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ALEDO ISD

One new, one familiar face

Stuard, Vandagriff **Elementary Schools** to get new principals next year

Staff Reports

The Aledo ISD announced late on Friday that Jake Bean would succeed Stephanie Maroney as

principal the Vandagriff at Elementary School next school year, and and newcomer Katie Griffin will take the lead at Stuard Elementary

School.



Jake Bean

Katie Griffin

Bean is no stranger to the Aledo ISD. He graduated from Aledo High School in 2001 and went on to earn his bachdegree elor's from Texas State University and a master education of

in educational leadership from the University of Texas at Arlington.

Bean has been the assistant principal at McCall Elementary School since 2019. Before that, he was an assistant principal at Aledo Middle School from 2015 to 2018 and a teacher and coach at Western Hills High School in the Fort Worth ISD from 2008 to 2015. Bean also was an alternative teacher certification program instructor at Weatherford College from 2012 to 2018.

"As a lifelong Bearcat, I am humbled and honored to be named principal of Vandagriff Elementary," Bean said. "I am so excited to get to know the outstanding students, staff and parents of the Vanda family. Mrs. Maroney is leaving some very big shoes to fill, and I look forward to partnering with her as we make this transition."

Maroney is resigning her principal position at the end of the school year to pursue a career outside of education with her husband's business.

Griffin has been a principal at Senita Valley Elementary in the Vail Unified School District in Tucson, Arizona, since 2018. Prior to that, she was an assistant principal at Senita Valley for one year and a third- and second-grade teacher and team lead at Mesquite Elementary School for three and a half years. Griffin has a bachelor's degree from the University of

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100 years of Aledo ISD growth: the early years

By Dan Reilley

As the Aledo ISD community prepares to vote in the upcoming bond election, there may be value in examining how previous generations responded to population growth in the area and the resulting stress on the local schools.

Growth in Aledo is not a new phenomenon. For the past 100 years, the area has experienced a steady increase in student population - and at times, that pace has accelerated.

Roughly 100 years ago, a brand new, state-of-the-art, three-story, red brick building was constructed to house all grade levels under a single roof. At an estimated cost of \$25,000 (approximately \$375,000 in today's money), the new Aledo School replaced a smaller, tworoom wooden building in another part of town that previously served the same function.

When the existing school could no longer meet the needs of the growing number of students, the community responded in a big way. The new, modern Aledo School had eight classrooms, a homemaking room, a library, an auditorium located on the top floor, a labora-



This photo is believed to be pre-1923 before the new Aledo School opened in 1924. It was south and east of the FM 1187 campus and opened in 1893.

rooms, and a Delco system for electricity.

At the time, Aledo was praised for its bold commitment to education and investment in their children.

Opening in the 1924-25 school year, the new school was located tory, a shop, restrooms, two coal on a parcel of land just behind the

current Early Childhood Academy on FM 1187. This forward-thinking facility served area students in some capacity for more than 40 years, with ever-changing grade level configurations, depending on the need of the time.

Many of our long-time Aledo residents remember the old red

brick building well. They may even have a story or two about the gravel playground.

Although the building was demolished in the mid 1960s, the land still serves students of Aledo ISD today.

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ALEDO ISD

Health science students travel to state

Six health science students recently represented Aledo High School at the HOSA state competition at the Kalahari Resort in Round Rock.

Kamryn Kupper was a state qualifier in Sports Medicine.

Addison Redifer was a state qualifier in Research Poster.

The team of Petey Montoya, Lanham Watts, Audrey Hood, and Taylor Smith placed in the Top 10 for Public Health.

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Land exchange

April 25 **By Rick Mauch**

WILLOW PARK

Willow Park may be about to get a little bigger and Weatherford may be about to shrink a little. The cities of Willow Park and Weatherford are considering an adjustment in their boundaries. The adjustments would take place between the extraterritorial jurisdiction of both cities.

Extraterritorial jurisdiction is the area where a city has the legal ability to exercise authority beyond its normal boundaries.

Should the agreement become a reality, Willow Park officials confirmed their city would gain a little more than 700 acres along the south side of White Settlement Road and about another 20 acres along the south side of Crown Road. Weatherford would acquire about 365 acres on the north side of White Settlement Road in the exchange.

So far, not much in the way of development has taken place on these sites. However, that will not likely remain the case, given the continued growth and development of both cities.

"This boundary adjustment will provide a more logical alignment of the ETJ boundary within the City of Weatherford. It will provide for more contiguous development and effective delivery of municipal infrastructure for both cities," Willow Park City Manager Bryan Grimes said.

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Capital Highlights

Dueling tax proposals in the Lege



Gary Borders

The Texas House passed a bill promising \$17 billion in tax relief, a measure that is at odds with the Senate's tax break plan, according to the Austin American-Statesman. The House bill would lower by half a home's cap on appraisal increases. It passed overwhelmingly, 141-9. However, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who presides over the Senate, said that body will not approve it, preferring its plan to raise property exemptions from \$40,000 to \$70,000.

In a press conference held Thursday, Patrick reiterated his opposition, saying appraisal caps do not have much effect on property tax bills.

"So let me be very clear, I've said before this session, I've said it at the beginning of session, I've said recently, you don't negotiate on bad math," Patrick said.

House Speaker Dade Phelan took a less confrontational stand.

"I think we need to do what's best for all Texans, and that is sit down and hammer out a compromise," Phelan said in part. "We are ready, willing and able to do it in the Texas House."

Parental book bill passes the Senate

The Texas Senate passed a bill last week that would require

schools to inform parents of all way by fall to El Niño condibooks their children check out of school libraries, The Dallas Morning News reported. The bill's sponsor, state Sen. Angela Paxton, R-McKinney, said she sponsored the bill after being contacted about sexually explicit materials in school libraries.

"I cannot unsee what I saw," Paxton said on the Senate floor. "More importantly, a child cannot unsee sexually explicit materials, and this certainly shouldn't happen in a school library, of all places."

Critics say the bill could lead to politicized book bans and undermine the work of librarians. It requires school boards to create local library advisory panels made up mainly of parents.

The bill now heads to the Texas House for consideration.

Drought conditions expand in Central, West Texas

Warmer temperatures and less rain in March expanded drought conditions throughout the central and western parts of the state, hydrologist Dr. Mark Wentzel of the Texas Water Development Board reported. More than two-thirds of the state is affected by drought, up five percentage points from the previous month. The exception is in the eastern portion of Texas, which is now drought free.

The La Niña weather system, which is at least partially responsible for drought conditions in the state for the past two-anda-half years, is predicted to give tions, which tend to be wetter, according to Wentzel.

"Why are La Niña, neutral, and El Niño conditions important to Texas? Each of these conditions sets up different atmospheric circulation patterns that impact weather around the world, including Texas," Wentzel wrote.

Hundreds apply for Houston ISD board of managers

With the Texas Education Agency taking over management of the Houston Independent School District, nearly 400 applications have been received to join the district's Board of Managers. In a news release, TEA said it is looking for Houston residents with "a wide array of backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives who believe all children can learn and achieve at high levels when properly supported and who can work together as a governance team."

"I am looking for Houstonians with wisdom and integrity who can be laser-focused on what is best for students," Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath said. "It is exciting to see so many Houstonians express a willingness to help move the school system forward in service of students."

The Board of Managers will hold public board meetings and has the same legal requirements and obligations as any elected school board, according to TEA.

More funding for community colleges?

A bill approved last week by the Texas House would allocate additional funding to the state's 50 community college districts, the Statesman reported. The additional amount each district would receive would be based on several factors, including the number of degrees and certificates a college awards "that equip students for continued learning and greater earnings," the Statesman reported.

The bill is one of House Speaker Dade Phelan's priorities and has more than 90 co-authors.

"This would be the most significant state investment for community colleges in decades," said Rvan Franklin, senior director of policy and advocacy for Educate Texas.

Community colleges in Texas are funded by a combination of local property taxes, tuition and fees, state revenue, and various other sources. The bill guarantees a certain amount of funding for rural community college districts that are unable to raise as much in property taxes as urban districts.

