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Thursday, November 25, 2021 Springtown Epigraph

Center of Hope connects with Springtown community

BY MADELYN EDWARDS madelyn@azlenews.net

Misti Johnson understands what people in poverty go through to make ends meet and the choices they face because she's had to make similar choices herself.

This makes her an asset as the Center of Hope's Springtown coordinator at the location that opened in April at Agnes Baptist Church.

The Center of Hope in Springtown, an extension of the center in Weatherford, provides help in several ways - with food, assistance with medical needs and utileducation, mental health needs and resources for those living in domestic violence situations.

Johnson described making con- said Michelle Buchanan, Center

the homeless couple who the cen- manager. The center provides ter provided food for and helped groceries to clients, offers an anticonnect with work, and the seniors anxiety class called CALM and who need someone to talk to.

ence for people, and this is kind of Buchanan said. a way to talk with somebody who's been there and understands. It's a service all of Parker County, not little bit harder if you have people who aren't from the community or a public school in Parker County, have never had to sit in that chair before," Johnson said. "Both of those apply to me, so I can talk to them with experience instead of Buchanan said. kind of digging in the dark."

ity bills, career development, adult Springtown came from a Texas Health Resources grant to focus on food stability and mental health resources in the 76082 zip code,

nections with the clients, such as of Hope community engagement provides vouchers for professional "Poverty is an isolating experi- counselors, among other services,

"The grant is for 76082, but we just 76082, and people who attend so even if they live in a different county, if they go to Springtown ISD, we can serve those families,"

Melanie Nieswiadomy, Texas Establishing Center of Hope in Health Resources program manager of community health improvement, described the process in which 76082 was selected for

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Texas Health Resources program manager Melanie Nieswiadomy, left, and Center of Hope CEO Staci Markwardt at a ribbon cutting in Springtown.

Photo by Madelyn Edwards

Cub Scouts honored



Mayor Greg Hood takes a picture with Springtown Cub Scouts Pack 303. The scouts were honored for painting bridge gates.

Photo by Madelyn Edwards

Springtown discusses proposed parks master plan

BY MADELYN EDWARDS madelyn@azlenews.net

Many ideas and possibilities for the future of Springtown's public park were discussed Thursday, Nov. 18, at the city council meet-

Earlier this year, Springtown City Council set up a steering committee - which consisted of current and former city staff, said. "They took into considercouncil members, a planning and zoning member, a resident and a playgrounds, covers for the playpark.

"I commend the parks steering into this." committee. They did an excellent job of really thinking literally from infant to elderly in how they can be best served by the park," City Administrator David Miller

ation special needs, all inclusive high school student - to develop a grounds so they can be utilized parks master plan for the 33-acre better during the summertime. They really put a lot of thought

> Pacheco Koch project manager and landscape architect Dorothy Witmeyer presented the commit-

> > SEE PARKS, PAGE 4A.

Reno hires new police chief

BY DON MUNSCH editor@azlenews.net

Reno City Council has appointed a new police chief.

The council didn't have to look far to find that new chief.

Scott Elsner, chief of the Pelican Bay Police Department, was appointed Reno PD chief at a special city council meeting Nov. 18.

Council met in an executive ses-

sion for a little more than an hour before announcing its decision for Elsner to be the chief, not interim chief, as what was to be considered on the agenda. Compensation also was set at \$62,500.

He served as chief in Pelican Bay since June. He had been at the department for two years.

"We need a chief, and we can't

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Author, philanthropist visits Springtown's Neighbor to Neighbors

BY MADELYN EDWARDS madelvn@azlenews.net

Neighbors received a visit from a special guest on Fri-

gifts. Frank McKinney, author and "philanthro-capitalist," stopped by Neighbor to Neighbors to talk about his new book "Aspire!: How to great things and an "oth-Create Your Own Reality and Alter Your DNA" and to purpose in life." give \$500 to the food pantry.

Neighbor to Neighbors putting together around 200 Thanksgiving meal boxes for families and seniors in need and have collected community donations for those meal boxes, executive director William Boyd said. The organization is also planning on preparing meal book tour has made a habit of boxes for Christmas.

Boyd expressed his appreciation for McKinney's visit. "I think he's an awesome man. He's got a super heart," he said.

McKinney told his story about growing up in Indiana, moving to Palm Beach, Florida, and working his way into the real estate industry. Upon becoming successful, he described how he felt unfulfilled and depressed. So, he started to volunteer at a unteer at Neighbor to Neighsoup kitchen and eventually established Caring House Project Foundation to build self-sustaining villages in to reading it. Haiti, and aid with both donatural disaster efforts.

houses, a community center that has a school, a church and a clinic in it, renewable Springtown's Neighbor to food so they are growing their own food, clean drinking water and some form of day — and a few special free enterprise, so they can be self-sustaining," McKinney said.

> McKinney described aspiration, the theme of his book, as a desire to achieve erworldly passion for your

The chapters in "Aspire!" discuss fear and taking risks, volunteers were working on personal branding, relationships and embracing a calling, according to McKinney and the website for his book. Proceeds from the book more than 200 turkeys from sales are supposed to go to Caring House, and McKinney said one book provides 200 meals in orphanages.

McKinney said that his stopping by food pantries and making donations, especially to those that may be struggling because of COVID-19.

After his talk, McKinney held a drawing among the audience of mostly Neighbor to Neighbors volunteers for copies of his book, cash and a gift card. Two of the people who won prizes were Cassidy Crooks and her 15-year-old brother Daven Martinez, both of whom volbors. Crooks picked a copy of McKinney's book as her prize and is looking forward

seemed "genuine" and "not "We start a program over like the people who come to copy of "Aspire!"







tor Joy Rickman, who won a a lot of intelligence, a lot of ing for the community."

"I loved it," Rickman said

ideas."

