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Our 32-page "All about Kids" section is included with this issue. Read feature stories about some special young people, find summer camp information, and more!

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

This week's issue of *The* Community News contains a lot of information about upcoming elections in Willow Park and Annetta.

We had to do a little juggling to get it all in, but we did so because it is important.

Local government is that which typically has the greatest effect on the residents of a community, but has the lowest turnout at election time.

We urge residents of Willow Park and Annetta to become informed and to exercise your right to vote. (There was one contested race in Aledo, but one of the candidates dropped out).

And even if you don't live in one of those communities, it helps to know what your neighboring cities are doing. As east Parker County grows, we are learning that our communities are increasingly interdependent.

Early voting is under way and continues through April 30. If you receive your paper in the mail on Friday, there is still time to vote early. If you receive your e-version on Thursday, well, you have an extra day.

Check our website for early voting times and locations. community-news.com.



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Annetta Mayor Bruce Pinkard and challenger Mike Brasovan were among the candidates who spoke at a candidate forum hosted by the East Parker County Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, April 23. Early voting is under way for the municipal elections on May 4.

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Willow Park Mayor's Race



Doyle Moss

Occupation:

Owner - Insurance Agency

How long have you lived in the city?

6 years

Moss

Why are you running for mayor?

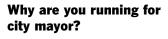
I believe we were put on this earth to serve. Prior to running for mayor in 2017, I was asked by my pastor to consider serving the city.

I had been told by numerous individuals that doing business in the City of Willow Park was very difficult. I had previously volunteered and served on numerous boards and committees. I have also owned and operated a suc**Gene Martin**

Occupation: Retired

How long have you lived in the city?

31 years, 5 months





Serving seven terms spread across twenty-five years on the city council has given me solid experience to understand city operations. I know the underlying assumptions that go into creating budgets and strategic planning documents that should be guiding our council. I have observed ten different mayors dealing with issues and I know what works well in Willow Park

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Annetta Mayor's Race



Bruce Pinckard

Occupation:

Business Management

How long have you lived in the city?

21 years

Pinckard

Why are you running for mayor?

I am running for re-election because even though Annetta has made tremendous progress over the last several years, we are not done. During my tenure, our staff has become better trained and professional-

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Mike Brasovan

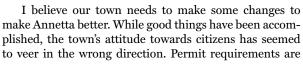
Occupation:

Business Owner/Energy Consultant

How long have you lived in the city?

since 2011

Why are you running for city mayor?



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WILLOW PARK

Robbery **Suspects** arrested

Three men tied to home invasion

Special to The Community News

In the early morning hours of April 4, officers were dispatched to a home on Willow Crest Drive in reference to an aggravated robbery. Two unidentified male subjects kicked in the back door and demanded a variety of items from the female resident of the home. The resident was asleep at the time of the break-in.

The victim was unable to provide officers with a description of the two suspects, as they wore dark clothing and concealed their facial features. During the investigation, officers located a man named Hassan Ellis, who was found to have outstanding warrants on other charges and was taken into custody.

The investigation revealed Ellis was involved in the robbery. The investigation also led to the other two suspects, Daryn Allen Hudson and Justin Michael Baxter. Hudson and Baxter were located and arrested in Hays County on April 16. They have been charged with Aggravated Robbery. Hudson and Baxter also face similar charges in the Austin

NEWS NOTES

ALEDO EX-STUDENT'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Aledo Ex-Student's Association has three \$500 scholarships available for 2019 graduates in the Aledo ISD. Applications may be picked up at the high school counselor's office. These scholarships are directed to students planning to attend junior colleges, community colleges, or two-year technical colleges.

Applications need to be returned and postmarked by Saturday, April 27, 2019.



60 and counting Local couple celebrating 60th wedding anniversary.

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Signings

Trinity Christian Academy athletes sign letters with colleges.

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Football

Spring workouts begin under Coach Tim Buchanan for the first time since 2013.

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Brasovan

Track 14 track athletes qualify for

regionals.

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CANDIDATE PROFILES

Willow Park City Council Place 1

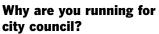
Eric Contreras

Occupation:

Railroad

How long have you lived in the city?

1 Year



I'm running for office because I want to bring a local business driven philosophy to the community that I live in. And I believe it is important that we keep the small-town, hometown approach to our government for those that are here and those that will come.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member?

First of all, I think I'm qualified because I understand what makes our community great. I have a deep understanding that it's small businesses that drive our local economy and make this a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

I love my community and want to be the best council person that I can. I was

raising my family here. I care about this area and I believe we have great opportunities for growth but in a controlled environment. I'm good at that and I look forward to serving.

After moving into Willow Park in the Spring of 2018, I began to attend city council meetings and become active in understanding the issues our city faces today and in the

future. In June of 2018, I submitted my application to fill a vacancy on Willow Park City Council Place 4. Mrs. Lea Young was on Willow Park's Board of Adjustments and ultimately was appointed to fill the seat.

Contreras

The following month, I was nominated to fill Mrs. Young's vacancy on Willow Park's Board of Adjustments. During this time I learned how the inner workings of Willow Park ran and learned about our city's code.

I had gotten to know many on the Council; especially Mayor Pro-Tem Norman Hogue. After his tragic passing, I was nominated by the council to fill his seat as Place 1. I was humbled and honored to be nominated to fill his seat.

I know I can never truly fill Norm's shoes, but I try to honor Norm's memory and legacy on the council. Since

raised in this area and I am November of 2018, I have served on the Council as an appointed member.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

The biggest challenge the city faced was providing water stability for the city. The city has solved this challenge by rehabbing existing wells and drilling new wells. Also, Mayor Moss signed the surface water agreement with Fort Worth to provide over three million gallons per day. The next challenge is a long-term solution for our wastewater. The permit for our temporary treatment plant expires in 2021; and we have to weigh in all options and come up with a long term solution in late 2019 or early

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

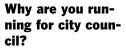
I believe creating a shared vision of growth for both the city of Willow Park and Aledo ISD will be mutually beneficial. I feel that I can lead this effort, as I attended Aledo ISD from K-12 and ultimately graduating from Aledo High

Jaymes Seals

Occupation: Cable Technician

How long have you lived in the city?

1 year 11 months



To give the people of this town what they want. The majority of the people that I have talked with do not want this town to be the next Plano or McKinney. Willow Park is a small town with lots of green space, there is no reason we have to build on every single piece of land and turn it into a concrete jungle.

Seals

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member?

I served 8 1/2 years in the United States Marine Corps and worked with multiple foreign governments. During my time in the Marine Corps I have been in leadership roles and helped to make decisions that would effect a large number of people, being able to

ignore my own personal opinions and truly do what was best for all involved.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would

you solve them?

Improving the current infrastructure without raising taxes, fixing the roads at a reasonable cost, and not using concrete every

single time that roads need to be built. I would also work on cutting the administrative budget for the city, spending thousands of dollars eating out and driving to Austin on tax payers' dollars is unacceptable.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

I would start by working with the superintendent of Aledo ISD the find out what Willow Park could do to possibly help them I could definitely see a school being built in Willow Park because the amount of overcrowding in Aledo. Unfortunately the voters have spoken in the last election and a bond is not going to happen.

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Willow Park City Council Place 2

Amy Fennell

Occupation: Household CEO

How long have you lived in the

5 1/2 years

city?

Why are you running for city council?

Over these past two years, Willow Park has finally become a city of action. This administration didn't sit around and simply lament about problems and talk about solutions. We went out and made it happen! I am running for re-election so Willow Park will continue to make it happen. We cannot afford to go backwards by electing previous leaders and their old ways of thinking. The old strategies may have been effective at times but they simply do not work anymore. I want Willow Park to be a place that our resi-



Fennell

dents are truly proud to call home and must keep moving forward in order to make it a reality.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member?

I studied business at LeTourneau University and my background is in retail management. I have been on council for two years and have proven myself to be an able leader.

During my tenure, the city of Willow Park has accomplished more than anyone would've ever predicted could happen in such a short time. We permanently solved the decades-long water problem by repairing our wells and drilling new wells and then secured all future water needs with a Fort Worth surface water contract.

Our sales tax soared to just over \$1 million and we are on

track to surpass that number this year. With this newfound revenue, we have rebuilt roads, improved water lines, and invested money in plans for future parks. The new public safety building will be completed this year along with the quality construction of Ranch House Road.

> We now live-stream our meetings and have a level of open communication that stands in sharp contrast to how it was before I was sworn in. I'm especially proud of the healthy relationships that we now have with the county, our neighboring cities, and the state.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

During my term, Willow Park has become the shining star she was always meant to be but we have challenges to face in order to assure that she continues to shine. We have crumbling

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Marcy Galle

Occupation:

Volunteer

How long have you lived in the city?

Just under 5 years

Why are you running for city council?

I gave thoughtful consideration and decided to run for Willow Park City Council after multiple residents in the community encouraged me to file specifically for Place 2. Many residents in Willow Park feel they have not received the representation or leadership they voted for in 2017.

As a resident myself, I do not feel that my vision for my city is shared by most of my elected leaders. I reached out to leadership and made numerous attempts over the past 18



Galle

Board meeting in Weatherford last summer. I have noticed an overall arrogance that has settled upon City Hall. Many residents I have spoken with feel marginalized, especially those who disagree with the direction of leadership. If Willow Park is to be successful, City Hall needs to respect and truly represent the community.

highlight and redirect

what I felt were poor

decisions, poor pro-

cesses and inadequate

when I watched city

leaders make jokes at

the expense of resi-

dents during a pub-

lic Municipal Utility

I was appalled

planning.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member?

The experience I have gained serving my community

has spanned many years. I have served in various board positions for the following: PTA/ PTO Groups, Band Booster Organizations, Neighborhood Association, Boy Scouts of America Willow Park Cub Pack 1099. I am currently serving as the Committee Chairperson for BSA Aledo Troop 109.

I also possess skills developed over a 17-year career working in corporate America; my last employer was Lockheed Martin, supporting the executive leadership on a foreign sales contract for the F-16. The business experiences I gained include understanding the benefits of working as a team with different personalities focused on a mutual goal, critical and methodical consideration of process planning and execution, meeting deadlines, and the flexibility to correct specific paths as needs change.

The concept that the resi dents of Willow Park are the ultimate decision-makers who should truly guide City Hall can-

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MOSS

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After prayerful consideration, I decided to run. I believe that since being elected, meaningful changes have been made in the city.

The current city council and I have made major improvements to the main thoroughfare, the city has increased sales tax revenue over 30 percent, and we have implemented a maintenance program on the wells (which has increased output to 1.5M per day).

In addition, under the current leadership, we have signed a water agreement with Fort Worth and our neighboring City of Hudson Oaks. This has solved the water issue in Willow Park.

We have also repaired relationships with our neighboring cities, which had not been done prior to my election. I want to continue to serve the City of Willow Park to lead the city in future growth, to continue to improve the roads and to solve the City's waste water treatment issues.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good mayor?

In the past 32 years I've served on many boards and committees working on issues and solving problems. In addition to my successful profession in the insurance agency, we've helped many people dealing with storms and natural disasters when we were in Florida. I have been the mayor for the past two years and have led the city and the council to solve our water problem, improve our roads and increase our tax revenue. I believe that my leadership will serve the city well.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

We have solved our water issue, signing the contract along with our neighbor Hudson Oaks with Fort Worth a couple of weeks ago. One of our challenges after being elected was restoring our relationships with our neighboring cities. We now have a great relationship and communication with all of them.

We've set aside money to repair our roads, and doing concrete on Ranch House road was very important as it is a major thoroughfare in our city.

Our next project will be our waste water treatment, and we've already started working on it. I'm hopeful we'll have a solution in the next few months.

We also want to manage growth that is wanting to come to our city. I believe consistent leadership along with the current council will be able to handle any issues which come with such growth. We want to see the inevitable growth managed so it is beneficial to the city of Willow Park and its residents.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

We have had several meetings with the new Superintendent Dr. Bohn and we have a great relationship with Aledo ISD. We're excited about the future and our city wants to support our school system and programs. The school system is growing and Willow Park will be a great partner with Aledo ISD in the future.

MARTIN

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and what does not.

As a council member and even as mayor pro tem for eight years, I very often felt like I was pushing a rope. I would like the opportunity to take hold of the lead end of the rope and start pulling.

Our debt has increased over 35 percent in the past two years to \$24.3 million. Paying for the Fort Worth water contract and implementing a permanent wastewater treatment system solution will double that debt. Willow Park cannot afford to throw money we don't have "in the bank" at projects that look great for the short term. Disciplined leadership in that short term is required to fulfill the potential of our bright future.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good mayor?

