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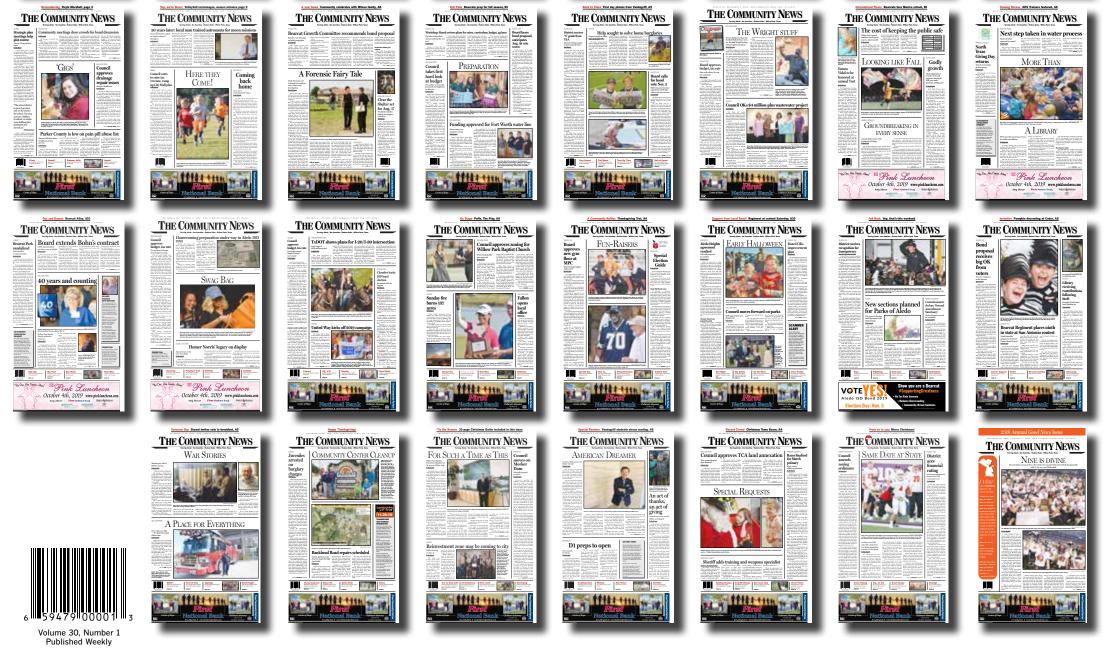
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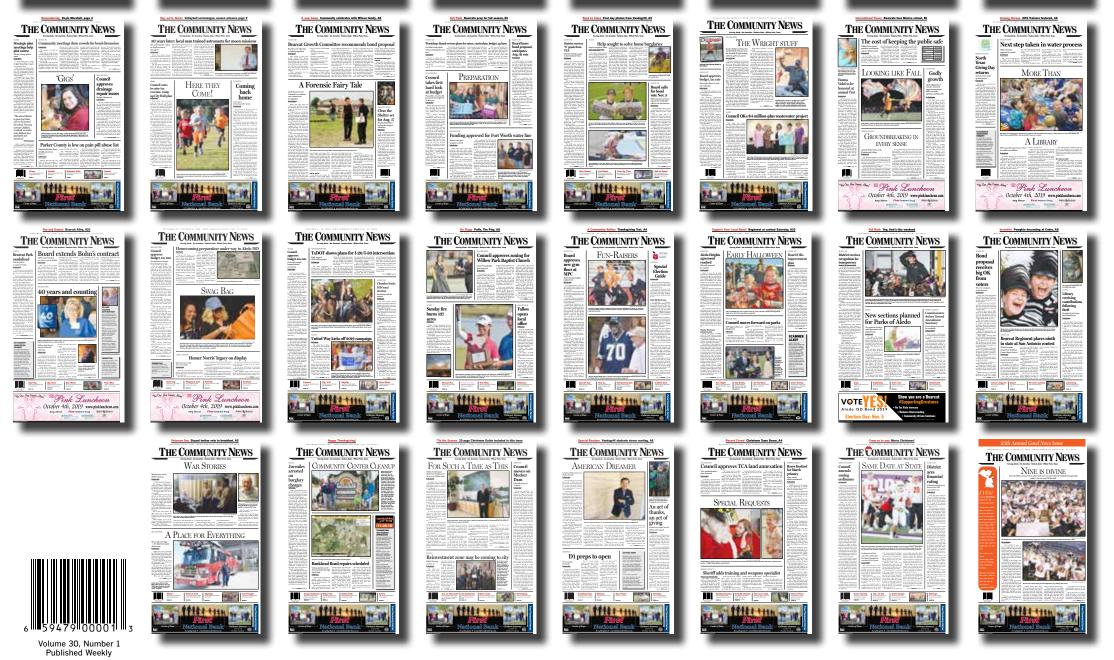
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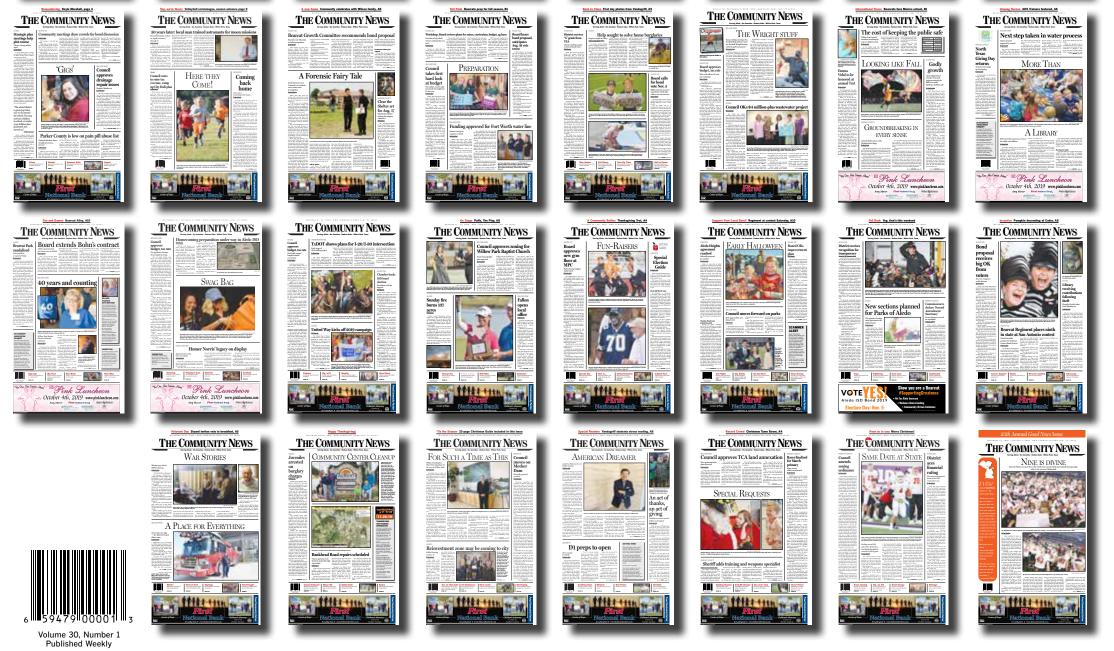
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Crown Pointe area continues to take shape



































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RANDY KECK/THE COMMUNITY NEWS London Kaspar is shown in dress rehearsal for Aledo High School's presentation of Rock of Ages, which ran Jan. 24-27.

