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## Azle begins search for new police chief

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The city of Azle hopes to have a new police chief by the spring.

Former Chief Rick Pippins left the department in the fall, although his resignation didn't take effect until Jan. 1. Since then, the police department has had an inter-

im chief, Sid Fuller. The job has been posted and the first review of applications will be Feb. 25, according to a flier released to websites advertising the

position. After a few weeks of receiving applications, the city will interview some prospects, City Manager Tom Muir said. To be considered

for this position, people can apply online at tx-azle.civic-plushrms.com/careers/ and submit a cover letter and résumé.

Muir said it's likely that

the chief will be aboard in April.

"When we get the applicants, we'll have them

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## To serve and protect



## Fort Worth Police recruits build fence for Azle boy attacked by dog

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Vehicles lined the street by 7-year-old Conner Landers' home on Hidden Circle on

Saturday. The sound of electric drills and a circular saw rang in the back yard of the home, and snowball fights ensued in the front yard.

Starting at 10 a.m. before

the snow had melted away, a crew of Fort Worth Police recruits worked to install a fence at Conner's home so that he could play outside without encountering

strange dogs. Conner, a student at Azle's Cross Timbers Elementary School, endured a traumatic dog attack last month while walking home

from the school bus stop. On Monday, the dog owner, identified as Patti Jean Bell-Neveling, 49, was arrested

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A crew of Fort Worth Police recruits worked on Saturday to install a fence at an Azle boy's home to keep him from encountering strange dogs.

Photo by Madelyn Edwards

## Winter fun



Sapphire Brouillette slides down the hill on a makeshift sled on a snowy, cold Feb. 3 at the hill outside Walmart in Azle. The day's wintry weather forced closures of schools and businesses, but some people still found a way to have some fun.

Photo by Don Munsch

## City of Azle open for business

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Rest easy, coffee drinkers. Starbucks is still coming to Azle. But it's still a few months away before the brewing starts.

At a Rotary Club meeting in late January, David Hawkins, director of planning and development for the city of Azle, provided information about new commercial development coming to town – such as Starbucks – as well as those businesses that opened in 2021. He also discussed residential development.

Hawkins, who has been with the city for nearly a year, ex-



A new Allsup's store is under construction on Highway 199 in Azle. The new store rests adjacent to a current Allsup's and should be completed soon.

Photo by Don Munsch

plained he works with the planning and zoning department, code enforcement, building permits and inspections and eco-

nomics development.

"So, I'm involved in a lot of

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# Not your parents' shop classes

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Shop classes for high school students 20 years ago helped introduce students to basic skills, and by the end of the course they might have a handmade wooden shelf – of varying degrees of sturdiness – to hang on the wall.

Today, Azle High School students are offered shop classes that can earn them certifications and set them on a career path right after graduation.

AHS's Career and Technical Education program currently has 13 career clusters, 25 programs of study, more than 35 industry certifications and eight student leadership organizations that tie into the different programs offered.

The program website says that "Azle ISD faculty and staff recognize the unique needs of a diverse student population and work together to improve rigorous and relevant academic and technical educational opportunities to prepare students for college and career success."

## ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION CAREER CLUSTER

The Architecture and Construction Career Cluster gives students hands-on experience in construction and woodworking projects. They learn to construct, install and repair wooden structures and fixtures like frameworks, partitions, joists rafters and stairways.

Teacher Jarret Cotton said that he currently has 103

students enrolled in the construction classes. They have the opportunity to earn the OSHA 30 General Safety Certification as well as the Level 1 ShopBot CNC Certification.

"The entry level Principals of Construction students are currently working on a scaled model house project that teaches them how to frame the walls and roof of a house," Cotton said.

"This year they have also learned about surveying, concrete, and safe tool operation. The students will also learn basic residential electrical, door and window installation, and stair construction."

Mill and cabinetry students are working on a cedar chest project as well as working towards their OSHA and CNC certifications.

## MANUFACTURING AND WELDING

The Manufacturing Career Cluster at AHS "focuses on planning, managing and performing the processing of materials into intermediate or final products and related professional and technical support activities such as production planning and control, maintenance and manufacturing/process engineering."

Welding is the main program of study under this career cluster and currently has more than 200 students enrolled in the program.

"It's been offered for four or five years now and it's really starting to take off," said Josh Weston, the welding teacher at the high school.

Students have the oppor-



Jorge Ledezma (left) and Jovanny Espinoza have put a lot of work into their welding projects, custom fire pits, at Azle High School.

Photo courtesy

tunity to become certified in several categories, including OSHA 30 and American Welding Society certifications.

"This year, I have 26 students who've been certified so far," Weston said.

Senior Noah Coleman is in his third year of the welding program and said, "This class has changed my perspective on what I want to do."

"I was just thinking about going to community college," Coleman said. "I had no idea what I wanted to do."

Now, I'm thinking something like working as a fabricator or in pipeline or warehouse. I might go to trade

school after graduation."

Coleman's favorite project so far has been the tailgate grills, one of the main projects for welding students.

He's been able to take some of the knowledge he's gained through the welding program and complete projects at home, too.

"I made an air compressor holder and have been making some horseshoe crosses," he said.

Coleman said of his teacher, "I honestly couldn't pick a greater teacher. This is what I look forward to coming to school every day."

The welding program has drawn in a variety of stu-

dents, both boys and girls, who are interested in taking up the torch.

Junior Skyler Arellano is in her third year as a welding student and is considering a welding job after college.

"I'm not sure what I want to study yet, but I would like to go for training and coaching," said Arellano. She is a member of the high school volleyball team and hopes that will help her earn a scholarship.

When asked if she felt comfortable taking classes that have historically been male-centric, Arellano said, "Oh, yeah, the guys make me feel very welcome."

Her favorite project has also been the tailgate grill, which she gave to her stepdad.

"We use it all the time and make s'mores," she said.

Arellano has completed several projects at home as well, including a coat rack made of horseshoes for her stepdad's work and has even helped in welding rigs together.

"Mr. Weston does an amazing job," said Arellano. "He really helps us get certified and he helped me on stick (welding). I was really worried about stick. Weston helped boost my confidence."



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Carolyn served as the Chair of Fort Worth Cops for Kids and started the Student Advisor Committee at Joy James Elementary, where she encouraged children, and their families, to work with police and find ways to positively impact their community.

Carolyn lives in Fort Worth with her husband, Raymond, a retired Fort Worth Police officer. The Gilmores are members of Grace Baptist Church.

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# Azle police grappling with staff shortage

BY DON MUNSCH  
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Police departments across the country are looking for officers to join their ranks.

Azle Police Department is no exception, but the shortage here is not as pronounced as it is in other places.

Interim Azle Police Chief Sid Fuller provided a yearly review of the police department at the Feb. 1 Azle City Council meeting.

He said APD has two openings but no applications at this point. In the "good old days," he said, if a police department had an opening and posted it, 200 applications being submitted for that job was not unusual.

"A lot of people don't want to go into police work these days," he said. "It'll come back around, I'm sure, but right now recruitment is a challenge, to say the least. So, we're going to have to get creative."

In an emailed response to a News question about recruiting hardships, Fuller said agencies all over the country are having a tough time recruiting new officers and "there are many theories as to why," explaining the negative public sentiment toward police in many parts of the country and negative media coverage are playing a part. He was quick to add that is not the case here in Azle, as the community still supports the police department, and the newspaper has been very supportive.

Officers can make more money in the Metroplex, but police departments in the DFW Metroplex are having trouble recruiting as well, so it's not all about pay, he said.

"Policing is a difficult career that has gotten a lot more difficult over the past several years," he said.

"The hours, working nights, weekends and holidays, stress, danger, family stress, etc. It's just not as attractive a job as it used to be."

APD has 32 full-time sworn police officers, one part-time sworn police officer, one reserve officer and 14 full-time and two part-time civilian employees. Plus, the department has four volunteers.

"Last year, they donated 1,611 hours," Fuller said, noting the volunteers performed such tasks as jockeying cars back and forth to the shop, taking equipment to different locations and so on.

In 2021, APD employees received 7,309 training hours, Fuller said. That kind of training can include mandatory state training for personnel to maintain their licenses and other specialized training, depending on what position they hold.

On animal control, which falls under police department oversight, Fuller said the shelter adopted out 228 animals last year.

"Most impressive is 98% of animals that were brought to the shelter were released live," he said. That means the shelter either gets those animals adopted, returns them to their owners or they are sent to rescues or other shelters.

"Maintaining more than a 90% live release is considered a no-kill shelter," Fuller said. "They're at 98%. They do a lot of good work."

Patrol officers answered 18,381 calls for service in 2021. They made 5,203 traffic stops and assisted with 329 motorist and road hazards and responded to 601 vehicle crashes. In addition, they conducted 1,758 foot patrols and business checks and answered 616 alarms.

"Their average response

time is right at 3-1/2 minutes on all calls," Fuller said.

Also, Fuller said investigators filed 301 felony and misdemeanor cases, either with Parker County or the Tarrant County District Attorney's offices.

The department has five school resource officers, Fuller said, and he commended the SROs because of their ability to build relationships and intervene when students "are starting to stray." The SROs keep the schools safe and are an effective tool in the schools, he added.

The 911 call center answered a little more than 49,000 calls in 2021, and out of those calls, 7,283 were 911 calls.

In his presentation, Fuller discussed community activities the police department participated in during the year, such as Shop With a Cop, in which officers work with at-risk students and take them shopping at Christmas time to buy gifts for family members.

Regarding particular crimes, the department had a huge jump in simple assaults, from 127 in 2020 to 176 in 2021. Fuller said the increase in assaults might be attributed to people spending more time at home. The other large jump came in thefts, with the rate going from 129 in 2020 to 1,664 in 2021.

Among other projects that the department is working on is a video arraignment system with the Tarrant County District Attorney's office in which crews can build a site in the jail where judges can arraign prisoners from the Tarrant County Courthouse. Fuller said the department hopes the system can go live by early April.

## POLICE CHIEF, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A.

— all the applicants — and from that standpoint, from their resumes, applications and how they respond to these questions, hopefully we can narrow that down to a manageable number to interview," Muir said.

He thinks it will probably be between three and six or seven people, depending on how many there are, but he quickly added that "we'll kind of play that by ear." The prospects will be interviewed by different panels of interviewers. Those panels will be a police department panel, a chief's panel and department head panel.