Willow Park Planning & Zoning Commission; helped redefine Planned Development Zoning ordinance requirements

Willow Park City Council Place 3 (1992–1994); drafted a compilation of city ordinances to produce the 1993 Codification; participated in creating the original Willow Park wastewater treatment system

Willow Park City Council Place 1 (1997–2001); rebuilt city revenues following the bankruptcy of Trinity Meadows Raceway

Home Rule Charter Committee (2008–2009) The draft charter has been on the shelf since 2009. We officially exceeded 5,000 population in late 2016; should have been on the ballot in 2018 or even 2019. We need to review, update and present for voter ratification in 2020.

Willow Park City Council Place 2 (2009–2017); helped resolve multi-city lawsuits resulting from Deer Creek and Dyegard water systems purchased in 2005. Helped control finances to achieve AA-bond rating.

Mayor Pro Tem 1998, 1999, 2000, 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

Debt is and will be the most significant issue for the next few years. Total debt rose from \$17.6 million in 2016 to \$24.2 million in 2018. Bids due in May on the proposed project to concrete Ranch House Road will most likely exceed \$1 million. This increase in debt is outpacing our growth in sales tax. I am concerned that our decreasing ability to absorb debt will endanger our AA-bond rating and adversely affect interest rates for future debt.

Cost of connecting to and obtaining water from Fort Worth will add another \$8.6 million over two years. Funding that amount through water revenues could raise rates by about \$12 per household per month. Cost of implementing a permanent wastewater treatment plant solution, whether we build a high-tech plant or contract to outsource to a neighbor, will likely cost over \$15 million. Attempting to fund that amount through wastewater revenues will be prohibitive. Nobody (except me) seems to want to talk about putting this funding on

Growth in Willow Park is necessary to distribute the cost and reduce it to a reasonable level. The 500 GPD capacity of the temporary package plant is the current limiting factor for combined residential and commercial growth.

the ballot for voter approved General

Obligation Bonds.

The best solution for our debt problem is a voter approved bond issue with a dual backing of both property tax and wastewater revenue funding. As growth does occur, the revenue stream will be able to reasonably retire the debt.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

Willow Park is somewhat unique in east Parker County in being shared by two school districts and we of course need to be mindful of the needs of both Aledo ISD and Weatherford ISD. The AISD is unquestionably the most significant attraction for residential growth in this area. Obviously, the demographic most affected are young married couples raising children. Communication and coordination between the ISD supervision and local city management is essential. The city needs to keep the ISDs informed of development requests, enabling estimates to be made on growth demographics. Similarly, the ISDs providing actual student population numbers by grade will help cities promote various retail opportunities to attract new business.

For the present, the best form of growth for both Willow Park and Aledo ISD is retail growth in the I-20 corridor within Willow Park. This type of growth will generate both property tax and sales tax for Willow Park. It will also generate property tax for Aledo ISD without creating more seats in the classroom. Sometime in the future, the same formula will apply to Willow Park and the Weatherford ISD if (when?) it is determined we need to create retail space along White Settlement Road.

PINCKARD

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ized, working diligently on improving our processes and continuously finding ways to serve the citizens better.

The Town of Annetta now has a modest but clean and comfortable city hall where residents are welcomed and can request information, speak to the staff and offer comments and suggestions for things they would like to see happen. Ordinances are being updated to be compliant with current law and applicable to the Annetta lifestyle.

Spending is controlled and policies are in place to keep it that way which has resulted in six-plus years of great financial audit results conducted by an independent accounting firm that specializes in public finance.

The Town Bond Rating has improved from a BBB to AA, saving over \$600,000 in interest for our water customers ,and our utility system is now rated Superior. Investments are being made in technology and infrastructure that continue to push down on otherwise rising costs. Roads are being repaired at the greatest rate in town history.

All of this without a property tax.

Annetta continues to be one of the most desirable places to live in Parker County and that is no accident, but the result of a can-do attitude and proven leadership. And yet there is still more we can do to serve the citizens well. I promise to do that.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good mayor?

I served the Town of Annetta as a city council for member for six years before becoming mayor, which was invaluable experience. Along with excellent operators, consultants, and engineers, my background in construction and project management allowed me to contribute to the upgrades and improvements to the Deer Creek Water and Waste Water systems.

The role of mayor in Annetta has now taken on many of the aspects normally handled by a city manager or public works director so knowledge and experience are critical to doing the job well. Managing staff and leading volunteers are both responsibilities of the mayor. Perhaps the more difficult of the two is to lead volunteers. All our city council members and Planning and Zoning Commissioners serve voluntarily, sharing their time between work, family, and the community. Providing important information to those willing to serve on issues before Annetta is one of the things a mayor must do effectively.

During elections, there will always be some wanting to dispute that according to their own vision; however, my track record as mayor illustrates that I have these skills to get the work done not just once but with multiple council member changes over the years.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

There are continuous pressures on our community to change the Annetta way of life into something to be determined by outside developers and shortterm thinkers, not the long-time residents that have made it the way it is.

Annetta is a diverse collection of citizens with a common desire to live quiet, uninterrupted lives in a great community. Homes on larger tracts of land have little need for much in the way of city services but are balanced by neighborhoods that require water and sewer service and more frequent street repair.

By using professional planning consultants to guide citizens through the process of change, Annetta has made great progress. The Town of Annetta Comprehensive Plan has been adopted with a recognition that managing to a lower standard will result in a loss of the very things we all like most about Annetta. Annetta must continue to engage in the practice of making developers pay their own way or the citizens will suffer long term consequences that are difficult to recover from.

My record as mayor shows that I have been extremely successfully navigating the town through the challenges of growth in order to advance our quiet and semi-rural lifestyle. I will continue to do that with both respect and a careful eye on the interests of all Annetta citizens.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

Annetta is already working with the Aledo Independent School District, having recognized an inseparable relationship that exists between community and our kids' education. The single largest reason that people move out to our area is the schools. Even those with no children or those that home school or private school chose to come here because of the quality of life that exists here.

This high standard of living was overwhelmingly created and maintained by parents seeking the very best community to raise a family. In Annetta, we have Stuard Elementary where all three of my children attended. Annetta will also be the home of a second elementary school one day as property was recently purchased by the school district for that purpose. The need for more schools is a direct result of land availability for residential development.

In the past, little thought was given by cities to tighten standards and increase jurisdictional boundaries to manage new growth. As a result, both the school district and the towns are faced with an ever-increasing burden on our roads and other critical infrastructure such as water and sewer.

A school needs all three of these things and without proper planning, costs to the district increase and residents suffer with traffic congestion and higher school taxes to fund new buildings and increase personnel like teachers, maintenance workers, and school district police officers.

Annetta has contributed to school safety measures by using CCPD funds to purchase school flashing lights and other traffic control equipment to spare the school district these costs. Annetta also stands ready to help with water and sewer services for the proposed new elementary school. I met early with the school board to work with them on these needs and will continue to do so in planning for the future.

BRASOVAN

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pervasive and costs are high.

Should a permit cost \$680 to replace or install a culvert? Should you have to pay for a permit to cross fence your land? Should the city limit the size of ancillary buildings to just 420 sq. ft. no matter how big your property is? Currently these are the Annetta's rules. I would like to change this.

Citizens should have access to much more information about what is going on in their town without requiring them to make an open records request. In January there was a public workshop to review proposed changes to Ordinance 192 (the building ordinance). I called the town office to get a copy of the proposed changes and was told no, they don't send out that information (but I could leave work early to pick up and pay for a hard copy).

You can say you have a transparent government, but it sure doesn't look it when you don't openly share information.

Additionally, the town and water system finances are not available online.

Finally, I would make the council meeting books (the information council has about finances, proposed ordinance changes, and other non-confidential information) available to the public before each meeting.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good mayor?

After graduating from Texas A&M with a Mechanical Engineering degree, my 26 year-career has focused on solving my customer's problems – whether lowering their utility costs, addressing service issues with utility companies or representing customers in regulatory proceedings before the Texas PUC.

I have helped negotiate 35-year utility service agreements for DFW Airport and energy supply agreements for the City of Dallas, Parkland Health and Hospital System, Texas Motor Speedway, Baylor Scott & White Healthcare, UNTHSC, UT Austin and many other large users.

Many of these customers are gov-

ernmental entities with procurement rules and decision-making processes that directly align with Annetta's processes. This experience, along with my experience on the Annetta North City Council, the school board for Covenant Classical School and six years on the Parker County Center of Hope board (two years as board chair) have all prepared me to take on this role.

In short, I have built and operate a larger utility system than the current Annetta water system. I hope to bring this expertise to bear on the water system's cost issues and hopefully save citizens money.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

Development and the water system costs are the two biggest challenges facing the town. Let's talk about water here.

We have to lower our finance costs and/or lower our operating costs. I have ideas for both of these goals that will not sacrifice dependability.

One thing to investigate is how we finance debt. The town continues to use private bond sellers instead of utilizing discounted financing from the Texas Water Development Board. Why? Hudson Oaks and Willow Park just obtained financing at 1.75 percent. The refinanced interest rate for most of our debt is at 2.7 percent.

If elected I intend to work with the TWDB to determine if we could lower these costs and possibly apply for one of TWDB's principal forgiveness grants to pay off our debt more quickly.

Operationally we need to evaluate the cost allocation between the town and water system. Also, can we utilize the newly implemented metering technology to reduce staff needs and increase services to customers (via online payments for instance).

We also pay \$300,000/year to Hudson Oaks for their staff members to operate our system. Do we still need the same level of staff commitment from them to maintain the system? Could the same or better operational responsiveness and maintenance be maintained through a private company? These are some of the things that

need to be looked at very carefully to make sure every responsible opportunity to lower costs is pursued and implemented.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

Working to revise existing rules and implement new rules needed to effectively, efficiently and fairly manage growth will be a big challenge. I am a big believer in larger-tract (1 to 2+ acres) developments being the best for the town, and school district, in the near and long term. They result in less traffic, more long-term value for all residents, less impact on our limited water resources and less strain on our public schools. And they also help maintain the country feel of our area.

The current approach has been to put 160 pages of HOA-like rules in place, above and beyond the two-acre minimum, that severely restrict home and land owners that want to develop their land. While many of these rules are good, this approach has resulted in many developments occurring outside the town limits and therefore outside its direct control when it comes to building and development. I believe the better approach is to develop rules that ensure development is done well with infrastructure paid for by the developer with minimum impact to existing land and home owners, but also allows for different levels of infrastructure to be built based on lot sizes. For instance, if you develop land with the two-acre minimum inside the city limits then your road design might not have to be concrete, since the resulting road would receive less traffic due to lower density.



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CANDIDATE PROFILES

Annetta City Council Place 4

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hideous structures and activities

that disrupt the neighborhood,

but yet allow plenty of freedom

that people don't feel like they

need to ask the city for permis-

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road to get those prices down to

where they should be, but there

are things we can do to begin

that process. A water rate change

could help. If you sell water at

a very high cost per gallon, you

won't sell much water and there-

fore won't have much income.

If you sell water at a very low

cost per gallon, you'll sell lots

of water, but will still not make

much income. There is a happy

medium cost per gallon that will

give you the most income for

the system. This will take some

study, but will hopefully allow us

to pay down the bond quicker.

Also, many years in the future, if

we have a lot more growth, more

wells or even surface water may

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have to be considered.

2. Water - Prices are entire-

Mike Herring

Occupation:

Mechanical Engineer

How long have you lived in the city?

6.5 Years



When I was very young, I learned the old adage, "Your Freedom Ends Where Another Person's Begins" and that is the way I believe our town should govern.

Lately, there has been a movement to place very specific restrictions on many aspects of our lives and our property with our town, under Ordinance 192.

I have been on the P&Z Committee that makes recommendations to the current city council and I have fought for more freedom and less restriction, but the P&Z Committee Member can only make recommendations to the city council.

I want to become a city

council member so I can have a vote that counts for our freedom and rights on our property.

Mike Herring

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member

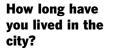
I have been a mechanical engineer for over 25 years and was a small business owner for about four years. Before that, I grew up on a ranch in a very small town. This lifelong experience has given me good training as a problem solver. I have also been on the Planning and Zoning Committee for about three years. Before that, I have attended most city council meetings over the last 6-1/2 years that I have lived here in Annetta. I have gained an understanding of a lot of the problems that our town has and have some ideas of how to address them.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

Sandy Roberts

Occupation:

Alcon Surgical Sales Manager, Service Plans



17 years

Why are you running for city council?