JANUARY 11

Willow Park considered changes to its drought policies as a result of its agreement with the City of Fort Worth.

The Aledo Education Foundation Prize Patrol awarded \$117k in grants to local schools.

JANUARY 18

Tim Buchanan and Steve Wood switch rolls, with Buchanan becoming head football coach and Wood becoming athletic director.

County Judge Pat Deen planned a town hall meeting in Hudson Oaks.

The filing period opened for local municipal and school board elections.

Aledo United Methodist Church hosted the Texas A&M Singing Cadets for a public concert.

The inaugural "Dancing with the Aledo Stars" event was announced.

JANUARY 25

Willow Park forms relationship with Retail Coach, a firm that specializes in recruiting retailers.

Annetta residents air grievances regarding proposed amendment limiting accessory dwelling unit size.

Willow Park residents form 501(c)3 group to foster communication and pride in their community.

Aledo PTO presents check for \$80,000 to Aledo ISD for staff member training workshop.

County Judge Pat Deen lays out roadmap for growth and safety at town hall meeting.

Pack 2001 from Aledo/Willow Park hold annual Pinewood Derby at Cendera Center in Fort Worth.

Lance Tahmahkera, Great-great grandson of Quanah Parker, shares stories with Aledo Lions.

Dr. Tod Farmer, Weatherford College President, addresses Parker County NAACP MLK event.

FEBRUARY 1

Fort Worth City Council approves wholesale of water in Willow Park, Hudson Oaks shared contract.

Aledo city leaders accept council member Andrew Morris' resignation.

Weatherford College celebrates 150 years.

Aledo City Council approves plat for First Bank on corner of Bailey Ranch Road and Champions Way.

The Culpepper & Merriweather Circus set to return to Aledo.

Aledo High School Theatre Department performs Rock of Ages. Walsh Elementary School hosts second annual Father Daughter Dance, raising funds for school projects.

Squaw Creek Golf Course hosts national AJGA tournament.



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Jake Albin was covered with whipped cream after his fourth "pieing" at the Aledo Band Boosters annual auction and dinner.

FEBRUARY 8

Two Aledo High School Seniors make All-State Choir for their third and fourth consecutive years.

Charlie Gillchrist elected 2019 chairman of the board for the National Automobile Dealers Assoc.

Band Boosters host annual auction and dinner to benefit AISD bands, directors receive pies to faces.

TCA takes first in Calculus at Coyote Math Championship; students excel at spelling bee.

Recent graduates of TCA return to school for annual alumni panel discussion.

FEBRUARY 15

Aledo Planning and Zoning Commission approves plats for CVS Pharmacy on FM 1187.

Willow Park Council approves loan for water development.

AISD Assistant Superintendent Lynn McKinney receives Ella C. McFadden Service to Youth Award.

Parker County Sheriff Larry Fowler announces re-election bid. 'Dancing with the Aledo Stars' raises money for Class of 2020. Jett Bowlin and Jazz I prepare for contest.

United Way hosts annual Little Black Dress Fashion Show and Dinner.

Weatherford Art Association announce 'Spirit of the West' winners at Doss Heritage and Culture Center.

FEBRUARY 22

AISD, Hudson Oaks cancel elections with no contested races; Willow Park, Annetta ballots draw crowd.

H-E-B plans job fair and sets opening day; community leaders call retail chain great partner.

Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District retains twoacre standard for private wells.

AdvoCats announce return of annual Run, Walk, or Crawl for our Children fundraiser.

Aledo ISD, with new status as District of Innovation, sets school year to start earlier.

Aledo Rotary Club assists Center of Hope, Salvation Army, and Habitat for Humanity.

March 1

Aledo graduate Austin Underwood's 'Underdawgs' food truck big hit in area.

Bearcat Growth Committee project that no tax raises necessary for increase in AISD bonds.

Aledo Superintendent, board members meet with legislators in Austin to advocate for public schools.

Aledo ISD receives state recognition for financial responsibility and management of taxpayer dollars.

Parker County Republican Party holds annual Reagan Day Dinner at Trickle Creek Ranch in Weatherford.

State legislature recognizes Weatherford College's 150th anniversary.

Aledo ISD sweeps Cowtown 5K school division for most finishers.

MARCH 8

Aledo City Council grants East Parker Coffee Co. room to expand its parking lot.

Willow Park City Council Approves site plans for three new commercial structures.

Annetta City Secretary Jamee Long graduates from Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program.

Willow Park City Council proposes new Drought Contingency Plan to conform with City of Fort Worth.

Business Development Group of Aledo holds tenth $10^{\rm th}$ BDGA Clay Shoot at Clear Fork Materials.

Aledo High Debate Team returns to state UIL tournament for fifth year running.

Stuard Elementary Destination Imagination team qualifies for state tournament.

MARCH 15

Aledo ISD bond panel studies future education needs, clears questions of previous bond fund spending.

Willow Park Citizens Group partners with Railhead Realty to offer voter registration events.

Willow Park Police Department opens applications for their first

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from basic training. Two Aledo High School students achieve perfect scores on ACT college readiness exam.

APRIL 12

Area boys participate in Junior Olympic gymnastics program, coached by Scott Dickerson.

Willow Park City Council Approves audit conducted by CliftonLarsonAllen.

Site plan for Mariposa's Restaurant and rezoning requests by Wilks Development approved.

Aledo Ex-Students Association offers Scholarships for Aledo ISD Class of 2019.

Aledo Children's Advocats present check at construction site of new home for Wilson Adams.

New owners upgrade, improve service at Quality Inn in Willow Park, add solar panels to roof.

Aledo Education Foundation gala sees record attendance at Omni Hotel in Fort Worth.

Community raises almost \$10,000 for Emma Vidal at Workout for Emma hosted by Aledo Crossfit.

APRIL 19

Bearcat Growth Committee looks at design concepts for renovations, new campus construction.

City of Aledo experiences sixth string of vehicle burglaries since start of the year.

Aledo ISD board of trustees unanimously vote to hire Holly Elfin as new principal at Walsh Elementary.

Board also names Candace Summerhill as district's Director of Assessment and Accountability.

Sherry Taylor promoted to Executive Director of Human Resources; Scott Kessel promoted to Executive Director of Student Services.

