



Pay raise for teachers

BY SUSAN McFARLAND
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Springtown teachers and teaching assistants are getting a bump in pay, a 2.9% average for teachers and 3.1% for assistants, said SISD Superintendent Mike Kelley.

Setting a priority for retaining teachers and giving the school district a recruiting edge played into the Board of Trustees' thinking in handing out the hikes in pay.

"There are not any school districts who can pay teachers as much as they're really worth," Kelley said. "But we have prioritized salary increases and payroll expenses as we've worked on next year's total budget."

Included in this effort to improve compensation were the bus drivers and monitors.

"The district's effort to address shortages in our Transportation Department included pledging a 5.61% average increase for our bus drivers and bus monitors," he said. "Other elements of the overall budget are being finalized, and the district's leadership team is reviewing additional recruiting

and retention programs that could provide additional income to employees who meet specific targets and goals."

In December, trustees approved a one-time incentive payment as a token of appreciation to promote staff morale and reward them for their commitment and work during the pandemic.

Trustees approved an \$800 incentive for full-time employees with professional contracts and \$600 for paraprofessionals. Allotments for part-time employees in both categories differentiated based on work status.

"The supplements we were able to provide to employee salaries last December were well-deserved, and I think there may be some opportunities for recruiting/retention awards in the coming year," Kelley said. "Enrollment numbers will dictate what we can and can't do moving forward. Determining staffing allocations has been difficult coming out of the pandemic; the incredible increase in housing starts in SISD has certainly added

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New bridge, raised roadway to help with flooding



Bridge beams were recently installed and preparations for the bridge deck are ongoing.

Photo by Kim Ware

Green is back Springtown brings back the drop-off recycling program

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Springtown residents will soon be able to go green again, as city officials are bringing back the drop-off recycling program.

The program is to begin July 14 and will allow residents to bring recyclable material to the Springtown Citizens Collection Center, 1361 Walnut Creek Drive, from 8 a.m.-noon on Wednesdays and Saturdays (excluding holidays and severe weather).

"We know how important the

ability to recycle is for many of them and it was a significant factor in the process of choosing our current waste disposal provider," said City Administrator David Miller. "This program will allow our residents to participate in recycling while remaining economical and efficient for the city as a whole."

The city stopped putting out its recycling receptacles located at 501 Martin Avenue in February of last year because too much household trash was being thrown in

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Raising the intersection of Highway 199 and FM 51 and constructing a new bridge over Walnut Creek will help with the tide of rising floodwaters that have often shut down this piece of roadway in the past.

Additional turn lanes will relieve congestion, and new side-

walks will make it safer for pedestrians. The project is expected to be completed in the spring of 2022.

"The improvements to FM 51, the bridge, and Hwy. 199 will allow for better traffic flow, pedestrian access, and will bring the bridge and the intersection of the two roadways out of the 100-year floodplain, which will decrease the likelihood of impacts to traffic

traveling through the intersection or using the bridge during heavy rainfall events," said Christina Derr, administrative specialist.

In the meantime, state transportation officials are urging motorists to watch the department's website for the dates and routes. Springtown city officials will also be posting information about the

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A Fantastic Fourth



Family and friends gathered at Azle's Central Park on Sunday, July 4th for the annual Follow the Flag sponsored by the Azle Ministerial Alliance. From free food and drinks to live music and fireworks, people of all ages celebrated American Independence with a bang.
Photos by Kaylee Pippins



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Special performers entertain at story time

BY SUSAN McFARLAND
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Springtown Public Library welcomed Addisen and Briten Weber to help with story time June 25.

Addisen read the story “Ada’s Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of

Paraguay,” written by Susan Hood and illustrated by Sally Wern Comport. Briten followed the story up by playing a piece on her violin.

“We also had a volunteer, Kelsie Wade, that led the rest of story and craft time,” said Andie D’Avignon, library director. “Everyone



Addisen Weber reads during story time at the Springtown Public Library. Photo courtesy Andie D’Avignon



Briten Weber plays her violin as a special guest performer during story time at Springtown Public Library.

Photo courtesy Andie D’Avignon

really enjoyed the extra special additions.”

The Springtown Public Library provides free services to all residents living within Springtown and surrounding cities. The library system holds more than 16,000 materials including books, audio CDs, videos and DVDs. The library also provides free internet access and pub-

lic computers with printing available for a small charge and has downloadable audiobooks and eBooks.

The library is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To receive a library card, a parent or guardian will need to bring a

drivers license and proof of local address.

The library is part of the Parker County Library Association, so Springtown library cards can also be used at Azle Memorial Library, Weatherford Public Library, East Parker County Library in Aledo, and Boyce Ditto Public Library in Mineral Wells. Patrons can also re-

quest items from those libraries to be sent to Springtown Public Library.

For information, follow the library on Facebook, Instagram or visit www.springtownlibrary.com. For questions, call 817-523-5862 or send an email to spl@cityof-springtown.com.

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Some of the most active and exciting fishing can be had on your local stock tank, pond or small creek. You don't need much equipment and you can generally access these effectively without a boat. These are also great places to take kids fishing as the fish are generally eager to accept most presentations.

