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Wildfires pose big threat as drought conditions continue

BY CARLA NOAH STUTSMAN

Continued dry conditions, low humidity levels and gusty winds are teaming up against many parts of Texas, resulting in large-scale wildfires that are straining the resources necessary to fight the fires.

Although it's now 80 percent contained, fire crews continue to work to quell the Kidd Fire, just one of the wildfires making up the Eastland Fire Complex in Eastland County. To date, the Kidd Fire alone has burned more than 42,000 acres.

But fires have also plagued Parker County over the past few days, bringing the danger to the forefront of minds across the county.

On March 25, the Veal Fire, located on FM 51 south of Springtown, went to three alarms, and at least



A firefighter performs a controlled burn to create a firebreak. The Veal Fire burned about 150 acres between FM 51, Hutchison Hill Road and J.E. Woody Road. Photo courtesy Texas A&M Forestry Service

five aircraft from the Texas Forestry Service were called in to service. The Veal Fire burned about 150 acres between FM 51, Hutchison Hill Road and J.E. Woody Road. Parker County ESD 1

was in command. This fire is thought to have started from sparks from a trailer chain.

On March 27, PCESD 1 responded to eight fires along with fire companies

from throughout the county, according to a report from the ESD. Those fires included:

- Pepperbush Fire: two

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New apartment complex clears some hurdles

BY DON MUNSCH editor@azlenews.net

City requirements necessary to bring a new apartment complex to Azle are nearing completion, as the Azle City Council approved some ordinances last week for Stafford Place Apartments.

At the March 22 meeting, council approved an amended concept plan for the development of a 252-unit apartment complex and one office building totaling 4,000 square feet, to be located at 1200 SE Parkway. Council in its motion also approved a 10-foot sidewalk easement over the sanitary sewer along the frontage of State Highway 199. The units will be built on 16 acres

located next to Legacy Oaks of Azle senior living center.

Council also approved a detailed site plan for the project. A detailed site plan includes information on design standards, landscaping, setbacks, access and connectivity and parking, among other aspects of the development. A variance request also was approved to allow a wrought iron fence in lieu of the required 8-foot masonry wall along the south property line.

The next step for Stafford Place is the building permit application, said David Hawkins, director of planning and development for the city. Once

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Voter information for May 7 election

BY JESSICA MCKINNEY azlereporter@azlenews.net

The ballots for local elections are set. The cities of Azle, Reno and Pelican Bay, the town of Lakeside, Azle ISD and Walnut Creek Special Utility District have positions up for election this year on May 7.

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Who's on the ballot?

CITY OF AZLE

- Place 1: Bill Jones; Derrick Nelson
- Place 2: David McClure; Amy Estes
- Place 5: Rouel Rothenberger

CITY OF PELICAN BAY

- Mayor: Tamra Olague
- Place 1: David Dryden
- Place 2: Sara Gashi

Council approves match requirements for home block grant program

BY DON MUNSCH editor@azlenews.net

The Azle City Council at its March 22 meeting approved matching contribution requirements and committing \$22,500 in match contribution to affordable housing for all activities undertaken through the HOME Investment Partnership Program.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development appropriates funds to entitlement communities through the HOME Investment Partnership Block Grant program, of which Tarrant County receives

funding, the city council agenda packet stated.

Council learned these funds are targeted to benefit low- to moderate-income persons by providing homeowner-occupied single-family rehabilitation. Tarrant County Community Development offers a program that allows cities to apply for funding with a 30% match, which is to be used for the development of "safe and decent housing," the agenda packet stated.

City administration requested \$75,000 of these grant funds with the city's match portion being \$22,500. A portion of the

\$22,500 could be derived from the waiving of building and permit fees. The HOME program does not have to follow any CDBG areas or designated low-income areas, the agenda packet stated. HOME funds can be used in any area of the Tarrant County portion of the city as long as the recipient qualifies.

Tarrant County Community Development will administer all aspects of the program, council learned. The city has participated in this program the past 14 years, helping rehab a few

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Girl Scout Troop 2745 honors first responders



Samantha and Madeline Bevan of Girl Scout Troop 2745 presented 53 donated boxes of cookies to Azle police officers and firefighters and Texas Health Azle hospital staff last week. "Girl Scout Troop 2745 would like to thank the Azle and Springtown community for their support during our cookie season and for their generosity towards our military and first responders," said Rachel Bevan, troop leader. Notes of appreciation and waters were also delivered with the boxes of cookies. Photo courtesy

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acres, with five structures threatened and saved

- Murr Road at FM 1886: four acres, one structure threatened and saved

- Oak Circle in Peaster: 10 acres, one structure damaged, another structure saved

- Jenkins Road/Becky Drive in Aledo: 2.5 acres, two structures threatened, one structure received minor damage

- Turpin Lake: one-half acre

- Kalinga Drive: one-quarter acre, two structures threatened, one structure with minor damage

- Veal Fire: crews extinguished and controlled new active fire within containment lines from the previous fire.

All eight fires were 100 percent contained and all personnel and equipment from PCESD1 were back in

quarters by 11 p.m. that day.

On March 28 shortly before 2 p.m., a wildfire broke out in the 300 block of Advance Road between Poolville and Whitt. This fire quickly went to three alarms. Texas Forestry Service air support was unavailable; it's likely those resources were committed to the 700-acre Bosque River Fire and/or the 32,000+-acre Crittendon Complex of fires in Coryel County, near Fort Hood.

However, two TFS bulldozers were operating along the fire's west flank by 2:45 p.m. By 3 p.m., forward progression of the Fondren Fire, as it has been named, was believed to be stopped, but there was no word on containment. At that time, an estimated 75 acres had burned.

The Azle Fire Department responded to assist with the Murr Road fire at FM 1886

on March 27; the department also tapped a large dumpster fire in the 11,400 block of FM 730 South and a grass/brush fire in the 700 block of Park Street. On March 28, Azle FD extinguished an RV fire in the 12,600 block of FM 730 South.

Information gathered for this story came from various sources, including media, agency social media, internet sites and scanner traffic.

OBSERVE ALL PRECAUTIONS

Both Tarrant and Parker Counties are currently under emergency burn bans. In short, this means no open flames, sparks or embers are allowed. Residents in rural areas should keep an area of at least 30 feet mowed around homes, outbuildings and other structures to prevent fire from reaching structures.



The Veal Fire burned about 150 acres between FM 51, Hutchison Hill Road and J.E. Woody Road. Photo courtesy PCESD1

Adult & Teen Challenge of Azle helps with community tornado cleanup



Men from Adult & Teen Challenge of Azle deployed to the Jacksboro area to help residents who are dealing with the aftermath of last week's tornadoes. The volunteers, part of the organization's Convoy for Hope Response Team, delivered water and other supplies and helped with cleanup efforts.