As for McKinney's speech, seemed to enjoy McKin- speech. "That's why I want- who listened to his talk will they will gain from that," mestic homelessness and Crooks said his speech ney's talk, like Food Direc- ed the book because he's got "feel good about they're do- Boyd said. "Don't ever let

"I hope they walked away

Some of the volunteers in reference to McKinney's said he hopes the volunteers aspire to do something that anything hold you down because the biggest thing to

Photos by Madelyn Edwards





there where we build 50 say stuff just to say it." Before he left, McKinney with knowing that if they hold you back is yourself." gratebul THAPPY TH

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THE WAY BANKING SHOULD BE

4-H Club receives certificate of appreciation



The Springtown 4-H Club poses for a picture with Mayor Greg Hood. The club was honored at a city council meeting for their work planting around the city.

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Springtown police officers pinned



James Hachtel gets pinned by his father David Hacktel.



Photo by Madelyn Edwards Kennneth Hopkins gets pinned by his wife Tammy Hopkins.

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Community input needed

SISD to ask for community input for growth solutions after failed bond election

BY MADELYN EDWARDS

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Springtown ISD Superintendent Mike Kelley plans failed to pass at the polls.

this month, Parker County and Wise County voters ultimately decided not to pass to build a new elementary school, a welding shop at Springtown High School and classrooms at Springtown Intermediate School School.

canvassed the November August enrollment totals in election at a recent meeting the past 10 years. to seek more input from the and formally documented community after the school the votes for and against stayed steady, as it usually district's bond proposal the bond proposal, Kelley does in the September to Nosaid. Including both coun-On election day earlier ties, 1,154 people voted The district has received a against the bond while 1,079 people voted for it.

"I still do not have words the \$41 million bond, which to describe the disappointwould have allowed SISD ment of the results, but I did share my appreciation for the permits from the city of support over 1,000 voters offered in the recent bond," Kelley said.

and Springtown Middle inspired by the growth in (Goshen Creek Elementary), student enrollment. SISD and from the city of Reno February for a school dis-Earlier this year, the welcomed 3,911 students in before adding to (Reno Elschool district held a similar August, which is more than ementary)," Kelley said.

bond election that also failed 10% higher than August enrollment in 2020 and sig-The school board trustees nificantly higher than other

> Currently, enrollment has vember period, Kelley said. quote for more portable buildings, and will decide in the spring how many portables should be bought or rented.

"We will need to obtain Springtown before adding any more classrooms at (the intermediate school), The bond proposal was (Springtown Elementary) or whether to call another

The superintendent said he intends to ask the community to offer feedback and ideas to help with the enrollment increases.

"In the coming weeks, we will send online survevs and offer more 'open forums' to facilitate discussions about a problem that is not simply going to go away," Kelley said.

The establishment of a long-term planning committee may also be in the works, Kelley said. The committee's contributions would be used to decide where to put portables and bond. The deadline is in trict to call a bond election in May.

TxDOT project ahead of schedule, city administrator says

BY MADELYN EDWARDS madelyn@azlenews.net

The Texas Department of Transportation project on Farm-to-Market Road 51 and State Highway 199, as a whole, is ahead of schedule.

"They are ahead of schedule on most parts of the construction," City Administrator David Miller said at the November city council meeting, adding that some parts of the project are behind because of the delay in getting signal poles.

Signal poles for SH 199 and FM 51, FM 51 and First Street, and FM 51 and Fifth Street are expected to be delivered by Dec. 10, Springtown administrative specialist and TxDOT liaison Christina Derr said.

All four lanes of SH 199 are expected to be open by early December, Miller said.

Striping has begun on FM

to Pojo Road on FM 51 is expected to be reopened either before Thanksgiving or shortly after.

"April 2022 can't get here quick enough," Miller said, which is when the contract with TxDOT is expected to

The project began in October of 2019 to reconstruct FM 51 from Texas Drive to Old Cottondale Road. When the work is finished, a continuous left turn lane will be added to FM 51 from Optimist Drive to Pojo Road to help with traffic flow, and the intersection of FM 51 and SH 199 will have additional turn lanes to better traffic flow on Main Street. Also, signals will be added to the intersection of First Street and FM 51.

The SH 199 and FM 51 intersection will also be raised five feet and out of the 100year floodplain by the proj-51, Derr said. Optimist Drive ect's completion.

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lice chief because it ties his hands and we have too much legal (work) going on (and) it needs to be handled tem Granville Martin.

Reno has been without police officers since they resigned starting around September and the city separated from Chief Tony Simmons in October. Parker County Sheriff's Office personnel have been helping cover for the city while Pelican Bay PD has been years in public service. assisting with patrolling. Assistance from the PCSO will continue, Mayor Sam Pelican Bay patrol assistance will cease.

have an interim for a po- negotiate an interlocal agree- "working chief" who will ment with Pelican Bay for not be just an administrapolice services, but White tor. White liked Elsner's said the agreement is up in emergency the air as the city waits for background. by a chief," said Mayor pro a response from Pelican Bay.

Elsner comes to Reno with a wide range of public reported the dispute besafety experience, including time spent in the fire protection service. With Elsner, the city also will hire four mons received two letters police officers.

about his experience, ex- about his job performance plaining he had put in 42 and responsibilities.

tive progression," Elsner said after the meeting, when White said, although the asked about joining the Reno Police Department.

management "We need that," White said.

The Epigraph and News tween the former police chief and council had been brewing for months. Simfrom the council demanding Elsner spoke to council he respond to allegations

Council announced at the "I see progression, posi- Nov. 18 meeting that Elsner will join the city's soonto-be-created EMS. Elsner was scheduled to be sworn in at the Nov. 22 meeting. White said Elsner will be The News and Epigraph had The city has been trying to an "outstanding chief," a early deadlines this week.

