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Bearcats bring home 10th state championship

Analysis by Randy Keck
The Community News

“Unprecedented.”
It’s a word many of us came to despise in 2020. During the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic, the word came to be associated with many negative “firsts.”

But in 2021, the Aledo Bearcats football team took the word and turned the word on its head by winning an unprecedented ten state championships.

Ten, as in total number of fingers and thumbs.

As a friend texted me after the win against Crosby, “Looks like a ring for Tim’s other thumb.”

The community and the Aledo ISD are rightfully proud.

“I am so proud of Coach Buchanan, our coaching staff, and the Bearcats football team not only for achieving an amazing feat of their third-straight state title and 10th overall, but also accomplishing this while enduring the most challenging circumstances and many unknowns,” Aledo ISD Superintendent Dr. Susan Bohn said. “We all have the opportunity to learn from these Bearcat athletes and coaches what it means to be disciplined, have a growth mindset, and always expect the best from yourself and those around you. They have shown us, especially this year when we might need reminding, that anything is possible, and they embody what it means to be growing greatness in Aledo.”

With all of the obstacles and roadblocks that came up in 2020, the Bearcats rose above them and persevered, bringing home yet another



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UIL state trophy, and perhaps opened the door for more unprecedented achievements to come before 2021 completes its course.

It was unprecedented to play the state game in January, and for every

team that won a state championship this month comes the unprecedented opportunity to bring home two state championships in a calendar year.

And with that would come too many state championships to count

on your fingers!

The Community News adds its congratulations to the kudos of the community.

Along with the Bearcats’ 10th state championship will come

The Community News 10th special publication to celebrate that achievement. It will be published Feb. 5.

More coverage can be found starting on page 7.

All-State Band members announced



Two Aledo High School students were named to the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Band last weekend.

Junior Daniel Lasater (left) was named to the All-State 6A band. Lasater, a drum major, plays the bassoon and is the first bassoon player in the history of the Aledo band program to earn a chair in the All-State Band.

Junior Gavin Daves (right) was named to the All-State 5A Band. Daves, a section leader, plays euphonium.

PARKER COUNTY

Tarrant Area Food Bank plans expansion to county

20,000 square foot facility secured

By Randy Keck
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Economic growth is often associated with the idea of prosperity, but what leads to profit for some can lead to challenges for others.

For Tarrant Area Food Bank, Parker County’s growth

has prompted the organization to expand here with a new 20,000-square-foot food distribution center.

TAFB President and CEO Julie Butner said the food bank serves 13 counties and works with numerous partners to distribute food to people who need it.

“You see how much growth is occurring in Parker County,”

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Butner said. "And when you have population growth, part of that population comes from the service industry or the hospitality industry. And some of the ... lower-paid positions are typically the folks that are needing our service — they're predominantly working individuals but maybe it takes two or three jobs to make ends meet to cover their rent, utilities, and food. Where the population grows is where it makes sense to put in an additional satellite facility."

Butner pointed out that public perception often sees clients of food banks as people who are unemployed or homeless.

"Yes, we serve unemployed and homeless, but the majority of the people that we serve are working poor," Butner said. "Maybe they're working as a housekeeper at the hotel or maybe they're working as a waitress at the local restaurant, or they're the service person at Home Depot and they're making \$7.25 an hour because that's minimum wage. And so they're working two jobs, sometimes three jobs to put food on the table."

"And that's what we've seen in this crisis is, you know, maybe they had a restaurant job and they lost the restaurant job; they're still working, but it's just not enough for them to pay the rent and you know what rent has done out here. So there's just not enough for them to pay their rent — it's heartbreaking."

Butner recalled being interviewed at a food distribution event, and she shared this concept with the reporter.

"This woman had her window rolled down and she had a baby in a carrier in the back and another toddler. And she heard me tell this story to a reporter and she raised her hand out, 'because that's what's happened to me. I worked three jobs and I've lost one.' That's just what we hear over and over again. When you talk to the people who are standing in line you occasionally you get somebody who's

disabled. You do get people who are seniors that retired and they didn't save up enough money for retirement and they're in the same boat where social security just doesn't do it all for them. So it's not who you think."

The move into Parker County was already pondered before the pandemic.

The food bank's 80,000-square-foot facility in Fort Worth was reaching critical mass.

"Because we were at capacity before the pandemic we had been looking around for 'what do we do, what's our next step' and then the pandemic hit, and it kind of forced our hand. We had to do something sooner rather than later. At the beginning of the pandemic, we were renting a lot of space to store excess food. We turn that food around really quickly, but because the demand was 40-50 percent higher than pre-pandemic, we were just getting so much more food coming in to take care of the community."

Butner said Executive Vice President of Development Stephen Raeside was instrumental in finding the location in Parker County near Sugar Tree Golf Course.