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Public notices are critical to government accountability

Editorial cartoonist Ben Sargent once penned a masterful sketch of a newspaperman — a skinny, bug-eyed fellow in a baggy suit with a press card in the band of his porkpie hat.



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The unnamed journalist was depicted in the simple act of entering a dark room at city hall and switching on a light. The cartoon had no caption. It didn't need one. In your mind's eye you could see cockroaches scurrying for cover.

Sargent's message to Austin American-Statesman readers was clear and timeless: Light is the best disinfectant, and nothing shines light on the activities of government like a newspaper. That's especially true in this era of real-time news coverage, instantaneous online commentary and partisan electronic echo chambers.

Governments today are larger, more pervasive and more powerful than any time in our history. Fortunately for those of us who believe in self-governance, newspapers are still around. And they're the best source for information on how government spends your money and what government plans to do to you. That's because newspapers still cover the behind-the-scenes goings-on at city hall and not just the horse-race aspect of political

campaigns. It's also because newspapers are still the home of public notices, and some of the most important journalism in your newspaper arrives in the form of public notices.

Public notices are mandatory announcements of what a governmental body plans to do or what it has already put into motion. They are not universally popular among government officials. Public notices are printed in newspapers — the civic journals of their communities — because they're required under scores of laws passed over the past two centuries. The idea behind those public notice laws was to foster transparency to keep government open and accountable.

If you're a parent and you need to know ahead of time that the school district is drawing up new school attendance zones, you should appreciate public notices. The law requires the district to print that plan in a newspaper. Without even knowing you should look, you can stumble across new information on where Little Johnny

may be attending school next year while sipping your latte and reading the morning paper. You become aware of this important development in your family's existence whether or not you follow the superintendent's social media posts. If you don't like what you see, you can take action to oppose it.

If you're a taxpayer and you want to learn out about property tax rates planned for next year before they're passed, you can appreciate public notices. State law requires cities, counties and school districts to notify you of their intentions before tax rates are set in stone. How? In a public notice printed in the newspaper.

And if you're a property owner like the folks of Fayette County, you'd appreciate knowing if an out-of-town company is seeking a permit to dump Austin sewage sludge in a field beside the Colorado River. A modest legally required public notice in the Fayette County Record brought that plan to light. It didn't pass the smell test with citizens, and they

raised a stink with state officials. The permit application was quickly withdrawn.

Public notices in newspapers get noticed. When they do, readers may decide to share a thought or two with the officials involved. Let's face it: those officials' jobs would be ever-so-much less stressful if they didn't have to interact with upset voters who pay the taxes that fund their paychecks. Some officials are particularly galled that state law requires them to pay newspapers to publish these notices. They complain to legislators that it's a waste of money — that the notices could simply be posted on the governmental entity's website without paying newspapers to spread the news.

Their argument doesn't mention the fact that public notice rates are among the lowest charged by newspapers. It also fails to note that creating, operating and maintaining a government-public notice site would also cost taxpayers money. And it conveniently ignores the immense watchdog value of a newspaper serving as an independent, verifiable and archived third-party source for these important notices.

Today, newspapers are making their notices more visible than ever, and it

doesn't cost the taxpayer an extra dime. In addition to printing the notices for a fee, Texas publishers make public notice information available at no extra charge online. Citizens can even sign up at no charge to electronically receive notices by subject matter and by jurisdiction.

A few months ago, the state of Florida updated its public notice laws by requiring newspapers to provide this additional electronic service for public notices at no additional charge. But only eight weeks after the new law went into effect, the Florida legislature backtracked. It passed another law allowing governmental entities to post notices on their own government websites and bypass newspapers altogether. In doing so, the state of Florida legalized the concept of the fox guarding the henhouse.

If you think that sort of thing can't happen in Texas, think again. Like Texas, Florida is a conservative state with voters who want to hold government accountable. That's a good thing. But some overeager legislators committed to cutting taxes, supporting local control and promising to "work with" local officials can be misled by a local official's suggestion to eliminate

newspaper notices and put the money into pothole repair. That, combined with the reckless labeling of all traditional media as "fake news," means a toxic environment for newspapers that have faithfully served their communities for a century or longer.

Not only should government not be in the business of disseminating their own public notices; government shouldn't want to. By handling the publication, verification, distribution and archiving of official notices, newspapers keep government from serving as its own publisher, distributor, certifier of the record and archivist. By handling public notices, newspapers give government officials legal protection from accusations of releasing incomplete or untimely information — or of surreptitiously changing the record for the officials' convenience.

So, it comes down to this: if you want to know what's going on in your hometown, tell your local officials and your legislators to keep public notices in newspapers. It's the civically healthy thing to do.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

PORN IN THE LIBRARY

Imagine a comic book with colorful cartoon characters, obscene language and sexually explicit images available within arms-reach of children in our Azle library. That's exactly what the autobiography "Gender Queer" by author Maia Kobabe is all about.

As a concerned parent, citizen and Azle taxpayer, I brought this book's attention to our mayor, city manager and city council members via email. Unfortunately, I

got no assistance from any of them.

Nine Azle residents, including myself, filed a complaint with the Azle library. Our Azle Library Director, Curren McLane, Assistant Director Lisa Galletta and all seven library board members agreed the book is worthy of being part of our Azle library collection. Ms. McLane also stated it is the parents' responsibility to watch out for our kids in the library.

What a sad state of affairs we live in when parents

can't let their kids explore the library freely because of books like this one. Parents beware!

Another disappointment from this experience is the fact that our Azle library can provide this book with its perverse language and images without any censorship. Yet, when I tried to quote directly from the book in my opinion piece, I got censored.

If you think that this type of book should NOT be in the Azle Library's Graphic Novel (comic book) section,

then make your voice known to your city council members who will be able to take appropriate action. Otherwise, your silence will give approval to our highly paid librarian to continue providing this type of information to our children.

— Gabriela Ahlheim, Azle

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Azle News chooses to avoid printing sexually explicit language. Additionally, the book in question is in the library's Adult Graphic Novel section.

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The Investment of Time

Like many people, my wife, Daniele, and I enjoy vacations at the beach. We rarely set up camp and lay out in the sun. Instead, we walk along the water's edge for hours - enjoying the sun's warmth; the sounds of breaking waves, seagulls and children, and uninterrupted time together as a couple.



HOPE MATTERS

By David Shaffer

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When you ask us about our latest beach trip, we will likely choose one of our walks to share as a highlight. Interestingly, no walk is the same. The two- to three-hour walks usually include catch-up talk, observational discussions, games, periodic silence and some substantive conversations.

One of our favorite games involves us taking turns

closing our eyes and taking 100 steps along a crowded beach, guided only by a spouse's "Left!", "Right!" or "Stop!" instructions. It is oddly exhilarating to make it to 100 without having run into another person. My guess is that the teamwork, even during such a silly game, unites us, drawing us closer. Quite a few of our best conversations have taken place on sand.

