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## First Day

The first day of school elicits a variety of emotions. Excitement, anticipation, bewilderment, and other feelings were evident as Annetta Elementary School opened its doors for the first time on Wednesday.

It's a big campus, and some of the younger students might have exhibited a touch of panic mixed in with the adventure of a new school year.

Any stress was quickly eased with friendly faces at the door, directing the students and parents to their classroom destinations.

At Annetta Elementary School, Assistant Superintendent Lynn McKinney joined school board member David Lear, volunteer Gordon Jones, and principal Holly Elgin in greeting and directing students to their destinations.

The new campus was constructed in record time to help accommodate the high-growth in student population being experienced in the Aledo ISD.



LEFT: Renee Miser accompanied her daughters, Kinsley and Hadley. | RIGHT: Russell and Audrey Jones were among the first to enter the new Annetta Elementary School on the first day of school.



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ALEDO ISD

## Board approves additional funding for turf

Soil testing not included in original allocation

By Makenzie Plusnick  
The Community News

The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees voted to add an additional \$144,835 toward converting the Baseball and Softball Complex to synthetic turf at its Aug. 16 meeting. It is part of an ongoing project the board approved in June which will cost the district more than \$3.163 million and includes updates to the synthetic turf when it is near the end of its useful life cycle, and converting to synthetic turf at certain sports fields. Paragon Sports Constructors is completing the updates.

The inconsistency with the grass on the current fields have caused problems for the teams, Athletic Director Steve Wood said at the June 16 meeting.

"We've had to miss practices often. Home field advantage in playoffs, we've had to travel as far as Bowie, Texas for home games," Wood said.

The increase was needed because soil testing was not done before the board approved the initial amount, according to Chief Financial Officer Earl Husfeld.

"At the time that we had asked, we were uncertain... if the board was going to approve that, so consequently we waited," he said. "We did not do the soil testing or geotechnical testing prior to the board approving that."

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ALEDO ISD

## Board among five statewide honorees

By Mercedes Mayer  
Aledo ISD

The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees has been chosen as one of five statewide Honor Boards in the Texas Association of School Administrators' 2021 Outstanding School Board of the Year contest.

The five school boards selected as 2021 Texas Honor School Boards — Aledo ISD, Duncanville ISD, Hays CISD, Mission CISD and Tomball ISD — are tops among the more than 1,025 school districts in Texas. Aledo Trustees will now interview with the School Board Awards

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EAST PARKER COUNTY

## Thanksgiving Trot names recipient

10th annual race set for Nov. 25

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The Thanksgiving Trot organization has announced that the recipient of this year's efforts will be Brittney McCoy, a fourth-grade student at Stuard Elementary School.

Brittney is the daughter of Joe and Kelli McCoy, who have longtime connections with Aledo ISD. Joe is starting his 17th year of teaching and coaching in the district.

"We are thrilled to reach back to Stuard Elementary this year as we honor the memory

of Marcia Walters, the sole reason this race was started," according to the organization's website. "She is smiling down on this race and we feel her presence at work in all that we do. Please join us as we count our blessings and provide for the needs of Brittney."

Walters was the recipient of the first race 10 years ago when Rhonda Torres and her son, Josh, dreamed up the idea of having a Thanksgiving Day 5k that would benefit a member of the community. Each year, the race provides financial support to a member of the community who needs special help.

The original race assisted Walters in receiving a lung transplant. She passed away on April 3.

This year's 1-mile run begins at 8 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning. The 5k will begin at 8:30 a.m. All events are in the parking lot of Bearcat Stadium.

Registration fee is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children if the registration is received by Nov. 8. After that date, all registrations are \$25.

For information about sponsorships or individual registrations, visit [aledothanksgivingtrot.com](http://aledothanksgivingtrot.com).



Brittney McCoy



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**Richard and Cathy Kolb get a shot of Annie and Baine.**



**LEFT ABOVE: Danica Jordan took Colton (left), Kaden and Kyler to school. | ABOVE RIGHT: Assistant Superintendent Lynn McKinney directs students and parents entering the new school.**



**Austin Gregory snaps a first-day-of-school photo of his daughter, Callie.**

## BOARD

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Committee this fall at tEDCON — the TASA/TASB (Texas Association of School Boards/Texas Association of School Administrators) Convention — before the 2021 Outstanding School Board for the state is announced on September 25.