"And after those panels, I'll sit down with those panels and find out what they thought of the candidates and I'll go the next step from there," he said, adding the process would determine how the prospective chief would handle the

job as an executive with the Azle Police Department.

Muir will make a recommendation about the new chief to the city council, who must approve his selection.

The advertisement for the position said the annual salary range for this position is between \$101,108 — \$139,486, depending on qualifications and experience. The job posting stated the city is looking for someone with a broad range of skills and experience, including experience in "all aspects of modern police practices" and must "exhibit superior interpersonal skills and be expected to proactively engage members of the Department and the community."

Additionally, city leaders said the new chief will need to possess the ability to work collaboratively within the city organization and community agencies in resolving commu-

nity problems.

"Developing and maintaining positive relationships with county, state and federal law enforcement agencies as well as surrounding municipal police departments is a must," the post stated. "Candidates who will receive favorable consideration from the city will display strong leadership characteristics, be experienced in community policing and have a thorough knowledge of current industry trends, practices and resources. Ideal candidates will be familiar with effective technological applications and possess a strong history of organizational and individual accountability."

The post also listed other traits desired in a candidate, including, but not limited to, communication skills and high ethics and integrity.

## LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES

The City Council of the City of Azle will conduct a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 505 West Main Street to consider a request to rezone 5.24 acres of land in the J. Wilcox Survey, Abstract No. 1727, City of Azle, Tarrant County, Texas, addressed as 1296 and 1300 Park Street and being described as Lots 1R1A and 1R2A, Deer Trail Addition, a plat recorded in Cabinet B, Slide 2588, Plat Records, Tarrant County, Texas, from the Institutional (INS) District to the Estate Three (E-3) District. The property is generally located on the south side of Park Street approximately 700 feet east of South Ash Avenue.

"The City of Reno will be having public hearings for a special use permit applied for property 1595 Arvel Circle, Azle, TX 76020, to build a home on a less than half acre lot. P&Z meeting will be March 7, 2022 at 7PM and City Council Meeting will be on March 21, 2022 at 7PM. Both meetings will be open to the public for commits."

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-AT-RISK, TWO-STEP PROCESS:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Government Code Chapter 2269, Subchapter F, it is the intention of the Azle Independent School District to select, via a Two-Step Request for Construction Management-at-Risk qualifications process, a Construction Manager (CM) for projects resulting from the November 2021 Bond Referendum: additions and renovations at the existing Azle High School, including science lab additions, kitchen addition, welding shop addition, science lab renovations, and cafeteria renovations.

The Request for Qualifications is available by visiting the Azle ISD website or contacting VLK Architects. Questions regarding the RFQ should be directed in writing via e-mail to Clinton Schiver, VLK Architects at cschiver@vlkarchitects.com Step One Statement of Qualifications will be received at: Attn: Matt Adams, Azle Independent School District, 300 Roe Street, Azle, Texas 76020 until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday February 22, 2022

### REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS CITY OF PELICAN BAY

The City of Pelican Bay is receiving funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP Act) program from the U.S. Department of Treasury. Accordingly, the City is seeking to contract with a qualified Engineering/Architectural/Surveying Firm (individual/firm) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. These services are being solicited to assist the City in its preparation and project implementation of ARP Act contract(s), to support eligible activities in the City of Pelican Bay. Please electronically submit your proposal in .pdf format via email at secretary@cityofpelicanbay.com OR submit 3 copies of your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for the proposed services to the following address: Attn: Teri Anthony, City Secretary, City of Pelican Bay, 1300 Pelican Circle, Azle, TX 76020. Proposals must be received by the City no later than 5:00PM on February 21, 2022, to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all proposers, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are encouraged to submit proposals. The City of Pelican Bay is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Servicios de traducción están disponibles por petición.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03**

**A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14; ESTABLISHING THE RATES FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS TO BOTH RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has deemed it in the best interest of the citizens of Azle to adopt emergency ambulance services billing rates and recommendations from Intermedix, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, from and after the effective date hereof, the rates for compensation for services performed and needed supplies used by the City of Azle, Texas in connection with its operation of emergency ambulance services shall be the same as approved by Medicare and shall allow for itemized billing for such services to all residents and non-residents; and


**WHEREAS**, this resolution shall repeal any and all other resolutions or portions thereof in conflict herewith, but only to such extent that the same shall be in conflict herewith.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1** The City Council of the City of Azle, Texas hereby approves the Azle Fire Department’s rate schedule establishing billing procedures and rates in EXHIBIT “A” (The Chargemaster)

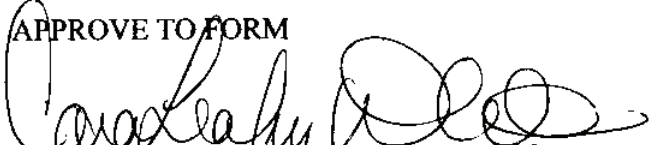
**SECTION 2** This resolution shall become effective on February 1, 2022.

**PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 1st day of February 2022, by a vote of ayes, nays, and abstentions at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Azle,**

  
 Alan Brundgett, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
 Yael Forgey, City Secretary

APPROVE TO FORM  
  
 Cara Leahy White, City Attorney



**Azle Fire Department  
 EMS Billing Procedures & Rates**

Azle Fire Department has established the following rates for various ambulance service charges. At any time, in accordance with the Service Agreement, Azle Fire Department may modify these rates and/or billing procedures, with proper notice.

Additional instructions regarding billing procedures and rates are located near the end of this document. Azle Fire Department’s current rate schedule (the “Chargemaster”) begins on the next page.

Chargemaster Item	Rate
ALS Emergency Mileage	\$18.00
ALS Non-Emergency Mileage	\$18.00
ALS Supplies - Routine Disposable	\$150.00
ALS1 Emergency Base Rate	\$1,950.00
ALS1 Non-Emergency Base Rate	\$1,950.00
ALS2 Base Rate	\$2,850.00
BLS Emergency Base Rate	\$1,250.00
BLS Emergency Mileage	\$18.00
BLS Non-Emergency Base Rate	\$1,050.00
BLS Non-Emergency Mileage	\$18.00
BLS Supplies - Routine Disposable	\$75.00
Dispatch Fee	94.00
Oxygen, Administration, & Supplies / hr	\$150.00
Pulse Oximeter	*
SCT Emergency Base Rate	\$3,400.00
Treatment / No-Transport	\$400.00

\* indicates that charges are waived.  
 Medicaid patients are only billed the indicated charges.  
 Only one base rate charge shall be applied to each account.  
 Base rate and mileage charges shall be applied in accordance with guidelines established by the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services.  
 Azle Fire Department instructs its billing agent(s) to assign/adjust off all amounts as permitted or required by Federal and State law and applicable payment policy.  
 Dispatch Fee should be charged for all patient encounters, unless otherwise prohibited or excluded by the Chargemaster.  
 Routine Disposable Supplies should be charged for all patient encounters, unless otherwise prohibited or excluded by the Chargemaster.  
 The BLS Emergency Base Rate shall be applied to all accounts where the patient has been legally pro-nounced Dead on Scene after the dispatch but before the patient has been loaded onboard the ambulance. No mileage will be charged in that case. If the patient is legally pronounced dead after pickup but prior to arrival at the receiving facility, the medically necessary level of service will be billed. In that case, it would be at least ALS-1 Emergency if a paramedic assessment was performed, or other ALS interventions where provided. Loaded mileage may also be billed in accordance with Federal and State law and applicable payment policy.  
 Unless determined Dead on Scene, patients that are not transported are only billed the Treatment / No Transport fee if an Advanced Life Support level intervention is performed, unless otherwise prohibited or excluded by the Chargemaster.  
 Supply and procedure charges should be billed for attempted procedures (IV, intubation, bone needles), even if the attempt is not successful, unless otherwise prohibited or excluded by the Chargemaster.  
 The Emergency Rate should be applied to all accounts, when transport to the destination facility is deemed an emergency by the reporting medic, unless otherwise prohibited or excluded by the Chargemaster.

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on a third-degree felony charge of attack by dog resulting in serious bodily injury warrant, according to the Parker County Sheriff's Office. Her bond has not been set.

On Saturday, he ran around with excitement and energy, appearing to be feeling better after the attack.

"Conner has never met a stranger," Conner's mom Cassandra Ware said, quoting what her grandfather used to say about her son, who talked with the police recruits and other volunteers. "He makes friends with everybody. Everybody is his best friend."

Ware said Conner is feeling much better, despite some lingering pain under his eye.

One of the police recruits, Krosby De Lapp, said the goal behind the service project was to create a safe space for Conner to play outdoors.

"A kid being able to feel safe and playing in his backyard and having that area to know that he can enjoy his time out here with his brother and with his mom – that's definitely important," De Lapp said. "I grew up having a backyard like that, and I would want any other kid to be able to have that same experience. That's part of why we all joined is to make sure that our community feels safe, no matter if it's exactly Fort Worth or if it's an adjoining community."

Several of De Lapp's fel-

low recruits said coming out to build Conner's fence was a good exercise in community service and a complement to the work they hope to do as police officers. Some of the recruits had children themselves and especially identified with wanting to keep Conner safe from strange dogs.

"I have three girls of my own, so I would hate for something like that to happen to my kids and someone not be as supportive as I can be," police recruit Porscha Almonte said. "If you can give back in any type of way, I think you should."

Harry Harris, Conner's school bus driver, was also on-site on Saturday to lend a hand. Harris said finding out about the attack was hurtful to hear about.

"Conner is a sweet boy, and his mom is a hardworking mother," he said. "Conner, to me, is a special kid. I've been able to help him a little bit and help his mom along the way, and it's been a real blessing to be able to do that."

Harris said having a community come together to help those in need is the way the world should work.

"This is the way it ought to be," he said.

Trinity River Fence and Construction guided the recruits through the fence building process, and some of the recruits had previous experience with construction work.



Fort Worth Police recruit Courtney Walker shows Conner Landers, 7, a bag of toys and candy, courtesy of the recruits.

Photo by Madelyn Edwards

"That's kind of how things work in the academy. They give us a task and (we) execute it," police recruit Jarrett Williams said. "I was prior military as well so that's kind of the same thing. Just throw as many bodies as you can at it, give proper instructions and we'll figure it out."

