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Although the outcome was not what was hoped, spectators were treated to a beautiful sunset and beautiful weather for the opening home game of the Aledo Bearcats on Sept. 2.

Dean Ranch The story behind the story

The biggest real estate transaction in Parker County History, and Fort Worth's ceding of 238 acres to Aledo, didn't just happen — and they are related

By Randy Keck
The Community News

The recent sale of the Dean Ranch was big news not only in east Parker County, but in the county overall — the largest real estate transaction in Parker County history. (See <https://www.community-news.com/stories/dean-ranch-gateway-to-aledo-property-purchase-closes,4658>).

The big news around Aledo last year was the release of 238 acres by the City of Fort Worth to the City of Aledo, providing the city its coveted "front door" on the east side of FM 1187 south of Bankhead.

The untold story is that the two news developments were related, and years in the making.

Here is how it unfolded:

The story begins with Stacy Lynch and Stephanie Rich from Lynch Legacy Group.

The Lynch family, starting with Roy and his wife, Jan, have been doing real estate based in Willow Park for more than 50 years.

Roy passed away a few years ago, and daughter Stacy recently purchased the business.

Since then Stacy affiliated the real estate company with EXP Realty, and Stacy has steered toward a specialty in commercial real estate transactions.

"Stephanie and I have been working with D.R. Horton for probably two and a half years looking for land acquisitions out here in Parker County," Lynch said.

They worked with Horton's representative, Aledo resident Ben Clark, in identifying properties Horton might find of interest.

"When it came time for Dean Ranch to be put this on the market, it was very secret, they weren't going to put it on the market to the whole community. They just wanted to pick out five local brokers. And so

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State Senator Drew Springer, Stephanie Rich, State Representative Glenn Rogers, Stacy Lynch, and County Commissioner-elect Mike Hale look over a layout of the plans for the Dean Ranch property.

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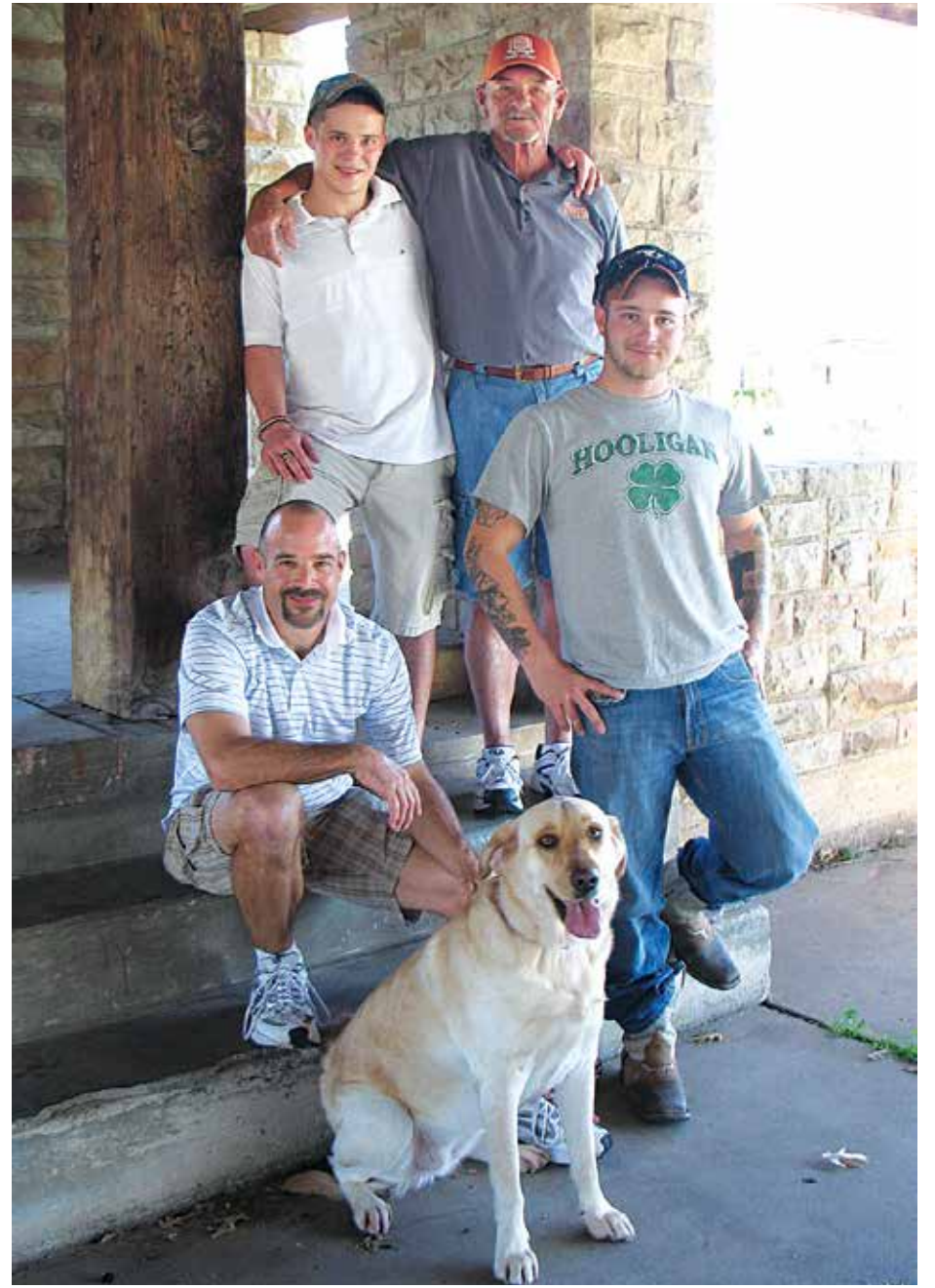
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we were lucky enough to be one of those," Lynch added.