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tee's ideas to the council. kids to play and parents to These concepts included:

• flexible space for Fourth of July fireworks, concerts, stargazing, soccer and Frisby play

- an outdoor amphitheater additional parking and
- restroom areas
- enhanced pedestrian crossings at the creek
- moving the sand volleyball courts closer to
- downtown • a food truck park for food trucks to provide food during events
- a dog park
- a place to check out the dinosaur tracks in the creek
- enhancing the playgrounds for inclusive play
- smaller athletic fields for pickleball, basketball and a skate park
- enhancing the area near

watch their kids

- making the splash pad accessible to all ages
- a picnic pavilion that can be rented for gatherings
- a soft-surface trails and enhanced walking paths • adding exercise equip-

Miller reminded council that the plans are not yet per-

manent and can be reworked and phased in over time. "This is a concept plan.

There's nothing set in stone," Miller said. "If you phase it in, if you submit for funding, for grants for that phase, then that pretty well locks you in to whatever you're submitting for that phase."

Eric Wilhite, director of the splash pad as a space for should look at the future in January or February.

when phasing in parts of the plan and making adjustments to make sure facilities fit well together.

Applying for the next round of park grants, which are highly competitive, starts around April. The most money the city can get from one grant is \$500,000, Miller said, which must be matched by the city in cash or park dedication. Construction for grant-funded projects must be started before the city could apply for another grant.

"It's a process," Miller said. "This whole project from start to finish, if we were to do everything at one time, it's \$19 million rough-

Miller said the parks masland planning at Pacheco ter plan may be brought Koch, said the council back to council for approval









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LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-O-1018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 3.02 CONSTRUCTION CODES AND STANDARDS OF THE SPRINGTOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES. TO ADOPT THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE AND THE 2018 PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE WITH AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE: PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECTION 5.

Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects, refuses or fails to comply with, or who resists the enforcement of any provision of this ordinance shall be fined in accordance with Section 1.01.009 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Springtown, Texas for each offence. 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,

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on the 28th day of October 2021.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On September 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM the City of Springtown Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing and consider a recommendation to the City Council on a request to assign Planned Development - Single Family Residential 3 zoning to an 89.1-acre tract of land situated in the J.P. Montgomery Survey, A-895 City of Springtown, Parker County, Texas. This property is located west of Smith Road north of Springfield Road

On September 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM the City of Springtown City Council held a public hearing on the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation on the same.

On December 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM the City of Springtown City Council will consider the Planning

and Zoning Commission's recommendation on the same. All meetings will take place at in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Annex Building located at

200 North Main Street, Springtown, Texas, 76082. **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

On September 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM the City of Springtown Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing and consider a recommendation to the City Council on a request to assign Planned Development - Single Family Residential 1 zoning to a 30.49-acre tract of land situated in the J.P. Montgomery Survey, A-895 City of Springtown, Parker County, Texas. This property is located west of Smith Road north of Springfield Road

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On December 2, 2021 at 6:30 PM the City of Springtown Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing and consider a recommendation to the City Council on a request to assign Planned Development - Single Family Residential 3 zoning to a 21.988-acre tract of land situated in the L. Leonard Survey, A-815 City of Springtown, Parker County, Texas. This property is located west of South Birch Street, north of J.E. Woody Road.

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Thank you!



AG 101 By Jack DeShazo

Jack DeShazo has decades of experience in the agriculture field.

Ah, Thanksgiving is here! That Peanuts 488,000,000 lbs. holiday when many of us gather Pecans 37,500,000 lbs. with family and friends, celebrate being together and hopefully remembering the original intent of the celebration. That intent being the recognition and expression of our thankfulness to God for His watching over and taking care of us and providing our sustenance. In most homes the gathering centers around the dinner table with lots of eating and visiting going on. Listed below are some of the Texas Agricultural Products that will be contributing to your Thanksgiving meal, along with their annual production numbers. As a sidenotethese numbers came from several references so they won't match up exactly but, they are close and the message is still clear.

Turkeys 5,270,968 hd. Broilers 4,455,000,000 lbs. Eggs 504,825,000 dozen Beef 4,685,000 hd. Pork 52,559,000 lbs. Lamb 8,910,000 lbs. Milk 1,300,000,000 lbs. (151,162,000+ gallons) Wheat 4,284,000,000 lbs. Corn 16,013,200,000 lbs. Rice 1,506,000,000 lbs. Potatoes 711,500,000 lbs.

Carrots 400,000,000 lbs. Cucumbers 47,500,000 lbs. Onions 330,000,000 lbs. Squash 8,900,000 lbs. Oranges 114,000,000 lbs. Pumpkins 99,900,000 lbs. Grapes (wine) 28,360,000 lbs. Cantaloupes 222,000,000 lbs. Watermelons 782,000,000 lbs. Sugar Cane 2,104,000,000 lbs. Honey 7,560,000 lbs. Sunflower seed oil 33,000,000 lbs.

And if while sitting around your dinner table you are wearing cotton or wool based clothing here are Texas' annual production records for those fibers:

Cotton 3,033,600,000 lbs. Wool 1,700,000 lbs.

To have such a productive Agricultural base we are truly a blessed state and nation! While enjoying the fruits of the labor of our agriculturalists, processors, transporters, marketers, etc. an occasional thank you is appreciated by these. Plus, a thank you to the Lord who provides is also due. Enjoy your Thanksgiving!

'til next time.

Be Thankful

When do you start decorating for Christmas?

When do you start listening to Christmas music?

It seems that there exists a wide range of opinions on these "important" matters.

Personally, I try to get the Christmas decorations up before kids and grands arrive for Christmas and get them down before Valentines Day and I listen to

But that's just me.

People have been asking me for over a month if I've finished my Christmas shopping.

The checks are in the mail, so, yeah.

But that's just me.

Right now I'm focusing on Thanksgiving, dadgummit!

Thanksgiving.

The neglected step-child of holidays between Halloween and Christmas.

Thanksgiving is hard to comabout food and football.

If words on a page could reflect my facial expression and tone of voice, it would be much easier for you to understand that I'm not criticizing or complaining.

I'm just being silly.