There are excellent quotes on quality time, and I cer-

tainly support the concept. Relationally, though, quality time usually requires parties to cooperate, making it impossible to guarantee. The benefit of quantity time is that quality time may organically surface during it. For example, as parents, my wife and I never knew when one of those remarkable moments would arise with our kids, or when our lessons would take hold. Frequently, those incredible quality times would take

place when we least expected it. We also soon realized how much we were learning from our children (something that continues to this day as we spend time with our adult children and two granddaughters).

This past Friday, the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce held its annual Clay Shoot. (Congratulations to Executive Director Jennifer Herrington, Office Assistant Julie Preston and the Clay Shoot Committee for a wonderfully successful event!) With 23 teams of five, the course was packed with co-workers of various businesses and organizations. Amid beautiful weather and explosive shotgun blasts, there were cheers, laughter and the rumble of conversa-

tions taking place throughout the grounds. The most common comment I heard was something to the effect of, "To have a full day just to hang out and have fun together is a gift." I agree. Teams of co-workers strengthened their relationships, and I know from past Clay Shoots, that it will make a positive difference in their workplaces.

On the day of the Clay Shoot, I served as one of the volunteers and had dozens of conversations. All were friendly and kind; most included laughter. There were a lot of jokes told, even a couple funny ones. Sometimes, conversations seamlessly moved to more weighty and meaningful subjects, like health mat-

ters, the care of aging parents and the war in Ukraine.

Whether strolling along the beach with your spouse, walking through life with your children, shooting skeet with co-workers, or taking a day with family or friends; the investment of time can strengthen relationships and provide quality moments that become hope-producing memories. Greek philosopher Theophrastus said, "Time is the most valuable thing a man can spend."

How is your upcoming schedule? I hope we spend our days well, intentionally planning on quantity time with our families and others in this special community we call "home."

ORDINANCES, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.

the permit is approved and issued, construction on the apartment buildings can begin.

A concept plan for the project was approved in July 2020.

In the original concept, the complex had 200 units. There will be no change to the architectural design of the buildings, Hawkins said, but more parking will

be factored in because of the increase of units. There will be garage and surface parking at the complex.

No public comments were made in public hearings for either agenda item. Bruce Myers, representing SPAA Property LLC, spoke to council about the project. In a letter to Hawkins, he said all of the buildings on the property will have

two-story dimensions and will be of the same size so as to make a community of "big homes" rather than large apartment buildings. There will be 20 buildings. The complex proposes 106 one-bedroom units and 146 two-bedroom units. Average square footage is 1,002.

Average rent will be \$1,500 a month at Stafford Place.

VOTING, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.

City of Reno

- Place 1: Granville Martin
- Place 3: Shelli Swift; Jason Holden
- Place 5: Jeff Davis

Town of Lakeside

- Place 1: Christopher Ayers
- Place 3: Wesley Hearn
- Place 5: Rona Stratton Gouyton

Azle ISD

- Place 4: Ray Lea; David Compston
- Place 5: Jeremy May
- Place 6: Bill Lane
- Place 7: Jeff Edwards

Walnut Creek SUD

Three available seats: Mike Gilley, Frank Henderson, Beth Correll, Rene Esteves, Jim Cox, Candace

Chandler and Jeff Carter

Voters need to be registered to vote no later than April 7 to be able to cast their votes either during the early voting period — April 25 to May 3 — or on Election Day.

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Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the **City of Reno** has determined that the following proposed action under the Community Development Block Grant administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and ERR #(7220390), is located in the wetland, and the **City of Reno** will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the wetland and the potential impacts on the wetland from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Wetland Management.

All work will occur in the City of Reno, Parker County, Texas in the following locations:

Water Improvements:

- Well Site #1 - Southwest side of Scenic Wood Dr. (32.97361, -97.57005)
- Well Site #2 - Southwest corner of Parsonage St. and W. Reno Rd. (32.94392, -97.58062)
- Well Site #4 - Southwest corner of E. Browder Cr. and W. Reno Rd. (32.93899, -97.56695)
- Well Site #5 - Southeast corner of Bill B St. and Rhonda B Rd. (32.92238, -97.55314)
- Well Site #6 - Northside of Rhonda B Rd. (32.92151, -97.54686)
- Well Site #7 - Eastside of Ladybird Ln. (32.96907, -97.57355)
- Miller Rd Water Line - On Miller Rd. from Ladybird Ln to N. Cardinal Rd.

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

Water Improvements:

Install: a 6-inch water line along Miller Rd; Disinfection systems at all 7 well sites to switch from chlorine to chloramines; an additional booster pump at Well Site #1; and Reconfigure the booster pumps at Well Site #5. The ground disturbance depths for the well sites (boosters and disinfection) would be less than 2ft, and the waterline will be about 4ft deep.

WETLAND

According to the USFWS wetland map the Miller Road water line portion of the project crosses two (2) Riverine Wetlands:

Miller Road

- 32.96028, -97.56976
- 32.96029, -97.55959

Are of Disturbance: 0.05 acres

Natural and beneficial values potentially adversely affected by the activity:

1. In addition to concerns for life and property, the City has considered the natural values of the wetland. The natural resources of the wetland include water, biological, and societal resources. The proposed project will have minimal impacts to the wetland as the project involves minimal ground disturbance within the wetland.
2. After consultation with the USFWS, review of the County Lists of Endangered and Threatened Species for the County and on-site inspections of the project site, it was concluded that the construction of the facilities will have no quantifiable impact on plant and animal life. Only native plants are to be used in the wetland and on the site.
3. Societal resources should also be considered during the design process. The designs are meant to complement the natural features of the area and to offer an aesthetically pleasing structure. The site will not have an effect on agricultural lands.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the wetlands, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and requests for public comment about wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the **City of Reno** at the following address on or before **April 14, 2022**, (a minimum 15 calendar day comment period will begin the day after the publication and end on the 16th day after the publication): **the City of Reno, 195 W. Reno Road Reno, TX 76020**, Attention: **Scott Passmore, City Administrator**. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from **9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**, at the same address or at the following URL: <https://tinyurl.com/2p82atk9>. Comments may also be submitted via email at todd@texasenvironmentals.com.