James Hester withdraws form Aledo council race, citing immediate family health concerns.

Aledo Community Lions Club accepts applications from graduating high school seniors for scholarship

Determination was exhibited at the beginning of each run when the Aledo AdvoCats held their annual Glow Run.

Citizen Police Academy. East Parker County Chamber of Commerce holds 80's themed awards banquet at Springs Event Center.

University of Oklahoma Norman and Oklahoma Baptist University honor area students.

MARCH 22

Aledo ISD holds public meeting about revised GPA, class rank policy, hoping to relieve student stress.

Truen Johnson was a top 10 finalist for Lay Witnesses for Christ International Christian Athlete of the Year.

Aledo ISD Board of Trustees unanimously approves 41 additional staff

positions to handle growth. Former Bearcat running back Donnie Evans shot and killed in a Fort Worth apartment brawl.

AHS boy's soccer coach Derek Vierling honored by board for Class 5A Small School coach of the year. Aledo High School robotics team

qualifies to compete at state. Weatherford Art Association

announces Patricia Harder as Artist of the Month for February.

<u>MARCH 29</u>

Willow Park City Council approves water agreement with Fort Worth, Hudson Oaks.

Parker County Sheriff's office recovers more than \$30,000 in goods

stolen form unlocked cars. annual Run, Walk, or Crawl for our Children at Bearcat Stadium. Aledo Ag Backers hold dinner at

raise funds for AHS Ag programs. Melissa Legvold of Willow Park wins Joe Tison Outstanding Public Speaking Competition.

APRIL 5

Aledo City Council approves new municipal software package, as well as first staff building official. Bearcat Growth Committee tours Aledo's oldest schools and discusses improvements for facilities. City Administrator for Willow Park



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Carson White does a handstand in

Bryan Grimes presents city finances

Burch School of Music enters 56 stu-

dents in Texas Federation of Music

Two Weatherford Airmen graduate

Marva Collins Award presented to

at Willow Park Citizens Group.

Nicki Dover at Aledo ISD's 20th

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Aledo ISD trustees vote to convert a series of bonds issued in 2006 to fixed rate, in advance of May 15 deadline.

Five Aledo school district buildings receive new fire alarm systems as result of board action.

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 4817 makes cookie donation to men and women in uniform.

Daughters of the American Revolution host annual luncheon, present Good Citizen Awards to graduating seniors.

Annual Ride for Heroes returns to honor Gordon Robertson and benefit Children's Advocacy Center of Parker County, Parker County Sheriff's Reserve.

APRIL 26

Three men tied to Willow Park home invasion arrested; two face similar charges in Austin area.

Volunteers from community and members of Parker County Master Gardeners meet in Willow Park to spread mulch at Cross Timbers Demonstration Garden.

Aledo ISD Elementary School counselors receive Aledo Education Fund grant for Social-Emotional Learning.

MAY 3

City Administrator Bill Funderburk reports excellent growth and finances for Aledo ahead of annual financial report.

Farmers Market returns to Aledo, open every Monday from 3 to 7 p.m. in Aledo Community Center parking lot.

After conclusion of early voting, polls open for local elections.

Aledo ISD's Bearcat Growth Committee meets for overview of district's facilities, look at land needs.

Government and business officials converge on Hudson Oaks for the Urban Air Adventure Park groundbreaking.

Counterfeit bills in several denominations found circulating in Parker and Palo Pinto Counties.

Willow Park city administrator Bryan Grimes meets with residents to discuss city finance.



Aledo Band Boosters host annual Swing Dance, featuring dinner, dessert, and dancing at Aledo High School cafeteria.

Brothers Parker Ferrell and Austin Ferrell of Aledo graduate from Marine boot camp.

Aledo high School senior Avery Tilley receives Kassebaum Scholarship from Kansas State University.

Madeline Swift of Aledo High School Class of 2015 earns spot on Dean's List at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa.

MAY 10

Wendy Robinson homicide investigation featured on national broadcast.

Incumbents win the day in local elections.

Local business leaders invited to Weatherford College's new endeavor, Corporate College. Willow Park City Council adopts new "Drought Contingency & Emergency

Water Management Plan." Aledo ISD hosts fourth annual Science, Technology, Engineering,



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Anita Calloway crowned Beth Ann Simmons "Queen of the Prom" on Friday, May 3. Also shown is Zach Reinert, "King of the Prom."



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The Trinity Christian Middle School Choir performed the school song at TCA's 19th commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 18, at New River Fellowship.

Arts, and Math Carnival at Daniel NGC.

MAY 17

Willow Park City Council approves 140-acre plat for Reserves at Trinity.

Bearcat Growth Committee arrives at consensus that new middle, elementary schools will likely be proposed, along with renovations to McAnally, Vandagriff and AMS.

Ride For Heroes event returns after two-year absence; heavy rains hurt attendance.

VIP Angling holds first event at Athletic Performance Ranch to teach the blind to fish.

East Parker County Town Hall on property taxes, featuring Aledo ISD Superintendent Dr. Susan Bohn, Parker County Judge Pat Deen, and EPC mayors planned.

Dr. Kameron Leigh Soules of Aledo graduates with Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine.

More Year in Review next week!

Obituaries

John Lloyd Tenseth

John Lloyd Tenseth, age 75. passed away with his family around him on December 28, 2019.

John was

born to Oliver



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and Marvel Tenseth (both John Tenseth preceded John

in death) in Washington D.C. on March 6, 1944. From that moment on John proceeded to live a life of mischief and happiness that spread to all who knew and loved him. John could fix anything (eventually) and was generous with his time when he knew you would not be wasting it. He had many interests during his life including his many dogs, cars, bikes, and birds.

Most notable, John was most passionate about his true love, Alaina. In their more than 40 years together, he worked with, lived with, and loved with all his being. They were an inseparable and indomitable team who through hard work and caring discovered something many of us miss in our days - happiness. It is for Alaina most that we are all so truly heartbroken. John is also survived by his brother, William.

John had three children, daughters Beth (Anthony) and Amy (Matthew) and stepson Sol (Molly) who collectively delivered an army of grandchildren: Nina and Emma Firulli; Colton and Hunter Hayden; and Clara, Lyla, and Julia Kanthack. John greatly enjoyed being a grandfather and spending time with his family. John will also is missed by nephew Thomas, who spent countless hours working with John in the garage and misplacing his tools, and nieces Rosalie and Terese.

John Tenseth lived an amazing life. Through sheer will, he took the good with the bad and turned it into a wonderful story where he reached for the stars and captured the hearts of all of us who loved him. John will be missed but never forgotten as he has left his mark on all of us.

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Commentary

Capital Highlights Paxton lauds 5th Circuit ruling against Affordable Care Act



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After the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit declared the individual mandate in "Obamacare" unconstitutional on Dec. 18, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton expressed his agreement.