Lynch, who has also provided services to the Aledo Independent School District in locating sites for schools, said she felt she was on the Dean Ranch radar because she had reached out to the ranch about a year and a half previously attempting to negotiate a school site on the northwest quadrant of the ranch (northwest of the FM1187/Farmer Road and I-20 intersection).

Three Tracts

For the purpose of this story, there are three tracts to the Dean Ranch. The northwest tract, called Business Centre North, is 187 acres at the northwest corner of FM 1187/Farmer Road and I-20.

The southwest tract, Business Centre South, is 323 acres going south of I-20 on the western side of FM 1187 down to Bankhead.

The remainder, and largest portion, is the 1,493 acres that lie north of Sonic in Aledo up to just north of Bankhead.

Of that 1,493 acres, about 238 acres will be in the City of Aledo and the rest will be City of Fort Worth.

Just to the north of the remainder, the southeast corner at FM 1187 and I-20 is Walsh Ranch property.

About the time the five potential companies were

to have a meeting with the Dean representatives, the initial COVID-19 shutdown happened. The Dean Ranch told Lynch they were going to wait to sell it.

Lynch and Rich's plan was to call Ben Clark if they had gotten the listing, and the disappointed duo gave him the news that the sale was going to be delayed.

But Lynch and Rich continued to work through the shutdown, being classified as an essential business.

"We worked every day," Lynch said. "We came in every day, we just were trying to find properties to sell. And so I just reached out because we had another buyer for the southwest tract — Stephanie [Rich] had a client that she's had for a few years."

Lynch called Dean Ranch and asked that, if her group could sell the land at the original asking price, would Dean sell it. They responded in the affirmative.

The real estate duo met with Ben Clark about the main 1,493-acre tract. They contacted Robert Beall, one of Rich's longtime clients, about one of the other tracts.

Beall is heavily invested in Hudson Oaks, and now works with his son, Logan.

Sammy Klein, another local person and owner of Oakland Floors, was interested in the third tract.

In a short time, these two women put together the biggest real estate deal in Parker County history, and had the entirety of the property under contract before it even hit the market.

D.R. Horton's part is now played by the ultimate purchaser of the largest tract, Levens Capital LLC.

The Aledo Part

To understand how Aledo's receipt of 238 acres from the City of Fort Worth fits in, we have to go back before the sale of the Dean Ranch property.

According to Lynch, "There was a meeting with the Parker County Economic Development Council back when it first started."

Lynch said those in the meeting were Kit Marshall, who was mayor of Aledo at the time; Nick Stanley, who is now mayor of Aledo; Stacy Lynch, and Pat Lawler, head of the Parker County Economic Development Commission, and Chris Strayer from the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

"This is way before Dean even started," Lynch said. But the conversation got more serious once the land was under contract.

"I'm gonna give credit on this Aledo piece to two people that I feel were very instrumental — Ben Clark with D.R. Horton and Kit Marshall. It was very important to D.R. Horton and Ben, that Aledo get their front door back," Lynch said.

The benefit to Aledo residents in this transaction was that the City of Aledo controls the development in that portion of the acreage. The city has recently passed higher building standards that will be in place when Aledo's portion of the east side of FM 1187 is developed.

Lynch said she believes the Aledo portion will be a master-planned development.

"It won't be ones and twos and who's going in here — it's going to be consistent in nature and truly trust that the city council is fully capable of making this beautiful and and I

think they're going to have guidelines," she said.

"It's going to be representative of what the city wants and what people want to see," Rich added.

And the property, in terms of listings, remains in local hands as the buyers have re-listed the property with Lynch and Rich.

Lynch, who grew up in Aledo, referenced the advantage of having local companies in the process.

"It was coming regardless," she said. It could have been listed with an out-of-town or out-of-state company.

The Big Deal

It has been said that a big glass ceiling was broken with the closing of the biggest land deal in Parker County by a won am-owned agency and two women agents.

But Lynch said that wasn't what was on their minds at the time.

"We're both very honored," Lynch said. "Stephanie and I are both very honored to have done this — was that our end goal? No. Our end goal was to get a deal done and do what we do best, and that's sell real estate, and and so we kept our heads down and didn't ever really look up until it was done."

Lynch did say that it is challenging for women in the commercial real estate world.

"We gained respect because we knew our business. And we knew the business model. We knew it would work out here and we had the connections to the local community and the local people. And so I think that really helped," Lynch said. "I'm gonna give glory to God because I feel like this is not something that

I ever, ever imagined would ever happen.

"I think Stephanie and I had been working together four or five years and did we see that this was going to break the glass ceiling? We just would walk through one door and it would take us to the next or take us to the next and ended up selling the whole 2,000 acres. And so we're really proud. It's an honor to be in this position, but I truly believe it was God opening doors and we just went through them."

"We also feel that being in this position — Stacy living here for so long, and I've only been here about seven, but we do feel like it's our responsibility to try as hard as we can to keep Parker County as it is and help it grow the right way. And we take that very seriously," Rich said.

As will happen, some negative comments about the transaction have been seen on some social media gossip pages.

When asked her response, Lynch said she would be happy to discuss the transaction with anyone.

"Our door is open. We would love for them to come talk to us face-to-face and let us sit down. In fact, we've had some people reach out to us and we have literally invited them to come into our office, sit down and let us explain to them what we know," Lynch said. "It's something that is coming and if it weren't Stephanie and I doing it, I promise you the Dallas brokers would not give you the time of day. We want to give you our time and our effort and our image and give you an insight of what's actually happening."