The new facility will mainly serve Parker County, but will also serve Johnson and Erath Counties and others west of Tarrant County.

"We'll use our facility in Tarrant County to serve the density of Tarrant County," Butner said. "About 15 to 20 percent of the persons in need in our service area will be served right here out of Parker County."

That service area serves about 600,000 people.

While the TAFB has traditionally worked through partner agencies, it has begun offering direct assistance.

"Here in Parker County the Center of Hope is our biggest partner — they know we're coming out here we've had a great conversation with their executive director," Butner said. "But with the pandemic, so many more people needed food that our partner agencies could not handle all the additional so



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This 20,000-square-foot warehouse will eventually contain walk-in freezing and refrigeration equipment, along with stocks of food for Parker County and other area people in need of food assistance.

we actually have done some direct-to-client or direct-to-neighbor-in-need distributions, which is a first for us — we've never done that before. We'll see what happens after the economy returns if we need to continue to do that. But usually, we're working through partner agencies and we have some 350 organizations in our 13 counties that come to us — Boys and Girls Club, United Way, Center of Hope, churches of all sorts that come to us and order their food so they can spend their donated dollars on something other than food."

The new facility will not open immediately. In what is now an empty warehouse, large walk-in freezers and refrigerators will be installed.

"We're really keen on making sure that what we're distributing is nutritious," Butner said. "We have some guidelines that we use for that, but we're a little bit at the mercy of what's donated to us. We get a certain percentage that comes from the United States Department of Agriculture and the Texas Department of Agriculture, (about 35-40 percent), and then the rest of it comes from our grocery partners and retailers and so it's everything from canned food to produce to protein to milk to eggs, everything you would see in your grocery store we have available to us. The amount

of what we have available kind of ebbs and flows.

"We just assumed responsibility for it so we've just got the keys turned over. It's nine months for us to get the freezers and coolers and we've got to make it food safe. It's not food safe today. We've got to make it ADA compliant, it is not ADA compliant today. So that will take about nine months — we hope Sept. 1 is when we'll be able to officially, turn the lights on and operate."

To provide services, the food bank is dependent on donations of food and funds.

"We are solely dependent on the goodwill of the community, so we encourage folks that want to help to either volunteer or to donate financially and you can do that through our website," Butner said. The site (www.tafb.org) has buttons for donations and for volunteers.

"The residents of Aledo have been a wonderful source of support going back to our founding," Stephen Raeside said. "And we know they obviously have a very concerted interest in Parker County. We're hoping to approach some of our existing donors to not only maintain their operating gifts but also help us establish this facility for the future in the coming decades in Parker county by helping us with those standard costs."

THE FOOD BANK

Soup kitchens and other programs to help feed the hungry have been around a long time, but the concept of food banks is relatively modern.

St. Mary's Food Bank in Phoenix, Arizona, is the nation's oldest food bank, established in 1967.

John van Hengel had been volunteering in a soup kitchen and was moved by a young mother who told him she depended on soup kitchens and food from grocery store dumpsters.

He came up with the idea of a food bank, where people could "deposit" excess food and others could "withdraw it."

St. Mary's Basilica in downtown Phoenix gave him \$3,000 and an abandoned building, and that was the beginning of the food bank movement. The concept was so successful that van Hengel began establishing other food banks across the country. He founded America's Second Harvest, today known as Feeding America, a nationwide network of food banks.

The Tarrant Area Food Bank is a member of Feeding America. It was founded in 1982.


For more information, visit www.firstfoodbank.org

Butner said the food bank also plans a community garden, cooking matters classes and nutrition education classes, as well as support groups. She anticipates the total cost to be \$3.5 to \$4 million.

People in need of food assistance can visit the website and click the "Find Food" button. Based on zip code, the food bank website will provide a list of partners and facilities where food is available.



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Year in review 2020

Continued from the Jan. 15 issue.

AUGUST 14

The Willow Park City Council appointed City Manager Bryan Grimes, Mayor Doyle Moss, and Mayor Pro Tem Lea Young to a committee to explore wastewater treatment options. The council also discussed potential paths towards a new city hall. Aledo Mayor Kit Marshall worked towards creating a second "quiet zone" train crossing on a location off Underwood Road. The Town of Annetta asked its water customers to voluntarily limit water usage.



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Cpl. Scott Hogue managed crosswalk duty for the first day at Stuard Elementary School.

AUGUST 21

The City of Willow Park issued Stage 3 water restrictions after water consumption skyrocketed. The restrictions are pulled back to Stage 2 within a week. Aledo ISD students entered the 2020-21 school year using a hybrid in-person/virtual model.

Trinity Christian Academy students returned to school in person, with extra COVID-19 precautions.