"The Fifth Circuit's holding is clear: the federal government cannot order private citizens to purchase subpar insurance products that they don't want," Paxton said. "The individual mandate is the centerpiece of Obamacare and I am glad the Fifth Circuit recognized that it is unlawful."

Paxton said he looks forward to demonstrating in federal district court that the rest of the law cannot stand without the individual mandate, and added:

"Yesterday's decision is a win for the rule of law," he said. "Finally being rid of this law will be a victory for all Americans."

The lawsuit against the federal government was filed in U.S. District Court in the Northern District of Texas by Paxton and a list of other state attorneys general. Paxton said it would be up to the lower court to determine whether any part of the U.S. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, referred to as "Obamacare," can remain, in light of the mandate's unconstitutionality.

In Texas and 38 other states where the federal government administers health exchanges, health insurance premiums rose decade of adventures at a Texas State Park by participating in a First Day Hike."

To foster the effort, the agency scheduled a variety of events on New Year's Day. First Day Hikes aim to help visitors commit to their New Year's resolutions to get healthy, the agency said.

First Day Hikes events include strolls on scenic trails, midnight walks, polar plunges, bike rides and short treks with four-legged family members and more strenuous hikes for experienced visitors.

Last year, according to Texas Parks & Wildlife, 77 state parks hosted First Day Hike events in which an estimated 4,000 participants walked, paddled and biked.

A list of events is posted online at tpwd.texas.gov.

Jobless rate stays low

Workforce The Texas Commission on Dec. 20 announced that the Lone Star State's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady at 3.4 percent in November.

The rate marks the sixth consecutive month of record low unemployment in the state. Also, 3.4 percent is the lowest unemployment rate since series tracking began in 1976, according to an agency news release.

The Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) recorded November's lowest unemployment rate among Texas MSAs with a non-seasonally adjusted rate of 2.1 percent, followed by the Amarillo and Austin-Round Rock MSAs each with an adjusted rate of 2.5 percent. The College Station-Bryan and Lubbock MSAs each recorded the third lowest rate at 2.6 percent.

Reps vote on impeachment



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Upon recollection of 2019, what are considered "top-of-the-heap" memories depend on who is doing the recollecting.

This has to be one of the most brain-scrambling beginnings ever unleashed during 17 years of column-writing.

Completing what I thought to be an "okay" discourse to a convention audience long ago, I experienced a "bubble-bursting." The "flat-asa-pancake" deflation reduced me to a small size, maybe even "extra small." An overheard whisper bears repeating, its admonition worth remembering: "He's a guy with hundreds of well-chosen words, interspersed with thousands that aren't."

This may be a "cheesy" way to look back, particularly when the intent is to extract some dignity or delight from our weary world in all of 2019. Dignity was thrown asunder, and not much was funny.

Dallas Morning News writer Cheryl Hall helped with her recent piece. It recounted the lives of three Texans who took their leave in 2019. She described Herb Kelleher, T. Boone Pickens, and Ross Perot, Sr. thusly: "the likes of which we'll never see again."

She emphasized "self-made," revealing examples about how these men of genius could quickly change

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cloaks of dignity and delight as casually as Mr. Rogers laced up his tennis shoes.

They were great storytellers, Hall claimed, "using earthy humor to make profound points."

She hit a home run describing the men's "fashion statements." She said Kelleher was "open collars, blue blazers and Aloha shirts, when he wasn't Elvis or a Harley biker." She depicted Perot as "dark suits, starched white shirts, ties and an American flag lapel pin," and Pickens as "bright Oklahoma State orange and running shoes."

She called all three "underdogs who turned self-made wealth into community property." Her account -in the Dec. 15 business section of the DMN - is worthy of framing. It's a trove of well-chosen words, with nary an ill-chosen word in the mix..

I never met these lauded men, but marvel both at what they accomplished and what they gave away. Obviously, they took seriously the late Dr. Billy Graham's observation that he never saw a hearse arriving at a cemetery pulling a U-Haul trailer.

Filed away, though, I do have a personal note from Kelleher.

Folks who knew him strongly believe that "the man" indeed scrawled the note, and maybe even licked the stamp.

The experience was recounted in my first book, but since it was read mostly by immediate family and a few close friends who claimed they did, it is "dredged up" for this yearend piece.

Only later in life did I feel comfortable enough to take off my shoes while seated on airplanes. For years, I'd been quietly impressed by bold

fellow passengers who reduced footwear to socks.

Exiting the lavatory in my stocking feet, I was belittled by a flight attendant. "You mean you went in there shoeless?"

I responded, "I've seen Herb Kelleher do the same thing," not knowing, of course, if he ever entered his planes' general service lavatories, or had private ones.

"Well, he's the only other person on the planet I can imagine doing such a thing," she retorted.

At trip's end, I felt the humorous moment worthy of sharing in a note to Kelleher.

Here's his handwritten response, "Your recent letter 'made' my day. Welcome to the 'shoeless lavatory club.' We are a rare breed."

This note is tucked away, right next to one from another hero, the late Erma Bombeck, who was apologetic for a delayed response that I never expected anyway. It reads: "Thank you for your letter. I am sorry for delay in answering. I'm further behind with my correspondence than I am with the laundry."

The trio's deaths this year - and Erma's two-dozen years ago - bring to mind prominent lives marked not by what they had, but what they gave away. We all can choose "selective memories." Let's strive hardest, with "20-20" vision, to keep sharp eyes out for whatever warms our hearts or makes us smile.

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Slings&Arrows Goodbye 2019 - Hello 2020!

For last year's words belong

Cheers to a new year and

an average of 105 percent from 2013 to 2017, Paxton said.

The U.S. Supreme Court upheld Obamacare in 2012, but a majority of the justices agreed that the law's individual mandate was constitutional only because its accompanying tax penalty could justify forcing individuals to purchase health insurance under Congress' taxing power. Devoid of that penalty, Obamacare's individual mandate cannot be preserved as a tax, rendering Obamacare entirely unlawful, Paxton said.

Meanwhile, according to U.S. Census data, an estimated five million Texas residents, or nearly 18 percent of the state's population, do not have health insurance.

TPWD promotes hikes

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department on Dec. 20 encouraged Texans "to kick off the next

The U.S. House of Representatives on Dec. 18 voted to approve two articles of impeachment against President Donald Trump.

The vote on Article I, Abuse of Power, was 230 for, 197 against and 1 present/not voting. The vote on Article II, Obstruction of Congress, was 229 for, 198 against and 1 present/not voting.

For Texas' 36-member House delegation, the vote was partisan. All 23 Republicans voted not to approve both articles and all 13 Democrats voted to approve both articles

As of the deadline for this column, the articles of impeachment had not been forwarded to the U.S. Senate, where the president would be tried in accordance with Article 3 of the U.S. Constitution, with the Honorable John Roberts, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, presiding.