More than 18,000 cattle killed in explosion

What is being called the deadliest barn fire for cattle on record left more than 18,000 cattle dead and one worker critically injured at a dairy farm in the Texas Panhandle, The Dallas Morning News reported. The fire swept through the holding pens of Southfork Dairy Farm in Dimmitt last week as the cattle were waiting to be milked.

"It's mind-boggling," Dimmitt Mayor Roger Malone said. "I don't think it's ever happened before around here. It's a real tragedy.

The cause has not been determined, but Castro County Sheriff Sal Rivera told KCBD-TV that overheating electrical equipment in the holding pens may have ignited methane gas. Photos and video posted on social media show a massive plume of smoke rising from the facility.

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Fine Christian gentlemen at it again



Randy Keck rkeck@community-news.com

I received a text message a couple of days ago from "Bethany" at Texans for School Choice telling me that our state representative, Glenn Rogers, voted to ban school choice in Texas.

Aside from the falsity of that statement, back in March, from the same telephone number, I received a text message from "Bethany" at Young Americans for Liberty, telling me to call

our state senator, Phil King, because senators had introduced Senate Bill 8, "which blocks ONE MILLION homeschool and private school students from School Choice opportunities."

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Again, the statement was false, leading me to put the name "Bethany" in quotes since I have come to the conclusion I can't believe anything that comes from that telephone number, so I have to assume "Bethany" might not be a real person.

A few weeks ago I received a mailer implying that Phil King was in cahoots with Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. Since I know Phil, and I know that any association he would have with Joe Biden would be in someone's fever dream, I concluded that someone doesn't mind lying to

me to get their way politically, in this case in advocacy for "school choice," which is as big a misnomer as ever there was one for the latest effort to get vouchers

What all these efforts have in common is that, if you follow the money, it mainly comes from a couple of fine Christian billionaires in west Texas who want our state run according to their concept of Christianity,

which apparently condones using deception, subterfuge, and bullying to achieve that goal.

The bullying comes from the fact that they will spare no expense

to send out countless the record and attacking their News.

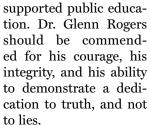
opponents — statewide — to achieve their aims.

state elected officials have given

Unfortunately, many of our

in to the bullying and are voting for the policies espoused by these two fine Christian gentlemen. But at least one of our local

elected officials in state government has stood up to the bullying, has voted his conscience, and has





Randy Keck is the owner hit-piece mailings distorting and publisher of The Community

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Phoenix and a master of education in educational administration from Grand Canyon University.

Griffin will succeed Ron Shelton, who announced his retirement earlier in the school year.

"I am incredibly honored to become the next principal of Stuard Elementary School," Griffin said. "Aledo's reputation of excellence, high expectations, and growing greatness align with my own leadership philosophy. Relationships are one of my biggest priorities, and I am looking forward to the opportunity to make a positive impact on the lives of others in this great community."

Aledo ISD Superintendent Dr. Susan Bohn expressed confidence in the two new principals.

"We are thrilled that these two excellent educators and leaders will be principals at two of our elementary campuses next school year," Bohn said. "As a current assistant principal in our district, I know that Mr. Bean will continue growing greatness for our students as he moves to Vandagriff Elementary, And we are excited for Ms. Griffin to learn what makes being a Bearcat so special as she also brings her own culture of excellence to Stuard Elementary.

"I'd also like to thank principals Ron Shelton from Stuard and Stephanie Maroney from Vandagriff for their many years of service and dedication to our elementary Bearcats," Bohn con-



commitment to growing greatness continues to be evident as they are assisting in making these story online transitions new principals easier for our

tinued.

"Their

students, staff and parents, which is very much appreciated."

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"Willow Park staff and administration have worked with the City of Weatherford to develop this agreement for the benefit of both cities."

An article in the Dallas Business Journal noted the Weatherford City Council has already approved the joint resolution at its most recent meeting

Tuesday, April 11. Willow Park officials said they are going to discuss the matter further and take possibly action at the



April 25 city council meeting.

WEATHERFORD COLLEGE

Electric vehicle charging stations coming to campus

July 31 target date for 14 stations

By Crystal Woerly Weatherford College

The Weatherford College Board of Trustees approved a proposal from Imperial Construction for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations on the Weatherford campus during their April meeting on Thursday, April 13.

Funds for the project, up to \$295,050, are allocated from a grant awarded by the North Central Texas Council of Governments via an interlocal agreement signed and approved by the board in March.

Imperial Construction was the only vendor to return a bid. Their proposed amount is \$247,392 to install the electric vehicle charging equipment provided by Blink Charging at a cost of \$41,555.

A total of 14 charging stations, along with lighting and security cameras, will be installed in the parking lot on the east side of the Alkek Fine Arts Center. The charging stations will be free for public use for the

first year, with the board having the option to add a usage fee after that time if they so choose. The project will be completed by July 31.

Shanna Mello, WC's legal service manager, wrote the grant proposal and received letters of support from State Representative Phil King and

State Senator Drew Springer. "Because of [King Springer's] support and Shanna's

work, we had the highest-ranked grant application in the competitive process," said WC President Tod Allen Farmer. "We're very appreciative both of Shanna's hard work and especially appreciative of the support that

we've received from our elected officials."

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story online

Electric charging stations for the Wise County campus are in the planning stages.

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Other schools

The Aledo School was not the only school within what is now the Aledo ISD boundary. To the west was the Annetta School, located southwest of Airport Road and FM 5. To the north, the Prairie Hill School was located east of FM 3325 (Farmer Road) and north of Old Weatherford Road.

Interestingly, these are the approximate areas of the two newest Aledo ISD campuses: Annetta Elementary School and McAnally Middle School.

The Willow Springs School, located west of Aledo at the time, consolidated with the Aledo School in 1928, adding more students to the Aledo campus. Even with other schools in the area, it did not take long for this modern structure to feel the impact of an increased student population. More educational space was needed, and more space

In 1937, as part of the Works Progress Administration, the still used Rock Gym was constructed adjacent to the north side of the

Aledo School. With a gymnasium and two classrooms, first- and second-grade students moved to this adjacent building to make room in the main building for a growing student population while simultaneously separating the youngest students from the rest of the student body. Some older Aledo residents can recall sharing desks and combining second- and third-grade levels to make room for students in the Rock Gym classrooms.

In the 1940s, two temporary buildings were placed south of the Aledo School to accommodate more students. Intended to be temporary, the buildings became permanent fixtures that were utilized for shop and agriculture classes, as well as the cafeteria.

Football arrives, along with new high school

The first football stadium for Aledo was built in 1946. Five years later in 1951, the Aledo Independent School District as we know it today was officially formed.

At the initial June 1951 board meeting, one of the first items of business was discussion on a new high school building. A building committee was created to assist the school board. They discussed taxes and reserving 45% of revenue to service the debt of the new construction, which would include lockers and a modern bell system.

The original Aledo High School opened in 1955 just east of the red brick Aledo School. At that point, the red brick school transitioned to housing students in third through eighth grade.

More growth and more students in the 1960s led to the construction of an elementary school south of the high school in 1964.

A few years later, a new Aledo High School was built on the far south of the property. Opened in 1968, this new campus - currently Aledo Middle School - was home to grades seven through 12.

Kindergarten through sixth grade occupied the two remaining buildings on site.

During this construction period, the original red brick Aledo School was demolished. The playground south of the Rock Gym is where the original build-

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ing once stood. Over the next two decades, the Aledo High School underwent two different expansions in 1979 and 1987 to accommodate the growth of secondary students. Additions were also made to the elementary building. However, by the late 1980s, space was limited. The need for additional elementary classrooms would lead to something the district had never seen before - a second campus.

Up until this time, all students in Aledo ISD attended school on the same campus on FM 1187.

That changed in 1988 with the opening of what is now Coder Elementary School.

There was a strong desire in the community at that time to keep grade levels together. Rather than opening the new campus as a second elementary school, the new Aledo Primary School housed kindergarten to third grade. The elementary school on the FM 1187 campus became Aledo Intermediate School, housing fourth through

> sixth grade, while the high school building was home to grades seven through 12.