AUGUST 28

The Willow Park City Council suspended efforts to purchase a site in the southern part of the city for a wastewater treatment plant, and asked the staff instead to explore a potential land swap option. Permits are issued by the City of Aledo for a new Taco Bell location in the northern part of the city by CVS pharmacy. The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees adopted the 2020-21 operating budget, lowering the districts Maintenance and Operations tax rate while giving employees a raise.

SEPTEMBER 4

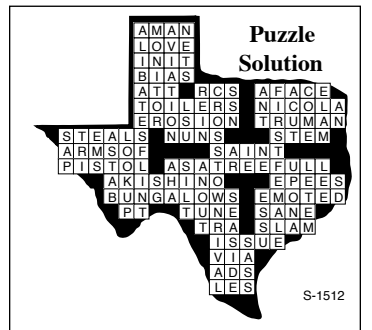
The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees voted to sever its relationship with longtime vendor Buford-Thompson LLC, citing a stalemate over the best way to move forward with bond construction projects, particularly Elementary School No. 6, and renovations to McAnally Intermediate School and Vandagriff Elementary School. The Aledo ISD police department underwent additional training to help officers better understand racial tension and matters of police-citizen relations. The Aledo City Council canceled Aledo Fest and discussed a \$40,000 allocation in its annual budget that helps fund the East Parker County Library, the area's only public library.

SEPTEMBER 11

Longtime sports editor for *The Community News*, Tony Eierdam, died from complications of COVID-19 after several weeks of illness. Tony is honored by the community and the Aledo ISD after his passing. The Children's Advocacy Center Parker County opened the

doors on a new facility in Weatherford.

The Aledo City Council was briefed on the need to expand the city's wastewater treatment plant.



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Daniel Greffer checks out the features on Aledo's new Fire Engine 34. The engine was pushed into its bay during a ceremony on Friday, Sept. 18, that involved the local fire department, other departments, and Aledo ISD officials.

SEPTEMBER 18

Aledo ISD addressed staffing concerns as students move forward with instruction in the new school year and worked through challenges related to testing and isolation. The Willow Park City Council okayed the bid process for the construction of water lines that will connect the cities of Willow Park and Hudson Oaks to the city of Fort Worth for surface water supply.

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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:

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City Secretary
City of Willow Park
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Or by email at asmith@willowpark.org

**Town of Annetta North
Notice of Public Hearing**

The Town Council of the Town of Annetta North will conduct a public hearing Tuesday the 9th day of February, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., at Annetta Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 2836 FM 5, Annetta Texas, where all person will have the right to appear ad be heard on the proposed annexation by the Town of Annetta, Texas of a portion of an approximate 13.853 acres of land, located midpoint in the Town along Annetta Centerpoint Road, contiguous to the current city limits and within the Town's exclusive extraterritorial jurisdiction. A map of the area proposed for annexation is available upon request by contacting the Town Secretary at 817-229-9624.

//Robert Schmidt-Mayor

**Town of Annetta North
Notice of Public Hearing**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Annetta North will conduct a public hearing Tuesday the 9th day of February at 7:00 p.m., 2021 at the Annetta Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 2836 FM 5, Annetta, Texas. Regarding an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Annetta North, as amended, rezoning land generally described as: approximately 13.853 acres of land out of the H. Franklin Survey, Abstract No. 478, Town of Annetta North, Parker County, Texas, from "AG" (Agricultural District) to "R-2" (Single-Family Residential District-2.0 Acre Lots) Members of the public are encouraged to attend and will be heard.

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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:

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Capital Highlights

Observers welcome quiet opening to Legislature



Cris Cobler
ccobler@texaspress.com

The Texas Legislature opened quietly, which delighted everyone after the violence inside the U.S. Capitol the previous week.

At the Texas State Capitol, a variety of legislative agendas took center stage at the start of the 87th session, which will run 140 days. Gov. Greg Abbott's goals include ensuring Texans have access to high-quality health care, improving public safety, getting Texans back to work and promoting the state's economic recovery.

Many other state organizations announced their agendas, too:

- The Texas Farm Bureau outlined 11 priorities, starting with protecting property owners' rights under eminent domain law. Other legislative priorities include protecting landowners and agricultural producers' rights to surface water and groundwater; legalizing reasonable chemical controls for feral hogs and maintaining all current legal methods of controlling feral hogs; and supporting efforts to install broadband and cellular infrastructure in underserved rural communities.

- Raise Your Hand Texas is focused on making sure public dollars remain in public schools. Some of those policy recommendations include protecting all investments made in 2019's House Bill 3, including the funding for full-day pre-kindergarten; ensuring federal stimulus dollars are used to increase public education funding; continuing to invest in students with the goal of reaching the national average in per-student funding; and opposing any form of taxpayer subsidies to private schools and vendors, such as tax credit scholarships, education savings accounts, vouchers for students in special education and virtual vouchers.