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By the time you read this, 2020 won't be far enough along for you to stop putting "2019" on checks - if you still write checks.

I almost did it on a date in this issue, but caught it on review.

As I write there is a liitle more than four hours left in 2019. Some folks are happy to see a given year end, while others may look back with longing.

Thus it has been for years and years - and years.

I'll leave you this year with some thoughts of others on the subject"

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to last year's language And next year's words await another voice. And to make an end is to make a beginning." - T.S. Eliot

Tomorrow, is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one.' - Brad Paisley

The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes.

- G.K. Chesterton

Never leave anything out to dry as the sun comes up for the new year.

- Markus Zusak

another chance for us to get it right.

- Oprah Winfrey

Now is the accepted time to make your regular annual good resolutions. Next week you can begin paving hell with them as usual. Yesterday, everybody smoked his last cigar, took his last drink, and swore his last oath. Today, we are a pious and exemplary community. Thirty days from now, we shall have cast our reformation to the winds and gone to cutting our ancient shortcomings considerably shorter than ever. We shall also reflect pleasantly upon how we did the same old thing last year about this time.

- Mark Twain

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2019 Sports Year In Review

(Editor's note: The following are excerpts from each dated issue of 2019. Events written may have not happened on these days but were published on these dates)

<u>JANUARY 11</u>

Junior quarterback Jake Bishop headed a list of Bearcats who were voted to the All-District 5-5A team. Bishop was selected MVP; offensive tackle Cameron Callaway was selected Offensive Player of the Year; defensive end Colt Ellison was chosen as the Defensive Player of the Year; receiver Jo Jo Earle was voted as Newcomer of the Year; and Tre Owens was selected Utility Player of the Year. Thirteen other Bearcats earned first-team honors, and seven others earned second-team honors.

JANUARY 18

Basketball Ladycats defeat Abilene Wylie and Wichita Falls High School to lead District 4-5A with a 3-0 mark.

The Bearcats are also in first place after winning their first two district games.

Soccer Ladycats win home tournament, the Moritz-Kia Tournament of Champions; Bearcats place third.

JANUARY 25

Steve Wood takes on a new role as Aledo ISD Athletic Director, replacing Tim Buchanan, who was named the "new" Bearcats head football coach

In football, tailback Jase McClellan and offensive lineman Cameron Callaway were selected to the Associated Press firstteam, all-state team. Earning all-state, honorable mentions were Colt Ellison, Logan Escamilla and Jo Jo Earle.

FEBRUARY 1

Basketball Ladycats clinch District 4-5A championship after 51-47 overtime win at Abilene Wylie.

Volleyball Ladycats hitter Hannah Jones was named to the Texas Sports Writer's Association all-state team as an honorable mention.

FEBRUARY 8

Basketball Bearcats clinch playoff berth after 37-36 victory over Wichita Falls High School.

Aledo gualifies two relay teams and two swimmers to the state swim meet. Hannah Farmer qualified on both relay teams and won the girls' 100 Breaststroke; Elijah Sohn qualified for state in the boys' 200 Freestyle and 100 Freestyle.

FEBRUARY 15



Aledo senior guard Elizabeth Allanach (21) was voted by league coaches as District 4-5A's Most Valuable Player for the 2019 season.

Amarillo Caprock.

Joe Rousseau won first place in 148-lb. division at the district powerlifting meet.

MARCH 1

Soccer Ladycats defeat Abilene Cooper to remain in first place in District 4-5A.

Graydon Morris places seventh at international race at Trinidad and Tobago.

MARCH 8

Aledo senior Elizabeth Allanach was named the girls' District 4-5A MVP in basketball. Three other Ladcyats - Riley Sale, Maddie Shumway and Audrey Pearce - were selected to the first team while Haley Herrin earned second-team honors. Tre Owens was named to the boys' all-district first team, Truen Johnson and Cole Nitsch were second-team selections and Max Newell earned an honorable mention.

<u>MARCH 15</u>

Bearcats soccer team clinches playoff berth. Ladycats soccer finishes second in district. Softball Ladycats defeat Wichita Falls High School to stay on top of district standings



TCA's Payton Alberts sets a TAPPS D-3 record in the girls' 50 Freestyle with a time of 24.7 to win state.

Basketball Ladycats defeat Canyon Randall in first round of



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Aledo junior Elijah Sohn became the first Aledo High School state gold medalist after winning the boys' 200 Freestyle race.

playoffs. Basketball Bearcats prepare for playoffs for first time in five years.

FEBRUARY 22

Aledo junior Elijah Sohn becomes the first swimmer in Aledo High School history to win a gold medal at the state swim meet, winning the boys' 200 Freestyle. Sohn also added a bronze medal in 100 Freestyle. Hannah Farmer won a silver medal in girls' 100 Breaststroke.

Basketball Ladycats eliminated in third round of playoffs by Amarillo.

Bearcats basketball was eliminated in first round of playoffs by

MARCH 22

Baseball Bearcats defeat Abilene Cooper to remain in first place in District 4-5A.

Softball Ladycats down Wichita Falls Rider 12-1, to stay in first place in 4-5A.

MARCH 29

Bearcats win their home track meet.

Baseball Bearcats down Rider and Old High to stay undefeated in 4-5A.

Abilene Cooper hands the Ladcyats their first district softball loss.

APRIL 5

Both the Aledo Ladycats and Bearcats golf teams win respective District 4-5A tournaments.

Soccer Ladycats defeat Amarillo, El Paso Chapin to advance to regional quarterfinals.

Soccer Bearcats fall to Amarillo in opening round of the playoffs.



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Aledo freshman forward Ashlyn Laughley dribbles past an El Dorado defender. Laughley scored two goals in the Ladycats' 3-2 win over the Aztecs.

SCOTT W COLEMAN/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo senior Zach Davis elevates during boys' pole vault May 10 at the Class 5A State Track and Field Meet in Austin. Davis finished with a mark of 16-3 to win the state championship for the second consecutive year.

Elizabeth Allanach was named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association's all-state basketball team.

<u>APRIL 12</u>

Soccer Ladycats advance to regional tournament after a 3-2 overtime victory over El Paso El Dorado.

Aledo tennis doubles players Lance McClure and Miles Grubbs and Priscilla Schimming and Erin Davis advance to regional tournament as did singles player Olivia Key.

Bearcats finish first at district track meet with Ladycats placing second as several advance to the regional meet.

APRIL 19

Mansfield Legacy defeats Ladycats, 1-0, in girls' regional soccer semifinals.

Baseball Bearcats defeat Abilene Cooper to stay in first place in 4-5A.

Softball Ladycats finish 5-3 in district play and will be 4-5A's third seed in the playoffs.

