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ALEDO CITY COUNCIL

## Business license for gun sales approved

By **Ryan Wade**  
The Community News

Generally, as it relates to the issues coming before the Aledo City Council, members see eye-to-eye. It's a rarity for members of the Aledo City Council to vote in an oppositional way. That is especially true as it relates to situations in which passions become inflamed leading up to the vote.

While instances like that are the exception rather than the rule, that was certainly the situation at hand when the council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 25. On the docket for the meeting were plans to discuss and vote on the potential approval of a business license for a C-2 Commercial license for Aledo Arms and Ammo owner Thomas Sadin.

Sadin acquired his Federal Firearms License (FFL) two years ago and began selling firearms, ammunition, and accessories part-time in hopes of opening a brick and mortar location in the future within the Aledo city limits. With his customer base around 200 people, including members of the Aledo ISD Police Department and Fort Worth Police Department, Sadin began working on securing a location for his business.

On Thursday, Sadin made his pitch to the council in hopes of getting approved to do business at 108 Jearl Street. As part of the presentation, a rendering of the layout for the shop was provided. The graphic displayed the sales floor, virtual reality gun range, and gun vaults where the firearms will be stored after business hours.

There will not be a live-fire gun range on site.

Council members Nelson Rawls and Shawna Ford expressed concerns around the possibility of someone being able to access a firearm through the shop and using the weapon for malicious purposes. Over several minutes, Sadin spoke to the security measures he plans to put into place in the shop, as well as discussing the stringent federal oversight he is subject to as part of holding a valid FFL license.

Councilman and Mayor Pro Tem Rawls appeared to have his concerns assuaged during the discussion. Councilwoman Ford, however, was not satisfied.

Ford took the opportunity to inquire of Sadin's plans for his business across a broad range of topics ranging from security measures to keep inventory from being stolen.

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## Championship Celebration



JON SHELDON

Aledo Bearcats head coach Robby Jones speaks to the community who came to celebrate the state championship on Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Aledo High School. To read more turn to page 5.

WEATHERFORD CITY COUNCIL

## Costco highlights more growth coming

By **Rick Mauch**  
The Community News

The Tuesday, Jan. 23 meeting of the Weatherford City Council was all about future growth for the city and its citizens. Over the past few years, several new businesses have come to call Weatherford home and they have thrived and become part of the city's landscape.

There was a full agenda at this meeting and it was all about adding to that landscape.

Highlighting the evening was the council approving a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement with Costco. Such agreements enable cities to provide incentives encouraging developers to build in their jurisdictions and typically take the form of property tax abatements, loans or grants, commitments



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Wholesale Corporation is largest membership-only warehouse club in the USA.

for infrastructure, or payments and construction is expected to begin this summer. Anticipated completion date is early 2025.

The new Costco will be 160,000 square feet in size

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ACHIEVEMENTS

## Prince, Marshall to be honored in Dallas

### Outlook Positive express Network presents HerStory 2024

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Two leaders from Parker County will be among the honorees at HerStory 2024, an event sponsored by the Outlook Positive Express Network, an affiliate of the American Business Women's Association, on Feb. 3 in Dallas.



Kit Marshall

Zan Prince

a lifetime achievement award recipient.

Marshall, former mayor of Aledo, is the Director of Advocacy and Community Affairs for the Greater Fort Worth Association of Realtors.

Prince, former chair of the Parker County Republican Party, is the Chairman of the Board of First Bank Texas.

Additional honorees include Allison Byrd Haley, Executive Director/Founder of Heavenly Mimi; Janet Bernstein, Training

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### CORRECTION

The Jan. 26, 2024 issue of The Community News contained an article about a service project of the Young Men's Service League of Aledo. The article erroneously said the group volunteered 3,000 hours. The actual number of hours was 300. The group donated \$3,000 to the Azle Chapter of Adult & Teen Challenge of Azle. We regret the error.

HUDSON OAKS

## Oncor introduces new substation

### Council approves changes to commercial sewer rate calculation

By **Melissa Winn**  
The Community News

A new way to calculate commercial sewer rates in Hudson Oaks could net the city an approximate 7 percent increase in revenue after those changes were approved at the Jan. 24 city council meeting.

The change in the ordinance does not affect residential customers.

Hayden Brodowsky, Hudson Oaks Director of Operations, said the city uses a winter averaging method to calculate sewer rates for the year. That means usage in November, December and January determines what is billed for the remainder of the year. That works well for residential customers. However, commercial customers often have two water meters – one for domestic and one for irrigation – which Brodowsky said reduces the need for winter averages.

"When the rates were last amended in 2008, the commercial landscape was much different than it is today," Brodowsky told council members.

Currently, a business that thrives in the winter months could actually be penalized in the summer and vice versa by using the winter averaging and the city essentially pays the difference.

Citing numbers and examples of several actual businesses in Hudson Oaks without using their names, Brodowsky showed the difference in what the current bill is and what it would look like when the new rate is calculated.

"In most instances, many customers will see a decrease in their annual billing," he added, explaining that conversations with the local businesses have been ongoing and most see the rate change as positive.

"It has created instances where the businesses even evaluated what they were doing and found ways to conserve and use water more efficiently."

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# HONOR

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Concierge for Certain Path Training; and Jessica Marion, owner of Marion Childcare University.

According to a release from Outlook Positive Express Network, HerStory 2024 is a platform dedicated to recognizing and honoring women who have made remarkable contributions to their respective fields. The event will showcase the stories of exceptional women who have not only excelled in their careers but have also left a lasting impact on the community.



Nominees are recognized based on the following criteria:

1. Success in their chosen field of work or influence.
2. Lasting impact in the community.
3. Involvement/contribution to the community.
4. Role model and/or mentor involvement.

The event will run from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 3, at Dallas Bible Church, 15765 Hillcrest Road in Dallas. There will be a pre-event social at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 2, at Pour Choices in Carrollton.

To purchase tickets, visit <https://bit.ly/herstory-epc>.

# COSTCO

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"It's no secret that Weatherford and Parker County are growing at an unprecedented rate, and with that comes opportunities," Mayor Paul Paschall said. "When we look at growth, we seek valuable development that will enhance the quality of life for our residents, and the addition of Costco accomplishes that by bringing quality jobs, a wonderful amenity, and an excellent community partner."

The addition of Costco to the community is expected to bring around 200 new jobs to the area.

Paschall also noted that Costco's decision to expand into Weatherford will have a positive economic impact, generating valuable opportunity for quality businesses and retailers, particularly at the I-20 and Center Point Road quadrant, where Costco will be located.

A preliminary plot of the project is listed on the Weatherford City Council's video agenda on the city of Weatherford website at <https://www.weatherfordtx.gov/>.

The location is expected to also include a gas station, pharmacy, optical center and more.

The nearest Costco is in Fort Worth near Hulen Mall.

## Also coming

The council also granted a conditional use permit for a new Mahindra Tractor dealership. This is just for the sale of new tractors. They will take used tractors in trade ins but will sell the used tractors offsite.

Another addition will be a new Quick Trip gas station and convenience store. The proposed site is located at 2551 South Main St. and the building will be 5,312 square feet.

It will also include two diesel bays, but no semi-truck parking.

This will be a smaller store due to the fact it is designed for city convenience rather than semi-truck usage. There will be no long-term or overnight parking, no truck wash, no restaurant, and no national fleet accounts.

So, everyday drivers will not have to be concerned with traffic jams and limited traffic flow.

Expected start of construction is 90-120 days.



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Bryan Vazquez, Justina King, and Kati Brackin joined friends and employees in a fundraising car wash at the Aledo Sonic on Sunday, Jan. 28. The group is raising money to help purchase a prosthetic leg for Luis Artega, a former employee who lost a leg to diabetes. To donate to the cause, drop by the Sonic or call Kati Brackin, the Sonic manager, at 214-837-4341.



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Ryder Jones and Mary Mendoza visit with Sharon Goldberg and Sherri Lillard of Stillwater Meadow, an Aledo event facility, at the annual Bridal Fair held at the Doss Heritage and Culture Center in Weatherford on Saturday, Jan. 27. David Kline, the coordinator of the event, said about 130 bridal parties visited 31 vendors.



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# LICENSE

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to the background check process, and asking about potential gun safety training for customers.

