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WILLOW PARK

## Council postpones southeast annexation

City to move forward with street project

By Brandi Addison  
The Community News

Willow Park City Council postponed a decision to annex the 19.16-acre John H. Phelps Survey tract after several residents spoke up during public hearing about the land in Southeast Willow Park.

Resident Dale Lewis, who lives in the Hunter's Glen subdivision — which would be south of the annexation if approved — told city council there are three things they should consider before making their decision to develop the property.

He believes they should have a plan for drainage, traffic, and environmental inspections and regulations.

When it rains, he said, white limestone chalk from the vacant land flows through the water onto his street, and he doesn't want remnants from their property doing the same.

"We don't need to have their drainage coming through, (and we would), because we have it now, and it's vacant land," Lewis said.

He also expressed concerns for its proximity to the oil facility and natural gas pipeline, as well as the possible traffic his neighborhood would experience from

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Emma Davis adds art to Lance Armstrong, aka "Mario," at the Aledo United Methodist Church Lord's Acre on Oct. 9.

## A fitting tribute

### Thanksgiving Trot named for Marcia Walters

By Randy Keck  
The Community News

In 2010, Marcia Walters waited for a chance that would give her new life.

She had been diagnosed five years earlier with pulmonary fibrosis secondary to scleroderma, an autoimmune disease which left her lungs thickened and scarred, decreasing their ability to transport oxygen to her brain and other organs.

By the time 2010 rolled around, Walters knew she wouldn't have much more time without a lung transplant, and she was placed on a transplant list in February of that year.

Until her condition forced her to retire, she had been a pediatric nurse, and she took those skills to Stuard Elementary School.

In an article in The Community News (Nov. 18, 2011) it was pointed out that Marcia didn't take her needed oxygen to school with her. Her friend Rhonda Ray said at the time that Marcia was afraid the oxygen equipment would scare the children.

On Aug. 22, 2011, Marcia received her new chance with a double lung transplant. After gaining enough strength to walk a mile on a treadmill in rehabilitation, Marcia's new lungs partially collapsed, leading to another two weeks in the hospital and additional surgery.



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Marcia Walters is shown before her lung transplant holding a photo of her grandson who lived in Austin. Due to her health condition and being number two on the donor list for a lung transplant, she was unable to travel for more than three hours. When the transplant finally came, she said, her first trip would be to the state capitol and pay him a visit.

When Marcia went in for her original transplant evaluation, the hospital gave her a pamphlet on fund raising, telling her that, even with insurance, there was no way anyone could pay for all of it.

Her friends wanted to help her raise money, but Marcia would have none of it. Ray said at the time that Marcia would not even use her handicap parking permit.

Going back to 2010, another Rhonda — Rhonda Torres — and her son Josh had taken part in the Turkey Trot in Fort Worth. At the time, Josh said he wished there was an event like that in Aledo.

Torres ran the idea by a few friends, including Rhonda Ray, and they hatched the idea for a Thanksgiving race in Aledo. The idea was that one recipient would be chosen to benefit from the race, and

the small group knew exactly who that should be — Marcia Walters.

"She has touched so many lives," said Sally Bond, a member of the start-up team, in 2011. "This is such a great community, and she's one reason why."

Marcia graciously accepted the help from the newly formed Thanksgiving Trot committee — which included some of her former students — and used the occasion to

express her thanks to the lung donor and the donor's family.

Over the years since, Marcia and the two Rhondas — as well as others — tightened their bonds of friendship, and Marcia became a member of the Thanksgiving Trot committee.

Both Rhonda Ray and Rhonda Torres spoke of late night fellowship in Marcia's sewing room, which was home to many Aledo Bearcat spirit-giving activities.

Rhonda Ray said Marcia and her friend, Kathy Woods, started a small business painting shirts and other items for cheerleader camps.

The tradition of seeing the Bearcat players' names surrounding a football stadium — that started with Marcia and Cindy Holster, who created the stencils with the names that cheerleaders and friends painted in.

"Marcia was quite the forever cheerleader for Aledo," Ray said. "Marcia eventually bought a monogramming machine for shirts, baby items, and ribbons, and this led to making sports shirts for Aledo organized youth teams such as her granddaughter, Ellie's volleyball teams or summer camps."

"Marcia was always so passionate about being happy and making people happy — she was always a doer," Rhonda Torres added. "Once you met Marcia, you felt like you'd known her forever."

According to Torres, Marcia was the reason the Thanksgiving Trot race continued after that first year.

Aiden Malloy, who ended up being the second recipient, required extra care that meant his mother could not continue in her job at Stuard Elementary School.

"They needed financial help," Torres said. "Stuard was going to do

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Beyond the familial employees, Carrie said they try to operate in a close-knit work environment.



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a race — kind of replicate what we had done, and Marcia was a nurse there. Marcia said, 'No, y'all don't need to recreate it, we need to do the same thing for Aiden.'

Marcia kicked in after that, year after year, getting facilities set up, soliciting sponsorships, and attending the planning meetings.

"She was the glue that held us together all those years," Torres said.

But she also continued in her role as a Bearcat fan.

"Of course when Marcia was able, she went back to work with her pearls, sewing, and monogramming, and in 2016 went back to work at the Aledo Administration building selling Aledo Bearcat paraphernalia and football tickets alongside her friend Amy [Slape]," Rhonda Ray said. "She enjoyed seeing all the Aledo fans and community so much when they came in to purchase. Marcia loved sports and was forever a devoted fan of the Aledo Bearcats and this amazing town."

Marcia exemplified the character of the community where she lived. Because of her efforts and the work of the Thanksgiving Trot committee, the annual event has grown and thrived, donating hundreds of thousands of dollars to local families who needed the help.

"I think this race might not be successful in any other community, but Aledo is so giving," Rhonda Torres said. "It's in the right community, for sure. I look at other needs in other towns that I read about. And I go, 'what are they doing to help? What is the town doing?' So it's a way for us all to come together



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**Marcia Walters walked on a treadmill for rehab after her lung transplant.**

— not just the committee — it's the entire community's race.

