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Aledo Bearcat supporters "painted the town orange" this week in advance of the state championship football game on Friday, Jan. 15. Shown painting the windows at *The Community News* are sophomores (from left) Ruthie Pulliam, Madi Dean, and Will Lepard.

WEATHERFORD COLLEGE

Alumni nominations sought

Continuing the tradition of recognizing outstanding former students, Weatherford College is seeking nominations for its 2021 Alumnus of the Year and Distinguished Alumnus awards.

WC will honor one Alumnus of the Year and up to two Distinguished Alumni Award winners at the college's annual Alumni Awards event on Friday, April 16, at the Doss Heritage and Culture Center.

Nominees will be evaluated on contributions to society, performance in their field of expertise, loyalty to Weatherford College, and other factors.

The deadline to submit nominations is Friday, Feb. 26, in the Institutional Advancement Office.

The Alumnus of the Year Award was established in 1967, and the Distinguished Alumni Award began in 1994.

Nomination forms and a list of previous winners are located at wc.edu/alumni/alumni-awards. For more information, contact Jaci Trotter in the Institutional Advancement Office at jtrotter@wc.edu or 817-598-6272.



SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

The limited snow that fell didn't prevent enterprising sculptors from building snowmen. Shown are Amber Birdwell (AHS class of 2020 and freshman at USC) and Michael Birdwell (AHS class of 2022).

WILLOW PARK

Hurdles cleared on FW water project

Last easement obtained

By Randy Keck
The Community News

The City of Willow Park cleared two more hurdles in its efforts to bring Fort Worth water to the city.

At its regular meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12, the Willow Park City Council voted to issue certificates of Obligation not to exceed \$6.5 million to cover a shortfall in the construction bid provided by Half and Associated in its estimate of costs associated with the El Chico storage tank and pump station.

City Manager Bryan Grimes reminded the city council that Willow Park is not on the hook for the full amount.

"The 6.5 [million] that we're about to issue will be split between Hudson Oaks and Willow Park through an interlocal agreement. So just like the previous debt with the Water Development Board, our name's on the line but, but we have partners in there with us," Grimes said.

Hudson Oaks is committed to paying for 48 percent of the project.

The council also accepted an easement agreement with property owner Roy Maniedo. The water line from Fort Worth was planned to go across his property.

City Engineer Derek Turner said this was the last easement the city needed for completion of the project.

"He [Maniedo] originally was not interested in working things out. We had it appraised with the assumption that we may be going to condemnation," Turner said. "We had subsequent meetings with him after we got the appraisal, [which] was \$30,300 which was more than what was expected."

After meetings with Maniedo, he agreed to accept \$40,150 for the easement.

"My recommendation is to move forward with it. I don't think he's not gonna come down. We don't really have a viable option," Turner said.

The council approved the expense. Turner said funds were available in the money budgeted for the project.

Drainage fees and capital improvements

The council tabled two items related to stormwater drainage fees, a public hearing, and discussion or action on a related ordinance.

The council did approve publishing a proposed schedule of

fees and to schedule a future public hearing to gain input. (Fees and the proposed ordinance are laid out on pages 4 and 5.)

The council also voted to approve a resolution creating a Capital Improvements Advisory Committee.

Grimes said the action is "part of the process for adopting impact fees."

"We can have planning and zoning serve as that committee as long as there is a real estate professional on the committee," Grimes said. "And so we do actually have a realtor on P&Z — it's Sharon Bruton. And so after consultation with city attorney, our P&Z can serve as that Advisory Committee."

"Their role is going to be a look at our land use assumptions and get public input on those," City Attorney Pat Chesser said. "It's required by statute before you can adopt impact fees to have this committee in place and play a role in the adoption."

Wastewater

Turner provided the council an update on the progress of the wastewater treatment plant project.

Turner told the council the application for funding with the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is scheduled to be on their March 11 agenda for approval.

Once funding is approved, "you have to go through a couple of different notice periods," Turner said. "We think we're probably looking at the first water board meeting in July to be able close. So the earliest the money would be in your hands would be at that point."

Turner said the interest rate from the TWDB is near zero percent.

Once all is approved, Turner said the TWDB would put Willow Park into the planning phase of the project, meaning the city can start drawing money for environmental assessments, engineering, and other necessary costs.

"You generally expect about a 12-month turnaround on a permit like that starting from when we started, so you're probably looking at about this time next year," Turner said. "I'm thinking and I'm hoping that by the time your funding comes through, we'll be far enough along in the process that we'll know kind of where we stand with neighboring entities. And that's something we need to coordinate as we go to

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Bearcats seek another milestone.

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Aledoan makes Dean's List

Hanna Hordynski, a Sophomore at Texas State University, made the Dean's List with a 3.77 GPA.

Hanna is a Nutrition Major with a concentration in Dietetics. Hanna is a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority and a volunteer with Ronald McDonald House Charities.



Hordynski



Mesoma Okoye was the runner-up of the Aledo Middle School Spelling Bee.



Pierce Martin was the winner of the Aledo Middle School Spelling Bee.



Coder Elementary School Assistant Principal Jennifer Hoover is shown with runner-up Adrienne Stine and winner Khadija Junaid.

CITY

from page one

make sure that we don't have any hidden issues, somebody filing a protest, that kind of thing."

Election

City Secretary Alicia Smith reported to the council that the election coming up for mayor and council pages 1 and 2 will be May 1.

"Packets are ready to go out — tomorrow (Jan. 13) is the first day to turn in your application," Smith said. She added that application packets are available on paper, online, and on USB drives. The last day to file is Feb. 12.

The council agreed to cancel the Jan. 26 meeting, so the next council meeting will be on Feb. 9.

At the end of the meeting, Mayor Doyle Moss commented on a text he received from Grimes that sales tax collections are up 18 percent from last year.