Joey Weaver, a neighbor of Sadin, also came to the podium to address the council on behalf of the business owner. Weaver gave a ringing endorsement of Sadin as a neighbor, friend, and a business owner.

In spite of all efforts to win her over, when it came time to vote to approve the business license for Aledo Arms and Ammo, Ford stood alone as the only "nay" vote. With the rest of the Council voting in the affirmative, the motion passed, granting a C-2 license to Aledo Arms and Ammo.

"I'm very relieved," Sadin said after the vote. "This has been an ongoing process since about November. We already started demo and everything else we can before this was approved. If the vote would've come back unapproved, I'd be in a pretty bad position [financially] right now."



With the approval, Sadin hopes to officially open doors on Wednesday, May 1.

## WWTP expansion update

Two representatives from Freese & Nichols provided an update on the planned expansion of the wastewater treatment plant. Freese & Nichols plans to finish up the design for the expansion in time for construction to get underway starting in June of 2025. Construction is anticipated to take 30 months to complete.

Following the presentation the council voted unanimously to approve a \$4.3 million contract between the City of Aledo and Freese & Nichols to see the project from planning to completion.

## Meeting canceled

The last item on the agenda before the council entered into executive session was a vote to cancel the Feb. 1 meeting. Council approved the measure unanimously. Therefore, the only City Council meeting in February will be on the 22nd.

Fitzpatrick noted that he was pleased that the recent cold snap and wind event did not affect local power. Dimas agreed and added that unless a pole is knocked down or something of that nature, crews may not have to be dispatched to get residents back online should an outage happen.

## Also at the meeting:

- Council approved an extension of an agreement with Aledo ISD to operate their Wastewater Treatment Plant at Annetta Elementary School at a reduced cost of \$5,000 per month.
- City Administrator Sterling Naron gave the financial report for the past three months since Council had not met since October. He said everything was on track in the first quarter.
- Council approved amendments to land-use definitions regarding day care centers and adult and nursery schools.

Hudson Oaks City Council will meet next at 7 p.m. on Feb. 22.

## WEATHERFORD ISD

# District receives comprehensive financial report

## All favorable

By Melissa Winn  
The Community News

For the first time since 2016, Weatherford ISD conducted a Comprehensive Financial Audit with the help of Snow Garrett Williams and were presented with the results at its Jan. 22 meeting.

Kathy Williams, Certified Public Accountant and partner at SGW, provided a synopsis of the findings and gave trustees the overall "seal of approval."

The more than 100-page report was for the fiscal year that ended Aug. 31, 2023.

Highlighting assets versus liabilities and the district's income statement, among other items, Williams said all was "favorable."

The audit is conducted using generally accepted accounting standards and is required by the Texas Education Agency. It must be presented and voted on within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year.

Several board members, including Brian Catlin, Adam Feriend and Greg Shaw, who were part of the committee that met and worked with Lindsey and Rick Kline from SGW, commented on the process and thanked staff for their hard work.

"It is just a great reflection of being intentional," Feriend said of the district's ability to have the fund balance that it does. "We are in a very good place."

All added that the consistency and familiarity with SGW helped make things go smoothly during the tediousness of the audit.

"We sincerely appreciate our relationship with the district," Williams said.

Now that it's approved, a copy of the audit is available on the Weatherford ISD website.

During a report from the Custodial Services Department, staff was recognized for keeping the district's facilities clean and helping to contribute to the health and wellbeing of students and staff.

It was noted that Weatherford ISD has a total of 1,702 million square feet of building space with a total custodian of 55 custodians. That averages out to be one custodian per 30,000 square feet.

Board President Mike Guest praised the custodians for always being the ones there after an event, cleaning up and ensuring everything is in order for the next day. He said the community benefits from their actions.

"We can't do what we do without you," he said. "You all do a phenomenal job."

## Additionally, board members:

- Approved equipment purchases for the Child Nutrition program. In the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the Child Nutrition program increased their fund balance due to a temporary increase in the federal reimbursement rate. Due to requirements by the Texas Department of Agriculture, school districts must have an action plan to spend any excess funds that exceed three months average operating expenses. Since WISD exceeded that average, and increased participation in 2022-2023, there was a surplus of approximately \$975,000 that had to be spent.
  - Approved the purchase of 141 Dell laptops for teacher use at a cost of \$125,081. These laptops will replace older ones that can either no longer be updated or are in need of service. Once replaced, the used laptops will either be used for spare parts, repurposed for students or used as loaners.
  - Ordered an election notice for board member Place 1 and Place 2 in May. This action must be done 60 days in advance and will be canceled if not needed.
- The WISD board meets again on Feb. 12.

# ONCOR

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Mayor Tom Fitzpatrick asked if the evaluation of the rate calculation had anything to do with recent rate changes by the City of Weatherford. Brodowsky said it did not and that the "big deal" of the rate change is the approximate 7 percent increase in revenue from the prior fiscal year the city will receive.

Council unanimously approved the item.

## Energy substation

Also at the meeting, Oncor Area Manager Michael Dimas provided members with an update on a new energy substation - called Bell Mountain - that is expected to be online by May. Once it's switched on, it will alleviate the load on current substations and provide 85 percent of the energy needed to area residents.

"This will improve power quality by a lot," Dimas said. "It will also help in inclement weather and allow us to get residents back up and running faster."



## POLITICS

# Deadline to register to vote is Feb. 5

## Early voting for March 5 primary begins on Feb. 20

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The March 5 Republican and Democratic Primaries are rapidly approaching, but there is still time to register to vote if you have not done so.

Monday, Feb. 5, is the last day to register to vote for the primary election. The application must be postmarked Feb. 5, 2024 or earlier in order for the application to be considered on time. Early voting begins Feb. 20.

## To register

To register, visit the Texas Secretary of State's website at <https://bit.ly/pc-register-vote>.

At the website a printable voter registration form can be downloaded

to be filled out and signed. The form can be taken in person or mailed to the Parker County Elections Office, 1112 Santa Fe Drive in Weatherford. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The last day to request a ballot by mail is Feb. 23. The request must be received by that date at the elections office.

## Sample Ballots

Sample ballots for all of the voting precincts are available the elections office or on their website at: <https://www.parkercountytx.com/477/Sample-Ballots>.


The Democrats' ballot is relatively short, with only 13 races, including uncontested ones.



The Republican ballot, however, is much longer, with as many as 31 candidates and 13 propositions. Because the voting machines only show one contest per page, the republican ballot can be as long as 44 pages on the voting machine.

Voters are allowed to bring sample ballots with them to the voting locations, but they cannot share the sample ballots with other voters, nor leave the sample ballot at the polling location.

The Community News will provide local sample ballots and a list with times and locations of early voting closer to the beginning of early voting.


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## Capital Highlights

### Standoff at border continues between state, feds



**Gary Borders**

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A standoff at an Eagle Pass park continues as the Department of Homeland Security has sent a second letter to Gov. Greg Abbott demanding access to the Rio Grande park that is now under state control.

Abbott contends the state has the right to defend itself from what he called "record-smashing levels of illegal immigration." *The Dallas Morning News* reported. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled last week that the Border Patrol can resume cutting or removing razor wire that the state installed to deter migrants.

Citing that ruling, DHS sent a second letter demanding the state give Border Patrol agents "full access to the Shelby Park area currently obstructed by Texas."

A DPS spokesman said the state is installing more razor wire along the riverbank. U.S. Rep. Joaquin Castro, D-San Antonio, has urged President Joe Biden to federalize the Texas National Guard if the state defies the Supreme Court ruling.

#### Judge rejects Paxton's motion to block deposition

A Travis County judge again blocked a motion by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton to stop a deposition in a wrongful termination lawsuit brought by former top aides in his office, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported. The deposition is scheduled for Feb. 1. The four aides went to the FBI to complain about the embattled attorney general's actions in helping developer Nate Paul. The

aides were subsequently fired and filed suit in 2020.

Earlier in January, Paxton tried to end the matter by saying he would no longer contest the facts of the case and accept whatever judgment the court handed down, though he continued to deny any wrongdoing. He condemned the judge's latest ruling, saying Travis County Judge Jan Soifer was "recklessly disregarding legal precedent, abusing the litigation system, and displaying shocking bias."