As with any fishing trip, you should plan accordingly. A good tackle box with an assortment of small baits is on order as well as a small ice chest with some refreshments. Even more important is to make sure you use sunscreen and insect repellent. Coming back eaten up with chiggers or something even worse is not fun.

My tackle choices would include small spinner baits, jigs, small soft plastics and some topwater baits for artificial offerings. If you want to use live bait; a bucket of small minnows, a can of

worms or some grasshopper may be all you need.

Many local ponds have bass, perch and catfish. Some tanks will only have one predator species, whereas some of the bigger tanks may have all species.

If you are looking for bass, soft plastics or small spinner baits are fairly deadly. Generally most tanks are not fished often and the fish are fairly easy to catch. Standard bream colors such as chartreuse or pumpkinseed will work. Darker colors will work depending on the water clarity. Just have several colors available.

As I alluded to earlier, smaller baits generally perform better when fishing smaller tanks. Small road-runners, beetle spins, inline spinners and small chug bugs are effective. Small tube baits or small worms jigged near structure in the tank or even fished under a float may do the trick. Sometimes most anything will get hit in these small bodies of water.

When using smaller baits, you generally will downsize your tackle to better present these smaller baits. I do pre-

fer to use spinning tackle with 8- to 10-pound test line. A long (12 to 20 feet) cane pole is another option that is effective in placing your presentation in many of the openings in moss or in weeds or brush within the tank or pond.

Learn the bottom structure of the tank or pond. As with any fishing hole, bass will be holding near structure or may be sitting idle near the bottom. An incoming creek may be the best spot on the tank. An overhanging tree offering some shade this time of the year cannot be passed up. During the summer the fish are likely to be more aggressive in the early hours of the day and again later in the evening. Catfish on the other hand may be more easily caught during the night during the summer months. A good rain this time of the year will turn on most every fish on most every body of water.

Fishing tanks this time of the year is a great pastime. I find it relaxing and exciting whether it is the small sunfish hitting my presentation or a small bass. It is hard to pass up a small body of wa-



From left, Jeff Gerhardt of Cresson along with Dave Lewis and Kenneth Shane are pictured enjoying catching approximately 40 striped bass on Lake Granbury and kept their limit of 15 to 9 pounds this past weekend. Courtesy Photo by Mike Acosta

ter without giving it a try.

OTHER AREAS

Lake Whitney lake levels are back to normal. Call the

Corps of Engineers for park reopening dates after the flood. Whitney striper limits continue on most days. Lake Graham hybrid striped bass

is fishing is reported as good to excellent on slabs and live shad. Lake Proctor sand bass and hybrids are reported as good as well on live bait.

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Four arrested in Springtown theft ring

FROM STAFF REPORTS

A theft ring bust in Springtown netted investigators everything from power tools, furniture and electronics to tents, a pool table and a grandfather clock. Also recovered, two trailers and two motorcycles.

Parker County Sheriff's Criminal Investigations Division and patrol deputies, in collaboration with the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force and Springtown and Reno police, arrested four suspects and conducted four search warrants relating to the thievery.

Parker County Sheriff Russ Authier said the investigation led to the search warrants of two storage units in the 2000 block of E. Highway 199 in Springtown, a storage unit in the 100 block of Adalida Lane also in Springtown, and a van used in the commission of thefts.

The owners of one of the facilities confirmed suspi-

cious activity by several unit renters who were bringing trailers, furniture and motorcycles in and out of the secured facility from midnight to 5 a.m.

Investigators conducted surveillance discovering several individuals had rented units within the facility, storing stolen property from burglaries and thefts committed within Parker County. Sheriff's investigators conducted interviews of the suspects who admitted their involvement in the thefts and burglaries.

Sheriff's patrol deputies conducted a traffic stop on a Honda Odyssey van June 22, locating several additional items inside the van which had also been recently reported stolen including a television with an attached wall mount. Sheriff's deputies and investigators connected the TV to an RV theft reported earlier that week.

The victim reported the

suspects had entered the RV and ripped the TV and mount from the wall, leaving the RV in disarray.

The driver who was identified as Lacey Lyn Barton, 25, of Springtown, was tied to the thefts. Three additional suspects arrested at the storage facility were identified as Elijah Zain Franklin, 21, of Springtown; Andrew Scott Robertson, 32, of Weatherford; and Haileigh Breighann Baker, 25, of Azle.

Franklin told investigators he stole a motorcycle and trailer along with Baker and Robertson then brought it to the storage facility. He later admitted their involvement in the other stolen motorcycle and trailer along with numerous other stolen items.

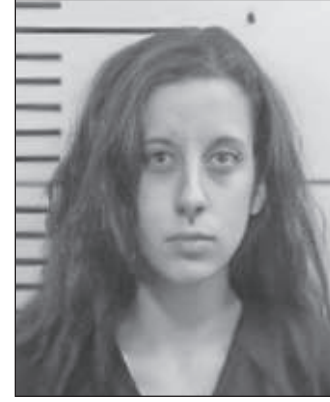
Franklin, Baker, and Robertson were arrested on charges of theft of property. Barton was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance after

deputies located more than 30 grams of suspected methamphetamine on her at the time of her arrest.

Authier said he is pleased with the joint investigation and the assistance of neighboring agencies.