"That's a great thing to help the city do more," Moss said.

"We're actually ahead of budget," Grimes said. "I think we're five percent ahead of the budgeted number, which is incredibly good because we were kind of wondering if we have to have a goal out there. And I think we're going to easily meet that."



Top spellers at McAnally Intermediate School were Violet Cole (runner-up), Jackson Mulkey (winner), and Jack Carlgren.



McCall Elementary School Spelling Bee winners were Mia Cotton (winner) and Channing Green (runner-up).



Adelyn Martin (winner) and Bri Matuni (runner-up) were the top spellers at Stuard Elementary School.



Jossilyn Stevenson was the runner-up of the Vandagriff Elementary School Spelling Bee.



Walsh Elementary School Principal Holly Elgin is shown with spelling bee winner Claire Wack and runner-up Ian Wade.



Aidan Miller was the winner of the Vandagriff Elementary School Spelling Bee.

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Year in review 2020

Continued from the Jan. 8 issue.



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Aleo Ladycats assistant basketball coach Tracy Elms gets a big help from her children Cooper and Kamdyn as the trio rolls basketballs from the high school gym to the Daniel Ninth Grade Campus gym during summer conditioning and sport-specific training at Aleo High School.

JULY 17

Aleo ISD began planning for two options for the fall semester: one that involves in-person learning, and one that involves a virtual choice for students.

Annetta North mayor Robert Schmidt spoke out against a proposed Willow Park wastewater treatment plant near the boundaries of the town. Willow Park City Manager Byran Grimes rebutted claims that the location was a "done deal," and explained the process to the public.

JULY 24

The Aleo ISD hires familiar face Mercedes Mayer as the district's new Director of Communications. Mayer, a Bearcat parent who actively worked in a variety of volunteer roles in the district, joined the AISD staff after several years as a member of the communications team for Arlington ISD.



REBECCA LU/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Another 17,000 square feet of retail space is going up in Hudson Oaks. Committed tenants include Nothing Bundt Cakes and R&K Café.

The Willow Park City Council continued to explore the options for a new wastewater treatment plant site, empowering City Manager Bryan Grimes to move forward with purchase discussions for a site in the southern part of the city.

Aleo residents hold a "Bridge The Blue" rally to show support for local law enforcement.

Citizens of Annetta, led by Kristi Turner, presented a petition to the Annetta City Council requesting a sidewalk on Thunder Head Lane by Stuard Elementary School.

JULY 31

Hudson Oaks adds new retail space that will include a new home for R&K Café, a new Nothing Bundt Cakes, and other restaurant and commercial options.

The Willow Park City Council reached out to neighboring cities to seek alternative options to a hotly contested "south site" option for the wastewater treatment plant.

The Aleo City Council approved an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates to help develop master planning for the city. In a clarification ruling, chickens were made undisputedly legal inside the city, as long as ordinances are followed.



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August Lambert practices with the Bearcat Regiment at Aleo High School on Monday, Aug. 3. The regiment began drills this week. More photos can be found on page 3.

AUGUST 7

COVID-19 cases made a significant jump in July in Parker County, and county leaders continued to watch and discuss potential health measures to stem the spread. Stronger restrictions on nursing homes are issued.

The Bearcat Regiment returned for fall rehearsal, despite an unclear vision of what fall marching and football season would look like.

In light of summer weather conditions, Parker County issued a 60-day burn ban.

Educational Program Assistant

Faith Presbyterian Day School in Aleo is looking for an Educational Program Assistant. Responsibilities include teaching enrichment classes as well as assisting in the office and classrooms. This is a 3 day per week (Tues.-Thurs.) part-time position.

Please contact Misty Gober at dayschool@faithaleo.com or 817-441-6262 for more information or to apply.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Willow Park, Texas will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Willow Park City Hall located at 516 Ranch House Road, Willow Park, Texas, to hear public opinion regarding the proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System.

This notice is being published in accordance with the public notice requirements set forth in Subchapter C of Chapter 552, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A. for public hearings. As required by the aforementioned statute, this public notice is being published in a newspaper of general circulation to the residents of the City of Willow Park thirty (30) days or more prior to the date of the public hearing and will be published a total of three times before the scheduled hearing.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and express their opinions on the proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System. Council may vote on the proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System at the same meeting or at a later meeting.

The proposed Resolution to adopt the rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System is set forth below, in accordance with requirements set forth in Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM SCHEDULE OF CHARGES; ESTABLISHING CHARGES FOR MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM SERVICES; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted the Municipal Drainage Utility System Act, Subchapter C of Chapter 552 of the Texas Local Government Code (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, Article 13.13 of the City of Willow Park Code of Ordinances authorizes the City Council to adopt a schedule of charges for municipal drainage utility services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt the Drainage Utility System Schedule of Charges and establish the drainage charges for the City drainage utility services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has conducted a public hearing on the adoption of Drainage Utility System Schedule of Charges after notice as required by the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby finds that the Drainage Utility System Schedule of Charges is related to the drainage and the terms of the levy and any classification of the benefitted properties in the City and are nondiscriminatory, equitable and reasonable; the schedule of charges is based on an inventory of the lots and tracts within the proposed service area which is the entire City; the schedule of charges gives consideration to the land use made of the benefitted properties, the size in area, the number of water meters, and topography of a parcel of benefitted property in assessing the drainage charges to property.

SECTION 2. That the City Council hereby adopts the Drainage Utility System Schedule of Charges attached as Exhibit "A" hereto.

SECTION 3. That all provisions of the resolutions of the City of Willow Park, Texas in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions not in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, provided; however, the drainage charges established herein shall take effect on _____, 2021.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ OF _____, 2021.