Marcia echoed that when she became that first recipient ten years ago. "The Aledo community I call home has been one of my biggest support groups. I thank God every day to be blessed by such a wonderful community," she said.

Marcia's journey ended on April 3 of this year, and the Thanksgiving Trot committee immediately decided to memorialize in its title the legacy she left with the annual race.

"She was the reason we started the race, so it was very appropriate to name the race the 'Marcia Walters Memorial Thanksgiving Trot.' It was unanimous, and it really didn't even require our thought process," Rhonda Torres said. "We all just knew that's what we would do."

To this day, you may see someone a Bearcat shirt or sweatshirt that Marcia made. And on Thanksgiving, another local family will benefit from the generosity of their neighbors because of something else Marcia Walters made — a difference.

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cars traveling to and from the potentially annexed land and East Bankhead Highway.

"At that density, they would have to have two entrances, and one would be through our subdivision," Lewis said.

## Street plan

City Council has officially voted to move forward with the preliminary steps to complete the first phase of the Street Improvement Plan.

It includes reconstruction at Old Ford Road, Crested Butte Court, Pleasant Court, Sam Bass Court, Trinity Drive, Fox Hunt Trail, Woodbridge Road, Sam Bass Road and Aspenwood Drive.

It will also include concreting at Crown Road, Kings Gate Road, Ranch House Road and Sam Bass Road.

The total cost for the first phase is estimated between \$6.5 to \$7 million. Construction could begin as early as next summer.

Overall, the plan's estimated total is \$23 million and 23 miles of improvements and reconstruction.

## ACROSS

- 1 TV remote button that turns off sound
- 5 TX Jill Marie Jones 2014 thriller film: "Hear No \_\_\_"
- 6 "Assault" was only TX-bred \_\_\_ horse to win Triple Crown
- 7 former call letters for KDLK-FM in Del Rio
- 8 the co. TX H. Ross Perot started
- 9 reside in an area 16 De \_\_\_, TX
- 18 TXism: "\_\_\_ sleep in the woods?" (yes)
- 21 TXism: "close but \_\_\_ cigar"
- 22 depart from the Port of Galveston
- 23 lemon or lime suffix
- 24 TX Larry Gatlin's \_\_\_ Gold in California" (1979)
- 30 TXism: "bat \_\_\_" (blink)
- 34 it would take 251 of this state to be as big as Texas (abbr.)
- 35 city in Illinois or Arizona
- 36 TXism: "a whole \_\_\_" (a lot of)
- 37 this TX Latham co-wrote "Urban Cowboy" screenplay
- 39 Amarillo hosts "\_\_\_ & Rodeo"
- 43 nearsighted person
- 44 Greek letter "E"
- 45 TXism: "put \_\_\_ bed with a shovel" (bury)
- 46 TX JoBeth Williams film "\_\_\_ Crazy" (1980)
- 47 TXism: "as \_\_\_ man with two wives"
- 49 TXism: "gentle as a \_\_\_ a merry-go-round"
- 52 this TX Gay was a world champ bull rider (init.)
- 53 "Hook" \_\_\_ Horns"
- 54 Fredericksburg Oktoberfest food: \_\_\_ kraut

# TEXAS CROSSWORD

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**DOWN**

- 1 west of Abilene near I-20
- 2 where Dale Evans was born
- 3 TXism: "thick as \_\_\_ dog"
- 4 Gen. Robert \_\_\_
- 9 TX DL, e.g. \_\_\_
- 10 TXism: "so dark you couldn't find your \_\_\_ both hands"
- 11 get well
- 12 largest continent
- 13 this Martin was in "Hombre" with TX Maggie Blye
- 14 this Berlin wrote songs for TX Ginger Roger's 1936 "Follow the Fleet" (init.)
- 15 Texas iced \_\_\_
- 17 TXism: "hog wash"
- 19 TXism: "just \_\_\_ the bucket" (insignificant)
- 20 this Rob directed Reba as "Ma Tex" in 1994 film "North"
- 24 this "Arnie" won the Texas Open from 1960-62 (init.)
- 25 TX George Strait's "\_\_\_ It Go" (2015)
- 26 "Texas Folk \_\_\_ Society"
- 27 stumbles
- 28 TX Holly met \_\_\_ end in Iowa
- 29 TXism: "skinny as a lizard-\_\_\_ cat"
- 31 Santa helper
- 32 "\_\_\_ or nay"
- 33 TXism for "hillbilly" rotating part of a Texas wind turbine
- 40 a bitter beer
- 41 TXism: "worn \_\_\_ frazzle" (tired)
- 42 TXism: "thinks he's the only \_\_\_ the barnyard" (big ego)
- 48 prayer ending
- 50 large barn rodents
- 51 hit by singer in 28-down: "Peggy \_\_\_"
- 56 this J. Wright killed rare albino buffalo near Synder in 1876
- 57 this Taniguchi built an Oriental Garden in Austin (1968-69)



**Lil' Cats Preschool from the Church at the Crossing in Aledo recently completed fire safety month with a visit from the Aledo Fire Department last Tuesday, and a pre-k tour of the fire station on Thursday.**

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## Capital Highlights

### State climatologist: Texas getting hotter



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The state climatologist recently predicted that Texas will continue to get hotter and for longer periods of time during the next 15 years. In "Assessment of Historic and Future Trends of Extreme Weather in Texas, 1900-2036," John Nielsen-Gammon predicted the average annual temperature in Texas will be three degrees warmer than the average from 1950-1999, and the number of 100-degree days could nearly double compared to 2000-2018.

The report, sponsored by Texas 2036, a nonpartisan nonprofit group named for the state's bicentennial in 15 years, indicates that the average coldest monthly temperatures will continue to rise, though that will vary across the state, as will rainfall predictions. Extremely severe weather is expected to increase.

"Storm surges from hurricanes will tend to be more severe because of higher relative sea levels, and a possible increase in extreme hurricane intensity may further increase storm surge risk," Nielsen-Gammon wrote.