Azle School Menu

April 4-8, 2022

BREAKFAST:	LUNCH:	A La Carte Items
GRADES PK-4th \$1.55 GRADES 5-12th \$1.50 Employees \$1.85 Guests \$1.85	GRADES PK-12th \$2.65 Employees \$3.20 Guests \$3.55 Gold Card Guests \$3.15	• Milk/Juice 75¢ • Bottled water \$1.00 • Ice Cream \$1.00
PreK - 4th		
BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers, Toast, Mon Cocoa Puffs Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Tues Warm Breakfast on a Stick Weds Golden Mini French Toast Thurs Egg & Turkey Sausage Biscuit Sandwich Fri Golden Banana Bread Slice		
LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice Mon Popcorn Chicken Rice Bowl, Tangy Sweet & Sour Chicken w/Brown Rice Tues Beefy Macaroni Marinara w/ Roll, BBQ Sloppy Joe Sandwich Weds Chicken Fajitas w/Flour Tortilla & Spanish Rice, Chicken & Cheese Tamales w/Rice & Beans, Cheesy Mexican Mix Refried Beans Thurs Meatloaf Mashed Potato Bowl w/Biscuit, Chicken Nugget Potato Bowl w/Biscuit Fri Grilled Cheeseburger, Pepperoni Pizza, Crispy Tater Tots		
GRADES 5TH - 8TH		
BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers, Mon Blueberry Muffin Tues Cheesy Egg & Potato Breakfast Tacos Weds Fluffy Jumbo Waffles w/ Turkey Sausage Thurs Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich Fri Iced Cinnamon Roll w/ Sausage Patty		
LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice, rolls, crackers. Variety of burgers. Mon Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Hamburger, Pepperoni & Jalapeno Pizza, Pepperoni Pizza, Creamy Garlic Chicken Penne, Italian Chicken in HM Pomodoro Sauce over WW Penne Tues Crispy Bean & Cheese Tacos, Crispy Beefy Tacos, Crispy Chicken & Cheese Taco, Crispy Popcorn Chicken Wrap, Cheese Pizza, Pepperoni Pizza, Jerk Chicken & Caribbean Rice, Fish Shape Nugget & Chips w/Roll, Sweet & Sour Chicken, Crispy Kung Pao Chicken, Chicken Nugget Potato Bowl Weds Grande Beefy Nachos, Grande Cheesy Nachos, Grande Chicken Nachos, Diced Chicken Teriyaki Wrap, Veggie Pizza, Classic Pepperoni Pizza, Cheeseburger Tots w/ Biscuit, Beefy Macaroni Marinara, Orange Chicken, Chili Garlic Chicken Stir Fry, Country Fried Steak Potato Bowl w/Roll Thurs Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Hamburger, Beef Lasagna, Cheesy Meatball Sub Fri Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Hamburger, Cheese Pizza, Meat Lover's Pizza, Macaroni & Cheese w/ Beef Fingers, Chicken Nuggets w/Macaroni & Cheese, Crispy Straight Cut Fries.		
HIGH SCHOOL		
BREAKFAST: Everyday: Fruit • Cereal • Juice • Milk/Chocolate Milk • Graham Crackers Egg Scramble w/ Turkey Sausage & Biscuit • Scrambled Eggs w/ Biscuit • Turkey Sausage Patty w/ Biscuit • Hash Brown Mon Egg, Turkey Sausage & Cheese Tornado Tues Egg, Turkey Sausage & Cheese Tornado Weds Blueberry Muffin w/ String Cheese Thurs Cinnamon & Sugar Donut Holes Fri Egg, Turkey Sausage & Cheese Tornado		
LUNCH: Everyday: Milk • Pizza • Salad. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice BALLPARK CLASSICS: Ham/Cheeseburger Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich • Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich • Golden Chicken Corn Dog Mon Grande Beef & Cheese Fajita, Grande Chicken Fajita w/ Flour Tortilla, Cheesy Chicken Salad Wrap, Veggie Pizza, Classic Pepperoni Pizza, Herb Roasted Turkey w/Stuffing & Roll, General Tso Meatballs w/ Seasoned Rice, General Tso's Chicken w/Fried Rice, Country Fried Steak Potato Bowl w/ Roll Tues Grande Beefy Nachos, Grande Homemade Cheesy Nachos, Grande Chicken Nachos, Diced Chicken Teriyaki Wrap, Veggie Pizza, Classic Pepperoni Pizza, Ultimate Grilled Cheese w/Tomato Soup, Baked Potato Soup w/Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Fried Rice w/Egg Roll, Sweet & Sour Chicken w/Rice & Egg Roll, Country Fried Steak Potato Bowl w/Roll Weds Beef Burrito, Chicken Burrito, Bean & Cheese Burrito, Cheesy Turkey Melt, Delicious Cheese Pizza, Pork Sausage Crumble Pizza, Savory Chili Dog, BLT Dog, Sweet & Sour Chicken w/Lomein Noodles, Chili Garlic Chicken w/Lomein Noodles, Chicken Tender Potato Bowl w/Roll Thurs Homemade Beef Burrito, Homemade Chicken Burrito, Homemade Bean & Cheese Burrito, Cheesy Turkey Melt, Delicious Cheese Pizza, Pork Sausage Crumble Pizza, Chicken Pot Pie w/ Biscuit, Chilled Chicken Fajita Patty Sandwich, Sweet & Sour Chicken w/Lomein Noodles, Sweet & Sour Beef w/Lomein Noodles, Chicken Tender Potato Bowl w/Roll Fri Scratch-Made Beef Enchiladas, Verde Chicken Enchiladas, Scratch-Made Cheese Enchiladas, Crispy Popcorn Chicken Wrap, Cheese Pizza, Pepperoni Pizza, Chunky Veggie Chili w/ Cornbread and Crackers, Chili con Carne w/ Kidney Beans, Cornbread, & Crackers, Teriyaki Meatballs & Broccoli w/ Brown Rice & Egg Roll, Chicken Teriyaki w/Rice & Egg Roll, Chicken Nugget Potato Bowl w/Roll		



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Principal Randy Cobb (left), Bailey Pierce, Westin Wyatt and Optimist Club president Leon Williams attended the March 25 meeting recognizing the hard work of the Young Texan and Texanne for the month.
Photo by Jessica McKinney

Wyatt, Pierce named Young Texan/Texanne for March

BY JESSICA MCKINNEY
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The Optimist Club of Azle honored two Azle High School seniors at its March 25 meeting.

Westin Wyatt and Bailey Pierce were recognized for their hard work in academics and extracurricular activities and were named the Young Texan and Texanne for the month of March.

Wyatt will attend Concordia University Texas in Austin after graduation where he will study sports medicine. Currently, he holds a 99.73 GPA and is No. 46 in his

class.

He is a member of the National Honor Society, has been on A Honor Roll, and was named Academic All District.

"It shows I am willing to put in the work," said Wyatt in his senior information form.

"I am proud of these accomplishments because they took a large quantity of time and effort to attain."

After graduation, Pierce will study architectural engineering at Texas Tech University, a wide departure from her original career field of teaching.

Pierce has been on A Honor Roll throughout high school and has taken all Advanced Placement and OnRamps classes at AHS, in addition to working as a manager for Mr. Jim's Pizza in Azle.

"This shows me that I can do anything I strive for," she said.

Pierce is No. 34 in the senior class and has a GPA of 101.19.

Both students have shown themselves to be strong in character and determined to succeed in all that they do, the Optimist Club said.