Doyle Moss, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Smith, City Secretary
City of Willow Park

**Exhibit "A"
Drainage Charge Schedule**

The following drainage charges shall apply to all benefitted property as deemed by the Municipal Drainage Utility Systems Act, as amended, (the "Act") according to property type within the City, unless exempt from such charges pursuant to the Act or as set forth herein.

Residential Property

Single Family Home:

\$5.50 per Single Family Unit* ("SFU") per month, with a minimum monthly charge of \$5.50, calculated as follows:

of SFU = Living Area ("LVAR")/1500

All other residential:

\$5.50 per SFU per month, with a minimum monthly charge of \$5.50, calculated as follows:

of SFU = Gross Building Square Footage ("GBSF") X 1.5/1500

Institutional Property (Churches and Schools)

\$5.50 per SFU per month, with a minimum monthly charge of \$5.50, calculated as follows:

of SFU = GBSF/1500

Commercial Property (including Industrial)

\$0.0055 per square foot of impervious area (e.g. \$5.50 per 1,000 square foot of impervious area) per month calculated as follows:

Amount Billed = Square feet of Impervious Area ("IA") X 0.0055

*One SFU = 1,500 square feet of living area

Exemptions

Mandatory exemptions: Entities to which a mandatory exemption under Texas Local Gov't Code Section 580.003(a), as may be amended, applies and any property to which a mandatory exemption under Section 552.053 of the Act, as may be amended, applies shall be exempt from payment of the drainage charges set forth herein.

Permissible exemptions: Property owned by the City of Willow Park, including, without limitation, City rights-of-way, streets, sidewalks, and alleys shall be exempt from payment of the drainage charges set forth herein.

Proof of exemption: If a person or entity asserts that a parcel of property is exempt pursuant to this resolution, the Act or any other applicable law, such person or entity has the burden to assert such exemption by filing written notice of eligibility for such exemption and sufficient evidence of entitlement to such exemption with the director of finance pursuant to the appeals process set forth in Section 13.13.007 of the City of Willow Park Code of Ordinances, as may be amended..

[End of Proposed Resolution]

All persons interested in the proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System as set forth herein are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comments at that time. Written comments on this proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System may also be delivered to the City Council prior to 3:00 p.m. on the day of the public hearing at the following address:

Alicia Smith
City Secretary
City of Willow Park
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Willow Park, Texas will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Willow Park City Hall located at 516 Ranch House Road, Willow Park, Texas, to hear public opinion regarding the adoption of an Ordinance adopting the Municipal Drainage Utility Systems Act, Subchapter C of Chapter 552, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A., and declaring the City's drainage system to be a public utility so that the City may establish rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System.

This notice is being published in accordance with the public notice requirements set forth in Subchapter C of Chapter 552, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A. for public hearings. As required by the aforementioned statute, this public notice is being published in a newspaper of general circulation to the residents of the City of Willow Park thirty (30) days or more prior to the date of the public hearing and will be published a total of three times before the scheduled hearing.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and express their opinions on the proposed Ordinance. Council may vote on the proposed Ordinance immediately following the public hearing. A separate public hearing will be conducted at the same meeting on the proposed rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System. State law provides that approval of the proposed Ordinance shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the City Council.

The entire proposed Ordinance to establish the City of Willow Park's drainage system as a public utility so that the City may establish rates and charges to be charged by the City's Municipal Drainage Utility System is set forth below, in accordance with requirements set forth in Subchapter C, Chapter 552, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A:

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY BY AMENDING CHAPTER 13 UTILITIES TO ADD ARTICLE 13.13 TO ESTABLISH A MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR DRAINAGE SERVICE, BILLING, EXEMPTIONS, DRAINAGE CHARGES AND APPEALS; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVING FOR A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$2,000.00; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Willow Park, Texas has investigated and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Willow Park, Texas (the "City") to promote the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens by adopting a Municipal Drainage Utility System; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further investigated and determined that it would be in the best interest of the citizens to adopt the Municipal Drainage Utility Systems Act as set forth in Chapter 552, Subchapter C, Texas Local Government Code, as amended (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the drainage of the City is a public utility within the meaning of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the City will establish a schedule of drainage charges against all real property in the proposed service area, which includes the entire City subject to charges under this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the City will provide drainage for all real property in the proposed service area on payment of drainage charges, except real property exempted under the Act or pursuant to this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the City will offer drainage service on nondiscriminatory, reasonable and equitable terms; and

WHEREAS, the City has complied with public notices, including the printing of this entire ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation, the notice being advertised three times, the first being at least 30 days prior to a public hearing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found and declared to be true and correct. SECTION 2. That Chapter 13 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Willow Park, Texas is amended by adding an Article 13.13, Municipal Drainage Utility System, to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 13.13 MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM

Sec. 13.13.001 -Municipal drainage utility system established.

The Municipal Drainage Utility Systems Act, V.T.C.A., Local Government Code ch. 552, subch. C, as amended (the "Act"), is hereby adopted and shall be fully implemented as provided by the Act and by the city council; and the drainage of the city is hereby found to be a public utility within the meaning of the Act.

Sec. 13.13.002 - Drainage service provided.

The city will provide stormwater drainage for all real property within its boundaries upon payment of the determined drainage charges, as defined in the Act, and excluding property exempt under the Act and certain exempted real property by the city, and that the fees, assessments, and charges will be based on nondiscriminatory, reasonable and equitable terms. The drainage charges established herein shall be for all nonexempt benefitted property as defined in the Act within the city drainage system.

Sec. 13.13.003 - Billing for drainage service.

The city is hereby authorized to bill the drainage charges incurred as a result of the adoption of the Act and through the establishment of the municipal drainage utility system. The drainage charge shall be separately identified from other public utility billings. Revenues generated through the drainage charges authorized herein shall be classified as committed resources according to the city financial policies, as amended. Drainage charges may only be expended for the costs of service as defined by the Act.