Next week for part two of the two-part series will cover the modern era of growth in Aledo ISD.



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Willow Bark helps four-legged friends

The City of Willow Park hosted its latest Willow Bark event on Saturday, April 15, at McCall Elementary School. Vendors, children's activities, contests, and "weenie dog" races highlighted the day.

"We had a wonderful event Saturday at Willow Bark," said Rose Hoffman, Willow Park Communications and Marketing Director. "It was a perfect day for our community's dog lovers to celebrate our four-legged friends and support Parker Paws, which does great work

Parker in County to support the pet population. I'd like to thank all our sponsors, vendors, and volunteers



who took part. We could not have done this without them."

Funds raised from the event benefit Parker Paws.



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Sophia Cohodes and Madison Burgwald show their four legged pals Cricket and Heidi.

"It was a perfect day for our community's dog lovers to celebrate our four-legged friends and support Parker Paws."

Rose Hoffman



Fergie gets a treat from Cane Rosso Animal Rescue volunteer Kerri Capps. The Blue Heeler was looking for its forever home at Willow Bark.



Cooper was one of the tiniest dogs at Willow Bark.

Wyatt Minnich cruises down the inflated slide.



Hollois Minnich lands at the base of the inflated slide.



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Mark and Pam Edmondson brought three of their five dogs, Corndog, Luna and PK.



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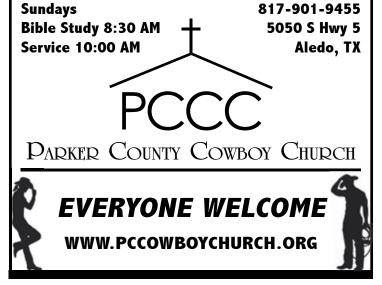
Kaya, owned by Dian Wier, visits the public facilities.

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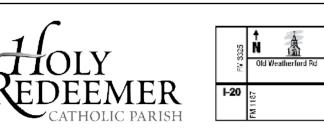
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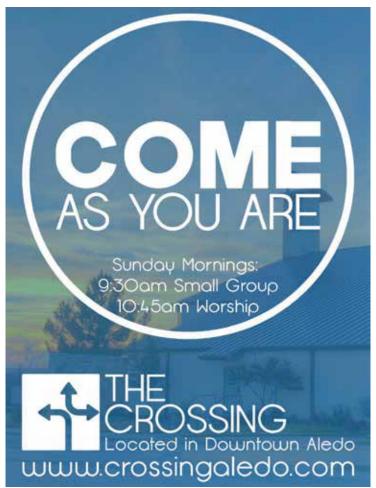




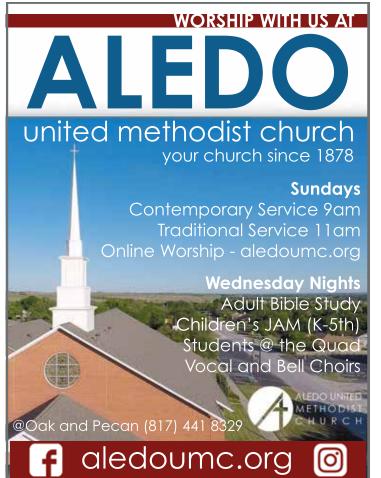


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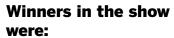
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AISD artists fare well in Parker County Student Art Show

The Weatherford Art Association has announced the winners of its annual art competition for the students of Parker County in grades 6-12, and the winners list included several students in the Aledo ISD. The show is sponsored by the Weatherford Art Association as part of the National Art Education Association Youth Art Month event for March and is coordinated by Kathy Cunning, WAA Student Show Chair. This year's show was online.

Open to all art students in Parker County, entries were submitted through their on-campus art teacher and the cost was one dollar per entry with a limit of three entries per student, per category. Teachers could submit fifteen entries per category. All monies collected were returned to the students in the form of prize money.

This year's show had 269 entries submitted by sixteen teachers from Aledo ISD, Millsap ISD, Weatherford ISD, and Brock ISD. The Show was judged by Marilyn Ivy, former Master Educator for the Kimbell Art Museum and member of the Weatherford Art Association. A slide show of the winning entries can be viewed at https://www.weatherfordart.com/ https://www.facebook.com/ WeatherfordArtAssociation.



Art 1 grades 6-8

- 1. Samantha San-Agustin
- 2. Emelyn Sims 3. Preston Sims
- Honorable Mentions: Brynham

Thorton ,Christian Kell, Gioranna Melo-Sanchez, Hailey Frias, J. Sloan, Tiffany Sustaita.

Art 2 grades 7-8

- 1. Macy Bradley
- 2. Jetta Hess McAnally Middle
 - 3. Chaylee Fron

Honorable Mentions: Macy Bradley, Angie Alamilla, Avery Kats, Braedon Wojtylak, Catelynn Bartel, Chaylee Fron, Jeanett Hernandez, Kate Kerner, Kaiden Wade

Art 1 grades 9-12

- 1. Ari Storms Aledo HS
- 2. Jasmine Nguyen 3. Mars Luna - Aledo HS
- Honorable Mentions: Tristan Higley, Bella McCorkel, Brianna Hines, Carson Bobbitt, Natalie Valerio, Reagen Tomlin, Tyler Lewis, Miranda Tinoco.

Art 2 grades 9-12

- 1. Sorin Hohman Aledo High School
- 2. Madeline Gordy Aledo High School
- 3. Cory Tilley Aledo High School

Honorable Mentions: Abigail Huber, Abigail Powell, Annie Henry, Babs Belle, Dani Carpenter, Jade Ortiz, Lauren Leite, Shelby Turk, Vanessa Ramirez

Art 3-4

- 1. Cayleigh Garner Aledo High School
 - 2. Lainey Vollmer
 - 3. Skylar Bahon

Honorable Mentions: Aubrie Freeze, Alex Irish, Jordon Joes, Sam Rodriquez, Tanner Bussey



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Aledo High School student Graciela Gonzales is shown with her painting, Man's Best Friend." The work won "Best of Show" at the Parker County Student Art Show.



"Fractured Portrait" by Aledo High School student Cory Tilley won third place in the Art 2 Grades 9-12 category.

Advanced Placement

- 1. Sage Symns Aledo High School
- 2. Graciela Gonzales Aledo high School
 - 3. Madison Warner
- Honorable Mentions: Avalon Griggs, Aria Jaramillo, Graciela Gonzalez, Jackie Hall, Kathryn Manus, Savannah Reagan, Samantha Porter

3-D

- 1. Elliott Ludwick
- 2. Olivia Fowler 3. E DeLaGarza

Honorable Mentions: Addison Nelson, Finn Harney, Maya Pulis, Savannah Headrick, Jordan Clift

The Weatherford Art Association is soliciting donations for the 2024 Parker County Student Art Show. Donations towards awards and prizes for the students can be made at www.WeatherfordArt.com/ Donations-payments.



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"Geometric Cubism" by Aledo High School student Madeline Gordy won second place in the Art 2 Grades 9-12 category.

"Elegance of Solitude" by Sorin Hohman won first

place in the Art 2 Gardes 9-12 category.

"Kiowa Still Remain" by Aledo High School

High School division.



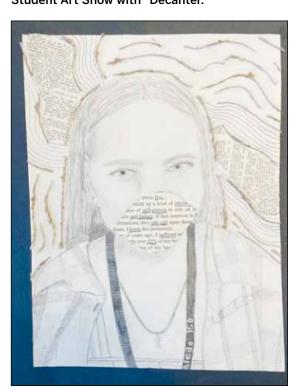
ARI STORMS

"Nadine of 11" by Aledo High School student Ari Storms won first place in the Art 1 high school competition.



SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Sage Symns won first place in the Advanced Placement category at the Parker County Student Art Show with "Decanter."



JETTA HESS

Jetta Hess, a student at McAnally middle School, placed second with "Self Portrait." Her teacher is Sharese Dickerson.



CALEIGH GARNER

"Live" by Aledo High School student Caleigh Garner won first place in the Art 3-4 category.