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Capital Highlights

TxDOT announces \$85b transportation plan



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The Texas Department of Transportation has adopted a 10-year statewide roadway construction plan with a record \$85 billion price tag, officials announced last week. The Unified Transportation Plan authorizes the distribution of construction money that is expected to be available during the next decade. Within that framework, TxDOT works with elected officials and local planning organizations, as well as the public, to pick and fund the state's highest priority transportation projects.

In addition to highways the UTP addresses public transportation, aviation, rail, maritime, and freight and international trade. Many projects in the plan are highways identified on the state's 100 most congested roadways list.

"The UTP reflects a continued focus on improving transportation safety as the top priority, maintaining our current system, addressing traffic congestion, and improving statewide connectivity over the next decade," said TxDOT Commission Chairman J. Bruce Bugg, Jr.

Funding for UTP comes from "legislative and voter-approved initiatives that allocate portions of oil and gas taxes, sales taxes, and other money to the state highway fund," according to the TxDOT news release.

RRC approves final rule for gas plant weatherization

More than 18 months after Winter Storm Uri shut down much of the state's electric grid, the Texas Railroad Commission last week adopted the state's first weatherization rules requiring natural gas facilities to protect gas flow to power plants.

"These new rules ensure our state's natural gas supply chain is prepared for extreme heat and freezing cold," said RRC Chairman Wayne Christian. "These rules will ensure that the natural gas facilities Texans rely on for reliable energy are operational when we need it most."

Fines for administrative violations could reach up to \$1 million.

Gar harvest drawing now underway

Anglers itching for a chance to catch a large alligator gar can sign up through Sept. 30 to enter a drawing through Texas Parks & Wildlife to legally do so on a stretch of the Trinity River that goes from Dallas through East Texas. A total of 150 anglers will have the chance to use any legal means to take one of these prehistoric-looking creatures that is over 48 inches in length.

The following counties are included: Anderson, Chambers, Dallas, Ellis, Freestone, Henderson, Houston, Kaufman, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Navarro, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker.

"This segment of the Trinity River has become one of the most popular destinations in the world to catch a large alligator gar, but concerns have been raised about the potential for overharvest and its risks to fishing quality," said Craig Bonds of TPWD. "With

this drawing system, we are able to give 150 anglers the opportunity to harvest the fish of a lifetime while also meeting our management goal to conserve this unique resource for current and future generations of anglers."

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Texas sees first monkeypox fatality

State officials last week confirmed the first death of a Texas patient diagnosed with monkeypox. As reported by the Austin American-Statesman, the adult in the Houston area was "severely immunocompromised."

The rare disease is generally transmitted by skin-to-skin contact with someone already infected. Its symptoms are generally less severe but can be extremely painful, with rashes and blisters arising. Fever, headaches, rashes and blisters can also occur.

The Texas Department of State Health Services has reported a total of 1,695 cases in Texas to date.

Grim year for Texas cotton growers

Cotton production has been largely wiped out this year by drought and extreme heat, the Texas Tribune reported. The loss to farmers mainly in the Texas High Plains will be at least \$2 billion, according to the International Center for Agricultural Competitiveness at Texas Tech University.

Cotton isn't the only crop suffering from the heat and drought. Corn crops are in poor condition, and many pastures for cattle have been extraordinarily dry, forcing ranchers to sell their animals.

"They've had to liquidate their cattle herds due to the fact that there's nothing for the cattle to eat without supplemental feeding," Brant Wilbourn, associate director of commodity and regulatory activities at Texas Farm Bureau, told the Tribune.

COVID-19 workers' comp claims updated

More than 90,000 COVID-19 workers' compensation cases have been reported in Texas, along with 459 fatalities, according to the state Department of Workers' Compensation. Slightly more than half (51%) of the claims and 55% of the fatalities involved first responders and correctional officers.

Most of the benefits paid were for employer salary continuation or indemnity benefits in the cases of fatalities. The information was gathered through a conference call with 74 selected insurance carriers.

COVID-19 cases, fatalities show little change

The number of new cases of COVID-19 reported in the past week in Texas stayed steady at 56,734, with 183 deaths reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. That is little changed from the previous week.

DSHS reported 2,598 lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations in the state as of Friday, also comparable to last week.

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Look at it this way

This Sunday means more than just another NFL start



Rick Mauch

As is the case with any NFL Sunday, there will be joy and there will be tears as favorites fall and underdogs rise this weekend.

But this is not an ordinary NFL Sunday. This season-opening Sunday happens to fall on Sept. 11.

Twenty one years ago on Sept. 11 the most horrific terrorist attack on American soil took place. Thousands lost their lives and countless others were changed forever - including mine - when planes were hijacked and flown into the World Trade Center towers and the Pentagon.

Another, were it not for the heroics of its passengers that brought it down in a field in Pennsylvania, was believed to be headed for White House. By the way, if you haven't seen the great 2006 docudrama "United 93" directed by Paul Greengrass, I highly recommend it as it is about those very heroes - heroes who stood together in the worst moment of their lives.

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"Stand together" - two of the most important words in

the English language. Once we all knew what they meant and we took them to heart.

We certainly knew what they meant that day. It didn't matter who you voted for, where you went to church, how much money you had, what color you were. We were all Americans and we'd been attacked, and that was all we needed as we stood in unison.

But, as time will do, it erodes. And while we all are still Americans, our differences began to rise back to the forefront as the years went by. Now, sadly, it seems many only remember that feeling of unity when it's time to celebrate another anniversary of 9/11.

Was there some distrust of people not from this country after 9/11? Of course, but we also came to realize the many true friends we have around the globe and that many of those friends, though different in nationality, were here with us all along.

My dear late dad used to say we grow stronger when we make new friends who come from a different background than ourselves. They teach us things we did not know and we do the same for them.

I suspect he'd say something like, "What the hell good is it being different if all we're going to do is fight about it?"