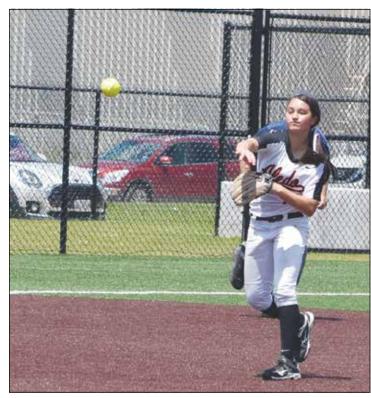
APRIL 26

Aledo advances 14 athletes to regional track meet.

Lance McClure/Miles Grubbs along with Priscilla Schimming/ Erin Davis capture bronze medals at regional tennis tournament.

Brooke Jones was voted as girls' District 4-5A soccer MVP;

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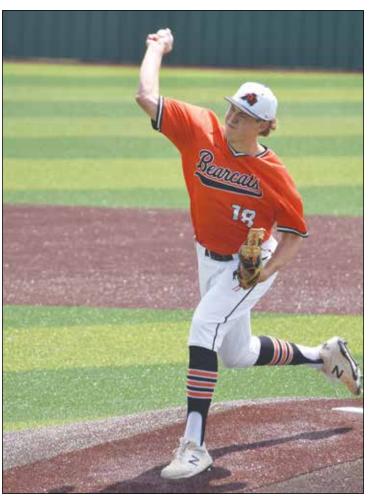
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Aledo freshman shortstop Macy Graf was chosen as softball District 4-5A's Offensive Player of the Year for 2019. Graf hit a team-high .517 in district play.



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Aledo senior Evan Pennington Blasts out of a trap on hole No. 9 during the first round of the boys' Class 5A State Golf Tournament. The Bearcats placed 12th at the state tournament.



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Aledo junior pitcher Haden Ard was chosen as District 4-5A's Pitcher of the Year. Ard went 4-0 in district play with 40 strikeouts in 27-1/3 innings.

Hunter Jones was named Midfield MVP; Ashlyn Laughley was named co-Newcomer of the Year as seven other Ladycats earned all-district honors.

Tyler Oetinger was voted 4-5A soccer Newcomer of the Year and nine Bearcats earn all-district honors.

Golf Ladycats place fourth at regional tournament; miss advancing to state by one stroke.

<u>MAY 3</u>

Softball Ladycats defeat Lubbock Cooper, two games to one, to win opening-round playoff series.

Baseball Bearcats defeat WF Rider to finish second in 4-5A.

Bearcats place third at regional golf tournament to advance to state tournament.

Graydon Morris won the boys' 3,200- and 1,600-meter runs at the regional track meet and Gracie Morris (girls' 1,600-meter run), Zach Davis (boys' pole vault) and Sierra White (girls' pole vault) also qualified for the state-meet with first-place finishes. Also, the Bearcats' 4x100 relay team of Money Parks, DeMarco Roberts, B.J. Allen, and Jase McClellan ran a school-record time of 41.54 to place second and qualify for the state meet in Austin.

MAY 10

Bearcats begin first week of spring football practices.

Trinity Christian Academy boys' 4x400 relay team of Max Perales, Gage Scott, Carson Wert and Malen Baldridge won the mile relay at the TAPPS State Track and Field Meet. It was the third consecutive year the TCA boys have won the state 4x400 relay.

TCA baseball team beats Pantego Christian to advance to state tournament.

Jamon Copeland is named new Aledo head boys basketball coach.

Softball Ladycats win area playoff to advance to regional quarterfinals.

Baseball Bearcats eliminated by Lubbock Monterey in first round of playoffs.

<u>MAY 17</u>

Graydon Morris (1,600-meter run) and Zach Davis (pole Vault) each won gold medals at the Class 5A state track meet. Sierra White earned a silver medal in girls' pole vault. It was Morris and White's fourth consecutive appearance at the state meet.

No. 5 El Paso Chapin eliminates Ladycats from softball playoffs.

MAY 24

Bearcats place 12th at state golf tournament.

Jaden Ard was named Pitcher of the Year in District 4-5A, Garrison Berkley was voted as Offensive Plaver of the Year and Creed Willems was selected Defensive Player of the Year to head a list of 10 Aledo baseball players selected to the All-District 4-5A team.

Aledo shortstop Macy Graff was named the All-District 4-5A Offensive Player of the Year and Marissa Powell was voted as newcomer of the Year to lead a list of nine Ladycats on the All-District 4-5A softball team.

TCA baseball team falls 3-2 in state championship game.

MAY 31

Bearcats complete spring football practices with annual spring game.

JUNE 7

Aledo High School youth sports camps begin.

Former Aledo softball player Allie Arneson competes for the University of Minnesota at the Women's College World Series. Minnesota was eliminated in two games.

Former Bearcats pitcher Cody Bradford is selected in the Major League Baseball draft by the Texas Rangers.

JUNE 14

Aledo ISD Athletic Director Steve Wood discusses his first four months a the new AD. Sports camp continue at AHS and TCA.







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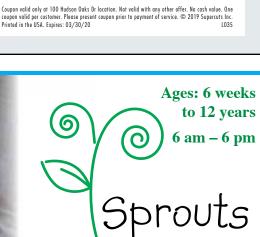


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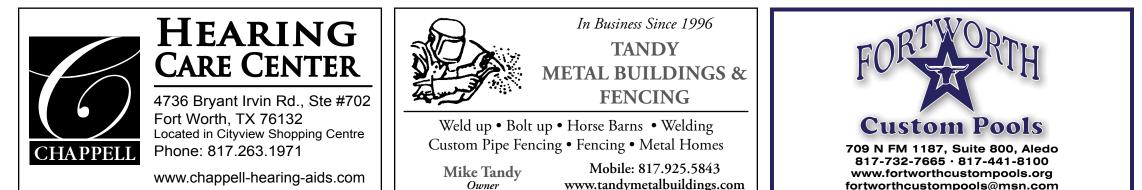