Call me Dr. Flautenstine

Have you ever said something that you didn't really mean, but you really did - kinda - but you really didn't? As I write this today - March 28, 2022- I'm celebrating the 38th anniversary of when that happened.

My allotted word count doesn't permit me to tell the whole backstory, but here's the abbreviated version.

I knew I was going to marry Mrs. Sweetie before we ever had our first date. I just did. I was already smitten when a friend in the college choir suggested that we would make a great couple.

We'd already been friends for a couple of years and hung out in the same group. I was never - I mean ever - confident in asking girls out on dates. So, I started dropping hints around her that girls practically have to ask me out on dates.

She later told me that she was interested at the time, but she was not about to let me be a chicken. So, she determined that if it were ever going to happen I would be the one asking.

So as we continued to hang out, I started casually saying things like, "after we're married, we'll ... " whatever the subject was at the time.

Finally, she looked at me and said, "If we're ever going to get married, you're probably going to have to ask me out."



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.

That was all the encouragement I needed. It only took me another month to work up the courage to officially ask her out. (Insert eye roll here.)

At the time of our first date, I was taking a required woodwinds instrument class for my music degree. My degree was in music education with a focus on voice and choral conducting. Why I had to learn to play the flute, clarinet, oboe and bassoon is still baffling to me.

I was learning flute at the time and she asked me when I was going to play it for her. I went back to the well of marriage jokes and said "on our 50th wedding anniversary."

Not long after we officially started dating, our college choir was preparing to go on a concert tour of Austria and Hungary.

She warned me before we left that I should not get caught up in the romance of the places we'd be and start talking marriage stuff.

I heeded her warning.

For about half of the trip. And then I started talking crazy marriage stuff.

She looked deeply into

my eyes and said, "Do you know for certain that I'm the one God wants you to spend the rest of your life with."

I looked back and said, "Yes. And when God convinces you, you can let me know."

What a proposal! Just over two weeks later, she showed up at my apartment and handed me an envelope.

Inside was a piece of flute music.

That was 38 years ago today.

So I have just over 12 years to learn how to play the flute again.

Either that, or I'll need to build a "flute" out of instruments that I can actually play.

And that, my friends, is how you can call me Dr. Flautenstine.

There is no great or deep lesson for today. I just wanted to share something that made me smile - and hope it's contagious.

Maybe that's the best way for us to be amazing today.

Be amazing today, my friend.

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homes. The city currently has one home in the program, at 220 Richard Lane, and it is just being finished and awaiting final inspection; it will be the fourth house in the program. The city also has two homes on the waitlist. Staff is working with Tarrant County Community Development to find ways to alert residents about this program.

"It is a good program," said Susie Hiles, assistant to the city manager, who talked to council at the meeting, noting the program is not utilized to a great degree by the residents who would be able to apply for it. City Manager Tom Muir did say the program has an onerous application process. He added that Tarrant County does not want a mass promotion about the program because of a limited amount of funds.

Also at the meeting, council approved Muir to execute an interlocal agreement with Tarrant County to participate in the Remote Video Magistration Project. Interim Azle Police Chief

Sid Fuller told council that in the current process the municipal judge performs arraignments when Azle police have a prisoner, with the mayor filling in occasionally as the magistrate. This system will allow judges on the bench in Fort Worth to perform arraignments anywhere in the county.

"It will bring consistency on setting bonds," Fuller said. "There's also a lot of new requirements through the state that (have) to happen during arraignments as far as indigent representation by counsel, mental illness, and this provides the county with an ability to make it consistent throughout the county. And it speeds up the process where bond can be set pretty much any time day or night because they have a judge on duty. They can actually bond out of our jail instead of having to go to Fort Worth (and then) come back here."

Fuller added the county is "pretty much picking up

the entire tab" for the project. Infrastructure and software will be provided for by the county. The city has to provide a work station with a computer, phone and printer, all of which are currently in the jail. No additional purchases have to be made.

There are no recurring costs associated with this project, city staff said. Tarrant County requires execution of the interlocal agreement, which has been reviewed by the city attorney's office, the city agenda packet stated. Fuller said the county's timeline for having the project running is the end of April.

Also at the March 22 meeting, Renita Bishop, finance director for the city, conducted a presentation for the finance/court/utility billing functions for the city for 2020-21. Councilmembers learned about how accounting processes, financial reports, purchasing and contracts are coordinated.

They are learned about the court processes, such

as how it oversees class C misdemeanors violations and ordinance violations in the city, and all the many responsibilities of the court. The city had virtual court hearings that were live-streamed in the last year, Bishop said.

The utility billing department oversees helping customers with new accounts and transferring and disconnecting services, among many other duties. Bishop also talked about accomplishments and some upcoming projects. One of the challenges the city will face is the new home growth.

"There are over 975 homes and 10 subdivisions being built in this city and this is going to increase the work load of all departments and especially our utility billing and court staff," Bishop said.

In another meeting agenda item, council approved acceptance of the auditor's opinion and annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

AHS students to attend state competition



Tristan Dorado, left, and Austin Rickert, right, will be going to the Skills USA state contest in Galveston this week. Photo by Don Munsch

BY DON MUNSCH
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Two Azle High School students will venture to Corpus Christi this week for a Skills USA state contest.

They are part of Azle High Automotive Technology class that participated at the recent Skills USA District contest, held at the Tarrant County College South Campus in Fort Worth.

In Job Skill O, freshman Austin Rickert placed second with his fuel system repair. He brought home the Silver to carry Azle to the state competition, to be held March 30-April 2. In Job Skill Demonstration A class, sophomore Tristan Dorado placed third with his cylinder head testing for cracks and flatness before machining, and he brought home the bronze medal for his efforts and presentation, said AHS teacher Robert Herring. He will be in Corpus Christi to help Austin set up his project.

They will compete in the Career Readiness digital contest as well.

Austin said Skills USA is an organization focused on helping students build a skill set in a certain career path.

"And you do competitions, you compete over it, you see who's the best," Austin said. "But it's really just like a competition for CTE classes."

Skills USA skills can range from hairdressing to math to welding to culinary arts.

"Pretty much a trade that would really help a person to 1) gain money and 2) have a successful career," Tristan said.

Austin said his project centered on how to replace a fuel filter in a carburetor. Students receive five to seven minutes for demonstration time and then they get three minutes for set up and three minutes for demolition.

Tristan said his project revolved around checking for the flatness of a cylinder in a car engine and if there are any cracks in a cylinder head with a magnetic crack detector, or otherwise known as a Magnaflux tool, which is a hand-held electromagnet.

As far as a career, Tristan said he would like to start a company doing off-road auto body repair, welding together cages for side-by-sides and customizing them, making his own parts for them and just fabricating items for off-road activities.

Austin said Herring is his grandfather and said he is considering the automotive field as a career. Both boys always have had interest in cars, with Tristan growing up in his garage working on four-wheelers, dirt bikes and cars with his dad, conducting basic repairs. Austin also said he used to race motocross and participated in that for several years.