The recruits also donated toys and candy to Conner, as well as a gift to

his mother. Ware said seeing other people step up to help her family is "fantastic," "amazing" and "heartwarming."

"I love all the support that we're getting. I never thought we would get this much support," she said.

The Servolution Network in Azle, led by Executive Director Jason Malewiski, spearheaded the effort to build the fence. As word

spread about Conner's attack and the need for a fence, support for the project was readily available. Home Depot provided \$4,000 worth of supplies for the 246 feet of fencing. Trinity River Fence and Construction oversaw the project and about 19 Fort Worth police recruits volunteered to build the fence, Malewiski said. Alvin Ord's Sandwich Shop brought lunch for the volun-

teers, and Caitlyn's Catering brought hot drinks and peach cobbler.

"We love giving back," Caitlyn's Catering owner Scott Tanner said. "That's part of the community. That's what you do here in Azle. That's just what we do."

Tanner added, "You've got to give back. If you don't give back, you don't have anything."

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counting and tax industry and ERO.

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# Obituaries

## Leonard Robert Sorrels Jr 1949 - 2022

On Feb. 1, 2022, Leonard Robert Sorrels Jr. passed from this life into the Loving Arms of Our Lord and Saviour at the age of 72. He passed away at home with his wife and children at his side.

The celebration of Robert's life was held at Biggers Funeral Home in Lake Worth, Texas on Monday February 7th with Burial following at Jaybird Cemetery in Springtown.

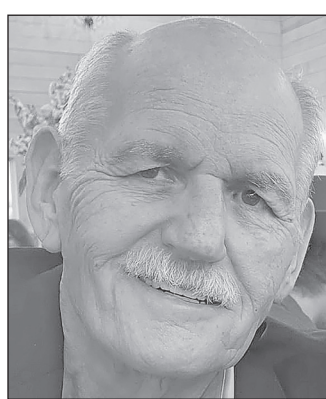
Robert's request to those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to an Animal Shelter of your choice.

Robert had bravely battled lung cancer for the last 12 months with strong will, courage and love for his family. His willingness to endure and withstand the many challenges of his illness is a testament to his faith and belief that a better life was awaiting him.

Robert was born in Fort Worth, Texas on May 17, 1949 to Leonard Robert Sorrels Sr. and Ethel Lorene Sorrels-Springfield. He married his High School Sweetheart Kathy Haugen in 1967 and together they had two children, Robby and Tammy. They made a life with their family in Springtown Texas.

Robert worked as an over the road truck driver for many years with various companies. Beginning at Buddies in Fort Worth, then driving for Montgomery Wards and finally ending with retirement from Colt Midstream in Springtown.

More than anything Rob-



ert loved being with his family and friends. He enjoyed boating and skiing on the lake, riding his motorcycle with his wife and family gatherings. If asked, he would say that his finest achievements were his children, grandchildren and his first great-grand daughter.

Robert was preceded in death by his father Leonard Robert Sorrels Sr., mother Ethel Lorene Sorrels-Springfield; step-dad, Hendrix Springfield; brother Terry James Springfield.

His survivors are his wife of 54 years Kathy Sorrels; son Robby Sorrels and wife Cyndy; daughter Tammy Murphy and husband Keith; grandchildren: Jake Sorrels, Nikki Sorrels, Gunnar Murphy and Wife Halyn, Reese Murphy; great granddaughter Havyn Murphy; two sisters, Kathleen Christian and her husband, Gary and Carmen Rogers and her husband, Kelly. Robert is also survived by Rylee Sisson, his next-door granddaughter and Kalleigh, his four-legged baby girl.

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## Wilma Jane Ware 1934 - 2022

Wilma Jane Ware passed from this life on Feb. 7, 2022. Wilma was born on Nov. 26, 1934 to Milton Woodruff and Joe Henderson in Anson, Texas. Wilma was a homemaker who loved her family and enjoyed spending time with her numerous grandchildren. She also had a great love for her dog Missy.

A visitation will be held Thursday, February 10, 2022 from 6-8 p.m. at Galbreath Pickard Hilltop Chapel, 4941 Interstate 20 Frontage Rd, Willow Park, Texas 76087. Memorial service will be held Friday, Feb. 11, 2022 at 11a.m. at First Baptist Church Lakeside, 8801 Jacksboro Hwy #4339, (corner of Hwy. 199 and Confederate Park Rd.) Fort Worth, TX 76135.

Wilma is preceded in death by her parents, husbands; Carlton J. Ware & Freddie Reel, sisters; Hazel, Amo & Ava, brothers; Cur-



tis, Jack & Verl, daughters; Cynthia J. & Vicki J. and granddaughter Jamie.

Wilma is survived by her daughter, Melody J. Ware, of Azle, sons; Logan J. Ware (Cindy), of Weatherford and Mark J. Ware (Kim), of Fort Worth and Timmy J. Ware of Azle; 9 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild, numerous nieces and nephews along with many extended family and friends.

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# Former JP found guilty of tampering

### FROM STAFF REPORTS

Former Tarrant County Justice of the Peace Jacquelyn Wright on Wednesday, February 2, was convicted of tampering with a government record, a news release from the Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office stated.

A Tarrant County jury found Wright, who was justice of the peace for Precinct 4 from 1991-2018, guilty on three counts of falsifying homestead exemptions.

Visiting Judge Daryl Coffey sentenced Wright, 74, to four years' probation, 10 days in jail and a \$2,500 fine. The judge also required her to write a 50-page essay apologizing to the court and public for her behavior, the release stated, with the essay being written and published in the next 90 days.

Wright committed the felony crimes by falsely applying for and receiving a homestead exemption for a home where she did not live between 2015 and 2018, the release stated. Assistant Criminal District Attorneys Lloyd Whelchel and Tommy Brown prosecuted this case.

Investigators Marcus Rink and Kyle Pisula worked on the case as well.

During the trial, tes-

timony revealed Wright was not living in Precinct 4, as required, when she ran for re-election as Justice of the Peace between 2012 and 2018. Testimony also showed the day after Wright filed for re-election in 2018, using the address of a home she leased to a renter in Precinct 4, she changed a water bill into her name to make it appear she lived in that home.

The DA's office began investigating the case after receiving a complaint that Wright didn't live in the district in which she sought re-election. During the investigation, investigators discovered fraudulent homestead exemptions. Jacquelyn Wright "knows what the law is, she knows what she is doing, she wanted the tax benefits," Whelchel, chief of the White Collar and Public Integrity team, told the jury.

"She is guilty of this crime," Whelchel said. "It was (Wright's) job to serve the public, not be a deceiver. That is what she did for a long time. That is what the public integrity unit is about, to hold us accountable. We ask you to hold her accountable for what she has done, no matter what the lie was, and hold her and all of us public officials accountable."

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# Reno plans to hire three part-time police officers, purchases new police software

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The Reno Police Department is in the process of hiring three part-time police officers.

The Reno City Council approved adding the positions in a 4-1 vote last week. At the meeting, Deputy Chief Nathan Stringer pointed out that current officers are logging a significant amount of overtime, and the department is trying to cut down on that overtime for budgetary reasons and to avoid burnout.

"Last weekend between Lt. Nalley and I, we took six call-ins where nobody was here, so we had to respond from home and come in. One of those was a death where we had personnel waiting on scene for us to get there," Stringer said during the meeting.

Stringer and Chief Scott Elsner were sworn in in November, and in December, three more officers were sworn in. Two reserve police officers were sworn in last month. The Reno Police Department has been rebuilding after losing all its employees last fall.

One of the openings is expected to be an administrative position in the police department, while the other two would be patrol positions to provide relief and back-up, Stringer said. The officers will be limited to

30 hours per week and paid \$20 per hour.

Reno "has quite a bit of crime, so adding personnel will help relieve that and prevent some of that crime," he said.

During the meeting there was discussion, led by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Hernando Herrera, about what limiting overtime could mean for the police officers and their work in the community. Mayor Pro Tem Granville "Randy" Martin said the police leadership could be trusted to keep overtime down and that some overtime is fine if it isn't habitual.

Stringer said the department averages 40 hours of overtime as a department per week. He said he can't promise that officers will never log any overtime because their time is dependent on the workload.

"They're working really hard. These guys are dedicated to this city. They took the leap of faith as we all did," Stringer said. "We want to make sure that they have the support and the backup they need, as well as the coverage the citizens expect. Just because we're not here 24/7 doesn't mean the citizens aren't calling 24/7."

Council member Shelli Swift suggested approaching Parker County Sheriff's Office for help with Reno coverage as an alternative option. Stringer said Parker County Sheriff's Office is

short-staffed, like other departments currently, and might not be able to respond to calls in a timely manner.

"Parker County on a good day has one deputy this side of the county. When you call the police and there's somebody kicking in your front door, you've got a 30- to 40-minute response time, if they're available," Stringer said. "So that's why I'm saying we want more coverage from your police department and not relying on Parker County."

Stringer explained how other agencies, including Parker County, are short-staffed currently, in part because of a lack of desire to join the profession and the political discussions surrounding policing.

"You can't rely on another agency to respond to your calls if they've got call logs stacked up," he said.

Swift voted against the motion to add the part-time officers. Before the council voted she said to Stringer, "Quality is better than quantity."

After the meeting, Mayor Sam White said the part-time positions are necessary.

"We have to give 24/7 coverage and still give enough time for our officers to have some time off," White said. "We're getting there, but we're not there yet."

The positions are expected to be posted on the Texas Municipal League website

and linked to the city's website.

Also during the meeting, the council voted unanimously to buy software with the company EFORCE for the police department's records management system, which includes police records, persons database and vehicles database. The new cloud-based software cost about \$30,486 and is split over two years, plus \$4,573 annually for licensing and support fees.

Stringer said during the meeting that the current records management system is "not up to date," and the city's server is "reaching end of life." The new cloud-based software will allow officers to write reports in the field, he said, and that's not available now without the use of a VPN tunnel to the server, a method which is unstable and not timely.

"It creates a lot of issues being on this antiquated system, not to mention when that server goes, we'll lose our RMS system," Stringer said.

Stringer also said the cloud software is safer because of the level of encryption it uses. He called the current server a "vulnerability point."