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Bearcats of Character

The Aledo ISD Board of Trustees recently honored the March 2023 Bearcats of Character for the character trait "Love of Learning." Aledo ISD began recognizing Bearcats of Character shortly after beginning the character education program Positivity Project - or P2 - in 2021-2022.

P2 says that those with a love of learning are intrinsically motivated and engaged in a topic regardless of achieving an external standard. People who love learning experience positive feelings in the process of acquiring skills, building on existing knowledge, or learning something completely new. Over time, individuals with this character strength often develop deeper and wider knowledge they can use to enrich the lives of not just themselves, but most especially of others around them.





Hand

Maldonado

Ty Hand, 12th grade **Aledo High School**

Ty is an incredible example to his teachers and peers. He seeks out opportunities to grow and learn in the classroom. Coach Hyles, Ty's Anatomy and Physiology teacher, said "Ty is very detailed oriented and has fantastic study habits." Mrs. McClellan, Ty's AP Statistics teacher, said "Ty is a joy to have in class. He is curious, diligent, responsible, respectful and an all around amazing student."

Hector Acosta Maldonado, 12th grade **Aledo Learning Center**

Hector was nominated this month for his love of learning. Hector not only comes into class ready to learn the content, but he also comes in ready to learn the English language. Because he is new to speaking English, learning the material presented takes him longer than most

of the other students in class. As he application, and the sheer joy he takes translates and works, however, he does not get discouraged. He perseveres, excited to learn more and ask questions.





Stoker

Reyna

Joel Stoker, 9th grade **Daniel Ninth Grade** Campus

Everything about Joel points to a deep "love of learning" according to several of his teachers. Mr. Bruton, Joel's engineering teacher, shares that Joel has jumped into educational leadership roles because of his "love of learning." Recently, Joel volunteered to run a booth at a STEAM carnival, displaying his "love of learning" and helping more than 700 elementary students start developing their own "love of learning." Even though Joel may not have any previous experience with a certain topic or task, he can be counted on to dive right in and learn any knowledge needed to complete that task. That is the very definition of "love of learning."

Ms. Fox, Joel's biology teacher, shared how Joel created an amazing Mitosis project and Genius Hour project and for his DNA model he took it upon himself to write "sugar" in 73 different languages.

Mrs. Martinez shared that Joel is always delving deeper into Spanish. He truly tries to use the language as he's learning it for a deeper understanding. He also often asks what words/phrases mean so he can add them to his vocabulary. Joel is a great example of having a strong sense of "Love of Learning."

Ezekiel Reyna, 8th grade Aledo Middle School

From day one, Ezekiel has demonstrated his love of learning. The drive to learn more, challenging what he already knows, correcting any errors in his understanding or

from improving himself is beyond inspiring. Students like Ezekiel are why teachers do what they do. His unwavering passion for learning will ultimately lead to success in not only his life, but those fortunate enough to be impacted by his zest of learning.





Ashby

Nuttall

Claire Ashby, 8th grade **McAnally Middle School**

Claire Ashby has a passion for learning and a desire to expand her knowledge and skills. She can be found reading during her free time and has been successful in all of her classes. Claire chooses to take all advanced courses because she is curious, creative and is interested in discovering new things. As one of the first ever students in Aledo ISD to take it, the faculty at MMS is also especially proud of Claire's high achievement in her online Mandarin Chinese course. She was willing to dive into this difficult course and did not back down from the challenge.

Her teachers said "Claire has a bright future ahead and we look forward to watching her successes continue to grow while in Aledo ISD and beyond!"

William Nuttall, 2nd grade **Annetta Elementary School**

William's second grade teacher said, "William is so kind and considerate to all students, but his love of

learning sticks out the most! William is so excited when we are starting a new study. William listens intently to the content when it is being taught. But, William's love of learning does not end in the classroom. William will continue to research the

subjects that interest him at home. There have been several days that I have received a slide show presentation, from William, over what he has additionally learned from the topics he has researched!"

Ainsley Davis, 1st grade **Coder Elementary School**

From Mrs. Babcock, her first grade teacher, "Ainsley has a true love of learning. She is inquisitive and seeks to find answers through her problem-solving skills. She not only loves to learn but loves to encourage others and help them when they are struggling! Her positive, can do, see a need ... find a solution attitude is contagious to those around her!"

From Mrs. Andres, her music teacher, "Ainsley is an amazing student. She is always asking "why" questions and seeking to further understand the things I teach. She is the first to step up and help another friend who may be struggling. Her love of learning spreads to those around her and it is a joy to have her in music class. She has bright future in education."





Davis

McCall Elementary

School

Gianna Morales, 3rd grade

Her ELA teacher, Lara Decker,

said "Goodness, where do I start?

This girl loves to learn. She's always

striving to go above and beyond and

extend her learning. Sometimes she

asks me how she can learn more on

a topic, but most of the time

she figures it out herself. She

even writes stories, research-

es topics, and creates Google

Slides at home to share with

me. She immediately asks for

her data after a benchmark

or any kind of testing. She

Morales

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learning and has an eagerness to always challenge himself to learn more! He is a great student whose love of learning is always inspiring to those around him.

Veer displays an enthusiasm for

Veer Devgun, 2nd Grade

Vandagriff Elementary

Devgun

she can, all the time! As a teacher, I

am blessed to have her in my class

Stuard Elementary School

love for learning new ideas and stud-

ies which is rare to find. She takes

all we are learning here in class and

goes above and beyond what we are

doing to learn and grow more. Her

love of learning is contagious, and

we are so blessed to have her leader-

ship in class. - Mrs. Banks, 4th grade

Natalie has an exuberance and

Natalie Hromadka, 4th

this year!"

grade

Allie Youngberg, Kindergarten **Walsh Elementary School**

From Allie's teacher, Mrs. St. John-Staver: "Allie demonstrates a love of learning every day! She has



Youngberg

this year in large part because of her passion for learning. She gets excited about learning newinformation and is a leader in our classroom academic dis-

grown so much

cussions. She is curious, joyful, and highly motivated. Allie sets a great example for our whole class! I am lucky to be her teacher!"

wants to see her mistakes so she can learn from them. I wouldn't say her final grade is her goal, she truly just wants to learn all

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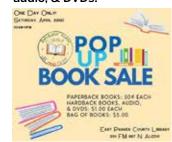
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Pop Up Book Sale

The East Parker County Library is holding a pop up book sale one day only on Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the library. Sale includes paperback books, hardcover books, audio, & DVDs.



Painting Demonstration

The Weatherford Art Association invites you to see artist Lynne Buchanan demonstrate her contemporary painting style during the meeting from 6 p.m. -7:45 p.m. April 24th at Barlow Hall, 125 South Waco in Weatherford.

For more information contact Debra Strandberg, Dstrandberg1978@gmail. com (817)996-0179

APRIL 28

AdvoCats Garden Party



AdvoCats will host a Garden Party on Friday, April 28, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Two Sisters Tearoom. Light bits, tea mint juleps, shopping and style show featuring spring releases. Tickers are \$20 per person. Derby dress with hats is encouraged.

APRIL 29

Parker County's first annual Home & Garden

The Parker County Home

& Garden Show will be from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 29, at the **Doss Heritage and Culture** Center. With 30+ vendors you can talk to licensed contractors, shop home decor, get treats for your pets and find just the right grill or patio furniture for your home. Enjoy free drinks, multiple prize giveaways and food trucks will be on site. Admission is



Native Plant Sale

Set For Saturday, April 29 The Cross Timbers **Chapter of the Native Plant** Society of Texas is holding its annual Native Plant Sale at Heritage Park in Weatherford on Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The sale will be held during the First Monday





Trade Days, which is a new location for the chapter's annual event. It will feature dozens of native species including grasses, flowering perennials, groundcovers and shrubs. A list of plants in the sale will be posted soon on the Cross Timbers web-

site, https://npsot.org/wp/

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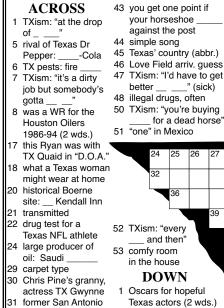
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Parker County Cars & Coffee

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The next Cars & Coffee will be held from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Sunday May 7 at Cafe



MAY 11

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Sports

BASEBALL

Bearcats win two in a row in district

Have narrow lead in standings

By Ryan Wade

Consistency has plagued the Aledo Bearcats since starting District 5-5A baseball action back in March. The club has appeared virtually unbeatable in one game, only to lose the next due to a lack of discipline.