“The last 17 months have been some of the most challenging times in the school business, and yet the Aledo ISD Board of Trustees continuously operates with an incredibly high level of engagement, thoughtfulness, and effective and consistent communication,” Superintendent Dr. Susan Bohn said. “They model for all the rest of us how to work every day to be better than you were the day before in service to our community, to our staff, and especially to our students. Please join me in congratulating this incredible group of leaders for achieving this much-deserved recognition.”

This is the first time Aledo ISD’s Board of Trustees has been named an honor board in the program’s nearly 50-year history. The AISD board was selected among a group of 15 Texas school district boards of trustees that were regional nominees, and Aledo ISD is representing Region 11.

The regional nominees for 2021 were: Mission CISD, San Diego ISD, Tomball ISD, Newton ISD, Splenda ISD, Longview ISD, Fruitvale ISD, Duncanville ISD, Hays CISD, San Felipe Del Rio CISD, Gruver ISD, Ector



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- Support for educational improvement projects and school transformation initiatives
- Commitment to a code of ethics
- Provision of financial support for the school system
- Participation in workshops and other performance-improvement programs
- Placement of the welfare of children served by the school system above personal or political motives
- Public relations efforts, including community awareness
- Maintenance of harmonious and supportive relationships among board members

## AISD

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Looking back, there could have been a better sequence of events to ensure they had enough funding approved initially, Husfeld said.

“In hindsight, we probably should’ve approached you guys about a contingency factor if you will... Because there

was probably something like this would come up,” Husfeld said.

After the soil was tested, results found that if moisture conditioning was not done, the field could potentially have inconsistent swelling, which could cause potential harm to players, according to Director of Construction and Facilities Tyler Boswell.

The board unanimously approved the increase in funding.

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DFW Countertop Repair is a small family-owned business owned by Marcus Zurobski and Linda Bannister, who have been married and worked together for nearly 25 years. Zurobski began his career as a woodworker and craftsman making specialty wood crafts for artisans in Deep Ellum. According to Bannister, "Marcus had a following among artists who appreciated the meticulousness in the way he did his work. He carried that same attention to detail over when he expanded his talents into carpentry and remodeling."

After moving to Weatherford, the pair decided to start their own business, Marz Remodeling, LLC, a BBB accredited business, doing business

as DFW Countertop Repair. "We started out doing full-scale remodeling, but decided to specialize," said Bannister. "While there are many excellent fabricators out there, few companies focus exclusively on restoration or repair of existing countertops. If you've invested thousands of dollars in your home, you want to protect that investment. Our services are designed specifically with that goal in mind."

Zurobski was trained by leading experts in countertop repair. Continuing education is an important part of the work. "Every day I spend some time learning something new about this work. I love spending time in my shop experimenting with

new techniques, tools, or chemicals honing my skills." Zurobski said, "It's an exciting time in the industry as new materials and manufacturing techniques are expanding the types of materials that can be used for

countertops. You have to understand the unique properties of each one to know how to properly work with it. It's extremely important to keep up with the changes. It's exciting and I love the challenge."