Stringer also said the cloud system helps the police department be compatible with the Parker County Sheriff's Office.

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different aspects of what happens to development of the city," he said. "I work with a lot of contractors, builders, developers. So, I'm kind of like the first point of contact, getting some ideas of what's happening and what direction we're going to go in."

In the fiscal year 2020-2021, the city issued 29 permits for new construction and renovations for commercial developments, which totaled \$7.7 million. Also last year, 42 certificates of occupancy were issued, with 35 of them being new businesses.

"What that means is we are getting some turnover - businesses closing - but we're maintaining a very low vacancy rate," Hawkins said. "It's nice to see that we have new businesses come in to fill in those vacancies rather rapidly."

In 2020-2021, 163 new single-family permits were issued for residential developments.

"We have about 900 plat- ted residential lots, with all of these new residential developments coming in," he said. "So, over the next two to three years, you're going to see a lot more permits come in, a lot more houses coming in, but after that, you're going to see a big drop-off. I don't really foresee a lot more residential subdivisions coming to this town as we approach buildout."

The estimated value of new single-family residential construction in Azle was approximately \$19.98 million for the last fiscal year.

One business that opened last year, in July, was QuikTrip, which has become one the top producers in sales tax revenue for Azle. Despite being open for a short time, QT is conducting an interior renovation of its space. The renovation should be finished in February, Hawkins said.

Starbucks is moving forward with opening a location in Azle, but the company encountered a "minor hiccup" in the last month when company officials discovered there was no sewer line to serve its projected facility in the Walmart parking lot.

"Apparently it was taken out many years ago when Walmart was constructed so they're having to go through that process of engineering to extend that sewer line," Hawkins said, mentioning he hoped pre-construction work would be wrapped up soon and the sewer line can be constructed. Starbucks officials hope to open in the summer.

Discount Tire also intends to open in Azle and broke ground in January. It will open next to Pinnacle Bank and its anticipated opening is summer.

An Allsup's location is expected to open in February on the northwest side of town, as construction has taken just a few months.

"This is going to be one of their flagship stores," Hawkins said. "It's much larger than all of the typical stores they have."

Hawkins also pointed out renovation projects at Walmart, Burkes Outlet and Brookshire's in the past year, to the tune of \$1.5 million, and discussed some other commercial projects.

Rotarians also heard about new residential developments, including Graystone Ridge, which will have 98 lots for single-family housing. It will be a rental community, owned and maintained by D.R. Horton. The developer will maintain such components as yards and irrigation, Hawkins said.

"This is the only one that we're aware of that's happening in our town," Hawkins said.

Other developments coming to Azle: Rosewood Estates, 134 lots; Auburn Terrace, 143 lots; Stone Eagle, 94 lots; Azle Grove, 254 lots; and Lakeview Heights, 79 lots. Graystone Ridge, Rosewood Estates and Auburn Terrace are located along Stewart Street, with Auburn Terrace in the beginning stages. Stone Eagle, Azle Grove and Lakeview Heights are being constructed on the east side of Azle. An apartment complex, Stafford Place, would be built next to Legacy Oaks retirement center on Southeast Parkway. Developers want to expand the number of units from 200 to 252 but will have to go through the city approval process. Hawkins said ground could be broken in the next two to three months on the complex.

Hawkins also discussed Northwest Parkway water and sewer extension, Speer Street flex space building and Boyd Road retail (across from Walmart). The Spear Street building is located across from City Hall and is close to opening, Hawkins said, and a "very high-profile tenant" wants to occupy half the facility. Hawkins would not divulge the name of the tenant. The Boyd Road project intends to attract retail establishments and fast-food restaurants, with Wendy's and Panda Express being prospects.

After Hawkins' presentation, he fielded questions from Rotarians, including an update on the old Kmart building in the shopping center where Burkes and Brookshire's are located. The company that owns the space has no aspirations to develop the building. The developer who owns the property where Dairy Queen used to operate plans to tear down the building.

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<b>Aledo ISD Admin Building</b> 1008 Bailey Ranch Rd Aledo, Texas 76008 Louden Room	<b>PCT 3 County Barn</b> Break Room 1111 FM RD 1189 Brock, 76087	<b>Azle City Hall</b> 505 W Main St Azle, Texas 76020 Community Room

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Springtown Senior Center	1070 N Main St, Springtown 76082	Community Room	120
Legacy Church	3591 E Highway 199, Springtown 76082	Lobby	125
Parker County North East Annex	1020 E Hwy 199, Springtown 76082	Court Room	130
Friendship Baptist Church	801 Friendship Rd, Weatherford 76085	Gym	135
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Calvary Baptist Church	1900 N Main St, Weatherford 76085	Fellowship Hall	230/245
Shady Grove Baptist Church	2470 W Lambert Rd, Weatherford 76088	Fellowship Hall	235
Union Baptist Church	3451 Sarra Ln, Springtown 76082	Fellowship Hall	240
Victory Baptist Church	1304 Fort Worth Hwy, Weatherford 76086	Youth Warehouse	255
Hudson Oaks City Hall	210 Hudson Oaks Dr, Hudson Oaks 76087	Council Chambers	260/265
Cherry Park Community Center	300 S Alamo St, Weatherford 76086	Main Room	300
Grace First Presbyterian Church	606 Mockingbird Ln, Weatherford 76086	Great Hall	305
Santa Fe Drive Baptist Church	1502 Santa Fe Dr, Weatherford 76086	Family Life Center	310/315
Weatherford College	225 College Park Dr, Weatherford 76086	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Workforce Building	WC
Millsap Community Center	102 Fannin St, Millsap 76066	Community Room	320
Harmony Baptist Church	242 Harmony Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym	325
Tin Top Community Center	101 Old Tin Top Rd, Weatherford 76087	Community Room	330
Parker County PCT Barn # 3	1111 FM RD 1189, Brock 76087	Barn Break Room	335
First Baptist Church Dennis	7600 FM RD 1189, Dennis 76087	Old Fellowship Hall	340
Spring Creek Baptist Church	100 Spring Creek Rd, Weatherford 76087	Gym	345
Greenwood Fire Department	1418 Greenwood Cut-Off Rd, Weatherford 76087	Training Room	350
Morningstar Amenity Center	128 Heather Wind Ln, Aledo 76008	Main Room	400
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Bear Creek Community Church	18600 Hwy 377, Cresson 76035	Lobby	420
City of Aledo Community Center	104 Robinson Ct, Aledo 76008	Main Room	430
Aledo ISD Admin Building	1008 Bailey Ranch Rd, Aledo 76008	Louden Room	435
New Faith Baptist	3303 West FM RD 5, Annetta 76008	Fellowship Hall	440
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## Aviso de Eleccion PRIMARIA

Se da aviso que los lugares de votacion que figuran a continuacion se abrian de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p. m., el 1 de Marzo, 2022, para el proposito de votacion para:

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**Votacion anticipada por apariencia personal**

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**Branch Voting Sites:**

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Community Room

**Peaster ISD Old Rock Gym**  
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Peaster, Texas 76088  
Back Room of Gym

**Hudson Oaks City Hall**  
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Hudson Oaks, TX  
Council Chambers

**Aledo ISD Admin Building**  
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Louden Room

**PCT 3 County Barn**  
Break Room  
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**Azle City Hall**  
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Miercoles February 16, 2022	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Martes February 22, 2022	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
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Viernes February 18, 2022	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Jueves February 24, 2022	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sabado February 19, 2022	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Viernes February 25, 2022	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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Azle City Hall	505 W Main St, Azle 76020	Community Room	110/111
Reno City Hall	195 W Reno Rd, Azle 76020	Community Center	115
Springtown Senior Center	1070 N Main St, Springtown 76082	Community Room	120
Legacy Church	3591 E Highway 199, Springtown 76082	Lobby	125
Parker County North East Annex	1020 E Hwy 199, Springtown 76082	Court Room	130
Friendship Baptist Church	801 Friendship Rd, Weatherford 76085	Gym	135
Agnes Baptist Church	350 Agnes North, Springtown 76082	Foyer	140
Harburger Hill Community	701 Narrow St, Weatherford 76086	Large Room	200/250
Trinity Lutheran Church	1500 Ball St, Weatherford 76086	Fellowship Hall	205
Poolville Methodist Church	230 North Church, Poolville 76487	Fellowship Hall	210
Peaster ISD Rock Gym	8512 FM RD 920, Peaster 76088	Back Room of Gym	215
Whitt Fire Department	4312 N FM RD 52, Whitt 76490	Meeting Room	220
Bethesda United Methodist Church	6657 FM RD 113 N, Weatherford 76088	Johnson Hall	225
Calvary Baptist Church	1900 N Main St, Weatherford 76085	Fellowship Hall	230/245
Shady Grove Baptist Church	2470 W Lambert Rd, Weatherford 76088	Fellowship Hall	235
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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## AN OPEN LETTER OF GRATITUDE TO THE CITIZENS OF CINCINNATI, OHIO

A short time prior to Nov. 17, 1835, Texas agent Francis Smith appealed to the citizens of Cincinnati, Ohio, for assistance to aid the Texas Revolutionary Army in their struggle for freedom. It was only one day subsequent that the Ohioans began raising money to find the manufactory of two six-pound cannons to be sent to General Sam Houston's Army.

The cannons were cast at the foundry of Hawkins and Taum in Cincinnati. Upon completion, the cannons were shipped down the Mississippi River to New Orleans and from there loaded aboard the schooner Pennsylvania and taken to Brazoria. By coincidence, Dr. Charles Rice and his twin daughters, Elizabeth and Eleanor, were on board the Pennsylvania. A seaman participating in the unloading commented that the presence of the doctor's twin daughters was an omen of fortuitous destiny for the guns and dubbed them the "Twin Sisters." That moniker stuck and hence forward was the unofficial name of the Ohioans' largess.

By perilous circuitous route and determined courage, the cannons were finally delivered to General Houston. Houston immediately initiated a 31-man Artillery Corps to service the cannons.

During the pivotal Battle of San Jacinto on June 21, 1836, the Twin Sisters were a critical fire-power augmentation in defeating Santa Anna and securing Texas' freedom in 18 minutes on that hot afternoon.

As a native Texan (nine generations deep), I take pride in extending great retro-gratitude to the Ohioans of Cincinnati. Thank you from all grateful Texans.