As the season winds down, it seems Aledo (17-10 overall, 6-3 in

District 5-5A) is figuring out how to remain consistent with each trip to the ballpark. Superb outings on the hill by Robert Burk on Friday, April 14, and again on Tuesday, April 18 by Matthew Clark went a long way toward helping the Bearcats establish the elusive consistency they've needed as they beat Northwest and Azle by scores of 5-3 and 5-0, respectively.

Through it all, the Bearcats were sitting atop the district standings at

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RYAN WADE/THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Boyd Thompson leaps over a Northwest baserunner while attempting a double play.

GIRLS GOLF

Ladycats headed back to state

Third consecutive trip

By Rick Mauch The Community News

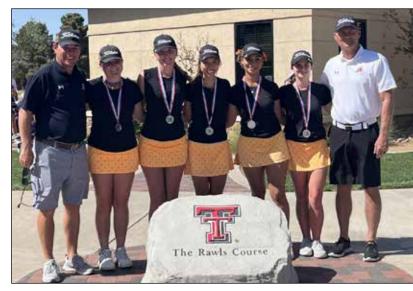
If it's spring, that means the Aledo girls golf team is headed to Austin. The Ladycats qualified for a third consecutive season and for a 10th time in 12 years after finishing second in the Class 5A Region 1 Tournament at Rawls Golf Course in Lubbock Monday and Tuesday, April 17-18.

Technically, it's the 10th time in 11 seasons since there was no state tournament in 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the team was projected to be among the top three in the state that season.

The Ladycats posted a twoday score of 649, eight shots behind Argyle at 641. Argyle won the past two state championships in Class 4A before moving up in the February 2022 University Interscholastic League realignment.

Both teams advanced to play at the White Wing Golf Club in Georgetown May 15-16, along with third-place Amarillo High, which shot 668 (351-317).

"One of our goals was to get back to Georgetown and we



JAMI WARNER/SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

For the 10th time since 2012 the Aledo Ladycats golf team will be competing in the Class 5A State Tournament after finishing second at the Region 1 Tournament in Lubbock earlier this week. Pictured are (from left) head coach Brian Mourning, Maddi Warner, Mallory Miller, Kyla Morales, Sana'a Lemen, Emily Crick and assistant coach Tom Croft. State is May 15-16 at the White Wing Golf Club in Georgetown.

accomplished that," first-year 164, including a career-best 79 coach Brian Mourning said. "To get an opportunity to go down there and play again is really special."

The Ladycats were led by senior Sana'a Lemen, who was fifth overall individually with a score of 153. The Wayland Baptist signee had rounds of 77 and 76.

Also for the Ladycats, senior Maddi Warren came in with a

on the opening day and an 85 on the second. Mallory Miller, another senior, was one shot behind at 165 (80-85, freshman Emily Crick shot 170 (89-81) and junior Kyla Morales finished with a 177 (86-91).

The Ladycats trailed Argyle by a single shot after the first day

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TRACK AND FIELD

Bearcats, Ladycats sweep district meet

Next stop is Justin on April 21

Staff Reports

The Aledo Bearcats and Ladycats repeated as District 5-5A champions Wednesday and Thursday, April 12-13 in the league meet held at Bearcat Stadium. For the Bearcats, it was their fourth consecutive district championship since 2019 (there was no meet in 2020 due to COVID-19), while the Ladycats won for a third straight year.

The top four finishers in each event qualified for the Area 5/6 Meet at Texan Stadium in Justin Friday, April 21. From there, the top four finishers in each event will qualify for the Region 1 Meet in Lubbock April 28-29. The top two finishers at regionals advance to state in Austin May 11-13.

District 5-5A Track Meet April 12-13, Bearcat Stadium, Aledo

Aledo area qualifiers (Top four in each event)

Running distances in meters, field events in feet

Varsity Boys

Top team scores Aledo, 200; Justin Northwest, 146; Granbury, 78.

3200: 1. Vincent Luffey, 9:40.37; 2. Jack Fink, 9:46.59; 4. Henry Zedler, 10:07.13. 800: 2. Luffey, 1:58.05; 3. Dominick

Barrera, 2:00.90. 110 hurdles: 2. Evan Thompson, 15.28.

Evan Thompson leaps a hurdle en route to a second-place finish in the 110 hurdles. 100: 1. Hauss Hejny, 11.10; 2. Keiran Patrick-Daniels, 11.21. 800 relay: 1. Patrick-Daniels, Christopher Johnson, Blake Burdine, Hejny, 1:28.76. 400: 4. Barrera, 52.45. 300 hurdles: 4. Thompson, 41.56. 200: 1. Aven Lawrence, 22.27. 1600: 1. Luffey, 4:28.56; 3. Zedler, 4:35.23; 4. Fink, 4:37.98. 1600 relay: 2. Nathan Wood, Burdine, Lawrence, Hejny, 3:23.19. Discus: 3. Carson Dempsey, 128-7; 4. Isaac Knott, 127-5.

High jump: 2. Lawrence, 6-0. Long jump: 2. Jayton Owens, 21-3; 3. Hejny, 20-10.5. Pole vault: 1. Brad Campbell, 14-6; 3.

Andrew Gamez, 11-6. Shot put: 1. Isaac Sohn, 49-6.25.

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SidneyTillotson hands off to PresleyBergen.

SOFTBALL

Ladycats remain unblemished in district

Win streak now 15 games

By Ryan Wade

On Monday, April 17 people from all over the world participated in the 127th running of the Boston Marathon. While the Ladycats were not there physically, they were there in spirit having nearly completed a marathon of their own around the bases in their 15-1 rout of Brewer's Lady Bears on Friday, April 14.

Aledo (23-4-1 overall, 10-0 in District 5-5A) extended their win streak to 15 consecutive games without a loss while

maintaining their perfect District 5-5A record. The number-one seeded Ladycats hold a decisive lead over second-place Northwest with just two games remaining in the regular season, hosting Azle at press time and vis-



iting Granbury Friday, April 21 at 7 p.m.

Brenlee Gonzales was spectacular for the Ladycats as she toed the rubber in the pitching circle. She tossed a six-inning, one-run ballgame in which she surrendered just a single hit while striking out a dozen Lady Bears.

Aledo 15, Brewer 1 April 14

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Aledo hitting: Addie Perry 3-for-5, 3B; Claire Byars 1-for-4, HR, SB, RBI; Presley Hull 2-for-3 HR, 2 RBI, BB; Texas Ray 3-for-3, 3 RBI, BB; Brenlee Gonzales 1-for-3, RBI, HBP; Ana Flores 2 RBI; Maddy Jarvis 1-for-3, 2B; Reagan Davis 1-for-4. Aledo pitching: Brenlee Gonzales 6.0 IP, H, R (earned), 2 BB, 12 K.

Read more at https://www.community-news.com/stories/ladycats-remainunblemished-in-district,32277.

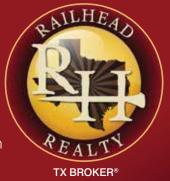
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GOLF

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and were within striking distance through the front nine on the second day before a couple of holes got away from them on the back nine.

"I think the girls are close to all putting their best round together on the same day," Mourning said. "If we do that we are a really dangerous team."

The high winds Lubbock is famous for, ironically, were not a factor in the tournament, Mourning said. However, he did note that the heat was much higher than it was in the Metroplex, particularly on Tuesday.

"The wind didn't pick up until after we finished," Mourning said. "Hopefully it will be that way for the boys also."

The Bearcats were playing in the boys regional tournament on the same course at press time. They are seeking a second straight state tournament berth and fifth in nine years - eight seasons when you exclude the COVID cancellation.

It would also be the fourth time since 2015 that both Aledo boys and girls reached state in the same season. Along with 2022 they did so in 2015 and 2017.



