [www.brayforda.com](http://www.brayforda.com)

James Angelino - [www.angelino4da.com](http://www.angelino4da.com)

Rafael de la Garza - [www.delagarzaforda.com](http://www.delagarzaforda.com)

## COURT CLERKS

### Collin County District Clerk

Terrye Evans - [www.electterryeevans.com](http://www.electterryeevans.com)

Alma Hays - [www.electalmahays.com](http://www.electalmahays.com)

Patricia Crigger - [www.votecrigger.com](http://www.votecrigger.com)

## COLLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

### Collin County Judge

Keith Self (incumbent) - [www.keithself.com](http://www.keithself.com)

John Muns - [www.johnmuns.org](http://www.johnmuns.org)

### Commissioner - Precinct 4

Kathy Ward (Incumbent)- [www.kathyward.org](http://www.kathyward.org)

Duncan Webb - [www.duncanwebb.org](http://www.duncanwebb.org)

### Commissioner Precinct 2

Jerry Hoagland (Incumbent) - [www.jerryhoagland.com](http://www.jerryhoagland.com)

Karl Voigtsberger - [www.electkarl.org](http://www.electkarl.org)

Cheryl Williams - [www.votecherylwilliams.com](http://www.votecherylwilliams.com)

## Voting Dates & Times:

### **Early Voting**

**Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 7am – 7pm**

**Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 7am – 7pm**

### **Election Day**

**Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7am – 7pm**

# The Lucas Fire Department's Rating is now an ISO Level 3.

What is an ISO rating of Level 3 and what does it mean to you?

Insurance Service Organization (ISO) is an independent organization that assesses and provides information to insurance companies, fire departments, insurance regulators and others about risk to communities. They collect information about municipal fire-protection efforts from communities around the United States and analyze it. After the data is analyzed, a Public Protection Classification number, (PPC) from 1 to 10 is given to fire departments based on fire alarm, communications systems, the fire department, and the water supply system. The highest rating a department can receive is a Class 1 and the lowest would be Class 10. As of December 1, 2009 the Lucas Fire Department has received a rating of Class 3.

What does this mean to you? It means that the Lucas Fire Department works hard to provide you with the best possible fire protection. Lucas, Texas is also one of the few cities in the United States that requires fire sprinklers in all new construction homes and business, which helps to reduce the loss of life and property. When a fire district improves its PPC, homeowners and businesses in the community often save money on their insurance premiums. Make sure to call

CITY OF LUCAS  
665 COUNTRY CLUB  
LUCAS, TEXAS 75002

your insurance company today and tell them that your fire department has a PPC rating of 3.

## Award for Lucas VFD



City of Lucas Volunteer Fire Department recently was awarded a grant by CoServ Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$19,860 to be used to purchase of a Ranger HD 6x6 ATV and accessories. Pictured from left to right: Captain Gary Johnson, Chief Jim Kitchens, Dennis Engelke, Executive Director of CoServ CF, and Captain Randy Conrad.

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