The late Republican President Ronald Reagan would spend every day at odds

politically with Democrat Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill. Yet, almost every evening they could be found having dinner together.

We had that same togetherness throughout our entire society for a while after 9/11. We can have it again. We should have it again. And, call me overly optimistic, but I believe we will have it again.

We have to have it again.

I believe there are still more good people in the world than bad. And, as we found after 9/11, sometimes the neighbors we think might be bad were thinking the same of us, but when we got together we realized we were all pretty good people.

All of the athletes playing in high school this weekend and many in college weren't even born when 9/11 happened. A lot of the pros were toddlers or barely more.

Those of us who remember 9/11 when it happened owe it to them and all of the other youngsters out there to bring those feelings of unity back. We have to show them that working together brings much more positivity.

You know, the way championship sports teams do.

So, as we watch gladiators in various uniforms clash this weekend, let's not forget that in the end the reason for their success is unity. Let's not forget that will also always be the reason for our success as a society.

And let's never forget 9/11.



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The Democratic candidates for comptroller and agriculture commissioner in the Nov. 8 general election will address the monthly meeting of the Parker County Active Democrats at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, in the Strain Room of the Doss Student Center at Weatherford College.

Comptroller candidate Janet Dudding is a CPA who has helped uncover government abuses at state and local levels and wants to better use state money to benefit residents.

Agriculture candidate Susan Hays is an attorney with rural roots who helped write and pass the hemp legalization law in Texas in 2019.

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1 Quitman is the seat of this county

5 Jackson County seat

6 this Bud starred in TX-based 1970 film "Brewster McCLOUD"

7 "Hill Country State Natural _____"

8 votin' mo.

9 TX-based restaurant "____ Fridays"

12 "Patton" star, George C.

17 cost of education at a Texas university

19 this Olajuwon was a Houston Rockets star center

21 TXism: "looks good enough to give _____" (suit & tie)

22 household task

23 smug smile (2 wds.)

28 triangles of railroad track

29 Mineral Wells High School mascot

30 "painful _____ with gout"

31 first name of "Yellow Rose of Texas"

35 TXism: "silent as _____"

36 to pay his taxes, TX Willie released "_____ Who'll Buy My Memories?"

42 TX westernmost city residents (2 wds.)

44 "tall Texas _____"

46 Spanish explorer: Diego _____

48 transported to school

49 cult leader, Koresh, who died near Waco (init.)

50 "in a minute"

51 "do _____ others . . ."

52 TXism: "he's _____ playing with a full deck" (slow)

53 "El camino _____ de los Tejas" (now Texas 21)

54 faucet problem

56 Mavericks, Spurs, or Rockets supporter

57 state fair mo.

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DOWN

1 TX Perot book: "United We Stand: How _____ Our Country"

2 locker room, e.g.?"

3 "hands _____" (assessment of a tool as it is used by the evaluator)

4 the "D" of TX Perot's old EDS

9 TXism: "it's high _____ we did it"

10 TXism: "what's good for the _____ the _____ gander"

11 "Fanthorp _____ State Historical Site"

12 TX Nat Stuckey's "_____ Wakes Me Every Morning"

13 TXism: "he can't _____ in a bucket" (bad singer)

14 fried veggie

15 Cowboys, e.g.

16 "Hamiltons"

18 country song: "_____ a Little Kindness"

20 medical deg. for a "pill wrangler"

23 battery size

24 it administers the gov't retirement

25 TXism: "running _____" (spouse)

26 song by Texas rancher Randy Travis: "_____ You So" (1987)

27 played energetically

32 TX Rayburn, longtime U.S. House Speaker: "_____ Sam"

33 TXism: "the fat _____ in the fire" (trouble)

34 Dan Patrick is _____ Gov. of Texas

36 _____ Green County

37 Lukas of "Leap of Faith" with TX-born Steve Martin

38 Texas company that did accounting fraud

39 noodles

40 "the sun" in Mexico

41 "_____ ya later"

43 "Alamo City" initials

45 TX actress Sandy (init.)

47 "back _____" (progressing again)

48 belch

55 UT grad Marcia Gay Harden film: "_____ the Wild" (2007)

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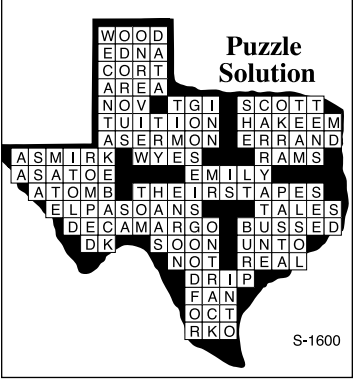
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TCA

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 Point Academy after an exciting fourth set that TCA won 33-31. Sigala led the way with 15 kills and four aces. Freshman Sadie Gough had four aces and 24 assists, and freshman Emily Ickert had nine kills and 11 digs.

“Our district is one of the toughest in TAPPS 4A. I am extremely excited about district play,” Lady Eagles coach Jessica Sims said. “We are strong defensively, and we are seeing the hard work that the athletes put in during the spring and summer come to fruition. Our setters are solid, and they have done an excellent job in setting up our front row.”

TCA entering district on strong note

The Lady Eagles volleyball team wrapped up their pre-district schedule with a pair of road sweeps this past week.

TCA (13-6) traveled to Arlington Newman

Academy on Tuesday, Aug. 30 and won 25-22, 25-10, 25-22. Freshman Sadie Gough led the team with four aces and 12 assists, sophomore Olivia Quinn had nine kills and five digs and senior Margaret Cowley recorded six kills and six blocks.

The Lady Eagles then made a short trek down the road to Weatherford to face Victory Baptist Academy and again won in three sets, 25-20, 25-20, and 25-15. Cowley led the Lady Eagles with eight kills and two blocks. Senior Gracie Barry had six kills and two blocks, freshman Emily Ickert recorded five aces and four kills and senior Meredith Miller added four aces and six digs.