Before Paxton filed his latest motion attempting to avoid testifying, both the state 3rd Court of Appeals and the Texas Supreme Court rejected his earlier appeals.

Meanwhile, four months after the Senate voted to acquit Paxton in his impeachment trial, which stemmed from an investigation into a proposed settlement of the whistleblower lawsuit, a senator that voted to acquit is accusing Paxton of possibly misleading the Senate during that trial. He urged the Senate to consider reopening the Paxton's impeachment.

State Sen. Drew Springer, R-Muenster, said Paxton's decision not to contest the facts of the whistleblower lawsuit point to his culpability. Paxton "cannot admit guilt while claiming innocence," Springer wrote in a post on X. Springer had previously announced plans to retire from the Senate.

#### State delays vote on proposed land swap with SpaceX

Heat from conservation groups prompted Texas Parks and Wildlife commissioners to delay a proposed land swap with SpaceX. The proposal would have given the space exploration company 43 acres of Boca Chica State Park land in exchange for 477 acres near the Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge, *The News* reported. Groups, including the Sierra Club and Save RGV, urged commissioners to delay the vote to allow the public more time to examine the

proposal, which will be revisited in late March.

Environmental groups sued the Federal Aviation Administration last year over its approval of the expansion of billionaire Elon Musk's SpaceX's rocket-launch operations. The suit was filed after the company's Starship exploded during a launch and hurled debris thousands of feet into the air. They have also expressed concern for possible loss of wildlife and habitat since the launch site is within miles of the state park and wildlife refuge.

#### Record number of Texans enroll in ACA

More Texans than ever have signed up for health care coverage under the Affordable Care Act for 2024, according to federal health data released last week and reported by the *Texas Tribune*. The number of Texans in ACA programs, which offer inexpensive or free health care coverage, rose 37% to nearly 3.5 million – or 1 in 9 residents.

National enrollment is at record highs as well, with more than 16.3 million people signed up for plans under ACA. That is double the number of Americans signing up for ACA plans since it was launched in 2014.

"The clear takeaway is that Texans want coverage that is affordable and comprehensive, and when you make sure they have that – and it's easy to know about, and it's easy to get signed up – they sign up in droves," said Stacey Pogue, a health care policy analyst.

Texas continues to lead the nation in the number of uninsured residents, with nearly 5 million Texans living without health insurance coverage. That's nearly double the national average.

#### DSHS launches new tools to track respiratory viruses

The Texas Department of State Health Services has created

a respiratory virus dashboard that shows trends in the three major respiratory illnesses most likely to cause serious illnesses, hospitalizations, and deaths – COVID-19, influenza and RSV.

"Those data points demonstrate the diseases' most severe effects on people, communities and the health care system," said DSHS Commissioner Jennifer Shuford. "The dashboard provides a near real-time look at conditions, so people can make informed decisions on precautions for themselves and their families, and health care professionals can make recommendations to their patients."

The site can be accessed at [healthdata.dshs.texas.gov/Home](http://healthdata.dshs.texas.gov/Home).

#### Former PUC director is now chairman

The former executive director of the Public Utility Commission was sworn in last week as chairman of the commission. Thomas Gleeson, who has worked at the PUC for 15 years, most recently as the agency's executive director, was appointed to the commission by Abbott in mid-January.

"As a long-time employee of the PUCT, I'm deeply familiar with the duties and responsibilities of the agency. Even more importantly, as a husband, dad, and ratepayer, I know how the decisions we make here impact the daily lives and finances of Texas families," Gleeson said.

The PUC regulates the state's electric, telecommunications, water and sewer utilities. It was founded in 1975.

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## Idle American

### A Coach Who Did it Right



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In a perfect world, coaches, parents and participants would rightly refer to sports aspirants as "student athletes."

Today, however, this often is not the case. For many--in both high school and college--reference to "student athletes" is an oxymoron, as far apart as the east is from the west.



**Paul Stueckler**

The best coaches--at all levels--first are teachers in the noblest sense, imparting life lessons first and sports second. I've known several who "got it right." One was the late Paul Stueckler, head basketball coach at Midland Lee High School, 1961-1990. His zeal for teaching was unbelievable, work ethic unquestioned and passion for coaching unsurpassed.

Son of a Lutheran minister, Paul wasn't afraid of challenges. First, he took on coaching all sports at tiny Presidio, TX, High School in 1954. He was there for a year, followed by six more at El Paso Austin High School before he dared to introduce basketball to young men at Midland Lee High School upon its opening.

Introduced basketball? During most of Stueckler's years there, football was king. One guy--claiming Lee's district to be the "little Southwest Conference"--recognized only two sports: football and spring training. At Lee, Stueckler won six district championships and made the play-offs 13 times. In 1975, his LHS Rebels took Houston Kashmere to three overtimes before losing to the eventual champions who were undefeated the previous season. With more than 700 career wins, he was Texas' fourth-winningest basketball coach.

Stueckler's heritage included a strong work ethic, and he never let go. A graduate of Concordia High School in Austin, he favored

playing football and baseball. For coaching, though, he chose basketball after his first year. While in Presidio, by the way, they played on a dirt court, but old-timers remember that he and his players cobbled together a wooden, "make-do" floor.

Son David experienced his dad's firm direction as a basketball player in 1977 and 1978. "He kept the gym warm for workouts and warmer for games," he recalls. Unforgettable are drills of rope-climbing, fingertip push-ups and lots of running.

Though animated and vocal, Paul never resorted to profanity. Armed with motivational stories and jokes, he grew serious when Hobbs, NM, High School was mentioned. Coached by legendary Ralph Tasker, the Eagles were the scourge of New Mexico, avoided by their non-district foes. Stueckler scheduled Hobbs regularly, however, holding his own in most games and winning some.

He was more than resourceful. During games, he spoke reminders into a tape recorder, playing them back at halftime. Against Houston Kashmere in the 1975 semi-finals, Paul was certain that his lads would be uptight. So, he showed up in a tuxedo, finally losing to the state champions in three overtimes.

They asked him to help coach at Midland College during retirement at Lee, thus delaying plans to retire to Alabama, where he had enjoyed childhood

visits that included much fishing. (There weren't many fishing holes around Midland.) After four years and hindered by a hip replacement, he and his wife, Gay, retired to Lillian, AL, where he planned to spend blissful days on his Perdido Bay fishing boat.

When word got out about his Lillian retirement, he was recruited once again to "help out" at Pensacola Junior College. Finally, health concerns caused him and Gay to return to Texas. Awaiting him, though, was one final assignment, this time at Collin College. Including parttime roles, he coached for 51 years, passing away in 2017 at age 84.

Both David and sister Laura Seale are grateful for strong parental guidance. "He had a high standard for character and an insanely high commitment to the work ethic. No cheating, foul words or facades were allowed," Laura remembers. "I'm in education, too, and learned from Dad to get inside kids' heads to teach them." David, also a University of Texas graduate, has served the Linbeck Group, a Texas-based commercial construction company, for 42 years, rising through the ranks to CEO 12 years ago.

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## FOOTBALL

### Bearcats faithful celebrate familiar scene

#### Another state championship

By Rick Mauch  
The Community News

Some things folks just never grow tired of. A hug from a friend, a beautiful sunset/sunrise, warm cup of coffee first thing in the morning, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

And the Aledo Bearcats winning state football championships - which they did once again in the season now recently past. It was, in fact, the 12th the program's history and their 11th since 2009.

And with each title comes a subsequent celebration, such as the one held on Wednesday, Jan. 24. It was originally scheduled to be held at Tim Buchanan Stadium, but because of the threat of inclement weather was moved indoors to the Aledo High School main gymnasium.

"This is my fourth time to attend one of these," said Lana Stewart, a first-year receptionist at AHS. "You never get tired of it. Nobody gets tired of winning."

Ironically, Lana, whose family moved to the area in 2019, has no children who played football. However, like so many, she is simply a Bearcats fan and wanted to be there to show support for her home team.

In small towns everywhere, so many bragging rights come back to the success of the local sports teams. And nowhere else in Texas, perhaps even in the United States, does that apply more than Aledo.

Phil and Martha Thompson do, however, have a family connection to the team. Their grandson is Josh McCarley, a senior offensive lineman. It was their second championship celebration to attend.