Both Austin and Tristan are excited about going to Corpus, and Tristan, who recently moved here from the West Coast, looks forward to seeing more of Texas.

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Brewer powers past Lady Hornets in district play



Azle Lady Hornet Alyssa Holland gets up after sliding in safely to home during the Azle-Brewer softball game March 25. The Lady Bears won the game 15-5. Photo by Don Munsch

BY DON MUNSCH
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The Azle Lady Hornets softball team knew two hitters into the game against Brewer last Friday what it was facing in the Lady Bear lineup.

Kelsey Valo hit a two-run homer to put Brewer on top 2-0, and the Lady Bears never really let up the rest of way, taking a 15-5 decision in a run-ruled, sixth inning contest.

Azle pitcher Morgan Terrell pitched one-plus inning. She was replaced by Casey Morrison, who gave up a three-run homer to Karlie Landrum, whose blast put Brewer ahead 6-1 lead in the second. Valo hit another

homer in the third to pad the Brewer lead to seven runs, 9-2. The Lady Hornets rallied for three runs in the bottom of the inning, with Kaylee Parrish, Torrie Johnson and Kalle Vasquez getting runs batted in to move the score to 9-5.

The loss dropped Azle to 2-2 in district play and 10-9-1 overall.

Lady Hornets coach Macy Pruitt said the umpire had a “pretty tight” strike zone and Azle pitchers tossed pitches too far away for his liking.

“I think he was overall consistent, (but) we just had a hard time adjusting at the mound to his strike zone,” she said. “I think pitchers overall did really well. They

were hitting spots. It’s just an inch or two away from what he liked. So, we had a hard time getting ahead on the count, getting ahead of these batters.”

And because Brewer is a good hitting team, she said, when pitchers got behind on batters, they have to bring pitches into the strike zone more often and the Lady Bears could take advantage.

Pruitt said she liked her players’ energy and that the team hit well, but the team just didn’t string hits together.

“This is just the first round of district, and next time is going to be different,” she said. “Next time, we’re going to string those hits together, and we’re going to score a lot more runs.”

Students participate in state archery tournament in Belton

BY DON MUNSCH
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Students participating in archery at Azle High School can learn to hit the bullseye when it comes skills such as teamwork and building camaraderie.

And they can qualify for state competition, with the state tournament held last week at the Bell County Expo Center in Belton.

Archers represented Azle High well, team adviser Lisa Helm said, and she looks forward to generating more interest in the program and seeing it grow. The tourney was held March 22-23.

“We shot pretty consistently with how we’ve been shooting throughout the year,” Helm said.

Helm teaches the Nation-

al Archery in the Schools Program in her Outdoors Adventures class at AHS. Students have to go through NASP training, which includes the 11 steps to archery success, and they had to have taken Helm’s class or currently be enrolled in the class to be eligible to be on the team.

“We’ve been competing in and qualified for the state archery tournament for five years now,” Helm said. “And every year, we’ve qualified a team, except for one year, we didn’t qualify a team, but we did qualify an individual that year. There are some years in which it’s real competitive.”

This year, the program qualified eight students for

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Members of the Azle High School archery team who qualified for state were, front row, Payton Mitchum, Dalton Dorris, Kaitlyn Gulley and Camden Rushing. Back row were Anthony Fitch, William Kisner, Jordan Taylor and Dillon Nichols. Courtesy photo

Azle track meet spawns medals, fun, teamwork



Gaven Sanders shows off his spin move while throwing the discus.



Emma Black discovered her love of shot put after failing to make the volleyball and basketball teams in middle school. Photos by Jeff Prince

BY JEFF PRINCE
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Azle tracksters earned medals and enjoyed one another’s company while competing in gorgeous spring-like weather at the Donnie Ostermann Hornet Relays meet at Hornet Stadium last week.

The annual meet is a big one that includes boys and girls and varsity and junior varsity teams. Other schools competing were Aledo, Denton Ryan, Granbury, Eastern Hills, Boswell and Joshua.

Azle senior Ashlyn Hobbs hustled over to the discus pit just in time to hear her name being called. She was still breathing hard after winning second place in the two-mile race just minutes earlier.

“I’m very tired,” she said. She tossed the discus without going into her usual spinning motion, using a straight-ahead power throw instead.

“I’m too dizzy,” she said. Her toss of 72 feet 6 inches was far off her personal record of 89 feet, but she had accomplished what

she’d set out to do – compete in multiple events. Later that day, she would run a one-mile race.

After the girls finished their discus throws, the boys lined up outside the pit. First up for Azle was Gaven Sanders, a senior who began throwing discus in middle school.

Sanders and his family moved to Azle from Waco two years ago, and Sanders experienced difficulty fitting into his new environs.

“It was a bit rough at

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Azle senior girls approach district golf tourney with anticipation

BY JEFF PRINCE
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Eight months ago, the valedictorian at Azle High School was a beginner at golf but landed a spot on the girls varsity team at Azle High School.

By week's end, Lauren Giles will have competed in her first District 5-5A tournament.

Giles' discovery of golf came in a roundabout way. She had completed every extra class available at the school, and golf was one of the few classes remaining for her to put on her schedule.

"Most of my high school career has been, like, how many AP courses can I fit into my schedule?" she said. "I've been really worried about my GPA and rank the whole time."

Her GPA is 105.96 currently. Giles expects to bump that up to 106 before the year ends.

"I am pretty confident that I can't get caught by number two right now," she said.

Giles had taken a history class taught by Eddy Prather, who doubles as the girls

golf coach. Prather convinced her to try out for the golf team.

"My dad's been telling me I should join the golf team since first grade, but I just said no and didn't do it," she said. "So, I was like, I have nothing else to do senior year. Might as well join the golf team."

She turned out to have a natural gift for swinging a club.

"It worked out pretty well," she said.

Still, she found herself in an unfamiliar position - feeling less than knowledgeable about a subject. The first time Giles golfed, she was told to grab a putter. Giles didn't know what a putter looked like.

"I grabbed the club that said 'P' on it, which is your pitching wedge and definitely not your putter," she said.

"Now, I could confidently navigate a golf course and be decently sure of my abilities."

Prather praised her work ethic and said Giles has developed a "pretty good swing" in a short amount of time.

"She can definitely play

golf," he said. "She's a beginner, but she works. She goes above and beyond. She'll come in the morning, she'll come in the afternoon, she'll go out to the course. She's one of the best. I hate to lose her."

Giles doesn't expect to play tournaments after high school but plans to go into business and network in familiar ways, including hitting the links.

"If I go into some (career) field where they're like, 'Let's go discuss this thing and play a round of golf,' now I won't be like, 'What's a pitching wedge?'" she said.

Riley Free began golfing as a freshman. Now a senior, she is excited about playing in what could be her final tournament of high school.