"This investigation took a matter of days to identify and arrest the four suspects involved," said Authier. "It is just another example of how joining resources with outside agencies can be a success. These investigators cleared five theft and burglary cases through their efforts. We would like to sincerely thank all agencies and divisions which assisted in this case."

Authier also stated additional charges are pending the ongoing investigation. The cases will be submitted to the Parker County District Attorney's Office seeking prosecution.



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Lions Club yard sale

Proceeds will buy school supplies, donations still being accepted

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To raise money for school supplies, the Springtown Lions Club is holding a yard sale from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 16 and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 17 at Springtown Lions Club Gym, 1228 Old Cottdale Road.

“We have been collecting donations from such generous people for the last several months,” said Jamie Amrine, Springtown Lions Club service co-commissioner. “Without these donations this would not have been possible.”

For those who still want to give, the club is accepting donations (no large furniture or mattresses) at the Lions Club Gym July 12 and July 13 from 6 to 8 p.m.

“Student athletes are a huge part of our program here at the Lions Club,” Amrine said. “We want to help the kids that are in need start the school year off right.”

Amrine said the sale is being run solely from dedicated volunteers within the Springtown

Lions Club.

“This is fueled by our passion to help the community we live in and to also pass that passion on to our kids. They are just as involved in serving this community as the adults are,” she said. “Our volunteers and their kids have done numerous projects through the last six months, including going door-to-door passing out water and food to the elderly after the horrible ice storm. Seeing that passion ignite within our youth is just a gift in itself.”

For those interested in serving the community, even if you don’t have kids in the Lions Club, send an email to service@springtownlionsclub.org or call 817-523-4222.

“We are always needing volunteers to serve our wonderful community,” Amrine said. “Where there’s a need, there’s a Lion.”

For more details on the disbursement of the school supplies as well as other fun events held throughout the year, follow the group on the Springtown Lions Club Facebook page.

Black Anchor Design joins Springtown Chamber



The Springtown Area Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting June 24 for Black Anchor Design, a web strategy consultancy. Black Anchor Design is located at 2833 Crockett Street, Ste. 502, near the Cultural District in Fort Worth. Owner and founder Bobby Robinson Jr., who is from Springtown, said his business provides honest, comprehensive, and straightforward web strategies for commercial businesses of all sizes. Hours are Monday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 817-349-9776 or go to www.blackanchordesign.com.

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to our challenge regarding payroll budgets and where salaries can or should be.”

Kelley credits the influx of good educators to the school district’s thinking in fairly paying employees.

“Without the board’s commitment to offering competitive salaries, we probably wouldn’t have had an opportunity to even interview (much less hire) so

many quality educators,” he said.

“Springtown ISD is a great place to live and work; while we won’t be ranked at the top of a list of highest salaries, we are to the point that staying here or joining our staff is a decision that can be based on factors other than fiscal concerns.”

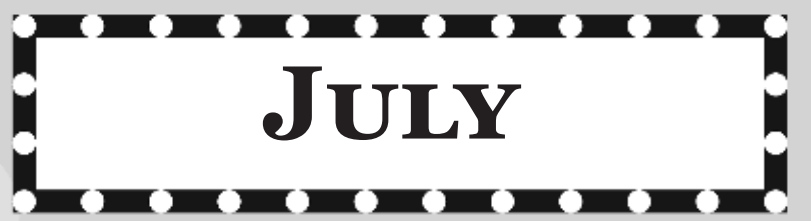
Springtown may not top the list of school district paying the most, Kelley said, it is “a great place to

live and work.”

He hopes teaching recruits will think of factors beyond money when considering a move to Springtown.

“We have to make sure that our salary increases continue outpacing cost-of-living increases so that we can retain great employees and recruit new ones to meet the needs of a growing population,” he said.

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Obituaries

Glenn Johnson

1933- 2021

Richard Gleen (Glenn) Johnson was born on August 1, 1933 in Titus County, Texas to Henry and Ruthie (Holmes) Johnson. He peacefully passed away on June 28, 2021 in Azle, Texas.

Glenn married the love of his life Bonnie Lee (Hud-delston) Cottongame on June 6, 1964. Glenn retired from EECU after working many years in the maintenance department. He was a longtime member of Hilltop Family Church in Springtown. Glenn always had a smile on his face, a kind word to say and a joke to tell.

A graveside service was held on Monday, July 5 at 10:00 am at the Springtown Cemetery.

Glenn was preceded in death by his parents; sons Charles Cottongame and Wesley Cottongame; daughter Bonnie (Marie) Burcie; brothers Henry Johnson Jr., LC Johnson and Thomas



Johnson; sisters Reba Russell and Edna Moore.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years Bonnie; sons Marvin Cottongame and wife Deborah, and Eric Johnson and wife Stacy; daughter-in-law Donna Cottongame; 10 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, 10 great great grandchildren; brothers Milton Johnson and Hollis Johnson; and sister Mary Gagnon.

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Judy Lee Temple

1943- 2021

Judy Lee (Forschler) Temple was born December 3, 1943 in Racine, Wisconsin to Dorothy Brown. She passed away on June 30, 2021 in Decatur, Texas.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later date.

