

The next great adventure: college

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Azle News interviewed a student from the Azle High School senior class this spring to discuss the young person's next move in life: leaving home to attend college. Micah Cook will attend Tarleton State University, and the News was in Stephenville last week when Cook moved into his residence hall. The News also interviewed his parents to talk about their son and find what it's like to see the last of their three children leave the nest.

Azle's Micah Cook takes big leap

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Micah Cook loves being in the outdoors. He spent some time this summer in the outdoors, including taking a trip to Colorado, where he and his brother went backpacking and flyfishing. He also went on a trip with his girlfriend Kendal Hann's family and visited the Hill Country and Lake LBJ. Now with the summer essentially gone, Cook looks forward to his next adventure: college. Born in Fort Worth, Cook grew up in Azle. At AHS,

he was a member of PALS, National Honor Society and the Rowdies - a school spirit group - and played soccer, according to the bio provided to the News for the senior class section. At Tarleton, he will major in geology with an environmental science cluster attached to it. He said he will be able to have a career in either field - geology or environmental science - after he graduates. "I really wanted to be outside in a career - I don't want to be stuck in an office," he said. He's not sure what kind of

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PHOTO BY DON MUNSCH
Micah Cook and his family include brother Noah, sister-in-law Megan, mother Keely, father Matt, sister Chloe Sayles and Micah's girlfriend Kendal Hann.



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Terri Taylor found a swarm of bees - not from her hives - in one of her trees last spring.

Bee kind

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Most people hear the buzz of bees and start looking for a place to hide. Others, like Terri Taylor, hear that sound and start saying words of thanks. Taylor started keeping bees at her property about five years ago. She's up to five hives now and plans to add two more early next year. She bought her first beehive from a teacher in Dallas. Now, she sources her bees through a local vendor,

Donny Johns in Springtown. Johns sells nucs (short for nucleus colony) in the spring. "Beekeeping is an investment, and a nuc costs at least \$200," Taylor said. Taylor became interested in beekeeping after taking a permaculture class. She signed herself up for a beekeeping class shortly after. "It was really something

the first time I stood there in a suit, and they opened up a hive and thousands of bees came out," she said. "You know, that really makes an impression on you." Taylor said that she highly recommends anyone interested in beekeeping take a hands-on class because that will "either make you a

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Student safety at forefront as school year starts

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Azle ISD Police Chief Darren Brockway discussed the findings of the district's Safety and Security Committee at the Monday night meeting of the AISD Board of Trustees. The committee met last Friday for a mandatory meeting prior to the start of the school year. During the exterior door audit, they found "some minor issues that are easily resolved with maintenance addressing the issue," Brockway said in an email. This was because of a few door latches that were sticking. Other than that, no major issues or malfunctions with any door were found. Brockway said that the same safety measures are still in place across district campuses.

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Signs like these are displayed at each campus in Azle ISD, warning about the presence of police officers who are willing to use "justifiable force" to protect students and staff.



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'Up for a challenge': City of Reno names Chris Albright as public works director

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In a full-circle moment, Chris Albright - who previously worked at the city of Reno through a summer program with the Texas Workforce Commission - recently got promoted to public works director in Reno. "I kind of just fell into it and fell in love with it," Albright said about his career. "I've done a lot of research. I've gotten my licenses; I've gotten certifications and just kind of pushed myself as far as I can. I'm going to keep pushing my-

self, but I mean, I've pushed myself pretty far to be in this position." Albright was previously Reno's water department supervisor, a position he took over in May. Before that, he worked at SouthWest Water Company, and he came to Reno to seek a position in management. Even though his last job was at a private company, Albright has worked for cities before, such as Grapevine and Fort Worth, during his 13-year career. Albright said what he likes about his job is the responsibilities and challenges he gets to take on, plus the fact

that each day he gets to do something different than the day before. Albright's main goal for the city of Reno is to update the city's water infrastructure so it can be sustainable for decades to come. He described it as an aged water system, and he's looking forward to participating in the city's new water infrastructure task force, which is expected to make recommendations on updates to council. "The biggest challenge is going to be updating this water system," he said. "And I'm always up for a challenge." Albright's new position as

public works director means that he will now oversee the streets and stormwater departments as well as the water department. He said he has some experience in street work but not much knowhow in stormwater, but where he lacks knowledge, he has the staff to back him up. "The guy who's over stormwater, he's pretty good, pretty knowledgeable about it, so I'm going to let him do his thing," Albright said. Reno Mayor Sam White praised Albright's leadership skills and his experience. White said Albright reports happenings without being

asked and is a leader who doesn't just do paperwork but has also handled street repairs himself. "He is experienced in most areas as much as (Reno City Administrator) Scott (Passmore) in the water department," White said. "He knows what he's doing." Albright's new role means that a burden is lifted off of Passmore, who was the public works director in addition to city administrator for a while. Passmore seemed confident in his successor. "He's a good kid; I like him," Passmore said. The city administrator added, snick-



PHOTO BY MADELYN EDWARDS
Chris Albright was promoted to Reno public works director at the city council meeting on July 25. Albright was previously Reno's water supervisor, a position he took over in May.

ering, "I call him the kid. He's 30-something years old; he's not a kid."

New buses arrive for school activities

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Azle High School students will travel in Hornet style when they attend their events on the road this year. Two of the recently acquired used buses, decked out in the school nickname and Hornet logos, were shown off outside the school Monday after convocation. Six more buses will arrive in the next few weeks, said Chuck Weiss, AISD director of transportation. The buses were acquired from American Bus Sales in Collinsville, Oklahoma, with the buses' wrap (decoration) applied by Clubhouse Trailers in Edmond, Oklahoma. Also on display at the high school on Monday was a 14-passenger van, which was purchased at the end of the



PHOTO BY DON MUNSCHE
These two activity buses join the fleet for Azle ISD this year. Six more buses will be added. They will be used for district activities. The 14-passenger van behind the buses will be used for small-group trips.

last school year for school activity transportation. The van is for small groups on campus. As for the buses, they are for any extracurricular activi-

ty, not just sports, Weiss said. "Any field trip we take is allowed to use those," he said. The buses will not be used for routes, thereby helping reducing the wear

and tear of the current buses in the AISD fleet. Each bus can seat 44 people, with two passengers in each seat. Each bus will have AC and heat, and each driver

- a coach, for example - will have to be trained for these kind of flat-nosed buses, because they are different from traditional buses in the fleet. "I think we're going to love

them," he said about the new buses, pointing out how they are easier to turn than a traditional bus. "They'll be nice."

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Reno City Council to consider removing two P&Z members

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Reno City Council is expected to decide whether to remove two Planning and Zoning Commission members from their places on the commission because of an incident that occurred at the July council meeting.

At a meeting last week, council member Jeff Davis made the motion for the council to consider removing P&Z Secretary Alicia Kubena and P&Z member Stuart White from their positions at a future council meeting. The motion passed 3-1 with Mayor Pro Tem Katie Tucker opposing.

The council brought up the topic after having a heated discussion at the July 25 meeting. During the July meeting, the council discussed and approved a water task force to make recom-

mendations about water infrastructure improvements to council. Kubena asked the council why action to improve the water infrastructure had not been made previously, prompting a conversation that included raised voices on both sides of the dais.

At the Aug. 11 meeting, council members complained about the lack of decorum at the July 25 meeting. Before he made his motion, Davis said Kubena and White continued to talk throughout the meeting.

"We were trying to listen to (City Administrator) Scott (Passmore), and you couldn't hear him because front row and second row wouldn't be quiet," Davis said.

White and Kubena declined to comment after the meeting. During public comments in the Aug. 11 meeting, White defended Kubena and P&Z

Chair Brian Schrader while scrutinizing the conduct of Deputy Pro Tem Hernando Herrera and Davis during the July 25 meeting. The council discussed Schrader's conduct during the meeting as well, but he was excluded from Davis's motion.

"I'm really concerned about the conduct that's expected of Planning and Zoning, but it's not expected of the council members," White said.

He added, "The threats, the belligerent outbursts, the screaming at your citizens and at your Planning and Zoning, that's not deserved by anybody here. That's not deserved by anybody in this city. You don't want it done to you; don't do it to anybody else."

Herrera said P&Z members are held to a higher accountability and should "know better" regarding the rules of decorum.

"What was spoken, at least in the most part whether it was shouting or not, was out of decorum, and they know better," Herrera said. "I would be held accountable the same way if I went to P&Z and spoke out."

City attorney Dottie Palumbo reminded council and the audience that people are allowed to speak during the public comment period as well as during certain agenda items when they are recognized by the mayor.

"The fact that people are just shouting out and asking questions from the audience, that is not orderly meeting procedures and that is not allowed under that section of the law," Palumbo said.

Mayor Sam White said after the meeting that sometimes he tries to be flexible on letting people speak to encourage input from the residents. He said he usually limits

those who can speak to the list of people who sign up but will allow more discussion from the public during smaller meetings when he knows it can be controlled.

"I try to let people raise their hand and let them speak because that's what they're here for," Sam White said.