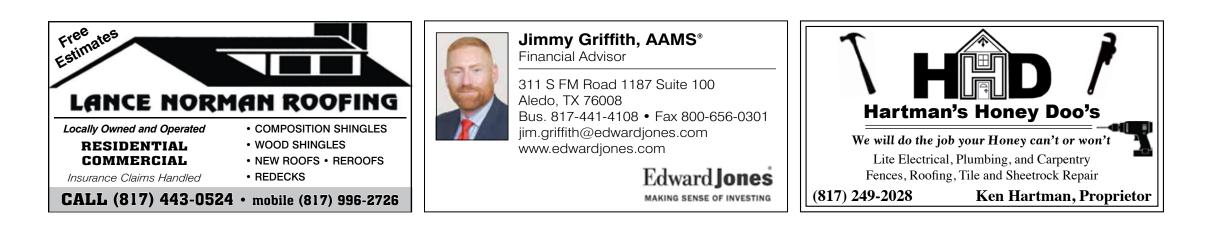


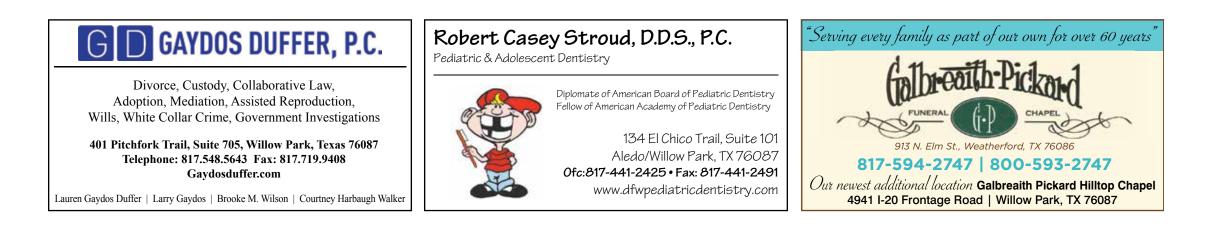














JUNE 21

Sports camps continue at AHS and TCA.

JUNE 28

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Aledo golf coach Jeff Lemons announced he is leaving the school to become the new head softball coach at Weatherford High School. Lemons coached the Ladycats 2014 and 2015 state-championship softball teams.

Longtime Aledo assistant Billy Warren announces his retirement.

JULY 5

Sports camps continue at AHS and TCA.

Former Bearcats basketball player Dayton Sheridan is named new TCA head boys basketball coach.

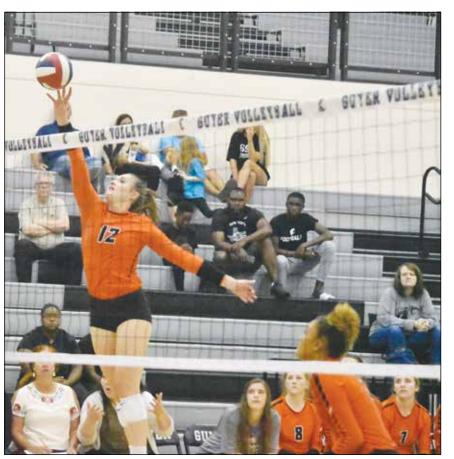
<u>JULY 12</u>

Sports camps continue at AHS and TCA. Former Aledo softball infielder/ pitcher and current Northwestern Oklahoma infielder Bailee Whitener and former Bearcats and current Oklahoma State offensive lineman Truett Knox are featured concerning their experiences in their respective freshman years in college.

<u>JULY 19</u>

Sports camps continue at AHS and TCA.

Ladcyats basketball player Riley Sale and volleyball player Daleigh Ellison each compete in Texas Girls Coaches Association all-star games at the TGCA summer clinic.



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Aledo senior outside hitter Daleigh Ellison (12) was unanimously voted District 4-5A's Most Valuable Player for the 2019 season.

JULY 26

AUGUST 2

cer coach at Azle.

August practices.

Sports camps conclude at AHS and TCA.

Former Bearcats soccer player Willie

Maloney named new head boys' soc-

Ladycats volleyball team begins

AUGUST 9 Bearcats offensive coordinator Robby Jones is featured.

AUGUST 16

Defending state-champion Bearcats compete first week of football practices.

Ladycats volleyball team drops season opener to Denton Guyer.

AUGUST 23



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Aledo senior Graydon Morris crosses the finish line in first place at the Class 5A state cross country meet. Morris also won the 1,600-meter run in May at the state track and field meet.

Bearcats continue August practices. Ladycats head volleyball coach Claire Gay is inducted in to the Arlington High School Sports Hall of Fame moments after her Ladycats defeated the Lady Colts.

AUGUST 30

Bearcats eye season opener against Denton Guyer.

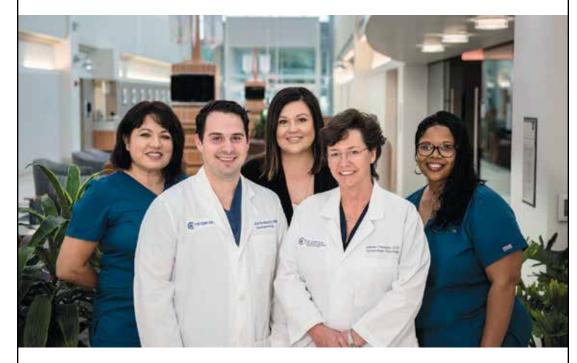
Ladycats head volleyball coach

Claire Gay notches her 400th career win against Katy Cinco Ranch at the Leander Volleypalooza tournament.

Former Dallas Cowboys All-Pro offensive tackle Rayfield Wright announces he is putting on a charity golf tournament at Squaw Creek to help raise funds for the City of Willow Park police and fire departments.



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SEPTEMBER 6

Bearcats fall in season football opener to eventual Class 6A state finalist Denton Guyer, 60-57.

Volleyball Ladycats defeat former district rival Boswell and county rival Weatherford in non-district matches.

SEPTEMBER 13

Bearcats defeat Mexico MX Dragons, 63-0, in final non-district football game.

Ladycats split pair of non-district volleyball matches.

SEPTEMBER 20

Bearcats win District 5-5A football opener over Burleson Centennial, 63-30.

Volleyball Ladycats fall to Class 5A No. 1 Lucas Lovejoy in four sets. AHS fall team tennis splits first two matches of district play.

SEPTEMBER 27

Volleyball Ladycats complete non-district portion of schedule and look ahead to district play.

Bearcats enjoy off week in football.

OCTOBER 4

Bearcats defeat Everman, 42-13, at Everman.

Ladycats sweep Abilene Wylie on road in District 4-5A volleyball open-

AHS tennis defeated Wichita Falls Rider to secure third seed in playoffs.

<u>OCTOBER 11</u>

Former Ladycats two-time state champion golfer Cheyenne Knight wins her first LPGA tournament. Knight was a rookie on the LPGA tour in 2019. Her win exempts her for two years, including majors, on the LPGA tour.

Nathen Fingar's touchdown return of a fumble in overtime gives the Bearcats a 34-28 victory over Midlothian to keep Aledo's ongoing



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Former Aledo Ladycats golfer Cheyenne Knight poses with her trophy after winning her first LPGA tournament. Knight, a two-time state champion at Aledo and a University of Alabama All-American, was a rookie on the 2019 LPGA tour.

state record of consecutive district wins alive.

After the first half of the District 4-5A volleyball season, Ladycats remain unbeaten.

OCTOBER 18

Bearcats defeat Burleson, 57-21. Volleyball Ladycats sweep Abilene Wylie to take two-game lead in District 4-5A.

TCA football wins district opener, 26-0, over Fort Worth Temple Christian.

AHS tennis team eliminated from playoffs by Canyon Randall.