Sec. 13.13.004 - Authority to levy drainage charges.

The city may levy a schedule of drainage charges upon satisfaction of the procedural requirements provided in the Act and this article. Prior to the levy of any drainage charges, the city council shall conduct a public hearing on the drainage charges pursuant to the Act. Prior to adoption of this article the city council found and determined that: The city will establish a schedule of drainage charges against all real property in the proposed area which includes the entire city subject to the charges under the Act; the city will provide drainage for all real property in the proposed service area on payment of the drainage charges, except real property exempt under the Act and this ordinance; and the city will offer drainage service on nondiscriminatory, reasonable, and equitable terms.

Sec. 13.13.005 - Exemptions authorized.

The city is authorized to exempt certain property, entities or persons from all ordinances, resolutions, and rules which the city may adopt from time to time in connection with the adoption of the Act and the establishment of its municipal drainage utility system. Any exemptions to the drainage charges established herein other than the exemptions required by the Act shall be set forth in the drainage charge schedule.

Sec. 13.13.006 - Charges.

(a) The city council shall, following the adoption of this article, establish a drainage charge schedule, by resolution of the city council, from time to time, for charges which shall be collected through the city's bill for public utilities pursuant to the Act and other applicable law. There shall be a drainage charge on each monthly

public utility statement for the city drainage system as set forth in the drainage charge schedule. The city manager, or designee, is authorized to collect such charges in a manner consistent with the Act and this article. The drainage charges shall be a separate line item on the public utility statement and shall be clearly identified as a separate charge. Except, as otherwise provided herein, the billing, charges and collection procedures shall be consistent with city collection procedures for the water and sewer services.

(b) The drainage charges established pursuant to this article will apply to the accounts maintained by the city for public utility services.

(c) All billings, credits, exemptions and other procedures relating to drainage charges established pursuant to this article shall be subject to the provisions of the Act and other applicable law.

(d) A deposit for the drainage services as a precondition to accepting surface flow from benefitted property into the city drainage utility system shall not be required. All real property of the city will be provided with drainage utility system service on timely payment of drainage charges established herein.

Sec. 13.13.007 - Appeals.

(a) Billing and payment disputes for administrative issues relating to the drainage charges shall be subject to appeals procedures used by the city for other public utility billing disputes. A person or entity that owns or occupies a benefitted property may appeal the drainage charges established herein pursuant to this procedure set forth in this section.

(b) Appeals for the following reasons shall be directed to the director of finance for evaluation and determination. An appeal shall be in writing and submitted to the director of finance within 30 days after the public utility billing statement containing the matter to be disputed. During all periods of appeal the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder shall be responsible for payment of the charges in full:

- (1) Exempt property has been assessed a drainage charge;
(2) Drainage charge for an individual property is assessed on more than one public utility account; or
(3) Drainage charge is assessed to individual property outside the city's jurisdictional area.

(c) The director of finance shall render a written decision on such appeals within 30 days after receiving a timely written notice of appeal from the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder. The director of finance shall deliver a copy of the appeal decision to the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder by U.S. Mail to the address of the landowner/account holder according to the most recent records in the possession of the city.

(d) Appeals for claims that the drainage charge for an individual property is based on an incorrect determination of the property's contribution to the drainage utility system, as established in the city drainage charge schedule shall be directed to the city engineer for evaluation and determination. An appeal pursuant to this subsection (d) shall be in writing and submitted to the city engineer within 30 days after the public utility billing statement containing the matter to be disputed. The city engineer shall render a written decision on such appeals within thirty (30) days after receiving a timely written notice of appeal from the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder. The city engineer shall deliver a copy of the appeal decision to the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder by U.S. Mail to the address of the landowner/account holder according to the most recent records in the possession of the city. During all periods of appeal the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder shall be responsible for payment of the charges in full.

(e) Any person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder who disagrees with the decision of the director of finance or the city engineer, as the case may be, may appeal such decision to the city manager in writing within ten days after receipt of the decision of the director of finance or the city engineer, as the case may be. The city manager shall render a written decision within 30 days after receipt of a timely appeal. The decision of the city manager shall be final. The city manager shall deliver a copy of the appeal decision to the person or entity who owns or occupies the benefitted property and/or the account holder by U.S. Mail to the address of the landowner/account holder according to the most recent records in the possession of the city.

Sec. 13.13.008 - Credits.

(a) A property owner may petition to the city to reduce the drainage charge fee for an individual property to account for on-site stormwater management controls that reduce the property's impact to the drainage utility system.

(b) The petition will be evaluated, and the fee adjustment decision determined by the city engineer. The city engineer's evaluation and determination shall be based on nondiscriminatory, reasonable, and equitable terms and shall be based solely on stormwater-related factors.

Sec. 13.13.009 - Penalties; enforcement. Failure to pay the drainage charges promptly when due shall subject such user to discontinuance of any public utility services provided by the city, in accordance with the procedures adopted by the city for discontinuance of any city public utility service including water and/or sewer service and other applicable laws."

SECTION 3. That all provisions of the ordinances of the City of Willow Park in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance be, and the same are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the ordinances of the City of Willow Park not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provisions thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, and shall not affect the validity of the Code of Ordinances as a whole.

SECTION 5. That an offense committed before the effective date of this Ordinance is governed by prior law and the provisions of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for this purpose.

SECTION 6. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this Ordinance shall be subject to a penalty and punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense, and each and every day such violation shall continue shall be deemed and constitute a separate offense. Compliance with this ordinance may also be sought through injunctive relief in district court.

SECTION 7. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption, as the law in such cases provide.