Respectfully conveyed,  
Jim D. Mitchell, USA Ret. Airborne

# Azle students have their hearts in the right place



**DIGGING IN:** Azle High School Anatomy & Physiology students dissected cow hearts during class. Teacher Stephanie Sweeden said that students can use this class as a "stepping stone for the Dual Credit Anatomy & Physiology class" that she facilitates and teaches.

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# Candidates begin filing for local elections

BY JESSICA MCKINNEY  
azlereporter@azlenews.net

The May 7 election is coming up and candidates have begun filing for the positions that are up for election in their local jurisdictions.

This year, for the city of Azle, Places 1, 2 and 5 are on the May ballot. Bill Jones, a former council member, has filed for Place 1, currently held by Councilmember Corey Wynns. David McClure, who currently holds Place 2, has filed for reelection.

In Place 5, incumbent Rouel Rothenberger has also filed his application for his council spot.

The city of Pelican Bay is accepting candidate applications for Mayor and Places 1 and 2. As of Feb. 7, only Tamra Olague, currently Place 5, has submitted her candidate application for Mayor.

In the town of Lakeside, Places 1, 3 and 5 are up for election. Place 1 is currently held by Don Pitts. Wesley Hearn is the incumbent for Place 3, and Place 5 is currently held by Rona Stratton Gouyton.

The Azle Independent School District's Board of Trustees has four spots up for election in May, and all of the current members have filed to retain their places.

Bill Lane, currently serving as president of the board, Jeff Edwards, Jeremy May and Ray Lea have all submitted their applications for May.

Candidate filing will close at 5 p.m. on Feb. 18.

# When it's hard to say NO

"You need to learn to say NO."

That's what my friend told me in a text exchange as I was describing everything I have going right now.

I can't argue with that. I've never been very good at using that N word (to be clear, I don't use the other one at all).

I know—cognitively—why it's important to say NO.

I know I can't do everything.

I know that my time and energy are finite commodities and that every YES requires NO to something else.

I know that there are some things that I'm really not good at and saying NO actually is a gift to the person making the request. It allows them to find someone who will do a much better job than I.

I know that saying YES and then doing it poorly is much worse than saying NO.

I know that saying YES and then doing it grudgingly is much worse than saying NO.

I know all of that! Here's my problem: people that I really like keep asking me to do stuff.

It's so much easier to say NO to people I don't like.

Maybe if I just didn't like people so much ...

I guess that's probably not the best solution.

I confess that I've been



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feeling a little overwhelmed lately and much of that overwhelm is because I seem to have misplaced my NO button.

I won't bore you with all the things I've said YES to. That's not relevant for today's discussion. The point is that I am at a place in life where I am precisely as busy as I choose to be. I have the power to say NO. I just fail to exercise that power far too often.

And I'm one of those guys who talks and writes about healthy rhythms. I coach pastors and leaders on developing those healthy rhythms, for crying out loud!

I kNOW better! Can I get an amen out there? Does anyone else have this experience? Anyone else feeling overwhelmed or—at the very least—out of balance right now?

If so, I'm going to ask you (and me) a few clarifying questions to help us recalculate our current trajectory.

Do you have a hard time saying NO because you're trying to prove your worth and value by busyness?

Do you have a hard time saying NO because you're trying to earn respect and admiration through productivity?

Do you have a hard time saying NO because you want people to like you?

Do you have a hard time saying NO because you're afraid people will stop asking?

Do you have a hard time saying NO because it feels so good to be needed?

Do you have a hard time saying NO because saying YES makes you feel like a hero?

Dadgum! I've stepped all over my own toes!

May I share a secret with you?

Read this slowly: You. Are. Loved. You. Are. Seen. You. Are. Valued. You. Are. Amazing.

Our YES should flow out of our sense of value, identity, purpose, and calling; it should not be an attempt to gain or earn any of those.

I don't know if you needed to hear that today, but I did.

Be amazing today, my friend.

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- Evelyn Tinney

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- Do you feel unsteady when you walk or get up from a chair or bed?
- Do you feel like a burden to those around you because you need to hold on to someone when you walk or ask them to run your errands?

If you answered **YES** to any of the above questions (or have a stubborn spouse or parent who is in denial) you need to take action **NOW**. **You don't have to live in fear of falling. You can take steps to improve your balance.**

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# Winter storm brings snow to Azle



Billy Elliott of Azle pushes niece Sapphire Brouillette down the hill on a makeshift sled on a snowy, cold Feb. 3 at the hill outside Walmart in Azle. The day's wintry weather forced closures of schools and businesses, but some people still found a way to have some fun.

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Terri Taylor shared these photos of their backyard, transformed into a winter wonderland for a day.  
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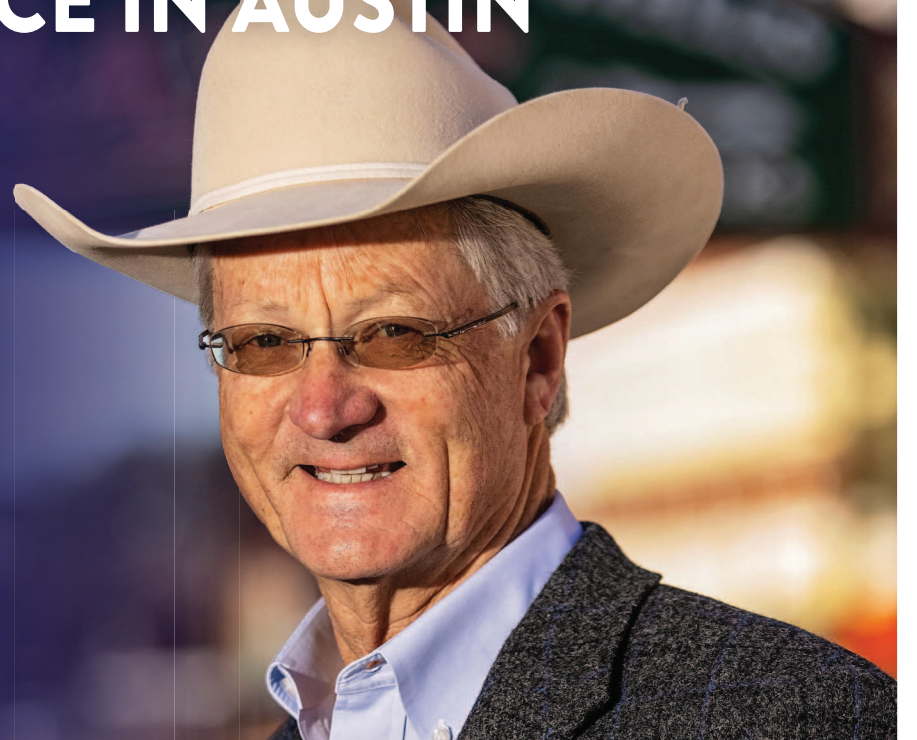
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- Mayor Pro-Tem Lea Young, *Willow Park*
- Council Member Tyler VanSant, *Willow Park*
- Cody Lane, *Brock ISD School Board*
- Brian Catlin, *Weatherford ISD School Board*
- Mike Guest, President, *Weatherford ISD School Board*

## Azle to face new, old foes in realigned districts

BY DON MUNSCH  
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For Azle High School's football team, the University Interscholastic League's new realignment amounted to sort of a good news/bad news day.

Bad news first: Aledo and Denton Ryan — perennial state powerhouses — will be in Azle's football district the next two seasons.

Now the good news: As Azle head football coach Devon Dorris said, Azle won't have to face either of those two teams straight off the bat in first round of the playoffs.

On Feb. 3, while much of the state coped with freezing temperatures and wintry precipitation, UIL released its realignment for football and other sports for 2022-23 and 2023-24. The Azle Hornets football team will be in a district with some new and old opponents, who will be scattered across several counties in North Texas.

Azle will be in Division I in District 3 with Aledo,

SEE SIGNING, PAGE 4B.



The Azle High School football team enters the field during a game this past season. The Hornets will play in a nine-team district the next two years. Two of their opponents are state powers Aledo and Denton Ryan.

Photo by Jeff Prince

### NATIONAL SIGNING DAY

## Azle scholar athletes put pens to paper



Eleven seniors signed their names to letters of intent during a simultaneous signing ceremony.

Photo by Jeff Prince

BY JEFF PRINCE  
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Eleven Hornets — all seniors — held pens while sitting at tables in front of a large crowd one day last week at Azle High School's main gymnasium.

Simultaneously, they scribbled their names on

letters. The signatures announced their intention to study along with playing sports at the college level after leaving high school. For many of the kids, writing their names on National Signing Day, Feb. 2, meant leaving the only town they've ever called home.

“I want to thank you on behalf of Azle High School for the way you have represented our school and the way you are continuing to represent our school,” said Principal Randy Cobb. “Thank you so much for what you've done. We are very proud of you.”

SEE SIGNING, PAGE 4B.

## Azle soccer boys drop district opener against wily Coyotes

BY JEFF PRINCE  
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Azle athletic trainer Tiffany Shaw was treating Cody McIntyre for a bloodied nose on the sideline after Monday night's district opener ended in a 3-0 loss for the Hornet soccer team.

Head coach Austin Fugate asked his player what happened.

“I got hit in the face,” he said.

“Did you hit the guy back?” the coach joked.

“It was Josh!” McIntyre said, referring to his own goalkeeper, Josh Leonard.

Accidents can occur in the fast-paced game of soccer, a sport played outdoors in winter by athletes wearing little clothing or protective padding.

The recent ice storm de-



Cody McIntyre received treatment for a bloody nose at the district opener on Monday.

Photo by Jeff Prince

SEE SOCCER, PAGE 2B.

## Azle boys and girls win district titles in wrestling

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The Azle High School boys and girls wrestling teams captured District 4-5A titles at the championship meet held in Lubbock over the weekend.

Azle hasn't won boys and girls titles in the same year since 2015.

“It was a very exciting weekend,” said boys coach Tyler Harrison.

Ten teams competed at the meet, including Aledo, Saginaw, Springtown, Vernon and five Lubbock-based high schools. The meet was delayed temporarily by the ice storm that blanketed North Texas on Feb. 3.

“We faced a lot of adversity with the weather conditions and the tournament schedule changing once we were already to Lubbock,” Harrison said. “Our kids did a great job of focusing on what they could control and going out and competing hard.”