One thing is true—Thanksgiving is my favorite.

holiday per-se; I'm talking about even in the challenges. It's virtuthe mindset.

It's one thing to take a pause on a particular day and consider what

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.

we are thankful for.

It's a whole other ball-game (pun intended) to simply adopt a Christmas music whenever I want consistent mindset and identity of thankfulness—to approach every day as a thankful person.

> There's an old hymn that says, "When upon life's billows you

> are tempest tossed, When you are discouraged,

> thinking all is lost; Count your many blessings,

name them one by one, And it will surprise you what

the Lord has done."

In my humble-but-accurate opinion, one of the best things I can do for my own well-being, as well as the well-being of those mercialize, so we just make it around me, is to be a thankful per-

> Both thankfulness and discontent are contagious. I prefer to infect people with thankfulness.

> An identity of thankfulness is not dependent on circumstances. We can be thankful IN a situation that we're not thankful FOR.

Thankfulness motivates us to But I'm not talking about the see the opportunities that exist ally impossible to be thankful and feel hopeless at the same time.

Thankfulness reminds us that day, my friend.

failure is not final because of the lessons learned through the fail-

Thankfulness reminds us that everything is not broken beyond repair. The thankful person will see possibilities.

Thankfulness allows us to grieve deeply our losses, but not without hope.

Thankfulness allows us to live without a sense of entitlement. Being thankful reminds me that I haven't earned every blessing I've already received.

Thankfulness allows us to laugh when things don't go as planned. The more thankful we are, the sooner we will see the humor in the situation.

Thankfulness frees us from the tyranny of judgment. I can be thankful for the joy people get from putting up their Christmas decorations even if they are doing it ridiculously early!

Thankfulness reminds me to keep moving forward in the journey of amazingness because an amazing God has inviting me to join Him in His amazing story.

And that's not just me.

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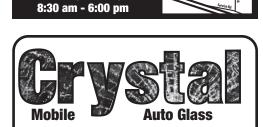
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Happy holidays! Hope everyone stays safe in your travels during this season.



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Hituaries

Victoria Brown

1951-2021

On October 29, 2021, the vivacious, talkative, and oh-so-memorable Victoria "Vicky" Jane Brown, of Springtown, Texas lost her battle with cancer. She was 70 years old.

A celebration of life will be held on November 28. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in memoriam to the American Cancer Society or The Humane Society of North Texas.

Vicky wanted to further science and help find a cure for cancer. She was adamant about this, and her children have chosen to honor her wish. Vicky donated her body to science and the family is immensely proud of her for making this choice at the time of her death.

She was born on March 20, 1951 to Robert Merton and Farl Jean (Lewis) Caldwell in Hood River, Oregon. By the age of 12, Vicky was living in Richland Hills, Texas with her mother and stepfather, William "Bill" Jack Agan. Vicky graduated from Richland High School in 1969, married, and went to work in Fort Worth, Texas in the 1970s and 1980s.

children to Springtown in 1984, she took great pride in managing the Roadside Corner - one of only two gas stations in town – and bragging on her children all day long to anyone who would listen.

Over time, that bragging shifted to include her eight grandchildren – Mason Jar-Pointer, Jordyn Bise, Randilyn Bise, Emma Marshall, Rylan Marshall, and Jaxon Hills, Texas; her sisters that one of the most remarkmake each one of her grand-

to Braxton, Mississippi to live on a ranch. She continued her love of retail by



working at Freds Discount Store and then eventually at Roses Store where she thrived being right in the middle of this small community, meeting new people and sharing stories about her family and friends.

In March 2018, Vicky received her diagnosis of fallopian cancer and will be admirably remembered for her tenacity and courage holsterer. She loved to bake in tackling it. Every time and cook. But, most of all chemotherapy knocked her she loved spending time down, she would get right with her family, especially back up and head into work her grandchildren. with a smile on her face and a friendly greeting for every devoted husband of 30 customer. She went on that way through every round of treatment.

She was preceded in death for the Tandy Corporation by her mother Farl Jean Agan, her grandparents L. L. and Eliza Jane (Matlock) After moving her own Lewis, and her great grandparents Alford Leonard and Mary "Mollie" Elizabeth (Cantrell) Matlock.

Vicky is survived by her four children - Lynn (Stephen) Pointer of Fort Worth, Texas, Tori Moffitt of Fort Worth, Texas, Ross (Laura) Moffitt of Arlington, Washington, and Chelsie Brown boe, Ryker Pointer, Scout of Springtown, Texas; her father - William "Bill" Jack (Gay) Agan, of Richland Marshall. It has been said Gloria Jean "Beth" Barrett (Rod) Polk of Angleton, able things about Vicky is Texas, Joanna Grace Barthat she had the ability to rett (Bill) Nesbitt of Bend, Oregon, Lorene Jacqueline children feel like he or she "Jackie" (Tamara Suttle) was the only one in her life. Agan of Castle Rock, Colo-In 2011, Vicky relocated rado, and BJ Agan of Arling-

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Jodie Ashcraft

1962-2021

Jodie Arlene Sisk Ashcraft, 59, a loving wife, sister, mother and grandmother, passed away, Wednesday, November 17, 2021 in De-

Graveside service is at Noon, Saturday, November 27, 2021 at Jaybird Cemetery, Reno. Visitation from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday at Alexander's Midway, Springtown.

Jodie was born August 20, 1962 in Azle. She is preceded in death by her father, Curly Sisk, mother and step father, Peggy and Jerry Stegall and brother, Danny Allison. She grew up in the Azle/Springtown area and worked for her mother and step father at JP Upholstery for over 40 years as an up-

She is survived by her



years, Michael Ashcraft; son, Christopher Pinneke; daughters, Nikki Pinneke and fiance, Jordan Ray and Teresa Rubio and husband, Jonathan; step-son, Michael Hayes; sisters, Tony Huff and Roxann Sellers and husband, Paul; brother, Jonny Sisk; grandchildren, Jayson, Brooklyn, Colt, Justice, Bryson, Julian and Ava; several, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and extended family; and her fur babies, Milo, Louie and Kisses.