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# Hope and a Fresh Start

## Sanctified Hope holds annual Fashion Show

By Ken and Kathy Chruscielski  
The Community News

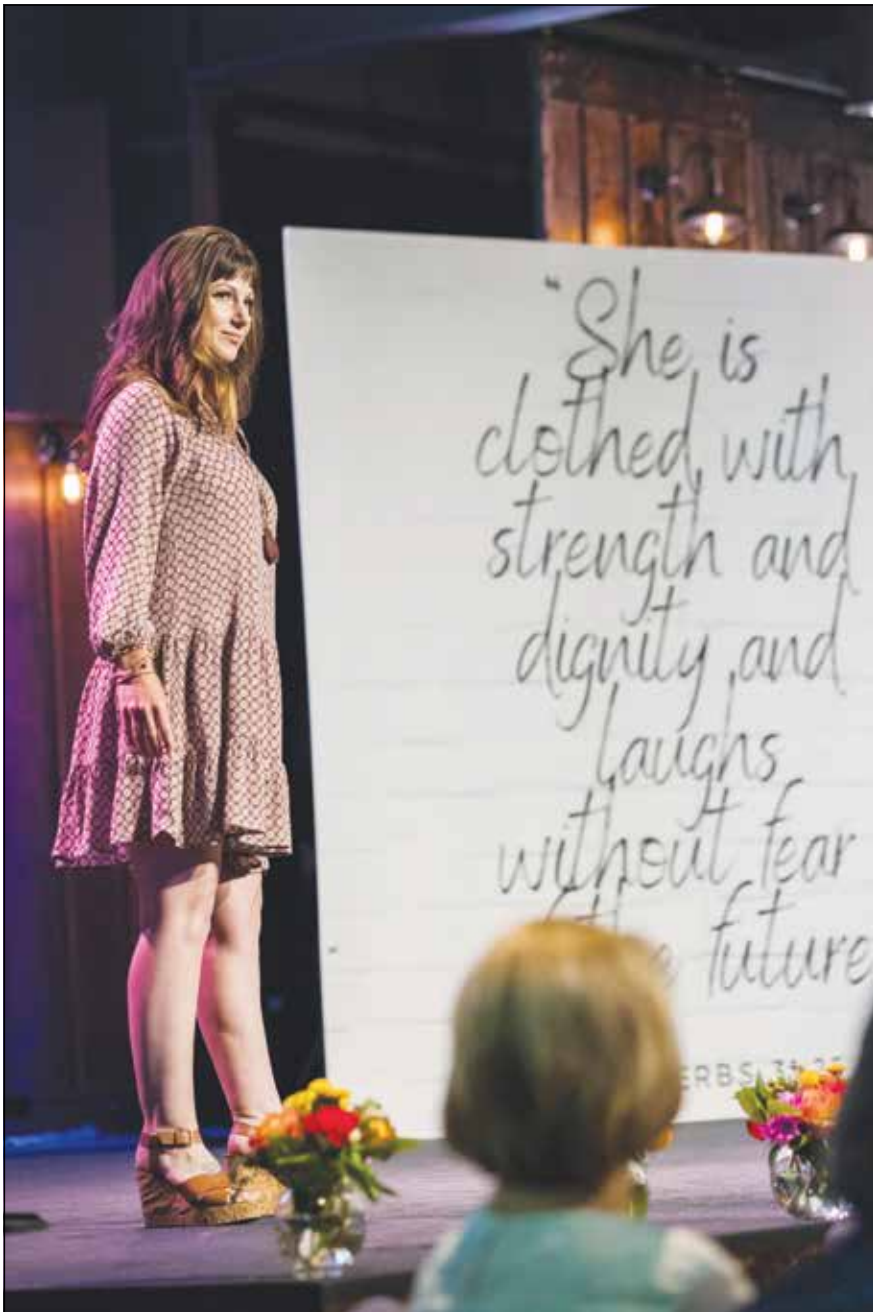
When Kelly stepped off the bus after her release from prison, she had only the clothes on her back and a check for \$50 from the state. She was greeted by Janet Duvall, founder of Sanctified Hope, who welcomed her into the local program that provides counseling, emotional support, and a place to stay while the women adjust to their new life outside of prison.

Duvall, a Weatherford resident, started the program in 2015 to address the needs of women newly released from prison. She was leading a Bible study at the Federal Prison at Carswell called "Making Peace with Your Past" when she felt a calling to start the ministry. One inmate asked Duvall about where she could go after prison.

Unlike some institutional programs, Sanctified Hope provides a residential living environment with family-style meals. Two Weatherford duplexes, one modified to create a six-bedroom house, provide housing. Women who are used to sleeping without a pillow on a thin pad in a prison cell are welcomed home to fully furnished bedrooms decorated by volunteers. The ministry coordinates assistance with other local resources, including Safe Harbor Counseling and Center of Hope.