Recalling the water infrastructure discussion in July, council member Shelli Swift said that it was unfair to blame the current council for the city's water infrastructure issues when they've had multiple other priorities in the past year.

"Y'all basically bashed us for not having these problems fixed," Swift said.

Schrader said he did not bash the council or refer to the council's competence during the July 25 meeting.

Tucker, who voted against the motion to consider removal of White and Kubena,

made a motion to dismiss the whole issue, but it failed to gain a second.

"Citizens have a right to speak in council meetings. They have the right to state their opinions. Nobody swore. Nobody got violent," Tucker said. "We must learn to listen to their criticism. That is part of our job. If we don't like what we hear, then we need to change something."

Sam White said after the meeting that the council should move on from the disagreements.

"Sometimes you just have to overlook a disagreement and move on, and that's what we should do," Sam White said. "We should say, OK, things got a little heated, but it was heated on both sides. That doesn't mean you discard all your players because one of you got (in a) disagreement."

Rogers: Leaders should look at surplus aiding taxpayers

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Inflation continues to affect Americans' pocketbooks and weekly and monthly budgets.

But this period of hardship has had a welcome silver lining: higher sales tax receipts and more money coming into state coffers. The state has \$27 billion in surplus.

Rep. Glenn Rogers represents District 60 in the state House, and he sat down for an interview at the Springtown Epigraph last week to discuss a number of subjects, including the state surplus.

Rogers looks forward to the next legislative session, which commences in January, and he expects to be more productive in the next session, as he has one session behind him.

"We have a lot of things that we're working on that we're excited about," he said. "That's what we're doing now with our tour of the district is we're getting ideas for legislation that needs to be passed."

People wanting to see a lowering of property taxes rises to the top as a priority, he said.

"I think we'll see with the \$27 billion surplus, we have to realize that a good bit of that is because of inflation and the higher tax receipts that are coming in, and a good chunk of that money needs to go back to the taxpayer," he said.

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He said that "there are other essentials that are going to have to be looked at as well." He said some of that money could go to schools and mobility projects, for example, and once the budget is balanced, leaders will see how much money is available and see what can be prioritized.

"Certainly for me, personally, public education is high on the list," he said, adding that transportation and water also are on the list. "But first and foremost would be drawing down property taxes. I think our taxpayers have to have that."

Rogers visited school districts in District 60 to assess their security needs. He visited public and private schools.

"Strengths, weaknesses, what they felt like they were going to need for funding," he said, explaining the purpose of the trip.

He said District 60 is diverse, with school districts as small as 100 students in Palo Pinto all the way up to the Weatherford ISD, which has several thousand students.

"We decided it would be a good cross section and our findings would benefit the state, and we'll turn those over to the committee that was appointed to look into

school security," he said. "So that's been a good exercise."

Among the report's recommendations were increasing the state school security allotment and developing a countywide alternative education placement infrastructure. He said he also heard about other concerns happening in schools that were not directly related to security, such as the teacher shortage. About the teacher shortage, he said the issue is about more than money, as he said teachers are "being maligned more than ever in history. It's politicians taking potshots at them. But they're maligned for societal woes, they're being blamed as a scapegoat for societal woes that are not their fault." Problems in families and pressures in the pandemic also figure in, and teachers are under tremendous pressure, including coming from standardized tests, he added.

Teachers need to be respected and praised whenever possible, he said.

As far as security, he said there's no way to keep schools 100% safe, but leaders have to do everything they can to harden schools.

"But it's more about common sense practices and not

getting complacent," he said. "So right now, people are thinking about Uvalde and they're thinking about locking doors, but months down the road, it's easy to get lax and complacency is dangerous when it comes to school security."

One bill that he filed last session that got through the House but not the Senate - which he said was not because of a lack of support but was just because of bad timing - was a school voluntary security program. It would allow retired educators and police officers, once they are vetted, to be voluntary security officers. He said these people can help rural schools that don't have resources to pay for security.

"Every smaller school that we talked to was interested in having that tool in their toolbox," he said, noting that its use would vary school to school.

Concerning school security from a broad perspective, the Legislature would be better off with broader guidelines on school security and let individual school districts tailor that to their specific circumstances, Rogers said.

Also on the education front, one bill Rogers will

file in the upcoming legislative session is a cost of living adjustment for retired educators. Currently, 50% of retired teachers live on an annuity that is less than \$2,000 a month and because of the Windfall Elimination Provision, they're not allowed to get Social Security, Rogers said. And with inflation like it is, these retired teachers are having a tough time, although Rogers realizes others are having it tough, too.

Concerning water, legislators will have to make some hard decisions about developing resources, he said.

The state has more than 30 million people, and the state will continue to grow at more than 1,000 people a day, he said, but reservoirs are becoming harder and harder to get completed, because of environmental challenges and land acquisition. Treatments of water, such as desalination, will be needed, and more resources will have to be put into that.

Regarding transportation, he said that in Parker County, there are four major transportation projects happening now, and people eventually want to see Interstate 20 widened and that "can't come soon enough."

Rogers would like to see a more direct route to the Mineral Wells Regional Airport from Interstate 20 because the airport can handle large aircraft and would be a boon for Parker County.



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District 60 Rep. Glenn Rogers

His staff is in weekly contact with the Texas Department of Transportation and has regular meetings with TxDOT officials. Rogers was on the House Transportation Committee and plans to be on that committee again. He also was on Pensions, Investments and Financial Services Committee, and he would like to be on a natural resources committee.

"I'm very interested in doing whatever I can to continue to prioritize our needs and welcome any feedback," he said.

He said he has received good feedback from people this summer. He hears from mental health, water, school and law enforcement groups - "you name it," he said.

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PHOTO COURTESY Terri Taylor (left), Nancy Rogers Sanders and Gina Grubbs work with the hives at Taylor's property.

BEES

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believer or let you know that this really isn't for me."

Taylor and her husband Lynn have been working to bring their homestead closer to its native roots.

To do that, their landscaping has become more friendly for native plants and animals, including bees.

Bees are considered a nuisance at family outings or days at the park. But the reality is that bees play a vital role in food production — and not just for honey.

"Do you know how many times a bee has to go to a flower to get a watermelon or a cucumber?" Taylor asked. "It's like 500 times."

Pollen is required for flowers to produce fruit. Although there are several vegetables that can self-pollinate — tomatoes, green peppers, chili peppers — there are many that rely on bees and other pollinators to do the work for them.

But even self-pollinating plants can be more productive with the help of outside assistance.

If you've ever had your vegetable garden in full bloom but produce almost no fruit, it's likely because they weren't being well pol-

linated. Bees and other pollinators usually help with that.

Unfortunately, bee populations have been struggling all over, making food production more of a challenge.

In China, workers have to hand-pollinate pear trees — flower by flower — because bees are almost non-existent due to pesticides.

Here in Texas, drought is another factor that is negatively impacting the local bee population.

"Drought means no plants, and no plants means no flowers," said Molly Keck, board certified entomologist and senior program specialist with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Flowers provide both the carbs (nectar) and the protein (pollen) that bees need to produce eggs and feed babies.

"We have many species of native bees (in Texas)," Keck said.

"They go by a number of different common names and there are several species of each within those common names. Bumble bees, digger bees, plaster bees, mason bees, carpenter bees and leafcutter bees are the more common and noticeable ones. We also have honeybees, which are not a native species."

Keck said that native bees

are responsible for pollinating many of the plants and veggies in our landscapes.

"Honeybees are more responsible for pollinating large monocultures like agricultural systems or fields of wildflowers in the spring," she said. "We will still see them on plants in our landscape, but we should give a huge amount of credit to our native bees."

What can residents do to help support the bee population?

"Plant flowering plants with overlapping blooms," said Keck. "Plant things that bloom spring through fall. Colors in yellow, white, blue and purples are most attractive to bees."

Keck also said that people should reduce pesticide use, especially when bees are on plants.

"If the plant is flowering, ask yourself if it really needs intervention with pesticides," she said.

Finally, Keck recommends finding ways to provide native habitats, such as muddy areas, stumps, hedge rows, sandy spots and debris for them to dig under.

"These may provide nesting or resting sites for unwanted insects as well, but you need to decide what is more important to you," she said.

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Library closed Mondays in August: The library will be closed each Monday in August due to a staffing shortage. Outside return drops and access to online accounts will remain accessible 24/7. The Library will reopen on Mondays beginning September 12.

The Library will also be closed Monday, September 5, for Labor Day.

Cases of wildlife with canine distemper increasing

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 Mon Breakfast pizza **Tues** Bacon egg & cheese biscuit **Weds** Breakfast bowl
Thurs Breakfast on a stick **Fri** Donuts

LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice, rolls, crackers. Variety of burgers.
Mon Chicken nuggets or fish sticks w/roll, Mashed potatoes, green beans, diced peaches **Tues** Cheese enchiladas or beefy bean burrito or taco salad, Rice, beans, squash/zucchini. **Weds** Sweet & sour chicken or egg rolls, Noodles, stir fry veggies, broccoli, orange smile **Thurs** Max sticks w/marinara or meatball sub or chicken bacon wrap, Tomatoes, celery, applesauce **Fri** Grilled chicken sandwich or hotdogs, Fries, baby carrots, banana

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BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers, Egg Scramble w/ Turkey Sausage & Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs w/ Biscuit, Turkey Sausage Patty w/ Biscuit, Hash Brown
Mon Breakfast Pizza, Yogurt with Granola **Tues** Bacon Egg & Cheese Biscuit, Yogurt with Granola **Weds** Breakfast Bowl, Yogurt with Granola
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SAFETY

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"We have a single point of entry, which is controlled access which will get you into the office area," said Brockway.

