



Don't take your eyesight for granted

As a sighted person, can you imagine going through life without the ability to see?

Many people, including children, in developing countries around the world struggle with this problem on a daily basis, and have very few resources to counteract blindness or reduced vision.

The Democratic Republic of the Congo, the largest country in Africa, is ranked 163 of 173 countries on the United Nation's Human Development Index. From 1998 to 2003 the country suffered a devastating war, the world's deadliest conflict since World War II. The conflict devastated the economy and crippled the health care system.

Now there are more than 750,000 in the DRC believed to be blind, and there are only 58 ophthalmologists, mostly in the capital city area, to serve the eye care needs of 62 million residents. Lions through the Lions Clubs International Foundation are now assisting with a four-year project to increase ophthalmic training and surgical services in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Eyeglasses are an expensive necessity for those who struggle to survive. Texas' Sight II program has a sophisticated collection and sorting program for used eyeglasses, whereby each lens prescription is identified, logged, and packed for distribution to areas in need. Shipments are then made to countries where severe needs are identified and distributed by doctors requesting prescriptions from a central location. We also assist local residents in Henderson County with vision needs following an evaluated request to our club.

WE NEED YOUR USED LENS, FRAMES AND CASES! Chandler Lions continually collect used glasses, including frames, lens and cases. All frames and lens are reusable.

Collection boxes are in numerous locations throughout the East Henderson County area, including most churches, Copeland's Pharmacy, Brookshire's Grocery Store, God's Open Hands Ministry locations, and other businesses where you see a Gold and Purple Lions Club collection box on display.

THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING THIS SPECIAL LIONS PROJECT, AND FOR DONATING YOUR UNUSABLE GLASSES. If you are aware of a need for a collection box, please ask us for one.

We welcome visitors interested in learning about our numerous humanitarian projects and becoming involved in rewarding projects to help our neighbors.

Regular meetings are 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm, at Chandler Community Center.

Field Day!

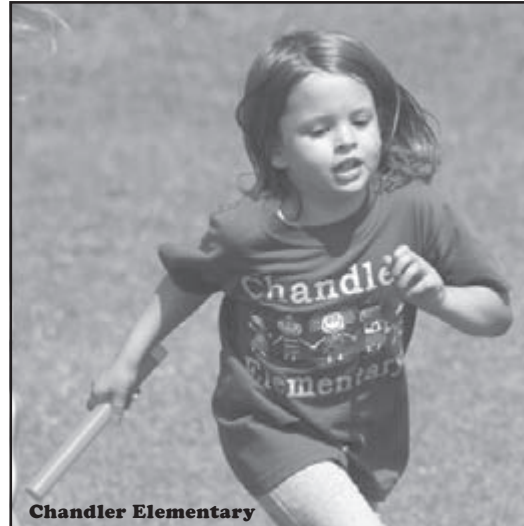
Brownsboro & Chandler Elementary Schools enjoy the nice weather on Friday, May 9 as they participated in Field Day. More photos are available online at www.c-bstatesman.com.



Chandler Elementary



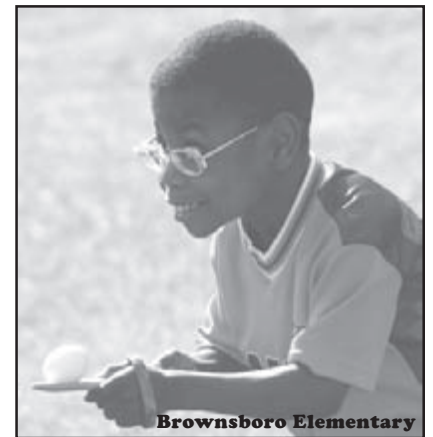
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Happy 40th Birthday Daddy!
 What a blessing!
 We love you,
 Samuel, Garrison & Gabrielle Nichols

**BROWNSBORO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
 P.O. Box 465, Brownsboro, Texas 75756**

ATTENTION PARENTS: In compliance with House Bill 72, the Brownsboro Independent School District is attempting to identify children eligible for the fall semester pre-kindergarten classes. The following determines eligibility:

1. unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or
2. educationally disadvantaged (eligible to participate in the national free or reduced lunch program); or
3. homeless, or
4. the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or
5. the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty.

The child must be four years of age on September 1 of the current upcoming school year. Parents of children who meet the above requirements are requested to contact, by no later than Thursday, June 12, 2008, the school offices at Brownsboro Elementary School (903)852-6461, Chandler Elementary School (903)849-3400, or Brownsboro I.S.D administration (903)852-3701.

If fifteen (15) or more eligible children are identified and sufficient classroom facilities are available, the Brownsboro I.S.D will offer Pre-Kindergarten classes for the 2008-2009 school year.

A SPECIAL ED DISABILITY IS NOT A

PRE-KINDERGARTEN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Please fill out the bottom portion of this form:

Dominant language spoken in your home most of the time? _____
 We have _____ family members living at our house.
 Our monthly income is _____.
 We are homeless. Yes _____ No _____
 Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Parent's Name : _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____

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ATENTOS PADRES: De acuerdo con Ley Estebal (House Bill 72), el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Brownsboro esta haciendo provecho por identificar niños elegibles para las clases de jardín de la infancia prepara el semestre del otoño. El siguiente determina la elegibilidad:

- (1) No hablar ni comprender el idioma Ingles; o
- (2) De una familia cuya impuestos califican para nutricion libre o reducida; o
- (3) sin hogar; o
- (4) el niño un miembro de servicio military de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos, inclusive el ejército del estado fuerze o un componente reservado do las fuerzas armadas, que es ordenado al servicio military por la autoridad apropiada; o
- (5) el niño un miembro de servicio military de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos, inclusive el ejército del estado fuerze o un componente rreservado de las fuerzas armadas, que fue herido o fue matado al sercir en el servicio militar.

Los padres quien alcauzen estos requisitos se les pide que, se comuniquen con el director principal de las siguientes escuelas, por no luego que el jueves el 12 de Junio de 2008. Avise las oficinas de la escuela en Brownsboro Elementary School (903) 852-6461, Chandler Elementary School (903) 849-6436, o Elton Caldwell, Superintendente, Brownsboro ISD (903) 852-3701.

Si se identifican 15 o mas niños estudiantes y existen suficientes salones disponibles, el distrito de Brownsboro ofrecera una clase(s) de pre-jardín para el escolar 2008-2009.

Una incapacidad especial de la educación no es un de criterios de elegibilidad de jardín de la infancia pre.

Llene por favor el protion inferior de esta forma:

¿Qué se habla el idioma dominante en su hogar la mayor parte del tiempo?

 Tenemos a _____ miembros de la familia que viven en nuestra casa. Nuestros ingresos mensuales son _____.
 Somos sin hogar. Si _____ No _____
 El nombre del estudiante: _____
 La fecha del nacimiento: _____
 El nombre del padre: _____ El teléfono: _____
 La dirección: _____