The Sanctified Hope 2021 Fashion Show celebrated a group of these women at the ministry's home church, Trinity Bible Church in Willow Park, on Aug. 12. Sanctified Hope gave program members the opportunity to model. Volunteers organized by "Beauty Blessings" provided the models' hair and makeup for the event with clothing provided by local retailers. Speakers expressed their gratitude for the program and the people who have provided their support. Teresa, one model and program member, was surprised at the cheers from the audience after sharing her testimony. "I never thought I'd get a standing ovation," she reportedly told a board member after the event.

During the event, a donor offered a John Deere riding lawnmower to the program. Duvall was unaware at the time that the ladies had been praying for a riding mower to help maintain the three-acre property. "It was the answer to a prayer," she said. "This is not the first time that we have seen God answer prayer. He has done this over and over again."



Dawn models clothes by Retrospection Boutique



Teresa's emotional testimony earned a standing ovation from the crowd



Kathleen Campbell, Judy Flanagin, Mindy Campbell and Toni Williams

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Former member Elizabeth, now a bookkeeper for Sanctified Hope, is shown with Treasurer Sonya Lee.

Interim Executive Director Kim Brewer, a 1996 Graduate of Aledo High School, emphasized that the Sanctified Hope program is not mandatory and the women must apply to participate. "These ladies are no different than you and I," Brewer says. "They made choices at some point that led them down a different path." When she became a mentor, Brewer was told by a member, "nobody has told me they loved me." You don't need a degree in social work, Brewer says, "You just have to show you care."

Sanctified Hope has accepted their 48th participant after receiving their first woman in 2017. There is space for as many as 19 ladies in the current facilities. Donations will help provide assistance for more formerly incarcerated ladies. For more information or to donate, visit [www.sanctifiedhope.org](http://www.sanctifiedhope.org).



Arlene Gale spoke on the theme "Strength of a Woman"

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## Capital Highlights

# Abbott sued over mask-mandate ban



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A growing number of school districts, counties and cities have defied Gov. Greg Abbott's executive order banning mask mandates, as COVID-19 cases continue to spike due to the delta variant and a low rate of vaccination among Texans.

As KUT.org reported, officials in Dallas and Bexar counties won a first round in court in requiring masks in public schools and most government buildings. School districts in Austin, Houston, Dallas and San Antonio, among others, are requiring students, teachers and staff to wear masks.

Abbott and Attorney General Ken Paxton are appealing the initial district court decisions and have vowed to sue any government official who defies the governor's order.

On Sunday, the Texas Supreme Court temporarily allowed Abbott to enforce his order as the cases proceed.

### Hospitalizations, COVID-19 cases continue to rise

Meanwhile, the number of new cases of COVID-19, overwhelmingly among unvaccinated Texans, continues to rise with 98,383 reported in the past week along with 628 deaths, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University.

Hospitalizations are approaching the peak levels of mid-January, with 11,381 lab-confirmed COVID-19 patients, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services, up 27% from the week before.

As students return to classrooms across the state, the number of children in Texas hospitalized with COVID-19 is at one of its highest levels since the pandemic began. In the 19-county region around Dallas and Fort Worth, there were no staffed pediatric beds available late last week, according to KUT.org.

DSHS reports 13.055 million Texans are full vaccinated, about 44.7% of the total population.

### Democratic lawmakers still absent; arrests ordered

The Texas Senate last week passed Senate Bill 1, which would establish new restrictions on voting, despite a 15-hour filibuster by state Sen. Carol Alvarado, D-Houston. Meanwhile, Democratic lawmakers in the House continued to break quorum to stave off a House vote on the measure, despite arrest warrants issued by House Speaker Dade Phelan, R-Beaumont.

The Texas Supreme Court on Thursday temporarily blocked district court orders that would have allowed more than 40 House Democrats to avoid civil arrest warrants. The Democrats were expected to issue a response to the high court's ruling this week, according to the *Austin American-Statesman*.

Texas Democrats have denied Republicans a quorum since the closing days of the regular legislative session. The

Legislature is now in its second special session, with Democrats decamping to Washington, D.C. to push for a federal voting rights bill. Some lawmakers have since returned to Texas but continue to stay away from the state Capitol.