Judy married the love of her life Darrell Temple of Newton, Iowa on July 13, 1978. She worked for many years at Wal-Mart in Lake Worth and Decatur, as well as the Old South Pancake House in Fort Worth.

Judy was an active member of The Crossing Fellowship Church in Azle, Texas. She enjoyed volunteering her time with the church and went to bible study as often as possible.

Judy was preceded in death by her mother Dorothy and stepfather William Brown; daughter Rebecca Jones; brothers David Forschler and wife Patricia and Donal Forschler; and



wife Martha.

She is survived by her husband of 42 years Darrell; son Scott Jones; step-daughter Justine Wyma and husband Mark; brother Dean Forschler and wife Marlene; granddaughters Melissa Sawtech and Ashley Wyma; grandson Ethan Wyma; great-grandchildren Abigail and Hailey Sawetch; plus many nieces and nephews.

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James Gordon

1946- 2021

James Duane "Bo" Gordon passed away peacefully on July 3, 2021.

Visitation will be held on Monday, July 12, 2021, at Azle & Lake Worth Funeral Chapel beginning at 1p.m with a Funeral Service to follow at 2 p.m. Interment will be held immediately after the service at Azleland Cemetery & Memorial Park.

Bo will be deeply missed by his siblings, Sam and Martha Gordon, Brenda and Melvin Barton, and Mary and Jim Laird; nephews and nieces, Lee Barton, Angela and Troy Snow, Cari Wood, Anson and Shelby Gordon, Jayme and Alex Brooks, and Alan and Ashley Gordon; great-nieces, Makenzie and Cameron Livingston, and Madison Brooks; great-



nephews, Tanner and Tyler Snow, River, Cade, and Jhett Gordon, Ethan and Dylan Gordon; great-great- niece, Hayden Livingston; and a host of loving friends who lives he brought so much joy too.

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Randy Lee Waldon

1953- 2021

Randy Lee Waldon 68, passed away Thursday, June 24, 2021 from natural causes after a long battle with Parkinson's.

Celebration of Life will be held July 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Azle VFW. Everyone is invited.

Randy was born May 17, 1953, in Long Beach, California to Lee and Chris Waldon. Randy was a free spirit and loved his rock and roll. Anyone who knew him loved his quick wit and sense of humor.

He was preceded in death by his father Leland Waldon; and mother Christina Pappas Kundysek.

Survivors include his daughter Lola Waldon Brussels Belgium; sister Christy



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Fossil Court in Springtown renamed to Picnic Court

BY SUSAN McFARLAND
sptreporter@azlenews.net

To eliminate confusion because of two roads in the 76082 zip code with the same name, city officials changed one of them.

Springtown City Council approved the change during the June 24 meeting. The ordinance renamed Fossil Court, located in Park Place Village, to Picnic Court. The address numbers will remain the same.

Picnic Court is already a street in Springtown and is located directly adjacent and to the west of Fossil Court, so the newly named street is an extension and will begin with the 700 block.

“This has caused confusion for mail and package delivery as well as emergency services,” City Administrator David Miller wrote in the council agenda background.

The Fossil Court in Springtown is located in Park Place Village and consists of townhome rentals owned by DSCI, Inc.

Danni Ledbetter, DSCI office manager, sent a letter of support to the city about the street name change and staff was in contact with the property manager to ensure that



Fossil Court has been renamed to Picnic Court.

the name change is communicated to occupants.

City officials will communicate the change to the post office, school district, emergency officials and any other necessary entity.

The Fossil Court in unin-

corporated Parker County will remain the same.

Parker County Commissioner George Conley is also in favor of the name change as his office also receives complaints about the roadways causing confusion.

RECYCLING, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.

with the recyclables.

Administrative Specialist Christina Derr said the new recycling center will be monitored by a public works employee, who in addition to verifying residents, will check the containers to be sure only recyclable materials are in them.

“Our previous recycling center was unmonitored, and we dealt with a large amount of household trash being dumped which meant not only was the city incurring an additional cost for extra haul-offs because the containers were being filled more quickly, but that also the materials could not be

recycled and were taken to the normal dump,” Derr said.

Similar circumstances led to Parker County shutting down its recycling program.

“We did the recycle program for approximately 10 years but had to stop due to the amount of (garbage in the bins) instead of (recyclables),” said Allie Altom, office manager for Parker County Commissioner George Conley.

To participate in the new program, bags can be picked up at no charge or bins can be purchased for \$11 at Springtown City Hall at 102 East Second

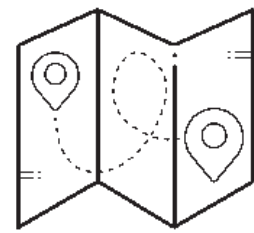
Street. Proof of residency is required at drop off sites using a utility bill or a government-issued ID.

Acceptable materials include newspaper, junk mail, cardboard boxes, beverage packaging, aluminum cans, tin cans, plastic water bottles (no caps), empty milk jugs and detergent containers (no caps) and small drink containers. Unacceptable containers include household waste, construction materials and glass.