[End of Proposed Ordinance]

All persons interested in the above-referenced Ordinance are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comments at that time. Written comments on this proposed Ordinance may also be delivered to the City Council prior to 3:00 p.m. on the day of the public hearing at the following address: Alicia Smith, City Secretary, City of Willow Park, 516 Ranch House Road, Willow Park, TX 76087, Or by email at asmith@willowpark.org

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Capital Highlights

New House speaker lays out challenges



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The 87th session of the Texas Legislature opened Tuesday with COVID-19 encompassing every aspect of what the lawmakers do, according to new House Speaker Dade Phelan.

“COVID, obviously, it will be a blanket over the entire session,” Phelan told his hometown TV station, KFDM Channel 6, in Beaumont. “We will deal with it in every aspect of policy. It will be a huge determining factor in the budget.

Before the pandemic hit, Phelan said, legislators “were supposed to come into this budget cycle with a surplus, and now we’re coming into it with a deficit ...” Money will be even tighter for the next two-year budget lawmakers write during the session, he said.

“The No. 1 goal is to get the economy back on track,” Phelan said

For opening day, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and State Rep. Charlie Geren, R-Fort Worth and chair of the administration committee, laid out safety protocols for lawmakers and visitors to follow at the Capitol, which recently reopened after closing in March because of the pandemic. The opening ceremony was scheduled to be shorter than usual to reduce time spent gathering.

“It’s always been difficult to be speaker. It’s never been easy, but going into this session, the 87th, given the budget deficit, redistricting, and the fact that we have the first pandemic in 102 years in which to operate, I’m exceptionally proud they’ve given me this honor,” Phelan said of the bipartisan coalition of lawmakers that voted for him to be the new speaker.

Phelan, a Republican, stressed the bipartisan spirit of Texas and cited how well former Gov. George W. Bush worked with Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock during their time serving together at the Capitol.

“That is the Texas model. We’ve always worked that way,” Phelan said. “If you’re sitting at the speaker’s dais and you’re looking at all the chairs in the House chamber, there is no left side or right side, red, blue, like there is in Washington, D.C. We all sit amongst each other.”

Lawmakers are scheduled to be in session until May 31.

Trying to speed up

Texas is going big with its approach to COVID-19 vaccinations this week.

Most of the doses available this week are going to 28 larger providers that can vaccinate at least 100,000 people, Texas Department of State Health Services officials said in a statement. Some doses also will be going to smaller providers in more rural parts of the state.

“We are working hard to improve the vaccination process for everyone,” Dr. John Hellerstedt, state health commissioner, said in a statement explaining the pivot to the larger vaccination hubs.

Providers that receive the larger amounts of vaccine will vaccinate health care workers, people 65 and older, and those who have a medical condition that increases their risk of severe disease or death. They also agree to provide a registration phone number and website and to vaccinate people from surrounding areas.

The Texas Department of State Health Services surveyed vaccine providers about their capacity to operate large, community vaccination sites and on Sunday published a list of vaccine hub providers. The hubs will receive a total of 158,825 doses this week.

An additional 38,300 doses will go to 206 providers. Of Texas’ 254 counties, 104 will receive vaccine shipments this week.

State health officials stressed that people need to register in advance for the shots and should not just show up at one of the hubs. Officials also urged patience as supplies remain limited.

Model behavior

The small city of Dickinson set an example for how to handle a close election.

The race for mayor ended in a tie, but the two candidates didn’t duke it out. Instead, candidates Sean Skipworth and Jennifer Lawrence followed state law, which calls for a random selection in the unlikely event of a tie.

Election officials in Dickinson, population 21,000 in Galveston County, put the candidates’ names on ping-pong balls placed in a tophat. Even though her name wasn’t drawn, Lawrence didn’t demand a “Hunger Games”-style trial by fire.

Mayor-elect Skipworth described a decidedly different scene to KHOU-TV: “We get up there, one of us wins, one of us loses, and we give each other a hug or whatever, say, ‘Good job’ and wish you the best. Hopefully that’s how it’s going to be in the country in the future going forward.”

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Thistles ‘N Roses

No permit required for political, religious solicitation



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Persons who go door to door in Parker County canvassing for political, religious, or other first amendment purposes do not have to have a permit from a city or county to do so. Some of my fellow citizens don’t seem to understand that.

When supporters of a candidate in the state senatorial run-off election came into an Annetta neighborhood last month, one neighbor posted on an e-bulletin board, that includes many neighborhoods in east Parker County, that these people did not have a solicitation permit from the City of Annetta. He attached a copy of the Annetta solicitation permit ordinance. Several of us pointed out that such permits were not required for

political purposes and pointed out that the Annetta ordinance specifically says it is not intended to violate first amendment freedoms. So, no solicitation permit was needed.

A couple of summers ago, on an especially hot day, a group called the Texas Campaign for the Environment, a very legitimate, sophisticated IRS 501(c)(4) organization came into our McDavid Estates neighborhood. They travel in groups going door to door explaining their cause and asking for, yes, money. They have the absolute right under the Constitution to do so.

Several neighbors started sending out alarming e-mails about the group. The direct implication was that a group of criminals had invaded our neighborhood. One of our HOA officers posted a number to call the sheriff so they could come investigate.