### Seized alligator snapping turtles returned to nature

A multi-agency effort has led to the release of 21 adult and six juvenile snapping turtles back into East Texas after being seized in an illegal traffic attempt. A 2017 investigation by game wardens with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department into the poaching of the turtles led to the arrest of three men, two of whom received prison time in December of that year.

Alligator snapping turtles are among the largest freshwater turtles in the world and can grow to weigh more than 200 pounds with a lifespan of more than 100 years. The turtles are designated as threatened with statewide extinction under Texas law. The turtles were taken to the Natchitoches National Fish Hatchery after the seizure and released recently under a joint effort with TPWD, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Stephen F. Austin State University and others. The turtles are a popular food item in Louisiana, which limits catches to one per day.

### Early August rainfall above normal for half of state

Just 1% of the state is suffering drought conditions, primarily in the Big Bend area, a small piece of Northeast Texas near the Oklahoma border and the northwest tip of the Panhandle. That's the latest report from Dr. Mark Wentzel, a hydrologist with the Texas Water Development Board.

Three months ago, 45% of the state's area was in drought, while a third of the state suffered from drought conditions a year ago.

### Pedestrian, bicyclist deaths continue to climb

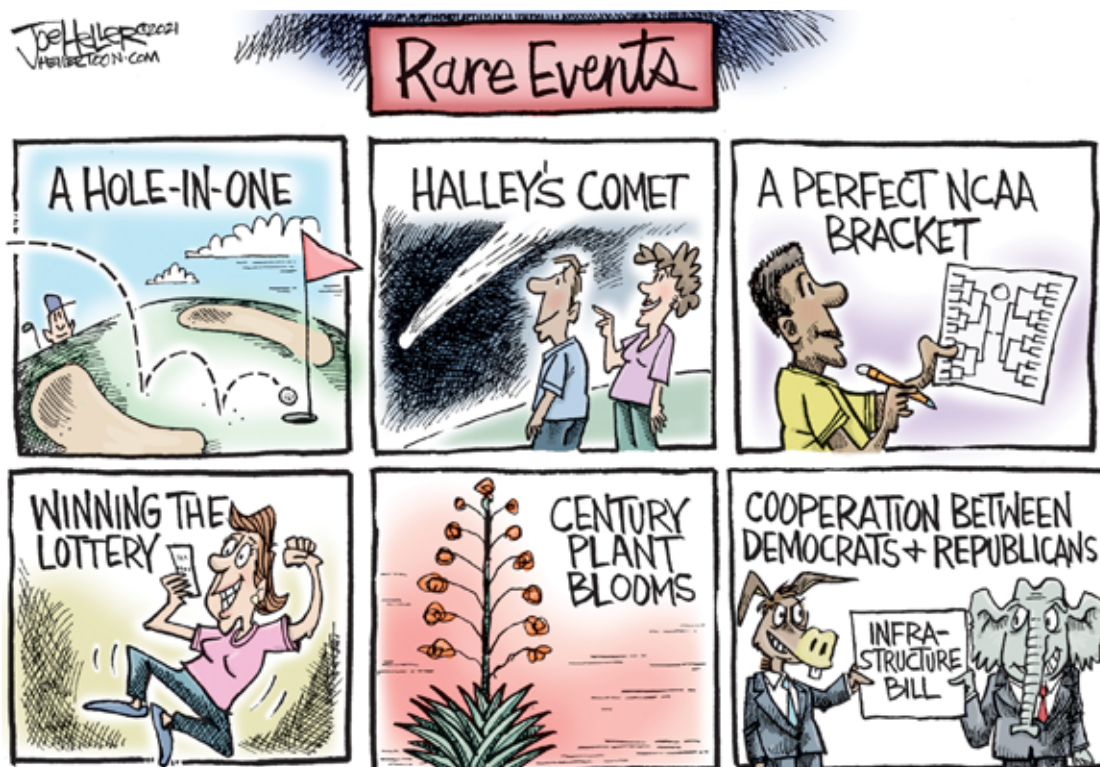
While traffic casualties declined in 2020, Texas saw a steep rise in the number of people killed while walking or biking on the state's roadways. According to the Texas Department of Transportation, 731 people died in pedestrian-related crashes last year, up 9% from 2019. Bicyclists killed in crashes totaled 82, up from 68 deaths the previous year. Overall, the number of pedestrian and bicyclist deaths has been steadily increasing the past five years, according to TxDOT.