I am excited for the opportunity to represent our local citizens as a member of the Annetta City Council. If elected, it would be an honor and privilege to serve. As a resident of 17 years, my family and I have enjoyed the community benefits that have attracted so many others. We all recognize the growth in East Parker County. The Town of Annetta is a part of that attraction. I am asking for the opportunity to serve and help shape a shared vision for the future. As an Annetta City Council member, I promise to be engaged, listen to the community, and be accountable - being a good neighbor.



Sandy Roberts

I have lived in Annetta for the past 17 years and believe in community involvement. I am a member of the Aledo United

Methodist Church. I believe in strong partnership between local communities and local public schools. As a family, our life is here. The Town of Annetta is our home.

I currently serve on the Annetta Planning & Zoning Commission. The experience on the P&Z has allowed me to extend my public service and run for a seat on the Annetta City Council. During this campaign, I often think of my neighbors and all the wonderful people I have met. We live in a special place. The opportunity to represent all of our community on the Annetta City Council is one of honor and trust. I recognize the responsibility and look forward to the opportunity.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

A topic of conversation in Annetta is our water system. Understanding the history of our system adds perspective. Knowing how far we have come with improvements allows us to appreciate where we are today and acknowledge our city leadership. Equally important, understanding the history of our system allows us to better prepare for growth and secure our water in Annetta for the future. As an ear and voice for the community, I look forward to shaping our future together.

There is something else that I see to making Annetta a better place for everyone; something that when improved, will insure our water for the future, safe neighborhoods, good roads, strong public schools, fair ordinances, and neighbors knowing neighbors – and this one thing that we can improve on is called "involvement."

As a spouse, a mother to two, and employed, I understand the

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CANDIDATE PROFILES

Annetta City Council Place 5

Jaime Saenz

Occupation:

Special Investigator

How long have you lived in the city?

11 years six months

Why are you running for city council?

Coming from a small Texas town I quickly learned the importance of a community because without a sense of caring there is no sense of community. I also learned it's easier to build a strong community than it is to repair it. Since moving to Annetta, I have been involved at various levels with the community and local government even when I didn't have a vote as part of the ETJ Annetta. As a family-man, servant, and veteran, I've always believed in serving in any capacity. I also believe we all serve in our own ways through church, community, schools and neighborhoods because we are all reflections of our community.

Jaime Saenz

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member/mayor?

Most importantly what I believe makes me qualified and experienced for a position of council is that I know how to listen and that I'm transparent. I also believe in only two term limit positions; which helps with complacency. I have managed the Annetta Crime Control Prevention District as the director. I currently serve on the Planning and Zoning Counsel, I currently serve on the Bearcat Growth Committee and I also have coached some of our baseball youth.

I have extensive investigative, corporate/business experience as a problem solver, fact finder and mitigation specialist. I have budgeted and managed multi-million dollar projects and extensive experience with profit and loss statements.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

Some of the biggest challenges we are facing in Annetta are high water rates to include our debts, ordinances, roads, and lack of transparency. We need to explore refinancing our water debt through state programs versus private institutions; we need to use our end of year excess revenue water funds to pay ahead on our bonds; we need to evaluate that all citizens have a common base water rate; and we need to review our expense budget and revenue statements.

We are too small of a town to have ordinances that are too restrictive similar to a HOA; this is not why we moved to Annetta. We are not a big city and should work towards our vision of who we want to be. Our road conditions need to be reviewed to include our yearly road repair/maintenance, a strategic road plan focusing on a plan of rebuilding and maintaining; not focusing on fixing potholes over and over. Lastly we need to focus on being transparent and open to the community. We should be available to provide or share any proposed ordinances ahead of council voting day and our revenue and expenses should be publicly posted for the citizens to view.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

Growth is inevitable for Aledo ISD. Aledo ISD is known for our great programs and educators. Within the next year or two several schools will either be at capacity or will be exceeding capacity. As a member of the Bearcat Growth Committee I have had the opportunity to understand the challenges our educators have. Presently Aledo ISD only has two properties – one in Annetta and the second in the Walsh Ranch area. We also need to work with housing developers and donors for acreage that they can donate or that Aledo ISD can purchase or negotiate. As a community we must look for future school growth and building opportunities that fit our continued growth.

Kent Stasey

Occupation:

Senior Natural Gas Pricing Mgr. - Vistra Energy

How long have you lived in the city?

17 years

council?



Why are you running for city $^{
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I believe in community service and I have solved the problems I was elected to solve, I can do more.

The Annetta Water System has been improved to a TCEQ "Superior" Rating from a failing system with outdoor water restrictions every year to no restrictions. We elevated the town bond rating from "BBB" to "AA" and refinanced utility debt, saving over \$600,000 dollars in future costs to custom-

Road repair funding increased by 300 percent annually, and is growing.

I supported the representation for Annetta water customers by honoring their voluntary annexation to join the town in 2013. No council person was a water customer in 2013, today 80 percent are. Bringing my community together to make decisions is a priority to me.

We have no city property tax in Annetta and citizens want to keep it that way. Annetta is a great place. I will continue Annetta progress and the quality of life we enjoy in Annetta with the support of Annetta voters.

What qualifications and experience do you have that would make you a good city council member/mayor?

I have six years of experience on Annetta City Council. I have supported the mayor, staff, and our contractors to form cooperative rela-

tionships that today are a cornerstone of our ability in Annetta to maintain our rural style of living without burdening our citizens with additional taxes on their home investments. We have a minimal staff of two who are highly trained and highly effective. We have highly effective contract professionals in accounting, engineering, and licensed operators with professional oversight that is beyond adequate, it is superior and matches our TCEQ rating of Superior. Developing professionalism in all that we do is an expectation I have for everything I am involved with, I will continue this expectation and grow that greatness everywhere we

I have over 25 years of experience in serving Texas utility customers with electricity and natural gas in my professional career. My experience translates well in directing the oversight of the Annetta water and waste water systems our Annetta customers rely on to ensure the ongoing investment value of their homes. Water and waste water systems level of service is a 24 hour per day, 365 days per year obligation, a person with utility experience knows that and knows what it takes to do it. I was prepared to make the changes necessary to bring the system to

Superior since my election in 2013, today we are Superior, the council and I have the planning in place to keep it that way into the future; reliable, stable and secure.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

Annetta is a diverse community with different styles of living – large acreage mixed with family neighborhoods. The Annetta Vision Statement developed by our citizens in our comprehensive plan reads:

"The Town of Annetta will continue to uphold its commitment to preserving a safe, healthy, and attractive quality of life for all its residents while maintaining fiscal responsibility and planning for expected growth and the challenges that come with it. Annetta commits to being a vibrant community with a high standard of living that is complimented by a unique and beautiful natural environment that it seeks to preserve."

A big challenge in our community is maintaining focus on our community vision while deploying common sense zoning to ensure property values are consistently supported in all areas of our city with proper zoning and proper and legal planning. I will continue to work with the community through citizen workshops and professional planning to ensure we meet our objectives and honor the comprehensive plan and protect the home investments of all our citizens.

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Sports

FOOTBALL

Bearcats open competition in spring under Buchanan

By Tony Eierdam

With his two-year starting quarterback, three-year starting tailback and an experienced wide receiver group returning, one would think new Aledo Bearcats head coach Tim Buchanan could rest easy as his team enter spring workouts.

Not exactly.

The Bearcats will have 18 spring football practices which began Tuesday and end on Friday, May 24.

Buchanan, Aledo ISD's former athletic director who returns to the Bearcats sidelines for the first time since 2013, has plenty of holes to fill, specifically on the offensive line, which lost all its starters to graduation.

He also has holes to fill on defense in all areas except cornerback, where DeMarco Roberts and Collin Johnson return, unless Johnson is moved to safety.

"When you lose what we did on the offensive line and defensively not to mention losing guys like Colt Ellison, Wyatt Harris and Tre Owens - we have a ton of guys we have to replace," Buchanan said. "We think we have some good ones we are going to plug in there - they have had a good offseason - but we are going to have to have a good spring and good twoa-days in August and we will need to get ready in a hurry because of the (experienced) teams we play early on our schedule.

"We lost one of the best offensive lines we have had in a long time."

Buchanan said he "has some good guys returning" on defense such as linebackers Max Lucas and Weston Reese, but added that it will be hard to replace two Division I football players (Ellison, Harris who will play at TCU) and the supporting cast that was around them.

He also pointed out that defensive tackles Oliver Crow and Matthew Bell along with ends Brennan Hagood and Logan Thurman all received plenty of experience last year, with some starting in the state championship game due to injuries to starters.





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Aledo head coach Tim Buchanan enjoyed his first spring football practice since returning to the Bearcats sidelines this year. Buchanan had been the Aledo ISD athletic director since 2014. | RIGHT: Bearcats receiver Money Parks snares a pass during the first spring football practice Tuesday morning at Bearcat Stadium.

Emphasis on Defense and O-line

"Our emphasis in the spring will be more on defense - the entire defense - and offensive line," Buchanan said. "I am looking forward to seeing defensive lineman Matthew Bell, who will be a sophomore next year, and Oliver Crow, who started in the state championship game last year and played a lot throughout the season at defensive tackle."

Crow, however, tore a shoulder muscle and he will be out for the spring. Buchanan expects him back at full strength in August. Logan Thurman is another projected starter who has a minor knee injury he hurt running track and the coach said he may not go through spring,

We still have to find a couple of outside linebackers and safeties and we could move some people around in the secondary during the spring ball," Buchanan said. "Collin Johnson has gotten bigger and stronger, and although he played cornerback last year, we might look

Valencia, who is a good safety coming back and he played some last year, and Weston Reese and Max Lucas at the inside linebacker spots. But we have to find some people to play the outside linebacker spots."

Buchanan has stated that spring football is all about open competition including quarterback, although it would be hard to beat out senior-to-be Jake Bishop, who has an incredible 31-1 record as a starter. But once again, he will be pushed by 6-5 junior Hampton Fay, one of the best athletes at Aledo and a returning starting wide receiver.

Buchanan feels he is in good shape, offensively.

"We have the quarterback, tailback, Jo Jo (Earle) at slot receiver and Hampton Fay at wide out, so we are in good shape there," Buchanan said. "Hampton Fay is also an unbelievable quarterback – he is making Bishop work hard.

"But Bishop will work hard; he is 31-1 as a starting quarterback, but he has to win that spot back, just like everybody else does. If Hamp

The lone relay team to qualify

tet placed second and with a time of

at him some at safety. We have Eli (Fay) doesn't beat him out at quarterback, Hamp will be out there at wide receiver."

Receivers

Buchanan likes the mismatch Fay will have as a wide receiver. He also welcomes back receiver Money Parks, who along with Earle will provide the 'Cats with two "home run" threats with their speed. Parks, who started his sophomore year at Aledo, is a transfer from Fort Worth All Saints.

"You put a 6-5 receiver to go along with Jo Jo Earle, and you look on the other side and you have got Money Parks, who has come back to Aledo for his senior year and had had a great offseason - he has matured physically and mentally - if you put all those together and have a guy like Jase in the backfield or Demarco in the backfield, you are talking about a potent offense," Buchanan said. "We want to get the ball in those wide receiver's hands whether by pass or running plays (jet sweeps, reverses)."

Buchanan is also considering playing at times with a two-back offense. He hopes by playing Jordan Montes (6-1, 215) at fullback that it will provide a lead blocker for McClellan and another receiving threat out of the backfield. Montes, however, had minor knee surgery and will not be able to go through spring football.

"We will force the defense to pick their poison," Buchanan said. "Will the defense load up the box and try to stop the run and leave our wide outs in one-on-one coverage? Or will the defense play zone and play two high safeties and defend the run with just six players? It will be fun; that part will be fun."

Despite all of the dangerous weapons on offense, the skill position players need blocking, and although the Bearcats will open the 2019 season with five new starters on the offensive line, Buchanan is confident that offensive line coaches Lee Bishop and Doug Wheeler will find their quintet.

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TRACK

Aledo fares well at area competition, advances 14 to Region I meet

Staff Reports

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Paced by five gold medals, including a pair by junior long-distance runner Graydon Morris, Aledo High School advanced 12 individuals in 13 events and qualified a relay team to the regional meet after a competitive showing at the District 3-5A/4-5A Area Track and Field Meet which was held April 18 in Lubbock.

The top four finishers in each event at the area meet advance to the regional meet. The Region I Track and Field Meet will be held Friday-Saturday, April 26-27 at Lowery Field in Lubbock.