#### October is Bullying Prevention Month

One in five children report being bullied, according to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. In Texas, at least 40% of those bullied have seriously considered suicide. The agency "provides caregivers the tools to empower their children to be anti-bullying champions and to get messaging out about bullying prevention" at GetParentingTips.com.

The content is designed to help parents and other caregivers to have conversations with their children about bullying. "The conversation to prevent bullying can start as early as when a child learns the difference between kindness and unkindness," according to TDFPS.

#### Redistricting skirmish continues in the Lege

Along party lines, the Texas Senate passed a redistricting plan Friday that pits the only two black members of Congress from Houston against each other and does not create any more minority-majority districts, reported the San Antonio Express-News.

Attempts to amend the plan by Democratic legislators were all rejected by the redistricting map's principal author, state Sen. Joan Huffman, R-Houston.

The Texas House has yet to release any redistricting proposals for Congress during the third special session, which ends Oct. 18. If the

House doesn't pass a redistricting bill, it's likely both chambers will have to return for a fourth special session this year, the Express-News reported.

#### Nearly 1,000 died due to drunk driving last year

A statewide impaired-driving campaign aims to cut the number of Texans killed in drunk driving crashes, according to the Texas Department of Transportation. In 2020, 963 people in Texas were killed and 2,114 injured in alcohol-related crashes, according to TxDOT. Drinking and driving is completely preventable and can cause serious physical, emotional, and financial consequences. Sober ride options include a designated driver, calling a cab or rideshare service, using mass transit, or calling a sober friend.

TxDOT's Drive Sober, No Regrets campaign is conducting outreach events at college campuses across the state in conjunction with football season. The events include video testimonials of Texans who deal with the daily consequences of drunk driving, either as a survivor or offender.

#### COVID-19 cases still dropping

The number of new COVID-19 cases in the state is steadily dropping, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University, with 45,884 cases reported in the past week, along with 1,201 new deaths. Both categories are down more than 20% compared to the previous week. Lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations in Texas also continue to drop, with 6,730 reported Sunday by the Texas Department of State Health Services, a drop of 18% from the previous week.

The number of Texans fully vaccinated has crossed the 15 million mark, which is 51.6 percent of the state's total population.

#### Arts commission seeks 'young masters'

The Texas Commission on the Arts and the Texas Cultural Trust are seeking applications for the 2022 class of Young Masters. The program provides "exemplary Texas-based arts students" in grades 8-11 with financial assistance to pursue study in various areas of the arts, such as visual, literary, folk arts, music, dance, theater and media art.

Those chosen as "Young Masters" receive grants of \$5,000 per year to further their studies. More information can be found on the TCA website: arts.texas.gov.

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## Your Views

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### We are called to act...

On 02 November 2021, there is an election. Yep, less than a month away every registered voter in the state of Texas is called to act. Early voting starts Monday, October 18, 2021. (More resources below.)

Although there are no local, elected officials on the ballots, there are eight (8) constitutional amendments in the November election. Texans are called to change the Texas state constitution. That's a big deal. For example, Proposition 3 keeps all levels of state government from prohibiting or limiting religious services. For many of us, that's a really big deal.

To many Americans a call to some kind of action is considered serious business. Being called by God is one of the cornerstones of Christianity; many of our neighbors are patriots who answered the call to protect our freedoms;

witnesses are called to testify in our courts.

Americans are being called to return to our responsibilities of self-governance. We are at a use-it or lose-it turning point. And we are being called to act.

Get excited about the 02 November constitutional amendments like you get excited about sports. Research your voting choices the way you research the safety of your children. Work hard at your responsibility to vote like you work hard to support and protect your family.

We are being called. Listen and act.

"We are called to act with justice. We are called to love tenderly. We are called to serve one another, and walk humbly with our God." Micah 6:8; ("Come Live in the Light" Hymn by David Haas)

#### Resources:

*The Community News* has a list of the constitutional

amendments posted on their website. <https://www.community-news.com/2021/09/public-notice-proposed-texas-constitutional-amendments/>

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Texans to consider 8 constitutional amendments on November ballot, Spectrum News 1. <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/tx/south-texas-el-paso/news/2021/10/01/texans-to-consider-8-constitutional-amendments-in-november>

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- KJ HANNAH  
WILLOW PARK

## Guest Column

### Bring Home Rule home to Aledo

#### By The Aledo Home Rule Charter Commission

Texas and Pacific passengers waiting for their train to take on water at tiny Parker Station in 1879 likely saw a quiet, broad valley surrounded by limitless prairies. But even then, change was coming to the area.

Ranches and farms nearby prospered, and the station became a small town named Aledo.

Next to booming Fort Worth, Aledo experienced continued growth and incorporated in 1963.

Today, new transportation arteries serve its citizens,

and its vital water and sewer infrastructure have been expanded. Active strategic planning has guided creation of abundant parks, trails, and residential and commercial development.

Aledo's sense of community, history, values, priorities, and educational resources attract new families and businesses. This transformation from a small, rural General Law community to a dynamic, twenty-first century city calls for change in its governmental structure.

As a General Law city, Aledo has only those limited powers that state law or

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the Texas constitution expressly or implicitly authorize. The result: it has less autonomy than cities with home rule charters, such as nearby Weatherford.

This limitation ties Aledo's hands while it seeks opportunities for its citizens and copes with increasingly complex challenges in the economic, social, political, demographic, and regional landscape surrounding it.

Furthermore, the city's population has reached more than 5,000, the point at which Texas says a town or city can create its own Home Rule Charter.

A Home Rule Charter Commission, composed completely of Aledo citizens selected by the City Council, has proposed an historic first Home Rule Charter which will be on the ballot for Aledo's registered voters, November 2, 2021.

The Charter places general responsibility for shaping the fundamental governance structure and operations of Aledo in the hands of its citizens and officials.

Through the Charter, Aledo's citizens will gain three powers that are basic to healthy democracies.

First, the Charter defines the process for citizens to initiate an ordinance by petition and ballot.

Second, it provides the steps to overturn or change an ordinance by referendum ballot.