Any visitors or vendors to AISD schools will be required to undergo a "rapid background check" with their photo ID, and a visitor ID is printed. This ID must be worn while inside the school building.

"We have been doing this for a few years already," Brockway said.

New measures include no exterior doors being propped open, and all classroom doors will remain closed and locked during class times.

"We are really doing nothing new other than making sure existing procedures are being followed and not allowing complacency to sneak in," he said.

In addition to the standard safety measures, the school district has hired four additional Azle ISD police officers, with one more officer in the hiring process. Brockway hopes to interview for a sixth officer this week.

The chief also said that each officer being hired for the district has at least 20 years of experience

in law enforcement

Each campus uses the Standard Response Protocol that has been provided by the Texas School Safety Center in partnership with the I Love U Guys Foundation for their emergency response procedures. The SRP is displayed in every classroom in AISD schools.

Parents will be notified of emergency situations via "Parentlink," which will send out texts, emails and recorded phone messages.

Each campus now has a sign at the front door that warns of police presence on campus and that officers will use "justifiable force as necessary to protect students and staff."

State legislators are also keeping school safety in mind as they prepare to get back to Austin.

"Following the horrific tragedy at Uvalde, the push for school security will be at the forefront of our deliberations this Legislative Session," said state Rep. Glenn Rogers in an email.

Rogers is presenting his recommendations to the 88th Legislature following his meetings with both public and private schools within District 60. The legislative session begins Jan. 10.

"I look forward to our ongoing discussions over school security, and to create solutions that will directly benefit every Texan," Rogers said.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Like history?

BY JACKIE "JJ" JOY
Special to the Azle News

If you like history, you do not want to miss the Azle Adult Activity Center's trip to the Fort Worth Military Museum at Ridgmar Mall.

A bus will depart the center at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 26 and will return by 1 p.m. The cost is minimal with present and past military service members and Gold Star Families (who had a family member who died in service) having no entrance fee. Those 65 and older pay only \$5 each. (There will also be a donation collected to help pay for the transportation.) Contact the Azle Adult Activity Center office at 817-444-0070 by 12:30 p.m. Aug. 23 to reserve your seat and for more information. The center is at 601 Southeast Parkway in Ash Creek Park.

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A Matter of Balance is designed to help older adults to overcome

fears of falling, what to do in the event of a fall, and how to prevent falls. Simple exercises are learned to help strengthen areas of the body that are most affected by, and causes of, falls. Eight people have graduated from the AMOB program offered recently. Ann Coffey, Billy Dycus, Pat Johnson, Mary Little, Rose Lautz, Faith Lovell, Diana Shamburger and Sue Turnipseed received certificates showing they completed the four-week, eight class course. Congratulations and well done!

September is National Senior Center and Fall Prevention Awareness Month and we are working on a lot of special activities for the week of Monday Sept. 12 through Friday, Sept. 16. There will be a presentation on Fall Prevention, a special breakfast, a party, and a trip to the Leonard Brothers Museum in Fort Worth. Please be watching for further detail. If you are interested in going to the museum, you can call now to let us know.

AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE

The AARP Safe Driving course is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 23. AARP charges \$25 for their members (bring proof of your membership) and \$30 for non-members. The class will begin at 9 a.m. There will be a break for lunch, and the course will finish at 1:30 p.m. You can sign up now by calling 817-444-0070 or coming by our center at 601 Southeast Parkway in Ash Creek Park.

FREE HOT MEALS

We continue to serve lunches at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. If you call by 9:30 the morning before you plan to eat, we can order your choice of "Menu A" or "Menu B" which is of entrée. For a menu of this month's meals, go to the City of Azle website and click on the "Senior Center" icon, then on "Lunch Menu." Or you can come by the center and pick up a copy from our receptionist.

Looking forward to see you at the Azle Adult Activity Center for fun, food and fellowship.

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OBITUARIES

Selden Marshal Gilley 1978 - 2022

Selden Marshal Gilley, beloved son, brother, uncle, nephew and friend, passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2022 at Medical City in Weatherford, Texas.

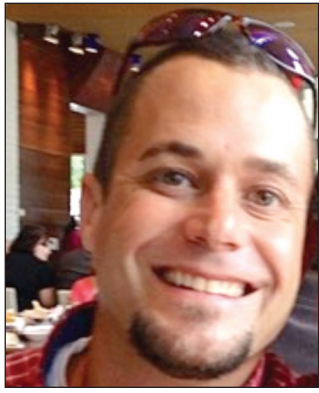
Celebration of Life services will be Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022 at 2 p.m. at Springdale Baptist Church, 3016 Selma St., Fort Worth, TX 76111.

He was born on Feb. 25, 1978 to Terry Selden Gilley and Joan Ellen Hall. He grew up in Azle where he attended school and graduated in 1997. From an early age, Selden loved being outdoors and especially fishing. Even more than that, he loved playing sports with his friends.

He started in T-Ball at an early age and went on to play baseball, pee-wee football, and finally Azle school sponsored football and track from 7th through 12th grade. He excelled in sports and had a very close relationship with his high school teammates.

During his senior year at Azle High School, his team had the honor of playing in Texas Stadium for the Regional Title. Even after high school, his competitive spirit continued to show as a fierce competitor in basketball on his patio and backyard horseshoes. Selden was an avid "Cheese Head" and loved the Green Bay Packers. He was also very well known for his talent and skills in grilling and cooking for friends and family. Lobster tails and steak were his specialty. Selden worked with his dad in the construction business at Son Rise Contracting for many years. He enjoyed taking things apart and putting them back together from an early age. He was always good working with his hands.

In 2013, Selden learned the joy of becoming a father to Ayden Vance Gilley. To know Selden, was to love him. He had a great sense of humor. He was always joking around with those closest to



him. We will all miss his funny but sometimes sarcastic comments, and his beautiful smile. Our hearts are broken.

Selden is survived by his only son, Ayden Vance Gilley, father, Terry Gilley; mother, Ellen Hall and sister, Enola Gilley (Chris Gilmore) half-brother, Ross (Gilley) Beavers; niece, Madison Joan Deleon (Leo Millan) and the love of his life, Teryn Wicker. Other survivors include his uncle Richard Hall (Vandra); aunts: Elaine Pennington, (David), Susan Lewandowski (Jerry); uncles: Michael Gilley, Lee Gilley (Retta), Richard Foster (Gina) and many cousins and numerous friends.

Selden is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents: Vance and Ruth Hall; cousin, Matthew Vance Hall; beloved black lab, Colt; paternal grandmother, Nancy Selden Foster and his great grandmother, Johnnie (Granny) Selden Woodard.

The family would like to offer a special thanks to Krissy Ansley Morrison for her persevering spirit and for attention to his medical care along with Meredith Malpass and other close friends that were faithful to support him to the end. The family would welcome any stories you have to share about Selden, either verbally at his service or written.

In lieu of flowers, please feel free to donate to a charity of your choice in his memory.

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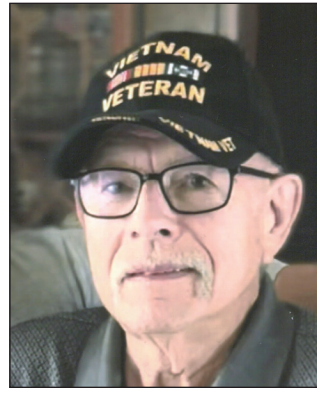
James Michael Powers 1944 - 2022

James Michael Powers "Doc," 78 years old, passed away on Aug. 1, 2022, at his home in Azle, Texas.

James was born on April 7, 1944 to LaVerne Ralph and Daisy Clara "Buck" Powers in Port Huron, Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his father, LaVerne Ralph Powers; mother, Daisy Clara "Buck" Powers; brother, Robert Ralph Powers; sister, Patricia Ann Powers (Gierlock).

James is survived by sons, Culley Wayne Powers and Chris Michael Powers; sister, Ann Lund; sister-in-law, Carolyn Sue Powers; five



grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends.

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Connie Bell Shields 1947 - 2022

Connie Elaine Bell Shields passed away Aug. 12, 2022, at the age of 75.

Service is at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, 2022 in Biggers Funeral Chapel. Visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022 at Biggers Funeral Home. Interment: Shannon Rose Hill Memorial Park.

Connie was born March 23, 1947, in Fort Worth. She lived a life full of love and laughter and loved everyone she came in contact with. Connie loved to cook and bake, and she loved spending time with her eight grandchildren, Autumn, Nicholas, Alexis, Keely, Tucker, Madison, Remington and Fantasia, and her five great-grandchildren, Arieanna, Corbin, Ava,



Perseus and Deliah.