"Oh, it never gets old," Phil said. "How could it?"

To which Martha added, "This is just awesome. It's unbelievable, the tradition, the boys and the coaches work so hard."

#### More than football

While the spotlight was on the Bearcats football team that finished 16-0 and won the Class 5A Division



PHOTOS BY JON SHELDON

I state championship, other groups were honored as well. Quarterback Hauss Hejny was joined by tight end Tyson Timms in thanking such groups as the drum line, cheerleaders, Bearcat Regiment (band), color guard, Spirit of Aledo, and the dance team, also announcing their various accomplishments.

"We couldn't have done it without you," Hejny said.

Hejny graduated early at end of the fall semester and is now enrolled at TCU, where he will continue his football career. Timms has signed to

play for Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado next season.

The ceremonies also recognized the Aledo ISD board of trustees. State Representative Glenn Rogers was on hand and State Senator Phil King's office sent a resolution. The city councils of Aledo and Willow Park were also thanked for recognizing the Bearcats at recent meetings.

After, every member of the varsity football team, along with coaches, trainers and managers were recognized one at a time.

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The Parker County Aggie Moms' Club will host the Texas A&M Singing Cadets at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17 at Aledo United Methodist Church. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Aledo United Methodist Church, 100 Pecan Dr Aledo TX, 76008. Internationally known as the "Voice of Aggieland", The Singing Cadets is Texas A&M University's premier men's chorus. This is a fun-filled patriotic concert appropriate for all ages. Please share the word and invite anyone that enjoys music or loves an Aggie. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Texas A&M Singing Cadets, the Parker County Aggie Moms Club Scholarship fund, and a contribution to Aledo United Methodist Church for use of their facilities.

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**Dementia Support Group**  
Join us for our Dementia Support Group from 4-5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 13 at Harvest of Aledo 1043 Bailey Ranch Rd. We are honored and privileged to care for those affected by dementia. Even more so, we value the efforts of the caregivers, especially the families of our residents. We are excited to be partnering with Kim Waid, Certified Dementia Practitioner, and Account Executive at Elara Caring Hospice to create an engag-

**ACROSS**  
1 "\_\_\_ 2" (twice the speed of sound)  
5 Kick \_\_\_ Traditional Tribe of Texas  
6 small channel made by running water  
7 "\_\_\_ Bird" Johnson  
8 retire. acct.  
9 TXism: "confused \_\_\_ \_\_\_ on astroturf"  
16 stock exchange for Texas-based Caterpillar (abbr.)  
18 newspaper in Houston or Double Mountain  
21 TXism: "can't hunt with \_\_\_ empty gun"  
22 "the \_\_\_ of society" (problems)  
23 once Egypt and Syria (abbr.)  
24 "get \_\_\_ on reality" (quit fantasizing)  
30 like 37-across  
34 TXism: "dance with who bring \_\_\_"  
35 TX rancher Chuck Norris film: "An \_\_\_ an Eye"  
36 subdivision of a military grouping  
37 "March of \_\_\_"  
39 Border \_\_\_ try to keep illegals out  
43 ham it up  
44 you can catch this in the Gulf  
45 TX \_\_\_ Weekend  
46 extra points (abbr.)  
47 TXism: "cream \_\_\_ the top" (quality)  
49 Beyonce and Willie are Texas \_\_\_  
52 WFAA-TV commercial  
53 this Otto directed TX Linda Darnell in 1945  
54 Fort Stockton's county  
55 TXism: "useless as \_\_\_ door on a submarine"  
58 Gossett Jr. of "Diggstown" with Randall "Tex" Cobb  
**DOWN**  
1 Falls County seat  
2 place for honey bee hives  
3 TXism: "\_\_\_ \_\_\_ outhouse seat in January"  
4 is Palestine the "\_\_\_ city" of Texas?  
9 Texas summer necessity (abbr.)  
10 TXism: "could wear his work \_\_\_"  
11 PBS "\_\_\_ Guthrie Show" was filmed in Austin  
12 popular Texas pastime  
13 type of kickoff  
14 smart machines abbr.  
15 private univer. in Fort Worth  
17 TXism: "looks good \_\_\_ give a sermon" (dressed up) onesies, e.g.  
19 TXism: "wipes the slate clean"  
20 TXism: "wipes the slate clean"  
24 smart enough to be a Texan, Albert (init.)  
25 cheat or swindle  
26 TX Nimitz became a \_\_\_ admiral in 1938  
27 TXism: "attacked like grandma \_\_\_ chicken snake"  
28 sleazy  
29 college teachers (abbr.)  
31 dir. from Plainview to Borger  
32 "don't \_\_\_ all your hopes on it"  
33 in Shelby County on U.S. 59 & 84  
38 ditches around castles  
40 Texas tall tale  
41 biblical donkey  
42 caught off guard  
48 gem found in coastal Texas  
50 pegs for 12-down  
51 Texas-based Blue Bell \_\_\_ cream  
56 some Texans put \_\_\_ panels on their roofs  
57 DeWitt County seat

ing and nurturing environment that will help build a community of love and support as we walk through this journey together. This meeting will take place on the second Tuesday of every month. For more information call 682-209-0643

**FEBRUARY 20**  
**Parkinson's Support**  
Join our monthly local support group for those

living with Parkinson's Disease and families from 10:30-11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at Martin Crest Assisted Living and Memory Care, 1818 Martin Dr, Weatherford, TX 76086. We offer a safe environment for talking about your experiences, enhancing your ability to cope with the daily challenges of Parkinson's. You are invited to be part of a group that connects and shares with

each other on how to live well with Parkinson's. Sponsored by: Freedom Hospice For more information contact Janet Standifer.

**MARCH 2**  
**Aledo Spring Fling**  
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023

Data Control Codes		10 General Fund	50 Debt Service	60 Capital Projects	98 Other Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>						
5700	Local and intermediate sources	\$ 52,105,902	\$ 22,581,084	\$ 644,158	\$ 3,601,569	\$ 78,932,713
5800	State program revenues	23,958,839	676,778	-	251,678	24,887,295
5900	Federal program revenues	536,430	-	-	5,367,864	5,904,294
5020	Total revenues	76,601,171	23,257,862	644,158	9,221,111	109,724,302
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
0011	Instruction	44,689,992	-	1,053,285	3,798,307	49,541,584
0012	Instructional resources and media services	857,575	-	-	107,698	965,273
0013	Curriculum and instructional staff development	734,125	-	-	230,659	964,784
0021	Instructional leadership	1,044,048	-	-	-	1,044,048
0023	School leadership	4,296,156	-	-	-	4,296,156
0031	Guidance, counseling, and evaluation services	2,681,260	-	-	867,291	3,548,551
0033	Health services	771,754	-	-	56,000	827,754
0034	Student (pupil) transportation	4,057,216	-	1,843,844	1,483	5,902,543
0035	Food service	108,607	-	-	3,837,811	3,946,418
0036	Extracurricular activities	3,236,167	-	20,176	62,198	3,318,541
0041	General administration	3,319,859	-	-	19,373	3,339,232
0051	Facilities maintenance and operations	8,993,945	-	2,711,510	33,939	11,739,394
0052	Security and monitoring services	1,031,372	-	102,543	27,272	1,616,187
0053	Data processing services	2,111,440	-	209,180	-	2,320,620
0061	Community services	43,365	-	-	378	43,743
Debt Service:						
0071	Principal on long-term debt	-	12,270,000	-	-	12,270,000
0072	Interest on long-term debt	-	9,899,444	-	-	9,899,444
0073	Bond issuance cost and fees	-	9,978	1,010,736	-	1,020,714
Capital Outlay:						
0081	Facilities acquisition and construction	98,931	-	12,224,453	-	12,323,384
Intergovernmental:						
0091	Contracted instructional services between schools	444,627	-	-	-	444,627
0099	Other intergovernmental	903,105	-	-	-	903,105
6030	Total expenditures	79,423,544	22,179,422	19,175,727	9,042,409	129,821,102
1100	<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	(2,822,373)	1,078,440	(18,531,569)	178,702	(20,096,800)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
7911	Issuance of bonds	-	-	115,695,000	-	115,695,000
7912	Sale of capital assets	7,982	-	-	-	7,982
7916	Premium on issuance of debt	-	16,069	9,118,298	-	9,134,367
8911	Transfers out	(210,726)	-	-	-	(210,726)
8949	Other uses	(15,582)	-	-	-	(15,582)
7080	Total other financing sources (uses)	(218,326)	16,069	124,813,298	-	124,611,041
1200	<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	(3,040,699)	1,094,509	106,281,729	178,702	104,514,241
0100	<b>FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING</b>	29,194,287	3,548,353	11,953,064	1,971,866	46,667,570
3000	<b>FUND BALANCES, ENDING</b>	\$ 26,153,588	\$ 4,642,862	\$ 118,234,793	\$ 2,150,568	\$ 151,181,811

# FOOTBALL

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## Community involvement

Dr. Susan Bohn has been the district's superintendent for six years. This was her fifth championship celebration.