"I think I'll do good," she said.

She doesn't expect to qualify for regionals but will do her best to make that happen, she said. Free joined the golf team with hopes of earning a college scholarship, but she didn't develop a passion for the game.

Golf became more of a hobby that provides outdoor



From left, Riley Free, Lauren Giles and Erin McMullen have been preparing their swings for the upcoming district tournament. Photo by Jeff Prince

fun and exercise.

"I just didn't take it as serious as I thought I would," she said. "I mean, I take it seriously but not like college level. I figured out that's not really what I want to do."

Golf has helped her in other ways that she will carry with her into the future.

"It helps me with my self-discipline and work ethic," she said.

The team's third senior, Erin McMullen, dabbled in golf as a kid but didn't take

the game seriously until her freshman year.

"I knew it was a sport I would be able to play for the rest of my life rather than stopping once I graduate," she said.

McMullen has learned to appreciate being part of a team.

"They are there to support you no matter what," she said. "The team has been wonderful to have over the past four years."

She feels confident head-

ing into the district tournament and wants to play her best regardless of whether she qualifies for regionals.

"The feeling golf brings me is joy," she said. "It is so much fun to go out there and play. Sometimes, it's a test on your emotions, but most of the time, it's pretty enjoyable."

The girls golf district tournament is March 31 and April 1 at Cross Timbers Golf Course in Azle.

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state. She had about 15 students who would come to archery practice after school - all the students went through the archery unit in class - and the students practiced weekly. The team qualified through a virtual state qualifying tournament. The course was marked and measured, and the archery team had to have it verified by an administrator and have the dimensions notarized.

"We did the tournament," she said. "It was just us, obviously, and I submitted their scores, and that's how you qualify for state."

The state archery tournament offers \$30,000 in scholarship money, and the tournament has awarded more than \$180,000 to top high school archers since the inaugural state tournament in 2006. At state, students also have a chance to go to nationals.

From nationals, they can advance to the world championships, Helm said.

Helm said she has been contacted by colleges offering scholarships for her archers, who also have been contacted by colleges for those scholarships.

"That's been a really big motivation to grow this program and to really be competitive," she said.

No one from AHS quali-

fied for scholarships or nationals this year, Helm said. But the archers had a great time competing, she said.

Helm points to how some students had never been part of a team before, so this was an opportunity for them to get to compete at the state level. The archers received a state sendoff in which the archers got to walk the hallways and have the band play for them and cheerleaders

cheer for them.

Archers hope to attend some in-school tournaments next year, and perhaps AHS can hold a tourney, too, Helm said. She appreciates the administration's support and funding for archery team expenses.

Helm said she wants the archers to experience what's it like to be a part of a team, learning how to support others while they are shooting.

Also, she hopes they gain the experience of dedicating themselves to the activity. For some, that will mean reaping the rewards of qualifying for and competing at state.

"It's a very good motivational tool to get them to pass, because they have to be passing their classes to participate, they have to come to school to participate," she said.

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Azle upperclassmen to appreciate district golf meet

BY JEFF PRINCE
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Carson Spiker played football in middle school but suffered an injury in eighth grade.

Afterward, he "just never wanted to get back out there," he said.

He found another sport during his freshman year at Azle High School: golf.

"It was different," he said. "Football is more of a physical game. Golf is more of a mental game."

Spiker's four years at high school have seen him soar, from filling the final spot on the junior varsity team as a freshman to being among the top golfers in the program as a senior.

Spiker is one of four seniors on this year's varsity team competing for a championship. Barring any heroics at this week's district tournament that would propel them to regionals, these seniors might be playing their final tournament of high school.

"Feeling pretty good," Spiker said about district. "Hopefully, we can just go out there and play ball."

David Paige took a similar

route to the golf program. He played middle school football but was looking for a something more laid-back.

"I really just wanted to focus more on my schoolwork and getting a good education," he said. "Golf was something I could do for fun. I still take it seriously, but more just to have a good time."

His favorite part of being involved in the golf program was meeting new people.

"I made some good friends along the way and had fun at tournaments," he said. "I've loved the people."

Now, the fun is nearing an end.

"This is my last tournament of the year probably, so I'm just trying to have a good time and hopefully do pretty solid and feel all right about it," he said.

The seniors said the program is in good hands with head coach Brad Averitt leading the way. They credit him with turning around the program and lighting a fire in the players. Averitt is in his third year as the golf coach.

"He made it where we would actually care about what we're doing and im-

prove what we're doing," Paige said. "He really cares how we're doing on and off the golf course."

A spacious indoor golf facility, established a year ago at the high school, is a testament to the growing interest in the sport.

"The golf program is going in a great direction," Paige said. "I can't wait to see what happens."

Another talented senior, Isaac Riley, missed golf practice last week for another sport. He is a member of the varsity baseball team and was on his way to Wichita Falls for a game.

"He has come a long way," Averitt said about Riley's golf game.

Three years ago, Riley's scoring average was 93.83 with a low round of 89. In his senior year, he has lowered his scoring average to 87.26 with a low round of 81.

"He has done this while being a multi-sport athlete," Averitt said. "His mental game has grown leaps and bounds. I'm excited to watch Isaac play (at district). He has a better than decent chance to qualify for a regional, so we will see. We will miss him next year for



From left, seniors Carson Spiker and David Paige have played golf for four years at Azle High School.

Photo by Jeff Prince

sure."

The team's other senior is Trevor Simmons, who started playing golf a few years ago.

"I remember his first tournament I took him to," Averitt said. "It was at The Golf Club at the Resort. He made a birdie on hole 8. He was so excited. That probably got him hooked on golf."

The coach described Simmons as a "good kid with a bright future."

Simmons is a member of the school's fishing team and is a "pretty darn good angler," Averitt said.

A few weeks ago, Simmons' boat won second place in a fishing tournament.

"He represents Azle High School very well in fishing and golf," Averitt said. "This will be the first district tournament Trevor competes in, and I'm excited to see how he does."

Azle's golf team will face

tough competition at the District 5-5A tournament on March 28-29. Last year's defending champ, Aledo, returned its entire golf team. And last year's second place team, Granbury, returned most of its players.

The Hornets have one distinct advantage - this year's tourney is being played at Cross Timbers Golf Course in Azle. The Hornets spend much of their practice time at the course.