Trinity was hosting Pantego Christian in their Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools District 1-4A opener at press time. They travel to Arlington Grace Prep Tuesday, Sept. 13.

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FOOTBALL

Bearcats look to bounce-back

Ready to extend record win streak

By Rick Mauch
The Community News

The last time the Aledo Bearcats entered district play with two losses they went on a 13-game winning streak to win the 2011 Class 4A Division II state championship, their third consecutive state title.

Now, the Bearcats (0-2) find themselves in similar territory as they were playing at Justin Northwest (1-1) Thursday night at press time.

The Bearcats have dropped contests at Dallas Parish Episcopal (24-17) and at home to Denton Guyer (44-14), two of the top teams in the state. Guyer, in fact, is ranked No. 17 in the nation by MaxPreps.

Despite having yet to win a game, the Bearcats are ranked No. 25 in the state by MaxPreps. Bearcats head coach Tim Buchanan said he believes no one in District 3-5A Division I has played as challenging a schedule as his squad.

"We found some things we know we've got to work on that we might not have learned if we'd been playing weaker teams," said Buchanan, who is off to an 0-2 start for the first time in his head coaching career dating to 1993 when he came to Aledo.

Other than that 1993 season, when the Bearcats were 2-8, Aledo has only lost three straight one time. That was in 2005 when they began the season 1-3, but then went on to finish 8-6 and reach the state quarterfinals.

The Bearcats have a history of bouncing back strong after a loss the magnitude of the one they experienced against Guyer. While such losses have been rare in the past almost three decades, when they have happened they've been followed by winning streaks.



Hawk Patrick-Daniels rushed for 129 yards on 23 carries against Denton Guyer.

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In the 1994, 1995, and 1996 seasons, the Bearcats won four straight after a loss of 23 or more points. Then, in 2011, following a 62-35 loss to Lake Travis, they won 13 straight with a state title. In 2014, under coach Steve Wood, Aledo lost 42-7 to Bishop Amat from California, and responded with 14 consecutive wins for another state crown.

How will they respond this year?

"We'll find out. I'm hoping as a staff we're doing the right things to rebound from this loss," Buchanan said.

District win streak

The Bearcats were looking to extend their state-record district winning streak of 103 games against the Texans. The last time Aledo lost a league contest was in 2007 when they dropped back-to-back games to start district play against Stephenville (31-28) and Everman (35-28).

And, as they have been prone to do, the Bearcats won eight straight to reach the state quarterfinals and finish 11-3.

While folks have been pointing to the Oct. 21 game at Denton Ryan since February's UIL realignment put them in the same district as Aledo's biggest threat to the record streak, Buchanan has a message for them.

"They'd better be thinking about Northwest. That's a pretty dang good team we're going over to play," he said.

While the Texans don't have the pedigree of the Bearcats (but then, who does?), Northwest is a regular in the postseason and a good bet to get there again for a seventh straight year.

Northwest, coming off a 47-39 loss to McKinney

North, is led by senior quarterback and Texas Tech commit Jake Strong, who has thrown for almost 500 yards and five touchdowns with no interceptions. He has three favorite targets in receivers Logan Jeskovic (11 catches, 153 yards, 1 TD), Kenan Reil (6-145, 3 TD) and Joseph Rivas (7-142, 1 TD).

When the Texans run the ball, they rely largely on Kyle Cummings (32 carries, 192 yards, 2 TD). Strong is also a threat on the ground with 73 yards and two TDs on 21 carries.

Defensively, the Texans feature strength at linebacker with the likes of Tyran Magee and Holden Boldie.

In the loss to Guyer, however, the Bearcats found their newest tailback it seems. Hawk Patrick-Daniels rushed for 129 yards on 23 carries.

"That was the biggest positive," Buchanan said, adding, "And (Kaydon) Finley can block. On defense, Bryon Wheeler has shown he's as good a D tackle as we've had in a while, the (Ky) Howington kid (team-leading 16 tackles, 1 interception this season) is a good linebacker, and and Boogie Owens is a good free safety."

Turnovers/takeaways

Through two games the Texans have yet to cough up the football on a turnover. Meanwhile, they have six takeaways (five fumble recoveries, one interception).

The Bearcats, meanwhile have turned the ball over four times (2 fumbles, two interceptions). On defense, they have two interceptions.

Injuries

While the Bearcats are expecting to see the return of Cap Mooney at running back (18 carries, 62 yards against Parish Episcopal) and linebacker (eight tackles) after missing the Guyer game, they suffered another blow. Center Alex Arana will miss perhaps as much as four weeks, Buchanan said.

"Guyer beat us up. We looked like a M.A.S.H. unit," Buchanan said.

All-time vs. Northwest

The Bearcats lead the all-time series with the Texans 9-6-1 and have won the past four meetings by a combined score of 161-43. The last meeting between the teams was in 2017, when Wood's Bearcats won 48-0, the largest margin of victory in the series, besting the previous largest of 61-27 the year before.

Buchanan has faced Northwest twice as a head coach, but this will be the first time in almost two decades. In 2002 his Bearcats won

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FOOTBALL

Guyer sends Bearcats to 0-2 start

District play begins this week

By Rick Mauch
The Community News

Aledo Bearcat fans have seen a lot over the years, but they haven't seen many sights like they witnessed Friday night at Bearcat Stadium.

Not only was it a rare home loss, but it was the kind of humbling they are used to seeing their beloved Bearcats put on opponents time and again over the past nearly three decades. This time, however, it was fellow powerhouse Denton Guyer who came away with the convincing 44-14 victory.