Survivors: Connie is survived by her mother, Corine Bell; husband, William E. Shields III; sister, LaTisha Haney, and son, Robert Trammell.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Leave a written record about your life

Dear Editor:

Everyone is born and has a life, whether it is a minute or a hundred-plus years.

Those minutes, hours, days and years have a history. I thought about this for some time and after I got out of the Army in 1963, I decided to write about the "Life and Times of Bobby Ray Sloan." I am now 83 years old, and my "Life and Times" book is very large. In fact, there are now three very large books of writings and pictures.

I have writings about my first drawing at the age of two. We lived in Gainesville, Texas. The drawing was of a puppy lying on the front porch. All through the many years, I've added many, many things, like winning state and county art prizes in the second and fifth grade, things like events in my school years and in my Army years, (such as) meeting President Kennedy. Also, walking up 84 flights of the Empire State Building and up and down the Washington Monument. I rode a bicycle 100 miles in Vermont

and 15 miles in Idaho to Canada.

I have events with grandparents, parents and brothers. My business adventures from the time I was 13 years old making more money than my stepdad and mother.

All the events of my life are written down.

Everyone should sit down and think about their life. Write it down, it is history and your family will love to know something about you - some funny, some sad, but mostly interesting.

I have a committee gavel presented to me by the Texas Speaker of the House when I was president of the South Fort Worth Civitan Club. I have a letter of commendation from my commanding officer of the famous "Old Guard" U.S. Army, I am not bragging, but these are events in my life. Nearly everyone has wonderful events that their family and friends would love to know about.

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Reno City Council discusses the need for animal shelter facility

BY MADELYN EDWARDS
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Reno animal control officer Joe Harris revealed to the city council in July that he keeps some of the surrendered or captured animals at his home.

The animal control officer position in Reno is fairly new, and so far, places to keep the surrendered or captured animals are limited.

Reno Police Deputy Chief Nathan Stringer said after the meeting that the department has agreements with orga-

nizations like fosters and rescues, but a facility to store animals and adopt them out of would be ideal. Some animals from Reno have been taken to the animal shelter in Weatherford, Stringer said, but there is a cost involved with using that facility.

"It's not like we do not have a facility to take them to. We would just prefer to have one (A) closer and (B) that we maintain so it keeps the cost down on taxpayers," Stringer said.

At the July council meeting, Harris told council that he

had five animals at his house. One of the dogs he picked up was taken into foster care and then adopted out.

Stringer clarified that Harris would not and has not taken a dangerous animal home.

Mayor Sam White said Harris would be reimbursed for the costs he has spent out of his own pocket to take care of animals.

"We're also working on a program to where he doesn't have to do this," White said.

Council members questioned how quickly Harris

would be reimbursed and the legality of the situation.

"I have a problem with you not knowing what to do with the animal, so you take it home, you having no place to put it so you take it home," Council member Shelli Swift said to Harris. "We put the carriage before the horse with this animal control. We need to have a place to put these (animals). We need to have a budget item for these expenses."

Mayor Pro Tem Katie Tucker, who led the conversation about animal control

during the meeting, chimed in that the city needs contracts with shelters and rescues.

At the meeting, Reno Police Chief Scott Elsner said Reno officials were talking with the city of Springtown about a partnership, but this has not come to fruition.

Stringer said the department is close to securing a facility for animals. He said the department is talking with a couple of cities about this partnership.

"These things just take time," Stringer said.

Elsner said he is working with City Administrator Scott Passmore to create a budget for the animal control officer position.

Council member Granville "Randy" Martin III suggested that the Reno community should get involved to help out the animals with donations. Council member Jeff Davis also solicited community support in the form of volunteers who could take care of baby animals.

"I would suggest that we work together to resolve this issue," Martin said.

Texas gas prices lowest in nation; voter registration deadline is Oct. 11; drought conditions now into sixth month

TEXAS GAS PRICES LOWEST IN NATION

While gas prices nationwide dropped below \$4 per gallon average last week, the state boasts the lowest prices in the country at an average of \$3.49 — 50 cents below the national average, according to AAA Texas.

"Retail gasoline prices in Texas fell for the eighth consecutive week," said AAA Texas spokesperson Daniel Armbruster. "While gas prices will likely keep dropping in the near term, it is unclear how long the trend will last. Demand for fuel jumped seven percent across the U.S. this week and regional fuel supplies fell by around three percent."

Drivers fueling up in College Station are paying the most on average at \$3.72, while those in the Brownsville-Harlingen area have the cheapest fuel at \$3.19, according to a report by KWTX-Waco.

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCT. 11

Eligible Texas voters must be registered by Oct. 11 in order to cast ballots in the Nov. 8 general election, according



CAPITOL HIGHLIGHTS

By Gary Borders

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches and Cedar Park. gborders@texaspress.com.

to Texas Secretary of State John Scott.

"Even though we're still two months away from the voter registration deadline, it's never too early to make sure you're registered, update your registration information if you need to, and prepare yourself to vote in the upcoming election," Scott said.

Texas law requires eligible voters to be registered 30 days before Election Day. Since the 30th day before Nov. 8 falls on a Sunday, prospective voters have two extra days to register this year.

Voters can visit the state's official voting website — VoteTexas.gov — for more information.

COVID-19 CASES DIP SLIGHTLY

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas in the past week dipped slightly

to 72,715 with 194 new deaths reported, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. The Texas Department of State Health Services reported 3,174 lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations on Sunday, a slight drop from the previous week.

DROUGHT CONDITIONS NOW INTO SIXTH MONTH

By the end of July, drought conditions covered 97% of the state, up 11 percentage points from the end of June, according to Dr. Mark Wentzel, hydrologist with the Texas Water Development Board. July was drier and warmer than normal, a familiar refrain in 2022.

Storage in the state's reservoirs is at 71% of capacity,

which is 13 percentage points below normal for this time of year, Wentzel wrote. Still, the current drought is not as severe as the one Texans endured in 2011 for most of the state. However, South Texas is faring worse than it did in 2011 since it started the year with its water supply reservoirs already well below normal.

MORE STATE RESOURCES MOBILIZED FOR WILDFIRE THREATS

On Friday alone, Texas A&M Forest Service firefighters responded to 15 new wildfires that burned 540 acres. There are five active wildfires throughout the state, the largest being the Pine Pond Fire in Bastrop County, covering an estimated 700 acres and just 35% contained as of Sunday.

The Texas Division of Emergency Management at the direction of Gov. Greg Abbott has deployed additional strike teams, consisting of 32 firefighters and 10 engines.

"Communities across the state continue to be impacted by dangerously dry conditions that could lead to fur-

ther spread of wildfires," said Abbott said.

Burn bans are now in place in 224 Texas counties, out of 254 total.

SCAMMER POSING AS TDI EMPLOYEE

If someone calls claiming to be a Texas Department of Insurance employee offering to meet at one's home to discuss insurance needs, it's almost certainly a scam. That's according to a TDI news release, which notes the agency only calls people who ask for assistance.

The agency's fraud unit received a report from a person who was contacted by someone claiming to be a TDI employee and offering to come over and review insurance needs.

"The individual who received the call did the right thing by not providing any personal information and contacting us," said Chris Davis, head of TDI's Fraud Unit. "This may have been an attempt at identity theft or other crime."

Anyone needing help with an insurance issue or suspecting insurance fraud can contact the TDI help line at

800-252-3439.

ALL STATE OIL AND GAS RECORDS NOW ONLINE

Have you been wondering about that working pumpjack in the strip-mall parking lot in Longview? (Yes, there is one.) The Texas Railroad Commission has recently completed placing all historic oil and gas production records online.

The RRC database covers oil production dating back to 1931 and gas back to 1937. More than 1,300 rolls of microfilm containing about 2.2 million images in the RRC's central records were digitized.

"This is a significant undertaking and a historic moment for the Commission," Matthew Herzon with RRC, said. "Not only does it give the public quick and easy access to the information, but it can also save staff time that's spent researching for public information requests. Requesters can now get historical production information with the click of a mouse if they wish, and our staff can devote time for other tasks."

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Hello, Monday!

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.

I know that not everyone who will read this post will read it on Monday, but stick with me anyway.

I'm writing it on Monday. Whatever day you read it, you can use it to prepare for your next Monday.

There's an old preacher joke (I'm not sure if it's a joke about old preachers or an old joke about preachers) that says every preacher writes his letter of resignation every Monday. The hope is that he'll tear it up by Friday. The last one written is the one that makes it to Sunday.

If you know, you know. Two things I should clear up: I know that not every preacher is male and I know that the Monday blues are not limited to preachers.

When was the last time you heard anyone say, "I can't wait until Monday" if Monday wasn't the first day of their vacation?

Or how about this one: "Hang in there, baby! Monday's coming!"

Do you know anyone who named their child Monday?

"Come on, Monday Lou! It's time to go to school."

I didn't think so.

Poor Monday.