The top two finishers in each event at the regional meet will automatically qualify for the state meet.

Each race/event will also send one "wild card qualifier" to the state was the boys' 4x100 relay team of meet - the best third-place time Money Parks, DeMarco Roberts, BJ Allen, and Jase McClellan. The quarfrom all four regional meets in each event and relays will advance to the

state meet. Graydon Morris won both the boys' 3,200-meter run with a time of 9:14.41 and ran a 4:19.47 to finish first in the 1,600-meter run. He is the defending state champion in both races. The Morris family trophy case grew larger as Graydon's twin sister Gracie Morris won the

girls' 1,600-meter run with a time

of 5:15.56.

In addition to the Morris' hardware, two Aledo vaulters soared to gold medals. Zach Davis won boys' pole vault with a mark of 16-0, while Sierra White won girls' pole vault with a mark of 11-7. Davis is the defending state champion, while White, a senior, has qualified for the regional meet for

the fourth consecutive year. 4x200 relay - (Paige

McClellan, 11.03, 4th 200 dash - Money Parks, 22.62, 7th; BJ Allen, 23.24, 8th 1600 run - Graydon

4:55.83, 7th 3200 run - Graydon

5-0, 4th; Ashley Canady, Josephine 89-02, 6th; 10:18.22, 7th 110 hurdles - Luke White, Boutwell, 16.72, 8th

White, 41.38, 6th

42.26, 2nd 4x200 relay - (Demarco Roberts, BJ Allen, Money Parks, Jase McClellan),

Other Aledo regional qualifiers in field events include Max Newell with a second-place finish in boys' high jump; Hannah Fay with a second-place finish in girls' pole vault; Tristan Thurman with a third-place finish in boys' high jump; and Callie

Other Aledo regional qualifiers in running events include DeMarco Roberts with a third-place finish in the boys' 100-meter dash; Cooper Goggans with a fourth-place finish in the boys' 1,600-meter run; and Jase McClellan with a fourth-place

Todd with a fourth-place finish in

finish in the boys' 100-meter dash. 1:31.26, 5th Garcia, Eli Hannah Fay, girls' pole

ALEDO EVENTS AT REGIONAL MEET

girls' high jump Noon. - Zach Davis, Ford

Maberry, boys' pole vault 2:30 p.m. - boys 4x100 relay (preliminaries) 3:30 p.m. - DeMarco Roberts, Jase McClellan, boys' 100-meter dash (Saturday, April 27) 11 a.m. - Max Newell, Tristan Thurman, boys' high jump Noon - Sierra White,

vault 2:30 p.m. - boys' 4x100 relay finals (if Bearcats finished in Top 8 in preliminaries)

3:20 p.m. - boys' 100-meter dash (if Roberts, McClellan finished in Top 8 in preliminaries) 4:40 p.m. - Gracie Morris, girls' 1,600-meter run; Graydon Morris, Cooper Goggans, boys' 1,600-

meter run



Elevating over the bar at last year's regional meet in Lubbock is Aledo junior Sierra White, who qualified for the regional meet in pole vault for the fourth consecutive year.





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Aledo junior Graydon Morris qualified for the regional meet in Lubbock by winning both the boys' 3,200- and 1,600-meter runs. Morris is the defending state champion in both races. | RIGHT: Aledo junior Gracie Morris won the girls' 1,600-meter run at the area meet to qualify for the regional meet.

ALEDO RESULTS

(top four advance to regional meet)

LADYCATS

100 dash - Laila Grubbs, 13.23, 7th 200 dash - Lydia Lawrence, 28.47, 8th 400 dash - Delaney Deller, 1:05.2, 6th; Lydia Lawrence, 1:06.32, 7th 800 dash - Delaney Deller, 2:35.3, 7th; Makayla Brinkman, 2:38.19, 8th 1600 run - Gracie Morris, 5:15.56, 1st 100 hurdles - Sophie Isham, 16.63, 8th 4x100 relay - (Paige Crippes, Laila Grubbs,

Maitlynn Mitchell, Alyssa

Nickerson), 51.65, 8th

Grimes, 7-06, 8th **BEARCATS**

100 dash - DeMarco

Shot put - Madysen

Pole vault - Sierra

White, 11-07, 1st; Hannah

Fay, 11-0, 2nd; Scarlett

Boutwell, 32-02.25, 7th

Crippes, Laila Grubbs,

Maitlynn Mitchell, Ashley

4x400 relay - (Olivia

Tregellas, Paige Crippes,

Delaney Deller, Makayla

Long jump - Addy

High jump - Callie Todd,

Brinkman), 4:21.36, 6th

Mosley, 14-6.75, 8th

4-8, 6th

Discus

Harvey,

Madysen

79-02, 7th

Canady), 1:48.51, 5th

Roberts, 11.02, 3rd; Jase Morris, 4:19.47, 1st;

Cooper Goggans, 4:37.06, 4th; Townes Raulerson,

Morris, 9:15,41, 1st; Cooper Goggans, 9:58.79, 5th; Townes Raulerson,

300 hurdles - Luke 4x100 relay - (Money Parks, Demarco Roberts, BJ Allen, Jase McClellan),

4x400 relay - (Luke White, Hampton Fay, Nolan Valencia), 3:39.63, 7th Long jump - Demarco Roberts, 20-01.25, 6th High jump - Max Newell, 6-6, 2nd; Tristan Thurman, 6-2, 3rd Pole vault - Zach Davis, 16-0, 1st; Ford Maberry,

girls' high jump.

13-06, 4th Discus - Evan Jokerst, 150-02, 5th; Logan Michael, 136-0, 7th

(Friday, April 26) 10:30 a.m. - Graydon Morris, boys' 3,200meter run 11 a.m. - Callie Todd.

FOOTBALL

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"Those two guys are as good as it gets on any level at producing quality offensive linemen," he said. "I have a ton of confidence in our O-line coaches in developing offensive linemen; they are the best O-line coaches in the nation. That is a big focus this spring as well as the defensive line."

Spring Practices

Buchanan explained the format of this year's spring practices.

"During spring ball, we try not to go full contact more than two days a week," he said. "And now the UIL actually has a rule saying you can't go full contact more than two days a week. But we never have. When you tell our kids it is full contact they get after it and don't hold back.

"They don't go out and bump each other; they go out and try to grind each other into the ground. And that's what you want, but we will go full contact one or two days a week and go half-pads on the other days. And some days while we might go full pads, it won't be a full-contact practice. But we will go full-live scrimmage at least once a week."

Another element of spring football is coordinating the workouts with baseball. The Bearcats will finish district play Friday (April 26) and will enter the playoffs the following week. Aledo is expected to go deep in the 2019 baseball playoffs, meaning some of the baseball-football players will have to miss some football practices, including Bishop, the lead-off hitter and starting left fielder.



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Aledo quarterback Hampton Fay (12) will once again challenge quarterback Jake Bishop for a starting spot. The 6-5 Fay started at wide receiver and was the backup quarterback last season.

"We have a bunch of kids who play baseball, and we want them to be able to go through football practice in the morning without the fear of injury," Buchanan said. "They want to practice, so we let them practice, but the last thing we want to do is see a kid get hurt in football when he is still playing baseball in the baseball playoffs.

"We are not going to let that happen. We will do everything we can to protect our baseball kids so we can win a state bunch of football players who play baseball. Since Jake is a baseball player, that will be good for Hampton Fay - he will get a lot of repetitions at quarterback."

Buchanan said having a spring game on the last day of spring workouts is pending.

"It will be a wait and see," Buchanan said. "We are not sure yet what we want to do, but there will be some form or fashion of a spring game on May 24 (last day of spring football). We will probably have a morning scrimmage especially championship in baseball. We have a if we have baseball or softball playoff games that evening."

May 20 - varsity 7:15-9

a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25

TENNIS

Double bronze



MELISSA MCCLURE/SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Earning bronze medals for a third-place finish at the regional tennis tournament in Abilene was the AHS doubles team of Erin Davis, left, and Priscilla Schimming.

Aledo boys, girls doubles teams take bronze medals at

By Melissa McClure Special to The Community News

regional meet

At the recent Region I-5A tennis tournament held at Texas Tech University, Aledo advanced one pair to the semifinal round and one pair to the final round in doubles play.

In boys' doubles, the Aledo pairing of Lance McClure/Miles Grubbs made it to the semifinal round, but lost in their match to Canyon Randall 3-6, 3-6. In the third-place playback match, McClure/Grubbs beat El Paso Eastwood 6-3, 6-3, for third place overall in the Region 1

tournament.

In girls' doubles, the pairing of Priscilla Schimming/ Erin Davis lost in the final round to Grapevine 5-7, 3-6. In a playback match for second/third place, Schimming/Davis lost to Lubbock Coronado 4-6, 6-0, 4-6 for third place overall in the Region 1 tournament.

All four seniors - McClure, Grubbs, Schimming and Davis - will continue their tennis careers at the collegiate level.

In girls' singles, Olivia Key lost to the No. 3 seed from Colleyville Heritage 4-6, 0-6 in the first round.

The Aledo varsity tennis team will return to the courts in August to begin preparation for the team tennis sea-

BEARCATS SPRING FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

April 23 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. April 24 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. April 25 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25

April 29 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25

April 30 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. May 2 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25 p.m. May 3 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. May 6 - freshmen 3:05-4 p.m.; varsity 4:15-6 p.m.

May 7 - freshmen 3:05-4

p.m.; varsity 4:15-6 p.m.

May 9 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25 p.m. May 13 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25 p.m. May 14 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m.

May 16 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25 p.m. May 17 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m.

freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. May 23 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4 p.m. May 24 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.; freshmen 3:05-4:25 p.m.

(final practice)

May 21 - varsity 7:15-9 a.m.;

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- Inspire broad participation in updating the Comprehensive Master Plan and update the Capital Improvement Plan to include roads. These are needed to perform a new engineering Rate Study.
- Reconstruct neighborhood roads in accordance with planning and budget allowances.
- Prepare the draft Home Rule City Charter for a ballot referendum in 2020.

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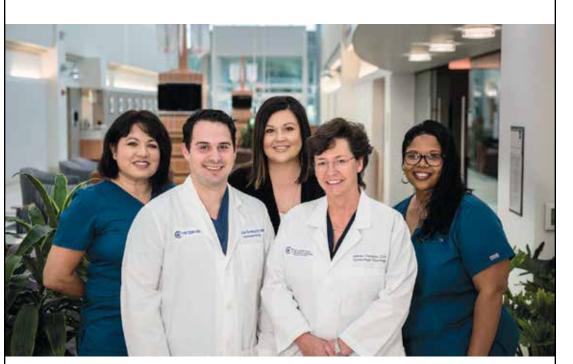
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JAME OF INCHES

By one stroke, Ladycats miss qualifying for state golf tournament; team places fourth behind Abilene Wylie

Staff Reports

Although football enthusiasts lay claim to the sports vernacular "football is a game of inches" it probably rings truer in golf.

Just ask the Aledo Ladycats.

Coming into Tuesday's second and final round at the Region I golf tournament at Rawls Golf Course in Lubbock, the Ladycats were in third place with a seven-stroke cushion over district-rival Abilene Wylie, sitting in fourth place.

The top three teams at the regional tournament advance to the state tournament.

The Ladycats fell behind on the first nine holes of the second round of the 36-hole tournament, but managed to take a lead on the back nine before Wylie - paced by an eagle on the final hole from Ann Zachary - stormed back to finish a stroke ahead of the Ladycats to claim the final state-qualifying spot.

"Wylie made the shots when they had to," Aledo head coach Jeff Lemons said. "Their No. 2 girl (Zachary) made eagle on the last hole, a two-shot swing, so that was huge. I thought we played

very tentatively on the front nine both have shots they wish they (in the second round), and we dug ourselves a pretty deep hole.

"I think at one point we were down 10 to Wylie, but we finally started hitting the ball a little better and putting pressure on them. We made a great comeback; we just came up one shot short."

The Ladycats shot a finalround score of 332 to finish with a total score of 641, but Abilene Wylie rallied from its seven-stroke deficit with a 324 for a final score of 640 as the Lady Bulldogs took the final team state-qualifying

Bad luck, however, continued for Aledo. At the regional tournament, the top three individuals not playing on a state-qualifying team also qualify for the state tournament. But Ladycats No. 1 golfer Madison Head - playing in a playoff to determine the third and final state-qualifying medalist spot - fell in the second playoff

Head carded a 77 in the second round for a total score of 148. Other Ladycats scores from the second round include Ella Fisher with a 77 (150), Clara Fulsaas with an 88 (171), Reid VanNess with a 90 (172), and Georgia Giddens with a 93 (183).