The loss dropped the Bearcats to 0-2, the first time they've had that mark two games into a season since 1991, two years before Tim Buchanan came to town as head coach.

Meanwhile, Guyer, ranked No. 18 in the nation and No. 3 in Texas by MaxPreps entering the game, improved to 2-0 with a victory on the birthday of its star quarterback Jackson Arnold. The senior University of Oklahoma commit passed for four touchdowns and rushed for another.

The Bearcats entered the game ranked No. 18 in Texas.

"We started out like we should have, on offense and defense," Buchanan said, noting that his team faced

only a three-point deficit before, "What could go wrong, went wrong."

Guyer had the game well in hand at halftime, leading 37-7, aided greatly by back-to-back bad snaps on Aledo punt attempts that gave Guyer the ball deep in Bearcat territory. In fact, three of the Wildcats' first-half touchdown drives lasted less than a minute. Two were a single play and another was just two plays, with one taking five seconds off the clock and another just 10.

However, in a yeoman effort, Aledo's Hawk Patrick-Daniels unofficially rushed for 127 yards on 22 carries.

"He showed us a lot. We found a tailback," Buchanan said.

Davhon Keys scored both of Aledo's touchdowns. The first, a 16-yard run, tied the game at 7-7. His second came on a 1-yard run in the third quarter to close the gap to 37-14 as he finished the night with 18 yards on six carries.

The two bad punt snaps set the Wildcats up at the Bearcats 18 and 10, with Arnold immediately throwing a touchdown to Josiah Martin on the first play and another of 7 yards to Landon Sides on the second play of that quick possession for a 24-7 advantage.

When asked about the impact of those two mishaps, Buchanan said, "We were still going to have to

play well to beat them. We've got the get better."

The game began as though it would be the track-meet style contest the teams held in 2019 when Guyer came out on top 60-57 in Buchanan's return to coaching after a five-year hiatus as athletic director. After Guyer drove 70 yards in seven plays, finished off by a 10-yard TD run by Arnold, the Bearcats responded by going 63 yards in eight plays with Keys' first score.

Then, after Guyer took a 10-7 lead on a 24-yard field goal by Ford Stinson things fell apart for the Bearcats. However, even after Guyer's two quick touchdowns, Aledo was on the move before a fumble after a 32-yard run gave the ball back to Guyer.

Guyer made the score 31-7 on a 26-yard drive in 56 seconds following a 29-yard punt return. It ended with a 3-yard run by Trey Joyner. After the Bearcats came up short on fourth-and-8, Arnold again connected with Sides for a 52-yard TD and it was 37-7 at the intermission.

Guyer and Arnold's night was capped with a 23-yard touchdown pass to Martin.

"I don't think anybody else in our district has played teams like we played," Buchanan said.

The Bearcats opened the season with a 24-17 road loss to Dallas Parish Episcopal, ranked ninth in the state by MaxPreps.

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Aledo's offensive line at work.

BEARCATS

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21-6, followed by a 31-10 win in 2003.

Game at a glance

Aledo Bearcats (0-2) at Justin Northwest Texans (1-1)

When: 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8

Aledo offensive leaders: RB Hawk Patrick-Daniels, 24 carries, 132 yards rushing, three catches, 14 yards receiving; QB Hauss Hejny, 20-113 rushing, 13-30, 239 yards, 1 TD, 2 int. Passing; RB Cap Mooney, 18-62 rushing; WR Jalen Pope, 9-184, 1 TD; TE/WR Tyson Timms, 3-44.

Northwest offensive leaders: QB Jake Strong, 21-73, 2 TD rushing, 30-54, 494 yards, 5 TD, 2 int. Passing; RB Kyle Cummings, 32-192, 2 TD; WR Logan Jeskevic, 11-153, 1 TD; WR Kenan Reil, 6-145, 3 TD; WR Joseph Rivas, 7-142, 1 TD.

Aledo defensive leaders: LB Ky Howington, 16 tackles, 1 for loss, 1

int.; LB Dahvon Keys, 12 tackles; CB Chris Johnson, 10 tackles, 1 interception (returned 52 yards); S Jake Gillespie, 10 tackles, 1 for loss, 1 int.; DB Andrew Parkhurst, 10 tackles, 1 for loss, 1 sack.

Northwest defensive leaders: LB Holden Boldie, 1 int. (returned 38 yards); LB Tyran Magee.

Team rushing per game: Aledo, 151.5; Northwest, 182.0.

Team passing per game: Aledo, 134.0; Northwest, 272.0.

Rushing yards surrendered per game: Aledo, 75.0; Northwest, 111.5.

Passing yards surrendered per game: Aledo, 303.0; Northwest, 117.0.

Turnovers: Aledo, 4 (2 fumbles, 2 interceptions); Northwest, 0.

Takeaways: Aledo, 2 (int.); Northwest, 6 (5 fumbles, 1 int.).

Notable: The last time Aledo lost three straight to open a season was in 1990, when they started 0-4 en route to a 1-9 record. Northwest has started 1-2 in three of the past four seasons, except 2019, when they began 0-4.

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO VOTE ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.383113 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of CITY OF ALEDO.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.383113 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.317213 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.383114 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF ALEDO from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF ALEDO may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that CITY OF ALEDO is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 22, 2022 AT 06:00 pm AT ALEDO COMMUNITY CENTER, 104 ROBINSON COURT, ALEDO, TX 76008.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, CITY OF ALEDO is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Aledo City Council of CITY OF ALEDO at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal: Shane Davis Dan Herbert
Nelson Rowls Shawna Ford
Christian Pearson

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: Mayor Nick Stanley

ABSENT: None

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF ALEDO last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF ALEDO this year.