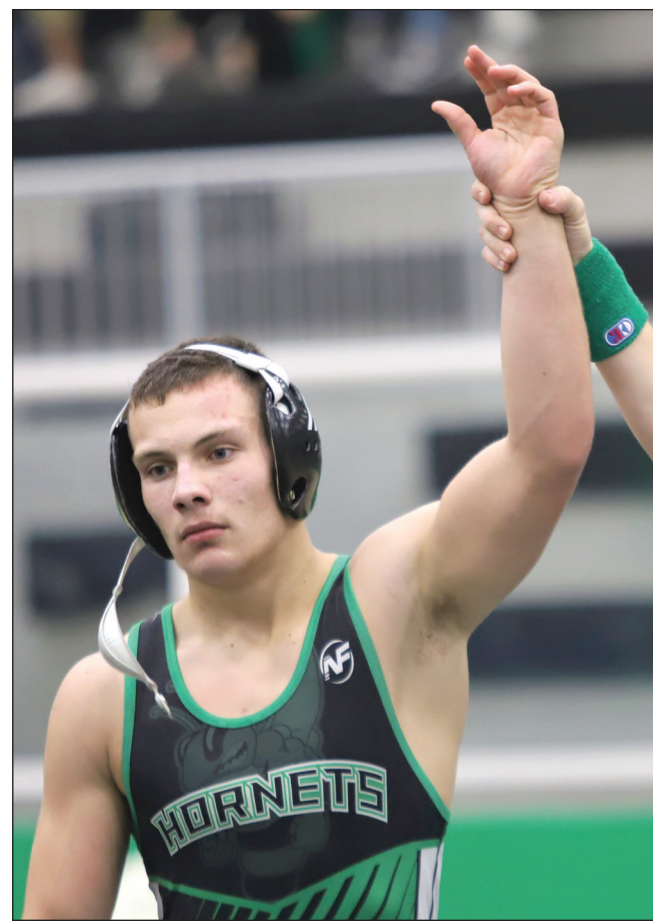
First-place finishers who took home titles for the Lady Hornets were Jacy Williams, 102 pounds; Mariah Dillard, 110 pounds; Kaitlynn Kirkland Lane, 119 pounds; Alicen Dillard, 138 pounds; Annabelle Davis, 148 pounds; and Pella LeFever, 165 pounds.

Azle boys who won individual championships included Kenneth Riley, 106 pounds; Masen Martinez, 120 pounds; Oliver Lorenz, 132 pounds; Braxton Cates, 152 pounds; and Dominick Evans, 170 pounds.

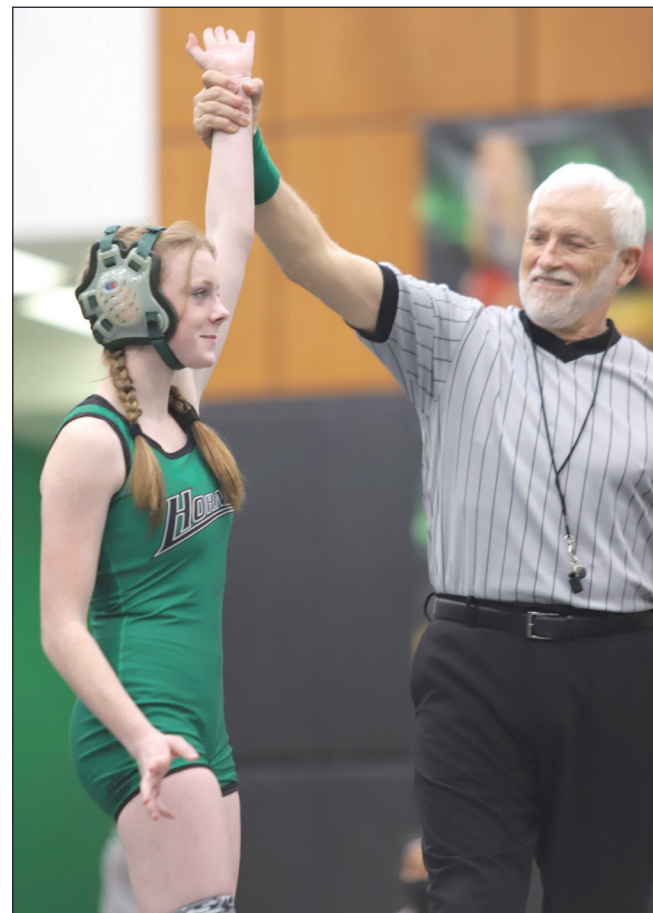
District runners-up for the boys included Landin Evans, 113 pounds; Hunter Legan, 138 pounds; Elias Ramirez, 182 pounds; and Billy Spratt, 195 pounds.

Third-place finishes went to T.J. Bailey, 95 pounds, for the girls; and Jackson Berg, 145 pounds, for the boys.

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Dominick Evans won a District 4-5A championship title in the 170-pound category.



Jacy Williams is one of six wrestlers who won individual district titles while competing for Azle.

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played the district opener, originally scheduled on Feb. 4, against the Wichita Falls Coyotes. By Feb. 7, at 4:30 p.m. – game time – the sky was blue. The sun shone brightly. All that remained as reminders of the storm were random spots of ice holding firm in shaded areas.

Fugate put the loss in perspective.

“This is one of the best teams in the state and definitely in the region,” he said. “It’s always going to be competitive, but we held them down pretty good.”

The Coyotes scored two goals in the first half and one in the second.

“They just finished their chances, and we didn’t,” he said. “We had more opportunities in the end, but it is what it is.”

The Hornets (1-7-2) play at 7 p.m. Feb. 9 at home against Rider (8-4) and play



Student trainers Katelynn Russell, Calyn Baird and Colby Booker watch as an adult trainer wraps a soccer player's ankle.

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Azle soccer player A.J. Carlson attacks the ball.

again at 7 p.m. Feb. 11 at home against Aledo (2-7-1).

**TRAINERS IN TRAINING**

Soccer players know they can rely on student trainers to help them prepare for competition – even players from the opposing teams.

At a Hirschi game on Jan. 28, three student trainers – Katelynn Russell, Colby Booker and Calyn Baird – watched and assisted as one of Azle’s adult trainers wrapped a player’s ankle on the sidelines. The player being wrapped wore a Hirschi uniform but was on the Azle sidelines.

“We’re taping him right now because their trainer is not here,” said Russell, a junior.

She and other trainers wrap the occasional ankle but focus mostly on treating turf burns and providing cold water to players. Other less-glamorous duties include cleaning up the sidelines after games.

Winter was making itself evident at the Hirschi game, and Booker had wrapped herself in a purple blanket to stay warm.

“I’m also wearing two jackets,” she said.

Her jackets included an

Azle High School hoodie and a TCU sweater. Being cold is a minor inconvenience, she said, and serving as a student trainer is a blast.

“I get to watch sports and do something that I want to do for my future,” she said.

Booker played sports in middle school but hurt her knee in eighth grade.

“Once I heard about athletic training, I wanted to do it,” she said.

Now, she has found her calling.

“This is what I want to do professionally,” she said.

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**PreK - 4th**  
**BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers, Toast,**  
Mon Cocoa Puffs Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Tues Strawberry Toaster Pastry Weds Golden Mini French Toast  
Thurs Mini Cinnamon Rolls Fri Golden Banana Bread Slice  
**LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice**  
Mon Cheese Quesadilla, Cheesy Chicken Flour Tacos Tues Seasoned Chicken Parmesan with Whole Wheat Dinner Roll, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich Weds Grilled Cheeseburger, Chicken Nuggets w/Roll Thurs Aimee's Chicken Spaghetti Casserole, Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich w/ String Cheese Fri Delicious Cheese Pizza, Cheesy Meatball Sub

**GRADES 5TH - 8TH**  
**BREAKFAST: Everyday - Assorted Fruits and Cereal, Juice, White or Chocolate Milk, Graham Crackers,**  
Mon Warm Cinnamon Oatmeal Tues Scramble Eggs w/ Toast Weds Homemade Whole Grain Cinnamon Rolls  
Thurs Fluffy Jumbo Waffles w/ Turkey Bacon Fri Red, White & Blue Berry Yogurt Parfait  
**LUNCH: Everyday - Variety of milk. Your choice of 1 entree & 1 fruit or juice, rolls, crackers. Variety of burgers.**  
Mon Turkey Taco Nachos, Beefy Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Homemade Cheesy Nachos, Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Grilled Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Juicy Hamburger, Pepperoni & Jalapeno Pizza, Classic Pepperoni Pizza Tues Crispy Turkey Tacos, Crispy Chicken Fajita Tacos, Crispy Beef Tacos, Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Grilled Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Juicy Hamburger, Classic Pepperoni Pizza, Turkey Ham Hawaiian Pizza Weds Grande Beef & Cheese Fajita, Seasoned Chicken Fajitas w/Flour Tortilla, Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Grilled Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Juicy Hamburger, Classic Pepperoni Pizza, Pork Sausage Crumble Pizza Thurs Homemade Beef & Bean Burrito, Cheesy Chicken Burrito, Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Grilled Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Juicy Hamburger Fri Scratch-Made Beef Enchiladas, Verde Cheese Enchiladas, Scratch-Made Cheese Enchiladas, Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich, Grilled Cheeseburger, Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich, Juicy Hamburger, Delicious Cheese Pizza, Loaded Meatlovers Pizza

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# Azle Christian basketball boys to finish district play against Victory Baptist



Camden Logan, shown here practicing a dunk during pre-game warmups, made two dunks against StoneGate.

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The Azle Christian Crusaders would like to end district play by notching its second victory against Victory Baptist.

On Feb. 1, the two teams met for the first time, and Azle Christian came out on top 44-36.

"It was a great back and forth game," said head coach Ryan Rollins. "We played a great game defensively."

The two teams square off

again on Feb. 14.

Several players found themselves in foul trouble, and another starter was out sick.

"We were plugging guys into spots they aren't used to playing, but everybody stepped up," the coach said.

Camden Logan scored 18 points, followed by Ryan English with nine. Ty South scored eight points and notched multiple assists and steals. Noah Rollins grabbed eight rebounds, and Logan had seven. Andy Wisniewski

had five rebounds and four steals.