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENT CHILD RELATIONSHIP
CASE NO. V1300SV20228001 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAVAPAI
IN THE MATTER OF ASHLEE MARILEE LYNN PEREZ d.o.b. 02/20/2006 A Child under the age of 18 years
TO: BRANDI R. DURAN, aka BRANDY DURAN-PEREZ, nee' BRANDI R. COLLIER AND CARLOS R. PEREZ, PARENTS OF THE ABOVE NAMED CHILD.
1. LORINDA COLLIER and JOHN MARTINEZ, BY AND THROUGH UNDERSIGNED COUNSEL, HAVE FILED A MOTION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP PURSUANT TO TITLE 8 OF THE ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, RULES 4.1, 4.2 AND 5 OF THE ARIZONA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE AND RULE 64 OF THE RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR THE JUVENILE COURT.
2. THE COURT HAS SET A PUBLICATION HEARING ON May 18, 2022 AT 3:30 P.M. AT Yavapai County Superior Court, 2840 N. Commonwealth Dr., Camp Verde, Arizona 86322 before the Hon. Anna Young for the purpose of determining whether any parent named herein is contesting the allegations in the Motion.
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
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first," he said. "New people and new school. Far away. I didn't know anybody."

Fitting in was harder because the pandemic meant many kids were missing school.

"Attendance was all kinds of crazy," Sanders said. "You could just literally show up or not, and it wouldn't matter."

Sanders decided to become more involved in activities to help broaden his social network. So far, he has participated in football, powerlifting, track, theater and FFA.

Last year, his personal record in the discus was 89 feet. This year, he has hit 95 feet.

Over at the shot put event, freshman Emma Black was preparing to make her first toss for the JV girls team. She discovered track in seventh grade after being cut from the volleyball and basketball teams.

"I didn't make any sports teams in seventh grade, so I just thought that I'd try out for track," she said.

Failing to make the other teams left her "a little bummed," but she soon discovered a love for tossing the shot put.

"I was good at shotput, so I stuck with it," she said. "I like being involved in something."

Her favorite part of track is being around people and having a support system of pals.

"I like that I get to see all my friends do what they love to do," she said. "I was really excited that I finally got to be a part of something that my friends were part of - something that I was actually good at."

At Thursday's meet, Black finished in 10th place. Her JV teammates who placed included Paulix Howell-McFadden in fourth and Tiffany Elliot in sixth.

TRACK RESULTS

Three members of Azle's varsity track teams earned first place medals.

Jack Jestis won first place in the boys 400m race, and Barak Geary took first place in the boys 3200m.

Mckenzee Roberts won first place in the girls 1600m race.

Other high finishers in the boys events included Gavin Green, third in 100m; Austin Gatewood, third in 800m; Geary, second in the 1600m, with Brenden Hathaway close behind in fifth; Gatewood, Jestis, Josh Montalago and Jordan Ritcherson grabbed third place in the 4x100 relay; and Jakson LaHue took fourth place in shot put.

High finishers in the girls events included Ashlyn Norton, third place in 100m; Maddy Westbrook, fifth in 200m; Jessie Heath, second place in the 400m, with Leah North close behind in third and Rebecca Marx in fifth. Roberts took fourth in the 800m to add to her first place in the 1600m. Ashlyn Hobbs finished in fifth place in the 1600m and took second place in the 3200m, and Marx nabbed third place in the triple jump and fourth place in the long jump.

The girls relay teams performed well, finishing third in the 4x100m, second in the 4x200m and second in the 4x400m.

Azle baseball off to hot start



Brenden Kamnick allowed just one hit in six innings while pitching against Wichita Falls.

Photo by Jeff Prince

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Azle baseball team won its first two district games against Wichita Falls, skinning the Coyotes 10-0 on March 22 and 10-1 on March 25.

In the first victory, Hornets pitcher Declan Dahl picked

up a complete game win after allowing three hits in five innings and striking out eight batters. Tyler Akers went 2 for 3 two at the plate with two RBIs and two stolen bases. Brenden Kamnick was 2 for 3 with a double and two RBIs. Brandon Sheets and Westin

Wyatt drove in two RBIs scored and two walks and stealing two bases. Kamnick, Cooper Magee and Grant Tune also logged two hits apiece, and Magee added two runs scored and two stolen bases.

In the second game against Wichita Falls, Hornets pitcher Kamnick picked up the win after allowing just one hit in six innings. Akers had a big game at the plate, going 2 for 3 with three runs

The Hornets are 8-0 for the season.

Azle Area Chamber Annual Clay Shoot



Taking home the first place prize at the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce's annual clay shoot, held last week, were Guy Sampson, Eddie Nicholson, John Stinnett and Ike Pryor. Sampson, right, shows off his award for being the high overall shooter.

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Kid Scoop Puzzler

Scratchy Worms

Do you think you can hear an earthworm move?

If you put an earthworm on a clean, dry sheet of paper and listen very carefully, you will hear a little scratching noise. This noise is made by the eight small bristles an earthworm has on nearly every segment of its body. These bristles help earthworms move.

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Weekly Writing Corner

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Th_re ar_e_rthw_rms_verywh_re except d_s_rts and p_les.

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1 Wolfe ____, TX
5 Texas is 2nd biggest state by ____
6 TXism: "the ____ and chain" (spouse)
7 boot width
8 Fort Worth univ.
9 TXism: "I'm gonna eat your ____"
14 TXism for this ringed tail animal
15 dressing area for swimmers
19 mediocre ability
21 TXism: "sit and ____ spell"
22 Tyler, TX: "Rose ____ of the World"
27 "V" of "VIP"
28 today, these are mostly streamed
29 corn chip created by TX Charles Doolin
30 roads into Texas
32 TX Hillerman TV show: "Magnum ____"
33 truck drivers union
36 prepare for publication
37 TX "Eagle" Henley
38 TXism: "boot ____" (dances)
39 indicating
41 "____ USA" supports commerce between Mexico and our country
44 one of the earliest explorers in Texas: Cabeza de ____
45 TXism: "____ some gravel" (fell)
46 golfing start: "____ ball up"
47 restaurant started in Texas: "Steak and ____"
48 TX QB whose jersey was retired by the NY Giants (init. + name)
51 TXism: "sounds like ____ axle" (bad singer)
52 word used to indicate the maiden name of a married woman
DOWN
1 Dallas or Houston conveyance
2 personal retirement nest egg (abbr.)
3 TX-based AT&T company, e.g.
4 alma mater of TX George W. for his B.A. degree
8 work strenuously
9 Texas Tech's women's basketball team (3 wds.)
10 Austin univ.
11 Dallas sportscaster Hitzges (init.)
12 in Tom Green County on U.S. 277
13 chopped weeds
14 Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie is a ____ track
15 TX "Dandy Don" won the ____ Bell Award in 1966
16 TXism: "____ your head for something besides a hat rack"
17 "____ dime" (good brakes)
18 lessening discomfort
20 TXism: "sawbucks"
22 this Cal started TX Boy's Ranch (init.)
23 Dallas Museum of ____
34 TXism: "could sell sheep shears ____ cattlesman" (persuasive)
35 and so forth abbr.
37 TXism: "shoots ____ over the ____ phone" (risk taker)
40 Tall Texas ____
42 org. for some TX teachers (abbr.)
43 lockjaw
49 TXism: "____ it with kid gloves"
50 this TX Detmer won Heisman in 1990
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