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BIDS shall be submitted in sealed envelopes upon the blank Bid Form in the Contract Documents booklet. The entire Contract Documents' booklet must be returned in a sealed envelope with the following forms filled out and signed; Bid Form, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Form, Conflict of Interest Questionnaire, Local Government Officer Conflicts Disclosure Statement, Vendor Compliance to State Law form, Contractor Compliance to Texas Sales Tax Code form. The Bid Bond for five (5%) percent of the total bid must be included in the sealed envelope with the bid. The sealed envelope shall be marked **Walnut Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements - DO NOT OPEN UNTIL 2:00 PM on Thursday, July 15, 2021.**

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 2:00 PM on Thursday, July 8, 2021 at the Springtown City Hall, 200 N. Main Street. Representatives of the Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project and answer any questions. The Engineer will distribute to prospective bidders of record such Addenda, as the Engineer considers necessary in response to discussions or inquiries arising at the conference.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS and contract documents may be examined and obtained without charge at the Springtown City Offices, 102 E. Second Street, Springtown, TX 76082. No hard copies of the Bidding Documents will be made available. It is the responsibility of the interested party to print the Bidding Documents. Neither the Owner nor the Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including any addenda, obtained from other sources. Each Bid must be submitted on the prescribed Bid Form and accompanied by Bid security as prescribed in the Instructions to Bidders. The Successful Bidder will be required to furnish the additional bond(s) prescribed in the Bidding Documents.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposal prices, the Owner reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject any or all bids. No bid may be withdrawn within forty-five (45) days after date on which bids are opened.

CITY OF SPRINGTOWN, TEXAS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CITY OF SPRINGTOWN, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Springtown, Texas, shall convene at 7:00 o'clock P.M. on August 26, 2021, at Springtown Municipal Annex Building, 200 N. Main Street, Springtown, Texas, and, during such meeting, the City Council will consider the passage of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of certificates of obligation in one or more series in an amount not to exceed \$5,100,000 for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, equipping, and improving water and sewer system properties and facilities and the acquisition of land, rights-of-way and equipment therefor, and (ii) professional services rendered in connection with such projects and purposes and the financing thereof; such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a limited pledge of the 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 \$14,205,000; (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 \$19,426,787; (iii) the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the certificates of obligation to be authorized on time and in full is \$7,647,661; (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, 2047. 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, as amended.

Denise Taylor, City Secretary
City of Springtown, Texas

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Kirk Donald Brock, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Kirk Donald Brock, Deceased, were issued to Donna Brock on the 29th day of June, 2021, in Cause No. 21P227, County Court of Parker County, Texas, which is still pending, and that Donna Brock now holds such letters. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Claims should be billed to Donna Brock, Executor, at the Ruelas Law Firm, PLLC, 1020 Fort Worth Highway, Suite 500, Weatherford, Texas 76086, care of Jennifer Ruelas.

LEGAL NOTICE

A copy of the 2020 Return of Private Foundation on Form 990-PF for the Dreams Scholarship Foundation can be obtained within 180 days of this notice by written request to the foundation Treasurer, J.R. Seeds, at the following address: PO Box 667, Azle, Texas 76098. The telephone number for the Foundation is 817-832-3845.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On July 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. the City of Springtown Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing and consider recommending to the City Council a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) for Lot 1, Block 1 of the Springtown ISD Elementary Addition, an addition to the City of Springtown, Parker County, Texas.

On July 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. the City Council will hold a public hearing and consider the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation on the same property. Both meetings will take place in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Courthouse Annex, 200 N. Main Street, Springtown, Texas 76082.

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detours. Work on the Walnut Creek bridge is continuing rapidly, and the raising of the roadway will follow. Bridge beams were recently installed and preparations for the bridge deck are ongoing, according to the Texas Department of Transportation. "Once this work begins, FM 51 traffic will be detoured to Texas Drive/Old Springtown Road as the project improves the new roadway by raising it approximately 5 feet and out of the 100-year floodplain," said Bethany Kurtz, TxDOT public information officer. A 100-year flood is the standard the U.S. government uses as its basis for

the National Flood Insurance Program, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. It means that a flood of that magnitude has a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Sara Barnes, meteorologist with the National Weather Service Fort Worth, said the chance of someone experiencing such an event depends on the area. Flooding is caused by many factors, including heavy rainfall and surface runoff as Texas towns continue to build new neighborhoods. An abundance of concrete surfaces adds to runoff patterns that cause flooding. A year ago, water levels

on Walnut Creek rose from 2.5 feet to over 17 feet after Springtown saw 4 inches of rain in a three-hour period, according to the USGS monitoring station. Several intersections were temporarily closed throughout the city and the Lake Street Bridge over Walnut Creek was closed for several hours until water receded, and city crews were able to remove mud and debris. Barnes said for rain totals, the DFW area is slightly above average for the year, receiving just over 21 inches of rain so far. "We've been in a more active weather pattern, resulting in a pretty mild summer, especially in July," Barnes said.



The improvements to FM 51, the bridge, and Hwy. 199 will allow for better traffic flow, pedestrian access, and will bring the bridge and the intersection of the two roadways out of the 100-year floodplain. Photo by Kim Ware

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Gas prices at highest level since 2014

As Texans hit the roads this summer with pandemic restrictions eased and vaccinations widespread, the national average price of gas is expected to top \$3 per gallon, though the average in Texas for regular is \$2.799, according to AAA. Drivers should expect prices to keep rising as demand rises, according to the Consumer Energy Alliance.