The Texas Alliance of Energy Producers will be working with lawmakers to avoid proposals to raise taxes, impose new or higher fees, or shift additional regulatory costs onto the industry or mineral interest holders. The alliance also plans to

participate in the Coalition for Critical Infrastructure to put forward reasonable solutions to address landowners' concerns about eminent domain.

"This session will have some unique challenges due to COVID protocols and how the legislative process will be conducted," Farm Bureau President Russell Boening said. "It will be different, but what has not changed is the importance of making sure the voices of farm and ranch families are heard at the Capitol."

Raise Your Hand Texas officials said lawmakers can keep their promises to education despite the tight budget outlook.

"Even during this difficult budget cycle, the state has options to continue investing in and fully funding public education. These options can give our schools the ability to provide the services our students need and to effectively implement targeted interventions for learning loss that occurred over the last year due to COVID-19," Raise Your Hand Texas wrote in a statement.

Jason Modglin, energy alliance president, encouraged lawmakers in search of revenue to consider whether all energy sources are paying as much as oil and gas producers.

"Renewable energy projects in the state do not pay a severance tax to the state like we must do," Modglin wrote in Shalemag.com. "Those arguing Texas and the U.S. should fully transition to renewable energy sources have offered no plan for how they will fund schools, roads and water infrastructure in the same way oil and gas severance taxes do. For example, electric vehicles are currently not required to pay for the use of roads like gasoline and diesel vehicles must."

Connecting rural Texas

Regular readers of "Capital Highlights" know of readers' high interest in improving the access to high-speed internet for rural Texans. Connected Nation Texas recently asked lawmakers to offer their thoughts on the need.

"Many of the counties I represent do not have a hospital or even a doctor, and broadband can help bridge the healthcare gap these rural residents face," said Sen. Charles Perry, a Republican representing West Texas' District 28

"The coronavirus pandemic has underscored the need for reliable access to the internet and exposed the breadth of ways in which connectivity impacts daily life."

State Rep. Trent Ashby

Connected Nation Texas does not do any lobbying for legislation, but state program director Jennifer Harris said she anticipated many lawmakers would try to offer solutions this session.

Sen. Robert Nichols, R-Jacksonville, and Rep. Trent Ashby, R-Lufkin, have announced their intent to file legislation aimed at expanding access. They said their bill would "affirm the state's commitment to closing the digital divide for Texans who lack either access to internet service or the means to subscribe to the services offered in their community."

"The coronavirus pandemic has underscored the need for reliable access to the internet and exposed the breadth of ways in which connectivity impacts daily life," Ashby said in a statement. "It's my hope that passage of this bill will ensure our state is serious about working to make 21st century investments in favor of economic development, education, healthcare, public safety and the many other industries which benefit from connectivity."

The upcoming legislation includes:

- Creation of a broadband development office within the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

- A broadband development program funded by the newly established broadband development account.

- Establishment of a broadband development map to be updated regularly and published by the office.

- The development within a year of a statewide broadband plan.

Chris Cobler is a board member and past president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas. He welcomes email at ccobler@texaspress.com.

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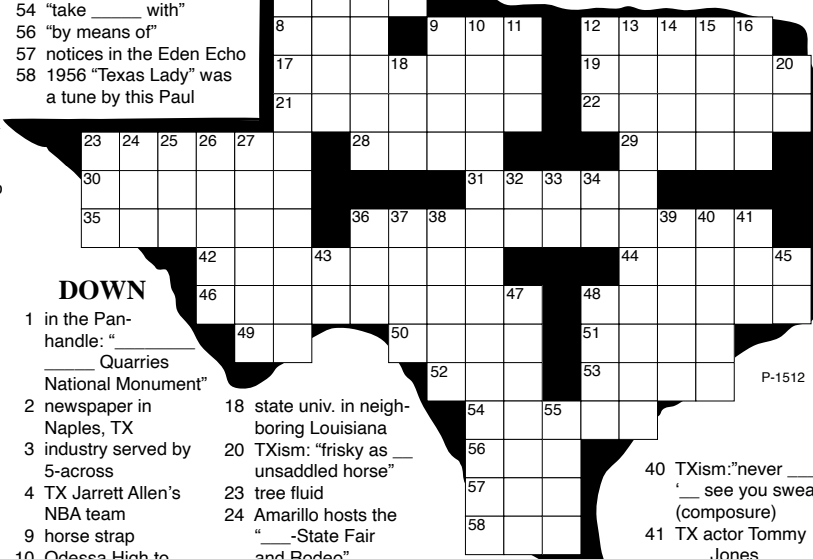
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- TXism: "never ... see you sweat" (composure)
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Students from Stuard Elementary School watches as Annetta Fire Station 37 pushed in a new engine.