"This opportunity on the field is doubled by our accomplishments in the classroom," she noted.

Bohn's statement was backed up by the recent Texas High School Coaches Association Academic All-State honors. Nineteen student athletes from Aledo earned this accolade for fall sports, including 13 from football, two from team tennis, one from volleyball and three cross country.

Not so coincidentally, while football was winning state, the cross country girls team finished second at state and the boys also qualified as a team, while volleyball and team tennis both advanced deep into the postseason.

If history repeats, many more such honors await athletes from the winter and spring sports.

Bohn also praised parents for their involvement in their children's success.

"Our parents circle around them," she said. "They feed them, prepare them, make sure they're ready to come to school."

Bearcats head coach Robby Jones took the microphone after the recognitions and offered thanks to those in attendance and the entire community. Jones, who came to Aledo in 2003, has been around for 11 celebrations now - 10 after he became the offensive coordinator in 2009 and now one as the head coach. The only one he was not a part of was their first title in 1998.

"We have great community support here in Aledo. You guys didn't have to come out, but you did to support the kids," he said. "It's a whole community. That's what I love about this place. I wouldn't want to be anywhere but Aledo."



## BUSINESS

# Laid back man-magnet barber shop opens in Aledo

## The Bearded Beast has off-beat experience

By Christopher Amos  
The Community News

Sometimes inspiration comes at surprising moments. Like the time Kandy and Michael Thompson were having lunch and Kandy blurted out, "Let's open a barber shop!"

The idea wasn't as bizarre as it may seem, but was still a surprise to Michael.

Kandy operated a beauty shop in Aledo for years before moving her shop to York Avenue in Weatherford to be closer to their Brock home. Michael, with a background in physical therapy, operated a successful gym.

The couple noticed men accompanying their wives meandering in and out of women's boutique shops north of the Courthouse and Kandy thought the guys needed an appealing place to hang out while the women shop.

The idea birthed the laid-back, male oriented atmosphere of Bearded Beast Barber Shops in Weatherford, Millsap, and now in Aledo on Pecan Street, across from Bryant Grain.

The family purchased a building used by Aledo Fire Department two decades ago and briefly by others before going vacant for years. Kandy operates a spacious salon upstairs by appointment only.

"Have a drink, handsome," a plaque on the wall reads. Or you can grab a soda or beer, get a haircut, have an expert beard trim or shave, or just chat. One may think shaving is something to be handled by oneself, but you won't get Michael's exclusive handcrafted shaving cream with organic cocoa butters and soothing essential oils for your euphoric face.

There are no dead animal heads decorating the walls of this coiffeur man cave, but there is an attractive collection of guitars you are welcome to take down and strum a tune on.

Having guitars close at hand is also convenient for Michael to work on this week's service as the music worship leader at Grace Meadows Church in Weatherford.



Michael Thompson puts finishing touches on Garrett Pace of Tesajo Properties, Aledo. Bearded Beast is an uber-casual barber shop across from Bryant Grain in Aledo.

"I have had people see the guitars through the window and drop in thinking this is a music shop," Michael said while swaying in a barber chair. "They usually end up getting a haircut anyway."

The casual atmosphere is contagious and part of the attraction to the shop.

"I want you to have an experience here. I want you to feel better about your day when you leave," Michael said. "That is the vibe we want with all of our shops. We try to be very family oriented."

Ashlyn Weaver concurs with the "family" comparison. Weaver, a friend of the Thompsons, was hired as public relations manager for the shops because of her experience as event director for the City of Graham.

"They treat me like everyone else, like family," Weaver said, describing problems from recent freezing temperatures. When many households lost power, the Thompsons offered their home to her and others. "There are always people coming and going at their house. That's just the way they are."



Kandy and Garrett Thompson own barber shops in Weatherford and Millsap, each with the same laid back atmosphere as the new Aledo location.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Lady Bears maul Aledo

Stay atop 5-5A standings

By Ryan Wade  
The Community News

Sitting in second place in the District 5-5A standings with three games left to go, Aledo's Ladycats went into Brewer hoping to hand the Lady Bears their first district loss of the season and take their place atop the standings with the season winding down.

The Lady Bears, however, had other plans. Brewer solidified their place at the top of the standings with a 75-46 mauling of the Ladycats on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

The Ladycats (25-9 overall, 8-2 in district) were outgunned throughout the contest as the Lady Bears took a commanding lead early. Setting a high pace, Brewer jumped out to an eight-point lead in the first frame, 16-8.

Things didn't improve in the second quarter for Aledo. The home team held the Ladycats at an arm's reach once again, as Brewer extended their lead to 16 points at the end of the first half, 34-18.

Aledo kept pace with the Lady Bears to start off the second half, as both squads tossed up 19 points in the third quarter. However, Brewer shifted gears in the fourth quarter, running at a pace the Ladycats just could not keep up with. The home team went on a 22-9 run to close out the game, sending the Ladycats back to Aledo still in second place.

With only two games left on the regular season schedule before the start of the postseason, the Ladycats travel to Azle on Friday night to take on the Lady Hornets. Azle currently holds a 4-6 record in district play with a one-game lead over Saginaw for fourth place in the district.

The Ladycats finish off the regular season at home next Tuesday, Feb. 6, against Granbury, which has also clinched a postseason berth.

Presently, Aledo holds a one-game advantage in district play over Granbury. The final two games of the season will be vital to ensuring the Ladycats head into bi-district with the No. 2 seed.

Friday's matchup in Azle is slated for a 6:15 p.m. start.

### Ladycats vs. Brewer – Jan. 30

Aledo	8	10	19	9	46
Brewer	16	18	19	22	75

Aledo scoring: Kinley Elms 19, Natalie Anderson 9, Elizabeth Griffin 8, Caroline Browning 5, Brooklyn Dempsey 5.

SWIMMING

## Swimcats qualify for regionals



MEGHAN ROBERSON

The Aledo boys and girls each finished third at the District 5-5A Meet at the Northwest ISD Natatorium. Pictured are (back row, from left) Brayden Baughman, Ian Perez, Kale Roberson, Brayden DeBoer, Jaxon Robinson, Tyler Jackson, (second from back) Alexa Doshi, Julia Gordy, Alli Faulkner, Addie Speed, (second from front) Avery Faulkner, Corah Satterfield, Haley Roberson, Victoria Crews, Natalie Hutson, Evan Bradley, (front row) Matthew Petersen and Porter Lane.

### Roberson, Lane bring home gold

By Rick Mauch  
The Community News

Led by gold medal performances from Haley Roberson

and Porter Lane, Aledo will have a solid contingent representing the program in the upcoming Class 5A Region II Meet in Mansfield Feb. 9-10.

Roberson paced the Ladycats, winning gold medals

in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2 minutes, 12.82 seconds, along with the 500 freestyle in 5:20.73.

Lane won the boys 100 Turn to **DISTRICT**, page 9

FOOTBALL

## Bearcats star back makes early commitment

By Rick Mauch  
The Community News

Ray Guillory has a lot of football to play for the Aledo Bearcats, but it seems he has decided where his next destination will be after he finishes his high school career. He has committed to become a University of Texas Longhorn, according to a report from Dave Campbell's Texas Football.

Guillory is a sophomore set for graduation from Aledo in 2026. Though he missed the state championship game with an injury, he played a pivotal role in Aledo's advance to a state-record 12th championship and a 16-0 season in 2023.