“With oil’s continued push higher, fueled by continued strong demand globally and production only slowly answering, gasoline prices have had no choice but following oil’s rise last week setting a new 2021 high,” said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. “...It appears the only way forward is for gas prices to continue to rise as Americans’ insatiable demand for gasoline continues to act as a catalyst. And with hurricane season soon coming into its prime, we have plenty more catalysts for a rise in price, and few that could restrain the situation. Motorists should prepare to dig deeper for the second half of the summer, unfortunately.”

TEA RELEASES TEST RESULTS; WIDESPREAD DECREASE IN PERFORMANCE

State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) results for spring 2021 show that outcomes for in-person learners were appreciably higher than those who attended classes online during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. The number of



CAPITOL HIGHLIGHTS

By Gary Borders

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students not meeting grade level increased from 2019 across all subject areas and grade levels, with the exception of English, according to the Texas Education Agency.

“Thankfully, from early on, Texas prioritized the availability of in-person instruction during this tremendously difficult year,” TEA Commissioner Mike Morath said. “When students come into Texas public schools, they are well-served by Texas educators — a fact that these scores confirm. But it is also painfully clear that the pandemic had a very negative impact on learning. I shudder to consider the long-term impact on children in states that restricted in-person instruction.”

School districts that had a higher percentage of students learning virtually had higher declines in STAAR results in all grades and subjects, TEA reported. For example, districts in which fewer than one-fourth of students were learning remotely saw a 9-percentage point drop in math performance from 2019 to 2021. In districts where more than three-fourths of students were learning remotely, the decline was 32 percentage points.

HIGHER ED GETS \$94.6 MILLION IN EMERGENCY RELIEF

Federal pandemic funding continues to trickle down to Texas colleges and universities, with the latest round bringing nearly \$100 million in emergency relief. Last year the state allocated \$175 million in federal funds to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to support higher education during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Investing in our higher education system is the single best way to bolster the workforce that Texas has become known for and accelerate our state’s economic recovery in the wake of COVID-19,” said House Speaker Dade Phelan.

About half the funding will go to expand capacity for high-demand and high-value educational opportunities, including work-based learning and apprenticeships. Other programs to be funded include financial aid; establishing a one-stop advising resource to help students connect with higher education opportunities; and expanding outreach to adult learners to meet workforce demands of state employers.

VACCINATIONS SLOWLY INCREASE IN STATE

The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 reached 11.937 million this week, or about 41% of the state’s total population, according to Texas Health and Human Services. Hospitalizations in the past week of lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases rose slightly to 1,502. New cases in Texas increased to 10,493 compared to the previous week, with 193 deaths recorded, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University.

PUTTING MANUFACTURING SECTOR IN PERSPECTIVE

A report from the state comptroller’s office notes that Texas’ manufacturing sector contributed \$241 billion to the state’s gross domestic product in 2019, about 13% of its total economic output. That is larger than the manufacturing output in both Russia and Mexico. Before the pandemic, manufacturing employed about 909,000 Texans. As of February 2021, seasonally adjusted total manufacturing jobs were below pre-pandemic levels by 53,000, or nearly 6%.

Many of the job losses were in industries tied to the oil and gas sector — fabricated metal products and machinery manufacturing. Those two industries accounted for nearly two-thirds of the manufacturing job losses since the pandemic began in March 2020.

My American Dream



BE AMAZING

By Gerry Lewis

Azle resident Dr. Gerry Lewis guides explorers to discover their AMAZING. He is an author, musician, and speaker, and a coach-sultant for individuals, churches, and organizations. More at www.discoveryouramazing.com.

It’s almost midnight as I write this post. In almost 11 years of writing these, I could probably count on one hand the number of times I have written in the evening. I just don’t do it. Morning is my most effective, alert, and creative time.

But two factors have me sitting up in bed trying to get this finished before today turns into the next today.

The main one is that we are leaving early in the morning for a short family vacation. For the first time ever we are vacationing with all our adult kids and our grands.

I could get up extra early in the morning and try to knock this out, but it could prove a little hectic as the 10 people who are sleeping in this house tonight are trying to get out the door in the morning to get on the road.

Of course, I could always play the Grandpa card and tell those kids that getting their littles ready to roll is their responsibility. So, just go ignore me as I sit here and drink my coffee and compose words of “wisdom.”

Yeah, it’s not happening.

So, here I am with bleary and weary eyes trying to be coherent way past my bedtime.

I did mention two factors, didn’t I?

The second is that I’m reflecting on this evening while it is fresh on my mind.

Today is July 4, 2021—the 245th birthday of the U.S. of A.

Not only are we about to embark on our first vacation together since the kids have been grown and married and had kids of their own, it is the first time we’ve all been together for the 4th of July. Actually, it’s the first time

we’ve all been together for more than a few hours since Christmas 2019 (other than a few days surrounding the memorial service for my dad last summer).

Like many families, the events of the past year and a half have canceled plans and changed trajectories. We’ve celebrated birthdays and holidays online and missed out on things we previously took for granted.