REVIEW

from page three

The city of Aledo began researching guidelines for drones after some incidents inside the city spark concerns.

SEPTEMBER 25

Parker County Emergency Services District 1 hosted a push in ceremony for a new engine at Station 34 in Aledo.

The Willow Park City Council approved a preliminary plan for a land swap with Willow Park Baptist Church for acreage for a new wastewater treatment plant, near the site of the existing plant. Council member Amy Fennell announces she is resigning from the council.

The Annetta Town Council discussed the possibility of including a sidewalk along Thunder Head Lane as part of the "Annetta Park Project." Members also approved the final plat for the Aledo ISD Elementary School No. 6.

OCTOBER 2

The Aledo High School Treble Choir earned 2020 Mark of Excellence National Choral Honors.

The Aledo City Council approved changes to its ordinances that update commercial zoning rules in the city.

The Aledo Children's Advocats hosted their annual "Help and Hope Luncheon" to raise money for assisting children in Aledo ISD.

OCTOBER 9

The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees accepted a bid of \$30.7 million for the construction of Elementary School No. 6.

Matt Morris and Justin Phipps, graduates of Aledo High School, continued to shape the local insurance market and support Aledo ISD through their work with Gus Bates Insurance.

OCTOBER 16

Tyler VanSant was sworn in as the newest member of the Willow Park City Council, filling the Place 2 seat.

The Aledo City Council is presented with a petition to change the city's style of government, but the petition fails to meet the requirements under the Texas Election Code.

Homeowners on Jenkins Road continued to work with the Annetta North Town Council to place a gate on their road and prevent through traffic.

Early voting in the 2020 General Election opened up across the county, with record-high turnout in Parker County.

Father Sam Wilgus became the fourth friar at St. Francis Church in Willow Park.

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FOOTBALL

Runaway

Bearcats capture another state title

By Nolan Ruth
The Community News

The Aledo Bearcats completed their quest for history Friday afternoon at AT&T Stadium in Arlington as they defeated the Crosby Cougars (12-4) in the 5A Division II State Championship by a score of 56-21.

This year's title makes Aledo's grand total a record 10 state titles. No other team in the state of Texas has reached that milestone.

"It didn't start tonight," Tim Buchanan spoke about where the program has come. "It started back in 1993. When you look at the people who were the foundation of what we've done, they didn't get any rings or medals. That's what I think about. That's what makes it so special."

It took a bit for the Bearcat defense to get its footing, as Crosby took the opening possession 75 yards on 11 plays to take an early 7-0 lead.

It took only three plays for the Bearcats to respond as Brayden Fowler-Nicolosi threw to Jo Jo Earle on third down, and Earle raced 75 yards to the end zone to tie the game.

The Aledo defense got a stop on the next drive but a penalty gave the ball back to the Cougars. They wasted no time cashing in on their second chance and took a 14-7 lead.

Once again, the Bearcats responded. This time it was Demarco Roberts taking it 32 yards to begin his epic game.

After the Bearcats came up with another stop, they did not allow another point until the fourth quarter. The ensuing possession saw arguably the play of the game.



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Demarco Roberts scored six touchdowns and was named Offensive Player of the Game.

Aledo faced a fourth down and was in punting formation. Facing a heavy rush, Clay Murador made the decision to pull the ball in and run.

Crosby was not prepared for the speed of Murador and he was able to pick up the first down and get out of bounds.

"They had blocked several punts," Buchanan said about the play. "We knew they were going to come after us...Murador is the fastest kid at Aledo High School. Literally, as a freshman last year he could outrun anyone."

"We decided that if he saw the rush coming and could not get the punt off, he should take it around the left side. I think that was probably the play that changed the game right there."

The first quarter ended with the game tied at 14. It was in the second quarter that the Bearcats broke it open.

Aledo opened the second quarter with points almost immediately. Roberts walked right up the middle to score from five yards out to put the Bearcats up for good.



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Cap Mooney (35) came up with a big interception in the second quarter. He was named Defensive Player of the Game.

Cap Mooney, who was named defensive player of the game, came up with a big interception to get the punt off, Roberts scored from 25 yards out.

Crosby made a drive late in the half but missed a field goal, giving the Aledo offense enough time to drive down the field and score one more time before halftime on a 20 yard Roberts run.

The Bearcats led the Cougars 35-14 at the half.

When the Bearcats came out in the second half, they had one goal. Keep the pedal down and run out the clock.

They did that to perfection as the only points to come in the third quarter came on a one yard run by Roberts in which he flipped over the line and into the end zone.