OCTOBER 25

Bearcats defeat Cleburne, 45-0. AHS cross country girls' and boys' JV and varsity teams win respective District 4-5A meets.

Ladycats defeat Wichita Falls Rider to clinch outright District 4-5A vollevball championship.

NOVEMBER 1

Bearcats defeat Waco University, 77-10.

Aledo boys advance to state cross country meet after placing fourth at the regional meet. Senior Graydon Morris won the boys' race - for the fourth consecutive year - while twin sister Gracie Morris won the girls' race.

Ladcyats finish district volleyball play with win over Abilene Cooper to complete an undefeated district season.

NOVEMBER 8

Bearcats defeat Joshua, 42-0, for second shutout in last three district games.

Ladycats sweep Lubbock Cooper in first round of volleyball playoffs.

NOVEMBER 15

Aledo senior Graydon Morris wins his third consecutive state cross country championship. Boys team finishes sixth overall. Aledo senior Gracie Morris earned a silver medal in the girls' state cross country race. Bearcats close out 5-5A football season with 56-13 win over Arlington Seguin for Aledo's ongoing state

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Ladycats defeat El Paso High School in second round of volleyball playoffs but fall to Canyon Randall in regional quarterfinals.

NOVEMBER 22

Bearcats defeat Dallas Kimball, 77-7, in opening round of football playoffs.

Ten Ladycats earn All-District 4-5A honors, as superlative awards went to Daleigh Ellison (MVP), Lilly Taylor







at running back. Tovar also earned all-state, all-academic honors.

Trinity Christian Academy linebacker/running back Marshall Tovar (8),

shown during a 2019 game, was selected to the TAPPS Division III all-state

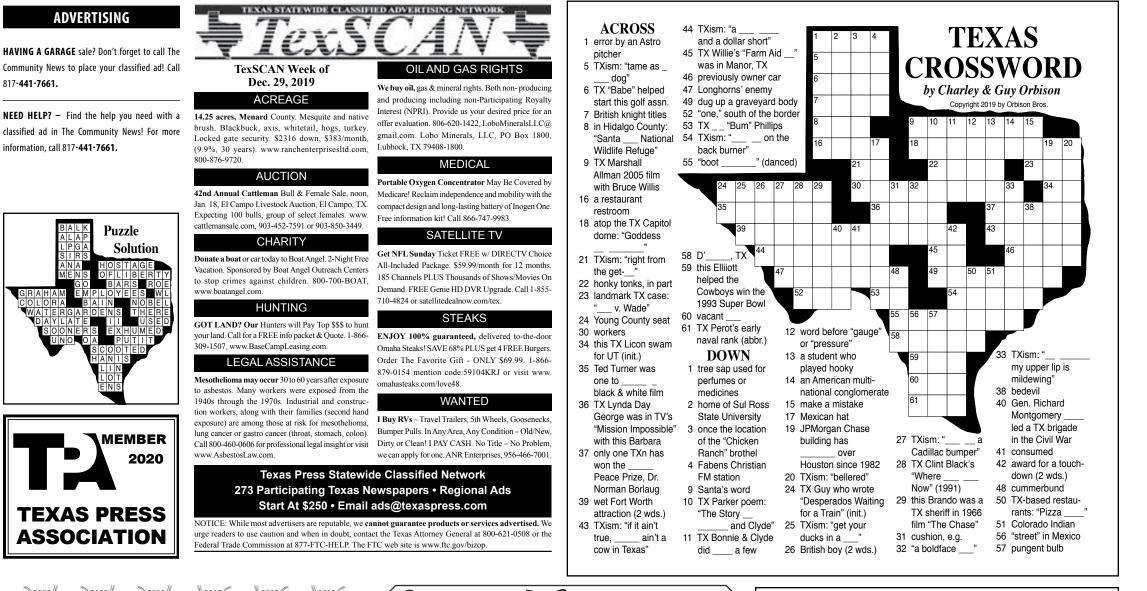
second team at linebacker, and was an all-state honorable mention choice

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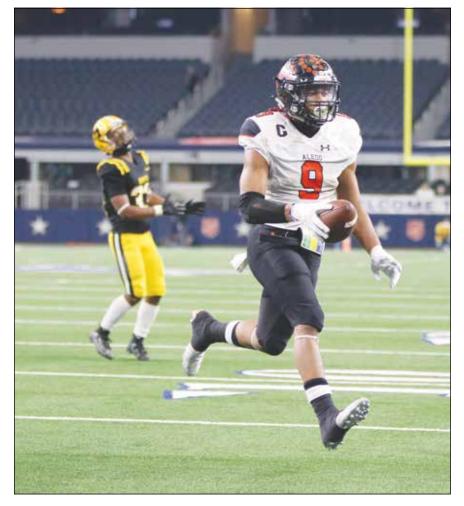


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Aledo tailback Jase McClellan played on his third state championship team after the Bearcats defeated Fort Bend Marshall in the state title game. Three days prior to that contest McClellan signed with the University of Alabama.

(Offensive Player of the Year), Riley Pickett (Defensive Player of the Year), Mattie Gantt (Setter of the Year) and Audrey Pearce (Blocker of the Year).

Eight Aledo High School team tennis players earned All-District 4-5A honors.

NOVEMBER 29

Bearcats defeat Royse City, 53-24, in area championship game (second

round).

Basketball Ladycats defeat Fort Worth Nolan Catholic for fifth place at Brock tournament.

Basketball Bearcats fall to Krum.

DECEMBER 6

with 34-14 victory over Red Oak in regional football quarterfinals.

Basketball blow out Benbrook, 73-57.

Bearcats win 12th consecutive game



CYNTHIA LLEWELLYN/THE COMMUNITY

The Aledo Bearcats celebrate their 2019 state championship after defeating Fort Bend Marshall, 45-42, for a Texas 11-man record ninth football state championship.

Ladycats hoopsters split pair of non-district games.

DECEMBER 13

Bearcats win Region II championship with 43-36 overtime win over Ennis in fourth-round football playoff game.

Basketball Ladycats fall at Nolan. Bearcats hoopsters go 4-1 at Bowie tournament to finish in second place.

DECEMBER 20

Bearcats defeat Lubbock Cooper, 28-21, in state semifinals to advance to the state championship game for the fourth consecutive year. It was also the Bearcats' 14th consecutive win.

TCA senior linebacker Marshall Tovar is selected to TAPPS all-state team.

Bearcats' tailback Jase McClellan signs with Alabama; classmate and receiver Money Parks signs with Utah on national early-signing day.

DECEMBER 27

Bearcats defeat Fort Bend Marshall, 45-42, to win Class 5A, Division II state championship. It was a Texas 11-man record ninth state football championship, the third in last four years and the eighth in the last 11 years. The Bearcats complete the season with a 15-game winning streak.





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