"Madison and Ella did exactly what we needed from them - four rounds in the 70s," Lemons said. "Madison just missed out on state as an individual, and I know they could do over, so I expect them to be very focused and motivated next year.

"Clara, Reid, and Georgia all showed great improvement making the jump from junior varsity to varsity. They all shot career lows at one time or another, and Reid and Georgia are both capable of shooting in the 70s next year."

In the first round, Head shot a one-under par 71 to set the pace. Fisher was not too far behind with a 73, followed by VanNess with an 82, Fulsaas with an 83 and Giddens with a 90.

Northwest won the tournament with a two-day score of 594, besting second-place Grapevine by 23 strokes.

Lemons feels despite falling one shot short of qualifying for the state tournament that it should be looked at in no other way than a successful season.

"We were one shot away (from playing in the state tournament) this year, so definitely a successful season," he said. "I know the girls don't feel that way right now, but they laid the foundation for a really big year next season.

"It's hard to believe we've missed state by one shot two years in a row - the boys last year and girls this year - but we have to look at it positively; we put ourselves in position to go to state, and you can't ask for anything more than that."



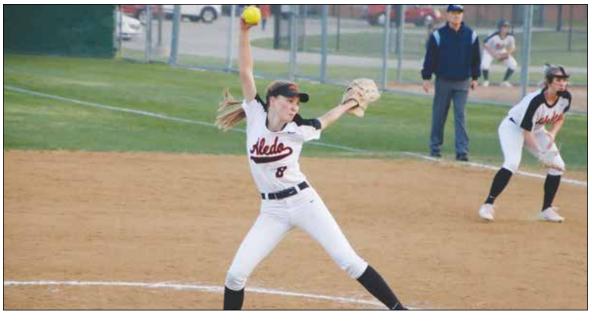
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Aledo junior golfer Madison Head missed qualifying for the girls' Class 5A state tournament by one stroke as a medalist after falling in a third-place playoff at the girls' Region I tournament at Rawls Golf Course in Lubbock. The 36-hole tournament concluded Tuesday. The Ladycats as a team finished fourth, one stroke out of third place. The top three teams qualify for the state tournament, and top three individuals not on a state-qualifying team also qualify for the state tournament.

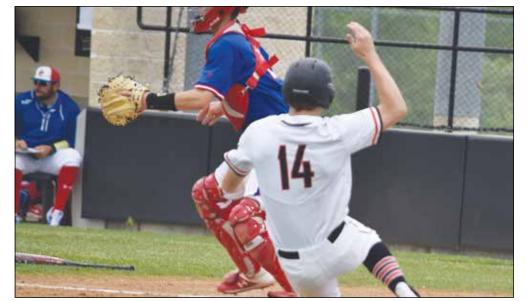
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Aledo starting pitcher Caroline Suchocki fires a pitch during a recent game. The Ladycats will face Lubbock Cooper in a best-of-three bi-district playoffs series. All games will be played in Wichita Falls at the Sunrise Optimist Softball Complex (behind Memorial Stadium). Game one will be at 6:30 p.m. Friday, with game two set for noon on Saturday. Game three, if necessary, will be played 30 minutes following game two.



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rained out. The game was rescheduled for Thursday, after press time. On April 18, the Bearcats fell 8-7 at Abilene Cooper. Before Thursday's game the Bearcats sported a 7-3 District 4-5A record, one game behind first-place Abilene Wylie. The Bearcats will conclude district play at 5 p.m. Friday, April 26 at home against Wichita Falls High School. Shown is Garrison Berkley (14) sliding home during a recent game.

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Aledo sophomore Tyler Oetinger named Newcomer of Year to lead list of nine Bearcats earning all-district honors

By Tony Eierdam

Aledo sophomore forward Tyler Oetinger was recognized as Newcomer of the Year and eight other Bearcats earned All-District 4-5A honors, including three others on the first team.

"Tyler had an awesome year; totally unexpected," Bearcats head coach Derek Vierling said. "He worked hard in off-season and earned a spot on varsity. I thought he would be a spot player here and there get some experience for next year, but after we had some injuries early on he got a bunch of playing time and just kept performing at a high level.

"He ended up playing so well that as we got healthier he couldn't come off the field. He ended up starting 18 games and led the team in goals. I was really excited for him when he was selected newcomer of the year."

Also earning all-district, firstteam awards from Aledo were junior defender Micco Little, senior forward Brandon Wrinkle and senior midfielder Connor Steele.

"When the district MVP ended up being the defender for Wichita Falls I thought Micco might have a chance at the defensive player of the year," Vierling said. "It was close but it went to Rider's sweeper.

"Making first team was fitting. Micco was one of the most consistent players we had all year. He is so versatile and coachable and extremely selfless."

Vierling was pleased the district coaches recognized Steele and Wrinkle, his senior leaders.

"I was really excited for Conner getting first team midfield," he said. "He was a great leader this year and directed so much on the field for us. His game awareness was such a plus and I think he will make a good coach in the future. I was proud to coach him for four years.



Aledo sophomore Tyler Oetinger was selected Newcomer of the Year by the District 4-5A coaches. He led the Bearcats in goals scored in 2019.

"Brandon getting first team forward was awesome," Vierling continued. "He didn't have has many goals as he wanted this year but was second on the team in assists. He was a constant threat and a player that was so dangerous that all of our opponents' game-planned to take him out of the game. He was very instrumental in our state-championship-game run last season and will go down as one of our top goal scorers."

Vierling felt Jones should have made the first team, and he commented on others making all-dis-

"Austin Jones getting second team was probably a little low, I think he was a first-team caliber player but Wichita Falls and Rider's success really hurt some of our players chances," Vierling said. "But Austin had a fantastic season. He literally left it all on the field every game day in and day out. His attitude, leadership and work rate will really be missed.

"Tommy Breaux received honorable mention all-district and probably would have been recognized higher but missed two games in district play. I felt Clayton Holt as an honorable mention was really low but he missed almost four games



CHRIS D'AVINO/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo senior Brandon Wrinkle earned All-District 4-5A first-team honors at forward.

due to injury. But his body of work this year was awesome.

"One of the most pleasant surprises this season was the play and versatility of Brett Petersen. I'm glad he was rewarded with honorable mention all-district. I'm excited he is coming back and gained the experience that he did by playing both in the midfield and as a defender."

ALL-DISTRICT 4-5A SUPERLATIVE AWARDS

MVP - Asrian Botello, Wichita Falls HS

Offensive MVP - Taylor Davis, Wichita Falls HS

Defensive MVP - Rylan Havins,

WF Rider Midfield MVP - Jackson Redding,

WF Rider Goalkeeper of the Year - Israel

Gonzalez, Wichita Falls HS Newcomer of the Year - Tyler Oetinger, Aledo

Utility Player of the Year -Eduardo Cema, WF Rider

FIRST TEAM

Forwards

Brandon Wrinkle, Aledo, Aledo Daniel Alzarez, Wichita Falls HS Hagan Sanchez, WF Rider Peyton Wood, Ab. Wylie

Midfielders

Connor Steele, Aledo

Marco Barron, Wichita Falls HS Alonso Cema, Wichita Falls HS Jesus Hernandez, Wichita Falls

Luis Camacho, Wichita Falls HS Trance Sanchez, WF Rider Martin Cema, WF Rider Adam Canales, WF Rider

John Scaief, Ab. Cooper

Uwezo Innocent, Ab. Cooper

Defender

Micco Little, Aledo

Goalkeepers

Zoe Brewster, Wichita Falls HS Arianna Taylor, Ab. Wylie

ALEDO SECOND TEAM

Austin Jones, defender Ben Clements, defender Aledo Honorable Mention Clayton Holt, forward Tommy Breaux, defender Brett Petersen, midfielder



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Trinity Christian Academy's Kayden Kelly slugs a double during the Eagles' 10-0 victory over Temple Christian.

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JEEN OF THE PITCH

Aledo senior Brooke Jones named District 4-5A MVP to lead list of 10 Ladycats earning all-league honors

By Tony Eierdam

Just call her the Queen of District 4-5A girls' soccer

Aledo senior midfielder Brooke Jones, returning to high school soccer this year after a one-year absence while playing on a national academy team, made the most of her final season of high school soccer as she was the unanimous choice for District 4-5A Most Valuable Player.

But Brooke Jones was not the only Ladycat to receive a superlative award. Classmate Hunter Jones was chosen as the district's Midfielder of the Year, and freshman forward Ashlyn Laughley was named a tri-Newcomer of the Year.

"Brooke was hands-down the best player in our district," Ladycats head coach Bryan Johnson said. "We were lucky she came back and Sam Houston University (where Jones will play in college) is lucky to have chosen her to be on their team."

Johnson said Hunter Jones was also a unanimous selection for top midfielder.

"Hunter was dominant in the air and such a force to deal with in the middle of our team,"

ALL-DISTRICT 4-5A SUPERLATIVE AWARDS

MVP - Brooke Jones, Aledo Offensive MVP - Alyssa Salinas, Wichita Falls HS Co-Defensive MVP - Monica Boyes, Ab. Cooper; Mindy Shoffit, WF Rider

Midfield MVP - Hunter Jones. Aledo

Goalkeeper of the Year -Marissa Lifland, WF Rider

Utility Player of the Year -Jasmyn Montgomery, WF Rider Newcomers of the Year -Ashlyn Laughley, Aledo; Lucy Hood, Wichita Falls HS; Ruth Vasquez, WF Rider

FIRST TEAM

Forwards

Grace Ornelas, Aledo Salty Jackson, WF Rider Devon Browning, WF Rider Hayden Abor, Ab. Cooper

Midfielders

Ashlyn Heger, WF Rider Haley Bragg, WF Rider Caylee Collier, Ab. Cooper

Defenders

Reagan Knesek, Aledo Vanessa Rajan, Aledo Lauryn Crawford, Aledo Amaya Spearman, WF Rider Ashby Hood, Wichita Falls HS Alyssa Salazar, Wichita Falls HS

Goalkeepers

Zoe Brewster, Wichita Falls HS Arianna Taylor, Ab. Wylie

ALEDO SECOND TEAM

Megan Crawford, forward Emma Davis, goalkeeper Avery Betancourt, defender Aledo Honorable Mention Caroline Miller, midfielder Arwen Wise, midfielder Reece Warren, forward



CHRIS D'AVINO/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo senior Brooke Jones (4) was voted by league coaches as District 4-5A's Most Valuable Player for 2019. Jones, who scored 18 goals, was a unanimous choice.

CHRIS D'AVINO/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo senior Hunter Jones (15) was selected as Midfielder of the Year.



CHRIS D'AVINO/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo freshman goalkeeper Emma Davis earned second-team, all-district honors.

everything she had every game." Laughley led the Ladycats in scoring in 2019 with 24 goals and 17 assists. "I think Ashlyn was a perfect

Johnson said. "She was able to

stay healthy all season and gave us

choice for newcomer," Johnson said. "There will be so much more to come from her. She will get quicker and stronger and smarter at her position as she continues playing. I was extremely blessed to have such a superb team.

"Great leadership and awe-

some team chemistry made this team what it was this season. As for the first and second team selections from our team, they were all deserving as well. It is exciting to know that we have 17 returners coming back next

Earning first-team honors from Aledo were Grace Ornelas, a forward who was third on the team in scoring with 15 goals, and defenders Reagan Knesek, Vanessa Rajan and Lauryn Crawford.









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Aledo golfer Reid VanNess, shown at the District 4-5A tournament, shot a two-round total of 172 at the girls' regional tournament in Lubbock.



SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo senior Zach Davis, shown competing at the 2019 Texas Relays, qualified for the regional meet after winning in boys' pole vault. Davis is the defending regional and state champion.



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Bearcats junior defender Micco Little (10) earned all-district, first-team honors at defender.

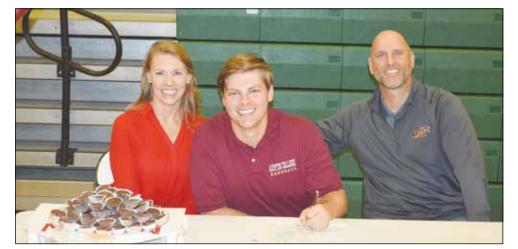
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Trinity Christian Academy senior Cole Alberts signs a college scholarship letter of intent to play football next year at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois. Shown (from left) are Payton, Donna, Cole, and Nelson Alberts.