SPECIAL TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aledo pole vaulter Sean Gribble has committed to compete for Texas Tech in college. The senior has the highest vault in the state and second highest in the nation this season at 17 feet. 0.75 inches.

TRACK

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Varsity Girls

Top team scores Aledo, 189; Justin Northwest, 187; Azle, 70. Aledo area qualifiers

3200: 1. Molly Garrison, 11:31.08; 3. Elizabeth Griffin, 12:12.89.

800: 1. Sofia Brandenburg, 2:14.21; 2. Sarah Tillotson, 2:15.19; 3. Sidney Tillotson, 2:25.40. 100 hurdles: 1. Savannah Thompson, 16.12. 100: 4. Addison Smith, 12.67.

400: 1. Emery Thompson, 59.01; 4. Mykel Murry, 1:01.83.

300 hurdles: 2. Sa. Tillotson, 47.20.

200: 2. Smith, 25.62.

1600: 1. Brandenburg, 5:17.12; 2. Garrison, 5:19.53; 4. Griffin, 5:26.77.

1600 relay: 1. Murry, E. Thompson, Sa. Tillotson, Smith, 4:02.24.

Discus: 1. Lauren St. Peters, 145-6.

Long jump: 4. McKenna Vela, 16-4.25. Pole vault: 1. Taylor Hindman, 12-5; 2. Maggie Kilburn, 11-6; 4. Austyn Johnson, 10-0. Shot put: 1. St. Peters, 45-3.25.

Triple jump: 4. Sa. Thompson, 34-2. JV Girls (district only, no advance-

ment)

Top team scores

Northwest, 204: Azle, 166: Aledo, 92. 3200: 1. Sophia Frank, 13:03.55. 800: 4. Emily Lewis, 2:37.26. 400: 2. Jillian Moore, 1:04.21; 4. Taelynn Price,

1:05.30. 1600: 4. Frank. 6:07.77.

1600 relay: 1. Moore, Price, Joanna Zenteno, Sadie

Williams, 4:27.04. High jump: 1. Lily Lufkin, 4-10.

Pole vault: 1. Ansli Lopez, 10-0; 2. Claire Campbell,

8-6: 3. Kara Overstreet. 7-6.

JV Boys

Top team scores

Aledo, 287; Northwest, 134; Granbury, 66.33. 3200:1. Anderson Smith, 10:53.39; 2. Daniel Stephens, 11:11.80; 3. Bo Merrill, 11:19.76. 400 relay: 1. AJ Staggs, Davhon Keys, Adrian Fuller,

Kaydon Finley, 43.81. 800: 1. Trey Warner, 2:06.37; 2. Smith, 2:06.82; 3.

Luke Schabel, 2:07.50.

110 hurdles: 1. Jacob Patton, 16.62.



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Sophia Brandenburg (3) finished first in the 1600. Liz Griffin (9) finished fourth.

100: 1. Keys, 11.49; 3. Ben McElree, 11.71. 800 relay: 1. Staggs, Keys, Fuller, Finley, 1:32.36. 400: 1. Adam Averett, 51.83; 4. Jackson Parker, 53.22.

300 hurdles: 3. Kyle Stork, 45.29; 4. Jacob Patton, 45.58.

200: 1. Finley, 23.57; 3. Staggs, 23.75. 1600: 1. Smith, 4:48.16; 2.

Schabel, 4:50.46; 4. Stephens,

4:59.27. 1600 relay: 1. Parker, Trace

Clarkson, Averett, Fuller,

Discus: 1. Waldron Byars, 125-10; 2. Christian Sandoval, 115-8. High jump: 2. Averett, 5-10; 3.

Zayden Parker, 5-8. Long jump: 3. Finley, 18-2.75.

Triple jump: 1. Keys, 41-7.

Shot put: 1. Devron Williams, 45-10; 2. Cody Cartwright, 42-1.25; 4. Alex Arana, 40-9.75.

Pole vault: 1. Evan Murdock, 11-6; 3. Thaddeus Keller, 10-6.

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Notice of Public Hearing The City of Willow Park City Council will hold a public hearing on the matter listed below:

PUBLIC HEARING to consider a request for Special Use Permit regarding the placement of a temporary free-standing off-premise sign on Lot S PT 1, Block 1; Trinity Meadows Subdivision, in the City of Willow Park, Parker County, Texas.

City Council: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 6:00 PM Time:

Willow Park City Hall Location: 120 El Chico Trail, Ste A

Willow Park, TX 76087 Any member of the public has the right to appear at the Public Hearing. Please contact the Development Department at 817-441-7108 x100 or tfisher@willowpark.org with any questions.

The above notice was posted on the bulletin board at the City of Willow Park City Hall, Willow Park, Texas on/before April 21, 2023 by 5:00 p.m.

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Winery Permit, by VinoCo LLC, dba VinoCo to be located at 405 N FM 1187, Aledo, Parker County, TX 76008. The Officers Christopher Watson-managing member, Kathyrn Watson-managing member, Robert Hale-managing member and Jennifer Hale-managing member.

ANNETTA NORTH ORDINANCE NO. 2023-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ANNETTA NORTH, TEXAS, ADOPTING REGULATIONS RELATING TO LIGHTING IN THE TOWN LIMITS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Proposals for Aledo Elementary #7

CORE Construction, Inc., Construction Manager at Risk for Aledo ISD is requesting Competitive Proposals from subcontractors and suppliers for the Aledo Elementary #7. Please provide GMP proposals based on current construction documents.

Proposals for Aledo Elementary #7 are due on Thursday May 4th, 2023, by 2:00 pm CST.

Submit via email to bidstx@coreconstruction.com, through Building Connected or by hand delivery to CORE Construction, 6320 Research Road, Frisco, TX 75033.

CORE Construction will be hosting a virtual pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20th, 2023, at 10:00 am, via MS Teams. Please use the below link to join:

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Please reach out to Conner Wade with any questions: Connerwade@ coreconstruction.com.

Last day for RFI's will be Thursday April 27th, 2023, by 12:00pm. Plans are available via Building Connected and area plan rooms.

All interested subcontractors and suppliers including Local, HUB, MBE, WBE SBE are encouraged to participate.

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CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS ORDINANCE NO. 873-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS, CHAPTER 8: "OFFENSES AND NUISANCES," BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 8.09, "REGULATION OF SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY," THEREBY ESTABLISHING CHILD SAFETY ZONES WITHIN THE CITY'S CORPORATE LIMITS, MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR PERSONS REQUIRED TO REGISTER ON THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S SEX OFFENDER DATABASE TO RESIDE WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF PROPERTY WHERE CHILDREN ASSEMBLE OR GATHER, AND PROHIBITING RENTING OR LEASING RESIDENTIAL HOUSING TO PREDATORY SEX OFFENDERS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, EXCEPTIONS, AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, AND EXEMPTIONS TO RESIDENCY VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$500 AND THAT EACH DAY DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS SHALL BE DEEMED A SEPARATE OFFENSE; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR APPAREL, AWARDS, PROMOTIONAL ITEMS, & SPIRIT WEAR RFP 23-042123

The Aledo Independent School District (the District) is requesting proposals for Apparel, Awards, Promotional Items, & Spirit Wear. The District shall receive, publicly open, and read aloud at the specified date and time listed below the name of the proposers in a conference room at Aledo ISD Administration Building, 1008 Bailey Ranch Rd., Aledo, TX, 76008. Proposal documents can be viewed, received, and submitted through the Aledo ISD eBid system located at: https:// aledoisd.ionwave.net/Login.aspx Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM (CST), Monday, May 8, 2023. Information on the eBid system is available on our website at: https://www.aledoisd.org/Page/4287 The District reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals, to accept the proposal(s) that provide(s) the best value to the District, and to waive all formalities with respect thereto.



TRACK AND FIELD

Aledo track athletes among state/nation's best

By Rick Mauch The Community News

As they chase first a region berth Friday and then a state berth in a couple weeks (those who qualify), several Aledo athletes find themselves among the state leaders in their respective categories.

A pair of Ladycats posted personal records at last week's District 5-5A Track Meet and now find themselves near the top of three events statewide as a result.