This evening as we sat on the grass across from the Azle City Hall and watched the “Follow the Flag” fireworks show, I took a good look around me.

My Sweetie (with whom I will celebrate 37 years of marriage during this family vacation) sat to my left. My almost two-year-old grandson (our youngest) sat on my lap, squealing with delight with ever spectacular burst of color. To my right were the rest of the clan—four grown kids and three grands who absolutely light up my life more than any fireworks show ever could.

The America that our littles are growing up in has plenty of challenges. Our history is not pristine and our future is not a forgone conclusion.

If I can leave anything to my kids and grands, my dream and my prayer is that I can leave them hope.

Hope in the faithfulness of God. Hope in the possibility of discovering what they were made for. Hope in the belief that every person matters to God. Hope in the conviction that justice for all is worth pursuing.

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 17 Texas historian, Tinkle
 18 Alex Harvey song: "____ Texas" (1986)
 21 "KISS ____" in Dallas (KHKS, 106.1)
 22 a deep cut
 23 Joe Tex's "One Monkey Don't ____ Show" (1965)
 24 "Enola Gay" was an ____ bomber
 29 actress Meredith of "Rio Grande Ranger"
 30 TXism: "hit me like ____ of bricks"
 31 ____ Pepper
 32 clairvoyance, e.g.
 34 this Maurice was drafted by the Mavericks in 2006
 35 "P" of MPH
 36 Roman underground cemetery
 37 Apple portable media player
 38 ripped up
 39 TXism: "____ with two tails"
 41 fish baits
 42 TX Meredith Mac____
 43 turf taken by a golf club
 44 strange or eccentric
 45 TX Roy Orbison and the Wilburys sang "____ of the Line" (1989)
 46 So. Padre Island acquisition
 47 this Robert directed 1990 film "Vietnam, Texas"
 48 furtiveness
 50 pen name of Samuel Clemens
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 2 what Americans celebrate on July 4
 3 in Falls County on highways 6 & 7
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 9 TXism: "he couldn't drive ____ into a snowbank" (inept)
 10 TX ____ Perot
 11 car speed abbr.
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 14 Odessa is the seat of this county
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 16 late TX corporate raider, Pickens (init.)
 19 TXism: "got a burr ____ saddle" (irritated)
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 25 tic-____toe
 26 by mouth
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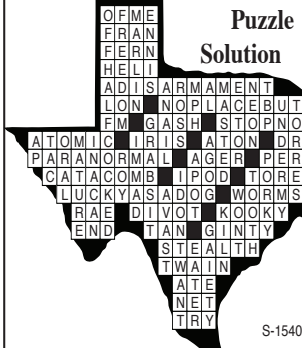
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A POJO party full of leaps and cheers

BY KAYLEE PIPPINS

An expectant hush. The cheerleaders are in a circle, facing outward holding hands, waiting anxiously as a judge hides their ribbon under their bright orange and black pom poms.

The countdown begins; 3 ... the cheerleaders tighten their grips. 2 ... the group is raring to pounce. 1 ... Bedlam.

Springtown Varsity cheer rush to see what they got.

A blue ribbon.

A collective scream. The celebration commences. Springtown cheer wins.

Springtown Varsity cheerleaders end up top of the pyramid at the Universal Cheerleaders Association cheer camp held June 15-18 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Grapevine, Texas. Each summer, cheer teams from across the United States compete against one another at UCA sponsored camps.

A happy chant rings out: "There ain't no party like a POJO party cause a POJO party don't stop!"

Decked out in neon pink and yellow, feather boas, and sunglasses, they screamed: "P-O-J-O."

All for the coveted spirit stick, which they received three days in a row after showing the most spirit (and the loudest voices) out of 15 other 30-member cheer teams.

Varsity Co-captains



Springtown Varsity Cheerleaders (pictured here) placed second in Camp Dance and Game Day Cheer and won first for Game Day Sideline and overall Game Day Performance. Also, Springtown Varsity received a blue ribbon for every evaluation and a spirit stick every day. The Springtown Porcupine mascot won Game Day Champion and the Mushie Award for most spirit.

Photo courtesy of Head Cheer Coach Chrissy Mayo

Brooke Bailey and Brooklyn Jarvis said in unison, "Yes, varsity got one every day!"

This 3-day camp helps cheer teams like Springtown varsity and junior varsity build cheerleading skills, create team bonding exer-

cises, and learn game day cheers, chants and dance routines.

"Every day, we would learn new material and go over the old material to make sure we were prepared for each day's evaluation,"

Bailey said. "The evaluations get harder each day. JV and varsity were separated this year, so we were able to learn more material as a program. We got to watch and support each other during evaluations which was

great."

Head Cheer Chrissy Mayo proudly touted the performance of the junior varsity teams.

"This is basically their first time to attend (camp) as high schoolers," Mayo said. "They were a little shell-shocked at first, but we started getting excited toward the end once they got more comfortable."

Two Springtown varsity cheerleaders received the Pin-It-Forward Award. Each UCA staffer has one pin, they then award the pin to one camper at any time for standing out as a leader among the camp.

"I was chosen, even though I showed up a day late," K'Dee Dowdy said. "The (girl that give me the award) said when we went to All-American tryouts that I just gave it my all even though I was not confident at first. I tried my best and tried to have fun. If I messed up, I laughed it off and kept

going."