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.327147	\$0.383113	increase of 0.055966, or 17.11%
Average homestead taxable value	\$341,542	\$345,275	increase of 3,733, or 1.09%
Tax on average homestead	\$1,117.34	\$1,322.79	increase of 205.45, or 18.39%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$1,865,415	\$2,358,472	increase of 493,057, or 26.43%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for CITY OF ALEDO at 817-596-0077 or parkerca@parkerca.org, or visit www.texas.gov/propertytaxes for more information.

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Aledo tennis still perfect in district

By Cathy Mason
Special to The Community News

The Aledo team tennis squad improved to 3-0 (9-2 overall) in District 5-5A after easily disposing of Saginaw 18-1 on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

In boys doubles, the No. 1 duo of Hogan Posey/Will Beyer won 6-1, 6-0, as did Craig Mason/Ben Farmer (6-0, 6-0) and Jacob Heckathorn/Francois Britz (6-0, 6-1).

Girls doubles were led by the top pair of Bryanna Ore/Kenley Germany (6-2, 6-2), while Paige

Federman/Elli Kate Bussmeir (6-1, 6-0) and Patrice Loftin/Natalie Nawrocki (6-2, 6-2) also posted sweep victories.

In mixed doubles, Scott Mason/Eleanor Jack outlasted their foes 6-3, 6-7, 10-5.

All boys singles matches posted wins, including Farmer (6-0, 6-1), C. Mason (6-1, 6-0), Heckathorn (6-0, 6-0) and Britz (6-0, 6-0). With the match already won, No. 1 player S. Mason and

No. 2 Posey played pro sets and beat their opponents 8-0.

In girls singles, early wins were posted by Bussmeir (6-0, 6-0), Germany (6-2, 6-3), Federman (6-0, 6-1) and Heydman (6-0, 6-1). Pro sets were played by No. 1 Orr (8-2) and Jack (4-8).

The Bearcats/Ladycats will return action when they take on Brewer at Aledo High School on Sept. 20.



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SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

The Trinity Christian Academy Lady Eagles won the Silver Bracket in the Fort Worth Christian PIT Tournament. Pictured are (front row, from left) assistant varsity coach Anabel Kruse, Caroline Thompson, Rio Lipsky, Meredith Miller, Olivia Quinn, Sadie Gough, Emily Ickert, and Bella Sigala and (back row) manager Avery Tiwater, Faith Rodgers, Meghan Young, Maddie Bayles, Margaret Cowley, Giuliana Marcantonio, Faith Brooks, Gracie Barry, and assistant coach Brianna Ludwig. Not pictured is varsity coach Jessica Sims.

FOOTBALL

Eagles top Reicher for first win

Staff Reports
The Community News

The Trinity Christian Academy Eagles captured their first victory under new head coach Brian Marmion on Friday, Sept. 2, winning at Waco Reicher Catholic 21-13.

Ironically, all of the scoring was done in the third quarter.

Reicher (1-2) struck first, returning a fumble for a touchdown, but the Cougars missed the extra point. Trinity (1-1) took the lead, 7-6, on an Evan Chrane 42-yard run, followed by Riley McCracken's first of three true extra-point kicks.

Then, after Reicher regained the lead on a 25-yard run, Trinity regained it for good on Jake Wallis' 3-yard run and another

McCracken kick. Caleb Nelson capped the scoring with a 24-yard touchdown for Trinity and again McCracken was good on the kick.

Nelson led the Eagles with 39 yards on six carries, while Chrane gained 35 on 13 totes. Chrane was also 7-for-14 passing for 48 yards, with Matthew Sykes being the leading receiver with two catches for 19 yards. Nathan Williams hauled in a 14-yard reception.

Defensively, Nelson posted 15 tackles, including one for a loss, for the Eagles, while Wallis

had 11. Cameron Hobbs registered eight with one for a loss and Jackson Sykes' seven tackles included a pair for a loss.

Braxton Smith had an interception and Hobbs recovered a fumble.

Along with being perfect on extra points, McCracken punted eight times for a 38-yard average with a long punt of 58 yards.

The Eagles will play their next game at home, their first ever in their new stadium when they host Dallas Christian Home Educators, based in Cedar Hill. DasCHE is 2-0 with wins over the Conroe Northside Lions Sports Association (40-36) and CenTex Sports Association (53-0). Kickoff is 7:30 p.m.



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VOLLEYBALL

Lady Eagles take silver title in Fort Worth Christian tourney

By Rick Mauch
The Community News

The Trinity Christian Academy Lady Eagles captured the Silver Bracket championship in Fort Worth Christian PIT Tournament on Aug. 19-20, followed by a split of matches the following week.

The Lady Eagles, 11-6 on the season, took the Silver Bracket title with a hard-fought victory against Southwest Christian, 25-23, 24-26, 15-13. Senior Bella Sigala led

the Lady Eagles with eight kills and 11 digs. Junior Faith Brooks had six kills and 10 assists.

The Lady Eagles opened up the following week on Tuesday, Aug. 23, with a 3-0 sweep against Fellowship Academy. Junior Caroline Thompson led with 11 aces and nine digs. Senior Margaret Cowley had five kills and three aces, and Sigala added another five kills.

On Thursday, Aug. 25, the Lady Eagles dropped the fifth set to High

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CROSS COUNTRY

Bearcats second, Ladycats fifth at Burleson

Next stop is Mineral Wells

By Rick Mauch
The Community News



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With four runners in the top 20, the Aledo Bearcats finished second in the Burleson Elk Run XXII on Sept. 2. Meanwhile, the Ladycats had two runners in the top 10 and finished fifth overall as a team.

The Bearcats missed the top spot by just three points behind Fort Worth Arlington Heights. The junior varsity boys did take first in their division.

“Although it was a wet, sloppy day, it was a great day for our runners!” exclaimed head coach Mike Pinkerton. “Everyone ran extremely well given the conditions. Very proud of how they kept their composure in the rain and the mud.”