"Whether you're behind the wheel, on foot, or riding a bicycle, we're reminding all Texans that they need to be safe and smart, and that starts with paying attention to driving and obeying traffic laws," said Marc Williams, executive director of TxDOT. The agency's "Be Safe. Drive Smart" campaign features safety reminders on television, billboards, gas pumps, buses, and social media. They are components of #EndTheStreakTX, which encourages driver safety. The last death-free day on Texas roadways was Nov. 7, 2000.

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# A Heller of a Week

Cartoonist Joe Heller interprets the news



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# Perfecting the Parking Place Paint job



Faith Emmitte (center) is assisted by sister Brandy and father Kyle, while Armondo Rodriguez works on his adjacent space. | RIGHT: Hailey Valdez receives help masking off stripes from her mom, Natalie.



Senior Alina Garwacki, right, is assisted by junior Grace Rudzinski.



Senior Jake Robins and his sister Emma work on his parking spot.

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# Popsicles with the Principals

As a prelude to the start of school, Annetta Elementary School principal Holly Elgin and Assistant Principal Alyssa Seay held a Popsicles with the Principals event at Bearcat Park on Aug. 5.



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**Hudson Harford (left), Porter Harford (right), and their mom Kristen meet Principal Holly Elgin, on Thursday, Aug. 5 at Bearcat Park.**



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**Isabel and Evan Torres enjoyed frozen treats when they went to meet the principals at Annetta Elementary School.**



Additional photos courtesy of Suzanne Hancock, Annetta Elementary School.

## TEXAS CROSSWORD

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**ACROSS**

1 ground-dwelling songbird

5 TXism: "scared the dickens out \_\_\_"

6 this Margie was 1st woman in TX senate

7 TX "Babe": Mildred Didrikson

8 TX Ellerbe book: "And \_\_\_ It Goes"

9 Bowie's Alamo bed cabin walls

12 cabin walls

16 TXism: "loud as boot heels \_\_\_ floor"

19 Hayden Fry left UNT in 1979 for the University \_\_\_

22 TX Stephenson's 1973 top ten hit song (2 wds.)

23 filmed in TX: "The Andromeda \_\_\_"

24 Electra inherited the Waggoner \_\_\_

29 inactive

30 car warning device

31 TXism: "\_\_\_ cane" (celebrated)

32 TX JoBeth Williams starred with this Nick in "Teachers"

36 north of Dallas on U.S. 75

37 TX-based \_\_\_ of Aces: Three of a Kind (1991)

43 in Grimes County on highway 105

45 TX Hyer film: "Sons of Katie \_\_\_"

47 TX Reynolds book: "If I Knew \_\_\_"

**DOWN**

1 TX Larry McMurtry's 1986 Pulitzer winner (2 wds.)

2 rustling is classified as \_\_\_ crime

3 El Camino (King's Highway) former call sign of KPGG in Texarkana

4 \_\_\_ Sandberg said "Texas is valor and swagger"

10 popular Austin showplace (2 wds.)

11 popular TX drink

12 \_\_\_ Fresno, TX

13 Davy Crockett was once a Justice \_\_\_

14 border currency exchange house fly high

15 TX Jim Reeves' " \_\_\_ Losing You?"

18 TX Jimmy Dean's "Big \_\_\_ John"

20 TX Charley Pride's "You \_\_\_ Again"

21 TXism: "bend \_\_\_ elbow" (drink)

24 TXism: "Let ' \_\_\_ rip!"

25 tree juice or fool

26 "shop \_\_\_ you drop"

27 TXism: "numerous \_\_\_ on a dead worm"

28 in Shelby County on U.S. 84

33 TX Buddy Holly 1957 hit: " \_\_\_ Boy"

34 TX Joan Crawford: Lucille \_\_\_ Sueur

35 he trained "Rough Riders" in TX (init.)

