

# THE INFORMANT

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**STORYTELLING** - Jim Weiss of Greathall Productions shared his storytelling talents with elementary students. Mr. Weiss exposed the students to fables, cultural tales, stories about historical events and mysteries. The presentations were designed to enhance and reinforce language arts classes and encourage students to read beyond the classroom. Weiss performances were held at Bayless, Harwell, Hodges, Murfee, Smith, Waters, Wheatley and Roscoe Wilson.

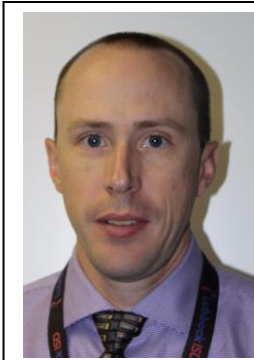
**DON SMARTO** In November, Don Smarto made presentations to seniors at Estacado High School. His focus was on writing as communication. He shared a power point and shared information about his background, his books and his films. Mr. Smarto then had students write original compositions. The top submission from each class received a complimentary copy of one of Don Smarto's books.



**HISTORY IN PERSON** - Bill Perryman brought historical characters to life at several Lubbock ISD elementary schools in September. He utilized music and slide shows as he portrayed historical figures including George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Franklin. The presentations were designed to enhance and reinforce social studies topics for students in the elementary grades. Mr. Perryman made his presentations for students at Murfee, Waters, Wheatley and Roscoe Wilson elementary schools.



**SCHOLARSHIP:** **Mike Moffitt** is the 2012 recipient of the Helen Jones Scholarship. He earned a bachelors degree at Texas Tech University. He then served as a college volleyball coach at Texas Tech and North Dakota. Mr. Moffitt taught English classes at Estacado High School and served as head volleyball coach and assistant softball coach. He is currently serving as assistant principal at Evans Middle School and is completing his master's degree in the School of Education at Lubbock Christian University



**SCHOLARSHIP:** **Brian Ellyson** is the 2013 recipient of the Helen Jones Scholarship. He earned a bachelors degree in marketing at Texas Tech University. He worked for an internet architect firm and a telecommunications company before enrolling at Lubbock Christian University to complete his teaching credentials. Mr. Ellyson taught technology classes at Cavazos Middle School. He currently teaches technology classes at Talkington School for Young Women Leaders and is working on a master's degree in the School of Education at LCU.

## 2012-13 SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

### Bill Perryman of History In Person

|              |      |                     |      |                          |
|--------------|------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|
| September 12 | 8:30 | Waters (Washington) | 1:30 | Wheatley (Lincoln)       |
| September 13 | 8:30 | Murfee (Lincoln)    | 1:30 | Roscoe Wilson (Franklin) |

### Don Smarto, Author, Filmmaker, Radio Host

November 13 Estacado High School – senior English classes

### Jim Weiss Storytelling

|            |      |          |      |               |
|------------|------|----------|------|---------------|
| January 8  | 9:00 | Smith    | 1:30 | Roscoe Wilson |
| January 9  | 9:00 | Waters   | 1:30 | Harwell       |
| January 10 | 9:00 | Wheatley | 1:30 | Bayless       |
| January 11 | 9:00 | Hodges   | 1:30 | Murfee        |

### Art Exhibit TBA

November-December 2013 Exhibit featuring linoleum block prints

*Program planning is in progress for 2013-14.*

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