Leading 42-14 in the fourth quarter, Fowler-Nicolosi helped extend the lead with a 20 yard touchdown pass to Brian Fleming.

Crosby scored their final touchdown in the fourth quarter, but Roberts was not done. On the third play of the ensuing drive, Roberts broke free and ran 54 yards to the house to score his sixth touchdown, capping off his Offensive MVP performance. The starters were pulled in the next two drives, and the clock ran down to bring the final score to 56-21.

"He's a little frustrated with me right now because he didn't break Johnathan Gray's Record," Buchanan joked about the performance of his running back. "None of that happens without our offensive line though. They do a great job of finding ways to get him to the second level."

The Bearcats finish the season with a 13-1 record and their tenth state title, all coming in the last 22 years.

Double Champions



LEFT: Ladycat Maitlynn Mitchell lines up her kick for the winning goal against Midlothian during the Moritz Kia Tournament of Champions on Saturday, Jan. 16. | RIGHT: Clay Murador advances the ball during the championship game of the Moritz Kia Tournament of Champions.

Aledo soccer teams win respective championships in local tournament

Staff Reports
The Community News

The Aledo soccer teams won their respective titles at the Moritz Kia Tournament of Champions in Aledo Jan. 14-16.

The Bearcats played South Hills for the championship at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, beating South Hills 3-1.

Clay Murado scored the first goal assisted by Dylan Dobransky. Dobransky scored the second assisted by Rylan Shaffer, and Murador scored assisted by Dobransky.

The defense was led by Jacob Costello.

The Bearcats' trail to the title match was by way of wins over Benbrook on Thursday and Boswell on Friday.

Against Benbrook, Jace Sims scored unassisted and Tyler Oetinger scored assisted by Logan Reiter.

Ryland Yates had a shutout at goal for the 200 win. Defense was led by Chad Petro and Jacob Costello.

On Friday, the Bearcats were tied with Boswell 1-1 at the end of the match, but won the shootout 4-1.

Murador scored the goal during the regular match. The penalty shootout goals were scored by Dobransky, Oetinger, Murador, and Shaffer.

Jacob Costello again led the defense.

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, the Bearcats beat Alvarado 2-0. Oetinger scored both goals, assisted by Murador and Dobransky. Yates had the shutout. Josh Zenteno led the defense.

Ladycats

The Ladycats beat Midlothian 1-0 at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday behind the single goal of Maitlynn Mitchell assisted by Ashlyn Laughley.

In the opening tournament match, the Ladycats tied Cleburne

0-0 but won in penalty kicks 3-1. Those goals were scored by Ashlyn Laughley, McKenna Vela, and Madison Bilbia.

The Ladycats won the second match of the tournament against South Hills 3-1. Laughley, Mitchell, and Caroline Miller scored assisted by Brooke Buswell, Laughley, and Brooke Franklin.

The Ladycats lost to Midlothian Heritage 2-1 on Tuesday. Laughley had the goal and McKenna Vela had the assist.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2020

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	50 Debt Service Fund	60 Capital Projects	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:					
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 43,908,889	\$ 17,138,663	\$ 209,497	\$ 2,048,741	\$ 63,305,790
5800 State Program Revenues	16,765,764	221,471	-	748,834	17,736,069
5900 Federal Program Revenues	323,037	-	-	2,339,533	2,662,570
5020 Total Revenues	60,997,690	17,360,134	209,497	5,137,108	83,704,429
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0011 Instruction	31,664,427	-	1,877,386	2,088,906	35,630,719
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	663,914	-	-	29,605	693,519
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	501,370	-	-	114,240	615,610
0021 Instructional Leadership	774,445	-	-	-	774,445
0023 School Leadership	3,074,568	-	-	4,267	3,078,835
0031 Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	1,923,940	-	-	397,619	2,321,559
0033 Health Services	562,689	-	-	44,250	606,939
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	2,903,802	-	764,278	6,306	3,674,386
0035 Food Services	1,306	-	44,602	2,576,943	2,622,851
0036 Extracurricular Activities	2,618,708	-	-	141,595	2,760,303
0041 General Administration	2,690,327	-	-	12,093	2,702,420
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	5,822,349	-	660,858	5,162	6,488,369
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	695,789	-	-	76,078	771,867
0053 Data Processing Services	1,104,857	-	50,000	8,250	1,163,107
Debt Service:					
0071 Principal on Long-Term Debt	-	10,126,594	-	-	10,126,594
0072 Interest on Long-Term Debt	-	8,127,563	-	-	8,127,563
0073 Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	7,841	1,188,538	-	1,196,379
Capital Outlay:					
0081 Facilities Acquisition and Construction	163,702	-	5,191,882	-	5,355,584
Intergovernmental:					
0091 Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	258,842	-	-	-	258,842
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	781,066	-	-	-	781,066
6030 Total Expenditures	56,206,101	18,261,998	9,777,544	5,505,314	89,750,957
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	4,791,589	(901,864)	(9,568,047)	(368,206)	(6,046,528)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
7911 Capital Related Debt Issued	-	-	133,590,000	-	133,590,000
7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property	296	-	-	-	296
7915 Transfers In	-	-	-	100,000	100,000
7916 Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds	-	1,295,750	17,550,623	-	18,846,373
7949 Other Resources - Co-op Distribution & Royalties	34,587	-	-	-	34,587
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(100,000)	-	-	-	(100,000)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(65,117)	1,295,750	151,140,623	100,000	152,471,256
EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS:					
8913 Extraordinary Item - (Use) - Mediation Agreement	(249,000)	-	-	-	(249,000)
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	4,477,472	393,886	141,572,576	(268,206)	146,175,728
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	23,855,310	2,888,899	6,573,408	947,832	34,265,449
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 28,332,782	\$ 3,282,785	\$ 148,145,984	\$ 679,626	\$ 180,441,177