The nicely dressed people had come to my house while I was cooking dinner, and my wife answered the door and took their literature. I remember it was more than 100 degrees and they were dressed so very nicely. I checked them out at

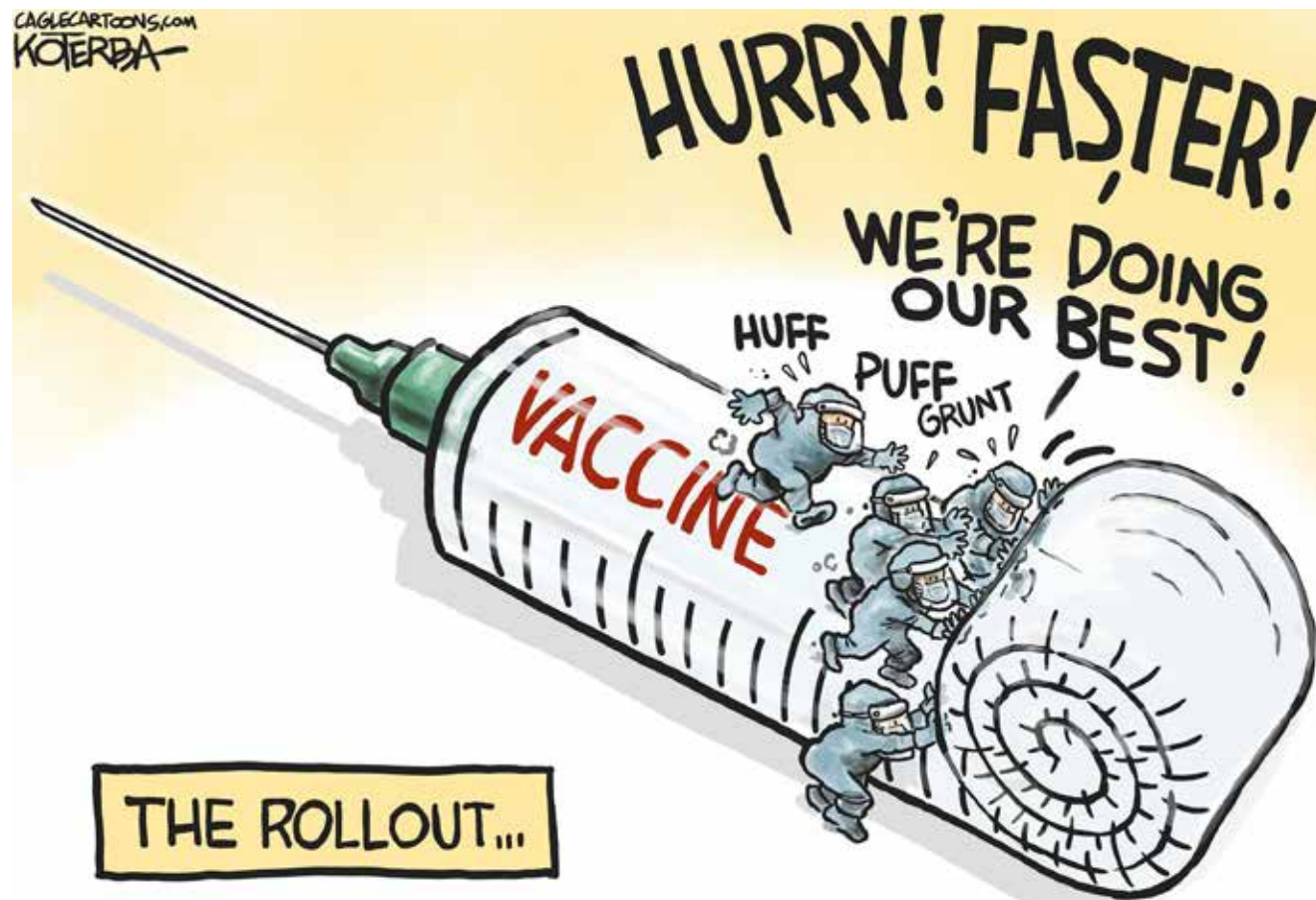
their website after the e-mails about calling the sheriff.

I called the sheriff and the deputy assured me that it was a legitimate group and that they were NOT going to waste their time by investigating further.

I called their director the next day to apologize for what had happened in our neighborhood. The director explained that they were used to it and that many people opened their doors and listened and contributed money. And they informed me that they absolutely know what their rights are.

Really, I don’t like door-to-door solicitors any more than anyone else. All of us have the right not to answer the door and politely, or even impolitely, to ask them to leave. You can even slam the door in their faces. You have that constitutional freedom.

But they have the right to exercise their constitutional first amendment freedoms without having to get a permit from any government and without interference from the sheriff.



Texas changes vaccine process

Nearest current availability is Tarrant County

As of Jan. 11, the State of Texas is distributing vaccines by way of large sites and hubs around the state.

“The goal of this plan is to provide more people the vaccine and a simpler way to sign up for an appointment,” according to the Texas State Department of Health Services.

Providers will focus on vaccinating areas and populations hardest hit by COVID-19.

If you are in Phase 1 and eligible to receive the vaccine, check the COVID-19 Vaccination Hub Providers page (<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine-hubs.aspx>) to find a hub near you and learn how to register.

“Spring 2021 is the best estimate of when vaccine will be available for the general public, but that may change,” according to the SDHS. “It depends on vaccine production and

how quickly other vaccines become available. The Expert Vaccine Allocation Panel (EVAP) is considering what criteria could be used for later stages of vaccine distribution. This webpage will be updated when those decisions are completed.”

People who show up at vaccination sites without making a reservation will be turned away.

For more information, visit <https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine.aspx>.

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Aledo preps for date with destiny

Bearcats looking for Number 10

By Nolan Ruth
The Community News

After a four-week delay, a hectic regular season, and a hard fought playoff run, it is finally time for the state championship. Once again, the Aledo Bearcats are in the big game. This is the 12th appearance in a state championship game for the Bearcats, and the fifth in a row.

This time, Aledo will face a brand-new opponent. The Crosby Cougars from the northeast corner of the greater Houston area have made an impressive run through the playoffs to arrive at this point.

Crosby has not made it to a state title since 1960. It was not an easy road to get here, either. After finishing second in their district, the Cougars went on to defeat four top-ten opponents in the playoffs, including the Fort Bend Marshall Buffalos, the team Aledo played in 2018 and 2019 for the title.