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MY FRONT PORCH

By Sam Houston

Sam Houston is a newspaper executive, a columnist. author, actor and entertainment promoter.

saw a kid with a lunch box? Mothers use plastic Tuppera Wal-Mart sack, or a backpack for transportation. My mother and father called the instrument which carried their lunch to school a "dinner bucket". It was a metal container whose lid slid down and sealed shut and was a very utilitarian instrument, made to keep the food clean and fresh, but with no frills. The only thing "individual" about Mom's "bucket" was her name was etched on the bottom so she could looked pretty much identiwith a simple handle.

back in the early 60's, Madison Avenue and marketing had come to the school lunch box, and it became an item for individual expression. A female child might have a "Barbie" lunchbox or if she was a music fan, one which throb from "Teen Magaor David Cassidy. For my adorned with images of outer of! space. In my day, the Gemini I wanted a lunch box to re-right in style! flect my excitement with the space race against the Rus-

Not sure the last time I sians. Each year the start of school meant a mad rush to Seems like now days young the department store to pick out a new lunch box with the ware like containers to store latest and coolest design and the food items for their chillogo. It was a way for a studren and then place them in dent to reflect who they were and what was important to them. It was clear evidence they were "cool"!

By the time I got to middle school, the lunch boxes had literally disappeared, and if you brought a lunch (which was really a not cool thing prevented the soup or stew to do), you brought it in a within from being spilled. It brown paper sack. For the life of me, I cannot remember the last time I even saw a brown paper lunch sack. Instead of being an item of expression, the item which carried children's lunch meal drifted into the background. identify hers from those of Guess kids took to move her classmates as they all overt ways of expressing themselves like bellbottom cal, a dark metal container jeans, tie dyed shirts, long hair, beads and sandals. (Re-When I started school member this was the 60's). Personally, I think the lunch boxes were a better choice.

I still have my astronaut lunch box and it sits on a shelf in my office at the newspaper. It serves a nostalgic reminder of the "space age" but also as a symbol to was adorned with an image come to work each day and of the Beatles or Monkees. let the day reflect the person A girl might even have a you are and the things which lunchbox which adorned are important to you. Trends the photo of the latest heart come and go, and fashions are in one day and out the zine", like Bobby Sherman next. Lunchboxes may never return and be "cool" again, male classmates, we were but a man should always let more interested in having a the world around him reflect Gi Joe lunchbox, or "The Ri- what is important to him and fleman", or for me, a simple what he admires. Now that is astronaut lunchbox with was a trend, I want to be a part

Thought for the day: Fake and Apollo launches were is the new trend and some something monumental and people I know seem to be

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ON FISHING

Catching Sand Bass In Winter

As a licensed professional fishing guide, Michael Acosta shows you how to find them. He has been fishing all of his life, and has been a licensed guide since 1998.

For most of the year, I discuss sand bass and striped bass fishing (mostly striped bass). Many anglers focus on catching white bass, or as we call them in Texas, sand bass. Let me talk a little more about catching this species in the winter here on Lake Granbury. you chase these hard-fighting (for their size) gamefish.

Sand bass, as I have mentioned in the past, are a roaming schooling species. They will frequent several areas of the lake, and they will migrate not only during their spawning season but also in autumn when falling temperatures are right.

Sand bass will migrate in the fall up major feeder creeks and others may stay near other creek entrances where baitfish are present. Others may not migrate and stay near feeding flats or points near the main lake. The youngest fish are least likely to migrate. During the spawning run, typically in February and March, sand bass will spawn in these same feeder creeks/ rivers. Some will actually spawn on main lake points as well. I do know that a large percentage of fish run upstream to shallow sandbars and holes to spawn. Fish conthem easy to catch on most days during the spawning run.

Sand bass on Granbury and on most any lake are fairly easy to catch once located. Numbers of tation, I like to use a 1/4-ounce good fish are being caught in the main lake and in the river above 3-inch crystal shad-colored Bass Granbury. If the birds do not point Assassin. Typically, I like to dye

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you to active fish, then you will have to use your electronics to locate baitfish and structure where these fish hold out.

Recently, sand bass can be Much of this will apply anywhere caught on feeding flats in 7 to 15 feet of water on the flats near Blue Water Shores, DeCordova, Indian Harbor and in the river near Tin Top. Gulls on many days will point you right to them. I personally have not been up in the river, but I hear some good mixed reports.

When fishing a river or creek, your best chances are near the deeper holes near turns and bends in the river. When you locate these "holes," it is good to work the deep water, the ledges or slopes and any flats above/near the deeper water to find active fish. They will be there somewhere. On colder mornings, the baitfish congregate in the deeper holes as that will be the warmest place. As the sun warms the day, movement to the shallow flats will occur as the shallower water will heat up quicker. Bouncing a slab or small jig off the bottom in any of these locations will put fish in

Typically, I use 3/4 to 1 oz chargregating in this smaller area make treuse, white or silver slab or small jigs in the same colors, bounced off the bottom. The colder it gets the less movement you need to impart to the jig/slab. For the jig presenjig head with a 3-inch grub like a



the tail of the Bass Assassin with the line in the water and you will chartreuse dye. You can buy the chartreuse grub or you can dye them yourself. Typically, the colder it gets; the jig will tend to outperform the slabs on most days. Right now, the slab will still domi-

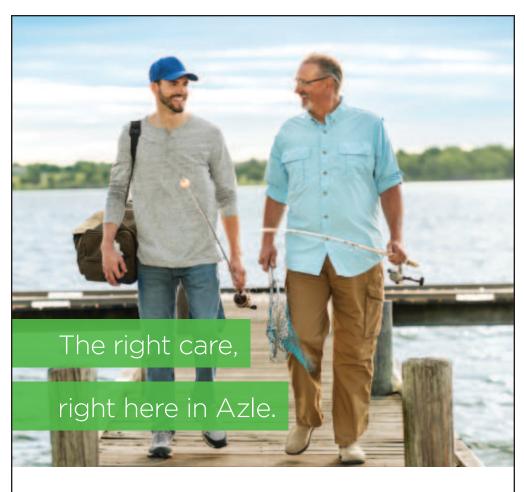
Road runners and/or tail spinners (Little Georges) are also effective most any time of the year. Try tying a crappie jig 12 to 18 inches above the slab, and you will be able to catch two at a time. When the first fish gets on, keep

feel the second fish load you up. You could even go with more than two if you really want it to get interesting. Just remember, you still have to take them off one at a time.