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Trinity Christian Academy senior Jacob Sherman signs a college scholarship letter of intent to play baseball next year at Austin College in Sherman. Shown with Jacob are his parents, Beth and Jon Sherman.



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Trinity Christian Academy senior Carson Wert signs a college scholarship letter of intent to play baseball next year at Howard Payne University in Brownwood. Shown with Carson are his parents, Brandy and Scott Wert.



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- Willow Park audit report, April 9, 2019

APRIL 26, 2019

SPECIAL GUESTS

The Aledo Bearcats baseball team hosted a group of special visitors on Tuesday April 16.

Organized by Kim Willems, Sunshine Barry, and parents, the students were honored before the game, and each student received a baseball autographed by the entire Aledo team.

Teacher Chris Frazier was also at the event to assist.

Aledo head baseball coach Chad Barry said his players enjoyed interacting with the children and teaching them the finer points of base running.

"We saw an event similar to it at Weatherford High School when we played them earlier this year," Barry said. "I think it is something that our kids enjoyed. After talking to the players after the event they really seemed to enjoy watching and helping them run around the bases.

"We actually took a large group of our players this past Saturday to the Miracle League games out in Weatherford to be helpers for the special needs baseball players. I think it is a way that these kids can give back to the community and reach out and help bring a community together.

"So many times we take things for granted in life. I think it helps bring life into perspective from time to time."

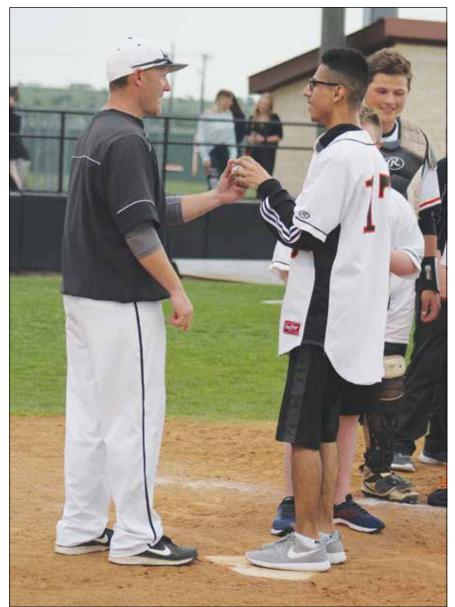
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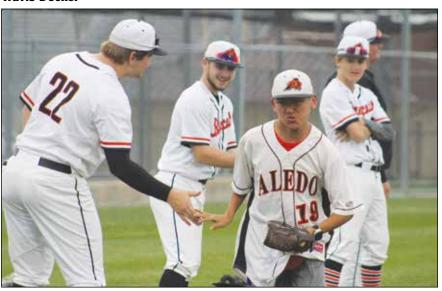
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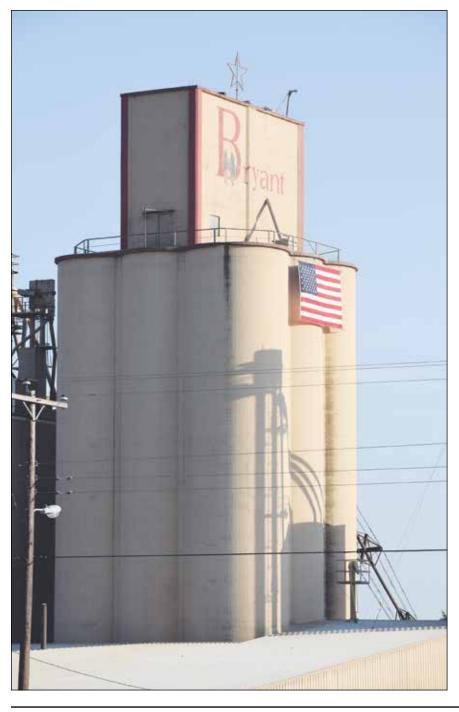
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S Around Parker County

Bryant Grain: big city tech, small town values



Inside Josh Campbell's office, there's a map of Texas with a pin in it for every place Bryant Grain has reached. It's getting progressively more crowded, but Campbell can tell you what each pin represents. That's the beauty of a manufacturer like Bryant Grain: it offers all the amenities of a full-line, large-scale feed manufacturer without losing any of the small town charm that has made it such a success. Established in 1981, Bryant Grain is both a landmark and a mainstay in the Aledo community.

Campbell says the mill offers a wide variety of feeds for the needs of both small and large operations.

"We have feed for everything from rabbits to cows to poultry to swine and horses," said Campbell. "We offer both pelleted and textured feeds."

Campbell says "making feed is like an art," and Bryant Grain creates an extremely high quality product that will provide the best quality nutrition for your animals.

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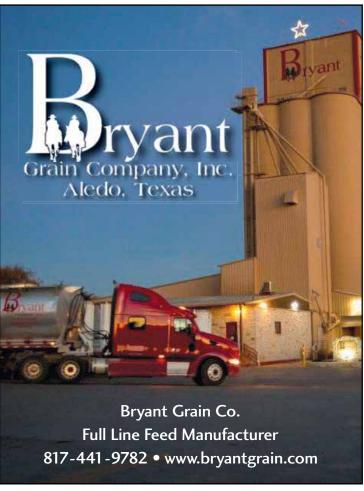
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But for those looking for a more personal experience, Campbell said Bryant Grain also offers the personalized service that smaller businesses are known for.

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"It's both high quality and affordable," said Campbell. "We are part of Aledo and strive to be neighborly and stick to our values while growing and changing with the times."



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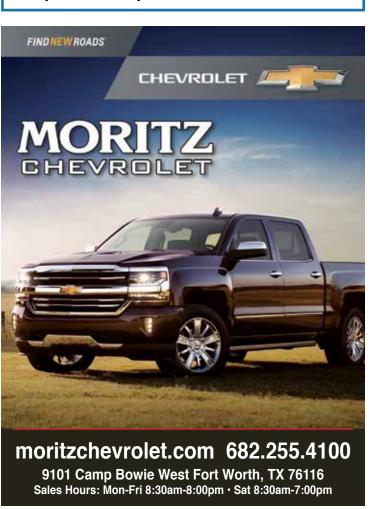
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roads to rebuild and need a permanent wastewater solution and our community needs parks that will instill a sense of pride in Willow Park.

We have partnered with the county to help rebuild roads and are exploring all options for wastewater, including possible partnerships with our neighbors. It's vital that we maintain the continuity that we have with current leadership in order to continue finding solutions, especially solutions that involve our neighbors.

Parks are a huge priority for me because, as a stay-at-home mom, I know that if my kids were still little, I'd be losing my mind without a place to take them to play. A playground will happen! From the standpoint of a leader who wants to see my city thrive, I recognize the revenue driver that parks will have for our city. Parks draw in visitors who will stay and

spend their money. The beautification of the city will also attract quality retailers to set up shop, further driving our revenues. With this revenue we will rebuild the crumbling roads, thereby maintaining the property values. There's a huge financial return on investing in ourselves. "Look good, feel

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

In comparison to other portions of the school district, the student growth in Willow Park is relatively low. Last year we only added about 50 homes and according to the school's latest population projection update, the number of students living in the apartments is dropping because senior citizens are moving into them.

The growth that we have

is with businesses and that holds tremendous opportunity for the school district in terms of tax revenue. Commercial growth does not bring in more children but it brings in more school property tax revenue with which the school can use to build facilities for all of the children coming into the district with the residential growth of our sister cities.

The commercial growth helps keep school property taxes down throughout Bearcat Nation. Superintendent Dr. Susan Bohn understands this relationship, which is why she came and spoke in favor of the retired living complex, Bankhead Commons. This seniors-only complex is an \$18 million project that will bring in a projected \$287,100/year in school taxes, of which \$76,500/ year can be used by the school to build new facilities. I want our schools to thrive and I'm excited that Willow Park is doing more than her fair share to help that happen.

GALLE

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not be lost on elected representatives sitting at the dais.

My experience serving on the Willow Park City Council during 2016/17 gave me great insight into how municipal governance works. I was committed during my time on the council to ensure ethical and open government and my commitment to the taxpayers has not changed.

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing the city, and how would you solve them?

I believe the biggest challenges facing Willow Park are a combination of the debt we face for permanent water and wastewater solutions, lasting asphalt road improvements in most of our residential neighborhoods, and finally, tightening up our operational budget in order to provide some tax relief to residents where possible. An increase in sales taxes

should help reduce the burden of property taxes, but that opportunity was instead consumed by additional spending, with City Hall approving 1.5 million in Tax Notes and another expected \$1 million to complete Ranch House Road, to be discussed and approved sometime in May.

It has become clear that there was a plan all along to upgrade the entire length of Ranch House Road in a manner that was not approved by taxpayers in 2016. I believe holding a referendum to allocate a portion of sales tax would be a positive first step in order to fund annual road improvements. I also expect all taxpayers will have to share the burden of a permanent wastewater solution, unless the debt of over \$15 million can be shared by execution of wholesale wastewater contracts with our neighboring communities.

Overall, the increased growth of retail along the I-20 corridor will continue to help increase sales taxes if it is managed smartly and purposefully. It is imperative that our commercial and retail growth

adhere to Willow Park's existing comprehensive plans and local zoning ordinances in place to protect our community.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth posi-

Managed growth supported by infrastructure is a key element of successful growth and regular communication of future residential developments should be shared with the local school dis-

I am aware of the Bearcat Growth Committee established by the school district to review current and potential growth and provide an audit of facilities and assess necessary funding for the next school bond. Again, I believe open communication between municipalities and the school district is necessary for facilities planning and potential for added property tax revenues.

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3. Traffic - As we get more population there may need to be more thoroughfares to prevent traffic jams. We hope that is far in the future, but careful study and planning will be necessary to have the least impact on our lives and small-town feel.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What

opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

Aledo ISD owns property within the Town of Annetta and we embrace the opportunity to work with the school district to bring a new elementary to our town. Beginning now, we can plan to make things work in the best way for all, for traffic, water and, sewer service. Aledo ISD is the prime reason for a huge number of our citizens who moved here in the first place. Aledo ISD

is on the leading edge in most areas from academics to sports to the arts and especially just the quality of the kids. When you hear how the typical Aledo student treats the handicapped and disabled students with care and respect it makes you proud. We want to continue that good quality kid and keep the standards high. Although the Town of Annetta has little control over costs, we must do things to reduce the cost of that education and minimize the burden on the tax payers in every way possible.

STASEY

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Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

The cities in Aledo ISD are intrinsically connected, the majority of Annetta residents state that they move here for the school district, and the open spaces. I support our schools without hesitation and participate in supporting all activities with my presence as much as possible. The schools are a lifestyle for my family, I have raised both my kids in Aledo ISD and we simply love the district. As an elected official in Annetta within Aledo ISD it is imperative to consider the impact of our decisions in the city on the district and work with district to ensure we are aligned in pursuing outcomes that support growing greatness in the district as well as the right decisions for Annetta.

I intend to work closely with the AISD to assist in the development of school sites in Annetta for future schools to ensure adequate resources are provided where we can assist. Annetta is the local provider of water and wastewater in Annetta and at such time as

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AISD pursues development of school sites where we can help, we will.

Annetta has a rural atmosphere without city law enforcement but participates in prevention of crime and are safety advocates around our school properties in Annetta through our Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) created by myself and our current city council with citizen approval. With unanimous support of council, Annetta recently provided the AISD police department with a radar gun to help control speed in our school zones in Annetta and in 2017 we installed flashing safety lights on thunderhead road in front of Stuard Elementary to increase awareness of the school traffic zone.

I believe Annetta is a positive support to Aledo ISD by managing growth within Annetta that maintains the rural atmosphere that our community desires to keep. Annetta maintains standards on development practices that promote larger properties to maintain our open spaces and facilitate diversity in the concentration of homes in the Annetta area of the Aledo ISD. Not all land in the district has to be four homes per acre, in Annetta we hope to maintain an option with a more open environment we can all value.

ROBERTS

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difficulty in finding a balance between family, work, and life. To protect our community's future, I think it is important to have this conversation about involvement. As a council member, this is something that I will be asking; how can we, the Town of Annetta, help you be informed and engaged? We live in a shared community and I look forward to helping our Annetta be the best it can be for everyone.

Some of the biggest drivers of growth are local schools. What opportunities exist to work with the Aledo ISD to manage the growth positively?

I have heard and believe in the line that pubic schools are for the public good. By design, local schools are owned by their local communities. We are fortunate to have an excellent school district within our community. As a city, we have a responsibility to nurture a strong partnership with our Aledo ISD. As citizens, we financially support our schools and depend on our schools

to educate our children. It is critical that the Town of Annetta continue its collaborative and positive relationship with the school district. As a city council member, I will make sure this relationship continues to grow, community and school involvement is fostered, and the results from this partnership are communicated.