The Crusaders whipped StoneGate 71-26 during Monday night's game after toppling the same team last week 63-14.

The Crusaders are fighting for second-place seeding since Faustina has clinched first place.

Azle Christian (11-11) plays at 7 p.m. Feb. 11 and 7 p.m. Feb. 14 on the road against Victory Baptist (4-9) to close out the regular season.



Ryan English looks to pass his way out of trouble

Photos by Jeff Prince

# Azle Christian roundball girls learn patience, persistence

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The Azle Christian Lady Crusaders are not bragging about their three district wins this season. All came via forfeit after StoneGate Christian, one of four teams in District 2-1A TAPPS, canceled its season.

The Crusaders have lost every game that involved dribbling and shooting, although few games have been played.

"I've been really shocked by how the schedule kind of fanned out," said Joe Shehan, the first-year head coach at the private school on FM 730 South.

A coaching change just before the season began led to scheduling problems early in the season. A few games had to be canceled. Teams bowed out of games at the last minute because of COVID-19 issues. Then, StoneGate Christian Academy canceled its season.

The girls played just three games before district competition began.

"It's been really crazy, but the girls have been a lot of fun," said Gayle Shehan, a freshman defensive stand-out. "After games, it can get kind of frustrating with all the losses that we've had, but I've noticed how the girls have started getting better attitudes as the season has progressed. They've learned that winning isn't the only important thing. The important thing is progressing, getting better and working together as a team."



Laney Geeslin is one of two juniors on a team without any seniors.

Photos by Jeff Prince

Other factors prompted the Crusaders' on-court woes. The team moved up from TCAF to the more competitive TAPPS league, and this season's roster is young, with mostly freshmen and sophomores.

"I knew it's going to be an uphill battle," the coach said. "I've been really impressed with the poise that the girls have been handling it with. Each week we get better."

## TURNING IT AROUND

Everyone expected a season of rebuilding with green players, but the losses began

to sting early in the season. Laney Geeslin, a junior, said the team's attitude "hit the drain" after a string of defeats.

"We knew from the start that it would be a difficult season, knowing we didn't have any seniors," she said. "We knew that our main goal was to just show Christ-like character no matter how bad we were losing. We failed that a few times, but we are going to keep pushing and hope that we can overcome it again."

Changing direction required coming together as a

team, she said.

"We've been really focusing on encouraging others," Geeslin said. "We all just kind of started working as a family and picking each other up instead of tearing each other down."

The tough times have helped build character and court skills in the girls, and the coach appreciates watching the growth.

"What I'd like to see out of them is just continued improvement," he said.

His young players are showing "poise, grace and the maturity that you would

expect from seasoned players," Shehan said.

## TAKING THE HIT

The coach's daughter, Gayle, is the team's tallest player at 5 feet, 10 inches. She leads in most of the defensive categories, including rebounding, and has earned physical bumps and bruises along the way to match the mental trauma of constant losing.

"Defense really is about just hustling back and making sure that you're able to be aggressive and able to really put your body on the

line," she said. "There have been a lot of times where I've gotten busted lips, sprained ankles, that sort of thing. I've had to push through it."

When not studying or playing basketball, Shehan likes to read. Her book list sounds like primer material for learning to survive on the basketball court.

"I just started 'Twilight,'" she said. "That's been pretty good. And the 'Hunger Games' was pretty good."

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Isaac Riley, Brandon Sheets and Kyler Braswell will play baseball together at Ottawa University.



Bernock Iya, this year's Most Valuable Player on the Hornet football team, will take his athletic skills to Texas State University.

Photos by Jeff Prince

Three of the seniors will attend Ottawa University on baseball scholarships.

"I'm going to play baseball, hopefully, all four years," said Isaac Riley, who will pitch his final season for the Hornets this spring before departing for Ottawa, Kansas. "I like the university. It will be a good fit for me, and I'm excited to go there."

Going with him are two of his Azle teammates — short-stop Kyler Braswell and first baseman Brandon Sheets.

"We all went out together, and then, we all got offers," Riley said. "It all kind of just happened."

He will miss Azle, where he has lived since fifth grade.

"It's a great town to grow up in with a lot of opportunities everywhere," Riley said. "It's a big enough school. There is always competition. Your job is never there for you all the time. You've always got to fight. I really love this town."

## CHEERS TO CHEER

Garrett Gouyton performed well on the defensive line for the Hornets football team, but his cheer team skills will help offset his tuition at the University of Oklahoma.

Gouyton began cheering as a sophomore at Azle High.

"I never expected much of it," he said.

He enjoyed helping with stunts and began competitive cheering at Cheer Athletics in Plano, a gym that provides classes and training.

"That sparked my career and got me offers at multiple schools," he said.

Gouyton is a crack scholar, too, which helped him land at an NCAA Division I school.

"My offer at OU stood out way more and will definitely take me farther in the future," he said. "I'll cheer at football games. We have the UCA (Universal Cheerleaders Association) national competition that we go to every year."

Cheering at OU will be like Azle but on a "way bigger level," he said.

Through cheering, Gouyton "met a lot of different



Kalle Vasquez, flanked by her mother and grandmother, will play softball at Arlington Baptist University.

people, and it opened a lot of doors," he said.

## OFF TO COLLEGE... BUT NOT FAR

Returning home to visit won't be difficult for Kalle Vasquez. She intends to play softball at Arlington Baptist University, less than an hour's drive from Azle.

Still, moving will be tough.

"Azle is my home," she said. "I've grown up here my whole life. All my friends and family are here. Coaches are here. I'm going to be sad when I leave, but I'm excited to start a new chapter of my life."

She intends to study business at college.

"Then, once I'm finished with business, I'm going to study physical therapy," she said.

Vasquez began playing softball at 6.

"It takes a lot to stay committed to a sport so long," she said. "I worked really hard to be where I'm at right now."

## NFL DREAMS

The Azle football team's big offensive tackle, Jakson LaHue, is another top scholar and athlete with big plans.

He will attend Mississippi State University and live in Starkville, Miss., but he won't forget the little place he has called home for 18 years.

"I'm so thankful I was able to grow up in Azle," he said. "It's a really good community to grow up in. Everybody is charitable. I can't imagine growing up anywhere else."

LaHue's future home will have similar traits.

"We love it down there" in Starkville, he said. "It re-

minds us a lot of Azle — or Azle with a college stuck on the side of it."

He hopes to excel on the gridiron at college and keep playing afterward.

"If your dream isn't to go to the NFL, then college football isn't for you," he said. "But I'm also in it for the education. I want to major in mechanical engineering."

His freshman year of college courses are completed almost, since LaHue has been taking extra classes at high school. He finished just shy of the top 10% of his class academically.

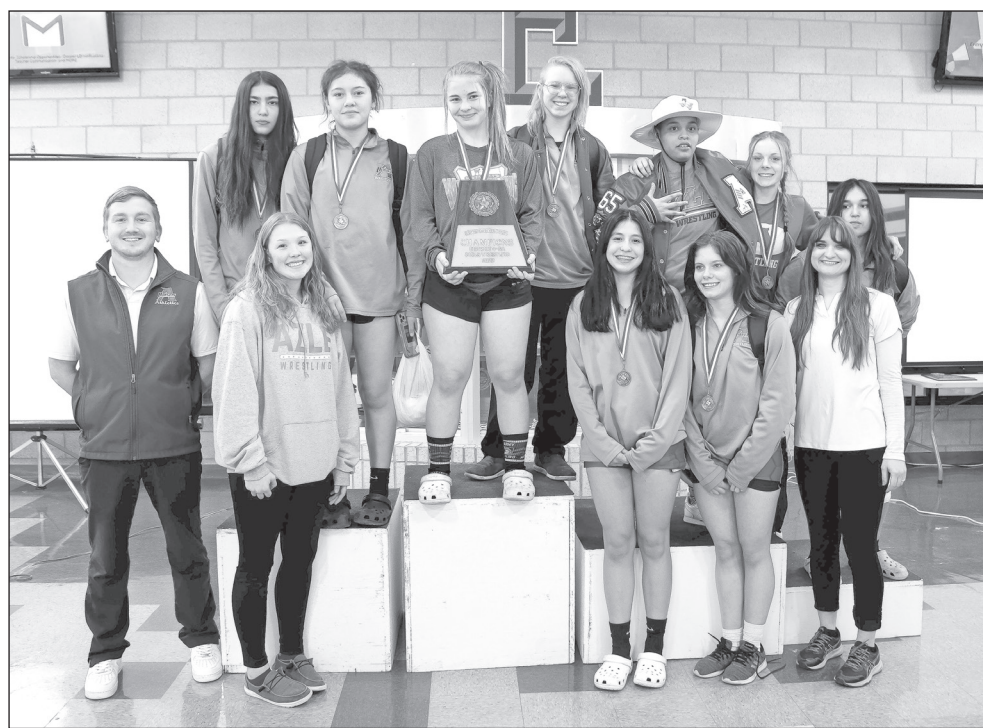
"At the start of a quarantine last year, I just kind of let it go, and I am definitely regretting it right now, because it just put me shy of the top 10%," he said. "But, in the real world, it really doesn't matter in terms of college. I've already accepted Mississippi State and already made it into the College of Engineering, so I'm definitely happy with that."

If he looked 10 years into future, what would he hope to see?

"I would definitely be playing in the NFL for at least a good minute, and then just come back, have my own shop and just stay busy working on cars" in Azle, he said.

Other seniors inking deals include Alyssa Holland, softball, University of Arkansas Rich Mountain; Camryn Hinkle, volleyball, Kansas Wesleyan University; Brenden Kaminick, baseball, Northern Oklahoma College; Kaden Taylor, football, Northwestern Oklahoma State University; Bernock Iya, football, Texas State University; and Isaiah Fuller, football, Bethel College.

## WRESTLING, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1B.



The Azle boys and girls wrestling teams won district titles together for the first time since 2015.

Courtesy photos

Other Azle competitors included Lane Williams, fourth place, 126 pounds; Jazrine Nieto, fourth place, 128 pounds; Tacoma Redding, fifth place, 285 pounds; Kenzie Kearns, sixth place, 185 pounds; and Savanna Crafton, sixth place, 215 pounds.

Elijah Correa, 160

pounds, and Zack Barrett, 220 pounds, didn't place but earned points that helped the boys team win.