White bass in Texas are keeper size at 10 inches. You can keep 25 per person per day. I typically like to keep them when they are at least 12 inches where you can get a decent filet. Sand bass fishing is a blast anytime of the year, and winter season is a good time to go.

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On other lakes, Lake Whitney striped bass are good on the main lake on swim baits, jigs and live shad near the island and upstream near Steele Creek. Limits of striped bass are common on Possum Kingdom with some bigger fish to 15 pounds possible under the birds from South D&D to the State Park.



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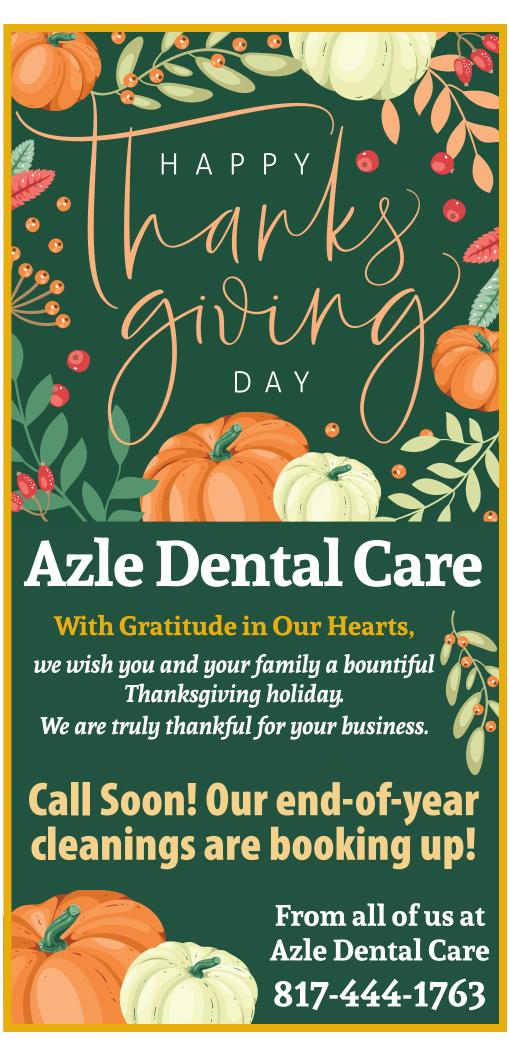
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The Springtown Area Chamber of Commerce hosts a ribbon cutting at the Springtown Center of Hope.

a grant, amounting to less than \$175,000 for two years. Providing services to a new area helped Center of Hope in the grant application process, she said. "The key thing when we were

looking at funding is that they had to be innovative," Nieswiadomy said. "(It) had to be something that wasn't extending a current service, that it would be something that's never been done before."

Center of Hope's funding was supplemented by a grant from United Way for the Springtown area, Nieswiadomy said. In the future, the team at Center of Hope will look into ways to find more funding options.

During a ribbon cutting at the Springtown center last week, Center of Hope CEO Staci Markwardt said the center had been seeing about 400 people regularly in Springtown, but after opening the new location, the center has been seeing more than 530 people in Springtown, including almost 100 new families. Having a Center of Hope in Springtown allows locals to access services closer to them as opposed to having to travel to Weatherford.

are getting first-time families

"We've been in the community for 23 years, so lot of people know about us, a lot of people have heard about us, but when we see people that Center of Hope has never seen before come in, it shows that we're reaching the population out here."

The goal is to reach 700 individuals by December 2022, Markwardt said.

Center of Hope Director of Operations Tammie Freeze described at the ribbon cutting that the center as helping clients uncover the root cause of their poverty and helping with long-term and short-term problems.

"By sitting down and talking to people, we always say we treat it like a triage, first of all, that we want to stop that bleeding, because when people are in crisis, that's usually all they see is in crisis, and we want to get them past that hump and sit down and say, 'How can we really help you?" Freeze said.

Springtown's Center of Hope has received the support of local churches, which have sent over volunteers and donations, Buchanan said. She also remarked that more volunteers are needed.

"We are thrilled to be in Spring-"It's been great to see that we town helping people," Buchanan said. "We also have a good relato come here," Markwardt said. tionship with the Springtown ISD

and have been working with their counselors to help families."

Volunteers are necessary to Center of Hope's operation, Johnson said.

"Our volunteers are the heart of our operation," Johnson said. "If we don't have them, then it's doable but it's difficult."

Johnson used to work at the Center of Hope in Weatherford and feels like her transition to Springtown has allowed her to connect more with the community.

"It's very nice to form relationships with people. There's several people when they come in, that they're just so excited to be here and when you call them on a firstname basis and you remember their name, they're just amazed," Johnson said. "When you deal with large amounts of people, it's very easy to forget names, but I make a point to call them by their first name so that they know it's personal, and they love that."

Center of Hope in Springtown is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 350 Agnes North. The center can be reached by calling 817-771-0789 or emailing springtowninfo@centerofhopetx.com.