Third, the Charter's articles specify how to recall and replace elected city officials who have not served the public interest.

The Charter's proposed fourteen articles will guide virtually every aspect of the City's operations with minimal state interference.

It provides for solving governing issues at a level closest to the community.

Aledo voters can amend the Charter as provided to assure that they are always able to determine "the power, form, and authority of their city government."

The City of Aledo will mail all registered Aledo voters a copy of the proposed Home Rule Charter—in English and Spanish—before the election. It has posted the Charter on the City's website, <https://www.aledo.tx.gov/home-rule-charter-commission>. The City does not provide funding or direct support to the Commission.

This first Home Rule Charter for Aledo will be considered by Aledo voters at the special November 2 election. Our choice is to:

- become a Home Rule City with a citizen-approved municipal structure, powers, and authority to meet our future needs or to;

• remain a General Law city operating under very limited powers granted by the state.

This election will shape Aledo's legacy for decades to come.

As members of your Home Rule Charter Commission, it has been an honor to serve our community. We encourage you to support the new Charter.

Early voting begins Monday, Oct. 18.

*The Aledo Home Rule Charter Commission is composed of Bill McLeRoy, Chairman; Joe Bratcher; Renee Cartwright; Ben Clark; Chris Everett; Gordon Hiebert; Randy Keck; Jason Needham; Stanton Pearson; Dr. Renee Skelton; Kerby Smith; Kelly Stumbo; Stephen Watson; and Tiffany Villareal.*

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Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00am to 7:00pm, November 2, 2021, for the voting purpose of: For voting in a Special election to "adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 87<sup>th</sup> Legislature Regular Session, of the State of Texas."

The following General Elections will be contracted by Parker County Elections Office, Jenise "Crickett" Miller.  
- Granbury Independent School District

The following Special Elections will be contracted by Parker County Elections Office, Jenise "Crickett" Miller.

- Azle Independent School District
- City of Aledo
- Garner Independent School District
- Springtown Independent School District
- Emergency Service District No. 7
- Morningstar Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1

### EARLY VOTING SITES AND HOURS

Early Voting sites and hours for voting by personal appearance for the GENERAL ELECTION to be held on NOVEMBER 2, 2021 as conducted by Parker County, Texas are as follows:

**Main Voting Site**  
Parker County Courthouse Annex  
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#### Branch Voting Sites

Springtown Senior Center Community Room 1070 N Main St Springtown, 76082	Peaster ISD Rock Gym Back Room of Gym 8512 FM RD 920 Peaster, 76088	Aledo ISD Admin Building Louden Room 1008 Bailey Ranch Rd Aledo, 76008
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Hudson Oaks City Hall Council Chambers 210 Hudson Oaks Dr Hudson Oaks, 76087	Azle City Hall Community Room 505 W Main St Azle, 76020	PCT 3 County Barn Break Room 1111 FM RD 1189 Brock, 76087
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### Regular Early Voting Hours and Days

Monday October 18, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Tuesday October 19, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Wednesday October 20, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Thursday October 21, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Friday October 22, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Saturday October 23, 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM
Monday October 25, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Tuesday October 26, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Wednesday October 27, 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Thursday October 28, 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM
Friday October 29, 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM

Applications for Ballot by Mail may be obtained by calling **(817) 598-6185**  
Applications for ballots by mail must be received by the Early Voting Clerk  
**NO later than** the close of business day on Friday October 22, 2021  
Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

**Early Voting Clerk**  
**PO BOX 639**  
**Weatherford 76086**

**Email:** [gina.osborn@parkercountytx.com](mailto:gina.osborn@parkercountytx.com) **Fax:** **(817) 598-6183**  
**Website:** [www.parkercountytx.com](http://www.parkercountytx.com)

### AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

Se da aviso que los lugares de votacion que figuram a continuacion se abriam se 7:00am el 7:00pm de Noviembre, 2 2021, para el proposito de votacion para: Para votar en la Eleccion Especial para "adopter o rechazar las enmiendas a la constitucion propuentas lal como fueron presentadas por la 87<sup>th</sup> Legislatura Sesion Regular del Estado de Texas."

Las siguientes elecciones generals seran contratadas por la oficina de elecciones en Parker County, Jenise "Crickett" Miller.

- Granbury Independent School District

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- Azle Independent School District
- City of Aledo
- Garner Independent School District
- Springtown Independent School District
- Emergency Service District No. 7
- Morningstar Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1

### SITIOS Y HORARIOS DE VOTACION ANTICIPADA

Los lugares para la votación anticipada y el horario para la votación en persona para la ELECCION GENERAL que se llevara a cabo el 2 de NOVIEMBRE de 2021, según lo llevara a cabo el condado de Parker, Texas, son los siguientes:

#### Sitio principal de votacion

Parker County Courthouse Annex  
1112 Santa Fe Dr  
Weatherford, 76086  
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#### Sitios de votacion de sucursales

Springtown Senior Center Community Room 1070 N Main St Springtown, 76082	Peaster ISD Rock Gym Back Room of Gym 8512 FM RD 920 Peaster, 76088	Aledo ISD Admin Building Louden Room 1008 Bailey Ranch Rd Aledo, 7600
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### Horas y días regulares de votacion anticipada

Lunes 18 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Martes 19 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Miercoles 20 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Jueves 21 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Viernes 22 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Sabado 23 de octubre de 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM

Lunes 25 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Martes 26 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Miercoles 27 de octubre de 2021	8:00AM-5:00PM
Jueves 28 de octubre de 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM
Viernes 29 de octubre de 2021	7:00AM-7:00PM

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### 7:00AM-7:00PM ELECTION DAY SITES

Election Day sites for voting by personal appearance for the GENERAL ELECTION to be held on NOVEMBER 2, 2021 as conducted by Parker County, Texas are as follows:

Silver Creek United Methodist Church	2200 Church Rd, Azle 76020	Fellowship Hall
Azle City Hall	505 W Main St, Azle 76020	Community Room
Reno City Hall	195 W Reno Rd, Azle 76020	Community Center
Springtown Senior Center	1070 N Main St, Springtown 76082	Community Room
Legacy Church	3591 E Highway 199, Springtown 76082	Lobby
Parker County North East Annex	1020 E Hwy 199, Springtown 76082	Court Room
Friendship Baptist Church	801 Friendship Rd, Weatherford 76085	Gym
Agnes Baptist Church	350 Agnes North, Springtown 76082	Foyer
Harburger Hill Community	701 Narrow St, Weatherford 76086	Large Room
Trinity Lutheran Church	1500 Ball St, Weatherford 76086	Fellowship Hall
Poolville Methodist Church	230 North Church, Poolville 76487	Fellowship Hall
Peaster ISD Rock Gym	8512 FM RD 920, Peaster 76088	Back Room of Gym
Whitt Fire Department	4312 N FM RD 52, Whitt 76490	Training Room
Bethesda United Methodist Church	6657 FM RD 113 N, Weatherford 76088	Johnson Room
Calvary Baptist Church	1900 N Main St, Weatherford 76085	Fellowship Hall
Shady Grove Baptist Church	2470 W Lambert Rd, Weatherford 76088	Fellowship Hall
Union Baptist Church	3451 Sarra Ln, Springtown 76082	Fellowship Hall
Victory Baptist Church	1304 Fort Worth Hwy, Weatherford 76086	Youth Building
Phoenix Masonic Lodge	1009 Palo Pinto St, Weatherford 76086	Dining Area
Grace First Presbyterian Church	606 Mockingbird Ln, Weatherford 76086	Great Hall
Santa Fe Drive Baptist Church	1502 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford 76086	Family Life Center
Weatherford College	225 College Park Dr, Weatherford 76086	Allene Strain Room
Millsap Community Center	102 Fannin St, Millsap 76066	Community Room
Harmony Baptist Church	242 Harmony Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym
Tin Top Community Center	101 Old Tin Top Rd, Weatherford 76087	Community Room
Parker County PCT Barn # 3	1111 FM RD 1189, Brock 76087	Break Room
First Baptist Church Dennis	7600 FM RD 1189, Dennis 76087	Old Fellowship Hall
Spring Creek Baptist Church	100 Spring Creek Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym
Greenwood Fire Department	1418 Greenwood Cut-Off Rd, Weatherford 76087	Training Room
Morningstar Amenity Center	128 Heather Wind Ln, Aledo 76008	Main Room
Hudson Oaks City Hall	210 Hudson Oaks Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Council Chambers
First Baptist Willow Park	601 Ranch House Rd, Willow Park 76087	Welcome Center
Bear Creek Community Church	18600 Hwy 377, Cresson	76035 Lobby
City of Aledo Community Center	104 Robinson Ct, Aledo 76008	Main Room
Aledo ISD Admin Building	1008 Bailey Ranch Rd, Aledo 76008	Louden Room
New Faith Baptist	3303 West FM RD 5, Annetta 76008	Fellowship Hall
Parker County PCT Barn # 4	1320 Airport Rd, Aledo 76008	Conference Room

### ALL REGISTERED VOTERS MAY VOTE AT ANY OF THESE LOCATIONS

#### 7:00AM-7:00PM

#### Sitios del día de las elecciones

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### TODOS LOS VOTANTES REGISTRADOS PUEDEN VOTAR EN CUALQUIERA DE ESTOS LUGARES



**FROM LEFT:** Ninth grade class representatives to the TCA Homecoming Court are Anna Nelson and Micah Harless. | Wilson Winchester and Meredith White represent the 10th grade on TCA's Homecoming Court. | Kanyon Kelley and Margaret Cowley represent the 11th grade on TCA's Homecoming Court. | Seniors Brayden Smalley and Paige Bull; seniors George Brenner and Charlotte Floyd; and seniors Reece Hargrove and Emma Perales are candidates for Mr. and Miss TCA.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

# Homecoming festivities planned

**By Kim Quarles**  
Special to The Community News

Trinity Christian Academy will celebrate homecoming with a parade and pep rally at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 15, leading up to the varsity football team competing against Weatherford Christian School at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16 at the stadium of Southwest Christian School at 6901 Altamesa Boulevard in Fort Worth.

There will be a special 15th-anniversary recognition of the 2006 State Championship team prior to

kickoff. All team members, coaches, and their families are invited to join current TCA families for the Homecoming Tailgate from 4-5:30 as well. Burgers will be provided by the TCA Athletic Booster Club and families are encouraged to bring drinks, sides, and outdoor games.

The Homecoming Parade will be held on at the school followed by the Pep Rally in Barber Gym. The always fun Spirit Week returns this year when secondary students trade in their school uniforms for a week's

worth of fun special dress days.

Another important homecoming tradition is the selection of the homecoming court as 9-12 grade students chose representatives for each high school grade. Sometimes perceived as a popularity contest, TCA urges students to go beyond that when choosing class representatives. Mr. and Miss TCA will be announced at halftime of the game.

"Students were asked to select classmates who regularly demonstrate a bold, uncompromising faith

in Jesus Christ, respect authority, are honest, practice godly speech, show kindness, seek unity among the student body, and serve as exemplary role models for students of all ages," TCA Secondary Principal Jesse Whiteaker said.

The following students were chosen to serve as class representatives in the 2021 homecoming court: ninth grade – Anna Nelson and Micah Harless, 10th grade – Meredith White and Wilson Winchester, 11th grade – Margaret

Cowley and Kanyon Kelley.

The senior class homecoming court representatives are also candidates for Mr. and Miss TCA. They are Paige Bull, Charlotte Floyd, Emma Perales, George Brenner, Brayden Smalley, and Reece Hargrove. "Students in grades 6-12 made these selections based upon which of these senior class representatives best fulfilled the ideals of Trinity Christian Academy in terms of spiritual maturity and excellent behavior," said Whiteaker.

## Annetta Clean-Up

The Town of Annetta held its annual clean-up on Saturday, Oct. 9. The 18 volunteers spruced up the areas along Old Annetta Road and FM 5.

PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER AMOS



**Dawn Heaton | Samuel Hardwick | Vern and Cindy Bennett**

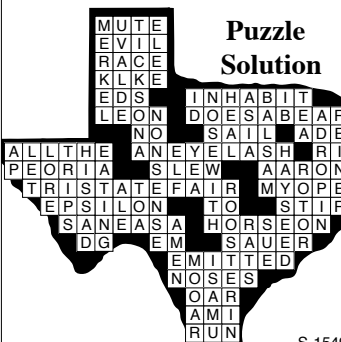
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Squaw Creek played host to former NFL greats, as well as stars from other sports, to raise money for Willow Park Police and Fire Departments, and the Fort Worth Food Bank.



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Angelo King and Clarence Nelson greeted fans.



"Mean Joe Greene" signs footballs



Rayfield Wright sends the golfers on their way.



Holly Vanecek and Sheila Page signed in the celebrities.



Ed "Too Tall" Jones signs autographs.



Former Dallas Cowboys star Bob Lilly signs a football for Willow Park police officer Quincy Hamilton.



Ira Terrell signs in.

## Lord's Acre

Aledo United Methodist Church hosted its annual Lord's Acre on Saturday, Oct. 9. The event featured numerous family activities.

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Two-year-old Miles Wilson plays cornhole. | Ford McMurrey carefully considers the next step in his pumpkin-painting project. | Lincoln Armstrong came dressed as Mickey Mouse.

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## OCTOBER 15

### Cooking Well Series

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will host a three week Cooking Well Series from 10 a.m. to noon on Fridays Oct. 8, 15, and 22 at the Parker County Extension Office, 604 North Main Street in Weatherford. Each week Cooking Well with focus on strategies for preparing healthy foods that will save you money and time. There will be hands-on food preparation and food to taste. The classes are \$10 per person for the entire series, or \$5 per session. To reserve a spot in the classes, call 817-598-6168.



### Parker County Cowboy Church Fall Festival

Parker County Cowboy Church will present its Fall Festival from 5-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at 5050 FM 5. The event promises plenty of fun and fellowship. For more information, visit <https://pccowboychurch.org/>.

## OCTOBER 16

### Aledo Fest

The fall Aledo Fest will run from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Aledo High

School south parking lot. The event will feature inflatable obstacle courses, mini train rides, a pony carousel ride, a petting zoo, magic mirror photo booth, live music by the Rocky Lott band and additional activities. Admission is free.

## OCTOBER 18

### Rotary Club of Aledo

The Rotary Club of Aledo meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month at Sunny Street Cafe, 229 Shops Blvd. Suite 103 in Willow Park. For more information, visit [aledorotary.org](http://aledorotary.org).

## OCTOBER 25

### Tools for Parenting

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Parker County will offer a Love and Logic Parenting class from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, on Oct. 25 and 26, at the Parker County Agricultural Services Center, 604 North Main Street in Weatherford. The parenting classes will use the curriculum "Becoming A Love and Logic Parent" by Jim Fay and Charles Fay. The curriculum will cover Raising Responsible Kids, The Love and Logic Formula, C Stands for Control, Ownership of the Problem, Thinking and Decision Making, and Consequences. Also covered in the classes will be A Fresh Start to a Healthy You with a focus on Keeping Children Healthy, Food Safety, and Shopping Strategies for Healthy Eating.

The two-day class is \$10 and covers registration, handouts, and lunch. For more information and to register, call the Parker County Extension office at 817-598-6168. The deadline to register is Oct. 22.

## OCTOBER 26

### Aledo Community Lions Club

The Aledo Community Lions Club meets from 5-6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Aledo Community Center. The public is invited. For more information call Bob Carlson at 817-718-4902.

## OCTOBER 27

### Weatherford College presents "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"

Weatherford College fine arts will present the musical production "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27-30 in the Alkek Fine Arts Center. Based on the Victor Hugo Novel and featuring songs from the Disney film, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" is a heart-rending story that involves many complex characters, but at the center is Quasimodo, the misshapen and deformed bell ringer of Notre Dame cathedral. When Esmeralda, a traveling gypsy dancer, shows him true acceptance and friendship, he undergoes a transformation that sets his relationship with his world spiraling into an intrinsic change that cannot be reversed. Please also note that although this musical contains some of the songs

from the feature-length Disney cartoon, it is not a children's show and has a much darker overall tone. Doors open at 7 p.m. and admission is free.



## OCTOBER 30

### Bearcats Can Food Drive

The Aledo PTO will present the "Bearcats Can" Food Drive from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Bearcat Stadium. Among the most needed items are cereal, oatmeal, pasta and rice, canned fruit, spaghetti sauce, canned meats (tuna, chicken, Spam®, Gianna sausages), beans, hearty soup, peanut butter and jelly, ravioli, macaroni and cheese, carrots, corn, peas, cornbread mix, canned/boxed potatoes, hamburger helper, and crackers. Donors are requested to bring regular-sized items, no glass, and to check expiration dates. The donations will benefit the Parker County Center of Hope and the Manna Room at Aledo United Methodist Church.

### Trick-or-treaters invited to annual Safe Howloween

Safe Howloween is back at Weatherford College for its 23rd year of family-friend-



ly fun from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30, in WC's north parking lot.

Trick-or-treaters are invited to the festival event hosted by the WC Police Department. Families with special needs children are invited to start enjoying the festivities at 5 p.m.

The event is free, but attendees are asked to make a canned good donation to support the Parker County Senior Center. Community support is also welcome in the form of candy donations or setting up a booth with a fun game for children to enjoy. "Our objective is to provide the community with a safe night full of family-friendly fun," said WC Police Chief Anthony Bigongiari. "We appreciate all of the local organizations that help us, as well as the Weatherford Police Department, for their support."

For more information on how to volunteer or to donate, email [wcpd@wc.edu](mailto:wcpd@wc.edu) or call 817-598-6319.

## NOVEMBER 2

### Jazz Concert Series

The Weatherford College Jazz Orchestra will host a small group series in October and November.