A dozen boys and eight girls qualified to compete at the regional championships on Feb. 11-12 at Bel Air High School in El Paso.

"Our region is the toughest in the state, and we ex-

pect our kids to do well and push through to the state tournament," Harrison said. "Our coaches are extremely proud of our kids and their hard work."

The state meet is scheduled for Feb. 18-19 at Berry Center in Cypress.

## REALIGNMENT, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1B.

Burleson Centennial, Denton Ryan, Fort Worth South Hills, The Colony, North-west, Saginaw and Brewer.

"We're in one of the most competitive 5A districts in the state of Texas," Dorris said. "You make it to the playoffs, you're going to be battle tested and you're definitely going to have a chance to play a while."

He said in a nine-team district, there will be an extra team playing for one of the four playoff spots. Azle was previously in an eight-team district. The teams will play just two non-district games the next two seasons. Azle will be play Frisco Reedy and Grapevine in non-district.

"You better be ready at the start of the year," Dorris said. "That's the first thing I noticed. Secondly, obviously, (there are) seven teams that have been in the playoffs or have been a playoff-type team for the last however many years, so you're going to be in a competitive game every single week."

Dorris said he could see multiple teams in the new district playing each other again in the playoffs, because the teams that come out of the new district will be some of the top-rated teams in the region.

"It's going to be a very competitive district and our goals and aspirations and the things we try to work on daily doesn't change, (no matter) whoever's in our district," he said. "So, it's time to keep working, get

ready for the 2022 season."

Azle's basketball and volleyball teams will be in District 5, which features opponents Aledo, Granbury, Northwest, Saginaw, Brewer and Wichita Falls Rider. Northwest and Saginaw are the new faces in the district, while Wichita Falls High School departs for a new district.

Azle ISD Athletic Director Becky Spurlock said the football district was definitely different from what was expected.

"We knew we'd have some changes," she said. "A nine-team district creates some challenges sometimes. So that's one thing. The second thing is we go from one side of the Metroplex to the other side. But we certainly have some good teams in the district, with the addition of Aledo, which we knew we would get Aledo. And then you've got Denton Ryan and The Colony and Centennial. There's some additions. It's certainly going to make our football district a very competitive football district. But we're used to that and our kids will stand up to that and we'll fare well."

Spurlock was pleased with the non-football district.

"I think it gives us good people to play," she said. "I think that our kids can be excited about who we're playing. I think we'll be competitive in that district." She said there were some predictions that Azle would

play teams west of here. She is excited to still play Rider, explaining that Azle has had a good experience with the Wichita Falls schools the last couple of years.

As for other sports, such as baseball, softball and soccer, those districts will be announced around the first week of March. Wrestling and swimming districts will be different, too.

"So, you'll end up having probably four different districts in your one school," Spurlock said.

She said no matter what the alignment for Azle, athletes will go compete, and "that's just the way our kids and our coaches work. So, we'll move and create our new district and some new championships in those districts."

Other coaches reacted to the new district in emails to the News.

"I don't see a clear favorite," said James Crafton, AHS head boys basketball coach, adding there were "several familiar faces, teams that are well coached and it will be a battle every night." Any four of the new group could be in the playoffs next year, he added.

"We are always excited to see how our district will change," said Mitzi Marquart, AHS head girls basketball coach. "I am sure that adding Northwest and Saginaw along with losing WF High will change things, but we are looking forward to the challenge."





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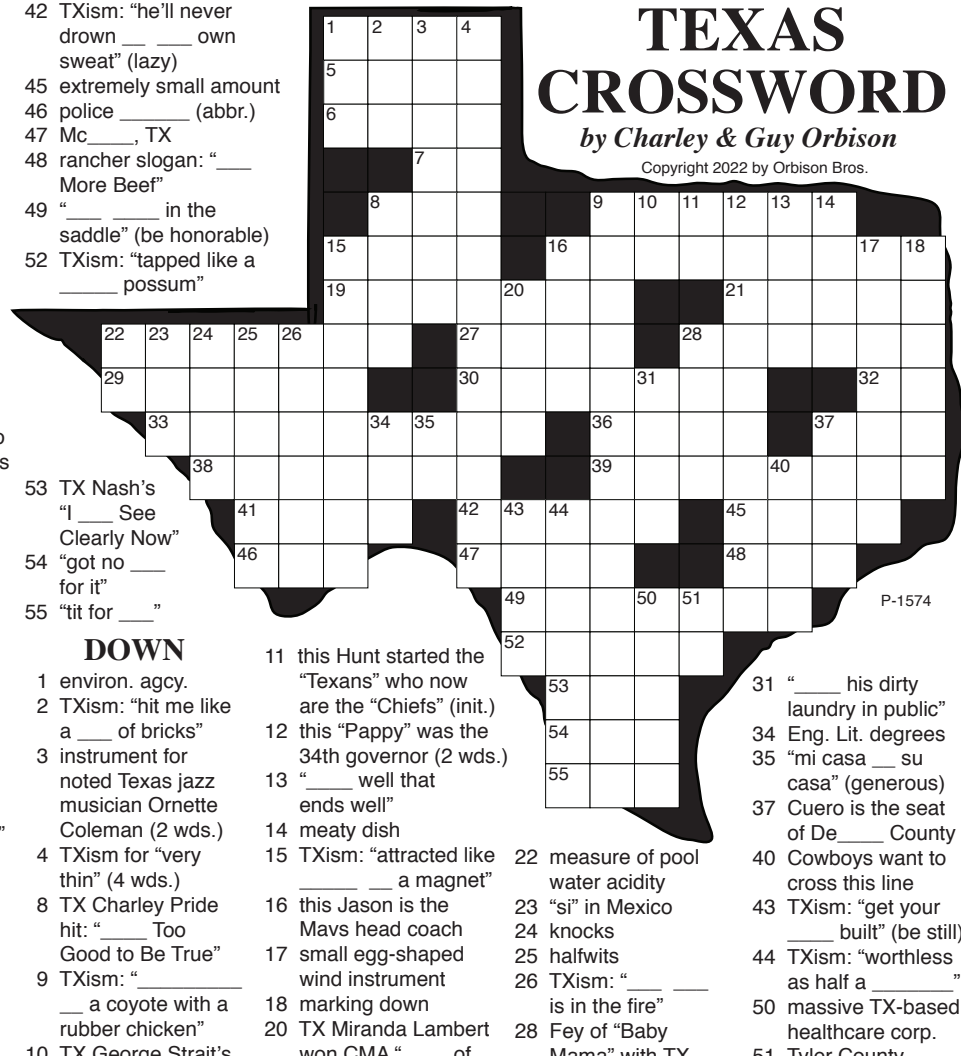
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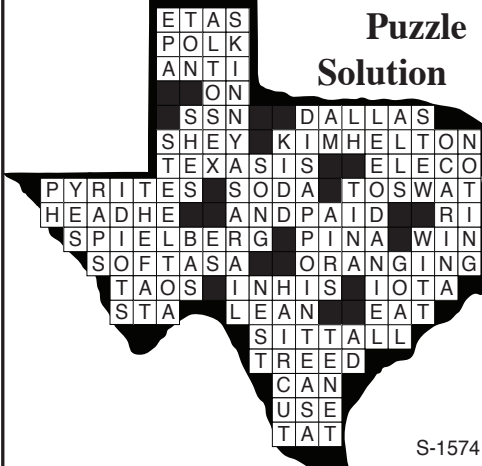
**ACROSS**

- arrival guesses at DFW Airport
- Livingston is the seat of this county
- prefix for "against"
- TXism: "raised concrete" (city boy)
- nat'l ID "Big D"
- square dance walk: sa \_\_\_\_\_
- he was UH's coach (1993-99) (2 wds.)
- Carl Sandberg said "\_\_\_\_\_ valor and swagger"
- "the echo" in Mexico
- "fool's gold" minerals
- carbonated soft drink
- TXism: "he's too lazy \_\_\_\_\_ flies"
- TXism: "has such a big \_\_\_\_\_ struts"
- TXism: "all bought \_\_\_\_\_ for"
- this state is about 251 times smaller than Texas (abbr.)
- this Steven directed "Lincoln" with TX Tommy Lee Jones
- Mexican "pineapple"
- TX Orbison sang "You \_\_\_\_\_ Again"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ baby's bottom"
- Rice professor Max Apple wrote "The \_\_\_\_\_ of America"
- some Texans ski at this NM ski valley
- TXism: "he'll never drown \_\_\_\_\_ own sweat" (lazy)
- extremely small amount
- police \_\_\_\_\_ (abbr.)
- Mc \_\_\_\_\_, TX
- rancher slogan: "\_\_\_\_\_ More Beef"
- "\_\_\_\_\_ in the saddle" (be honorable)
- TXism: "tapped like a \_\_\_\_\_ possum"
- TX Nash's "I \_\_\_\_\_ See Clearly Now"
- "got no \_\_\_\_\_ for it"
- "tit for \_\_\_\_\_"
- this Hunt started the "Texans" who now are the "Chiefs" (init.)
- this "Pappy" was the 34th governor (2 wds.)
- "\_\_\_\_\_ well that ends well"
- meaty dish
- TXism: "attracted like \_\_\_\_\_ a magnet"
- this Jason is the Mavs head coach
- small egg-shaped wind instrument
- marking down
- TX Miranda Lambert won CMA "\_\_\_\_\_ of the Year" in 2012
- "\_\_\_\_\_ his dirty laundry in public"
- Eng. Lit. degrees
- "mi casa \_\_\_\_\_ su casa" (generous)
- Cuero is the seat of De \_\_\_\_\_ County
- Cowboys want to cross this line
- TXism: "get your \_\_\_\_\_ built" (be still)
- TXism: "worthless as half a \_\_\_\_\_"
- massive TX-based healthcare corp.
- Tyler County Booster classified

**DOWN**

- environ. agcy.
- TXism: "hit me like a \_\_\_\_\_ of bricks"
- instrument for noted Texas jazz musician Ornette Coleman (2 wds.)
- TXism for "very thin" (4 wds.)
- TX Charley Pride hit: "\_\_\_\_\_ Too Good to Be True"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a coyote with a rubber chicken"
- TX George Strait's "\_\_\_\_\_ I Blue" (1987)

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