Last week, it took an overtime thriller against Liberty Hill to punch their ticket to Arlington. Had the Liberty Hill offense not fallen one yard short on a two point conversion attempt, this preview would look a lot different.

Crosby has struggled defensively against the run, which will be a major problem against the Bearcat ground attack led by Demarco Roberts. The defensive line for the Cougars is their strong point, but the question is, "can they make a stop at the second level?"

The strongest point for Crosby is a name that Aledo may become very familiar with. Quarterback Deniquez Dunn, who has been nursing an ankle injury, looked sharp against Liberty Hill last week. His favorite target, Reggie Branch (who will also take snaps out of the backfield) is the biggest weapon the Cougars have.

Crosby's dynamic duo will give Aledo's secondary a challenge. However, the defensive line and linebackers for the Bearcats will have to make the difference. Pressuring Dunn, and limiting Branch in the secondary will be the keys to stopping the Crosby offense.

A win on Friday afternoon at AT&T Stadium in Arlington will give the Bearcats their tenth title in school history, and they will stand alone in that distinction making them the winningest team in UIL state championship history.



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Sam Steffe (26) caught an interception in the Rider game.



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Bearcats celebrate following their state semifinal win over the Rider Raiders.

Bearcats crush Rider for trip to state

By Nolan Ruth
The Community News

For the fifth straight year, the Aledo Bearcats football team is going to play for a state championship. Despite an even matchup in the first half, the Bearcats stormed out big in the second to run away with a 55-28 win over Wichita Falls Rider on Friday night at Apogee Stadium in Denton.

"[Rider] made a couple of mistakes and our kids capitalized on them," head coach Tim Buchanan said about the game. "We created most of those mistakes on their part."

"Our kids played well. That's all you can say, they played well on offense, played well on defense and I just try not to mess it up."

Aledo (12-1) got the ball to start the game and drove downfield to set up a 23-yard touchdown run by running back Demarco Roberts (26 carries, 154 yards, 4 TDs). The Raiders (11-3) responded on their next drive with an 8-yard scoring run by Virginia commit Jacob Rodriguez to make it a 7-7 first-quarter score.

The second quarter started just like the first, but this time it was Jo Jo Earle's turn. Earle (2 carries, 52 yards, 1 TD, 2 receptions, 28 yards) took the direct snap and went 45 yards to the house to reclaim the Bearcat lead.

On the next drive, the Bearcats forced a punt that was bobbled on the snap and blocked. Cap Mooney jumped on the ball at the 10-yard line, and Roberts scored on the next play.

The next Rider drive took the remaining 10 minutes off the clock, but the Raiders walked away empty-handed after missing a field goal. Halftime saw the Bearcats head to the locker room with a 21-7 lead.

"The first half showed us that we were going to have to man up," Roberts said after the game. "We couldn't make many mistakes, we couldn't come up empty-handed, we should not have to punt, any of that."



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Cap Mooney (35) recovers a Rider fumble in the second quarter, setting up an Aledo touchdown on the next play. Also shown are Taylon Kessler (28), Max Dube (41), and BJ Allen (7).

We knew we would just have to keep the ball moving."

The third quarter was much the same as the first two. Rider went on a long drive that was capped off with another Rodriguez keeper. But the Bearcats responded with yet another Roberts touchdown run.

Aledo then made two consecutive big defensive plays. A pass attempt that was tipped by Chris Wright and ruled a backward pass rolled into the end zone for Keenan Hess to jump on it and extend the Bearcat lead to 35-14.

On the first play of the ensuing drive, Sammy Steffe came up with a diving interception to give the ball back to Aledo.

The fourth quarter saw the most scoring. After the interception,

Roberts went airborne at the goal line and recorded his fourth touchdown of the game. Rider scored on the ensuing drive to keep their hopes alive.

The kickoff that followed the Rider touchdown saw arguably the best kick return of the year. Jason Llewellyn received the onside kick off the bounce and raced 50 yards to the end zone, beating the Raiders to the pylon.

A big defensive stop led by two sacks by Caden Anderson (6 tackles, 2 TFL, 2 sacks), gave the ball back to the Bearcats. With starters beginning to get pulled, it was a long pass from Brayden Fowler-Nicolosi to Llewellyn that set up a touchdown by Jeremiah James.

Rider scored one more time on a deep 75-yard pass, but it was too late and the deficit was too much.

The Bearcats ran away with a 55-28 win to punch their ticket to the twelfth state title appearance in school history.

"Coming into the locker room it was 21-7 and you never know what the other team is capable of," Anderson spoke about the halftime adjustments. "We just had to go out and play Bearcat football and it worked out for us."

The Bearcats will face the Crosby Cougars at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at AT&T Stadium in Arlington with a chance to win a record tenth state title.



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After sinking her tournament-winning putt, Cheyenne Knight celebrates to the heavens while paying homage to her late brother, Brandon Burgett, moments after winning the LPGA's Volunteers of America Classic at Old American Golf Club at The Colony. Knight won her first-ever LPGA tournament with a 266 in four rounds (18-under par) to win by two strokes. Also shown celebrating is her caddie, Brian Mahoney.

Continued from the Jan. 8 issue.

JULY 3

Former AHS softball state champion K.K. Pittman continued to climb the ladder in her coaching career, landing a job coaching softball for Jacksboro ISD.

The Trinity Christian Academy football team geared up for their season with no contact workouts.

Knight reflected on her rookie year with LPGA. Knight won the Volunteers of America Classic by two strokes during her first tour. "It's been pretty incredible to look back at my rookie year," Knight said. "I had a lot of downs but I learned a lot of valuable lessons."

J.D. Robinson is named the new head boys basketball coach for Aledo High School.