Seven Springtown cheerleaders were awarded All-American honors which are evaluated on a jump of their choice, the Camp Cheer, and Camp Dance.

Springtown cheer came home with a slew of awards. The junior varsity squad was awarded second in Camp Dance and varsity took home second for Camp Dance, second for Game Day Cheer, first for Game Day Sideline and first overall Game Day Performance.

Good news for Springtown Porcupines; the mascot was also awarded Game Day Champion and the Mushie Award for most overall spirit.

"I had to go back and watch the video and listen to what we got," Mayo said.

Remembering she also threw some back hand-springs in celebration: "It just all comes so fast and everybody is cheering."



Left: Springtown Junior Varsity won second in Camp Dance while competing at the UCA Cheer Camp held at Great Wolf Lodge in Grapevine, Texas.

Down: SHS Cheer shined a "Spotlight on Spirit" during their cheer camp June 15-18. Dressed in neon and feather boas, Springtown was awarded another spirit stick.

Photos courtesy of Chrissy Mayo



World beaters?

Springtown Lions Club softball team invited to play against teams from around the globe



The Springtown Pistols placed second in the 2021 Pony Regional Qualifier Tournament in Burleson. Led by Head Coach Alex Owensby, the Pistols will compete in the second seed in the World Series in Youngsville, Louisiana on July 13-18. Photo courtesy of Alex Owensby



BY KAYLEE PIPPINS

The Springtown Pistols, an under-12 softball team from the Springtown Lions Club, will play against teams from around the world at the Bronco 12U Softball World Series in Youngsville, Louisiana, July 13-18.

"There is no doubt we believe in our girls," said volunteer coach Alex Owensby. "We know they are very capable of bringing home more gold from the World Series. We do know we will be facing some very tough teams who want the same as we do, so everyone must come ready to play."

This is the first year a Springtown softball team has qualified for the World Series tournament. The tournament does not mean "best in the world," said Joshua Bertschy, Baseball/Softball Commissioner of the Springtown Lions Club.

"There will be teams from all over the world repre-

sented at the tournament — players from Mexico, Guatemala, Canada, and more will be there," Bertschy said. "It will be a really great experience for the girls to meet and play against people from other countries."

This invitation is the result of the work Bertschy said the Springtown Lions Club baseball and softball programs have put in.

"I presented a 1-year, 3-year, and 5-year business plan to the Lions Club," he said. "I wanted the programs to build financially, focus on facility repair and maintenance, and develop a program to properly feed athletes into the junior ... and high schools."

The program is now reaping the rewards of the plan Bertschy installed since he was appointed commissioner January 1, 2021.

"It is very impressive that a team from Springtown has this much talent," he said. "But not just talent, the dedi-

cation it takes to get to these levels is amazing."

The Springtown Lions Club also has several baseball teams who will find out next week if they qualify for the World Series tournament.

"After each next step, the competition doubles," Bertschy said. "Again, the dedication of these athletes is incredible. Many look at sports as just recreational, but I believe that this dedication is reflective in education."

He places an emphasis on student athletes.

"We are teaching our girls so much more than just softball," Owensby said. "This prepares them for school sports. Coaches like to see who is working hard on and off the field. Who can be a team player even from the dugout / bench. Who has their teammates back. Who has what it takes to be pushed to their full limit and never give up not just on themselves but on their teammates."



Springtown Lions Club softball team, The Springtown Pistols, qualified to compete at the World Series on July 13-18. "After each next step, the competition doubles," Springtown Lions Club Baseball/Softball Commissioner Bertschy said. Photos courtesy of Alex Owensby

The Ice Road on the road again

"The Ice Road" is here for all those fans of the History Channel's "Ice Road Truckers" who wish there were more punches and gunfire in the series.

Written and directed by Jonathan Hensleigh ("Armageddon"), this action-thriller stars Liam Neeson, Marcus Thomas, Laurence Fishburne, and Amber Midthunder.

THE PLOT

A methane explosion at a diamond mine in Canada entraps a mining crew. The only way to get to them is to first cap off the methane with equipment that needs to be hauled in from the U.S.

But the only way to deliver the equipment is by crossing the treacherous ice road after the season has ended.

Mike (Neeson) and his brother Gurty (Thomas) have been fired ... again. Mike is a big rig driver, his brother a mechanic suffering from PTSD and dysphasia.

As the two brothers hit the road looking for work, Mike gets an alert that drivers are needed for a lifesaving mission.

They meet with Goldenrod (Fishburne), who is organizing a team to take on the dangerous job. Together with a spitfire Native woman named Tantoo (Midthunder), they set out to make



their delivery.

Things aren't going to go smoothly, of course, but will they all survive to save the day?

WHAT WORKED

The brothers' relationship is well done by Neeson and Thomas, portraying

the frustration and loyalty that comes with one brother playing caretaker to another.

WHAT DIDN'T WORK

There just wasn't enough action throughout to give us the type of Neeson movie we all know and love.

SUMMING IT UP

This will give you a little bit of a thrill, and seeing the bad guys get what's coming to them is always a delight, but you won't be missing anything if you skip it.

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