Lauren St. Peters' throw of 45 feet, 3.25 inches in the shot put is second in the state in Class 5A and eighth among all classifications. Her throw of 145-6 in the discus is fourth in 5A.

Taylor Hindman's career-best pole vault of 12-5 moved her up to second in Class 5A, one of two Ladycat vaulters in the top 10 in that event. Maggie Kilburn's clearance of 11-6, also in the 5-5A Meet, has her tied for ninth.

Among the girls 800-meter run leaders, Sofia Brandenburg's time of 2 minutes, 14.21 seconds at the 5-5A Meet has her fourth, and Sarah Tillotson's clocking of 2:15.19 at district has her sitting eighth in the state.

Among the boys, Vincent Luffey's time of 1:55.74 on March 9 at the

Bearcat Relays places him eighth among the state rankings.

Two Bearcat vaulters are among the state leaders. Sean Gribble is first in 5A and first in all classifications after clearing 17-0.75 feet at the Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays on April 1, and Brad Campbell's 15-0 at the March 30 Aledo Meet is tied for eighth.

Sadly, Gribble, even with his vault being the second best in the entire nation and only an inch from the top spot — which he held for 10 days — will not be participating in the postseason. Shockingly, the senior no-heighted at the 5-5A Meet.

Still, with his vault being four inches higher than the next best in the state, it is very possible Gribble will end up with the state's highest vault. As well, being almost three inches above the third highest vault nationally, there's a good chance he finishes in the top two there also.

The Area 5/6 Meet is Friday, April 21 at Texan Stadium in Justin. From there, the top four qualifiers advance to the Region 1 Meet in Lubbock April 28-29.

The top two finishers at each event in each of the four regions qualify for state, along with a wild-card entry, which is the top third-place finisher across all four regions.

SOFTBALL

Lady Eagles win one of three

Staff Reports The Community News

The Trinity Christian Academy Lady Eagles softball team won one of three games recently and stands at 3-8 on the season.

The Lady Eagles defeated Fort Worth Trinity Valley 14-4, fell to Pantego 10-5, and to Fort Worth Lake Country 14-4.

In the victory, Breely Chapman had two hits and walked; Emily Ickert had a hit, walk, was hit by a pitch, and drove in two runs; Berlynn Kasnowski had a hit and was hit by a pitch twice; Claire Chaffey had a hit with two RBI; Karter Kelley drove in two runs and Avery Tiwater had a hit with two walks and three RBI.

Against Pantego, Addison Shoppoch collected a pair of hits with two RBI, while Ickert and Christina Kuschel each tripled with two runs driven in.

Against Lake Country, Ickert had three hits and stole four bases. Also, Kaznowski and Chaffey each had two hits, one of which was a triple for Chaffey with two RBI, while Kaznowski stole three bases.

ASSOCIATION

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF WILLOW PARK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

Separate sealed bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project will be received by the City of Willow Park until 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at Willow Park City Hall, 120 El Chico Trail, Suite A, Willow Park, Texas 76087, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of furnishing and constructing a new wastewater treatment plant and all associated appurtenances as shown on the plans and specifications.

The Contract Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Contract, Performance and Payment Bonds, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications, Addenda (if any) and Project Contracting and Compliance Provisions may be examined at the following location:

JACOB & MARTIN, LLC; 1508 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 203, Weatherford, Texas 76086

Bids will not be received from contractors who have not obtained original plans and specifications from Jacob & Martin, LLC. Contractor shall submit only the required contract documents with their bid.

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Willow Park City Hall, 120 El Chico Trail, Suite A, Willow Park, Texas 76087, at 10:00 AM on Thursday, May 4, 2023, to discuss the scope of the project and answer any questions prospective bidders may have concerning specifics of the project. The Contractor or his designated representative may attend.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid they consider most advantageous to the Owner. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders prior to awarding of the contract. Award of the contract will be made as a whole to one Bidder. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

Small and minority firms are encouraged to submit bids for this project.

Copies of the Contract Documents must be ordered online at www.jacobmartin.com. Orders for Contract Documents may include hard copies for pick up, mail out or digital download via www.jacobmartin.com. Upon verification of online payment, hard copies may be picked up at Jacob & Martin, LLC, located at 1508 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 203, Weatherford, Texas 76086. Cost for hard copies of the Contract Documents will be \$150.00 for 11 x 17 plans, and digital download of Contract Documents will be \$0.00. Contractors must purchase a set of Contract Documents to be considered a registered plan holder eligible to bid the project.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of City of Willow Park, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid (Water Code 17.183) shall be submitted with each bid. The Contractor shall utilize a surety company which is authorized to do business in Texas in accordance with Surety Bonds and Related Instruments, Chapter 3503 of the Insurance Code.

This contract is contingent upon release of funds from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB).

This contract is to be funded through a loan obtained from the Texas Water Development Board as part of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. There are a number of special provisions for this funding that bidders, by submitting a bid, acknowledge understanding, including the following: Any contract or contracts awarded under this Invitation for bid (IFB) are expected to be funded in part by financial assistance from the TWDB. Neither the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the State of Texas, nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees, are or will be a party to this IFB, or any resulting contract.

Any contract(s) awarded under this Invitation for Bids is/are subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements of Section 608 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1388).

The party to whom the contract is awarded shall be required to furnish performance and payment bonds for 100% of the contract price, from a surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as

Equal Opportunity in Employment - All qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age (40 or older), disability, or genetic information. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the Department of Labor regulations at 41 CFR Part 60-4, relating to Construction Contractors--Affirmative Action Requirements, which include the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order No. 11375 and Executive Order No. 13672, in the award and administration of contracts awarded under TWDB financial assistance agreements. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach, which may result in the termination of the awarded financial assistance.

Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates are applicable. All laborers and mechanics working on the work site and employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund shall be paid wages as described in the section, Mandatory Davis-Bacon Act Contract Conditions.

Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements apply to the construction, alteration or repair of treatment works carried out, in whole or in part, with assistance made available by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) or a construction project financed, in whole or in part, from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF).

Any contracts in excess of \$2,000 for construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) and funded under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs shall include the mandatory Davis-Bacon Act Contract Conditions.

Any contracts or subcontracts in excess of \$2,000 must include the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Wage Rate Requirements found in TWDB Guidance No. DB-0156. Compliance with Davis-Bacon Act and related acts and requirements apply to this project. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the specifications.

For prime contracts in excess of \$100,000, Contractors and Subcontractors must also, under the provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, pay laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, at least one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek. The Fair Labor Standards Act may also apply to Davis-Bacon covered contracts.

City of Willow Park Doyle Moss, Mayor April 14 & 21, 2023

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023 AVISO DE ELECCIÓN GENERAL SÁBADO 6 DE MAYO DE 2023

PARKER COUNTY CITY OF FORT WORTH VOTERS (VOTANTES DEL CONDADO DE PARKER DE LA CIUDAD DE FORT WORTH):

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed in "Exhibit A-1" will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 6, 2023, for voting in a general election to elect a Mayor and Council Member for District 3.

Se notifica que los lugares de votación indicados en el "Anexo A-1" estarán abiertos el sábado 6 de mayo de 2023 de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m., para votar en la elección general para elegir Alcalde y Concejale para el Distrito 3.

ORDINANCE NO. 26005-02-2023/ ORDENANZA NRO. 26005-02-2023

An ordinance ordering a general election by the qualified voters of the City of Fort Worth, Texas, May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing the Mayor and City Council Members for the City of Fort Worth and ordering a runoff election, if needed

Ordenanza que decreta llevar a cabo una elección general para los votantes calificados de la ciudad de Fort Worth, Texas, el 6 de mayo de 2023, con el fin de elegir alcalde y concejales de la ciudad de Fort Worth, y decretar una segunda votación, en caso de ser necesaria.

Member of the City Council, Mayor (Miembro del Ayuntamiento, Alcalde). Candidates/Candidatos

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Member of the City Council, District 3 (Miembro del Ayuntamiento, Distrito 3). Candidates/Candidatos Michael D. Crain

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at locations and during the times listed in Exhibit A-2.

La votación anticipada en persona se realizará los días de semana en los lugares y horarios indicados en el Anexo A-2.