"The goal of this small group series is to bring awareness to the textures of different cultures from around the world," said Fredrick Sanders, director of jazz studies. "The small setting uses our Roots, Jazz and American Music Studies as a way to assess and present the things that we have learned."

Performances are scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 12, in Texas Hall of the Alkek Fine Arts Center; Tuesday, Oct. 19 at the WC Wise County campus; Tuesday, Nov. 2 in Texas Hall; and Thursday, Nov. 4, on the Alkek stage. All concerts start at 6 p.m. and admission is free.

## NOVEMBER 4

### Center of Hope Gala

The Parker County Center of Hope will present "An Evening of Hope" gala beginning at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Covered Bridge Venue, 2250 Agnes Circle in Springtown.

The Center of Hope is the poverty assistance program in the county. It provides basic assistance, education and career development, and additional services to the county.

Sponsorship levels are Peace (\$5,000), Love (\$3,000), and Joy (\$1,500). All sponsorship levels include a table for eight, with additional amenities for larger sponsors.

For more information, email Brooke Ladouceur at [brooke@worthington.bz](mailto:brooke@worthington.bz), call 817-594-0291, or visit [centerofhopetx.com/evening-of-hope/](http://centerofhopetx.com/evening-of-hope/).

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The Aleo tennis team is advancing to area. Shown are (front row, from left) Zoe Whitcomb, Bryanna Orr, and Cambell Charrier; (middle row) Paige Federman, Payton Bierle, Kenley Germany, Georgia Posey, and Katie Siddons; and (back row) Zane Martin, Scott Mason, Hogan Posey, Jax Joiner, Ian Leslie, Ben Farmer, Craig Mason, and Coach Joe McCoy.  
ANDREA GARNETT

TENNIS

## RacquetCats beat Grapevine in Bi-District

By Andrea Garnett  
Special to The Community News

It was a perfect day for tennis on Monday, Oct. 11, and the Aleo varsity tennis team took full advantage of it by beating the Grapevine Mustangs 12-7 in the bi-District playoff tournament that took place at the Arlington Tennis Center.

Aleo came out strong, dominating in the doubles round by winning all but one match giving them a 6-1 lead going into singles play.

Boys' doubles swept all three lines with scores from Line 1 Jax Joiner/Hogan Posey (7-5)(6-4), Line 2 Ian Leslie (7-6)3 (6-0) and Line 3 (6-4) (7-5).

Girls' doubles also won: Line 1 Katie Siddons/Georgia Posey (6-3)(6-3) and Line 2 Cambell Charrier/Bryanna Orr (7-5)(6-4). Unfortunately Line 3 partners Payton Bierle/Paige Federman lost in a super tiebreaker (7-10) after splitting sets (6-7)3 (6-2). The mixed doubles team of Zane Martin/Zoe Whitcomb pulled off a win after a super tiebreaker score of (10-8).

The RacquetCats went into the singles matches only needing four wins to clinch bi-district. The first four wins came from girl's line 6 Paige Federman when she beat her opponent (6-3)(6-1), followed by boy's line 4 Scott

Mason (6-1)(6-1), line 1 Katie Siddons was next with (6-3) (6-2). Aleo had three more players that were in position to win the fourth match and that win was boy's line 5 Ben Farmer in an exciting super tiebreaker (6-0)(6-7)3 (11-9). Finishing with victories soon after were boy's singles line 6 Craig Mason (6-3)(7-6)5 and girl's line 5 Payton Bierle (6-4) (6-4).

Ending the tournament with a winning score of 12-7 advances the RacquetCats to area playoffs against Arlington Heights. The match was scheduled at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, at Brewer,



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Senior offensive linemen Gunnar Allen (73) and Maddox Epperson (60) form a wall against the Joshua defense.

FOOTBALL

## District win streak hits 99

By Nolan Ruth  
The Community News

The Aleo Bearcats are one game away from history. When the Bearcats defeated the Joshua Owls (3-3) on Friday, Oct. 8, by a score of 55-0, the team extended its district winning streak to 99 games. Aleo did not let that change anything, as the team came out focused and ready for each snap as they came.

There was some question regarding the quarterback, however. Brayden Fowler-Nicolosi was injured three weeks prior against Burleson and missed the game against Everman, but was named as the starter coming into the game with Joshua.

"It was awesome," Nicolosi said about his return. "Sitting on the sideline was the worst thing. I just wanted to get back on the field. Getting to play with my boys again and make that connection was awesome."

The game was never in doubt, as on the second play from scrimmage, Nicolosi (4-6, 128 yards, 1 TD passing, 1 carry, 14 yards rushing) hit BJ Fleming (3 receptions, 130 yards, 2 TDs) on a screen, and Fleming proceeded to take it 73 yards for the touchdown.

The Bearcat defense then went right to work, forcing a Joshua punt on the next drive. It was then up to Sammy Steffe (11 carries, 236 yards, 3 TDs rushing) who took the handoff, broke free from defenders and raced 19 yards to paydirt. The next Aleo drive lasted only one play as Connor Smith (6 carries, 85 yards, 1 TD) got the ball and ran 61 yards to give the Bearcats a 21-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Aleo's first drive of the second quarter covered 81 yards on 9 plays, but stalled at the Owls' three yard line, setting up

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At such time and place, the Commission and the Council will hear and take action on an Amendment to update the City of Annetta South Subdivision Ordinance #71, with previous amendment and fees.

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USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Parker County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Parker County Commissioners Court, Parker County, Texas are co-sponsoring a public scoping meeting at 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. on October 18, 2021, to discuss the proposed dam rehabilitation project in Parker County, Texas.

This public meeting will be held at the Parker County Cowboy Church, 5050 S FM 5, Aledo, Texas. Staff from these agencies, along with their consultants, will provide information on the dam rehabilitation program, planning activities to date, and the various rehabilitation alternatives evaluated for rehabilitation of this flood-retarding structure. They will be available to answer questions and concerns about the project and seek public input. The public is invited. Face masks and hand sanitizer will be provided. Also, social distancing will be practiced during the meeting. Please plan to participate.