CLAY

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Top 10 Results: TRAP Competition Intermediate/Entry level Division

1st Place: Kendrick Swain
7th Place: Brice Bohn
10th Place: Barrett Birdwell

Intermediate/Advanced Division

9th Place: Eric Vidal

Senior/JV Division

2nd Place: Scott Mason (after a tie for first place and 3 rounds of a shoot out)

Senior/Varsity Division

10th Place: Carter Bryan (who shot a 91 and had two straight perfect rounds of 25. Carter is only the second person on ACB to do this in a competition in four years)
Honorable Mention: Luke Shelton, who also shot a perfect round of 25 straight.

Ladies Senior/Varsity Division

6th Place: Blair Graff

SPORTING CLAYS Competition Intermediate/Entry level Division

4th Place: Brice Bohn
5th Place: Kendrick Swain
8th Place: Zayden Parker

Ladies Senior/JV Division

2nd Place: Lia Arft

Ladies Senior/Varsity Division

6th Place: Blair Graff

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BASKETBALL

Bearcats remain undefeated in district

Wins over Rider on the road, Old High at home leads to 4-0 5-5A record

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The Aledo Bearcats faced on of their toughest district tests on the road against Wichita Falls Rider on Saturday, Jan. 19, coming out on top 57-45.

Junior Daniel Sohn had the hot hand for the Bearcats against Rider, scoring 27 points. Junior Clark Crawford and Senior Landry Simmons were also in double figures with 12 and 10 points respectively.

At home on Tuesday the Bearcats defeated Wichita Falls High School 56-39. Sohn again led scorers with 29 and Simmons added 18.

The Ladycats varsity fell to Rider 58-38 on Jan. 15 at home. Audrey Pearce was in double figures for the Ladycats with 13. They came back and crushed Wichita Falls High School 61-14 on Tuesday. Sophie Smith had 17 points.

The Ladycats junior varsity defeated Rider 35-23 and defeated Wichita Falls High School 35-9.

The Ladycats freshman team beat Rider 48-11.



LEFT: Junior guard Addyson Hebel is shown in a game in December. | RIGHT: Junior Trever Darton (5) mixes it up with Azle in recent action.

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Bearcats Varsity vs Rider

Aledo	12	10	16	19	57		
Rider	16	12	8	7	43		
Daniel Sohn	27	Clark Crawford	12	Landry Simmons	10, Xavier Anderson	6, Peyton Wiggins	2

Bearcats Varsity vs Wichita Falls

Aledo	9	18	12	17	56		
WF	10	7	11	11	39		
Daniel Sohn	29	Landry Simmons	18	Xavier Anderson	4, Peyton Wiggins	3, Trever Darton	2

Ladycats Varsity vs Rider

Aledo	13	11	12	12	38		
Rider	12	15	12	19	38		
Audrey Pearce	13	Claire Byars	8	Kylie Anderson	8, Addy Hebel	7, Presley Hull	2

Ladycats Varsity vs Wichita Falls

Aledo	18	11	16	16	61						
WF	2	4	2	6	14						
Sophie Smith	17	Claire Byars	8	Addy Hebel	8, Presley Hull	8, Kylie Anderson	5, Reagan Davis	4, Kandle Boggus	4, Emily Delaine	1, Lauren Hawk	6

Ladycats JV vs Rider

Aledo	5	9	12	9	35		
Rider	12	5	3	3	23		
Natalie Anderson	15	Lauren St. Peters	6	Sarah Tillotson	6, Taylor Paetzold	4, Haley Farmer	4

Ladycats JV vs Wichita Falls

Aledo	19	5	4	4	35				
WF	2	4	0	3	9				
Natalie Anderson	13	Lauren St. Peters	8	Sarah Tillotson	4, Taylor Paetzold	1, Haley Farmer	2, Meredith Brown	2, Avery Gray	2



SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Kendrick Swain (left) placed first in trap in his division, and Scott Mason (right) placed second in trap in his division.