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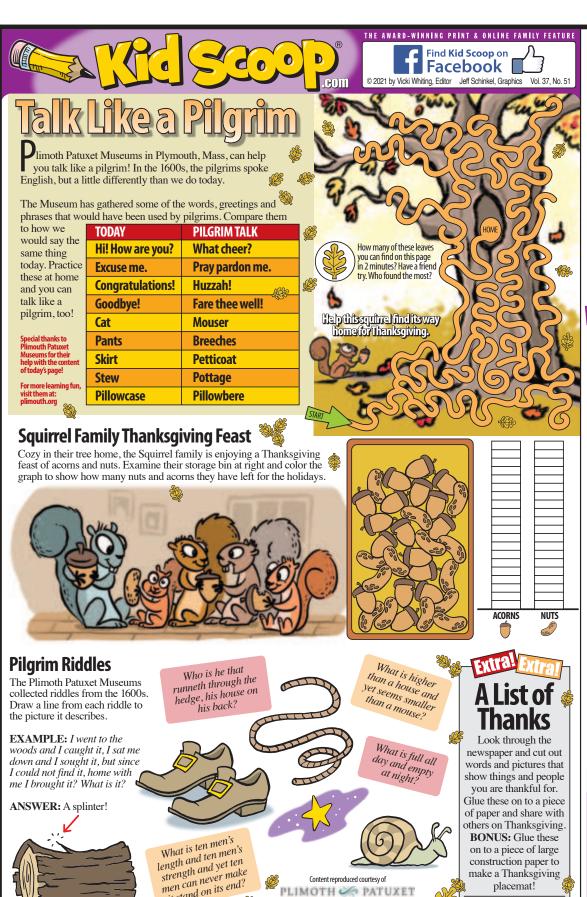
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Agnes Baptist Church pastor T.J. Hudson and Shelly Cannon.



Springtown Area Chamber of Commerce Administrative Assistant Marcia Garcia and Center of Hope CEO Staci Markwardt. Photos by Madelyn Edwards

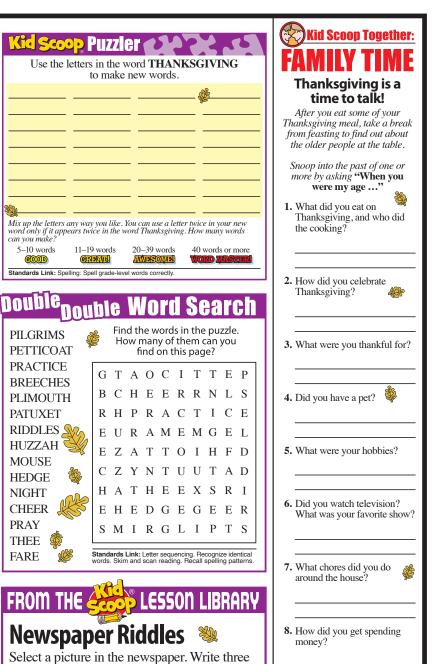


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SPORTS

Porcupines return to Sweetwater



The Springtown Porcupines are playing the Andrews Mustangs in the area playoff round.

BY JEFF PRINCE jeff@azlenews.net

water to face the Andrews juries. Mustangs on Monday when

championship against An- shortly before 5 p.m. drews on Friday, Nov. 19,

after one of Andrews' bus- headed to the Mustang es was involved in a fatal Bowl, where the Porcupines wreck. Three people died (8-3) and Mustangs (5-6) The Porcupines football in the wreck, and numerous were meeting to determine team returned to Sweet- students were treated for in- whose season would end

The bus, carrying marchbut the game was postponed ing band members, was

and who would advance to The bus was heading the regional title game.

the Epigraph went to print. from Andrews, just north of Both football teams had Watch for the results of the Odessa in far western Texas, arrived at the stadium and game on social media this to Sweetwater and was in- were warming up on the week and in next week's pa-volved in a collision with a field when news of the crash pickup truck traveling the began filtering to coaches Springtown was sched- wrong way on I-20 near Big and players. The game was uled to play in the area Spring. The crash happened supposed to begin at 7 p.m., but the crowd began leaving

SEE FOOTBALL, PAGE 4B.



Senior defensive back Seth Appell and the Pines would like to win their first state title.



The team's offense relies on sophomore quarterback Hudson Hulett to make plays.

Hoops boys enjoy strong start

BY JEFF PRINCE jeff@azlenews.net

Springtown's roundballers rolled over Millsap 81-32 in the season opener, and some of the Porcupines' top athletes haven't even joined the team yet. They're competing in the football playoffs.

(Millsap was missing athletes from its roster, as well, due to football playoffs.)

Porcupines head coach Nathan Purvis likes what he sees from his team so far.

"There is a lot of unlocked potential," he said. "I have seen first-hand how hard

they work on and off the court. They have committed to continued growth, and I am excited about surprising some people this season."

The Pines have struggled in previous years, and Purvis is ready to propel them in the right direction.

"We are just emphasizing doing the right thing every time to the best of our ability," he said. "Attention to detail and doing what we do well is the key to our growth as a program."

The team is young, boast-



SEE BASKETBALL, PAGE 2A. Zane Bell scored a dozen points.

Photo by Jeff Prince

Springtown's Game Faces

Moments captured during Springtown ISD's 2021 football season



Garrett Haynes



Brady McDonald



Drake Doggett





Dawson Jones Pancho Moreno Photos by Jeff Prince

BASKETBALL, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1B.



Ethan Graham avoids an opponent on his way to scoring nine points against Millsap.



Jake Chaires jostles for rebounding position.

ing five freshmen, three sophomores, a junior and two seniors. The roster will change once some of the football players finish their playoff run and join the basketball team.

"We do have some guys playing football that I would anticipate playing and helping us this season," Purvis said. "As far as how many, I couldn't tell you yet. We will evaluate that when they get in the gym."

Purvis, in his first year at Springtown, appreciates how the local kids are eager to participate in numerous activities. Better still, they love to compete, he said.

