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Bandera, TX –

Bandera ISD celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an independent school district on April 8 at an event hosted by Bandera Middle School. The Bandera High School Jazz Band under the direction of Tim Howell, serenaded the audience of 75 community members, faculty, parents and students with tunes from the 1940's and 50's. The Bandera High School Jazz Choir under the direction of Katherine Holmes, performed a special song, *Time is the Teacher*, written by Mrs. Holmes for the celebration. Anna Winfield, a student at Hill Country elementary sung the national anthem and the Student Council of Alkek Elementary led the pledge. The audience marveled at the historic photo's of past BISD students and teachers. Displays of Bandera ISD memorabilia abounded. To cap off the event, anniversary cake and cookies were served by Bandera School Nutrition Director, Felicia Bell in the historic BISD Middle School library. While enjoying cake in the library, patrons were able to browse BISD year-books from years past and compare prom dresses from today and yesteryear. The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Committee was: Suzy Groff, Amy Kepp, Dayle Heiner, Joy Ryan, Marc Laine, Holly Mydland, Angela Pofahl, Jettie Whitlock, Connie Young, Patsy Small, Carla Kelley, Erin Gray, Charlie Halsell, and David Brown.

Pictures:

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Neal Dalton shows his place on the football team to another guest.



Alkek Student Council Members with sponsor Erin Gray



Bandera High School Principal, Gary Bitzkie chats with Bandera Mayor Horst Pallaske



Former BISD Board Member, Roger Stevens points out his place in his elementary class photo



Reilly Butler and his dad, Rhett browse through old BHS yearbooks while enjoying anniversary cake.