The Bearcats defeated Smithson Valley 51-8 in the Class 5A Division I final at AT&T Stadium on Dec. 15.

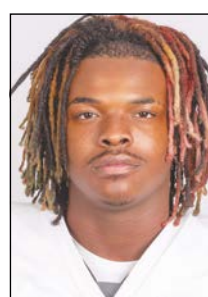
Guillory, a move-in following his freshman season at Mansfield Lake Ridge, made an immediate

impact in Aledo. He led the Bearcats in rushing with 1,207 yards on just 145 carries, averaging close to a first down on each carry (8.3 yards).

He also scored a team-high 21 touchdowns, 17 rushing and four receiving.

Guillory's receiving skills make him a multi-threat. He had 10 catches for 175 yards and caught every catchable pass thrown his way, recording no drops the entire season.

Guillory amassed these statistics despite missing five complete games because of injury, two in the regular season and three in the playoffs.



Ray Guillory

"Any school's going to be lucky to get Ray," Aledo coach Robby Jones said. "He's going to come back strong from that injury."

In his first game as a Bearcat, Guillory proved he would be a force. He rushed for 113 yards and a pair of touchdowns on just 11 carries, along with catching two passes for 70 yards and another score against Dallas Parish Episcopal.

Guillory rushed for over 100 yards in each of his first four games for Aledo. He followed the DPE game with 27 carries for 138 yards and three TD against Denton Guyer, 25 carries for 122 yards and a TD against Northwest, and 107 yards on just five carries with two TD against Azle.

He finished the regular season with 773 yards rushing on 114 carries.

After missing the first game of the postseason due to injury, Guillory had the two best games of his high school career. He gained 180 yards and scored two touchdowns against Lubbock Cooper, followed by 189 yards and four TD on 14 carries against Red Oak.

He was on his way to another sterling performance against Abilene in the regional final, picking up 65 yards on five carries, before suffering a season-ending knee injury.

In his one season at Lake Ridge, which did not include a playoff appearance, Guillory led the Eagles in rushing yards (769 on 125 carries) and touchdowns (13, 9 rushing, 4 receiving). He also caught 18 passes for 154 yards and three scores.



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# SOCCER

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currently leads the Ladycats in scoring with eight goals on the year. Emery Thompson, who became the Ladycats' primary scoring threat late last season, continues to be the definition of consistency. Her goal on Tuesday night gives her five so far this season.

Hailey Vandiver also scored a goal in the match for Aledo.

As the game went to the shootout, the Lady Texans were able to get a single stop that made the difference as the hometown team prevailed.

Aledo will continue their district schedule on Friday, Feb. 2, when Saginaw comes to town. The Ladycats will play first, with their match set to start at 5:30 p.m. The Bearcats will close out the evening with a match against the Rough Riders at 7:30 p.m.

# DISTRICT

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butterfly, clocking a time of 51.57 seconds.

In addition, Lane captured a silver medal in the 100 breaststroke, posting a time of 59.17. He was .04 seconds shy of a school record.

In all, seven Ladycats and eight Bearcats will be competing for a berth at the University Interscholastic League State Meet Feb. 23-24 at the University of Texas in Austin. Along with competing in 14 individual events (6 girls, 8 boys), the girls and the boys will each have three relays working to advance.

The top six finishers in each event at district qualify for regionals. From there, the top two in each event qualify, along with the next eight fastest in each event from across all eight regions.

As a team, the Ladycats and Bearcats each finished third.

"We had some really strong swims and some races that surprised us with how well they placed," coach Meghan Roberson said. "Both Northwest and Granbury really gave us a good fight and some fast races. It will be fun to see how we stack up against them at regionals."

The Ladycats have qualified a 200 medley relay for state each of the past two years, while the girls 200 free relay is looking for a return, along with the boys 200 medley relay.

Individually, Roberson is seeking a three-peat in reaching state in the 200 individual medley and the 500 free. A junior, she has not failed to reach state in her high school career.

Crews is looking to return to state for a second straight season

individually and has qualified on relays the past two seasons. Like Roberson, she has been a regular at state throughout her high school career.

Lane looks to make his individual state debut this season after qualifying on the relay in 2023.

In all, Roberson, Crews, Lane, Corah Satterfield and Brayden DeBoer qualified for regionals in four events.

Aledo has qualified swimmers for state each of the past eight seasons.

## District 5-5A Swim Meet at Northwest ISD Natatorium

Aledo regional qualifiers (distances in yards, top six in each event qualify)

**Girls**  
200 Freestyle: 6. Julia Gordy, 2:17.73.  
200 Individual Medley: 1. Haley Roberson, 2:12.82.  
100 Butterfly: 3. Victoria Crews, 1:03.37;

6. Corah Satterfield, 1:11.88.  
500 Freestyle: 1. Roberson, 5:20.73; 5. Molly Garrison, 6:02.10.  
100 Backstroke: 2. Crews, 1:08.09; 6. Satterfield, 1:11.17.  
100 Breaststroke: 5. Addie Speed, 1:26.63.  
200 Medley Relay: 3. Avery Faulkner, Roberson, Satterfield, Crews, 2:02.99.  
200 Freestyle Relay: 2. Roberson, Faulkner, Gordy, Crews, 1:50.70.  
400 Freestyle Relay: 4. Garrison, Speed, Satterfield, Gordy, 4:29.40.

### Boys

200 Freestyle: 6. Evan Bradley, 2:10.63.  
200 IM: 6. Brayden DeBoer, 2:15.81.  
50 Freestyle: 6. Kale Roberson, 24.89  
100 Butterfly: 1. Porter Lane, 51.57.  
100 Freestyle: 5. Tyler Jackson, 55.69.  
500 Freestyle: 4. DeBoer, 5:38.99.  
100 Backstroke: 2. Cade Catlin, 1:01.05.  
100 Breaststroke: 2. Lane, 59.17; 6. Ian Perez, 1:12.00.  
200 Medley Relay: 3. Catlin, Jackson, Lane, Roberson, 1:47.77.  
200 Freestyle Relay: 3. Lane, DeBoer, Roberson, Jackson, 1:36.55.  
400 Freestyle Relay: 3. Perez, Roberson, Jaxon Robinson, DeBoer, 3:46.52.

# BEARCATS

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In their previous two meetings this season, Brewer has dominated. When the two teams met in the Moritz Classic back in December, the Bears took home the first-place trophy with an 11-point win. The first district matchup at Brewer back on January 5, the Bears decimated Aledo, winning by 19.

After coming off an upset victory over Saginaw the week before, Aledo showed up on Tuesday with a chip on their shoulder. Determined to prevail on their home court, the Bearcat defense set the tone for the home team.

Typical of their history against each other, Brewer managed to take an early 12-9 lead in the first quarter. But, in the second quarter Aledo's defense found its rhythm.

Aledo head coach JD Robinson stresses to his defense the importance of keeping their eye on man or ball. On Tuesday night the Bearcat defense did a spectacular job of that. Against a talented, athletic offense,

the Bearcats managed to stay in front of the Bears, cover their gaps, and stay between the ball and the basket.

Aledo denied the Bears free looks at the basket all night, especially in high-percentage areas in the post. Even when Brewer worked their way down low near the goal, shots were heavily contested keeping scoring at a premium.

As the Bearcat defense frustrated the Bears at one end of the floor, it also gave Aledo confidence at the other end of the floor. The Bearcats appeared relaxed as their offense flowed without the pressure of having to go shot-for-shot.

Early in the second quarter Jack Sawyer gave the Bearcats their first lead of the game, 13-11, with a short jumper in the paint. A seesaw battle ensued as the two teams traded opportunities retaking the lead until the 5:03 mark when Sawyer gathered a rebound and scored on a second-chance opportunity to make it 15-14.

From there the Bearcats began to put distance between themselves and Brewer. Sawyer once again scored down in the post to give

Aledo a seven-point lead with time running out in the first half, but the Bears sank a mid-court shot at the buzzer to make it a 25-21 affair at the break.

Coming out of the break, Aledo picked up right where they left off. Joaquin Pacheco drowned a three-pointer to open the third quarter to put the Bearcats up 28-21. On their next possession, Jackson Todd knocked down a jumper from the free-throw line to extend the Aledo lead out to nine points, forcing the Bears to take a timeout.