In the end, we are all neighbors and I am asking for the opportunity to serve on the Annetta City Council. Together, we can make Annetta the best it can be today and tomorrow.



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Your Views

Consider Past and Brighter

I've been here 20 years, and

I am writing to re-elect Bruce Pinckard for Annetta Mayor, re-elect Kent Stasey, and to vote for Sandy Roberts as a new Annetta

City Councilwoman.

Newcomers that moved into Deer Creek areas in the last 10 years would have missed it all. Bruce Pinckard, Kent Stasey, and Sandy Roberts were in the thick of our fight for independence needed from the Willow Park water fiasco; Bruce Pinckard's steady voice of support as Annetta stuck with us, for all Deer Creek/ Meadow Park Area residents, to maintain legal status with Hudson Oaks in legal proceedings with the State. Kent Stasey and Sandy Roberts fought with us, the community of residents of Deer Creek /Meadow

Bruce and Kent both were voices of support as our community, 500-plus homes, finally requested annexation into Annetta, allowing us representation in city proceedings, and not just water. It was this measure that has even allowed us a slate of candidates to seek office.

Park Estates, in every meeting as a

community.

Kent Stasey's accounting has been a perfect blend into city council, and with Sandy Roberts comes a bright can-do attitude reflected in her role as Secretary on P&Z Board. The city is maturing, incorporating support for citizens and their voices, executing road maintenance and complicated review of ordinances to better protect all of our investments.

This is not a group trying to ram a voting bloc into Annetta to get things done just their way, or just to launch some stepping stone for a political career.

Keep Annetta moving forward, open to all of Annetta's residents for participation, and vote to re-elect Mayor Bruce Pinckard and Councilman Kent Stasey, and install Sandy Roberts as new Councilwoman

Respectfully

- Stephen Barron

Grateful

I am so grateful for Mayor Doyle Moss and our present city council.

We have seen more progress as a city in the last two years than in the previous eleven years that I have been a part of Willow Park.

Mr. Moss is a leader!

When you attend the effective and efficiently run city council meetings, it is obvious he is organized and ready. He listens and he responds with a plan of action. I am thankful for someone who serves with excellence.

In modern politics, to have a man like Doyle Moss who leads us with honesty and integrity is a rare thing. He is a man whose word matters. I am excited I have another opportunity this election to cast my vote for Mayor Doyle Moss.

Sincerely,

- Dr. Clark Bosher Pastor, Willow Park Baptist Church

Availability

I built my home in Willow Park in the spring/summer of 2017. We had a serious drainage problem that my neighbors said they'd been trying to get the city to address for years to no avail.

I reached out to the city and they put me in touch with Amy Fennell. Within days Mrs. Fennell came to my house with the new Director of Public Works Ramon Johnson to see first hand the problem and the videos I had taken.

The city came out and dressed the drainage ditches and I believe the county installed larger culverts downstream. I was quite stunned because I'd been told nothing would ever get done.

Since then any time I've had a question or concern Mrs. Fennell has always been available to answer

While out campaigning recently she stopped by our home to answer some questions we had about water and the new development at Crown Point. She explained the plan to expand commercial growth and the positive impact it would have on the citizens of Willow Park during this time of unprecedented growth.

I'm sure I'm not the only resident who's happy to have a council who's accessible and happy to explain their plans for our city. It's refreshing to have a council who actually works for and in the best interests of their constituents. They will all have my vote in May.

- Jerry Miller

Family man and neighbor

I endorse Kent Stasey for Annetta City Council Place 5 He is a great family man, neighbor, and community volunteer.

I have known Kent for 12 years. He has done a great job serving the City of Annetta.

What makes him stand out is he listens to anyone who has a concern in the community and does his best to provide a resolution.

- Eddie Paredes

A few highlights

As a 25-year resident of Willow Park, I will be voting for Mayor Dovle Moss and current city council members Amy Fennel and Eric Contreras that are up for reelection.

In my opinion, more has been done in the past two years than the previous 23 years combined; with Doyle, Amy, and Eric together with other current council members that voluntarily serve our community, and the current city staff.

A few highlights the Mayor and current City Council have accomplished include:

- 1- Ranch House Road has finally been concreted after decades of temporary fixes of pot holes and sections of road;
- 2 Contract signed for long term water supply with Ft. Worth to ensure Willow Park has water for coming decades;
- 3 Fixing and maintaining our existing city well-water supply properly;
- 4 Working well with developers and businesses to stabilize and improve the sales tax base which keeps Willow Park citizen's proper-

aware property taxes have gone up, due to increased home values;

- 5 Working with developers to demolish the horse track, an eye sore of two decades, to transform that area into a commercial and residential hub of the city, which will bring in more property and sales tax to the city;
- 6 Getting the new fire/ police station building underway; approved by citizens vote in 2016
- 7 Significantly reducing Executive Sessions at council meetings to creating an even more Transparent Government;
- 8 Improved relationships with surrounding communities' government entities.

Willow Park needs Mayor Doyle Moss and council members Amy Fennell and Eric Contreras for the next two years to keep this positive momentum going. Doing otherwise could hamper the progress of all the good things happening in Willow Park.

Sincerely,

- Mary Robb (WIFE OF GREG RUNNEBAUM, WILLOW PARK CITY COUNCIL, PLACE 3)

A mayor who listens

As very long-time resident of the Annetta community my family has seen many changes. I am writing to express my support for the re-election of Mayor Bruce Pinckard and Kent Stasey and the election of Sandy Roberts.

Mayor Pinckard and Kent Stasey have served Annetta well.

Under their leadership, we have seen the town make improvements to the roads and reach out to the community. I have known the mayor for over eight years and can tell you that he listens. Not that we have always agreed, he has always made himself available to hear my concerns and understands the balance we are hoping to keep in this community between fastpaced growth and hanging on to our rural feel.

It's not easy!

For a town that has no property tax, Annetta is doing very well. The current council members

have also established a strong relationship with Parker County officials, which has maximized the town's road budget. As far as I know, for the first time ever, Annetta has a detailed road maintenance plan that has led to improvements on the main roads first and now for the neighborhood streets.

Annetta now has a Town Hall that is paid for and which accommodates city staff and council meetings, as well as things like the Annetta Clean Up Day, Small Business Fair and activities for groups like the Boy Scouts and Parker County Master Gardeners.

Change for change's sake is no reason to vote out incumbents who are doing a good job! We have strong leaders who have proven that they're willing to put the town's interests first. Let's not forget the jobs these people do is in short, "VOLUNTEER WORK". The work they do is to keep Annetta a great place to live and raise a fam-

ty tax rates from sky rocketing. I'm ily. These folks aren't politicians or want to be politicians. Their neighbors, managing the town for all who live in it.

> Please support Bruce Pinckard for Mayor and Kent Stacey and Sandy Roberts for Annetta City Council.

> > - HOWARD KENT STORY

Stronger than ever

We moved to Deer Creek Plantation 12 years ago.

At the time, we thought our house was in Annetta. Later, when we went to vote, we learned we lived just outside the city limits. Although our water was provided byAnnetta, we had no voice in how the system was operated. We could not vote, couldn't speak at council meetings, and most members of the council wouldn't even answer our questions. So, we began researching the process to be annexed into Annetta.

It was a long, difficult process. Larry (Lawrence) Wood and Rick Machak, who both served on the Annetta City Council, fought against us and others who asked to be annexed into the town so we'd have a voice in the control of our water. They refused to even allow a public hearing on our request. In 2013, those men were defeated. Under Mayor Bruce Pinckard's leadership, with Kent Stasey's help, our petition was accepted. We were annexed into Annetta, along with almost 500 others.

These two men - Wood and Machak - are two of the largest financial backers today of the three men running against Bruce Pinckard and Kent Stasey. They're funding a Political Action Committee to replace the good men who welcomed 500 families into Annetta. The good men who have improved our water and sewer system, stabilized our finances, improved our roads and developed a comprehensive plan for the city.

Regarding the Annetta City Council's refusal to hold a public hearing on our request for annexation in 2013, an editorial in The Community News said at the time: "...vour Council's refusal to even allow the public to weigh in during a public forum leads to the suspicion that your minds have already been made up, and smacks of despotism." The editorial was correct. And Mike Brasovan, Mike Herring, and Jaime Saenz are supported by and aligned with the same men who garnered that admonishment.

Annetta is stronger than ever, in large part because of the addition of the 500 families that were added through the annexation. Now is not the time to turn back the clock. Vote for Bruce Pinckard, Kent Stasey and Sandy Roberts.

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Sincerely,

- Kathryn B. Thompson

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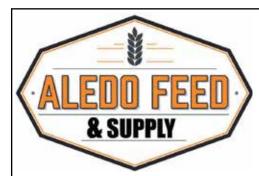
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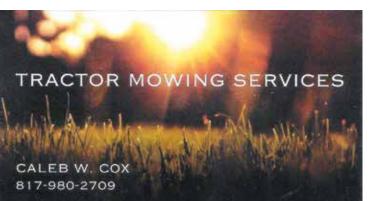
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APRIL 25

Junie B. Jones The Musical Aledo Plavers will present

Junie B. Jones, the Musical, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, and Thursday, April 25, at the Aledo High School auditorium.

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APRIL 27

Red, White & Blue 5k

Parker County Gold Star Families will host the Red, White & Blue 5K at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 27 at Holland Lake Pavilion, 1419 Holland Lake Drive in Weatherford. The race will benefit the Gold Star Families **Memorial Monument** Fund for Fort Campbell, Kentucky, on behalf of Parker County Gold Star Families.

The registration fee is \$25. To register online, visit http://bit.ly/2GQi-HU4. Race-day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/rwb5k/.

Marriage Education Workshop

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The class is for married couples, engaged couples, and seriously dating couples. Learn about marriage expectations, communication, conflict resolution. money management, and **Engaged Couples will** receive a certificate for a

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Christian Arts Museum Field Trip

The East Parker County Genealogy and Historical Society will take a field trip to the Christian Arts Museum in Fort Worth and then join for a "Dutch treat" lunch at the Kimbell Art Museum at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 27. Those who wish to attend can meet to carpool or caravan on the west side of the Brookshire's parking lot in Willow Park at 9:30 a.m., or can meet at the museum, located at 3221 Hamilton Ave. in Fort Worth.

Entry to the museum is \$4.



Willow Park Palooza

The second annual Willow Park Palooza will run from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, April 27 at The Shops at Willow Park.

Activities will include face painting, arts and crafts, a bounce house, food, music, and games. Admission is free.

Swing Dance

The Aledo Band Boosters will host their annual Swing Dance, featuring Dinner, Dessert, and Dancing, 6:30-10 p.m. Saturday, April 27 at the Aledo High School cafeteria.

The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the band will begin playing about 7 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$25 and are available by advanced online purchase only. A reserved table with eight seats is \$500, also available by advanced online purchase only. Dessert only is \$15 and will be available for purchase at

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<u>MAY 4</u>

Go the Distance 5k

Zonta Club of Parker County will host its second annual Go the Distance 5k Run at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 4, at Gene Voyles Park, 210 Hudson Oaks Blvd. Registration opens at 7 a.m. and the race begins at 8 a.m.

This race is to bring awareness to Zonta's worldwide initiative to stop domestic violence. Runners, walkers, and joggers of all ages are welcome.

The fee to enter the race is \$33. Some sponsorships are also available starting

For more information about the race, or to register, visit www.zontaparkercounty. org; call Donna Couch at 817-228-0228; or email djcouch@sbcglobal.net.

March for Meals

The Parker County Committee on Aging will host its third annual March for Meals 5K walk and community event from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 4, at the Weatherford Senior Center, 1225 Holland Lake

The event is part of a month-long nationwide celebration of Meals on Wheels and senior neighbors who rely on this vital service to remain healthy and independent at home. "The services we provide through Meals on Wheels are so important to our seniors in Parker County," said Shelly Mowery, **Executive Director of Parker** County Committee on Aging, Inc. "The March for Meals event is a great way to raise funds and awareness to help our seniors most in need."

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 9 a.m. Following the 5K, there will be a community festival with food trucks, live entertainment, a Doggie Fashion Show, exhibits, and more. To register for the walk or to become a vendor at

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the event, call Michelle Hernandez at 817-596-4640 or visit pccoa.org.

MAY 6

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., Ste. 103 in Willow Park. For more information, visit aledorotary. org.