"Some of our freshmen basketball players competed in state with the band," he said. "We have guys playing football that will help our program and then go on to have success in baseball and/or track. on 'family' within our program, and I love seeing our kids compete team won a playoff game. across the board."

plenty of court savvy against Millsap. Three Pines players – Marco Tidwell – scored in double figures.

the same," Purvis said. "Their job is to take advantage of whatever opportunity lays ahead for them, whether that be on the freshmen, junior varsity or varsity team."

Purvis anticipates many good years ahead for the basketball program. Kids from the middle school on up are showing interest in competing on the hardwood court. Enthusiasm spreads.

"We have athletes, and that is a testament to the Springtown athletic program as a whole," Purvis said. "The camps and summer programs are clearly doing a great job developing athletes. We are focused on developing their skills and love for the game from an early age."

The young players displayed trict 7-4A with Argyle and Decatur to Amarillo. ranked in the TABC preseason Top 25," the coach said. "Bridgeport, Barrerra, Zane Bell and Aaron Krum and Lake Worth will also and early December. The district "The guys ... know that the team know it will be difficult, but I bethey play on could change when lieve this group of guys can do

football ends, but the goal remains it. We just have to continue taking small steps in the right direction."

> Purvis played sports at Saginaw High School, Lake Country Christian School and North Lake College. At 20, he began his coaching career as the middle school head coach and varsity assistant coach at Lake Country. He completed his bachelor's degree in history with a teacher's certificate at UNT.

> He landed his first full-time teaching and coaching position at Gordon High School, where he led the cross-country and girls basketball teams and was assistant coach for track and baseball. The girls basketball team went to playoffs for the first time in six years under Purvis.

After a year at Gordon, Purvis The varsity team's goal this coached basketball at Midlothian season is to make the playoffs. High and Mansfield Summit. Last The Pines haven't qualified for year, Purvis was assistant basket-We put a great deal of emphasis the postseason in three years, and ball coach on the Mansfield Sumeight years have passed since the mit boys varsity team that made it to the regional championship "We play in a very tough Dis- game before losing by eight points

> The Pines will play several nonconference games in November have solid teams this season. We opener is Tuesday, Dec. 21, at home against Decatur.

Nov 30	Henrietta	Away	7:15	5:45	4:30
Dec 2-4	Weatherford Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	TBA
Dec 7	Bowie	Away	7:30	6:15	5:00
Dec 9-11	Glen Rose Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	TBA
Dec 14	Alvarado	Home	7:30	6:15	5:00
Dec 17	Graham	Away	7:30	6:15	5:00
Dec 21	Decatur ★	Home	7:30	5:00	6:15
Dec 27-28	Bridgeport Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA	TBA
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Jan 11	Krum ★	Away	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan 14	Argyle ★	Away	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan 21	Castleberry ★	Away	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan 25	Decatur ★	Away	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan 28	Lake Worth ★ ◆	Home	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb 1	Bridgeport ★	Away	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb 4	Krum ★	Home	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb 8	Argyle ★	Home	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb 15	Castleberry ★ D	Home	7:30	6:15	5:00

★ District Game / ◆ Parents Night / ■ Lions Club Night / ▶ Senior Night



Marco Barrera scored a baker's dozen.

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FOOTBALL, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1B.



Nobody makes more plays than Matt "Mr. Everything" Lockard.

by then after the decision to postpone the game had been made.

Gerald Tellez and relatives had driven up from Pecos to watch his Haile, of Midland, died following grandson play for the Mustangs. They stood outside the stadium at about 6:45 p.m. on Friday, discussing what to do next. They had paid for hotel rooms for the night to drive back to Pecos. They expressed shock and sorrow to hear Noah Tellez, was OK.

"I know he's doing fine," the elder Tellez said. "All the other football players are doing fine."

grandson before heading back to

up to us and said, 'The game is or speculation not be added to our canceled.""

The pickup's driver, Nathan the collision, along with bus driver, Marc Boswell, of Andrews. Haile cording to reports.

in Sweetwater and didn't want Andrews, was transported to a Lubbock hospital, where he died from his injuries. Thirteen of the tang band parent," wrote Kasey about the deaths and injuries and 25 students on the band bus were relief to know their grandson, taken to local hospitals to be treat- prayers and kindness." ed, according to reports.

post the following message on its championship game, and Sweetsocial media pages not long after water High School band received Tellez was waiting to talk to his the game was postponed: "Please the nod. A social media post on pray for the families in Andrews the Andrews ISD site responded: ISD. Details about a bus accident "Thank you to the many schools "We're in shock," Tellez said. involving their HS band are not who volunteered. We cannot thank "One of the football players came available; we ask that comments you enough for your generosity."

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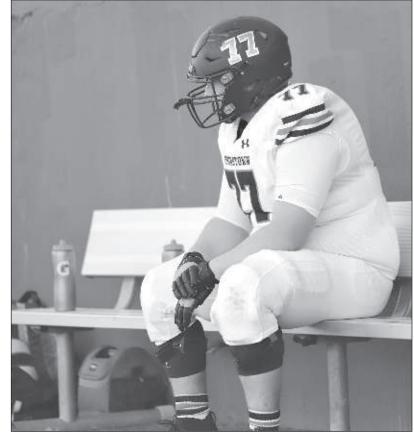
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post. Tonight's area championship game has been postponed. New information will be shared as we receive it."

Later, Springtown ISD offered was driving a 2016 Ford F-350, ac-more posts in support of Andrews, and Springtown residents posted Band director Darin Johns, of thoughts and prayers in the comments. Andrews took notice.

"Thank you from a Mighty Mus-Harris. "We appreciate everyone's

Numerous bands offered to fill Springtown ISD was quick to in for the Andrews band at area



Cody Brackeen and the Pines have endured lows, such as this loss in Wichita Falls, but still fought their way into the playoffs. Photos by Jeff Prince

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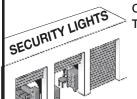
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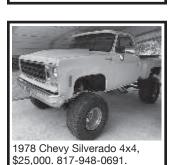
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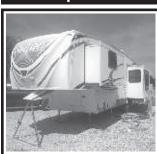
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