Aledo's guards became heavily invested in the scoring in the third quarter, as Pacheco, Todd, and Owen Peterson combined for 10 of the Bearcats 14 third-quarter points. By the time the buzzer sounded to close the frame, the Bearcats held an 11-point advantage heading into the fourth quarter, 39-28.

There's a scene in the 2000 movie, The Replacements, where quarterback Shane Falco, played by Keanu Reeves talks about his fear of quicksand. Falco explains the quicksand he's referring to is not literal, but an illustration of when

something goes wrong in a game, then another, and another until seemingly everything that could go wrong eventually does.

The Bearcats fell into quicksand in the fourth quarter.

Out of desperation, Brewer switched up their defensive strategy to press the home team. The pressure quickly led to a pair of turnovers with fastbreak scoring opportunities. Fouls by the Bearcats on those fastbreaks sent the Bears to the free-throw line where they were perfect from the stripe in the fourth quarter.

Less than two minutes into the quarter, Aledo's 11-point lead vanished as Robinson was forced to call a timeout with 6:06 remaining and his team up by just a single bucket, 39-37.

Following the timeout, both clubs fell into a scoring drought for several minutes. That changed Julian Perez finished off a fastbreak opportunity with a layup to tie the game at 39-all with 4:15 left to go. From there, the Bears went on a 12-6 run to close out the final four

minutes of action, earning the victory in dramatic fashion.

"We just collapsed," Robinson said after the game. "We turned the ball over too much. We weren't physical enough, or mentally tough enough there at the end. We needed to keep the ball in the middle of the floor, and we didn't do that."

With just four district matchups left on the regular season schedule, Aledo will be back in action on Friday as they travel to Azle to take on the Hornets at 7:30 p.m.

"We're in the hunt for the playoff race," stated Robinson. "We control our own destiny in that regard. We go to Azle on Friday night. They're going to want to win a district game, so we've got to go in there and take care of Azle. That's the only thing on our minds right now."

## Bearcats vs. Brewer – Jan. 30


<b>Aledo</b>	9	16	14	6-45
<b>Brewer</b>	12	9	7	23-51

Aledo scoring: Jack Sawyer 22, Joaquin Pacheco 13, Jackson Todd 7, Owen Peterson 2, Cohen Christie 1.


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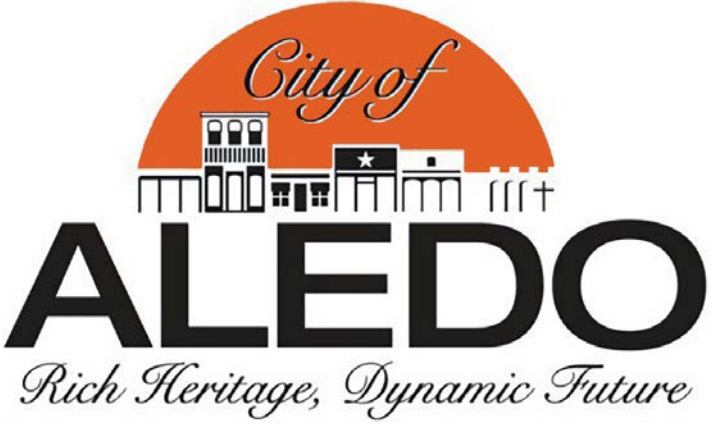
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### TO ISSUE CITY OF ALEDO, TEXAS, CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

TAKE NOTICE the City Council of the City of Aledo, Texas, shall convene at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the 28th day of March, 2024, at the Aledo Community Center, 104 Robinson Court, Aledo, Texas, and, during such meeting, the City Council will consider the passage of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of certificates of obligation in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,515,000 for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) the construction of public works, to wit: improvements and extensions to the City's Sewer System, and (ii) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and the financing thereof, and such certificates shall be payable from ad valorem taxes and a pledge of the surplus net revenues of the City's combined Waterworks and Sewer System. In accordance with Texas Local Government Code Section 271.049, (i) the current principal amount of all of the City's outstanding public securities secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes is \$18,515,000; (ii) the current combined principal and interest required to pay all of the City's outstanding public securities secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes on time and in full is \$37,443,313; (iii) the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the certificates of obligation to be authorized on time and in full is \$5,971,880; (iv) the maximum interest rate for the certificates may not exceed the maximum legal interest rate; and (v) the maximum maturity date of the certificates to be authorized is August 15, 2055. The above information excludes \$13,295,000 in principal amount of outstanding debt obligations the City has designated as self-supporting which the City reasonably expects to pay from revenue sources other than ad valorem taxes; provided, however, that in the event such self-supporting revenue sources are insufficient to pay debt service, the City is obligated to levy ad valorem taxes to pay such debt obligations. The certificates are to be issued, and this notice is given, under and pursuant to the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271.

Deana McMullen  
City Secretary  
City of Aledo, Texas



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**SECTION 5.**

Any person, firm, or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects, or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for all violations involving zoning, fire safety, or public health and sanitation, including dumping or refuse, and shall be fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for all other violations of this Ordinance. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

**SECTION 8.**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

**PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 25th DAY OF JANUARY, 2024.**

Nick Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Deana McMullen, City Secretary

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NICK STANLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
DEANA McMULLEN, CITY SECRETARY  
EFFECTIVE DATE: January 25, 2024

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Authers Building Group, as Construction Manager at Risk, will receive bids for construction subcontracts for the Aleo ISD High School Additions and Renovations project until February 15, 2024, at 2:00 PM. All bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids shall be on a lump sum basis and include with them the appropriate bid packages and proposal forms. All bid packages, electronic drawings and specifications are available at Building Connected or Plan Hub. These contract documents will be available on these sites by February 1, 2024.

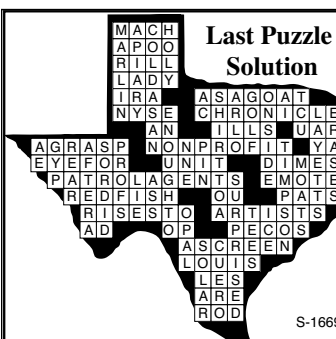
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## Kid Scoop Together: Jumping for Joy

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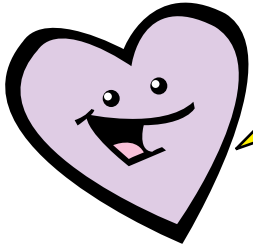


How fast can you find all of the letters of the alphabet in order?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

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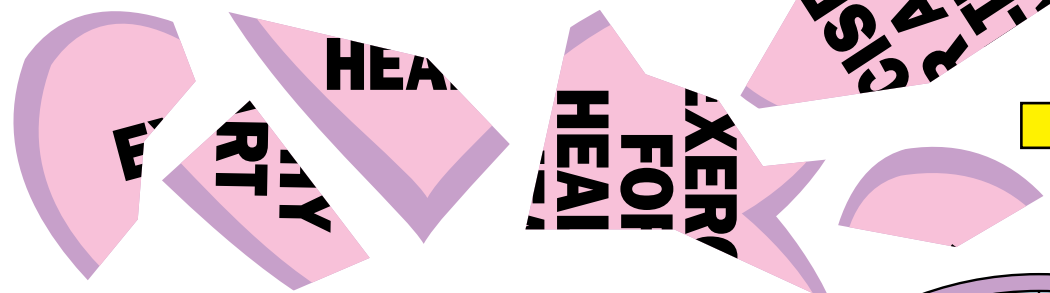
Are you making pictures of hearts and giving little heart-shaped candies to friends for Valentine's Day? When you make a promise you really, really mean, do you "cross your heart"? Or, do you listen to songs about broken hearts?

We see and hear about hearts everywhere. Long ago, people thought our feelings came from our hearts. Maybe because strong feelings can make our hearts beat faster. Now we know feelings come from the brain, not the heart.

Standards Link: History/Social Science: Understand the purposes of and events honored in holidays.

### Broken Heart Puzzle

Cut out these shapes. Can you put them together to make a heart? What does the Valentine message say?



Draw a heart around the healthy snacks. Draw an X through the unhealthy ones.



Standards Link: Health: Recognize the fitness benefits from various types of foods.