37 TXism: "ugly \_\_\_ homemade sin"

38 TXism: "all vine, \_\_\_ watermelon" (fake)

39 ratlike animal in east TX rivers

40 Gov. Shivers (37th)

41 TX Barbara Mandrell sang " \_\_\_ want to be right"

42 lease payment

44 TXism: "got \_\_\_ itchy trigger finger"

46 QB Staubach (init.)

49 country where TX Foreman beat Joe Frazier in 1973

50 what TX Foreman won in 49-down

52 El Paso's Carr (init.)

57 repulsive, informally

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## VOLLEYBALL

## Ladycats begin season against tough opponents

Next match at home on Tuesday

By Nolan Ruth  
The Community News

After a tough start to the season with a loss at Keller, the Aledo Ladycats volleyball team went to Rockwall for the first tournament of the season. The tournament was just as tough as the girls faced off against strong opposition.

The first match against McKinney Boyd saw Aledo fall in straight sets: 12-25, 23-25, 14-25. In the second match of day one, the Ladycats battled it out with Grapevine and came out with the five set victory. The match was close, but the Ladycats did not falter: 25-20, 21-25, 21-25, 28-26, 15-12.

The celebration of win number one was short-lived, though. On day two of the tournament, both Leander Rouse and Highland Park beat Aledo in straight sets. The

girls put up a valiant effort but were simply outmatched.

With a 1-4 record and needing a win, the Ladycats hosted Fort Worth Paschal on Tuesday, Aug. 17, for the first home match of the season. This time, Aledo made a statement by sweeping the Lady Panthers. Maddie Frank made a big difference scoring, recording 10 kills and five blocks in the match. Senior Mattie Gant led the team with 27 assists, 13 digs, and four aces. Vivian Parker and Payton Hilmar recorded seven kills. Hilmar added three blocks to her statline as well.

None of the sets were close, although Paschal gave a bit of a push in the first set. After the first set, it was all Ladycats: 25-18, 25-10, 25-11.

The Ladycats now sit at 2-4 on the young season. The next match will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, at home against Joshua.

## SOFTBALL

## Star pitcher commits to Mean Green

Kayleigh Smith thinks Ladycats can win it all next season

By Nolan Ruth  
The Community News

Like I always say when a Bearcat/Ladycat makes their commitment to play in college, it's not the first time and it won't be the last. On Aug. 16, softball pitcher Kayleigh Smith made her official commitment to the University of North Texas. UNT is one of the best softball programs in the NCAA, and Conference-USA particularly.

"They have a great program," Smith said about the decision. "They are really good at softball, they are a big school and they are everything I am looking for. It's my dream school."

Smith announced on social media that she will become the second Aledo pitcher to play for the Mean Green after star pitcher Lauren Craine in 2015.

"Lauren was a big role model to me when I was growing up. I would always go to the games and watch her pitch and I think it is cool that we get to go to the same college too."

Smith led the Ladycats all the way to the state final in 2021, but her work isn't done as she still plans to finish what she started in 2022, before she takes the next step.



Kayleigh poses in a UNT shirt.

"I am looking forward to going back to state and finishing what we started first. Last year did not end the way we wanted it to, but this year I think that we can win it all."

Even though this is her accomplishment, Smith

admitted that she could have done it all by herself, and thanked a number of people for her success.

"I want to thank my parents especially for even giving me the opportunity to even go to college. I couldn't do it without them



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Kayleigh Smith and UNT pitcher Lauren Craine.

taking me to travel tournaments and paying for softball. I want to thank all my Aledo coaches for giving me the opportunity to play for them, and always believing in me. Thanks to the UNT coaches for giving me such a great opportunity. Thanks to the Texas Glory organization for giving me the chance to play at a high level and get seen by the college coaches. And of course my brother Austin for being my biggest supporter and inspiring me with his baseball play."

The softball season is still six months away, but for now the Aledo community can celebrate another Division I athlete in the star pitcher, Kayleigh Smith.

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