

# THIRD QUARTER NEWSLETTER



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## Community Highlight:



**Two Rivers School District**

**Home of the Gators**

The Two Rivers School District, serving approximately 815 students, is located in scenic Yell County. This name was chosen because of proximity to the Petit Jean and Fourche LaFave Rivers. This 605 square mile district was formed by the merging of the Casa, Fourche Valley, Ola, and Plainview-Rover districts, a process that began in 2004. In 2010, high school students came together at the current Two Rivers High School campus. This brand new facility made it possible to offer students opportunities that would have never been possible on four smaller, rural campuses. Many of these opportunities are through the state-of-the-art technology now available to them. Due to the seating capacity and sound capabilities of the new auditorium, the district has also had the exciting opportunity to bring guest speakers and the Arkansas Arts Center in for several productions, open to community and families, as well as, students. Because safety is a priority, this impressive 132,800 square foot facility also has a "safe room" with a 850-900 person capacity.

This upcoming school year, all K-4 elementary students will come together on the Two Rivers Elementary Campus. The 5th and 6th grade students will join students on the high school campus. Construction will begin on the brand new K-4 elementary facility to be located adjacent to the high school on the Two Rivers Dis-

trict campus. The district is very excited about this chance for the elementary students to experience all the advantages a modern facility can offer.

The elementary school is not the only exciting change for the Two Rivers District in 2012-2013. A new TRSD Superintendent, Mr. Jim Loyd, will be leading the "Gator" faculty and staff in their efforts to educate students. The other members of the administrative team include: Mary Lawrence, Elementary Principal; David Minnie, Middle School Principal; and Barry Fisher, High School Principal. Board members include: Jackie Harrison, President; Bobby Smith, Vice President; Robert Adams, Secretary; and Members, Robert Anderson, Kevin Milligan, Doug Morell, and Malcolm Stover. The district also employs 65 certified faculty and 72 classified staff.

Ola Elementary was named a "High Performing School" for the 3rd year in a row, during the 2011-2012 school year and TRHS is proud to announce that along with two Governor's Scholars, this upcoming school year's State BETA President is one of their very own students. These are noteworthy accomplishments. Good things are happening in the Two Rivers District. Come visit "Gator Country" sometime!

## Employee Highlight: Mike Woodard



Mike has been an Arkwest employee for 25 years and works as one of our repairmen.

Born and raised in Danville, he and his wife of 27 years, Sharlene

"Bubba", make their home on Hwy 80 where they raise chickens for Wayne Farms and where Bubba continues to cut hair in her beauty shop, located next to their house.

They have raised 3 children, Callie, Brittany and Zack and have 3 grandchildren, Weston, Tatem and Ayden.

During his spare time, Mike enjoys hunting deer and turkey and spending time with his family.

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Summer is in full swing so please take extra precautions to stay out of the heat and if you must be in the heat please stay hydrated and safe!



## Fiber to the Home

More work is being done to complete the Danville phase of the Fiber to the Home project.

Splicing is currently being completed in the Hwy 10 East area and customers should have fiber access very soon. Once completed, fiber access will be available to all customers in the Danville exchange. So if ipTV service has been unavailable to you in the past it will be available in the near future.

Ola Phase 1, which is the Hwy 10 area between Danville and Ola, is well underway and construction is progressing well. And just this past week, Ola Phase 2, which is the city of Ola, began.

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