Dam No. 33 provides flood protection to residents of Parker County and the adjacent downstream floodplain. It is located about one-mile SW of Annetta on Hale Branch, which enters Burgess Creek near Airport Road about 0.5 mile downstream from Dam No. 33. Local sponsors, NRCS staff, and their consultants are developing a plan for rehabilitating Dam No. 33 so it meets current dam safety regulations and design standards. Alternatives considered are: no action, decommissioning (dam removal), structural rehabilitation, and nonstructural measures. Federal funding has been received to assist the local sponsors in developing the plan.

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# FOOTBALL

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a 20-yard Clay Murador field goal. Then, the Bearcat defense came up with a touchdown when Davhon Keys (2 tackles, 1 INT, 1 TD) picked off a pass and strolled in from 15 yards out, making it 31-0.

On Joshua's next drive, Aledo forced a punt that was blocked by Kyle "Boogie" Thompson (2 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 sack) and recovered at the Owls' two yard line. One play later, Steffe scored his second touchdown of the game, bringing the halftime score to 38-0.

What should not go unmentioned is how dominant the Aledo defense was in the first half, allowing only seven yards of total offense.

"We had better communication this week," senior defensive lineman Matthew Bell said about the defensive performance. "The last couple of weeks it wasn't where it needed to be, but we knew what we needed to work on, we worked on it and executed when we needed to."

The Bearcat offense did not miss a beat coming out of the locker room as Steffe scored his third touchdown on the second play of the half, taking it 58 yards to continue the dominance. Brant Hayden (4-4, 71 yards, 1 TD passing) rotated in at quarterback in the third quarter, and extended the lead with a 54-yard touchdown pass to Fleming. Aledo took a 52-0 lead into the fourth quarter,



RAMON MORALES

**Connor Smith scored a touchdown on a 61-yard run against Joshua.**

and expanded on it with a 26-yard field goal by Jace Sims to bring the final score to 55-0.

"You have to be happy," head coach Tim Buchanan said of the season so far. "Whenever you're undefeated in district and on the season, only a knucklehead would say they're not happy. Do we have a lot of stuff to work on? Yes. Can we continue getting better? Yes. We're not perfect by any means. But, we're happy."

The Bearcats improve to 6-0 (3-0) on the season and will host the Mansfield Timberwolves 3-2 (2-1) at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Bearcat Stadium for a chance to reach 100 consecutive district wins.

# VOLLEYBALL

## Ladycats go 6-0 for the week

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The Aledo varsity volleyball team had a good ending to the first half of district, traveling to Wichita Falls and defeating the Coyotes in three sets, 25-19, 25-19, and 25-12.

The second half of district got off to a good start as well, as the 'Cats beat Brewer 25-15, 25-15, 25-12.

#### Statistics vs. Wichita Falls:

Aces: Mattie Gantt 4, Averie Riser 2, Sam Smith 1  
 Kills: Maddie Frank 12, Mattie Gantt 8, Vivian Parker 7, Payton Hilmer 5, Sam Smith 4, Skylar Ellison 4, Averie Riser 1  
 Assists: Mattie Gantt 30, Rylee Metts 3, Maddie Frank 1, Lexi Littlefield 1, Maddy Jarvis 1  
 Digs: Vivian Parker 16, Mia Little 12, Sam Smith 10, Mattie Gantt 8, Payton Hilmer 6, Maddie Frank 5, Lexi Littlefield 5, Averie Riser 5, Natalie Anderson 4, Maddy Jarvis 2, Rylee Metts 1, Skylar Ellison 1

#### Statistics vs. Brewer

Aces: Maddie Frank 3, Mattie Gantt 2, Averie Riser 1, Lexi Littlefield 1, Maddy Jarvis 1  
 Kills: Maddie Frank 12, Vivian Parker 11, Skylar Ellison 10, Sam Smith 7, Payton Hilmer 6, Mattie Gantt 5, Lauren St. Peters 1  
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KIRSTEN GALLON

**Mattie Gantt (6) goes up for a block in recent action against Rider. Also shown is Maddie Frank (1).**

#### AMS Volleyball

All six Aledo Middle School volleyball teams were victorious at home against Burleson Kerr on Oct 8.

7th Grade: A: 25-11, 25-13; B: 25-9, 25-5; C: 25-13, 25-13

8th Grade: A: 25-18, 25-20; B: 25-13, 25-15; C: 25-11, 25-15

# FOOTBALL

## Orange undefeated after win over Joshua

The JV Orange team hosted Joshua Thursday night in an all-important district contest.

The Aledo Bearcats started off hot scoring on their opening drive. Caleb Pope finished the drive off with a 4 yard touchdown run. Austin Keith added the point after with an outside run to make the score, 8-0. The Bearcats defense gave up a first down and then forced the Owls to punt after Carter Campbell, Joshua Cason Hand made some critical stops on the 2nd and 3rd down. Ryan Jones went deep to Tyson Timms for a 48-yard touchdown pass on the Bearcats' next drive. RJ Blake added the conversion with a run up the middle to make it 16-0.

The Bearcats added to their lead in the second quarter. Trace Clarkson caught a deep pass over the middle for a 49-yard touchdown and Colton McCoy added the extra point. The Owls could not

manage anything on offense against the Bearcats' dominating defense. Caleb Pope would add one more touchdown before the half to give the Bearcats a 36-0 lead.

The second half proved to follow the first half script, with the Bearcats adding two more scores. RJ Blake ended the scoring for the night with a 70-yard touchdown run. All night, the offensive line play was solid, led by Carter Campbell, Joshua McCauley, Trevor Cushion, Alex Arana, and Nathan Hall. Defensive standouts were Jackson Parker, Caden Boukadoum, and Cane Cooley.

#### AMS Football

All six Aledo Middle School football teams were victorious against Burleson Kerr on Oct. 12:

- 7A won 36-6
- 7B won 16-6
- 7C won 16-0
- 8A won 30-6
- 8B won 16-0
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