### SNACKS


### My Funny Valentine

Make a Valentine Puzzle for your special Valentine. Cut a heart shape out of some pink or red paper. Write a message on your heart. Then cut the heart into four or five puzzle pieces. Put all the pieces in an envelope and give it to your Valentine!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

7 - 12 - 12 - 7 - 19 - 25 - 9 - 6 - 8 - 19

## Be Sweet to Your Teeth!

Every day a terrible troublemaker hides in your teeth, waiting to carve holes in them—PLAQUE! (Say it like *plak*, rhymes with *tack*.) You must remove it everyday, or else it will cause your teeth to decay.

How do you get rid of it? Use the secret code to find the names of the Mighty Plaque Fighters and you will learn how to keep your smile dazzling!

### MEET THE MIGHTY PLAQUE FIGHTERS!

W	X	Y	Z	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V
3	2	1	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4

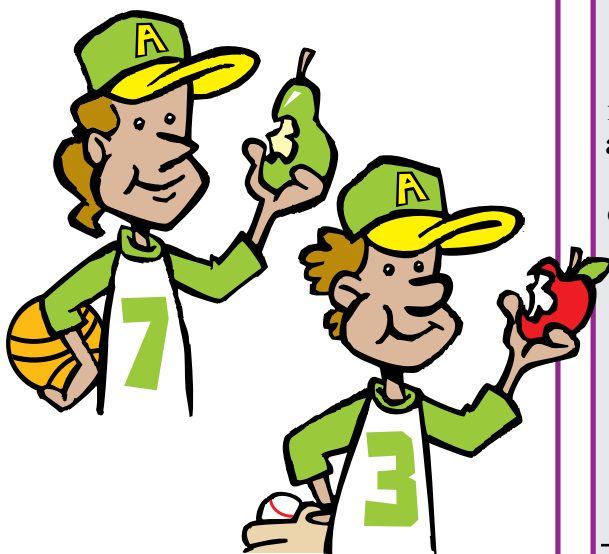
Do this after every meal to keep germs off your teeth:

25 - 9 - 6 - 8 - 19

Standards Link: Health: Understand good personal hygiene practices that include caring for teeth.

### Valentine Pals

Jill and Phil are pals. They like many of the same things. How many ways can you find that Jill and Phil are the same?



Standards Link: Recognizing similarities and patterns in objects.

### Teeth in the News

Look through the newspaper for ads and/or articles that encourage you to eat or drink things that are bad for your teeth. Can you find anything in the newspaper that encourages eating and drinking things that are good for your teeth?

Standards Link: Health: Recognize foods that promote good health.

### Double Double Word Search

- SWEET
- HEART
- EXERCISE
- VALENTINE
- PLAQUE
- CANDIES
- PICTURES
- SECRET
- PAPER
- DAZZLING
- SNACKS
- CARING
- TEETH
- SMILE
- PALS

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

L	O	S	E	I	D	N	A	C	E
G	N	I	L	Z	Z	A	D	S	N
V	E	U	Q	A	L	P	I	E	I
S	H	T	E	E	T	C	L	R	T
K	P	A	P	E	R	I	T	U	N
C	A	Y	E	E	M	O	R	T	E
A	L	W	X	S	U	R	A	C	L
N	S	E	C	R	E	T	E	I	A
S	G	N	I	R	A	C	H	P	V

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **RATE**

The noun **rate** means the amount of something measured in units.

Jane walked at a **rate** of three miles per hour on her way to school.

Try to use the word **rate** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

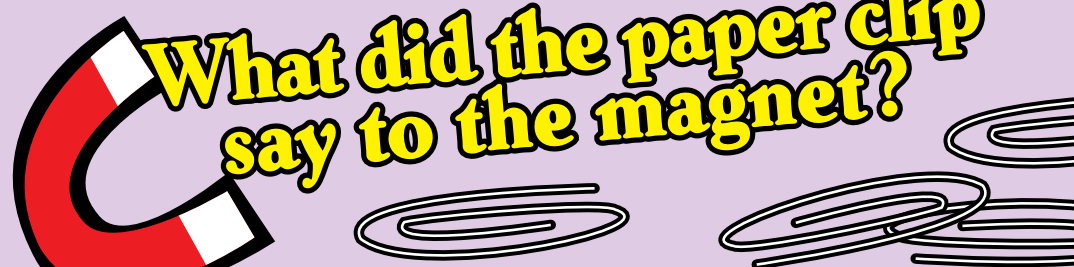
### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Have a Heart!

Look through the newspaper for an example of someone who was "heartless" or totally lacking compassion or caring. Is there a way they can make up for their behavior?

Standards Link: Social Science: Recognize behaviors that demonstrate good character.

## What did the paper clip say to the magnet?



ANSWER: "I find you very attractive!"

### Write On!

## Move!

Name three ways kids could get exercise every day.

BOYS BASKETBALL

# Brewer rallies to best host Bearcats

## Postgame chaos from visitors followed

By Ryan Wade  
The Community News

The District 5-5A matchup on Tuesday, Jan. 30, between the Aledo Bearcats and Brewer ended up being the game of almosts. Leading by 11 points heading into the fourth quarter, the Bearcats almost pulled out an improbable win over a district-leading Brewer club they've not beaten in several seasons.

The Bearcats recently upset Saginaw, second in district. Aledo (15-11, 4-4 in district) remains in the hunt for a playoff berth despite the loss, sitting fourth in the league.

For the Bears, it was almost a game that would be remembered for their perseverance as they pulled off a fourth quarter comeback to win 51-45.

Instead will be overshadowed by their post-game antics.

After pulling off a 23-point fourth quarter to come from behind for the win, Brewer's postgame celebration quickly took a turn into chaos. The Bears coaching staff lost control of their players, as a number of them began shouting at the Aledo fans in attendance. Several Brewer students ran across the court from the visiting stands to join in the raucous display around the Brewer bench.

Aledo faculty, including the school resource officer, attempted to help Brewer's coaching staff regain control over the players, usher them towards the locker room, and



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Jack Sawyer goes up for a jump shot with a pair of Brewer players contesting the shot.

clear out the gymnasium. The game announcer attempted to direct the players to the locker room, as well, over the sound system to no avail. Threats of filing a report with the UIL if players did not move to the locker room fell on deaf ears.

Once the players began to move towards the locker rooms, a handful of Brewer players took water

bottles and mimicked urinating on the Aledo logo at midcourt.

As for the game itself, the Bearcats put forth their best performance against the Bears in recent memory. Historically, games between the two teams have been tight with Brewer leading for most of the game.

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SUBVARSITY ROUNDUP

# District 5-5A wrestling



AUSTIN STOCKON

The Aledo junior varsity wrestlers ended the season with a strong showing at the District 5-5A Tournament in Springtown.

## Aledo JV wrestlers end season strong

Staff Reports  
The Community News

Aledo junior varsity wrestlers finished the season on a strong note in the District 5-5A Tournament at Springtown on Saturday, Jan. 27. Four wrestlers won gold medals (3 boys, 1 girl), with four others (2 boys and 2 girls) placing second.

162-175: 3. Presten Blackwell, 4. Parker Phipps.  
179-192: 2. Sebastian Barberena.  
201-225: 4. Christian Garcia.  
204-219: 1. Tyler Navarro.  
242-284: 1. Omari Din-Mbuh, 4. Beckett Unterwagner.

### Girls

100-108: 2. Michele Stansell.  
114-121: 1. Jayleigh McDonald, 2. Piper Miller, 3. Angelica Colon Ortiz, 4. Taylor Mouery.

## Girls basketball Aledo freshmen 47, Saginaw freshmen 25

Aledo	15	11	15	6	- 47
Northwest	10	5	5	5	- 25

Aledo scoring: Autumn Gudel 11, Sarah Edwards 10, Nealee Parsons 8, Braylin Wiggins 5, Ruby Tarrant 5, Macie Lailay 3, Ashlynn Jenkins 3, Journee Shackelford 2.

To read more visit: <https://www.community-news.com/stories/district-5-5a-wrestling,71137>

## District 5-5A JV Wrestling Tournament Top Aledo results

### Boys

112-123 pounds: 1. Dylan Chandler, 4. Finn Mulhall  
131-140: 4. Blaine Fisher.  
146-156: 3. William Reese, 4. Kamdin Trinkle  
150-164: 2. Pierson Blackwell.

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