Molly Garrison had the highest placement overall among varsity runners, taking third among the girls with a time of 19 minutes, 27.64 seconds over the 5K course. Jack Fink was the top boy, clocking a 16:13.41 over the same distance.

Also for the Bearcats varsity, Vincent Luffey was eighth, 16:48.42; Sam Haught was 17th in 17:09; and Dominick Berrera placed 20th in 17:19.16. Rounding out the Aledo varsity boys was Henry Zedler, 23rd, 17:23.78; Luke Schabel, 29th, 17:50.40; and Anderson Smith, 40th, 18:02.69.

Sophia Brandenburg's time of 20:04.44 placed her ninth among varsity girls. Also for the Ladycats, Aubrey Connelly was 56th in 22:55.48; Caroline

Browning, 63rd, 23:14.79; and Sadie Williams, 71st, 23:21.02.

The JV boys were paced by Daniel Stephens' runner-up time of 18:07.72 and James' Price's third-place clocking of 18:43.17. Lincoln Tuin also posted a top-five finish, placing fifth in 19:00.76.

The JV Bearcats also saw Bo Merrill finish 16th, 19:32.73; Chad Thomas, 19th, 19:41.21; Isaac Price, 55th, 20:42.20; Caden West, 74th, 21:11.36; Christian Flores, 133rd, 23:12.71; Alex Gasper, 145th, 23:36.96; and Ian Robbins, 194th, 26:25.57.

Competing for the JV Ladycats, Emily Lewis finished ninth, posting a 23:36.57 time. Catie Weimer was 38th with a 25:35.83.

Aledo's next meet will be Saturday, Sept. 10 at Mineral Wells. First race will be at 8 a.m.

GUYER

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Buchanan praised his team coming back from a 24-3 deficit in that game to make things exciting, along with playing Guyer even in the second half Friday.

“I learned they don't quit,” he said.

Unofficially, Guyer out-gained the Bearcats 440 yards to 263. The majority of the Wildcats' yardage came through the air (381), including 348 by Arnold, who was 22-of-34. The Aledo defense limited Guyer

to just 59 yards rushing on 23 attempts.

Meanwhile, the Bearcats rushed for 138 yards on 43 carries and passed for 125. Quarterback Hauss Hejny rushed for 47 yards on 10 carries and was 6-of-16 passing for 112 yards, while backup QB Brant Hayden was 5-of-7 for 13 yards.

The Bearcats receiving corps was led by Jalen Pope with four catches for 78 yards, while Patrick-Daniels caught three passes for 14 yards, Kaydon Finley hauled in two for 17, Gavin Olenjack caught two for seven yards

and Tyson Timms had one catch for nine.

Guyer was led by Sides with nine catches for 142 yards and Martin with eight for 116.

The Aledo defense was led by Kye Howington with 13 tackles (nine solo, one for a loss), while Chris Johnson posted seven (one for a loss), Jayton Owens had six. Jaden Allen and Jake Gillespie registered five each, with Gillespie having one for a loss.

Aledo opens District 3-5A Division I play Thursday at Justin Northwest (1-1). Kickoff is 7 p.m.

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VOLLEYBALL

Ladycats win against scrappy Waco Midway

District begins Friday in Wichita Falls

By Randy Keck
The Community News

The Aledo Ladycats ended their lead-up to district play this week with a match that looked like it was going to be a sweep — before it became a battle.

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, the Ladycats hosted Waco Midway.

The two teams played fairly evenly in the first set.

After falling behind 0-2, the 'Cats rebounded, going up 5-4 and spending much of the set trading points.

The lead changed hand a number of times until, after trailing 19-20, sophomore outside hitter Lauryn Mack sent home a kill, and the Ladycats took it home, ending the set 25-21.

Midway looked lackluster in the second set, and the Ladycats dominated, putting together several runs.

Behind 0-1, the 'Cats scored five straight to go up 5-1. After another three-point run, the Ladycats, up 8-4, put together a five-point run to lead 13-4.

After two points by Midway, Aledo put together a run of seven points during Alyssa Gonzales' serve to go up 20-6. The Ladycats took the second set with a convincing 25-9 win.

Midway, however, did not go quietly, and led throughout the third set until Aledo scrambled back to go up 8-7.



LEFT: Mia Little had 30 digs in the Midway match. | RIGHT: Lauryn Mack had 18 kills against Waco Midway.



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The lead changed a couple of times until Aledo appeared to be headed for a sweep, leading 19-13 when Midway called a timeout.

Midway scrambled back, outscoring aledo 9-4 to pull within one point at 23-22, and they took the third set 24-26. Midway also took the fourth set, 21-25, before the Ladycats sealed their victory in set 5, 15-11.

Kills: Lauryn Mack 18, Alyssa Gonzales 16, Vivian Parker 15

Aces: Rylee Metts 2

Digs: Mia Little 30, Lauryn Mack 27, Vivian Parker 22, Alyssa Gonzales 16

Assists: Rylee Metts 28, Ava Reding 23

Block Assists: Maddie Frank 5, Alyssa Gonzales 4, Haley Lowe 3, Vivian Parker 3

Highland Park

The previous Friday Highland Park came to

town and it was a tough match for Aledo.

Highland Park swept the match 7-25, 18-25, 13-25

Kills: Lauryn Mack 7, Alyssa Gonzales 3, Maddie Frank 3

Aces: Lauryn Mack 2, Mia Little 1

Digs: Vivian Parker 16, Mia Little 8, Alyssa Gonzales 6

Assists: Ava Reding 7, Rylee Metts 6

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The Ladycats open district play at Rider on Friday, Sept. 9, and then travel to Northwest on Tuesday.



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