Monday is the Rodney Dangerfield of weekdays — it don't get no respect. (Showed my age with that reference).

Do you know what the worst thing is about being Monday?

There's nothing Monday can do about it.

Seriously.

We are the only ones who can help Monday overcome its Mondayness.

And how do we do it?

On purpose.

We decide how we will

treat Monday.

We decide how we will approach the week.

We can get up Monday morning thinking about how tired we are, how stressed we are over the responsibilities we know about, and how anxious we are about everything that could go wrong.

We can enter Monday already thinking about Friday — and doing all that sets us up to treat Monday like an enemy.

Or we can choose a different approach.

We can drag our tired selves out of bed, get a strong cup of coffee, look Monday straight in the eye, and say, "Hello, Monday. You and I are going to approach this week looking for opportunities to show up and step up. We're going to look for ways to show what we're made of. We're going to keep our eyes open for ways to help. Now, let's do this!"

Dude has lost his mind. Talking to a day like that's going to make it better.

OK! I admit it.

That kind of talk won't change Monday at all.

But it will change us.

As a person of faith, I'm convinced that if I approach Monday looking for ways to make Monday matter in the way I live out my faith, I'm more likely to approach six other days with the same focus.

Once I realize there is not a single thing about a day of the week that prevents me from living the life I was made for, I can find amazing on most every day that ends with Y.

Be amazing today, my friend.

BOOK REVIEW

'Stay Awake': A chaotic thrill ride that won't let you go

BY TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

There was no paper handy. That's your excuse for writing a phone number on the meat of your thumb.

No pun intended, but it was handy but now you can't quite totally remove the ink and you're feeling like an eighth grader again. Even so, you've got the number and, as in the new novel, "Stay Awake" by Megan Goldin, you won't likely forget it.

She was shocked to see that the leaves had turned color.

The last thing Liv Reese remembered was the sun across her keyboard in her office, the warmth of the day and taking a phone call. But now, without knowing how it had happened, she was sitting outside on a park bench, there was a chill in the air, a promise of snow and the leaves were falling. She was confused about that, just as she was confused about the mess on her hands. For some reason, she'd written all over them with a ball-point pen, numbers, notes, and the words "STAY AWAKE" and "WAKE UP."

She didn't recognize the clothes she was wearing. The park wasn't familiar, either. She had no idea where she lived anymore and she'd lost her phone. She returned to a workplace she knew, but it had changed; when she followed one of her inked notes and went to a nightclub called Nocturnal, they seemed to know here there. So why didn't Liv know herself?

And what else did she not remember? She had to know, quick.

Because the building she thought she lived in was sur-

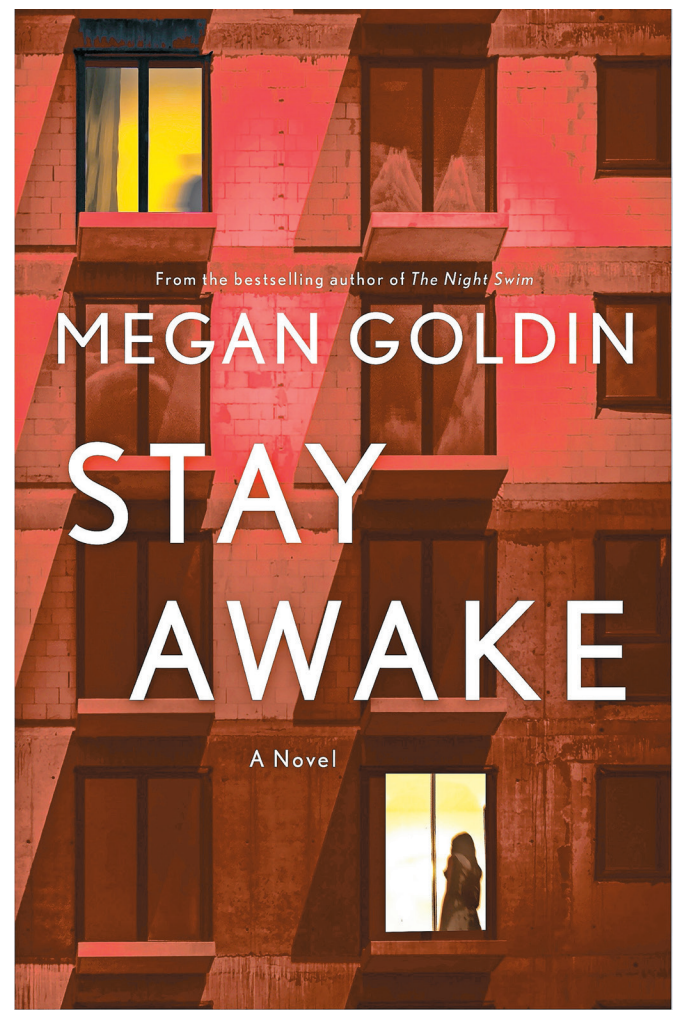
rounded by police and the news was filled with reports of a murder. Someone had killed an as-yet-unidentified man and had written the words "WAKE UP!" on the window in his blood, the same words Liv had, for some reason, scrawled on her own wrist.

She was sure she didn't know the man. She didn't remember ever being in the building, either, though she must've been inside because police had CCTV footage of the dead man entering with a dark-haired woman.

That woman was Liv. In addition to the book itself, want to know what else you'll need when you start reading "Stay Awake"?

Gloves. They'll keep you from leaving fingerprint marks on everything you clutch in panic, due to the sky-high, gasping suspense and the stomach-dropping relief, repeat as necessary, inside this novel. Gloves will also give you something with which to mop your brow when you sweat from the chase that author Megan Goldin sends her readers on. Gloves will give you something to chew on instead of screaming, and they'll help you get a firm grip on your jaw as it drops into your lap at the twists and turns this novel takes through a purposefully chaotic, heart-racing, story-driving time frame.

Now granted: super-rabid reality-loving armchair detectives may note a few gaping holes in the story here, things that poke holes in authenticity but that will settle nicely if you let them. So let them, and you'll learn that "Stay Awake" couldn't have been more aptly titled.



"Stay Awake: A Novel" by Megan Goldin, c.2022, St. Martin's Press, \$27.99, 340 pages

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A matter of perspective: It all depends on whose ox is getting gored

We all have different perspectives of the world. Sometimes people hold opinions based on assumptions that may or may not be true. It is only when a problem becomes personal to them that they begin to see how things may not be as they first thought.

Years ago, I worked with a brilliant veterinarian. I was told he graduated first in his class from Texas A&M, and he had a wonderful talent when it came to dealing with equines. He had been raised in a small, rural Texas community and from my perspective he was a little narrow minded when it came to some issues. The truth is, we did not disagree on many issues. When we did, I came to learn he sometimes formulated an opinion not based on facts, or true analysis, but rather on



FROM MY FRONT PORCH

By Sam Houston

Sam Houston is a syndicated columnist and newspaper executive. He is also an author, actor, playwright and entertainment producer/promoter.

emotion or what he had been told by others. This is something he would not do in his work. On the job, he was thorough, consistent, and would never draw a conclusion without medical evidence.

We were having lunch and he expressed very strong views about then-Gov. Bush's tough on crime policies. "Hang them all! I am sick and tired of people flaunting the law, stealing and not working. The judges need to put people away for as long as possible, every chance they can."

I tried to explain that there

are all sorts of reasons crimes get committed and while I believed people should be punished for wrongful acts, there needed to be some consideration given for the circumstances of the act. A single mother stealing to feed her kids is not the same as a career burglar, and they should not be treated as such. I tried to explain that is why a judge "judges" based on the facts; they do not simply sentence. My words made no difference for Doc, as he had his mind set. Period. No exceptions.

We let the subject matter

drop and went back to work.

About a month later, Doc was driving through a small town while coming home from an emergency call. In the early morning hour, he was driving 59 in a 25-mile-an-hour zone. The police officer wrote a ticket, which Doc flippantly tossed up on his dashboard with all the other loose papers and lab results. Doc's dashboard was his "mobile office."

The ticket commanded Doc to pay the fine or make an appearance in court within three weeks to contest the matter. Once Doc "filed" the citation, it was completely forgotten. Breeding season was a busy time. He was working seven days a week, 10 to 12 hours a day. A month went by, and then a second. Finally, one day he received a letter from the

court telling him he needed to appear at a time certain, advising him he was in contempt of court and an arrest warrant had been issued for him for failure to appear. Doc, knowing my legal background, immediately brought the notice to me and said, "I guess I forgot all about that darned ticket. You gotta help me get out of this mess."

I immediately looked Doc in the eye and smiled. I then said, "Wait a dang minute. I believe in Gov. Bush's 'get tough on crime' policy and support it. These folks that ignore citations and flaunt the authority of the court need to do about 60 days in jail. It will make them stop speeding in our communities and endangering public safety. It will send them a clear message that flaunting a citation will not be toler-

ated! There should be no exceptions."

Doc immediately responded, "Come on now! This isn't funny. I admit I screwed up. I have been too darn busy with breeding season to worry about a speeding ticket. Can't I go ahead and pay the fine and you take care of it for me? I am no criminal."