MAY 10

Scholarship luncheon and style show

The Parker County Women's and Newcomers Club will host a luncheon and style show on Friday, May 10 at the First United Methodist Church Family Life Center 301 S. Main in Weatherford. The social hour, including the Club Shop, begins at 9:30 a.m. The Club Shop has jewelry, purses, scarves, and other items. The business meeting

To make lunch reservations, call Shirley at 817-757-7379 or Lois at 817-946-1930 by Friday, May 3. All ladies in Parker County are welcome. For more information, visit pcwnc.org.

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begins at 10:30 a.m. The

buffet lunch starts at noon

and costs \$20 for the May

the scholarship program.

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MAY 15 Professional Development

Luncheon: Google

Google Coach and Trainer, Maria Elena Duron, will speak at the next professional development lunch hosted by the East Parker County Chamber of Commerce. The event will run from 11:30 a m to 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, at Squaw Creek Golf Course, 1605 Ranch House Road in Willow Park.

Duron will describe three important things you can implement right now to

better market your business and connect with customers. She will show you how to promote your online presence using search engine optimization and advertising as well as introduce tools, such as Google Analytics and Trends, that will help you run your busi-

Register by May 1 to receive the early bird rate of \$25. After May 1, registration is \$30 for chamber members and \$35 for non-members. To register, visit http://bit. ly/2GK4s1t.

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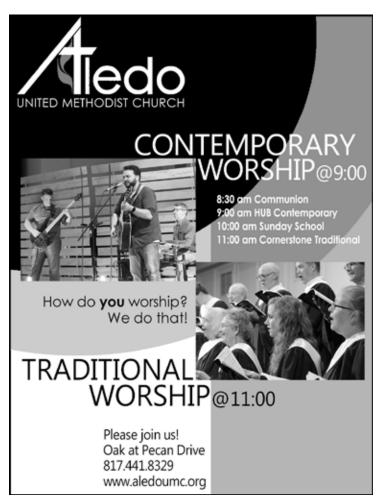
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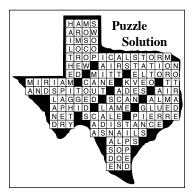
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c/o: Lacy Kimball

Weatherford, Texas 76086

DATED the 19th day of April, 2019.

Attorney at Law

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ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

PRE-KINDERGARTEN / KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

May 6, 2019 through May 10, 2019 8:00 am until 3:00 pm - Tuesday, May 7 until

6:30 pm

DOCUMENTS NEEDED FOR **REGISTRATION:**

Proof of Residency (i.e., electric bill, lease agreement) Certified Birth Certificate Social Security Card Current Immunization Records

Registration will take place online beginning April 29. To finish the registration process parents will need to bring required documentation listed above to the campus beginning on May 6.

PRE-K REGISTRATION – To be eligible for enrollment in a pre-kindergarten class, a child must be at least four years of age as of September 1, 2019, and must:

- be either unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or
- be from a family that is eligible to participate in the National School Lunch program for free or reduced lunches; or
- · be homeless; or
- be the child of an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the Armed Forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or
- be the child of a member of the United States Armed Forces, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the Armed Forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty; or
- have ever been in the conservatorship of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (foster care) following an adversary hearing; or
- is the child of a person eligible for the Star of
- Texas Award as: (1) a peace officer under Section 3106.002,
- (2) a firefighter under section 3106.003, Government Code; or

Government Code;

Code.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for

the Estate of Bobbie Charles Phillips, Deceased, were issued

on April 17, 2019, in Cause No. 19P055, pending in the County

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently

being adminstered are required to present them to the under-

ORDINANCE 201

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ANNETTA, TEXAS,

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 180, THE SUBDIVISION

ORDINANCE, BY ADOPTING PROVISIONS RELATING

TO DEVELOPMENT PLAT REGULATIONS AND

CRITERIA; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL

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SECTION 13.

Any person who commits an offense under this ordinance shall

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TOWN OF ANNETTA

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ATTEST: Jamee Long, Town Secretary

signed within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Court of Parker County, Texas to: Elda Faye Phillips.

(3) an emergency medical first responder under Section 3106.004, Government

To determine eligibility for students who do not speak and comprehend the English language, a home language survey and an oral proficiency instrument will be administered.

If you have any questions regarding Pre-Kindergarten enrollment, please call the Coder Elementary office at 817-441-6095.

DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE **DE ALEDO**

CICLO ESCOLAR 2019-2020 PARA REPREKINDERGARDEN / KINDER

Del 6 de mayo del 2019 hasta el 10 de mayo del

de 8:00 am a 3:00 pm – Martes, 7 de mayo hasta las 6:30 pm

DOCUMENTOS QUE SE NECESITAN PARA LA INSCRIPCIÓN:

Comprobantes de domicilio (por ejemplo; recibo de luz, contrato de renta, etc.) Acta de Nacimiento Certificada Tarjeta de Seguro Social Registro de Vacunas actualizado

Podrá registrarse en línea a partir del 29 de abril. Para completer el proceso de matrícula, los padres deberán presentarse al plantel escolar con los documentos solicitados anteriormente, a partir del 6 de mayo.

INSCRIPCIÓN A PRE-KINDER - Para ser elegible para inscribirse en una clase de pre-kinder, el niño debe tener por lo menos cuatro años de edad al día 1 de Septiembre de 2019, y deberá:

- ser incapaz de hablar y comprender el idioma Inglés, o
- ser de una familia que es elegible para participar en el programa nacional de almuerzos escolares para almuerzos gratis o almuerzos con un precio reducido, o
- estar sin hogar, o
- ser el hijo de un miembro activo de las Fuerzas Armadas de Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares estatales, las reservas de las Fuerzas Armadas, que se ordenan al servicio activo por la autoridad competente, o
- ser el hijo de un miembro de las Fuerzas Armadas de Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares estatales, las reservas de las Fuerzas Armadas, ya sea que haya sido herido o muerto mientras estaba en servicio activo, o
- · si alguna vez ha estado bajo la custodia del Departamento de Texas de Servicios Familiares y de Protección (hogares de guarda) después de una audiencia adversa, o
- Es el hijo/ la hija de una persona elegible para el Premio Star of Texas como:
 - 1. Un oficial de policía según la Sección 3106.002 del Código de Gobierno;
- 2. Un bombero según la Sección 3106.003 del Código de Gobierno; o
- 3. Un miembro de un equipo médico de respuesta rápida según la Sección 3106.004 del Código de Gobierno.

Para determinar la elegibilidad para los estudiantes que no hablan ni entienden el idioma Inglés, les administrará una encuesta del idioma en el hogar y de instrumento de dominio oral será también administrado.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta con respecto a la inscripción de Pre-Kindergarten, por favor llame a la oficina la Escuela Elemental Coder en 817-441-6095

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> See the Request for Proposals at 122 N. First Street, Coahoma, Texas and online at coahomatx-ed.org and www.cityofcoahoma.tx.citygovt.org.

Deadline: May 20, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.

Questions: Contact Chris Mulkey at the address above or at chris.mulkey@coahomatx-ed.org.

See official notice in the classified section of the Big Spring Herald.

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SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo HOSA students are shown with residents and staff at Clear Fork Assisted Living. | RIGHT: Emily Hensley, Georgia Meador, and Tristan Tillman are shown with a resident at Clear Fork Assisted Living.

News from the Willow Park Citizens Group

Let the games begin! Early Voting started Monday, April 22 for the May 4 city election. Save your "I Voted" stickers and trade in each one for a WPCG Frisbee at the Willow Park Palooza this Saturday and at the Freedom Kite Flying on Election Day.

The following are available on the WPCG homepage, www.willowparkcitizensgroup.org

- Early Voting Place and Hours: Monday, April 22-30;
- Video of April 23 EPC Chamber Candidate Forum;
- $\begin{tabular}{l} \bullet \begin{tabular}{l} WPCG \ on line \ Candidate \ Q\&A \\ for \ Willow \ Park; \end{tabular}$
- Additional election information for Willow Park.

And let the family-friendly games begin!

Saturday, April 27: Willow Park Palooza, a truly Family-Friendly event. Come between 1 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to the Shops of Willow Park "Family fun and a variety of yummy treats for everyone to enjoy! Kids will enjoy face painting, inflatables, make-and-take arts and crafts and so much more!" Check out the details at the Shop of Willow Park website.

Saturday, May 4: Willow Park Citizens are gathering to celebrate the freedoms of our representative republic. Nothing formal, just bring your kite and kids. In the lot next to the First Baptist Church of Willow Park, 601 Ranch House Road.

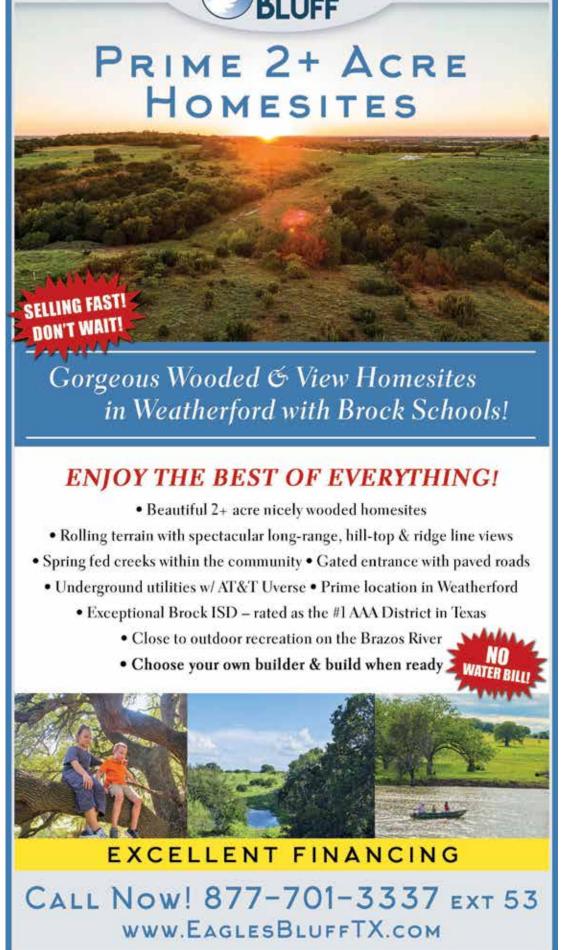


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The East Parker County Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting for Wright Chiropractic Clinic.







Mixons celebrate 60 years together

Sharing 60 years of love and laughter, James Lee Mixon and Glenda Sue Gunterman were married April 25, 1959 in Glenda's hometown of Waco. Jim and Glenda met at the University of Texas where Jim was in his last semester of college and Glenda was taking a summer session while attending Baylor.

After their wedding Jim and Glenda both pursued careers and enjoyed vacationing with their kids every summer, a beloved tradition that continues to this day.

Since their retirement Jim and Glenda have shared a passion for travel and have explored fascinating places all over the world. When at home they enjoy their precious pup Cameron and spending time with family and friends.

They have three children and their spouses who all live in the area: Kellye Bussey (Tom B), Jamie Smith (Tom S) and Leslie Suttmiller (Les), and seven grandchildren: Sara, Kelsey, Molly, Connor, Caleb, David and Shannon.

The Community News

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SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Mulch spreading party

nity and members of the Parker County Master Gardeners met in Willow Park on Saturday, April 20 to spread mulch at the Cross Timbers

Volunteers from the commu- Demonstration Garden adjacent to the Public Safety building. The Demonstration Garden is a project of the Willow Park Parks and Recreation Board.



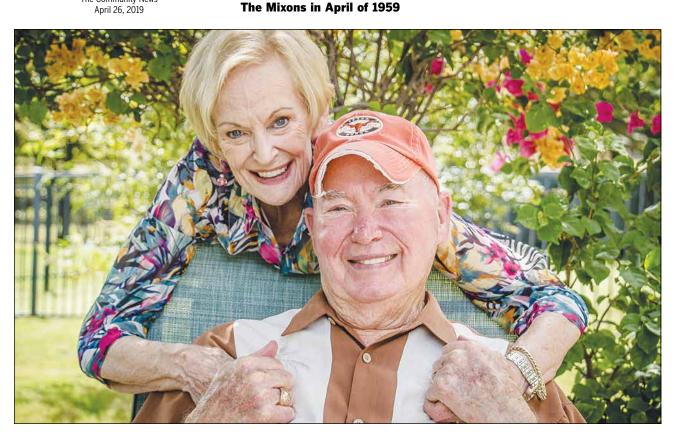
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Parker County Master Gardeners Cynthia While, left, and Julie Atkins were on hand to work in the garden.



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