Two Aledo Clay Busters have perfect rounds

On Jan. 9, the Aledo Clay Busters youth shooting team competed in trap and sporting clays events sponsored by the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and held at Fort Worth Trap and Skeet and Defender Outdoors Clay Sports Ranch. It was a phenomenal day for the team, with three athletes medaling, two athletes shooting perfect rounds, and many athletes placing in the top ten.

The team placed fourth overall in the trap competition. The coaches said they are proud of the team's efforts in shooting their personal best and practicing consistently to meet their goals.

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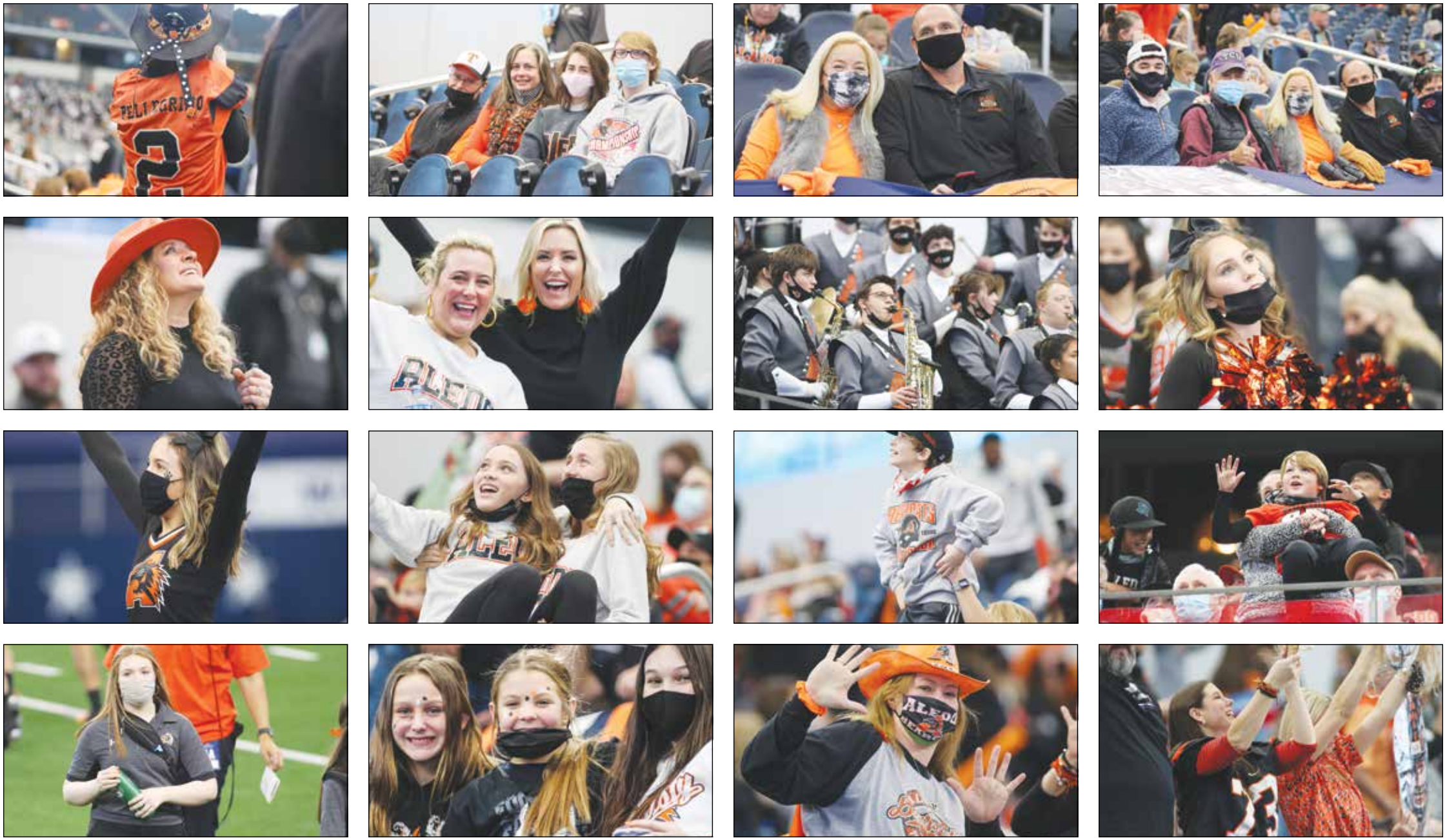
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