I then giggled and said, "but all evidence is to the contrary."

I did keep Doc from going to jail. He paid the fine plus a fee for failing to appear. He also walked away with a slightly different view on life.

It's interesting how your viewpoint can change, depending on if your ox is the one that is getting gored.

Thought for the day: The world isn't fair, so why the heck can't it be unfair in my favor?

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ON FISHING

Night fishing under the lights



ON FISHING

By Michael Acosta

As a licensed professional fishing guide, Michael Acosta shows you how to find them. He has been a licensed guide since 1998. michael.acosta@att.net

An alternative to beat the summer heat and to enjoy some great fishing is to fish at night. The night has other advantages such as generally less wind and no skiers or Jet Skis. A little breeze is still preferred, especially on those hot, humid and stale nights.

Fishing under the lights has been around forever. Most folks who live on the water have lights on their docks that attract fish. I have used a lantern before hanging off the edge of the boat to do the same thing.

The lights attract bugs, and the fish move in to feed on them. Yes, some of the fish do feed on the bugs. But it is usually the plankton that are attracted to the light, which then brings in the small fish and then the bigger fish.

The night lights available these days come in a variety of colors, but most agree that green lights are generally the best. Science will tell you that the most penetrating frequencies of light in the water are blue and green in the spectrum of available colors. White lights are still offered, and they do work. White has all the colors of the spectrum. However, the general consensus is green is all that you need. Some folks may disagree.

Most of all, the newer lights and some of the older lights are submersible. The big advantage to submersible lights is the fact that the bugs are kept at bay. Very little light is reflected up, which cuts down on the bugs. You know and I know that the bugs can get unbearable from a hanging white light.

The action can be tremendous under the lights.

Concentrating the baitfish will bring in the predators and at times, the action will be outstanding, especially if the fish are in a feeding frenzy. Many indoor fishing docks across the country use lights to attract fish. It is a known technique.

There are many different portable lights on the market, and I'm aware of four types. They are floating sealed beam lights, fluorescent lights, LED lights and submersible halogen lights. All of these types of lights will do the job. There are pros and cons to each.

Light Emitting Diode (LED) lights generally have the longest life and use the least amount of energy. They used to be priced out of the market, but currently, the prices are becoming competitive with other types of lights. Many of these types of lights will run the night on a few dry-cell batteries. LED lights come in a variety of colors and they can be configured in many different ways. Those I have seen are configured in a submersible vertical tube. Check the output in candlepower. Some of these lights that are currently available have a limited output.

Fluorescent lights are generally a floating or submerged vertical tube light that is put in the water vertically. There are some floating horizontal versions as well, but the vertical lights are preferred because you can position them at deeper depths if needed. They come in a variety of lengths and colors. Green is the most popular color, as I mentioned earlier. Fluorescent fishing lights have limits on the amount of light they put out but they also draw

less current than the sealed-beam floating lights or halogens. Fluorescent submersible lights can be more expensive as you generally need a light longer than 3 feet (typically 4 feet) and maybe two to do the job. Fluorescent lights are typically thrown away at the end of their life, but the halogens and LED bulbs can be replaced. The smaller versions (less than 3 feet) have limited light and limited applications.

Submersible halogen lights operate under the surface so there is minimal impact due to wind and waves, and you minimize the bug impact with the light under the water. These halogen lights will generally draw more current for the same level of lighting as fluorescents, but they are generally smaller, and you can buy replacement bulbs as I mentioned earlier. These can put out a tremendous amount of light and they can be positioned easily around the boat. It is advisable to have a dedicated battery on board for any DC night lights, especially those that will draw the extra current. Halogen lights are generally compact and are easy to carry versus the longer tubes for some of the other types of lights.

When night fishing on a boat with lights, it is a good idea to anchor the boat securely so that movement is minimized. Either tie the boat between two trees or double anchor. The floating lights you choose can be placed next to the boat. The other submersible type lights can be lowered to a desired depth around the boat.

Wait a few minutes and the baitfish will move in. The bigger predators will more than likely be under or on the edge. Be careful not to spook the predators. Work different depths until you locate the best depth. If for some reason the fish don't move in, move and



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Beat the summer heat and do some night fishing.

find another potential spot. If you decide to do some night fishing, make sure you know the area where you

are to fish. With less light, you need to be careful navigating especially with our low-water conditions. Every

body of water I have ever been on looks different at night.

FISHING REPORT

Lake Granbury water temperatures are in the upper 80s and low 90s and the lake level is about 2.5 feet low. Thermocline is still present, and all the action is in the top 20 feet of water or less. Sand bass are good near Indian Harbor and DeCordova in 5 to 15 feet of water. Look for schooling activity early and late. Striped bass action is hit and miss, but when located, action is good on live bait or trolling jigs/crankbaits. Catfish continue to be good especially at night on cut bait. Crappie action is the best with limits common mid-lake near structure on small minnows. Largemouth bass on Lake Granbury are good to 7 pounds on Texas rigged worms working deeper docks and main lake points.

Lake Whitney striped bass limits on live bait are common on the lower ends near the Island and near Bee Bluffs. Possum Kingdom Lake striped bass are good on the lower end on live bait and down-rigged jigs with curly tail trailers.

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City of Reno Scott Passmore, City Administrator 8/18/22

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Home alone and scared



DEAR FRANKIE

By Geneva Woodruff

Frankie is a rescue dog and an emotional support animal for Geneva Woodruff. Woodruff is a retired educator.

Dear Frankie, I always thought humans were overly dramatic when they said they were "overwhelmed." That is until it happened to me.

Several weeks ago, my mom went grocery shopping. Usually, she leaves around 8 a.m. and comes home around 11 a.m. I started to get nervous when she wasn't back by 1 p.m., and by 7 p.m., I was hysterical. I knew something terrible had happened to her. I barked all night to notify our neighbors, but they didn't hear me.

Finally, in the morning, my mom's friend showed up. She told me my mom had been in a car accident, was in the hospital with a head injury, and couldn't talk. I asked, "Why didn't you come yesterday?" She said, "I was at my cabin, and the phone doesn't work there. So, I just got the message about your mom this morning when I got home."

Frankie, isn't there something the dog parents can do to prevent this from happening to other dogs?

Signed, Piper

Dear Piper,

What a terrible ordeal. I'm so sorry you were alone and frightened for such a long time.

I know what you mean about the humans saying every little thing overwhelms them, like when they can't find their keys or drop a gallon of juice on the floor. Are these events a pain in the neck, sure, but overwhelming? Come on.

Your experience, however, was an overwhelming one. Yes, dog parents can do something to prevent this from happening to their dogs. My mom keeps an emergency card in the glove compartment. The card says, "In case of an accident, I have a dog who is home alone; her name is Frankie. Here is my home address and the names and contact information for friends to be notified in an emergency. Please note that the card provides two names, so if one can't be contacted, like your mom's friend, there is a backup person."

I am very impressed that you took the time to write about your experience. I'm sure it will motivate dog parents to make an emergency card for their car and ease dogs' minds when they are home alone.

Thanks for writing in Piper and bringing attention to a serious issue that fortunately has a ready solution.

Best, Frankie

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL PERMIT NO. WQ0011183003

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Azle, P.O. BOX 1378, Azle, Texas 76098, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0011183003, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed an annual average flow of 1,440,000 gallons per day via Outfall 003 and 1,010,000 gallons per day via Outfall 004. TCEQ received this application on April 3, 2021.

The facility is located at 816 Park Street in the City of Azle in Tarrant County Texas 76020. The treated effluent is discharged via outfall 003 to Reynolds Branch thence to Ash Creek, thence to Eagle Mountain Reservoir; and via outfall 004 to an unnamed drainage slough, thence to Ash Creek, thence to Eagle Mountain Reservoir in Segment No. 0809 of the Trinity River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are minimal aquatic life uses for Ash Creek. The designated uses for Segment No 0809 are primary contact recreation, public water supply and high aquatic life use. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location refer to the application.

https://tceq.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=db5bac4afb_c468bbddd360f8168250f&marker=-97.532306%2C32.888336&level=12

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Azle City Hall, 505 West Main Street, Azle, in Parker County, Texas and at the Azle Fire Department, 900 Lakeview Drive, Azle, in Tarrant County, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Azle at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Rick White at 817-444-2541.

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COLLEGE

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job he will pursue yet, as he said with a geology degree a person could venture into oil and gas or construction.

"I'm more interested in soil reclamation for farmers or ranchers who overuse their soil, and they can't grow anything," he said. "You just kind of help them rebuild it and get it back to (normal) and what they need for it for the operation."

He said he experienced some initial nervousness about heading off to college, but he has two older siblings and they have been through this transition before. His sister attends Tarleton and his brother attended the University of North Texas. Chloe, his sister, will be 22 in September. His brother, Noah, 26, left UNT and went to film school in Dallas.

"As it gets really closer, I'm sad to leave everybody, but I think it's going to be a good change and I'm excited for it," he said before leaving Azle. He chose Tarleton because the school offered him money for his schooling. He liked Tarleton's small-college feel and the atmosphere of the community.