Applications for a Ballot by Mail must be submitted between by January 1, 2023 and April 25, 2023 by mail, fax or email to:

Las solicitudes de boletas por correo deben presentarse entre el 1 de enero de 2023 y el 25 de abril de 2023 por correo postal, fax o correo electrónico a:

Crickett Miller, Election Administrator, Parker County, Early Voting Clerk, PO BOX 639,

Weatherford, Texas 76086

Dirección postal: Crickett Miller, Election Administrator, Parker County, Early Voting Clerk, PO BOX 639. Weatherford, Texas 76086

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EXHIBIT A-1 (ANEXO A-1)

Countywide Polling Place/Lugar de Votación del Condado

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EXHIBIT A-2 (ANEXO A-2)

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE DAYS AND HOURS (DÍAS Y HORAS DE VOTACIÓN TEMPRANO POR APARICIÓN PERSONAL)

Monday, April 24, 2023 (Lunes 24 de abril de 2023) 8:00AM-5:00PM Tuesday, April 25, 2023 (Martes 25 de abril de 2023) 8:00AM-5:00PM Wednesday, April 26, 2023 (Miercols 26 de abril de 2023) 8:00AM-5:00PM Thursday, April 27, 2023 (Jueves 27 de abril de 2023) 8:00AM-5:00PM Friday, April 28, 2023 (Viernes 28 de abril de 2023) 8:00AM-5:00PM Saturday, April 29, 2023 (Sabado 29 de abril de 2023) CLOSED (CERRADA) Sunday, April 30, 2023 (Domingo 30 de abril de 2023) CLOSED (CERRADA) Monday, May 1, 2023 (Lunes 1 de mayo de 2023) 7:00AM-7:00PM Tuesday, May 2, 2023 (Martes 2 de mayo de 2023) 7:00AM-7:00PM

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BASEBALL

press time, a half game ahead of Wichita Falls Rider (6-4) and a full game up on Azle (5-4). The Bearcats are at Azle on Friday, April 21 and have a there-andhome series against Rider next Tuesday and Friday, April 25 and 28. All games start at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday while facing Azle at Bearcat Ballpark, Clark was absolutely dazzling. Aledo's right-hander threw a two-hit, complete-game shutout while striking out 13 Hornets. Clark pounded the zone like it stole something. Of the 25 batters he faced in the game, he started off 21 of the at-bats with a thrown strike.

"That's two solid outings for him in a row," said head coach Chad Barry. "He's been really sharp as of late. He keeps the ball down in the zone, mixes his pitches up well, moves his fastball around in the zone. I couldn't be happier for him. In a big, big game where we needed to start off this four-game stretch to end the season, this one was a big one. He came out and pitched a gem!"

The only two blemishes on his stat line came late in the game when he surrendered a walk in the sixth inning and then started off the seventh hitting a batter with the 3-2 offering.

Likewise, saying Burk had a quality start against Northwest on Friday would be an understatement. Coming off a loss to the Texans days before, Aledo needed a strong outing from their hurler.

Burk delivered.

He tossed five complete innings allowing just two hits all while keeping the Texans scoreless before turning it over to the bullpen in the sixth inning.

"The good thing [having these quality starts does for us, is we've got all hands available for Friday's game. That's going to be a tough game," Barry said. "[The Hornets] ace will be on the mound over

there in Azle. I think his stat line his last outing was he gave up two hits and had 14 strikeouts up at Wichita Falls. It'll be a dog fight. I think it's good that we'll have our full arsenal available to us just in case it gets drug out over several innings."

Thompson, Dwinell, and Mazon stay hot at the top of the lineup

Through the struggles the Bearcats have faced in the last month, the bats of second baseman Boyd Thompson, leftfielder Brooks Dwinell, and shortstop Trace Mazon have been as reliable as night following day.

On Friday, Mazon made a trip around the bases the hard way with an inside-the-park home run in the bottom of the fifth inning for the Bearcats' only extra-base hit of the contest.

In Tuesday's game, Dwinell and Mazon combined for the two extra-base hits of the game for Aledo. Dwinell doubled in the bottom of the first to drive

in Thompson for the first run. Mazon once again pulled off some fifth-inning magic when he doubled down the left-field line to drive in Dwinell from second, putting Aledo up 4-0 at that point.

Meanwhile, Thompson has hit in each of the last four district games. In that time he's

gone 5-for-11 (.454 average) with three walks making his on-base percentage a staggering .571.

Aledo 5, Azle 0 **Tuesday, April 18**

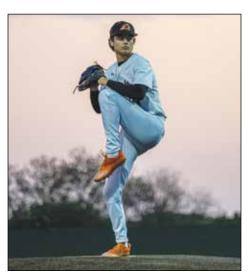
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Aledo hitting: Boyd Thompson, 1-for-3, BB; Brooks Dwinell, 2-for-3, 2B, SB, RBI; Trace Mazon, 1-for-3, 2B, RBI; Bosten Dwinell, BB, SB; Andrew Cambre, 1-for-3, RBI; Ryan Jones, 1-for-3, 2 RBI; Garrett Rester, 1-for-3.

Aledo pitching: Matthew Clark, 7 IP, 2 H, 0 R, BB,



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Matthew Clark delivers a pitch during the latter innings of the Bearcats' 5-0 win over Azle on Tuesday, April 18. Clark finished the game with 13 strikeouts in seven innings.

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Aledo hitting: Brooks Burdine, 4 BB, SB; Br. Dwinell, 1-for-3, RBI; Brennon Evans, BB, RBI; Bo. Dwinell, 1-for-4, RBI, BB; Dylan Light, 1-for-3, RBI, 2 BB; Luke Saunders, 1-for-5, RBI; Jake Bumgardner, BB; Luke Taylor, 2-for-4, 2B; Weston Nance, 3-for-3, 2B, SB, 3 RBI, BB; Ben Carruthers, 1-for-3, RBI, BB.

Aledo pitching: Bryce McCain, 1 IP, 2 H, 3 R (0 earned), BB, 2 K; Jenson Huffman, 1 IP, 4 H, 3 R (3 earned), BB; Eddie Howard, 1 IP, HP, K; Bo. Dwinell, 1.2 IP, H, 5 R (0 earned), 2 BB; Jon Paulsen, 0.1 IP, 2 H, R (earned), BB; Jones, 1 IP,

Aledo 7, Northwest 3 Friday, April 14

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0 H, 0 R, 2 BB, HP, 1 K; Mazon, 0 IP, BB, HP.

012 020 x - 570 Aledo hitting: Thompson 1-for-2, BB; Br. Dwinell BB; Mazon 1-for-1, HR, 2 RBI, 2 BB; Cambre 1-for-2, 2 RBI; Rester BB; McCain 1-for-3, 2B; Jones 1-for-3, RBI, SB; Dylan Taylor 2-for-2; Burdine 2 SB Aledo pitching: Bumgardner, 1.2 IP, 3 H, 3 ER, 0 BB, HP, 4 K; L. Taylor, 0.1 IP; Robert Burk (win), 5 IP, 2 H, SOCCER

Murador named top offensive player in district

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10 other Bearcats honored

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Aledo senior forward Clay Murador, who has committed to play for the University of Indiana next season, was named the Co-Offensive MVP on the All-District 5-5A Boys Soccer Team by

the league's coaches.

Murador is one of 11 Bearcats honored.

Named to the first team were sophomore midfielder Austin Randriamahefa, senior defender Cooper Trice and freshman midfielder Robby Sloan.

Second-team selections

are sophomore forward Cole Crawford along with defenders Hunter Waugh, freshman, and junior Colt McCoy.

Honorable men-

tions went to seniors Jackson Tucker, forward; Zach Taylor, goalkeeper; land midfielder Sawyer Strock; along with sophomore midfielder Adam Averett.



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Clay Murador dribbles by Northside defenders during the bi-district match on Friday, March 24. Murador was named Co-Offensive MVP in 5-5A All-District Selections

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Aledo High School's HOSA State Qualifiers



(from left) Lanham Watts, Addison Redifer, Audrey **Hood, Taylor Smith, and Petey Montoya.** Not shown is Kamryn Kupper.

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