JULY 17

The UIL lifts some restrictions, allowing offense against defense work in sport-specific practices.

Christina Long is named the new head varsity tennis coach at Aledo High School. Long moved up from being the assistant varsity and head junior varsity coach.

JULY 24

The UIL pushes the start date for football and volleyball practices to Sept. 7, with volleyball games beginning no earlier than Sept. 14 and football Sept. 24.

The Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools shuts down all sports until Sept. 8.

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 - TX BB player: "the Snake" Bowman
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TEXAS CROSSWORD

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The 2019 state champion Bearcat football players receive their championship rings.

JULY 31

Texas Football magazine ranks the Bearcats No. 2 in 5A, Division II, and predicts the Bearcats lose in the fourth round of playoffs.

Ladycat softball players, stifled in their 2020 school season, carry on playing summer ball on their select teams.

AUGUST 7

The UIL extends practice time

for volleyball teams, sets play-off dates for football (with the state championship being in 2021), and cancels basketball tournaments.

AUGUST 14

The Clay Busters target teams sets tryouts for Aug. 23.

Aledo graduation Morgan Merrill signs with Oklahoma State University for bull riding.

AUGUST 21

Senior defensive end Caden Anderson lives out a childhood as a member of the

Bearcats football team and reflects on entering his senior season. "There's nothing better in life than winning the state championship," he said. "Especially with Texas high school football and how serious it is."

Bearcat wide receiver JoJo Earle prepares for his senior year of football after 84 receptions for 1,601 yards in 2019.

AUGUST 28

Former state champion Ladycat softball player Easton Gray returns to Aledo ISD as a teacher and coach.

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BASKETBALL

Bearcats come back to beat Azle

Start district 2-0 before test at Rider
 By **Randy Keck**
 The Community News

The Bearcat basketball team struggled against Azle in the first half of their home-opening district game against Azle on Tuesday, Jan. 12, but mounted a big comeback in the third quarter to win, 50-41.

The Bearcats went to the locker room at the half down 27-23, but stormed back in the third quarter, holding the Hornets to just three points while scoring 17.

The change in momentum was fueled in part by the hot shooting of Camden Yielding, who swished a three-pointer to start Aledo's third-quarter comeback.

Yielding, who has worked his way into the starting lineup, sunk another trey in the quarter, as did Peyton Wiggins.

"Last night, he (Yielding) really showed up for us," said head coach JD Robinson. "And so we're going to ride the hot hand and he was knocked down some threes for us. He had 16 points for us last night, so that was that was big"

Robinson said defense, however, was the key to the comeback.

"We really, really executed in that third quarter," Robinson said. Defense was the biggest thing — we preach all the time our defense needs to turn it off. And you know, giving up [just] tree points in the third quarter was big for us and generated a little bit of success on the offensive end on the floor"

The leading scorer in the game was Landry Simmons, who has been hot all season from the three-point perimeter. Simmons sunk four treys in the first quarter, and ended the game with 18 points.

The Bearcats biggest challenge comes up Saturday when they travel to Wichita Falls to face Rider High School.

"They [Rider] just won a big one against Wichita Falls — a big



Camden Yielding (21) jockeying for rebounding position against Azle.

RANDY KECK/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

rival for them — last night, and so they'll be tough at home," Robinson said. "They got the addition of their football kids — they have a really good guard coming back that was our district MVP last year, so it'll be it'll be a tough test on the road.

"In a six-team district, you're playing 10 games to decide the fate of whether or not you're going to make it to the playoffs or win a district title or not. You can't have any slip ups in that small of a district."

The varsity Ladycats lost at Azle, 79-60. Audrey Pearce led scorers with 16. The JV Ladycats fell 49-37, and the freshman fell 34-23.

Landry Simmons 18, Camden Yielding 16, Daniel Sohn 7, Peyton Wiggins 5, Clark Crawford 4.

Girls Varsity

Aledo:	23	16	4	17	60
Azle:	17	20	29	13	79

Audrey Pearce 16, Claire Byars 13, Reagan Davis 9, Presley Hull 8, Addy Hebel 7, Kylie Anderson 5, Lauren Hawk 2

Girls JV

Aledo	13	9	8	7	37
Azle	7	15	16	11	49

Natalie Anderson 14, Lauren St. Peters 4, Sarah Tillotson 5, Taylor Paetzold 8, Haley Farmer 4, Meredith Brown 2

Girls Freshmen

Aledo	2	4	7	10	23
Azle	10	7	8	9	34

Caroline Browning 4, Daniella Tregellas 6, Aubrey Connelly 4, Lexie Steffe 8, Juliana Caggiano 1

Boys Varsity

Aledo	18	5	17	10	50
Azle	10	17	3	10	41



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Senior midfielder Logan Reiter (13) passes to senior midfielder Dylan Dobransky during Aledo's Tuesday-night win over Crowley.

SOCCER

AHS teams have winning Tuesday

The Aledo High School soccer teams were both winners in action on Tuesday (Jan. 12).

The Ladycats outscored Richland on the road 7-0. McKenna Vela had four goals, and Ashlyn Laughley, Grace Ornelas, and Maitlynn Mitchell each scored one. Laughley had three assists, and Caroline Miller, Reagan Krajca, Harper Smith, and Madison Bilbia each had one.

The Bearcats defeated Crowley 2-0 at Bearcat Stadium, and now have a record of 2-1-0.

Jace Sims scored Aledo's first goal assisted by Jacob Costello. Tyler Oetinger scored the second assisted by Logan Reiter.

Goalee Ryland Yates had the shutout with six saves

Chad Petro led the defense as the defensive player of the game.

The Bearcats and Ladycats were scheduled to play in the Moritz Kia Tournament of Champions in Aledo Jan. 14-16.

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