MOVING IN

Micah's parents, Matt and Keely, helped with Micah's move-in last Friday at Tarleton State. After family members and volunteers at the school helped carry items to his room at the high-rise residence hall, Micah and his brother, sister-in-law Megan, his mom and dad along with Micah's girlfriend Kendal helped set up items in his room, such as his drapes and bed. Less than an hour into the move-in, Micah's roommate, Jacob Martin of Alvord, arrived with parents Parris and Kelly Martin.

"I don't know if we're quite ready for it," Keely said about her son leaving the nest, in an interview a day before Micah left. "We're excited for him."

"Well, you know, for us, it helps that this is not the first one," Matt said. "You kind of know what's going to happen. We see his siblings

have gotten older and have gotten married, establishing themselves."

He said he and Keely have no "have no reason to be worried. It's just a ..."

"Natural progression," Keely said.

"Natural progression," he said, agreeing. "With the first one, you just don't know. And I also think it makes it easier for (Micah) because he's got them (as a guide), too, and has watched them go through adulthood and had them to look to for examples."

As for advice on attending college, Chloe gave him a particular piece of wisdom.

"She said I can't come back for a month," Micah said, noting it worked for her.

Chloe also suggested he get involved in activities on campus. He expects to join some organizations, including those that are outdoor-oriented. He enjoys flyfishing and recently participated in rock climbing. He also enjoys analog photography.

He said he will miss his family and his girlfriend, Kendal, a 2021 AHS grad who attends Tarrant County College, when he leaves for college.

"And we have a little Bible study group that meets up every weekend," he said. "It will be hard leaving them, too."

COLLEGE DECISION

Micah looked at Angelo State and Texas A&M University as schools he was considering attending, but Tarleton's financial package was "incredible," Keely said, and she said it was hard to say no. He was in the top 10% in his class at AHS.

"He also was able to call a professor before (deciding) and talk to them, and he really had a good feel, and when he was there on campus, he met with one of them," Matt said. Keely said he talked with several professors, and he got really excited about the school after that. Smaller schools have the advantage of a smaller class sizes and students can get to know professors better, Matt said.

"And his sister and Chloe's friends really kind of talked to him about that, too, that

you really do know your professors," Keely said. "Tarleton still really is small enough that you get to know them, you feel that they care about you if there's an issue or problem; they're there to help you. And then the program he's going into there is pretty small."

Matt shared how he taught fifth grade at Azle Elementary School, and he taught Micah when he was a fifth grader.

"That was a real blessing to have that time with him," Matt said, adding that he knew everything he did each day - good and bad - as Micah rode with him every day. Plus, Matt knew all of his friends.

LEAVING HOME

What's Micah looking forward to the most?

He said being able to pursue what he wants from education, rather than having a counselor advise what classes he has to take.

"I guess the freedom," he said, explaining what he will enjoy about college life.

He has applied for a job on campus - outdoor pursuits in the rec center, where employees rent hiking gear and oversee the climbing wall.

He said also will enjoy meeting new people and making friends. Before departing for Stephenville, he contacted his roommate. He thinks he can meet the challenges of moving away from home, and he credits his parents for their influence in that matter.

Matt said he thinks Micah is "pretty squared away in his faith and who is as a person." He described Micah as "kind of picky and he already knows things he likes and doesn't like." Keely said Micah is independent and she and Matt have encouraged all three children to "know what they want and know how to do things. I think that's important."

"We tried to raise children that were free-thinking, independent people," Matt said.

Keely describes her son as a leader who is funny and was easy to manage, and Matt thinks Micah will be influential to others. Matt



Families of Micah Cook and Jacob Martin talk after Martin arrives at the residence hall.

said Micah has been taught with the values important to them and that they were biblically based. They wanted their children to have a faith and make it theirs and know why it's important. They also hoped they would be willing to go against the grain of cul-

ture and to do what's right. "We just hope that he remembers what he's been taught while he was in our home and takes hold of that," Keely said.

Matt said he and Keely hope Micah will be a father and husband someday.

Micah said the most important lessons learned from his parents were having a strong faith and staying close to God, trusting that God will provide for him.

"And don't be afraid to reach out to people for help," he said.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.753999 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Pelican Bay.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.753999 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.726801 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.753999 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$1.183898 per \$100

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

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Pelican Bay may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for Pelican Bay exceeds the voter-approval rate for Pelican Bay.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for Pelican Bay, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Pelican Bay.

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

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 29, 2022, AT 7:00 PM, AT PELICAN BAY CITY HALL, 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, TX 76020.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate and not greater than the de minimis rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting members of the City Council of Pelican Bay or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

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

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

FOR the proposal: David Dryden, Sara Gashi, Kathy Bender

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: Mayor Tamra Olague

ABSENT: Kevin Crawford, Matt Gassen

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

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Pelican Bay last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Pelican Bay this year.

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.800000	\$0.753999	decrease of \$-0.046001, or -5.75%
Average homestead taxable value	\$96,511	\$118,906	increase of \$22,395, or 23.20%
Tax on average homestead	\$772.09	\$896.55	increase of \$124.46, or 16.12%
Total tax levy on properties	\$683,109	\$827,849	increase of \$144,740, or 21.19%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Pelican Bay at 817-884-1100 or taxoffice@tarrantcounty.com, or visit <https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/tax.html> for more information.



Azle High School spring graduate Micah Cook, right, wearing shades, unloads items from his vehicle to pack into his residence hall at Tarleton State University. With him are his father, Matt, and his brother Noah and Micah's girlfriend Kendal.



PHOTOS BY DON MUNSCH

Volunteers at Tarleton help move Cook's belongings into his residence hall room.

LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of the City of Azle will conduct public hearings at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 505 W. Main Street to consider the following items:

1. Consider an ordinance regarding a request to rezone a 1.5-acre tract of land situated in the Joshua Cook Survey, Abstract No. 1789, City of Azle, Tarrant County, Texas, from the Estate One District (E-1) to the Commercial (C) zoning district. The subject property is generally located along the northern most edge of City of Azle city limits on the east side of FM 730 N, north of Sandy Beach Road.
2. Consider an ordinance regarding amendments to Chapter 14 "Zoning" of the City of Azle Zoning Ordinance pertaining to zoning change application procedures.

Azle ISD 2022 Convocation



PHOTO BY DON MUNSCH

Azle High School spirit groups stand in front of two of the new buses that will be used for high school activities. The district plans to add six more activity buses in the next few weeks. The buses will be used for various extracurricular groups and can be used districtwide.

Help Us Honor Our Local Veterans

Local Veterans

We're running a special section in November to honor our local veterans.

Please email your photo in uniform to Johnna@azlenews.net

Include: Name of veteran, branch of service, years served.

HURRY! Deadline to submit is Monday, Oct. 3

If you submitted a photo for last year's veterans section we will include it in this year's special section.

ROBERT DUNN GROVE U.S. Army Vietnam	ROYNE GROVE U.S. Army	DAVE HANDEL Texas Army National Guard 2005-2010	WILLIAM EUGENE HALL U.S. Army 1962-1962 Purple Heart, Bronze Star with Valor
KEVIN CAMPBELL U.S. Army 1970-1970	LARRY GUNTER U.S. Army 1970-1970	MARCELO A. GONZALEZ JR U.S. Marine Corps 1969 16 Years 7 Months	ANDREW GUNTER U.S. Army 1960-2004
LARRY GUNTER U.S. Army 1960-2004	LARRY GUNTER U.S. Army 1960-2004	WELA A. GUNTER U.S. Army 1942-1946	ROY HILLMAN Texas Air National Guard 15 Years
KEVIN CAMPBELL U.S. Army 1970-1970	WILLIAM DANIEL U.S. Air Force Major Sergeant - 2008 Present	JAMES W. HUNT U.S. Air Force Capt 1961-1971 Vietnam 14 1/2 Months	BOB SHANON U.S. Marine Corps 2005 - Present
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Azle ISD 2022 Convocation



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The Azle ISD convocation, held Monday at Azle High School, featured a vendor fair, breakfast and motivational speaker Jim Van Allan. Convocation serves as a way to usher in the new school year, with a motivational speaker bringing an inspiring message. Classes in the district begin Aug. 17.

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Bryan Valencia paints the railings atop Hornet Stadium.

Hornet Stadium turns green for new sports season

BY JEFF PRINCE
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A few years had passed since a fresh coat of kelly green paint had been slathered onto the various handrails, posts, poles, doors, press box and other metal items at Hornet Stadium. On Aug. 9, a crew of painters wielding brushes and rollers showed up at dawn to make the home of the Azle Hornets look its best. Another crew was busy removing and re-attaching cyclone fencing to allow the painters to color the fence posts. "We want everything we have to look good," said football coach Devon Dorris.

"We may not have the nicest stadium in the whole state of Texas, but what we do have, we are going to take care of and make it look the best possible. It looks pretty sharp right now." The metal is repainted every two or three years or when the paint begins to wear and fade, he said. Connor Merrill, a sophomore linebacker, was sitting on a bench outside the locker room after morning practice, talking to friends and waiting for a ride. He noticed the shiny new green features. "It makes the stadium look way better," he said. "It needs to be painted, and I think it looks great."

The fresh paint really pops, and it will be inspirational for Hornet players, he said. "It's going to look beautiful," he said. "When I get out there in the field and see everything looks good, it makes me feel proud of Azle. I'm really excited to start playing some football." The camaraderie of football appeals to him, and he feels like the sport is helping him mature faster. "It's a good team sport, and it makes you a good team player," he said. "It also makes you a good leader." Oh, and there's one other big benefit. "You can get out there and hit somebody without getting in trouble," he said. "It's fun."



Mike Cruz and Adam Adams reattach fencing that had been removed to allow the posts to be painted.

NEW KIDD IN TOWN

A recent addition to Azle football plans to plant roots

BY JEFF PRINCE
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Painters had applied green paint to most every piece of metal in sight, and Hornet Stadium was looking spiffy. Several football players noticed and appreciated the improvement. Travis Kidd thought the fresh coats of paint looked great but didn't have much to compare. He and his family are newcomers to Azle, and the sophomore was still learning his way around campus. "I didn't really notice the old paint job because I just moved here," he said. He joined the football team with hopes of winning a starting position at linebacker.

In late July, his family moved to Azle from Stafford, Virginia. "My dad is in the Marine Corps, so he got stationed here," Kidd said. Being a military "brat" means picking up and moving on short notice, and Kidd has done his share of windshield time. He and his family have moved seven times during his 15 years. States where he has lived include North Carolina, Virginia, California, Rhode Island, Florida and Texas. Knowing he could be uprooted at any time and whisked away to a new location with strange faces and unfamiliar territory hasn't



PHOTO BY JEFF PRINCE

Travis Kidd is happy to be a Hornet.

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KIDD

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deterred Kidd from making friends. Meeting people can be exciting, he said.

"I feel like I'm more confident going on the first day of school," he said. "I have to make friends so that my time at the place we're living isn't boring."

Technology makes the frequent moves feel less gut-wrenching, he said.

"It's not that big of a deal anymore because we all have (cell) phones now," he said. "I called my friends from Virginia yesterday. It's pretty easy to move now."

The aura of Friday Night Lights and being a part of Texas high school football excited the new kid. Hornet Nation is a big school with talented athletes, and he is eager to be a part of the Hornet Nation and see how he measures up to the competition.

"I like football here," he

said. "It's a big step up. The coaches are real understanding about the situation for me, how I'm new here. I don't really know the plays. They let me watch first, and then, they say, 'Alright, go get reps,' and I get reps. I'm getting better every day."

Kidd began playing football three years ago while living in Florida.

"My friend in science (class) was like, 'Hey, I'm doing football, and you should go try it with me,'" Kidd recalled. "So I did, and that's my new sport. Hitting is really fun but also just the team bonding. That's really amazing."

For perhaps the first time in his life, Kidd is warming to the fact that he might stay at Azle High School for the next three years and graduate. His dad is nearing retirement and has indicated he wants to stay in Azle.

Kidd likes the idea of sticking around, for a change.

"We bought a house instead of renting, which is re-

ally exciting," he said.

PROUD MOM

Kidd had been describing his move to Azle while sitting on a bench outside the football field house and waiting for his mom to pick him up and take him home. Michelle Kidd showed up a few minutes later and described how the Kidds - dad James, herself, Travis and younger brother Ryan, a sixth grader - found what they consider home.

"My husband has always stated that he wanted to retire in Texas," she said. "He wanted to come back to Texas because he grew up here from the age of 12 through high school. We just knew we were going to end up back in Texas. It worked out that the Marine Corps had a position for him here. Everything kind of fell into place."

The going was rough at first. The Kidds came to Azle looking for a house amid the hottest real estate market in

recent history. Unfortunately for them, it was a seller's market, and they were buyers.

"Oh, my gosh," she said. "Houses were flying off the market so quickly. We were getting outbid continuously on homes."

The first house they were outbid on was in a neighborhood they liked, so they remained focused on that area.

"We were set on this neighborhood because the houses were spaced out quite a bit, and we just kept on bidding on houses," she said. "We finally got one. It was a very stressful three to four months trying to find a house, for sure."

That stress gave way to the satisfaction of owning a home. The family has moved all its belongings and is busy organizing, decorating and landscaping the new abode.

"We still need to get a fence for the dogs and stuff like that, but everything has kind of fallen into place, and we're just enjoying it," she

said. "It's a different kind of feeling being in your own home and knowing that you're not going to have to move anymore. It's going to be great."

The family also arrived in Texas during the middle of the hottest summer in ages, with temperatures eclipsing the century mark each day for weeks on end.

"It's a little hotter than we had anticipated, but we've been very happy with the people that we have met, the schools and just out and about at restaurants and stuff like that," she said.

James has a sister living nearby, and it's been a treat for the Kidds to have relatives to visit.

"It's a change for us to be able to have family over for Sunday breakfast and things like that," she said. "We're enjoying it."

All those previous housing changes might have been beneficial for her children in ways, but they weren't easy on them, she said. Their re-

silience makes her proud.

"All those new moves have made both of our boys a little bit more outgoing and more experienced as far as having different opportunities opened up to them," she said. "I feel like they're more willing to put themselves out there in order to make friends."

Seeing her kids torn away from their friends time and again has been on tough on Mom, too.

"It's hard to watch them have to say goodbye and get readjusted," she said. "I look at them every time we move, and they start a new school, and they're so brave in my eyes. I know I would have been terrified because I was such an introvert. Every time we've moved, they've impressed me with how quickly they make friends and how willing they are to get out there with sports and stuff. It's just impressive to watch."

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My name is _____ and I take time to be safe. I always look _____ before _____ the _____.

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Kid Scoop Puzzler

Do the math to reveal these important car safety tips.

The back seat is the safest place to sit until age _____

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Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums.

Kid Scoop Together: COMPLETE THE RULES

Select a word to complete each safety rule. Then, cut out these rules and put them on your refrigerator or bathroom mirror as a daily reminder.

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5. Don't walk or skate alone.
6. Before you go anywhere, CHECK FIRST with the _____ in charge. (Check in again if you _____ your plans.)
7. Never take a _____ with someone without checking with your parents first.

Standards Link: Health: Know concepts and practices concerning injury prevention and safety.

Double Double Word Search

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

DIFFERENCE
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SAFETY
DANGER
BUCKLE
HELMET
STREET
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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Cause and Effect

Many times headlines tell "what happened" in the news. This is the **effect**. Select an article to find out what **caused** the effect reported in the article's headline.

Standards Link: Reading: Understand organizational and informational text (cause and effect).

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Standards Link: Health: Know concepts and practices concerning injury prevention and safety.

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ACROSS

1 "March Madness" org. _____ place

5 Twain's Huckleberry

6 Alan of Texas-based "The Big Land"

7 _____ Cola

8 in 2022, gas in Texas cost more than \$4 _____ gallon

9 an emoji is a modern-day _____

15 state where TX Buddy Holly died

16 similarities between two things

19 TXism: "_____ of spit and vinegar" (energetic man)

21 TX Rodney Crowell wrote song "Til _____ Control Again"

22 TXism: "up _____ juice" (coffee)

27 TXism: "_____ dog won't hunt"

28 Texas has _____ abortion law

29 Texas Tech winning Lady Raiders coach, Sharp (1982-2006)

30 TXism: "gave me a _____ dance" (runaround)

32 "Traveling Wilbury" Petty, with TX Roy Orbison (init.)

33 you can go salt _____ ing from South Padre Island

36 underground part of a plant

37 Texas actor Tommy _____ Jones

DOWN

1 Cowboys and Texans org.

2 U.S. spy org.

3 novelist Elmer Kelton was born in this Texas county

4 "Sizzlin' Summer Arts _____" in Hurst

8 rhyming verse

9 "_____ Ride" with the Houston Rodeo

10 365 days (abbr.)

11 governors: "_____ and Pa" Ferguson

12 "Pepsi Challenge" "_____ test"

13 noted Texas pianist, Samaroif

14 Mc _____, Texas

15 TXism: "_____ cluckin' but I can't find your nest"

16 "sounds like a _____"

17 messes with Texas

18 shot from a concealed location

20 something is wrong (2 wds.)

22 before noon time

23 how Texans might pronounce "no"

24 drearily dull

38 infantile, childish

39 TXism: "between a rock and _____ place"

41 "One _____, one Ranger"

42 TXism: "fat as a boardinghouse cat"

45 Texans Houston and Donaldson

46 San Antonio priv. univer.

47 TX Buddy Holly's "True Love _____"

48 quick light blow

35 TXism: "the tail _____ wagging the dog"

37 bedside light

40 this Lukas was in "Leap of Faith" with TX-born Martin

43 TX Dan Jenkins 1982 novel: "_____ Oklahoma"

44 TX B.J. Thomas' "The _____ New York Woman"

50 birds found on the Texas coast

51 TX Charley Pride's "_____ Rather Love You" (1971)

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